

Response to Public Comment on Draft Survey Of Revised Form EIA-63C Densified Biomass Fuel Report

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Westervelt Renewable Energy is a wholly owned business of The Westervelt Company, a 130 year old family owned land resource company based in the southeast United States. We own and manage close to 500,000 acres of forest land and operate several related businesses which include the production of densified wood fuel pellets from renewable Southern Yellow Pine wood.

Below are our comments regarding the revised survey:

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DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

We appreciate the EIA's recognition of the commercially sensitive nature of data requested from respondents, and reiterate the irreparable harm that could be caused if the data is not aggregated at a higher level so as to prevent identification of individual respondents.

Page 2 – Plant Identification

No comments.

Page 3 – Facility Information

No comments.

Page 4 – Production & Inventory Information

Section 3.4 requests the respondent to quantify product stored in inventory "at the facility" during the reporting period. As indicated in our prior response, most industrial producers store product off-site (primarily at the port) and the proposed form will not capture that data.

Page 5 – Sales

No comments.

Page 6 - Additional Information

No comments.