## **ARKANSAS & CANADA**





Lanxess Southern Brine Plant Photo: Standard Lithium

# Cutting Edge Technology Powers the Future of Lithium Extraction

In 2020, Vancouver-based **Standard Lithium**, an innovative technology and lithium development company, broke ground on a flagship project in the prolific and productive Smackover brine region of southern Arkansas. The first-of-its-kind in the world Direct Lithium Extraction plant is installed at the Company's project partner LANXESS' South Plant facility near El Dorado, Arkansas. The direct extraction process, known as "LiSTR"has the potential to vastly reduce the recovery time of extracting lithium from brine to just several hours from as long as a year for conventional evaporation pond processing. The process may also prove to be much more environmentally friendly with a significantly smaller footprint as compared to the conventional evaporation pond processes. Standard Lithium's cutting-edge investment will benefit the community, the region and the state of Arkansas.

# Timber! Structurlam to Build Wal-Mart Campus Facilities with Arkansas Lumber

British Columbia-based **Structurlam Mass Timber Corporation**, the leading mass timber manufacturer in North America, is expanding its operations into the United States, with a plant in Conway, set to open in mid-2021. The Canadian-based company, in which Walmart has made an investment, will spend \$90 million to purchase, retrofit and equip a former steel plant and create 130 new jobs, and will source softwood lumber from Arkansas-grown Southern Pine trees. Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer, plans to use more than 1.1 million cubic feet of Arkansas-grown and Arkansas-produced mass timber in its new Home Office campus in Bentonville, Arkansas, making it the largest campus project in the U.S. using mass timber.

### Canada and the U.S.: There for Each Other

In 2020, Canada and the U.S. again worked together as the COVID-19 pandemic took hold across the world. Canada and the U.S. preserved supply chains across the border, deeming trucking essential. Canada and the U.S. traded important inputs for the production of personal protective equipment and medical equipment, maintaining a thriving bilateral trade in finished goods. Soon after the outbreak, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research began awarding grants to joint research projects proposed by Canadian and U.S. institutions to try and find an end to the virus.

No matter our shared challenges and as we have done in times of crisis, Canada and the U.S. will continue to support one another as friends, partners and allies.

### MILLIONS OF U.S. JOBS

depend on trade & investment with Canada



47 Canadian-owned businesses EMPLOY 4,293 WORKERS in Arkansas



Canada & the U.S. trade an average of \$1.4 MILLION in bilateral goods & services EVERY MINUTE OF EVERY DAY

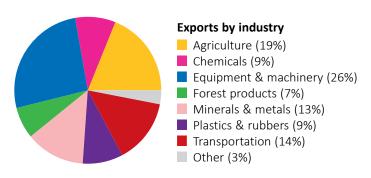




Canada is the #2
SOURCE of foreign
direct investment
in the U.S.



### Arkansas **EXPORTS \$1.1 BILLION** in goods to Canada annually



## **Arkansas EXPORTS \$161 MILLION** in services to Canada annually

### TOP ARKANSAS GOODS EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Plastics & plastic articles  |              |
|--|--------------|
| ■ Iron & steel tubes, pipes & sheets                                     | \$74 million |
| Motor vehicle parts  |              |
| Paper & paperboard   |              |
| Railway trains & rolling stock   |              |
| Heating, cooling & refrigeration equipment                               |              |
| Electric motors & generators   |              |
| Perfumes, essential oils & toiletries  Meat, fish & seafood preparations |              |

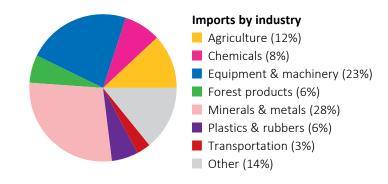
### TOP ARKANSAS SERVICES EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Travel Services                      | .\$62 million  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Business & Professional Services     | \$40 million   |
| Financial Services                   |                |
| Royalties                            | . \$13 million |
| Equipment Installation & Maintenance |                |

### Arkansas IMPORTS \$757 MILLION in goods from Canada annually

### TOP ARKANSAS GOODS IMPORTS FROM CANADA

| Aluminum & aluminum articles                   | \$123 million |
|--|---------------|
| Zinc & zinc articles                           | \$41 million  |
| Plastics & plastic articles                    | \$40 million  |
| Inorganic chemicals                            | \$32 million  |
| ■ Electric motors & generators                 | \$26 million  |
| Beverages & alcohol                            | \$25 million  |
| Agricultural machinery                         | \$23 million  |
| Paper & paperboard                             | \$23 million  |
| ■ Iron & steel alloys & semi-finished products | \$20 million  |
| ■ Heating, cooling & refrigeration equipment   | \$17 million  |





Over 76% of U.S. imports from Canada are goods that are used in the production of other goods

### Arkansas exported \$222 million in agricultural goods to Canada in 2020

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Unless otherwise mentioned, all figures are based on 2020 data in U.S. dollars. U.S. Census Bureau: goods trade, Canada's export ranking (2/2021 release). U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis: 2020 goods & services trade (3/2021 release). The Trade Partnership: 2019 services exports (estimated, 2/2021 release). Dun + Bradstreet: Canadian-owned businesses (3/2021 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, DC.





### ARKANSAS' 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND CANADA

6,366 JOBS in AR-1 depend on trade & investment with Canada

1,519 PEOPLE are employed at the 9 Canadian-owned businesses operating in AR-1

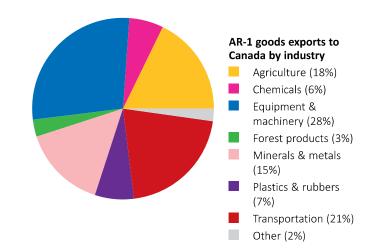
### AR-1

### **EXPORTS \$416 million**

in goods to Canada annually

### TOP AR-1 GOODS EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Grain & Oilseed Milling Products | \$65 million  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| ■ Motor Vehicle Parts            | \$61 million  |
| ■ Ag. & Construction Machinery   | \$28 million  |
| ■ Plastics Products              | .\$28 million |
| ■ Iron, Steel & Ferroalloys      | .\$28 million |



### AR-1

### **EXPORTS \$26 million**

in services to Canada annually

#### TOP AR-1 SERVICES EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Travel Services                   | \$11 million   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Financial Services                | \$5 million    |
| Business & Professional Services  | \$3 million    |
| Equipment Installation & Maintena | nce\$3 million |
| Royalties                         | \$2 million    |

#### TOP CANADIAN-OWNED BUSINESSES OPERATING IN AR-1

- Waste Connections
- Nutrien Ag Solutions
- Jms Russel Metals
- Centoco Manufacturing
- Cw
- Heber Springs Transfer Station
- Burger King
- Texas Eastern Transmission Lp
- Arkansas Lime Company

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### ARKANSAS' 2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND CANADA

9,218 JOBS in AR-2 depend on trade & investment with Canada

941 PEOPLE are employed at the 23 Canadian-owned businesses operating in AR-2

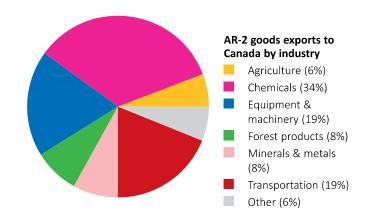
### AR-2

### **EXPORTS \$169 million**

in goods to Canada annually

### TOP AR-2 GOODS EXPORTS TO CANADA

| ■ Soaps, Cleaning Agents & Toiletries | \$45 million |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| ■ Railroad Rolling Stock              | \$25 million |
| ■ Converted Paper Products            | \$9 million  |
| ■ Navigational & Meas. Instruments    | \$8 million  |
| ■ Engines & Turbines                  | \$8 million  |



### AR-2

### **EXPORTS \$52 million**

in services to Canada annually

### TOP AR-2 SERVICES EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Travel Services                  | 519 | million |
|----------------------------------|-----|---------|
| Business & Professional Services | 313 | million |
| Tech Services                    | \$6 | million |
| Financial Services               | \$5 | million |
| Royalties                        | \$5 | million |

#### TOP CANADIAN-OWNED BUSINESSES OPERATING IN AR-2

- Calfrac Well Services
- Dbg Conway
- United States Fire Insur
- Coreslab Structures
- Affirmative Risk Mgt
- WSP
- Atkins
- Burger King
- Alltel Arena
- Texas Eastern Transmission Lp

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### ARKANSAS' 3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND CANADA

9,636 JOBS in AR-3 depend on trade & investment with Canada

460 PEOPLE are employed at the 14 Canadian-owned businesses operating in AR-3

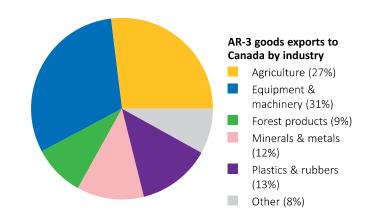
### AR-3

### **EXPORTS \$256 million**

in goods to Canada annually

### TOP AR-3 GOODS EXPORTS TO CANADA

| ■ Plastics Products              | \$32 million |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| ■ Meat Products                  | \$31 million |
| ■ Electrical Equipment           | \$21 million |
| ■ Converted Paper Products       | \$19 million |
| ■ HVAC & Refrigeration Equipment | \$17 million |



#### AR-3

### **EXPORTS \$60 million**

in services to Canada annually

#### TOP AR-3 SERVICES EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Business & Professional Services     | \$22 million |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Travel Services                      | \$22 million |
| Financial Services                   | \$5 million  |
| Royalties                            | \$4 million  |
| Equipment Installation & Maintenance |              |

#### TOP CANADIAN-OWNED BUSINESSES OPERATING IN AR-3

- West Fraser
- CIBC
- Spectra Energy
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Empire District Electric
- Aldo
- Toromont Energy Systems
- Colliers International
- Spin Master
- Kaycan

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### ARKANSAS' 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND CANADA

5,297 JOBS in AR-4 depend on trade & investment with Canada

1,373 PEOPLE are employed at the 14 Canadian-owned businesses operating in AR-4

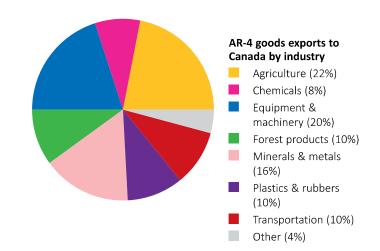
### AR-4

### **EXPORTS \$300 million**

in goods to Canada annually

### TOP AR-4 GOODS EXPORTS TO CANADA

| ■ Plastics Products              | \$24 million |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Meat Products                    | \$21 million |
| Grain & Oilseed Milling Products | \$17 million |
| ■ HVAC & Refrigeration Equipment | \$16 million |
| ■ Railroad Rolling Stock         | \$13 million |



### AR-4

### **EXPORTS \$23 million**

in services to Canada annually

#### TOP AR-4 SERVICES EXPORTS TO CANADA

| Travel Services                       | \$10  | million |
|---------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Financial Services                    | .\$5  | million |
| Equipment Installation & Maintenance. | . \$3 | million |
| Royalties                             | . \$2 | million |
| Business & Professional Services      | \$2   | million |

#### TOP CANADIAN-OWNED BUSINESSES OPERATING IN AR-4

- West Fraser
- Anthony Forest Products
- Interfor Us
- Uap Timberland
- Conifex
- Nutrien Ag Solutions
- United Water Arkansas
- Jms Russel Metals
- Texas Eastern Transmission Lp
- Future Electronics Corp

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