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Derek Ratchford Transfers to El Dorado

El Dorado, AR - Anthony Forest Products Company is pleased to welcome Derek Ratchford, General Manager of the Anthony-Domtar Power Joist plant in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, to the Anthony Forest central office.

Derek will transition to the role of General Manager of Engineered Wood Products Operations, including the wood laminating plants in El Dorado and Washington, Georgia. Derek will continue to serve the Anthony-Domtar joist venture as its General Manager.

“Derek’s manufacturing expertise, exceptional leadership abilities, and accomplishments at the Sault Ste. Marie plant make him the perfect person to assume these additional responsibilities,” said Russ Anthony, Executive Vice President. Under Derek’s leadership, the Anthony-Domtar team exceeded all of the operational metrics of the plants original design, and both partners are extremely proud of this performance.

Derek graduated from Clemson University with a B.S. in Forest Products. Further studies include a Master of Science, Forest Products from the University of Idaho.

Before coming to Anthony Forest, Derek worked for International Paper Company as a Technical Director for the LVL & I-Joist plant in Thorsby, Alabama. He also worked for Trus Joist McMillian as Technical Director and Quality Assurance Supervisor.

Derek joined the Anthony Forest Engineered Wood Sales team in 2003. In April of 2005 he accepted the role of General Manager of the Anthony-Domtar plant in Sault Ste. Marie.

The Anthony team welcomes Derek, his wife Tressa and son Scott to El Dorado.

Anthony Forest Products Company is an integrated forest products business incorporated in 1965. The company owns approximately 91,331 acres of timberland in Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. It operates southern pine lumber producing mills in Urbana, Arkansas and Atlanta, Texas; and wood chip mills in Plain Dealing, Louisiana and Troup, Texas. The company also operates engineered wood laminating plants in El Dorado, Arkansas and Washington, Georgia.

Anthony Forest Products Company and Domtar, Inc. of Montreal, Canada jointly own and operate an I-joist manufacturing plant in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

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