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Bo Hammond
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3302 Lobban Place
Charlottesville, VA 22903

Dear Mr. Hammond:

Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, Inc. has received notification from the U.S. Forest Service that the Appalachian Hardwood Forest as defined by AHMI is increasing and there are 2.29 trees growing for every tree that is being harvested. The Appalachian Hardwood Forest is a resource that meets present needs without compromising those of future generations and is able to continue into the future – sustainably.

AHMI has verified this utilizing the latest data from the U.S. Forest Service Forest Inventory and Analysis research for the 344 counties in the Appalachian Hardwood Forest Boundary listed in the bylaws of Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, Inc. There are more than 65.4 million acres of timberland in the Appalachian Hardwood Forest, an increase in the past 15 years. Within the boundary of 12 states in the eastern United States, an average of 2.3 trees are growing for every tree that is harvested.

As an Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, Inc. Producer member in good standing who utilizes timber from the Appalachian Hardwood Forest as defined by AHMI, Coastal Lumber Company manufactures its products from a hardwood forest that is verified as meeting present needs without compromising those of future generations, or sustainably, as defined by Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, Inc.

The analysis of this data is available at www.appalachianhardwood.info. If you have questions, please contact me immediately.

Regards,

Thomas R. Inman
President