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**RESOLUTE FOREST PRODUCTS, INC. V. GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

**THE HAGUE, AUGUST 1, 2017**

**Hearing on Jurisdiction and Admissibility**

The hearing on jurisdiction and admissibility in the arbitration between Resolute Forest Products Inc. and the Government of Canada will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. The arbitral proceedings are being conducted pursuant to Chapter Eleven of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

The hearing will be held in Toronto, Canada, and is scheduled to begin at 8:30am EDT (Eastern Daylight Time) and to conclude at 6:30pm. There is a possibility that the hearing may continue through to the morning of Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

The hearing will be streamed live on the website of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) ([www.pca-cpa.org](http://www.pca-cpa.org)).

In addition to live streaming of the hearing on the PCA's website, a transcript of the hearing will be uploaded to the PCA website following conclusion of the hearing.

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**Background**

Pursuant to Article 1120 of NAFTA and the 1976 UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules, through a Notice of Arbitration dated December 30, 2015, Resolute Forest Products Inc., on its own behalf and on behalf of its subsidiary, Resolute FP Canada Inc., instituted arbitral proceedings against the Government of Canada. The Tribunal is composed of Judge James R. Crawford AC (President); Dean Ronald A. Cass and Dean Céline Lévesque. The Permanent Court of Arbitration acts as Registry in this arbitration.

Further information about the case, the Tribunal's orders and the Parties' pleadings, are available on the PCA's website at <https://pcacases.com/web/view/142>.

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