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October 22, 2002
-----(Date of earliest event report)

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Federal Way, Washington 98063-9777 (Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (253) 924-2345

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ITEM 9 - REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

(a) Earnings Release.

On October 22, 2002, Weyerhaeuser Company a press release stating the following:

FEDERAL WAY, Wash. - Weyerhaeuser Company (NYSE: WY) today reported net earnings for the third quarter of \$13\$ million, or 6 cents per share, that includes

unusual after-tax items of \$31 million, or 14 cents per share.

This compares with net earnings of \$91 million, or 41 cents per share, for the same period last year. Last year's net earnings included unusual after-tax items of \$9 million, or 4 cents per share, for the net effect of machine closure costs, integration costs and a reduction in the British Columbia corporate tax rate.

The unusual items for third quarter 2002 are:

- .. \$11 million after tax, or 5 cents per share, from costs associated with the acquisition and integration of Willamette Industries that were expected. Weyerhaeuser said it continues to make progress on capturing synergies following the Willamette acquisition. By the end of the third quarter, Weyerhaeuser has achieved an annualized run rate of \$128 million in pre-tax synergies. The company is confident it will achieve \$300 million in pre-tax annual savings within three years. In addition, Weyerhaeuser expects to capture additional savings through reductions in selling, general and administrative expenses that will result from the ongoing efforts to streamline the delivery of support services.
- .. \$20 million after tax, or 9 cents per share, for business disruption costs following a recovery boiler explosion at the Plymouth, N.C., paper facility in the second quarter. The boiler has been repaired and the facility has resumed normal operation. The company fully expects to recover this loss through insurance proceeds in the fourth quarter.

In addition to these items, Weyerhaeuser attributed most of the decrease in the 2002 third quarter earnings to a sharp decline in prices for wood products and the challenging environment created by the countervailing and anti-dumping duties on Canadian softwood lumber the company imports into the United States.

During the quarter, Weyerhaeuser incurred approximately \$31 million in countervailing and anti-dumping duties, and related costs. The company expects to incur \$65 to \$70 million in countervailing and anti-dumping duties, and related costs this year.

"Our earnings reflect the challenging market conditions during the quarter," said Steven R. Rogel, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The wood product markets continue to be a concern and we are taking steps to address the situation.

"As we look to the fourth quarter, we see some modest improvement in the paper and containerboard businesses, and our real estate business is maintaining a strong backlog of sold, but undelivered, houses." Rogel said. "We are making excellent progress in capturing the synergies from the Willamette acquisition and taking other actions to accelerate reductions in overhead costs."

Summary of financial highlights:

Millions (except per share data)	3Q 2002	3Q 2001	Change
Net earnings	\$13	\$91	(\$78)
Earnings per share (EPS)	\$0.06	\$0.41	(\$0.35)
Net earnings excluding unusual items	\$44	\$100	(\$56)
EPS excluding unusual items	\$0.20	\$0.45	(\$0.25)
Net earnings for first nine months	\$115	\$369	(\$254)
Net EPS for first nine months	\$0.52	\$1.68	(\$1.16)
Net sales for third quarter	\$4,912	\$3 , 752	\$1,160
Net sales for first nine months	\$13 , 869	\$11,147	\$2,722

SEGMENT RESULTS	FOR THIRD QUART	ER 2002									
(Contributions to Pre-Tax Earnings)											
Millions	3Q 2002	3Q 2001	Change								
Timberlands	\$138	\$107	\$31								
Wood Products	(\$18)	\$47	(\$65)								
Pulp and Paper	\$10	(\$28)	\$38								
Containerboard, Packaging, Recyclin	g \$88	\$69	\$19								
Real estate and related assets	\$85	\$75	\$10								
Timberl	ands										
	3Q 2002	2Q 2002	Change								
Contribution to earnings (millions)	\$138	\$175	(\$37)								

Compared with the second quarter, export log prices improved during the third quarter of 2002 while domestic log prices remained flat. Overall company sales volumes remained relatively stable. Harvest levels were down significantly from the second quarter due to seasonal fire danger. This resulted in increased costs due to higher outside log purchases.

The fourth quarter outlook for Timberlands earnings from operations is expected to be unchanged from the third quarter with modestly weaker prices offset by higher harvest volumes. In addition, during the fourth quarter, Weyerhaeuser expects to close on the \$211 million sale of approximately 115,000 acres of timberlands announced this morning. The company will apply the net proceeds from this sale to paying down its debt.

	Wood Produ	ıcts		
		3Q 2002	2Q 2002	Change
Contribution to earnings	(millions)	(\$18)	\$64	(\$82)

Changes in earnings between the second and third quarter of 2002 were due primarily to the effects of the countervailing and anti-dumping duties. Excluding countervailing and anti-dumping duties, third quarter earnings were \$13 million compared with \$29 million for the second quarter. A drop in lumber prices caused by an oversupplied market also contributed to the change. Lumber inventories were built up in the second quarter in anticipation of the imposition of countervailing duties and anti-dumping penalties.

During the quarter, the company also announced the permanent closure of an engineered lumber product plant in Winston, Ore., and a particleboard mill in Lillie, La.

The fourth quarter earnings outlook for Wood Products remains very uncertain due to continued oversupply in the market.

	Pulp and	d Paper			
		3Q 2	2002 2Q	2002	Change
Contribution to earnings	(millions)		\$10	(\$15)	\$25

Changes in earnings between the second and third quarter of 2002 were due primarily to the improvement in pulp prices and the increased demand for uncoated freesheet.

During the quarter, Weyerhaeuser announced the permanent closure of paper machines in Johnsonburg, Pa., and Kingsport, Tenn., which eliminated approximately 215,000 tons of production.

Earnings for the business in the fourth quarter are expected to be higher than third quarter due to improving demand and the implementation of Weyerhaeuser's recently announced price increases.

Containerboard, Packaging and Recycling

3Q 2002 2Q 2002 Change
Contribution to earnings (millions) \$88 \$75 \$13

Changes in earnings between the second and third quarter of 2002 were due primarily to higher OCC costs, which were partially recovered by price increases for linerboard and corrugating medium. Second quarter earnings also include \$28 million in pre-tax costs associated with previously announced closures.

As part of the company's focus on rationalizing its containerboard production, Weyerhaeuser announced the permanent closure of the Hawesville, Ky., containerboard mill during the third quarter to eliminate approximately 200,000 tons of production.

Fourth quarter Containerboard, Packaging and Recycling earnings should be higher as box price increases become effective and OCC prices decline from the peak levels of the early summer.

Real estate and related assets $$30\ 2002$$ 2002 Change Contribution to earnings (millions) \$85 \$79 \$6

Changes in earnings between the second and third quarter of 2002 were due primarily to:

- .. A \$14 million gain from the sale of two apartment complexes, which were originally expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2002 and early 2003.
- .. Continued strong housing market conditions. The business reported higher traffic throughout the quarter and closings were higher than the same period last year. Backlog of homes sold, but not delivered, remained steady at approximately six and a half months.

Fourth quarter earnings should be slightly lower as the business does not anticipate any apartment complex sales.

Overall fourth quarter outlook

Weyerhaeuser expects overall earnings to improve in the fourth quarter compared with third quarter. Unusual items that likely will affect the fourth quarter 2002 results include:

- .. Willamette integration after-tax costs which are expected to be approximately \$11 million.
- .. Approximately \$7 million for an after-tax charge associated with the closure of the Sturgeon Falls, Ontario, containerboard facility.
- .. A \$25 million after-tax charge associated with the termination of the former MacMillan Bloedel pension plan for U.S. employees.
- .. The previously discussed insurance proceeds of approximately \$25 million after-tax for the boiler explosion at the Plymouth, N.C., paper facility.
- .. An after-tax gain on the sale of timberlands in Washington state announced earlier today. This after-tax gain is approximately \$80 to \$85 million net of the charges associated with the closure of the related Wood Products facilities.

Weyerhaeuser also announced that it would provide more information on its pension funds through an expanded disclosure in its third quarter 10Q. The company will hold a live conference call at 8 a.m. PDT (11 a.m. EDT) on Oct. 22 to discuss the third quarter results.

To access the conference call, listeners calling from within North America should dial (877) 888-3855 at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the conference call. Those wishing to access the call from outside North America should dial (416) 695-5259. Replays of the call will be available for 48 hours following completion of the live call and can be accessed at (888) 509-0081 within North America and at (416) 695-9728 from outside North America.

The call may also be accessed through Weyerhaeuser's Internet site at www.weyerhaeuser.com by clicking on the "Listen to our conference call" link.

Weyerhaeuser Company, one of the world's largest integrated forest products companies, was incorporated in 1900. In 2001, sales were \$14.5 billion. It has offices or operations in 18 countries, with customers worldwide. Weyerhaeuser is principally engaged in the growing and harvesting of timber; the manufacture, distribution and sale of forest products; and real estate construction, development and related activities. Additional information about Weyerhaeuser's businesses, products and practices is available at www.weyerhaeuser.com.

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This news release contains statements concerning the company's future results and performance that are forward looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The accuracy of such statements is subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected, including, but not limited to, the effect of general economic conditions, including the level of interest rates and housing starts; market demand for the company's products, which may be tied to the relative strength of various U.S. business segments; performance of the company's manufacturing operations; the successful execution of internal performance plans; the level of competition from foreign producers; the effect of forestry, land use, environmental and other governmental regulations; fires, floods and other natural disasters; regulatory approvals of pending timberland sales; the company's ability to successfully integrate and manage acquired businesses and to realize anticipated cost savings and synergies from these acquisition; the ability of acquired businesses to perform in accordance with the company's expectations; legal proceedings; and uncertainties affecting insurance recoveries. The company is also a large exporter and is affected by changes in economic activity in Europe and Asia, particularly Japan, and by changes in currency exchange rates, particularly the relative value of the U.S. dollar to the Euro and the Yen; and restrictions on international trade or tariffs imposed on imports, including the countervailing and dumping duties imposed on the company's softwood lumber shipments from Canada to the United States. These and other factors that could cause or contribute to actual results differing materially from such forward looking statements are discussed in greater detail in the company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings.

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WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY STATISTICAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS (1)
Q1 Q2 Q3 Year-to-date

(in millions)	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001
Net sales and revenue Weyerhaeuser (2)		\$3,219	\$4,528	\$3,471	\$4,444	\$3,360	\$12,584	\$10,050
Real estate and related assets	396	334	421	371	468	392	1,285	1,097
Total net sales								
and revenues	4,008	3,553	4,949 	3,842	4,912	3 , 752	13 , 869	11,147
Costs and ownerses.								
Costs and expenses: Weyerhaeuser:								
Costs of products sold	2.848	2.492	3.546	2.644	3,598	2,659	9,992	7.795
Depreciation, amort:			0,010	2,011	0,000	2,000	3,332	,,,,,,,
fee stumpage (3)			311	214	304	223	879	648
Selling expenses	103	91	116	100	116	95	335	286
General and administ								
expenses		171	231	182	201	148	618	501
Research and develop								
expenses		13	13	14	11	11	36	38
Taxes other than pay			53	2.0	4.0	38	1 2 0	112
income taxes		37	53	38	48	38	139	113
Other operating cost net (4) (5) (6)		32	(27)	21	19	24	(4)	77
Charges for integrat		52	(21)	21	1.7	21	(1)	, ,
of facilities		9	23	10	17	4	42	23
Charges for closure								
of facilities (7)	(8)27	_	28	-	-	32	55	32
	 3,484	3,056	4,294	3,223	4,314	3,234	12,092	9,513
					, 			
Real estate and relations		ets:						
expenses		243	317	280	359	301	967	824
Depreciation and	271	215	317	200	303	301	301	021
amortization	2	1	1	2	1	2	4	5
Selling expenses		19	24	19	23	23	68	61
General and administ								
expenses	10	13	11	13	14	4	35	30
Taxes other than pay	yroll a	.nd						
income taxes	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	4
Other operating								
costs, net	(8)	(1)	2	(1)	6	(2)	_	(4)
		277			404		1,077	920
Total costs and								
expenses	3,801 	3,333	4,650	3,53	7 4,73	L8 3,56	53 13 , 169	10,433
Operating income	207	220	299	305	194	189	700	714

<pre>Interest expense and Weyerhaeuser:</pre>	other:							
Interest expense incurred	(143)	(88)	(222)	(87) (214) (93)	(579)	(268)
Less interest	4	4	1.0	C	1.0	_	2.0	1.0
<u> </u>		4	16	6	16	6	36	16
Equity in income () of affiliates		1 5	(2)	1.5	(6)	5	(12)	35
Interest income and		13	(2)	13	(0)	J	(12)	33
other	5	6	6	4	9	4	20	14
Real estate and rela			0	7)	7	20	11
Interest expense	acca as							
incurred	(13)	(19)	(13)	(18)	(12)	(17)	(38)	(54)
Less interest	(13)	(1)	(13)	(10)	(12)	(± /)	(30)	(51)
	13	16	13	17	12	16	38	49
Equity in income of				Ξ,		10	30	10
entities	6	14	6	3	10	4	22	21
Interest income	Ü		Ü	9	10	-		21
and other	6	2	8	3	11	8	25	13
and conce								
Earnings before incom	me taxe	s and						
extraordinary item			111	248	20	122	212	540
Income taxes (9)		(63)		(77)	(7)			
income caxes (5)								(± / ± /
Earnings before								
extraordinary item	53	107	72	171	13	91	138	369
Extraordinary item (_	_	(23)	
Excludinally reem (,
Net earnings	\$30	\$107		\$171				\$369
Per share:	_							
Basic net earnings h							+0.0	
extraordinary item					\$0.06			
Extraordinary item	(0.10)	_		_	_	-	(0.1	
Basic net earnings	\$0.14	\$0.49	\$0.32	\$0.78	\$0.06	\$0.41	\$0.5	2 \$1.68
Diluted net earnings					+			
extraordinary item				\$0.78	\$0.06	\$0.4		
Extraordinary item	(0.10)	_	_	_	_	_	(0.1	0) –
		00.40					1 00 5	
Diluted net earnings	\$0.14 	\$0.49 	\$0.32 	\$0.7	8 \$0.06 	\$0.4 	1 \$0.5	2 \$1.68
Dividends paid	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.4	0 \$0.40	\$0.4	0 \$1.2	0 \$1.20

⁽¹⁾ Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior periods' data with the current presentation.

The 2002 second quarter includes \$7 million of charges for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs, a credit of \$29 million for the reversal of charges accrued in 2001 and a credit of \$13 million for charges accrued in the first quarter of 2002. The 2002 third quarter includes charges of \$31 million for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs. The year-to-date impact from countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs is a net credit of \$9 million. 2001 includes \$30 million of third quarter charges for countervailing and

^{(2) 2002} first quarter includes \$13 million of charges for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs and a credit of \$18 million for the reversal of countervailing and anti-dumping duties accrued in 2001.

- anti-dumping duties and related costs. No costs were recognized prior to the third quarter.
- (3) 2001 includes \$27 million of goodwill amortization through September. Goodwill amortization ceased as of the beginning of 2002.
- (4) 2002 year-to-date includes \$19 million in net foreign exchange gains. Gains of \$8 million and \$27 million are included in the first and second quarters, respectively. A loss of \$16 million is included in the third quarter. Net foreign exchange losses through the third quarter of 2001 were \$6 million.
- (5) 2001 year-to-date costs include \$10 million for costs associated with Westwood Shipping Line's transition to a new charter fleet.
- (6) 2001 year-to-date includes one-time costs of \$41 million associated with information systems outsourcing.
- (7) 2002 includes \$27 million for first quarter costs associated with the closure of three facilities and \$28 million for second quarter costs associated with the closure, or impending closure, of four additional facilities.
- (8) 2001 year-to-date also includes \$32 million for third quarter costs associated with machine closures at Springfield, Ore., and Longview,
- (9) 2001 year-to-date includes \$29 million in benefits reflecting one-time reductions in deferred taxes. This includes a \$14 million benefit due to a lower British Columbia provincial corporate tax rate that was enacted during the third quarter and a \$15 million benefit due to a lower Canadian corporate tax rate that was enacted during the second quarter.
- (10)2002 includes \$35 million extraordinary loss on the refinancing of debt in connection with the acquisition of Willamette Industries, less a \$12 million tax benefit.

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY STATISTICAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

Net sales and revenues (in millions):

		Q1	(Q2		Q3		-date
		2 2001						
Timberlands: Raw materials (log								
and chips)								
Other products	44	37	49	39	138	44	231	120
	188	212					757 	
Wood products:								
Softwood lumber Softwood plywood	692	605	901	783	845	743	2,438	2,131
	135	102	173	125	169	124	477	351
Oriented strand bo	oard, c	omposite						
and other panels	3240	159	320	195	217	210	777	564
Hardwood lumber	76	78	81	75	72	70	229	223
Engineered lumber								
products	253	218	315	309	324	299	892	826
Raw materials (log								
chips)	106	112	129	118	120	107	355	337
Other products	199	165					637	
	1,701	1,439						

Pulp and Paper:								
Pulp	280	321	297	277	300	261	877	859
Paper	446	322	593	281	622	311 1	L , 661	914
Paperboard	40	50	51	45	37	55	128	150
Other products	6						24	
							2 , 690	•
Containerboard, Pacl								
Containerboard								
Packaging								
Recycling								
Other products							219	
	916	816	1,157	817	1,149	755	3,222	2,388
Real estate and related assets	396	334	421	371	468	392	1,285	1,097
Corporate and other							110	
					•		•	\$11,147

Earnings before interest expense, income taxes and extraordinary items (in millions) (1):

	Q1	Q1		Q2			Year-to-date	
	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001
Timberlands \$	3119	\$134	\$175	\$137	\$138	\$107	\$432	\$378
Wood products (2)(3)	9	(26)	64	102	(18)	47	55	123
Pulp and Paper (4)(5)	1	73	(15)	27	10	(28)	(4)	72
Containerboard Packagi	ng and							
Recycling (6)(7)	58	94	75	68	88	69	221	231
Real estate and								
related assets	91	69	79	62	85	75	255	206
Corporate and								
other (8)(9)	(58)	(90)	(61)	(67)	(85)	(61)	(204)	(218)
	\$220	\$254 	\$317	\$329	\$218	\$209	\$755 	\$792

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⁽²⁾²⁰⁰² first quarter includes \$13 million of charges for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs and a credit of \$18 million for the reversal of countervailing and anti-dumping duties accrued in 2001. The 2002 second quarter includes \$7 million of charges for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs, a credit of \$29 million for the reversal of charges accrued in 2001 and a credit of \$13 million for charges accrued in the first quarter of 2002. The 2002 third quarter includes charges of \$31 million for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs. The year-to-date impact from countervailing and

- anti-dumping duties and related costs is a net credit of \$9\$ million. 2001 includes \$30\$ million of third quarter charges for countervailing and anti-dumping duties and related costs. No costs were recognized prior to the third quarter.
- (3)2002 includes \$17 million in first quarter costs associated with the permanent closure of an oriented strand board facility in Canada.
- (4)2002 year-to-date includes \$52 million in business disruption costs associated with the recovery boiler explosion at the Plymouth, N.C., paper facility. Costs of \$22 million and \$30 million are included in the second and third quarters, respectively.
- (5)2001 results include \$19 million of third quarter costs associated with a machine closure at Longview, Wash.
- (6)2002 year-to-date results include \$38 million in costs associated with the closure, or impending closure of seven facilities, including \$10 million of first quarter costs and \$28 million of second quarter costs.
- (7)2001 results include \$13 million of third quarter costs associated with a machine closure at Springfield, Ore.
- (8)2001 year-to-date costs include one-time costs of \$41 million associated with information systems outsourcing and includes \$10 million incurred in the second quarter for costs associated with Westwood Shipping Line's transition to a new charter fleet.
- (9)2002 results for corporate and other include net foreign exchange gains (losses) of \$20 million in the second quarter and (\$17 million) in the third quarter, for a year to date net gain of \$3 million. These gains and losses result primarily from fluctuations in Canadian exchange rates. 2001 results for corporate and other include net foreign exchange gains (losses) of (\$2 million) in the first quarter, \$7 million in the second quarter, and (\$11 million) in the third quarter, resulting primarily from fluctuations in Canadian exchange rates.

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY STATISTICAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

Third party sales volumes:

	Q1		Q	Q2		Q3		-date		
	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001		
Timberlands (millions): Raw materials - cubic feet	76	82	99	75	104	76	279	233		
Wood products (millions):										
Softwood lumber - board feet		1,667	2,295	1,792	2,362 1	,943	6,469	5,402		
Softwood plywood and ve - square feet (3/8")		449	750	491	736	494	2,061	1,434		
Composite panels - squafeet (3/4")		63	445	59	95	61	848	183		
Oriented strand board	_									
feet (3/8") Hardwood lumber -	945	871	1,095	916	1,117	964	3,157	2,751		
board feet Raw materials -	108	106	113	106	104	99	325	311		
cubic feet	143	163	164	150	207	154	514	467		
Pulp and paper (thousand	ds):									
Pulp - air-dry metric tons	563	480	618	507	561	527	1,742	1,514		

Paper - tons	594	393	766	355	804	406	2,164	1,154
Paperboard - tons	53	60	61	56	47	66	161	182
Containerboard, packagi	ing and	recycl	ing (tho	ousands)):			
Containerboard - tons	249	218	309	222	318	223	876	663
Packaging - MSF	14,540	12,690	18,446	11,856	17,902	13,319	50 , 888	37,865
Recycling - tons	604	826	552	817	539	548	1,695	2,191

Total productionvolumes:

rotar production or ames		1	Q2	Q2		Q3		o-date
_	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001
Timberlands (millions): Logs - cubic feet		132	191	131	164	129	508	392
Wood products (millions) Softwood lumber -								
board feet 1,		1,406	1,702	1,422	1,728	1,315	4,960	4,143
Softwood plywood and ve - square feet (3/8")	431	285	562	278	584	275	1,577	838
Composite panels - squa feet (3/4")		29	128	25	200	21	546	75
Oriented strand board -	-							
feet (3/8 ")	957	783	944	833	1,115	912	3,016	2,528
Hardwood lumber -								
board feet					107			
Logs - cubic feet	185	174	187	137	204	166	576	477
Pulp and paper (thousand Pulp - air-dry	ds):							
metric tons	607	549	492	448	630	553	1,729	1.550
Paper - tons					747		,	1,096
Paperboard - tons								
Containerboard, packagin	-	_	-					
Containerboard - tons 1								
Packaging - MSF 16 Recycling - tons 2								

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY STATISTICAL INFORMATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (unaudited) (in millions)

	March 31	, June 30,	Sept. 29,	Dec. 31,
Assets	2002	2002	2002	2001
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s>				
Weyerhaeuser				
Current assets:				
Cash and short-term investment	ts\$ 127	\$141	\$119	\$202
Receivables, less allowances	1,599	1,649	1,604	1,024
Inventories	2,072	2,012	1,951	1,428

Prepaid expenses	509	550	485	407
Total current assets	4,307	4,352	4,159	3 , 061
Property and equipment Construction in progress Timber and timberlands at cos		1,360	12,235 1,338	8,309 428
stumpage charged to disposal Investments in and advances			4,436	1,789
to equity affiliates Goodwill Deferred pension and	542 2,741	547 2 , 778	541 2,812	541 1,095
other assets	1,170	1,239	1 , 239	1,053
	26,840	27,110	26 , 760	16 , 276
Real estate and related asset	cs 2,078	2,100	2,035	2,017
Total assets	\$ 28,918	\$ 29,210	\$ 28,795	\$ 18,293
Liabilities and Shareholders Weyerhaeuser Current liabilities:				
Notes payable and commercial paper	\$ 260	\$ 110	\$ 231	\$ 4
Current maturities of				_
long-term debt	214	368 1,125	791	8
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	1,072 1,177	1,320	1,059 1,189	809 1 , 042
Total current liabilities	2,723	2,923	3 , 270	1,863
Long-term debt		12,779		5,095
Deferred income taxes, pe	ension, othe	er postretire	ment benefits	
and other liabilities	5 , 274	5 , 326	5 , 307 	3 , 254
_	20,924	21,028	20,801	10,212
Real estate and related asset	īs.			
Notes payable and				
commercial paper		357	80	
Long-term debt Other liabilities	596 451	576 467	856 432	620 408
Ocuer tranificies		40/	43Z 	400
	1,309 	1,400	1,368 	1,386
Total liabilities	22,233	22,428	22,169	11,598
Shareholders' interest	6 , 685		6 , 626	6,695
Total liabilities and shareholders' interest \$	28,918	\$ 29,210	\$ 28,795	\$ 18,293

⁽b) Remarks of Richard Taggart, Vice President of Finance.

On October 22, 2002 in a conference call to discuss Weyerhaeuser Company's earnings release, Vice President of Finance Richard Taggart

delivered the following remarks:

"Today I want to provide you with additional information about our current pension fund situation, for both reported earnings, and cash funding. Pension fund accounting under GAAP is relatively complicated, and as you know, is influenced by a number of variables. The four key variables are: the actual rate of return earned by the fund, the assumed future rate of return on the fund, the discount rate used to discount the liabilities of the fund, and the assumed increase in salaries and wages. In addition, changes in plan benefits or the demographics of the plan participants can affect both accounting and funding. Weyerhaeuser is using a 10.5% assumed rate of return for pension fund accounting this year, and while we have reduced this assumption each of the last two years, it remains one of the highest among publicly reporting companies. Because of this, we have received a number of questions regarding how we arrived at this assumption, how will it likely change in the future, and what will be the impact of a change in the assumption on both reported earnings, and cash flow.

"As many of you know, Weyerhaeuser reviews its pension fund assumptions each year, at the end of the year, when actual returns, discount rates, and actuarial valuation changes are known. We will continue to follow that practice, and will provide guidance regarding our pension fund assumptions for next year in our fourth quarter report. In order to help analysts and investors to begin to better understand our pension fund and our assumptions, we plan to broaden our pension fund disclosure in our third quarter 10Q.

"Today, I want to discuss the information we will provide.

"In 1985, Weyerhaeuser began moving toward managing its U.S. pension funds using what at that time was a relatively new structure and strategy in managing investments. We utilized synthetic indexing to achieve a benchmark return of approximately 60% equities, 35% bonds, and 5% cash. We then invested the majority of the assets in the trust in a broadly diversified set of strategies and funds to add alpha (or returns above the benchmark). In 1988, we set our assumed rate of return from this strategy at 11.5%. This was arrived at that from the view that the benchmark return, which approximated the median pension fund return, would be approximately 8 to 8.5% and we would out perform the benchmark by 3 to 3.5%.

"Through the 17 year period ending in 2001, our compound rate of return was over 18% compared to the median large pension fund return of just over 11%. The 700 basis point difference resulted in our performance exceeding the median fund by over 60%, and to the best of our knowledge, we had the highest performing large pension fund in the U.S., whether measured on a 5 year, 10 year, or 15 year basis.

"Our U.S. fund, which makes up approximately 85% of our pension assets, was significantly overfunded at the end of 2001. In the last 3 years we increased our pension assets in Canada as a result of the acquisitions we made to approximately US\$500 million, while our U.S. fund was at \$3.1 billion at the end of 2001. In July of this year, we added approximately \$550 million in assets to our master trust in connection with the addition of the Willamette employees. The Willamette and the Canadian plans were overfunded also, but not to the same degree as the legacy Weyerhaeuser plans.

"Even though our actual rate of return has significantly exceeded our assumed rate of return since 1988, we did not change that assumption until last year. We lowered our assumption of future returns in 2001 to 11%. At the end of last year, we again lowered our assumed rate of return to 10.5%. This assumption was arrived at by assuming that the median pension fund long term return would drop to 7.5% and our alpha strategy would yield an incremental

 $3\mbox{\%}$ as opposed to its historical $7\mbox{\%}.$ We will review these assumptions again at the end of this year.

"Our combined U.S. and Canadian funds are invested:

35% in Private market strategies, both equity and real estate, and 65% in Liquid strategies

"We are invested with over 125 managers.

"This is a highly diversified fund that includes some of the most experienced and successful alternative managers in the world.

"To assist you in developing your own forecasts of how changes in pension "fund performance, and changes in key variable assumptions affect GAAP earnings, I will provide some sensitivities for the key variables that drive the GAAP accounting. I need to caution you that these variables are not linear and are somewhat inter related, but the sensitivities will provide an ability to develop approximate estimates as to what might happen to our pension credit in 2003. There are effects beyond 2003, but because of the interaction of the variables, I would caution using these sensitivities beyond one year.

"As many of you know, the P&L accounting for pensions is driven by GAAP, while funding is driven by a different set of calculations set by the IRS. These sensitivities are for GAAP only. We will not be required to make any contributions to our U.S. fund this year, and it appears at this point we will not be required to make any contribution next year. We may need to make a small contribution in Canada this year and next.

"Because of different funding status and pension regulations, the sensitivities are different in the U.S. and Canada. I will provide separate sensitivities for each country.

"These are the sensitivities to four key variables:

- 1. The first, and most important, is the actual rate of return. For each 1% that the actual rate of return is lower that the assumed rate of return, the pension credit will be reduced by \$1.8 million in the U.S. and \$800,000 in Canada. In other words, if we had a zero return in both pension funds this year, our credit to ore-tax income would be reduced by 10.5 times both factors, or \$27.3 million.
- 2. If we reduce the assumed rate of return by 1%, from 10.5% to 9.5%, it will reduce our pension credit by \$17.4\$ million in the U.S. and \$4.8\$ million in Canada.
- 3. If we reduce the discount rate by 0.5% it would reduce the credit by \$ 6.3 million in the U.S. and \$2.0 million in Canada.
- 4. If we change the assumed increase in salaries and wages by 0.5%, it would change the pension credit by \$10.6\$ million in the U.S and \$4.8\$ million in Canada.
- "Applying your outlook for financial markets will allow you to make reasonable estimates on the potential impacts on our GAAP earnings next year.
- "As we noted in our earnings release, we have elected to terminate the U.S. salaried pension fund of MacMillan Bloedel, and pay out the benefits earned by employees and retirees that were earned under those plans. This will result in an after tax charge of approximately \$25 million, in the fourth quarter."

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY

By /s/ Steven J. Hillyard

Its: Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: October 22, 2002