Following the changes announced today, the export charge will have been eliminated or significantly reduced on more than 85% of Canada's exports of softwood lumber products to the United States.

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