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Alaska Building Products Featured at Spring Home Show

(Juneau, AK) – Alaskans and building industry professionals will have a chance to learn more about Alaska-manufactured building materials showcased in a new tradeshow booth in an effort to connect locally-made products and producers to Alaskan designers and builders.

Efforts by the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development to promote the Alaska forest products industry include a display featuring cabinets, flooring, countertops, and lumber made from Alaskan timber. Also featured are windows, insulation, and hardware, all crafted in Alaska. A product is considered "Alaska-manufactured" if more than 51 percent of it was made in-state. Sample products will also be listed in an online directory featured on the Division's website at:

www.commerce.alaska.gov/ded/dev/pub/madeinalaskahomedirectory.pdf,
available Friday, March 9.

"This is an exciting opportunity for Alaska's wood and building product manufacturers to connect with Alaska designers, builders, and consumers," said Commissioner Susan Bell. "We've received a robust response to our call for materials, which will be showcased in a new booth at the state's largest home show this spring."

The Alaska building products booth #354 can be seen at the 2013 Anchorage Home, Garden & Remodeling Show held on March 8-10 at the Sullivan Arena.

In addition to marketing forest products and Alaska-made products, the Commerce Department's Division of Economic Development also markets Alaska minerals, seafood, tourism and film. For more information about other Division of Economic Development programs, please visit: www.commerce.alaska.gov/ded/.

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