

Member Heads Up

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Details	<p>On February 27, 2017 the Government of Canada announced that anti-dumping duties that were imposed on drywall imported from the United States would be reduced and roughly \$12 million of the duties collected would support a program to distribute funding back to those affected by the higher costs.</p> <p>The Drywall Support Program will provide a one-time payment to provide partial relief to contractors and builders who faced unexpected losses due to the duties imposed on imported drywall from the United States between Sept. 6, 2016 and February 24, 2017.</p> <p>The program is also aimed to assist the middle class families in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo rebuild following the 2016 wildfires.</p>
How it works	<p>The program is set to give nearly \$12 million of anti-dumping duties back to eligible applicants. Eligible applications include contractors, builders and homeowners.</p> <p>Applications are being accepted between May 1 and 31, 2017</p>
Get involved	<p>To find out if you are an eligible applicant, contractors and builders must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Own a drywall contracting or building business in Western Canada • Have fewer than 500 employees • Have had a fixed-price drywall contract(s) before Sept. 6, 2016 • Have purchased drywall between Sept. 6, 2016 and Feb. 24, 2017 <p>Contractor and builder application guide found here: http://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/images/cont/19338a-eng.pdf</p> <p>Homeowner application guide found here: http://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/images/cont/19337a-eng.pdf</p>
Resources	<p>Western Economic Diversification Canada website: http://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/19331.asp?WT.mc_id=drywall1</p>