

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Non-Mergers II Division **Bureau of Competition**

October 24, 1995

Michael B. Weir, Esq. Chadbourne & Parke 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, New York 10112

Re: FTC File No. 941 0098

Dear Mr. Weir:

The Bureau of Competition of the Federal Trade Commission has conducted a nonpublic investigation to determine whether the American Forest & Paper Association, its members, or others have conspired to restrict competition in pulp, paper, paperboard, or forest industry products through AFPA's collection and dissemination of capacity, production, and other industry data, in violation of Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act. 15 U.S.C. § 45.

Upon further review of this matter, it now appears that no further action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

Sincerely yours

Michael D. McNeely Assistant Director