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### Info Fair Registration Deadline Approaching

EWTA's 23rd Info Fair will be held Nov. 5–7 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa in Bonita Springs, Florida, during APA's Annual Meeting. "Early Bird" pricing to exhibit at the supplier exhibition ends August 29. Info Fair provides suppliers face-to-face connections with industry decision-makers at leading engineered wood products companies. Sponsorship opportunities with special recognition are available. For more information about Info Fair, visit the [website](#). Register for Info Fair [here](#) or email Melinda Lilley at [mlilley@engineeredwood.org](mailto:mlilley@engineeredwood.org). The following members have already signed up to exhibit (Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsors noted):

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## EWTA Exhibiting at TPEE

The Engineered Wood Technology Association will have a booth at the Timber Processing and Energy Expo in Portland, Oregon, Sept. 28–30. The Expo is held every other year and is hosted by Timber Processing and Panel World magazines. The event caters to producers of lumber, plywood and engineered wood products. Stop by the EWTA booth and say hello.

## *Engineered Wood Journal Advertising Deadline Approaching*

Reach your customers and help support the association! The *Engineered Wood Journal's* autumn issue includes the EWTA Info Fair exhibitors and sponsors list and features coverage of APA's annual meeting. Please contact Melinda Lilley at [mlilley@engineeredwood.org](mailto:mlilley@engineeredwood.org) by Monday, August 22, to place your ad. For more information about the *Engineered Wood Journal*, including the Media Kit, how to contribute an article and to view past issues, go to: [www.engineeredwood.org/engineered-wood-journal](http://www.engineeredwood.org/engineered-wood-journal).

## EWTA Member News

### New, Returning Members Join EWTA

EWTA recently welcomed a new member and a returning member to EWTA.

- **Franklin Adhesives & Polymers**—a division of Franklin International—is based in Columbus, Ohio, and manufactures adhesives for the domestic and global wood furniture, millwork and engineered-lamination markets. Business Development Manager Joshua Bartlett can be reached at [joshbartlett@franklininternational.com](mailto:joshbartlett@franklininternational.com).
- **Kop-Coat Inc.**, a returning EWTA member, is based in Pittsburgh, Penn., and offers patented wood protection technologies against termites, decay, mold, stain and weather damage. Sales and Product Specialist Josiah Wilfong can be reached at [jwilfong@kop-coat.com](mailto:jwilfong@kop-coat.com).

### COSTA Sells First CLT Machine in U.S.

**COSTA Sanders LLC** announced in a press release that it has sold the first cross-laminated timber calibrating/sanding machine to be installed in the U.S. The machine was sold to SmartLam of Whitefish, Montana, and will be installed in its Columbia Falls manufacturing facility later this year. The KK10 Series opposed head machine is designed for CLT panels 10 ft. wide by 60 ft. long and up to 14 in. thick.

### SonicAire Fan Receives IWF Achievement Award

The SonicAire 2.0 fan has advanced to the finalist round of the 2016 Challengers Distinguished Achievement Award competition, presented by the International Woodworking Fair. The fan joins 21 other finalists selected from 76 total entries. The award is bestowed annually to companies that have developed innovative technology for the woodworking industry. The fan is made by **SonicAire** and was created to address the challenges of combustible sawdust in mills. Seven winners will be announced on opening day of the IWF 2016 show in Atlanta, which runs August 24–27.

### USNR Hires Senior VP; Announces New Bolt-On Sensor

**USNR** has appointed Chuck Wert as senior vice president, with responsibility for aftermarket customer support, including spare and replacement parts; technical service; and training. Wert previously spent 18 years with lumber and plywood producer Swanson Group, where he served in a number of executive leadership roles including chief operating officer. In related news, USNR announced a new product: a sensor that adds HD color vision technology to existing laser profile scanning in a bolt-on configuration. The BioLuma 2900V improves grade and recovery with existing transverse sawmill edger and trimmer systems.

## ALTEC Acquires Demco Manufacturing

Vancouver, British Columbia-based [Altec Integrated Solutions](#) recently announced that it has acquired Demco Manufacturing Inc. of Diboll, Texas. The acquisition adds significant fabrication and machining capacity to Altec's growing list of capabilities. Altec recently moved to a new 22,000-sq.-ft. facility with 8,000 sq. ft. of office space and 14,000 sq. ft. of warehouse and shop space. Demco's 28,000-sq.-ft. facility includes a machine shop, fabrication facilities, warehouse and office space. The company designs, manufactures and services parts and equipment primarily for the wood-based panel industry.

## Evergreen Engineering Opens Atlanta Branch Office

Eugene, Oregon-based [Evergreen Engineering](#) has opened a branch office in Atlanta, Georgia, to pursue opportunities in the southeastern U.S. The Atlanta office, located at 8607 Roberts Drive, will begin with 10 employees and is expected to grow.

## Electronic Wood Systems Announces New Division

Electronic Wood Systems and [Electronic Wood Systems North America](#) recently announced the establishment of its new Technology Wood-Based Composites division, which will combine competencies in wood-based composites technology, measuring systems and corresponding physical background, and data analysis and evaluation. The creation of the division is in response to the increasing integration of technology in the manufacturing environment. Konrad Solbrig is the director of the new division.

## McLube Hires New Technical Rep

[McLube Division](#) of McGee Industries Inc. has hired Ryan Heffner as a technical representative overseeing the broader mountain states and northern Texas. Heffner is a third-generation team member at McLube.

## LP Appoints New VP of Siding Manufacturing

Louisiana-Pacific Corporation announced that it has named Greg Harrison as vice president, siding manufacturing. Harrison, 58, joined LP in 2000 as general manager of the company's plywood business. He has served a variety of roles with the company in the plywood, engineered wood products and siding businesses, most recently as director of siding operations since 2012. Throughout his career, Harrison has worked in a variety of jobs within the industry at companies that include Willamette Industries, Georgia-Pacific and Boise Cascade. Harrison oversees operations at LP's seven siding facilities in the U.S. and Canada. He also serves on the EWTA Advisory Committee.

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### FPS Offering Three-Day Wood Science Course

The Forest Products Society is offering its Introduction to Wood Science and Forest Products Course September 26–28 at the Department of Sustainable Bioproducts at Mississippi State University. The three-day course offers an introduction to the basics of wood and wood-based products as well as an understanding of environmental advantages of wood and product properties. The course would be helpful for new employees in wood products manufacturing, suppliers and consultants who support wood products companies. Visit the registration [website](#) for more information

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