

Statement

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Resolute responsible for Alma and Dolbeau mill closures: Time for Ontario and Quebec to step in

09 June 2015 (Montreal) – Following Resolute Forest Product’s (TSE:RFP) announcement of the temporary closure of two paper machines at its Dolbeau and Alma paper mills and blaming Greenpeace for these closures, Greenpeace Forest Campaign Coordinator Richard Brooks said:

“We have invited Resolute to work with us to adopt win win solutions for the forest, First Nations communities and local jobs. We have said time and again, we can help you, we hope you will change course. Resolute has chosen to ignore these propositions and instead blame Greenpeace. Resolute management needs to look itself in the mirror as their actions are bearing fruit and unfortunately that fruit is rotten.

“In contrast to Resolute, since 2011, Domtar and Canfor have increased their workforce by 1088 employees. In the same period of time Resolute has laid off or lost 2,700 people. Further still, since 2007, Resolute’s workforce has decreased by over 50%.

“We believe it’s time for the governments of Ontario and Quebec to step in and convene a meeting of the parties and save these jobs, communities and forests. It’s time for someone else to broker a solution.”

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