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AF&PA APPLAUDS REP. MICHAUD'S LEADERSHIP ON HOUSE ENERGY AND CLIMATE LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON -- In response to passage of H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, in the U.S. House of Representatives, American Forest & Paper Association (AF&PA) President and CEO Donna Harman issued the following statement thanking Representative Michaud:

"With nearly one million men and women working in the forest products industry nationwide and more than 20,000 working in Maine, our industry is critical to the economic health of our state and nation. We appreciate Representative Michaud's leadership in helping ensure that the recently-passed House energy and climate change bill recognizes the contributions forest products companies and their workers make every day to renewable energy generation and to reduce greenhouse gases. His understanding of the industry and the important role it plays in the economic health of Maine and the country improved this legislation. His efforts will allow forest and paper facilities to continue to contribute to America's renewable energy goals, to build on their record of leadership and help keep good jobs in Maine."

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The American Forest & Paper Association is the national trade association of the forest products industry, representing pulp, paper, and wood products manufacturers, and forest landowners. AF&PA member companies make essential products from renewable and recyclable resources that sustain the environment. The forest products industry employs 1 million workers and generates 6 percent of the total U.S. manufacturing GDP. Visit AF&PA online at www.afandpa.org.