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To: The Honorable Judge Channing Strother
Office of Administrative Law Judges
United States Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Ave, S.W.
Stop 9202, Room 1049, South Building
Washington, D.C. 20250-9202

Re: Docket Number 22-J-0052

Your Honor:

We are writing to you today concerning Docket 22-J-0052 for a sourcing area application from Bell Timber, Inc. We respectfully request that this application be denied for areas located in the state of Colorado.

We are a family owned and operated sawmill that has been in operation in Colorado since 1978. The market in the state for sourcing saw timber has been, and continues to be, very competitive. We have significant concerns about the impact the approval of this application would have on our ability to procure logs for processing to meet the ongoing needs of our customers, as well as the potential economic impact in an already inflated market.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

I certify that the information provided by me is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that failure to provide true and accurate information could be violation of the False Statements Act (18 U.S.C 1001).

Sincerely, *Steve McComb*

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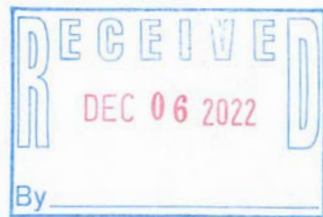
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