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The Honorable Wayne Morse Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 2000

Dear Senator Morse:

Your sub-committee on retail distribution and marketing practices, a sub-committee of the selected committee on small business, has heard extensive testimony, supported by lengthy statistics, indicating the serious affect that the continuing export of logs from the Pacific Northwest is having on the economy of the forest products industry of this region. Rather than repeat this statistical information I would like to indicate our support of the somewhat unified position of the lumber industry as explained and set forth by the Industrial Forestry Association, the National Forest Products Association, and the other major employer representative groups as being the most satisfactory solution to the problem and one which promises prompt relief to the industry. Other proposals have been set forth, and more particularly the one by the Treasury Department, which contain many good points, however, if we are to wait for the implementation of this report we may find very little of the industry left to benefit from the results in view of the present rapid mate of acceleration of log exports to to the far East.

We appreciate your concern and assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours

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