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**For immediate release:**

**CertainTeed Corporation Settles Class Action Lawsuit  
Regarding Fiber Cement Siding**

(\_\_\_\_, 2013 — Valley Forge, Pa.) - CertainTeed Corporation and Counsel for the Plaintiffs in *In re: CertainTeed Fiber Cement Siding Litigation, MDL Docket No. 2270* (E.D. Pa), announced today that they have entered into an agreement to settle various class actions relating to fiber cement siding manufactured by CertainTeed Corporation and installed by Plaintiffs before September 30, 2013. Plaintiffs, who own properties with the siding installed, allege that the siding was defective. CertainTeed denies this allegation, but has agreed to the settlement to avoid the expense, inconvenience, and distraction of further protracted litigation and to fully resolve this matter.

The fiber cement siding in question (called “Siding” throughout this Notice) is CertainTeed Weatherboards™ Fiber Cement Siding, Lap Siding, Vertical Siding, Shapes, Soffit, Porch Ceiling, and 7/16” Trim installed before September 30, 2013. CertainTeed’s vinyl siding and polymer shake products are not involved in this litigation.

CertainTeed will pay \$103.9 million to fund the settlement. The settlement agreement provides a more substantial remedy for Siding with Qualifying Damage than is otherwise available to property owners under CertainTeed’s limited warranty. The remedy depends upon a number of factors such as (1) the extent of the Qualifying Damage; (2) the proportion of the wall with Qualifying Damage; (3) the size of the wall; (4) the length of time the Siding has been installed; and (5) whether the Qualifying Damage was caused by a third party or as a result of improper installation or storage. Owners whose Siding is still covered by SureStart Protection of their limited written warranty are not eligible for payments from this settlement, but may still submit claims to CertainTeed under the SureStart warranty provisions.

The agreement must be approved by a judge -- in this case, by United States District Court Judge Thomas P. O'Neill -- after a hearing which we expect to take place on \_\_\_\_\_ in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania concerning approval of the settlement.

People who own or owned buildings with CertainTeed Fiber Cement Siding and believe they may qualify for a remedy under this settlement can obtain additional information about the settlement by checking the website at [www.certainteedfibercementsettlement.com](http://www.certainteedfibercementsettlement.com); by calling 1 (855) 335-3413, or by writing to: CertainTeed Claims Administrator, PO Box 2007, Chanhassen, MN 55317-007.

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