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The Honorable Ken Helm
Chair, House Energy & Environment Committee
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RE: 2019 Oregon Legislative Session - HB 2619

Dear Chairman Helm:

Permapost Products Company (“Permapost”) would like to add this letter to its initial testimony letter dated and emailed to the committee on March 25, 2019. We are attaching to this letter three (3) documents that we hope will give the committee more information regarding Imidacloprid, a Neonicotinoid insecticide component used in the wood preservative system KlearGard 25 with Tru-Core Technology™ (“KlearGard 25”).

The three documents are as follows:

1. Permapost’s KlearGard 25 Product Information and Specification Guideline brochure. The information in this document describes the preservative and provides general use in wood products.
2. International Code Council Evaluation Report (ICC-ES3834). This document summarizes the rigorous testing and ultimate approval of the KlearGard 25 pesticide components, including Imidacloprid, for use in wood treatment of specific species and end-use applications of treated wood.
3. A materials solicitation amendment issued by the US Forest Service dated April 3, 2019 changing the specification on the Drift Creek Falls Deck Replacement Project near Hebo Ranger District. The amendment states, “ Due to a recently found change in the Routine Actions and Maintenance Biological Opinion for USDA Forest Service et al (RAMBO) from the 2016 document to the 2018 document..... In order for the Drift Creek Falls Deck Replacement to comply with the most current programmatic, the only type of pressure treatment now allowed is Klear-Gard 25 (or approved equal)”. As stated in our March 25th testimony letter, KlearGard 25 is now government specified in certain applications replacing higher VOC emitting petroleum-based preservatives.

We are available to provide other technical information to the committee relating to our pressure treated products.

Sincerely,

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