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## QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 87 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

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009-FOREST PRODUCTS, EQUIP, SERVICES BELGIUM

PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ALL SUB-SECTORS

TIMBER FRAME CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUE WILL CONTINUE TO BE AN IMPORTANT SEGMENT OF OUR ACTIVITIES.

REVIEW CURRENT SYSTEM, CONSUMER TASTES AND REVIEW GROWTH IN DIV TREND IN MARKET.

APPRISE CANADIAN INDUSTRY OF CURRENT STYLES, PATTERNS PRIVING.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 SOLID WOOD PANELLING CIRCULAR TO CDN COMPANIES ON PROSPECTS. HARDWOOD FLOORING INTRODUCE PRODU-CT TO BUILDERS.

QUARTER: 2 FOLLOW-UP WITH LOCAL CONTACTS.

QUARTER: 2 ACTIVITY EXPANDED TO PRE-ENGINEERED HOMES.

QUARTER: 3 DEVELOP TFC MODEL HOME FEATURING CDN DECORATING

PRODUCTS.

QUARTER: 3 DEVELOP PRESENTATION FOR MAJOR TRADE SHOW, F/U

ON JOINT VENTURE PARTNER.

QUARTER: 4 COOPERATE PRESENTATION TFC MODEL HOME FEATURING

CANADIAN DECORATING PRODUCTS AND CONSTRUCTION

PRODUCTS.

QUARTER: 4 PARTICIPATION BATIBOUW AND FOLLOW-UP.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

INCREASED ACCEPTANCE BY BUILDERS, CONSUMERS, INSURERS, BANKERS.

INTRODUCTION OF AT LEAST TWO NEW LINE OF HIGH VALUE ADDED WOOD PRODUCTS.

BETTER TARGETTED MKG EFFORT BY CDN EXPORTERS.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

INTRODUCED MANUFACTURERS FROM ALTA AND QUEBEC TO LOCAL CONTATCS. NOVA SCOTIA (KENT HOMES) FOLLOW-ING UP EXCELLENT PROJECT.

OFFERS STILL BEING STUDIED.

PROMOTION (MODEL HOMES) UNDER WAY, MAJOR TRADE SHOW EXPOSURE PLANNED.

PRODUCTS TO BE DISPLAYED IN MODEL HOME TO TEST CONSUMER REACTION & TO DEVELOP POTENTIAL REPS.

CDN PRESENTATION AT MAJOR FAIR NOW FINALIZED -BELGIAN PROMOTER HAS DEVELOPED JOINT VENTURE WITH CDN & BELGIUM PARTNER/MODEL HOME TO BE BUILT.

MODEL HOMES TO BE OPENED MAY 4 - ALL PRODUCTS BEING INSTALLED. BELGIAN VISITORS TO BE INVITED FOR CANADA DAY -MAY 16.

BATIBOUW SHOW SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED. FULL REPORT IN PROCESS. RE J. V. FIRST ORDERS (2 HOU-SES) NOW IN PROCESS. MORE TO FOLLOW.