

What We Do

• Rules & Standards Writing

- WCLIB Standard No. 17 Grading Rules
- PLIB Export R List
- AITC 200-2009

• Grading & Quality Assurance

- Softwood Lumber
- Machine Stress Rated (MSR) Lumber
- Finger-Jointed Lumber
- Structural Glued Laminated Timber (glulam)
- Cross-Laminated Timber (CLT)
- Metal Plate Connected Wood Trusses

• Development of Structural Design Values

• ISPM 15 Wood Packaging

• Heat Treatment Certification

• CE Marking

• Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Certification

• Grader Training, Technical Support & Consulting Services

PLIB provides inspection and certification services for lumber and timbers, glulam, wood packaging, wood trusses, CLT and other wood products for members in the United States, Canada and Europe. PLIB is an independent, non-profit organization approved by ALSC, CLSAB, and IAS as an accredited third-party auditing agency for a variety of programs including lumber grade rules writing, grade stamping, HT certification, CE marking and California WUI certification.



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PACIFIC LUMBER INSPECTION BUREAU

PLIB in Europe

The first agency to assist European producers entering the U.S. market.



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In 2019, the Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau (PLIB) and the West Coast Lumber Inspection Bureau (WCLIB) merged operations. Although the merged corporation retained the PLIB name, all WCLIB trademarks and programs were retained and all WCLIB members were transferred to PLIB. Lumber producers using WCLIB grade stamps are continuing to use those stamps and the WCLIB trademark continues to be recognized and supported in the marketplace.



European WCLIB members continue to receive best-in-category quality control services, uninterrupted support regardless of market conditions and unparalleled assistance selling into U.S. markets.

As part of a larger, more robust organization, European mills have gained greater access to a wider array of services along with support from the most experienced quality control staff of any U.S.-based agency.

The most notable change is that Europeans will begin to see the PLIB trademark, along with the WCLIB trademark. European wood products manufacturers can view those trademarks as one and the same.

**Commitment is in our pedigree;
it's what we do.**

Continuous support for over 20 years

In 1996 WCLIB became the first U.S. grading agency to help European lumber producers enter U.S. markets. No other agency was willing to help. WCLIB did the required testing to establish U.S. design values for European species. WCLIB provided grader training and helped mills establish a presence in the U.S. Soon, other agencies that previously had opposed the idea began offering their services in Europe. When U.S. markets plunged in 2007 those other agencies abandoned European producers but WCLIB never quit, despite operating at a loss. That sort of commitment is in our pedigree; it's what we do.

A trusted industry partner since 1903

With PLIB, European producers are partnering with an agency based entirely on integrity, a commitment to service and mutual trust. We certify that your products meet certain standards and we hold ourselves to a very high standard. As part of your membership in PLIB we offer:

- Representation in ALSC through a recognized rules-writing agency
- Participation and direct input into PLIB's grade and technical committees
- Opportunity to develop design values for new species and regions with PLIB's consulting services
- Dedicated staff located in both Europe and the U.S. whose primary focus is support for European member mills
- Expanded quality certification services for a range of products including MSR lumber, glulam and CLT
- U.S. market assistance
- Grader training and consultation services to help mills produce U.S. grades efficiently
- An ongoing commitment of support from the only agency to stand by European producers continuously for more than two decades