SOFTWOOD LUMBER BOARD

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM ASSESSMENT

As stated in Section 1217.53 of the Softwood Lumber Research, Promotion, Consumer Education and Industry Information Order (Exemption from assessments):

Any domestic manufacturer or importer who ships within the United States or imports to the United States less than 15 million board feet annually who desires to claim an exemption from assessments during a fiscal year as provided in Section 1217.53 shall apply to the Softwood Lumber Board (Board), on a form provided by the Board, for a certificate of exemption. Such domestic manufacturer or importer shall certify that the manufacturer's or importer's shipment or importation of softwood lumber shall be less than 15 million board feet for the fiscal year for which the exemption is claimed.

CERTIFICATION

(To Be Signed and Dated by Applicant)

I hereby certify that I manufactured and shipped within the United States or imported to the United States less than 15 million board feet of softwood lumber in 20XX (prior year). I therefore request a certificate of exemption from the Softwood Lumber Board (Board) for the year 20XX.

Signature		_ Date:
Please Print Name of Applicant:		
Company Name :		
Street Address:		
City:	State: _	
Zip Code:	Telephone No	
Tax ID# or Business ID#:		

Please send your completed Certificate of Exemption Application with **supporting documentation** to verify prior year's shipments/imports to the Softwood Lumber Board at the following address:

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