WHEREAS, the Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, having found that a dangerous pest, commonly known as hemlock woolly adelgid, *Adelges tsugae* Annand, is injurious to native eastern hemlock, has become established in parts of the eastern and western United States; and, that this pest is not known to exist in Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, once eastern hemlock native stands are infested with this pest it is difficult to eradicate, and

WHEREAS, many species of wildlife benefit from the excellent habitat that a stand of hemlock provides and hemlock is considered a critical component to wildlife habitat, and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States has not determined that a federal quarantine is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, by authority of Section 23 of Act No. 189, P.A. of 1931, as amended, (Section 286.223, Compiled Laws of 1948); Section 20 (2) and (3) of Act No. 189, (Section 286.220(2)(3), Compiled Laws of 1948); and Regulation No. 620; does establish a quarantine to prevent the introduction into Michigan of the insect pest hemlock woolly adelgid and sets forth: regulated areas, regulated articles, shipping restrictions, and violations.

I. DEFINITIONS.
The following terms shall be construed to mean:

(A) **BARK** means the natural bark of a tree, including residual bark at branch unions.

(B) **CERTIFICATE** means a State Phytosanitary Certificate or Certificate of Quarantine Compliance or equivalent certification document issued by an authorized state agricultural official.

(C) **COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT** means a written agreement between the Director and a person moving or receiving regulated articles.

(D) **DEPARTMENT** means the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

(E) **DIELECTRIC HEAT (DH)** means lumber has been heat treated using dielectric heating.

(F) **DIRECTOR** means the Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development or her/his authorized representative.
(G) **FIREWOOD** means tree parts in lengths less than 1.22 meters (4 feet).

(H) **HEAT TREATMENT (HT)** means lumber which has been placed in a closed chamber and artificial heat added until the lumber or packing achieves a minimum core temperature of 56 degrees C. (132.8 degrees F.) for a minimum of 30 minutes.

(I) **INFESTATION** means the presence of the hemlock woolly adelgid or the existence of the circumstances that make it reasonable to believe that the hemlock woolly adelgid is present.

(J) **INSPECTOR** means an employee of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of this quarantine.

(K) **KILN DRIED (KD)** means lumber seasoned in a closed chamber by means of artificial heat to a maximum moisture content of 19 percent at time of surfacing.

(L) **LOG** means tree parts cut into lengths 1.22 meters (4 feet) or longer.

(M) **LUMBER** means timber sawed into boards, planks, or other structural members.

(N) **METHYL BROMIDE FUMIGATION (MB)** means lumber or other products fumigated according to USDA treatment schedule.

(O) **MOVED (MOVE, MOVEMENT)** means shipped, held for shipment, received for shipment, transported, carried, or allowed to be moved or shipped.

(P) **PERSON** means an individual, firm, association, partnership, corporation, governmental entity, or other legal entity.

II. PEST

III. REGULATED AREAS
The entire states of Alaska, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia; and, the province of British Columbia in Canada.

IV. REGULATED ARTICLES

*Tsuga* spp. (hemlock), *Picea jezoensis* (Yeddo spruce) and *Picea polita* (tiger-tail spruce) nursery stock and forest products with bark attached including branches, boughs, uncomposted or unshredded bark, logs, lumber and firewood.
V. EXEMPTIONS
1. Composted or shredded bark and mulch of regulated species.
2. Lumber, logs and other forest products of regulated species with all bark completely removed.
3. Lumber, pallets and similar products that bear markings as being compliant with International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15, including American Lumber Standards Committee requirements for Kiln Dried (KD), Heat Treatment (HT), Dielectric Heat treatment (DH), Kiln Dried Heat Treatment (KDHT) or Methyl Bromide (MB) treatment procedures.
4. Lumber and posts which have been treated with wood preservatives compounds i.e. pressure treated with chromated copper arsenate or similar treatments.
5. Seeds and cones of regulated species.
6. The Director may allow, with written approval, the movement of regulated articles from regulated areas into Michigan for research purposes.
7. Treated firewood that is packaged and labeled as being KD, HT, DH, KDHT or MB; or, is USDA Certified and clearly marked with the producer’s name and address.

VI. RESTRICTIONS
All regulated articles are prohibited entry into Michigan from any regulated area, with the following exceptions:

Regulated articles are approved for entry into Michigan from a regulated area when: a) they originate from a county where hemlock woolly adelgid is not known to occur based on official surveys conducted at least once every three years; and, b) hemlock woolly adelgid is not known to occur in counties immediately adjacent to the county of origin based on official surveys conducted at least once every three years; and, c) they have not been held in a county known to be infested with hemlock woolly adelgid; and, d) they have not been exposed to regulated articles from areas regulated for hemlock woolly adelgid.

Regulated articles from non-infested counties in regulated areas may be allowed entry into Michigan under a permit issued by the Director.

VII. CERTIFICATION AND SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS

1. Certificates - Regulated articles meeting the requirements for entry into Michigan must be accompanied by a certificate issued by an authorized state agricultural official. The certificate must indicate the state and county of origin, the number and type of regulated articles and Additional Declarations as required in VII (2) or VII (3). Upon issuance, a copy of the certificate must be faxed to the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division, Attention: Nursery Program Specialist at (517) 335-4540 or, may be emailed by first contacting the Nursery Program Specialist at (517) 284-5648. A copy of the certificate shall accompany the regulated articles to their final destination.
2. Regulated articles originating from within a regulated area – the certificate must be issued within seven days prior to shipment and contain the following Additional Declarations:

"The regulated articles originate from a county where hemlock woolly adelgid is not known to occur based on an official survey conducted in (insert year of last survey). Hemlock woolly adelgid is not known to occur in counties immediately adjacent to the county of origin based on an official survey conducted in (insert year of last survey). The regulated articles have not been held in a county known to be infested with hemlock woolly adelgid. The regulated articles in this shipment have not been held or stored in the proximity of products from a regulated area."

NOTE: Official surveys must have been conducted within the past three years.

3. Regulated articles originating from states outside a regulated area - the certificate must contain the following Additional Declarations:

"The regulated articles in this shipment have not been held or stored in the proximity of regulated articles originating from a regulated area."

4. Transportation requirements - Regulated articles may be transported through an infested area, provided that: a) the regulated articles are enclosed by a covering adequate to prevent the introduction of hemlock woolly adelgid (such as canvas, plastic, or closely woven cloth), or must be in an enclosed trailer body; and, b) the regulated articles were not off-loaded in the regulated area; and, c) no regulated articles were added to the shipment in a regulated area.

5. Requirement to hold regulated articles upon receipt in Michigan - Persons receiving regulated articles from interstate or international sources may not sell or further distribute the regulated articles unless a written release is issued to the consignee by the Department; or, unless the person is operating under a compliance agreement with the Department.

VIII. RECORD KEEPING REQUIREMENTS
Persons receiving regulated articles from interstate and international sources shall retain a copy of shipping records, invoices, waybills, bills of lading, certificates of quarantine compliance, phytosanitary certificates or equivalent certification documents for a period of 36 months after receipt of the articles.

IX. VIOLATIONS
Any violation of this quarantine is subject to the full authority of Act No. 189, P.A. of 1931, as amended.

Jamie Clover Adams, Director  
6/24/14  
Date Amended