

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

POST :618-MINNEAPOLIS

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLANNING: ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

ALL SUB-SECTORS

INCREASE CONTACTS TO DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH REGIONAL TRADE ASSOCIATIONS E.G. ELECTRONIC REP ASSOC., TWIN CITY PURCH. MGMT. ASSOC., MIDWEST IMPORTERS ASSOC.

INCREASE AWARENESS BY LOCAL FIRMS OF CANADIAN SOURCING CAPABILITY.

EXPAND CORPORATE LIASON CALLS TO EXECUTIVES AND PURCHASING MANAGEMENT IN TARGETED FIRMS LOCATED IN TWIN CITIES AND OTHER STATES IN TERRITORY

ASSIST IN ESTABLISHING CANADIAN FIRMS ON QUOTING LISTS.

DEVELOP TRADE INFORMATION MAILING ON REGULAR PERIODIC BASIS USING "NEWSLETTER" FORMAT.

ESTABLISH USE OF CANADIAN VENDORS AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SALES REPS. TO INCREASE BUSINESS AND FIRMS TO OBTAIN COMPETITIVE SOURCES.

HOLD SALES REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCES IN IOWA AND NEBRASKA.

INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SALES REPS/AGENTS CARRYING CANADIAN LINES.

TRACKING: ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

QUARTER: 1 A) ORGANIZED CDN EXHIBIT AT MIDWEST ELECTRONICS EXPO '87. B) INCREASE CONTACTS WITH REGIONAL TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

A) 11 11 CDN FIRMS PARTICIPATED IN MIDWEST ELEC. EXPO '87 ON-SITE SALES AMOUNTED TO APPROX. \$50,000 (US. PROPOSAL, IF SUCCESSFUL, COULD RESULT IN EARLY \$10 M(US) IN SALES FOR AN EXHIBITOR. B) DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD WITH THE ELEC. REP. ASSOC.

QUARTER: 2 FOLLOW-UP ON CONTACTS WITH REGIONAL TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

FORMAL PROPOSALS WERE GIVEN TO TWIN CITY PURCHASING MGMT. ASSOC. RE: PROGRAM ON SOURCING IN CDN & ELECT. REPS. ASSOC. RE: INFORMATIONAL SEMINAR TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

QUARTER: 3 FOLLOW-UP CONTACTS WITH REGIONAL TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

INFORMATION MEETING ON SOURCING IN CDA & STATUS OF FREE TRADE AGREEMENT ARRANGED WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ELECTRONIC REPS. ASSOCIATION.

QUARTER: 4 DEVELOP CONTACTS WITH TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

COORDINATED AND HOSTED A MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ELECTRONIC REPRESENTATIVES ASSOC. SENIOR TRADE COMMISSIONER SPOKE ON FREE TRADE AGREEMENT.