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Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

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The Trade Office reports that the following factors influence Canadian export performance in this market for this sector (sub-sector).

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

- No factors reported by mission

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
- use of Canadian Government export promotion activities
- use of provincial governments export promotion activities
- competitive export pricing for this market
- Canada's position as one of the few major sources of international supply
- strong sectoral capability in Canada

The Trade Office has recommended that a comprehensive market study of this sector (sub-sector) would enhance the knowledge of Canadian exporters to this market.

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

In support of Canadian exports in this sector (sub-sector) the Trade Office is currently engaged in activities which include:

Activity: ASSIST IN CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS REVIEW, MAGAZINE PROMOTION OF CANADIAN PRODUCTS

Results Expected: DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO RAISE PROFILE OF 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: COMMISSION SURVEY OF NEW ENGLAND PRE-BUILT HOUSING MARKET

Results Expected: EXPAND SALES OF CANADIAN FIRMS BY \$10M. IMPROVE THOROUGHNESS OF MARKET INFO.