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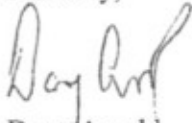
Dr. Todd F. Shupe
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Dear Todd:

Arnold Forest Products Corporation will vigorously support the Wood Utilization Research (WUR) program at the Louisiana State University AgCenter. In the past, the Louisiana Forest Products Development Center (LFPDC) at the Louisiana State University AgCenter has shown their dedication to the needs of the wood industry that is so important to the economic future of our rural communities.

The funding to conduct meaningful research will help us stay on the cutting edge of technology of the wood industry to insure steady job growth and to make sound environmental decisions. I am confident that the research conducted by the Louisiana Forest Products Development Center (LFPDC) will enable our industry to become better stewards of the natural resources we borrow.

Sincerely,



Doug Arnold
President