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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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*1 Honorable William L. Harrelson
Commissioner of Agriculture
Wade Hampton State Office Building
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Commissioner Harrelson:

You have inquired as to whether a person engaged in the measuring of pulpwood or logs for the purpose of issuing a memorandum as to the accurate weight or measure or count upon which the purchase of the pulpwood or logs is to be based is required to be licensed as a public weighmaster under the provisions of Sections 66–171, et seq., Code of Laws for South Carolina, 1962.

In my opinion, an individual engaged in such activity is required to be licensed. Section 66–172(a), Code of Laws, 1962, provides that the following shall be public weighmasters:

Any person licensed by the Commissioner of Agriculture to weigh, measure or count any commodity and issue therefor a statement or memorandum of the weight, measure or count accepted as the accurate weight or measure or count upon which the purchase or sale of the commodity is based.

It is, therefore, clear that the measuring of pulpwood or logs for the purpose of determining the weight or measure upon which the purchase of such pulpwood or logs is based is an activity coming within the scope of the Public Weighmasters Law.

Very truly yours,

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