"Energizing" the Maine Forest: Threat or Opportunity?

As the demand for alternative fuel sources increases, one often mentioned source is "Biomass". This year's Fall Meeting follows up one of our popular field tours this spring and focuses on this in general by touching on the different aspects as it relates to Maine's forests and markets. Is there actually a huge supply of wood out there that is not being utilized? What is the real capacity/demand for materials and are the variety of specifications needed to feed various BIO-products able to be filled with the fiber growing in Maine's woods?

As an organization SAF and its members should be knowledgeable about all sides of this issue, but specifically how this "new market" may affect how silviculture is carried out in the woods. The various speakers will touch on these topics and more, while the audience composes questions for an afternoon moderated session of questions and answers with the earlier speakers.

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October 14, 2008

Corbett Business Building
UMaine Campus
Orono, Maine

Sponsored by the Maine Division,
New England Society of American Foresters
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AGENDA

7:30 AM Registration

8:00 AM Maine SAF Business Meeting

9:30 AM Break

PROGRAM

9:50 AM Introductory Remarks and Announcements
Henry Whittemore, MESAF Chair

Demand for Fiber

10:00 AM Overview of Wood Fiber Demand in Maine
John Williams, President, Maine Pulp & Paper Association

10:30 AM Feeding the Boilers
Eric Dumond, Procurement Supervisor, Boralex, Inc.

11:00 AM Prospects for Pulpwood Demand
Jim Contino, Fiber Supply Manager, Verso Paper

11:30 AM LUNCH

Supply of Fiber

12:30 PM Landowner's Perspective
Peter Triandafillou, Vice President, Huber Resources Corporation

1:00 PM What We Know About the Physical Resource
Don Mansius, Director of Policy and Management, Dave Struble, Director, Forest Health

1:30 PM Wood Producer’s Perspective,
Joel Swanton, Region Manager for New England and New York, Forest Resources Association.

2:00 PM Biomass Supply Challenges
Chip Millick, Senior Wood Procurement Manager, SAPPI.

2:30 PM BREAK

Synthesizing It All

2:45 PM The Silvicultural Perspective
Maxwell McCormack, Professor Emeritus of Forest Resources, University of Maine

3:00 PM Panel Discussion/Audience Q&A
All speakers
Moderated by Bob Wagner, Director, School of Forest Resources, University of Maine.

4:00 PM Wrap-up and Evaluations

4:15 PM Adjourn

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REGISTRATION FORM
Forms and payment must be received by October 8, 2008

SAF Member: #_____ @ $25=______
Non-member: #_____ @ $75=______
Student Member: #_____ @ $10=______

Late and On-site Registration Fee add $10.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED: $______

Fee includes registration, snacks and lunch.

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