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ACADIAN TIMBER CORP. REPORTS THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

All figures in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted

Vancouver, BRITISH COLUMBIA – October 27, 2014 – Acadian Timber Corp. ("Acadian" or the "Company") (TSX:ADN) today reported financial and operating results¹ for the three months ended September 27, 2014 (the "third quarter").

"Acadian's financial performance improved significantly year-over-year", commented Reid Carter, Chief Executive Officer of Acadian. "Solid demand for the majority of our products resulted in improved prices which, combined with good summer operating conditions, led to higher net sales and a 50% increase in Adjusted EBITDA."

For the third quarter, Acadian generated net sales of \$21.6 million on sales volume of 368 thousand m³, a \$2.8 million increase compared to the same period in 2013. The increase in net sales year-over-year reflects a 7% increase in sales volume and a 9% increase in the weighted average log selling price with the majority of the increase in this sales volume and selling price occurring in Acadian's higher margin spruce-fir sawlog sort. On a year-to-date basis, net sales are 4% higher than in the same period last year with a 7% decline in sales volume more than offset by a 10% increase in the weighted average log price.

Adjusted EBITDA of \$5.7 million for the third quarter was \$1.9 million higher than in the third quarter of 2013, while Adjusted EBITDA margin increased to 26%, up 6% from the same period in 2013. Free Cash Flow was \$4.7 million during the third quarter, also an increase of \$1.9 million compared to the prior year. These improvements reflect the log price and volume improvements noted above along with minimal change in overall average per unit variable costs.

¹ This news release makes reference to Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow which are key performance measures in evaluating Acadian's operations and are important in enhancing investors' understanding of Acadian's operating performance. Acadian's management defines Adjusted EBITDA as earnings before interest, taxes, fair value adjustments, recovery of or impairment of land and roads, unrealized exchange gain/loss on debt, depreciation and amortization and Free Cash Flow as Adjusted EBITDA less interest paid, current income tax expense, additions to, and gains from the sale of, fixed assets plus losses on, and proceeds from, the sale of fixed assets. As these performance measures do not have standardized meanings prescribed by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), they may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. As a result, we have provided in this news release reconciliations of net income, as determined in accordance with IFRS, to Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow.

	 Three Months Ended					Nine Months Ended			
(CAD thousands, except per share information)	Sept 27 2014		Sept 28 2013		Sept 27 2014		Sept 28 2013		
Sales volume (000s m ³) Net sales	\$ 367.7 21,583	\$	343.2 18,759	\$	946.8 54,855	\$	1,012.9 52,619		
Operating earnings Net income / (loss)	5,545 (557)		3,642 3,394		13,807 4,878		10,823 3,828		
Adjusted EBITDA Free Cash Flow	5,699 4,669		3,789 2,812		14,331 11,321		11,341 8,497		
Dividends declared Per share (fully diluted)	3,451		3,451		10,353		10,353		
Net income / (loss)	(0.03)		0.20		0.29		0.23		
Free Cash Flow Dividends declared	0.28 0.21		0.17 0.21		0.68 0.62		0.51 0.62		

Financial and Operating Highlights

Operating earnings for the third quarter, at \$5.5 million, increased \$1.9 million year-over-year, reflecting increased sales volumes and margin improvements stemming from a higher value product mix and stronger pricing. Acadian's net loss for the third quarter was \$0.6 million, or \$0.03 per share, a decrease of \$4.0 million or \$0.23 per share from the same period in 2013, however the majority of the difference is related to non-cash items including a larger fair value adjustment due to the higher harvest volume and a difference of \$5.4 million in the unrealized exchange loss on long-term debt compared to the same period of the prior year.

Acadian's operations ran well during the third quarter with weather conditions typical for the summer season and improved demand for softwood resulting in a 7% increase in total sales volume compared to the same period in the prior year. Acadian's softwood sawlog sales volume for the third quarter increased 14% from the same period in 2013, while sales volumes for hardwood sawlogs and pulpwood increased by 3% and 6%, respectively, and biomass volumes remained almost unchanged.

Acadian's weighted average log selling price for the third quarter increased 9% year-over-year due to higher softwood and hardwood sawlog and hardwood pulpwood prices, a stronger U.S. dollar and a higher value sales mix. While stronger softwood sawlog markets drove an 11% increase in softwood sawlog prices relative to the third quarter of 2013, the higher prices were partially offset by higher cost associated with sales to more distant markets. Prices for hardwood sawlogs and pulpwood improved, each increasing by 9% over the same period last year. Softwood pulpwood pricing has remained stable, however, the number of groundwood pulp customers operating in the region continues to decline. Biomass gross margin was down 20% year-over-year with the majority of the change coming from the New Brunswick operations where a smaller proportion of the volume was sold to the higher margin export markets than in the prior year.

New Brunswick Timberlands

	Three Months E	Ended Septem	ber 2	27, 2014	Three Months I	Ended Septeml	ber 28	3, 2013
	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>
Softwood	107.6	109.2	\$	6,281	87.7	90.5	\$	4,632
Hardwood	108.7	112.3		7,354	106.3	103.3		6,213
Biomass	69.2	69.2		1,544	60.3	60.3		1,364
	285.5	290.7		15,179	254.3	254.1		12,209
Other sales				1,109				1,439
Net sales			\$	16,288			\$	13,648
Adjusted EBITDA			\$	4,510			\$	2,701
Adjusted EBITDA	margin			28%				20%

The table below summarizes operating and financial results for New Brunswick Timberlands.

	Nine Months Ended September 27, 2014			Nine Months Ended September 28, 2013				
	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>
Softwood	273.7	276.9	\$	15,405	301.1	301.9	\$	15,743
Hardwood	294.6	302.1		20,027	290.7	295.9		18,075
Biomass	138.5	138.5		2,853	173.4	173.4		3,382
	706.8	717.5		38,285	765.2	771.2		37,200
Other sales				1,739				2,109
Net sales			\$	40,024			\$	39,309
Adjusted EBITDA			\$	10,620			\$	8,636
Adjusted EBITDA r	margin			27%				22%

Acadian's New Brunswick Timberlands had a very strong quarter with softwood, hardwood and biomass shipments of 109 thousand m³, 112 thousand m³ and 69 thousand m³, respectively, during the third quarter representing a 14% year-over-year increase in sales volume. Approximately 36% of sales volume was sold as sawlogs, 40% as pulpwood and 24% as biomass in the third quarter. This compares to 33% sold as sawlogs, 43% as pulpwood and 24% as biomass in the third quarter of 2013.

Net sales for the third quarter totaled \$16.3 million compared to \$13.6 million for the same period last year reflecting more favourable operating and market conditions. The weighted average log selling price was \$61.55 per m³ in the third quarter of 2014, a 10% increase from \$55.94 per m³ in the same period of 2013 as a result of improved selling prices for most products and a higher proportion of sawlogs in the sales mix. Net sales for the nine months ended September 27, 2014 were \$40.0 million, an increase of \$0.7 million over the same period in 2013, with lower sales volumes more than offset by improved pricing.

Costs for the third quarter were \$11.8 million, compared to \$10.9 million in the same period in 2013, due to higher harvest volumes of primary products. Variable costs per m³ were unchanged from the prior year. For the nine months ended September 27, 2014, costs were \$29.4 million, \$1.3 million lower than during the same period of 2013, due to lower harvest volumes.

Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter was \$4.5 million, compared to \$2.7 million in the third quarter of 2013 reflecting higher sales volumes and improved prices. The improved prices along with unchanged average per unit variable costs increased Adjusted EBITDA margin to 28% from 20% in the prior year. For the nine months ended September 27, 2014, Adjusted EBITDA was \$10.6 million, an increase of \$2.0 million over the same period of 2013 with the decrease in harvest volume more than offset by improved year-to-date prices.

There was one recordable safety incident among employees and two recordable incidents among our contractors during the third quarter of 2014.

Maine Timberlands

The table below summarizes operating and financial results for Maine Timberlands.

	Three Months E	Ended Septem	ber 2	27, 2014	Three Months I	200s m³) (000s m³) 51.4 51.3 5 25.6 26.0 11.8 11.8 11.8 88.8		
	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>	Harvest (000s m ³)	0		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>
Softwood	48.9	48.7	\$	3,343	51.4	51.3	\$	3,168
Hardwood	24.8	24.6		1,788	25.6	26.0		1,754
Biomass	3.7	3.7		25	11.8	11.8		65
	77.4	77.0		5,156	88.8	89.1		4,987
Other sales				139				124
Net sales			\$	5,295			\$	5,111
Adjusted EBITDA			\$	1,526			\$	1,456
Adjusted EBITDA	margin			29%				28%

	Nine Months E	inded Septeml	ber 2	7, 2014	Nine Months Ended September 28, 2013				
	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>	Harvest (000s m ³)	Sales (000s m ³)		Results <i>(\$000s)</i>	
Softwood	138.1	137.6	\$	9,049	146.0	145.6	\$	8,385	
Hardwood	70.0	71.6		5,308	61.2	68.0		4,412	
Biomass	20.1	20.1		138	28.1	28.1		190	
	228.2	229.3		14,495	235.3	241.7		12,987	
Other sales				336				323	
Net sales			\$	14,831			\$	13,310	
Adjusted EBITDA			\$	4,388			\$	3,699	
Adjusted EBITDA r	nargin			30%				28%	

Softwood, hardwood and biomass shipments were 49 thousand m³, 25 thousand m³, and 4 thousand m³, respectively, during the third quarter. This represents a year-over-year decrease in total sales volume of 14%, however, the year-over year decrease in primary product volumes was only 5%. Approximately 55% of sales volume was sold as sawlogs, 40% as pulpwood and 5% as biomass during the third quarter. This compares to 51% sold as sawlogs, 36% as pulpwood and 13% as biomass in the third quarter of 2013.

Net sales for the third quarter totaled \$5.3 million compared to \$5.1 million for the same period last year. The modest improvement was the result of improved pricing across all products as well as the positive impact of the stronger U.S. dollar, partially offset by lower sales volume. The weighted average log selling price was \$69.95 per m³ in the third quarter of 2014, a 10% increase from \$63.59 per m³ in the same period of 2013 in Canadian dollar terms. The weighted average log selling price in U.S. dollar terms increased 5% year-over-year. Net sales for the nine months ended September 27, 2014 were \$14.8 million, an increase of \$1.5 million over the same period in 2013, due to improved U.S. dollar pricing for most products as well as the positive impact of the stronger U.S. dollar.

Costs for the third quarter were \$3.8 million, compared to \$3.7 million in the same period in 2013 with the impact of lower sales volumes more than offset by increased road construction and maintenance activity and a 4% increase in Canadian dollar-based variable costs per unit. Variable costs per m³ in U.S. dollar terms decreased 1%. For the nine months ended September 27, 2014, costs were \$10.4 million, \$0.8 million higher than the same period of 2013

with the impact of modestly lower harvest volumes more than offset by the impact of the stronger U.S. dollar on variable per unit costs.

Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter was \$1.5 million, in line with the same period in 2013, while improved log prices increased Adjusted EBITDA margin to 29% from 28% in the prior year. For the nine months ended September 27, 2014, Adjusted EBITDA was \$4.4 million, an increase of \$0.7 million over the same period in 2013 with a 2% year-over-year improvement in Adjusted EBITDA margin responsible for the majority of the change.

There were no recordable safety incidents among employees and two recordable safety incidents among contractors during the third quarter of 2014.

Market Outlook

The following contains forward-looking statements about Acadian Timber Corp.'s market outlook for the remainder of 2014 and into 2015. Reference should be made to "Forward-Looking Statements" section of this news release. For a description of material factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements in the following, please see the Risk Factors section of Acadian's most recent Annual Report and Annual Information Form available on our website at www.acadiantimber.com or www.sedar.com.

The U.S. market is showing broad improvement in economic conditions including strong real GDP and consumer spending growth with the unemployment rate now below six percent. This strength has had little impact on the housing market to date however, with new and existing home sales remaining disappointing. Household formations are still lagging and most new households are still choosing to rent rather than buy. We believe the market is steadily improving with consumers' net wealth steadily improving and fewer homeowners in distress as indicated by the steady decline over the past few years in delinquency rates, foreclosures and the share of mortgages in a negative equity position. This is expected to support continued increases in housing starts through 2016 and this optimism, along with supply-side challenges and continued strong exports, should keep North American lumber prices well above historical norms, encouraging Acadian's key solid wood customers to continue to operate at full capacity. As such, we expect to see ongoing strong demand for softwood sawlogs in the region.

Markets for hardwood sawlogs have been positive and are expected to remain stable and demand and pricing for hardwood pulpwood continues to be very favourable. While Acadian has been successful in selling its softwood pulpwood production, this market is expected to be increasingly challenged due to the recent closure of several regional mills. Biomass sales have begun to improve as the reduction of logistical challenges previously constraining exports from our NB Timberlands have been relieved.

Quarterly Dividend

Acadian is pleased to announce a dividend of \$0.20625 per share, payable on January 15, 2015 to shareholders of record on December 31, 2014.

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Acadian Timber Corp. is a leading supplier of primary forest products in Eastern Canada and the Northeastern U.S. With a total of 2.4 million acres of land under management, Acadian is the second largest timberland operator in New Brunswick and Maine.

Acadian owns and manages approximately 1.1 million acres of freehold timberlands in New Brunswick and Maine, and provides management services relating to approximately 1.3 million acres of Crown licensed timberlands in New Brunswick. Acadian also owns and operates a forest nursery in Second Falls, New Brunswick. Acadian's products include softwood and hardwood sawlogs, pulpwood and biomass by-products, sold to approximately 90 regional customers.

Acadian's business strategy is to maximize cash flows from its existing timberland assets while growing our business by acquiring assets on a value basis and utilizing our operations-oriented approach to drive improved performance.

Acadian's shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol ADN.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This News Release contains forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws that involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Acadian Timber Corp. and its subsidiaries (collectively, "Acadian"), or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forwardlooking statements. When used in this News Release, such statements may contain such words as "may," "will," "intend," "should," "expect," "believe," "outlook," "predict," "remain," "anticipate," "estimate," "potential," "continue," "plan," "could," "might," "project," "targeting" or the negative of these terms or other similar terminology. Forwardlooking information in this News Release includes, without limitation, statements made in the section entitled "Market Outlook" and other statements regarding management's beliefs, intentions, results, performance, goals, achievements, future events, plans and objectives, business strategy, growth strategy and prospects, access to capital, liquidity and trading volumes, dividends, taxes, capital expenditures, projected costs, market trends and similar statements concerning anticipated future events, results, achievements, circumstances, performance or expectations that are not historical facts. These statements, which reflect management's current expectations regarding future events and operating performance, are based on information currently available to management and speak only as of the date of this News Release. All forward-looking statements in this News Release are gualified by these cautionary statements. Forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties, should not be read as guarantees of future performance or results, should not be unduly relied upon, and will not necessarily be accurate indications of whether or not such results will be achieved. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: general economic and market conditions; product demand; concentration of customers; commodity pricing; interest rate and foreign currency fluctuations; seasonality; weather and natural conditions; regulatory, trade or environmental policy changes; changes in Canadian income tax law; economic situation of key customers; Brookfield Asset Management Inc.'s and its affiliates' ability to source and secure potential investment opportunities; the availability of potential acquisitions that suit Acadian's growth profile; and other risks and factors discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in each of the Annual Information Form dated March 28, 2014 and the Management Information Circular dated May 13, 2014, and other filings of Acadian made with securities regulatory authorities, which are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Forward-looking information is based on various material factors or assumptions, which are based on information currently available to Acadian. Material factors or assumptions that were applied in drawing a conclusion or making an estimate set out in the forward-looking information may include, but are not limited to: anticipated financial performance: anticipated market conditions: business prospects: the economic situation of key customers; strategies; regulatory developments; exchange rates; the sufficiency of budgeted capital expenditures in carrying out planned activities; the availability and cost of labour and services and the ability to obtain financing on acceptable terms. Readers are cautioned that the preceding list of material factors or assumptions is not exhaustive. Although the forward-looking statements contained in this News Release are based upon what management believes are reasonable assumptions, Acadian cannot assure readers that actual results will be consistent with these forwardlooking statements. The forward-looking statements in this News Release are made as of the date of this News Release, and should not be relied upon as representing Acadian's views as of any date subsequent to the date of this News Release. Acadian assumes no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect new information, events, circumstances or otherwise, except as may be required by applicable law.

Acadian Timber Corp. Interim Consolidated Statements of Net Income (unaudited)

	Т	hree Mo	onths E	Ended	Nine Months Ended			
(CAD thousands)	S	Sept 27 2014	Se	ept 28 2013	ç	Sept 27 2014	Sept 2 201	
Net sales	\$ 2	21,583	\$ 18	3,759	\$	54,855	\$ 52,61	9
Operating costs and expenses								
Cost of sales		13,987	12	2,657		35,846	35,76	7
Selling, administration and other		1,532		1,778		4,346	4,92	4
Reforestation		382		535		447	674	4
Depreciation and amortization		137		147		409	43	1
		16,038	15	5,117		41,048	41,79	6
Operating earnings		5,545	3	3,642		13,807	10,82	3
Interest expense, net		(801)		(756)		(2,371)	(2,268	8)
Other items								
Fair value adjustments		(1,110)		(334)		(505)	909	9
Unrealized exchange gain / (loss) on long-term debt		(3,813)		1,544		(4,162)	(2,77 ⁻	1)
Gain on sale of timberlands		17		_		115	8	7
Earnings before income taxes		(162)	2	4,096		6,884	6,78	0
Current income tax expense		(101)		—		(370)	-	_
Deferred income tax expense		(294)		(702)		(1,636)	(2,952	2)
Net income / (loss) for the period	\$	(557)	\$ 3	3,394	\$	4,878	\$3,82	8
Net income / (loss) per share – basic and diluted	\$	(0.03)	\$	0.20	\$	0.29	\$ 0.2	3

Acadian Timber Corp. Interim Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

	Three Mo	onths Ended	Nine Mont	hs Ended
(CAD thousands)	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013
(CAD lilousarius)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net income / (loss)	\$ (557)	\$ 3,394	\$ 4,878	\$ 3,828
Other comprehensive income / (loss)				
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to net income:				
Unrealized foreign currency translation	4,551	(1,558)	4,970	3,322
Amortization of derivatives designated as hedges	(47)	(47)	(141)	(142)
Comprehensive income	\$ 3,947	\$ 1,789	\$ 9,707	\$ 7,008

Acadian Timber Corp. Interim Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited)

As at		
(CAD thousands)	September 27, 2014	December 31, 2013
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,899	\$ 8,564
Accounts receivable and other assets	10,223	7,673
Inventory	725	1,380
	23,847	17,617
Timber	245,406	240,143
Land, roads and other fixed assets	32,914	32,268
Intangible assets	6,140	6,140
	\$ 308,307	\$ 296,168
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 12,902	\$ 7,680
Dividends payable to shareholders	3,451	3,451
	16,353	11,131
Long-term debt	80,835	76,496
Deferred income tax liability	29,572	26,348
Shareholders' equity	181,547	182,193
	\$ 308,307	\$ 296,168

Acadian Timber Corp. Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Mont	hs Ended
(CAD thousands)	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013
Cash provided by / (used for):				
Operating activities				
Net income / (loss)	\$ (557)	\$ 3,394	\$ 4,878	\$ 3,828
Adjustments to net income / (loss):				
Deferred income tax expense	294	702	1,636	2,952
Depreciation and amortization	137	147	409	431
Fair value adjustments	1,110	334	505	(909)
Unrealized exchange / (gain) loss on long term debt	3,813	(1,544)	4,162	2,771
Interest expense, net	801	756	2,371	2,268
Interest paid, net	(807)	(760)	(2,386)	(2,282)
Gain on sale of timberlands	(17)	—	(115)	(87)
Net change in non-cash working capital and other	3,759	2,040	3,367	2,570
	8,533	5,069	14,827	11,542
Financing activities				
Borrowings	—	1,649	—	1,649
Dividends paid to shareholders	(3,451)	(3,451)	(10,353)	(10,353)
	(3,451)	(1,802)	(10,353)	(8,704)
Investing activities				
Additions to timber, land, roads and other fixed assets	(122)	(217)	(255)	(562)
Proceeds from sale of timberlands	17		116	87
	(105)	(217)	(139)	(475)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents during the period	4,977	3,050	4,335	2,363
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	7,922	5,449	8,564	6,136
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$12,899	\$ 8,499	\$12,899	\$ 8,499

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(CAD thousands)	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013	Sept 27 2014	Sept 28 2013	
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Add / (deduct):					
Interest expense, net	801	756	2,371	2,268	
Current income tax expense	101	—	370		
Deferred income tax expense	294	702	1,636	2,952	
Depreciation and amortization	137	147	409	431	
Fair value adjustments	1,110	334	505	(909)	
Unrealized exchange / (gain) loss on long-term debt	3,813	(1,544)	4,162	2,771	
Adjusted EBITDA	5,699	3,789	14,331	11,341	
Add / (deduct):					
Interest paid on debt, net	(807)	(760)	(2,386)	(2,282)	
Additions to timber, land, roads and other fixed assets	(122)	(217)	(255)	(562)	
Gain on sale of timberlands	(17)	—	(115)	(87)	
Proceeds on sale of timberlands	17	_	116	87	
Current income tax expense	(101)		(370)		
Free Cash Flow	\$ 4,669	\$ 2,812	\$11,321	\$ 8,497	
Dividends declared	\$ 3,451	\$ 3,451	\$10,353	\$10,353	
Payout ratio	74%	123%	91%	122%	

Reconciliations to Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow