

Reminder:**10% Duty on Canadian Lumber from
Four Provinces Effective Tomorrow**

This NGJ International Trade Update (ITU) is to serve as a reminder of the effective date of two upcoming issues that will affect the importation of softwood lumber from Canada and the importation of plants or plant products.

**U.S Imposition of 10% Duty on Certain
Softwood Lumber from Canada**

Beginning April 15, 2009, a 10% duty will be collected by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) on imports of softwood lumber imported from the Canadian provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The duty will affect shipments of lumber covered by the U.S.-Canada Softwood Lumber Agreement of 2006 (SLA) that are entered for consumption (or withdrawn from a warehouse for consumption) on or after April 15, 2009.

For additional information, please refer to the NGJ International Trade Update entitled U.S. to Impose 10% Duty on Canadian Lumber from Four Provinces Effective April 15, which was published on April 7, 2009, and can be viewed on our website at:

<http://www.ngjensen.com/news/itu/2009-07-04.pdf>.

Reminder:**CBP Enforcement of Lacey Act Plant
Declaration Begins May 1st**

Effective May 1, 2009, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will begin enforcing the plant declaration requirement of the Lacey Act. The initial enforcement will affect the products included in Phase II of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) phased implementation schedule. Enforcement of the declaration requirement on products included in the two subsequent phases (Phases III & IV) will take effect over the next several months.

The plant declaration requirement came about as part of an amendment to the Lacey Act that was passed in May 2008 as part of the "Farm Bill," and became effective on December 15, 2008. Enforcement of this requirement was initially scheduled to begin April 1, 2009, but was delayed for 30 days to allow the government time to resolve system incompatibility issues. No further enforcement delays are expected.

Additional information on the Lacey Act and the plant declaration requirement is available on our website at www.ngjensen.com. A table of the APHIS phase-in implementation schedule, including the affected products by tariff classification was published in a NGJ International Trade Update entitled Update: USDA Revised Implementation Plan for Declaration Requirement under Lacey Act on March 6, 2009, which can be viewed on our website at: <http://www.ngjensen.com/news/itu/2009-03-06-01.pdf>.

If you have any questions about either of the above-referenced issues, please direct them to compliance.us@ngjensen.com.

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