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MICHIGAN FOREST PRODUCTS COUNCIL ENDORSES ATTORNEY GENERAL BILL SCHUETTE

RON SALISBURY OF POTLATCH APPLAUDS GOV'S SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION TO EXPAND FOREST INDUSTRY | | FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – AUGUST, 18 2014

LANSING, Mich. – The Michigan Forest Products Council (MFPC) is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors has endorsed Attorney General Bill Schuette for the general election this November.

“The Michigan Forest Products Council is proud to endorse Attorney General Bill Schuette for reelection,” said Ron Salisbury, plant manager of Potlatch and chairman of the MFPC. “Bill Schuette understands that making the forest products industry a priority creates an environment in which forest industry manufacturing businesses can create jobs. His focus on serving as a voice for the use of Michigan’s natural resources makes our communities stronger and allows timber manufacturing businesses to thrive.”

The Michigan Forest Products Council continues to be a successful advocate of Michigan’s forest economy by training its focus on three strategic areas of industry growth: supporting our working forests, promoting business competitiveness and ensuring sustainability.

The total economic benefit of Michigan’s forest products industry in 2014 is expected to be \$14.6 billion. The state has 19.3 million acres of forestland, including 2.5 million acres of federal National Forests and 312,500 private landowners. Additionally, Michigan’s forest products industry accounts for \$51 billion in direct and indirect economic impact.

The Michigan Forest Products Council works to promote, protect and sustain a globally competitive forest products industry in Michigan. The Michigan Forest Products Council is a statewide organization representing the forest products industry, which owns millions of acres of timberland and employs over 154,000 men and women in Michigan.

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