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TRANSITION FROM CCA *A* USER'S PERSPECTIVE

Dwight Perkins Home Hardware Stores Limited

Objective

To provide CWPA members with a retailers perspective on the transition from CCA to alternatively treated lumber

Background

Home Hardware Stores Limited
100% Dealer owned
900 Dealers
1000 locations
Approximately \$3.5 Billion in retail sales

Topics of Discussion

- Initial Reaction
- Communications
- Obstacles
- What has worked
- The Next Generation

Initial Reaction

- Arsenic in CCA was not an issue for most consumers
- Confusion
- Misinformation

Communications

- Multi-Stakeholder Workshop
- Websites
- CITW Advertising Code

Obstacles

Pricing

Apparent lack of communications with hardware manufacturers

What has worked

- Most Consumers do not see CCA as a hazard
- CCA Safety Info program raised awareness but not fear
- Competitive pricing
- Compatible appearance

The Next Generation

Trust

- Not the final solution
- Keep it simple
- Pricing