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NAFO Appoints Catherine Karen as Vice President for Government Affairs

Washington, DC (September 29, 2008) - The National Alliance of Forest Owners (NAFO) announced today the appointment of Catherine Karen as vice president for government affairs. Karen will assume her new position on Oct. 6, 2008.

“We are pleased and fortunate to have Catherine as part of the NAFO team,” said NAFO President and CEO, Dave Tenny. “Her extensive experience working with Congress and Federal agencies coupled with her understanding of important issues, like energy and climate change, will greatly enhance NAFO’s advocacy capability in Washington, D.C. on behalf of private forest owners.”

Karen joins NAFO from the National Petrochemical and Refiners Association, where she served as senior director of government relations. Prior to that, Karen served as deputy associate administrator for Congressional Affairs at the Environmental Protection Agency. Karen has also served as deputy director of government relations for the Legal Services Corporation and a senior legislative assistant for U.S. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen of Florida.

NAFO is a growing alliance of private forest owners, managers and organizations dedicated to promoting legislative and market policies that will protect and enhance the economic and environmental value of privately owned forests across the country. NAFO members represent over 66 million acres of private forests in 47 states.

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