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Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

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In the Trade Office's opinion, Canadian export performance in this sector (sub-sector) in this market is lower than optimum mainly because of:

- a lack of interest in the market on the part of Canadian exporters

Some Canadian exporters to this market in this sector(sub-sector) have enjoyed success previously as a result of a variety of factors which the trade office reports to include:

- aggressive marketing on the part of Canadian Exporters
- support provided by the PEMD program
- participation in trade fairs
- participation in trade missions
- use of Canadian Government export promotion activities
- use of provincial governments export promotion activities
- competitive export pricing for this market
- strong sectoral capability in Canada
- the existence of a bilateral economic/trade arrangement between Canada and this country
- the availability of competitive Canadian financing

The Trade Office suggests that sourcing tools currently available to them have some limitiations in particular:

- the adequacy of exporter information in Canadian Directories
- sourcing assistance from Canadian federal/provincial governments departments
- product/service information from Canadian companies

For the next fiscal year, the Trade Office is planning to undertake the following new export support initiative(s) in this sector (sub-sector):

Activity: INSTIGATE MARKET STUDY ON OUTERWEAR TO SUPPORT NEEDED IN-HOUSE OUTERWEAR SHOW WITH VARIOUS CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS -CLEVELAND

Results Expected: IDENTIFY DISTRIBUTORS/BUYERS.

Activity: VISIT MAJOR DEALERS AND REPS IN TERRITORY TO SEEK MARKET DATA RE: MARKETING OF CANADIAN RESIDENTIAL FURNITURE.

Results Expected: UP-DATED INFO ON NATURE OF MARKET.