

# Solar Stewardship Initiative: **Public Summary Report**

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# Certificate

Certification Summary	
Certified Site	<b>Chint Solar (Haining) Co. Ltd.</b>
Certificate No.	<b>17102022-0017</b>
Standard(s)	<b>ESG</b>
Assessment Body	<b>TÜV Rheinland</b>
Type of assessment	<b>Surveillance Y1</b>
Current grade	<b>Silver</b>
Certification performance trend	<b>■ Maintained</b>
Certificate issue	<b>21/01/2026</b>
Certificate expiry	<b>20/01/2027</b>
Site certified since	<b>19/02/2025</b>

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## **Section 1: Site Information**

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Overview	
Member	<b>Astronergy</b>
Site	<b>Chint Solar (Haining) Co. Ltd.</b>
Location	<b>No.2 and No. 6 Jisheng Road, Jianshan New Zone, Haining, Zhejiang, China, 314415</b>
Supply chain activities	<b>Module Manufacturer</b>
Assessment type (*)	<b>Surveillance Year 1</b>
Assessment dates	<b>18 - 19/11/2025</b>
Next assessment type	<b>Surveillance Year 2</b>
Claims	<b>The certified member site claims may only be displayed on company websites, flyers and other marketing materials, corporate material, invoices, letter heads and other contractual documents. No product-related claims are allowed. For more information check the SSI Claims Guide.</b>

## (\*) Understanding the Assessment Type

- **Initial Assessment**

A comprehensive assessment of a site against all SSI Standard (s) requirements, conducted to determine the level of compliance and to identify any non-conformances.

- **Follow-up Assessment**

A subsequent assessment conducted after an unsuccessful Initial Assessment, to verify that corrective actions have been implemented for non-conformances identified during the Initial Assessment.

- **Surveillance Assessment**

An interim assessment during the certification cycle to confirm ongoing compliance with the SSI Standard(s). It verifies closure of minor non-conformances and observations, reviews any scope changes (e.g. new production lines), and samples requirements to ensure no new risks or regressions have arisen.

- **Recertification Assessment**

An assessment conducted at the end of a three-year cycle that covers all current production lines and fully reflects any significant scope changes since the last full assessment.

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## **Section 2: Summary of Findings**

# Summary of Findings (\*)

Overview							
Topic	Total requirements	Requirements assessed	C	Mi NC	Ma NC	O	N/A
Governance and Business Ethics	23	6	20	1	0	2	0
Environment	21	10	18	0	0	0	3
Human and Labour Rights	52	16	45	2	0	0	5
<b>Total count</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>

# (\* ) Understanding Conformance Ratings

## Note

"Total requirements" shows the full number of applicable Standard requirements, while "Requirements assessed" shows how many were reviewed in this assessment.

- **Conformance (C):**

Systems, policies, procedures, and processes performed in a manner that is in line with the intent of the SSI Standards.

- **Minor Non-Conformance (Mi NC):**

An isolated lapse of performance or control.

A breach which represents low risk to workers/those on site.

A policy issue where there is no evidence of material breach.

Policies or procedures that have been recently adopted but have not been in place or implemented for a sufficient period to demonstrate effective application.

- **Major Non-Conformance (Ma NC):**

A systemic failure or total lack of required controls by the site.

A total absence of implementation of the requirement.

A breach of law.

A group of related, repetitive, or persistent minor non-conformances indicating inadequate implementation.

- **Observation (O):**

A Conformance that meets the fundamental requirements of the SSI Standard(s) but needs improvement.

If this improvement is not adequately addressed, the Observation could escalate to a Non-Conformance during the next Assessment.

- **Not Applicable (N/A):**

A requirement which cannot be implemented by a site due to the nature of its operations.

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## **Section 3: Findings Breakdown**

# Governance and Business Ethics Findings Breakdown

Governance and Business Ethics							
Topic	Total requirements	Requirements assessed	C	Mi NC	Ma NC	O	N/A
1. Business Integrity	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
2. Policy and Management	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
3. Stakeholders and Communities	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
4. Transparency	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
5. Responsible Sourcing	5	5	2	1 (*)	0	2 (**)	0
<b>Total count</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

# Governance and Business Ethics

## Non Conformances Overview

### (\*) Requirement 5.5

The Facility has developed and implemented its due diligence system to include at a minimum:

- Strong management systems, including a supply chain Policy, responsibilities and resources, information gathering and supplier engagement.
- Identification and assessment of risks in the supply chain.
- Design and implementation of a strategy to respond to identified risks.
- An independent third-party audit of its due diligence system.
- Public reporting annually on due diligence undertaken."

However, the Responsible Mineral Sourcing of Supply Chain Policy has not been sufficiently communicated internally through training, briefings, awareness campaigns, meetings etc.

### (\*\*) Requirement 5.1 and 5.4

5.1 The Facility has implemented a Responsible Sourcing Policy, aligned to the social, environmental and governance requirements identified by this Standard and communicated, and raised awareness of these principles amongst its supply chain partners. However, no publicly available version history of the policy is provided, which limits transparency regarding updates and changes over time.

5.4 With respect to sourcing from conflict-affected and high-risk areas, the Facility has develop and implement the Responsible Sourcing Policy consistent at a minimum with Annex II of the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (OECD Guidance) and has implemented through a due diligence system aligned with Annex I of the OECD Guidance. However, no publicly available version history of the policy is provided, which limits transparency regarding updates and changes over time.

# Environment Findings Breakdown

Environment							
Topic	Total requirements	Requirements assessed	C	Mi NC	Ma NC	O	N/A
6. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Management	3	3	3	0	0	0	0
7. Water Management	3	0	4	0	0	0	0
8. Waste Management	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
9. Pollution Management	3	3	3	0	0	0	0
10. Biodiversity Management	2	0	2	0	0	0	3
11. Circularity	4	4	4	0	0	0	0
<b>Total count</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

# Human and Labour Rights Findings Breakdown

Human and Labour Rights							
Topic	Total requirements	Requirements assessed	C	Mi NC	Ma NC	O	N/A
12. Human Rights	7	0	6	0	0	0	1
13. Labour Rights	29	9	25	0	0	0	4
14. Occupational Health and Safety (Worker's Protection)	16	7	14	2 (*)	0	0	0
<b>Total count</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

# Human and Labour Rights

## Non Conformances Overview

### **(\*) Requirement 14.10**

The Facility provides a safe and hygienic working environment, taking into consideration industry standards and any specific hazards identified in the risk assessment. Adequate steps have been taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by eliminating or minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment. However, during the site tour, it was observed that staff did not implement lockout procedures while repairing equipment on a testing line, which poses a safety risk.

### **(\*) Requirement 14.15**

The Facility provides properly maintained and clearly marked fire safety equipment and alarms; clearly marked, unlocked, and unblocked emergency exits and escape routes; and emergency lighting. However, during site tour it was observed that one of the evacuation corridors lacked an evacuation exit signal.