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**National Hardwood Lumber Association's Annual Convention
Runs October 13-16, 2010 in Vancouver, BC, Canada**

MEMPHIS, TENN. – The 2010 National Hardwood Lumber Association (NHLA) Annual Convention & Exhibit Showcase – the premier networking and educational conference of the global hardwood industry – will be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada from October 13-16.

The annual convention attracts industry leaders from across North America and throughout the world to discuss and examine topics that are critical and unique to the hardwood industry including: business strategies and operations; sustainability and certification; as well as new market opportunities. In addition to numerous educational programs, the conference will feature a range of dynamic special guest speakers, an exhibit hall featuring the latest products, services and technology and unrivaled networking opportunities.

NHLA chose Vancouver as the setting for the 113th Annual Convention & Exhibit Showcase because of its accessibility, especially for NHLA west coast members, unlimited services, beauty and activities. The convention schedule allows conference attendees ample opportunity to explore Vancouver and nearby communities like Whistler.

“The NHLA Annual Convention is an excellent event providing attendees face to face time with industry peers, clients, potential customers, and exhibitors giving them the chance to ask questions, view and compare products and services, and strengthen business relationships,” said Mark Barford, NHLA Executive Director. “The convention is truly a global gathering and the most affordable way to reach the large and diverse global hardwood community.”

Registration is now open. For more information about the 2010 NHLA Annual Convention & Exhibit Showcase, visit www.nhlaconvention.com.

The 2010 NHLA Annual Convention & Exhibit Showcase is presented by Lumbermen's Underwriting Alliance.

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The world's largest and oldest hardwood industry association, NHLA represents companies and individuals that produce, use and sell North American hardwood lumber, or provide equipment, supplies or services to the hardwood industry. It was founded in 1898 to establish a uniform system of grading rules for the measurement and inspection of hardwood lumber. Since 1980, its headquarters have been in Memphis, Tenn. To learn more about NHLA, please visit www.nhla.com.