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NOTICE OF CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 WARNING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Customer,

In August 2016, California regulators amended Proposition 65's "Clear and Reasonable Warning" requirements. Those amendments go into effect in August 2018; however, companies and parties subject to the new rules may opt to comply with them now and be deemed in compliance with Proposition 65.

As part of the new regulations, manufacturers and suppliers may satisfy their warning obligation for chemicals listed under Proposition 65, if any exist, by providing notice of the information below to downstream customers and retailers. Please review this information carefully and acknowledge receipt by signing in the designated area below and sending signed copy of this letter to the address above.

Wood dust from raw wood products, *including pressure-treated wood*, is a Proposition 65-listed substance. Wood dust was added to the Proposition 65 list in 2009 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer. Wood dust has its own "Methods of Transmission" and "Content" sections in the revised regulations. *See* 27 C.C.R. §§ 25607.10 and 25607.11 ("Wood Dust Exposure Warnings").

Please be advised that:

Inhalation of wood dust from all products identified below may result in consumer exposure to a chemical known by the State of California to cause cancer.

In addition, CCA treated wood contains arsenic, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

To comply with Proposition 65, a warning in substantially the form set forth below should be used to avoid Proposition 65 litigation. The Proposition 65 warning must:

1. Be displayed at the point of sale or raw wood product display in a manner likely to be seen by the purchaser; and
2. Be no smaller than 8 ½ by 11 inches and printed in no smaller than 20-point type; or
3. If the wood product is sold in bulk form, the warning may be provided on an invoice or receipt in no smaller than 12-point type.

The wood dust (non-CCA products) warning sign must read:

 **WARNING:** Drilling, sawing, sanding or machining wood products can expose you to wood dust, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. Avoid inhaling wood dust or use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/wood.

The CCA treated wood warning sign must read:

 **WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals such as arsenic, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/product.

Examples of point of sale or point of display signs in the required size are attached.

The following products are manufactured by Hoover Treated Wood Products, Inc., are defined under California Code of Regulations §25607.10(b) to be raw wood products, and, therefore, must be accompanied by compliant Proposition 65 signage.

1. Pyro-Guard
2. Exterior Fire-X
3. Pacbor
4. Micro-Guard
5. Dura-Guard

The following products are manufactured by Hoover Treated Wood Products, Inc., contain a chemical listed in California Code of Regulations §27001(b) and, therefore, must be accompanied by compliant Proposition 65 signage.

1. CCA

In addition to the in-store warning requirements, the new regulations also require retailers to provide warnings to consumers online. For internet purchases, a warning must be provided by including either the warning or a clearly marked hyperlink using the word “**WARNING**” on the product display page, or by otherwise providing the warning to the purchaser prior to completing the purchase.

Please acknowledge your receipt of this letter by signing below and returning to me by mail or by email.

Please contact us with any questions you may have.

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CCA Treated Wood Products

 **WARNING** This product can expose you to chemicals such as arsenic, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/product.

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Non-CCA Treated Wood Products

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