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TO: All ITC-SA Members

National Communiqué No. 054
Imported Structural Timber

Dear Members,

As you may all be aware, South Africa is experiencing a shortage of structural timber and imports are needed, however it is important that the standards are maintained and to ensure that all timber destined for the South African structural market is in compliance with SANS 1783.

It is expected that national as well as international manufacturers of structural timber destined for the South African market will be certified by a South African based ISO 17065 accredited Certification Body which is also applicable to the neighboring states i.e. Swaziland and Zimbabwe. The only two accredited bodies currently in South Africa are **SATAS** and **SABS** who certify product in compliance with SANS 1783.

We request that all members be aware of the compliance with national legislation and to **not** make use of imported timber that does not comply with the South African standards and requirements.

Please ensure that timber that you acquire is marked and certified in accordance with SANS 1783.

Yours faithfully

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