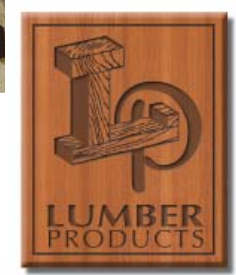


Product ALERT



Earthquake in Chile Impacts Building Materials Prices

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Chile is a high volume producer of MDF products and Radiata Pine. As you are all aware, many of the products we jointly supply to the market are made from these types of products. The earthquake in Chile impacted the country's infrastructure, resulting in fewer shipments out of Chile immediately, and will likely impact production of future shipments. Given the laws of supply and demand, we can assume that with less supply and flat or increased demand, prices will (and in some case have) increased.

Even if the products we are using are domestically produced, there will be higher demand placed on a limited domestic supply – so other species of material that are suitable substitutes will be utilized more heavily.

Because of these factors we are expecting a volatile market for some time to come.

In order to make sure we are all quoting material based on these current market conditions, we would like to encourage our customers to call us for pricing on products manufactured from MDF, products utilizing Fingerjoint Radiata Pine materials, or products that may be used to replace these items in the building materials process. For instance, if MDF mouldings are less available, there may be heavier demand on hemlock or fingerjoint mouldings, thus changing the "normal" price and availability.

We know this situation is challenging for you and your customers, and we are committed to providing the most up-to-date information available! If you would like to receive email updates about this situation and others affecting our industry, please send an email to ProductAlert@lumpro.com with the words **ADD ME!** in the subject line. We will add you to our product alert email list.

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