Plan for the implementation of NAPPO standards

1. Name of Standard

RSPM 38 – Guidelines for the importation of certain wooden and bamboo commodities to NAPPO member countries

2. Country Reporting

United States of America

3. Relevant Authority

3.1 United States of America

3.1.1 Plant Protection Act and Plant Protection Regulations

Under the Plant Protection Act (PPA), as amended, (7 USC §§ 7701 et. seq.), the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to issue regulations and orders to prevent, detect, control, eradicate, suppress, or retard the spread of plant pests or noxious weeds into or within the United States and to cooperate with other Federal agencies or entities, States or political subdivisions of States, national governments, local governments of other

3.1.2 Revisions to authority

Revisions to Regulations are required.

4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard

Changes to Legal Authority: Changes to Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations are expected to be required.

5. Implementation of Standard

Implementation of RSPM 38 is dependent on the revision of Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations CHAPTER III--ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF PART 319_FOREIGN QUARANTINE NOTICES--Table of Contents Subpart Logs, Lumber, and Other Unmanufactured Wood Articles Sec. 319.40-3 General permits; articles that may be imported without a specific permit; articles that may be imported without either a specific permit or an importer document.

Proposed timeline: full implementation of the standard by 2015.