

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
113th Congress Disclosure Form
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the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources

Oversight hearing on the 2008 Lacey Act Amendments
Thursday, May 16, 2013

For Individuals:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name: *Travis R. Snapp*

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For all Witnesses

Mr. Travis Snapp, International Wood Products Association
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a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Bachelor of Science – Oregon State University – Wood Science and Engineering

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

US Department of Commerce Voluntary Product Standard 1 (PS 1-09)

US Department of Commerce Voluntary Product Standard 2 (PS 2-10)

Japan Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries Registered Overseas Certification Body

Housing and Urban Development Structural Panel

California Air Resources Board (CARB)

State of Florida Approval

City of Los Angeles Approval

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Owner of Benchmark International, LLC – With a 60 year history, Benchmark is one of the oldest Wood Products Certification & Testing Agencies in operation today. Benchmark is a Global Leader providing Independent Third Party Certification of Wood Products, Materials Testing, Research & Development Assistance, International Regulatory Compliance Program Management and Engineering Services.

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the U.S. Department of the Interior that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

None

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

None

f. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against you by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None

g. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

I am a third generation family member working in the International Wood Products Industry. My company, Benchmark International, is directly involved in regulatory compliance work around the world pertaining to Wood Products. We certify products and production processes to numerous US and International Standards.

Since the inclusion of plant and plant products under the Lacey Act we have had a significant number of requests for assistance to aid in the development of programs to demonstrate 'Due Care' as required by the Lacey Act. In current form there is a tremendous amount of confusion globally around how to demonstrate 'Due Care' and a lack of understanding of the full scope of what constitutes a Lacey Act Violation.

Witnesses Representing Organizations

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h. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

Associate Board Member, Board of Directors

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the U.S. Department of the Interior that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

None

j. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

None

k. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against the organization(s) you represent at the hearing by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None

l. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)).

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