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## VENEER PRODUCTS INC.

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California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
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Dear Sirs/Madams;

I am writing you regarding the proposed CARB regulations pertaining to formaldehyde. Veneer Products, which I own, is a custom plywood manufacturer in Paramount, CA – in business for 21 years. I employ approximately 40-45 people with annual sales of \$5,000,000.

All of our plywood is made from particleboard (PB) or medium density fibreboard (MDF) as core – these cores contain very small amounts of formaldehyde – but under the new regulations could not be used in our product.

If this measure passes, it WILL put us out of business.

We have managed to stay in business, even with the influx of Asian products, by being able to buy core at competitive prices. But if we MUST go to *no formaldehyde* – then there is no competitive pricing – only ONE source. This will drive our prices up and we will not be able to compete with plywood manufacturers in other states and other countries – who are NOT having to follow the same regulations.

This will force us to close our doors – for good – or move to another state – thus leaving all of our employees out of work in either case – and California without the use of our tax dollars

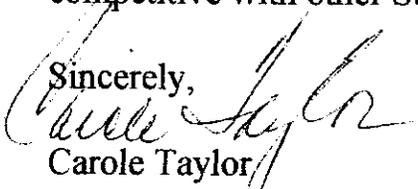
If you look at the MDS's (material data sheets) that we are required to keep on file, you will see that particleboard and MDF have only .1% of

formaldehyde – that is 1/10 of 1% - very minimal – but that **minimal** amount can put us out of business.

Also, why would businesses – in other states and countries – be allowed to bring plywood – made into furniture – into California and not have to adhere to the same standards as the manufactures in California?!

As a business who employees 45 of your constituents – who will be on unemployment – I ask you to take a stand against this regulation and convey that, to the Secretary of CAL-EPA. We all want 'clean air' but this minimal amount of formaldehyde will not make a difference in the air, but it will put a lot of people out of work in California – since we will be unable to be competitive with other States and Countries!

Sincerely,



Carole Taylor

President/owner

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