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Dear Customer/Wood Buyer:

Please accept this letter as Western Structures' provision of information required by California Proposition 65 as well as a request for your help to alert consumers and buyers of wood products of this information.

Effective December 18, 2010, the State of California will require all companies that manufacture, sell or transfer wood products in the state to warn their customers that wood dust may cause cancer. The warning is mandated by California Proposition 65, which added wood dust to its list of more than 800 substances that can present health hazards.

Not only does this law apply to Wholesale Distributors, it is also important that warning materials be provided at the point of sale. Working with others in the industry, we have developed a sign, which we encourage you to copy and post where wood products are sold, purchased or used. There will be a copy of this sign sent along with this letter for you to print and post.

This sign includes slightly different wording from signs being sold through the Lumber Association of California and Nevada and the Western Wood Products Association, which include the statement: "Avoid inhaling wood dust or use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection." While the language on their sign complies with Proposition 65 requirements, we feel the inclusion of potential solutions may not be reflective of specific customer needs or product use so we have removed this sentence from the attached sign. We recommend that you post or make readily available to customers the specific wood dust warning attached to this letter, in addition to any generic Proposition 65 warnings. This ensures that a clear warning is provided to consumers while providing protection for businesses subject to this complicated and often-changing law.

There is also a stipulation in the Proposition 65 regulations that requires a mill's customers to confirm the warning has been received and said mills shall maintain a record of their customer's confirmation.

Please confirm to us that you have received this warning and attached sign by simply replying to this e-mail with a message stating that you have received and read this notice.

Sincerely,

Dennis Wolfard  
President  
Western Structures Inc.

## **WARNING**

Drilling, sawing, sanding or machining wood products generates wood dust, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information on Proposition 65, visit [www.wy.com/inform](http://www.wy.com/inform).

## **ADVERTENCIA**

El perforar, cortar con sierra, lijar o trabajar con productos de madera genera polvo de madera, una substancia que se conoce en el Estado de California que causa cáncer. Para más información sobre la Proposición 65, visite [www.wy.com/inform](http://www.wy.com/inform).

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