PERFORMANCES OF NITROCELLULOSE LACQUER AND ACID CATALYST LACQUER ON GIAM (*Hopea* spp.)

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ABSTRACT

PERFORMANCES OF NITROCELLULOSE LACQUER AND ACID CATALYST LACQUER ON GIAM (*Hopea* spp.)

Finishing is an important process to decorate and the process is the last of a sequence of manufacturing actions. This study was being conducted to determine the finishing properties of giam (*Hopea* spp.) by using two different types of solvent-based lacquer which are nitrocellulose lacquer and acid catalyst lacquer. The main objectives of this study are to determine the finishing properties of giam by using different types of coating and to determine the best coating system using different finishing that suitable to be applied on giam. All the samples were being tested by using three (3) types of systems for both lacquers which are system 1 (2 layers of sealers + 1 layer of topcoat), system 2 (2 layers of sealers + 2 layers of topcoats), and system 3 (2 layers of sealers + 3 layers of topcoats). The application of all systems is using spray gun. From this study, system 3 of acid catalyst lacquer showed the best performances compared to others.