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U.S. Lumber Coalition Applauds Commerce Department Preliminary Determination Supporting U.S. Lumber Industry

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Department of Commerce today announced the preliminary determination of the first administrative review of antidumping and countervailing duties on Canadian softwood lumber imports into the United States. These annual reviews are a normal part of the trade law enforcement process to address the dumping and subsidization of Canadian imports for a certain time period, and the U.S. Lumber Coalition fully supports this annual process.

“The U.S. softwood lumber industry is pleased that the U.S. government is fully enforcing our trade laws,” said Jason Brochu, U.S. Lumber Coalition Co-Chair and Co-President of Pleasant River Lumber Company. “This enforcement is necessary so that communities across America can compete on a level playing field. Canada’s massive subsidies to their lumber industry have caused real harm to U.S. producers and workers. With a fair-trade environment, the U.S. lumber industry, and the 350,000 men and women who support it, is growing production to meet our country’s softwood lumber demand. The U.S. lumber industry will continue to push for the full enforcement of the U.S. trade laws during this ongoing process,” concluded Brochu.

About the U.S. Lumber Coalition

The U.S. Lumber Coalition is an alliance of large and small softwood lumber producers from around the country, joined by their employees, and woodland owners, working to address Canada’s unfair lumber trade practices. Our goal is to serve as the voice of the American lumber community, and effectively address Canada’s unfair softwood lumber trade practices, including its gross underpricing of timber. For more information, please visit the Coalition’s website at www.uslumbercoalition.org.

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