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Abstracts

Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. position in the Real Estate Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc.. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and



company's long-term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc. business.

About Plum Creek Timber Co. Inc.

Plum Creek Timber Company, Inc., a real estate investment trust (REIT), owns and manages timberlands in the United States. As of December 31, 2008, the company owned 7.4 million acres of timberlands located in 19 states. It harvests trees, sells the timberland or converts its trees into lumber, plywood and other wood products.

Segments

NORTHERN RESOURCES SEGMENT

As of December 31, 2008, the Northern Resources Segment encompassed 3.7 million acres of timberlands in Maine, Michigan, Montana, New Hampshire, Oregon, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin, and contained an estimated 117 million tons of standing timber. Timber harvested in the Northern Resources Segment is sold predominately as delivered logs to domestic mills and also used in its manufacturing facilities.

Competition: The company's competitors in the domestic log market include the United States Forest Service; the Bureau of Land Management; the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and the British Columbia Ministry of Forests.



SOUTHERN RESOURCES SEGMENT

As of December 31, 2008, the Southern Resources Segment consisted of 3.7 million acres of timberlands (including approximately 258,000 acres of leased land) located in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Texas, and contained an estimated 141 million tons of standing timber. Logs in the Southern Resources Segment are sold to third party mills producing various forest products, including manufacturers of lumber, plywood, oriented strand board, and pulp and paper products.

REAL ESTATE SEGMENT

The Real Estate Segment comprises its sales of timberlands (some of which are sold through its wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiaries), and sales of non-strategic timberlands, including sales of large blocks of timberlands. The segment includes development of certain properties, internally and through third party ventures.

The company estimates that included in its 7.4 million acres of timberlands as of December 31, 2008 were approximately 1.5 million acres of higher value timberlands. Included in the 1.5 million acres of higher value timberlands are approximately 350,000 acres identified as conservation acres and another 200,000 acres that may be developed. The remaining 1 million acres are expected to be sold for recreational use. Additionally, approximately 250,000 acres of its ownership has been identified as non-strategic timberlands.

MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS SEGMENT

The Manufactured Products Segment, also conducted through its wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiaries, includes four lumber mills, two plywood plants, two medium density fiberboard (MDF) facilities, and two lumber remanufacturing facilities. These facilities, located near it Montana timberlands, convert logs to lumber, plywood and other wood products, and convert chips, sawdust and wood shavings to MDF.

Lumber: The company produces a line of softwood lumber products, including common, select and edge-glued boards, studs and finger-jointed studs. Lumber products manufactured in its two Montana random-length board mills and remanufacturing facility in Idaho are targeted to domestic lumber retailers, such as retail home centers for use in repair and remodeling projects. Lumber from its two Montana studmills and finger-joint



stud remanufacturing plant are targeted to contractor distribution yards for use in home construction. These lumber products are also sold to stocking distributors who serve various end uses. The company's lumber and plywood mills produce residual wood chips, sawdust and planer shavings as by-products of the conversion of logs into finished products. The wood chips are sold to regional paper and pulp mills or used in its MDF facilities, which also consume the chips, sawdust and shavings.

Plywood: The company's two plywood plants in western Montana produce softwood plywood that it sells primarily into domestic specialized industrial markets, including boat, recreational vehicle, transportation and concrete forming applications. While some plywood products are sold directly to industrial customers and the majority is sold via stocking wholesale distributors.

Medium Density Fiberboard: The company's MDF facilities in western Montana supply MDF to a range of customers throughout North America. The uses for its MDF include furniture and cabinet components, architectural moldings, doors, store fixtures, core material for hardwood plywood, commercial wall paneling and substrate for laminate flooring. It sells MDF in Canada and Mexico.

OTHER SEGMENT—NATURAL RESOURCES

The Other Segment includes natural resource businesses that focus on opportunities relating to mineral extraction, natural gas production and communication and transportation rights of way resulting from its extensive property ownership. The company receives royalties from the extraction of oil, gas, and minerals from its timberlands.

Tax Status

The company has elected to be treated as a REIT under sections 856-860 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986. As a REIT, it would not be subject to the federal income tax, provided it distributes at least 90% of the taxable income to its shareholders.

History

Plum Creek Timber Company, Inc. was founded in 1989.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are

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It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.



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ANALYSIS FEATURES

SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3×3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.



Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors



integrated into one suggestive model.

Porter Five Forces Analysis

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

VRIO Analysis

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity



Reputation

Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?
Rare?
Costly to imitate?
Organized properly?



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