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Border to Show Off-Site Service Granted

Dear Mrs. Doty:

In response to your correspondence dated March 20th 2014; the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) International Events and Convention Services Program (IECSP) officially recognizes the following event:

**The Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Annual Conference
September 16th – 18th, 2014
Le Centre Sheraton Hotel
Montreal, Quebec**

The information provided to the CBSA states there will be approximately 250 attendees to which 75 % are foreign to Canada and that the event is closed to the general public with sales.

We are pleased to inform you that the **Border to Show off-site service**, as outlined in the CBSA Departmental memorandum D8-1-2, (<http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/publications/dm-md/d8/d8-1-2-eng.pdf>) has been granted for this event.

As outlined in your correspondence, this event is expecting approximately 17 foreign exhibitors who are importing: display booths, banners, various publications, promotional literature newsletters and pamphlets for use at the event, wooden pens to hand out to attendees and promotional materials such as hats, shirts etc... for sale

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It has been determined that this event qualifies under the provisions of the *Foreign Organization Remission Order* as outlined in tariff classification **9830.00.00.00**. Conference materials (i.e. office paraphernalia, souvenirs, printed matter, pens, decorations, etc.) may enter Canada free of duty and taxes, provided the items will be exported upon the completion of the event.

Under certain circumstances, the CBSA will require a security deposit on goods temporarily imported to Canada. These goods are normally documented on the Temporary Admission Permit (Form E29B).

At the time of exportation, goods granted temporary admission on a Form E29B or Carnet must be presented along with importer's/owner's copies of the appropriate documentation to CBSA for verification and certification. This presentation may occur at a CBSA office inland or at the port of export, depending on the circumstances involved and is necessary for you to receive a refund of any securities posted. Please note that the refund is not immediate.

Mendelssohn Event Logistics has been designated as the official customs broker for this event. If you have any questions regarding importing meeting materials into Canada or if you wish to inquire as to the brokerage services provided, *please contact Diane Labbé at 514-987-2700 ext.23 or 1-800-665-4628.*

CBSA requires everyone seeking admission into Canada to properly declare themselves to CBSA by providing accurate identification. CBSA will accept a valid passport as proof of citizenship.

Persons who have been convicted of any criminal offences may be inadmissible to Canada. For more information please visit: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/inadmissibility/index.asp>

If you have attendees from visa-requiring countries (<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp>), please contact the Special Events Unit of Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) at special.events@cic.gc.ca with the specifics of your event. They will assess the visa requirements of your event.

Foreign nationals may engage in exhibiting, selling or displaying goods without a work permit provided they are not selling to the general public. Direct sales to the general public require a work permit. For more information please visit: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/work/index.asp>

To facilitate border procedures it is recommended that *exhibitors, carriers, all organizations, attendees* be provided a copy of this letter for presentation to a CBSA Border Services Officer upon their arrival to Canada.

In conjunction with the presentation of this Recognition Letter, an itemized list of goods including a description, country of origin, quantity and value is required for presentation to CBSA. If your event materials will be imported by a commercial carrier or courier service, a copy of this letter should also be attached to any shipping documents.

Refund of Canadian taxes may be applicable for tour packages, Foreign Conventions and non-resident exhibitor purchases. For more information, please visit : <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/gp/rc4160/>

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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*The information you provide in this document is collected under the authority of **Section 107(9) of the Customs Act** for the purpose of the facilitation of border coordination services for organizers of international events being held in Canada. The information may be disclosed to Other Government departments and/or Agencies (e.g. Citizenship and Immigration Canada) for the purposes of providing assistance with admissibility requirements.*

*Individuals have the right of access to, the protection and correction of their personal information under the **Privacy Act – Section 12**. The information collected is described under the **International Events Personal Information Bank CBSA PPU 040** which is detailed at www.cbsa.gc.ca/agency-agence/reports-rapports/pia-efvp/atip-aiipr/infosource-eng.html*

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