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Aren't state buildings generally owned and operated by the BCB and agencies just lease them? Or we lease space from the private sector?

Isn't this still something the BCB would have to do by resolution?

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From: Cam Crawford [mailto:ccrawford@scforestry.org]  
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Josh and Swati:

I am following up on my conversation with each of you this afternoon regarding an executive order to prevent the discrimination against North American wood products including South Carolina wood products in state building construction.

Two governors, Georgia and Maine, have already issued executive orders in this matter. A copy of each EO is attached.

The SC Forestry Association advocates that Governor Haley issue an executive order with the following language:

*When the design, construction, operation and maintenance of any new or expanded state building incorporates "Green Building" standards it shall give certification credits equally to forest products grown, manufactured, and certified under the Sustainable Forestry Initiative, the American Tree Farm System and the Forest Stewardship Council.*

SCFA's language differs from the attached executive orders to avoid requiring Green Building standards to be used in state building construction. Instead, when Green Building Standards are used, all major forest certification systems shall receive equal certification credits.

It may be wise to limit the scope of the executive order to the cabinet agencies to avoid any legal challenges.

**Swati, as we discussed, I am available to meet Monday at 1 PM. Hopefully, Josh and Gene Kodama can meet at that time.**

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