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To: Interested Parties

Re: AWPA & Arch chemicals

Our industry benefits from the American Wood Protection Association. The AWPA is a recognized consensus standards writing body with an open review process which helps to ensure that treated wood products will perform effectively. Though the listing process takes many man-hours and can be somewhat cumbersome and sometimes political, AWPA members understand the nuances of treated wood. When they accept a product or a process, consumers can be certain that it is efficacious.

Our track record shows clearly that we believe in submitting our products for listing in the AWPA standards, and that we have taken the required steps to list each of them.

- In 1995 we earned listing for our original copper azole formulation, CBA-A. It was amended in 1996 and 1999, reaffirmed in 2001 and again this year.
- In 1996 we earned AWPA's first listing for a fire retardant formulation. It was reaffirmed in 2002.
- In 2002 we earned listing for Type B copper azole without boron, CA-B. It was also reaffirmed this year.
- In 2007 we began the process for listing our non-metallic Wolman® AG preservative, and on January 26, 2008, the executive committee gave its final approval. The process entails data submission to the independent Preservative Review Board; submissions, discussions, and 2/3 affirmative votes of technical subcommittees; the general committee vote; resolution of negatives; and procedural review of the executive committee. PTI preservative will be listed in the 2008 AWPA Book of Standards.
- This year we began the listing process for CA-C (amine) preservative. A data package has been submitted for consideration by the independent Preservative Review Board. If we are successful in pursuit of this listing, approval can be expected in August of this year. We intend to seek standardization for μ CA-C (micronized) once we have sufficient long term test data to meet requirements for submission to AWPA.
- And, also this year, we will be proposing reaffirmation of the listing for ACZA.

To expedite introduction of a worthwhile treatment, especially when the retentions have varied significantly from "traditional" retentions, we have periodically sought code evaluation reports prior to obtaining AWPA listing. We will continue to do this when necessary. However, we value the assurance provided in a thorough, open examination of data by knowledgeable people, and we value AWPA listing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Snyder". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steve Snyder
Director, Sales & Service