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## The Timber Group, LLC (TTG) hires Diego Frederick as Managing Director for Transaction Management

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November 14, 2011 - The Timber Group, LLC (TTG) is pleased to announce that Diego Frederick has joined its São Paulo office as Managing Director for Transaction Management.

Diego, who will join the company as a senior member of its management team, will draw on more than 20 years of Latin American forestry experience in providing leadership related to TTG's timberland acquisitions, product sales, and dispositions. Diego will also actively contribute to the development of new investment strategies for TTG's clients, and will support the company's ongoing market research and client support programs.

Prior to joining TTG, Diego headed timberland investment activities in Latin America as Forest Investment Manager for GMO's Renewable Resources group. He led successful timberland investment programs in Panama, Costa Rica, Uruguay, Brazil and Chile, and also helped to develop that firm's first agricultural investments in Latin America. Previously, Diego served as senior country representative for West Fraser, acquiring and managing high-yield *Pine* and *Eucalyptus* plantations for sawtimber, pulp, and other uses. After Weyerhaeuser's acquisition of West Fraser's Uruguay assets, Diego served as Regional Manager for Weyerhaeuser Uruguay. Diego began his career as a forester with FYMNSA in Uruguay, where he was responsible for a wide range of forestry operations.

Diego holds a B.S. in Forestry from the University of the Republic, Uruguay.

### About TTG

The Timber Group, LLC (TTG), a division of Equator, LLC, is a Latin American timberland asset management company, focused on researching, identifying, acquiring and managing commercial timberland properties on behalf of timberland investment management organizations (TIMOs) and similar institutions seeking Latin American timberland exposure. TTG operates in Brazil as TTG Brasil Investimentos Florestais Ltda, Please visit our websites at [www.ttgbrasil.com](http://www.ttgbrasil.com) or [www.thetimbergroup.com](http://www.thetimbergroup.com) for more information.