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We are a new, growing business in Ashland, ME. The Dirigo Business Incentives program has been a fundamental part of our success and continues to support our growth.

WholeTrees - Maine was started as a subsidiary of WholeTrees Structures in February 2024 to bring forest-product jobs back to the economically challenged rural forest communities of Northern Maine. In 2024, we re-opened a dormant mill in Ashland, ME, to better support regional sourcing of timber for Solid Structural Timber products to meet the needs of the expanding architectural and construction markets on the east coast.

From employee number one in February 2024 to today - we have grown to a full crew and brought much needed employment to the community. Dirigo has been a core foundation of our continued growth and success. The funding provides important training to our new staff, building their skill sets, and creating a stronger workforce. We believe that with continued investment, WholeTrees - Maine will continue to expand and bring a sustainable forest products industry back to the area, improving economic returns for Maine.

Funding like this is one of the many ways the state of Maine has encouraged economic growth in the growing Mass Timber industry. It is imperative that businesses continue to receive these incentives to ensure the growth continues.