

A Leader in the Forest Industry

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## **APA Safety Award Winners Announced**

Anthony Forest Products Laminating Plant in El Dorado, Arkansas, won the APA Safety Award for the second year in a row for the "Incident Free Honor Society". This means a zero incident rate or no recordable accidents during 2009. Johnny Nolan, Plant Manager, was presented the award by Steve Zylkowski, General Manager of Field Services from the APA-Engineered Wood Association on Wednesday, August 25, during a catfish dinner honoring the entire laminating team. Johnny said to the team, "We have been incident free for 1000 days, and I want to thank you for this achievement. Please continue the great team building and watching out for each other." He added, "I want to make sure that each and every one of you makes it home safely and whole every day."

The awards program, begun in 1982, honors the management and employees of companies and mills with the lowest severity-weighted incident rates based on guidelines established by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). It employs a Weighted Incident Rate that is calculated by using both the number and severity of recordable incidents. Ninety-three APA member structural wood panel and engineered wood product facilities in the U.S., Canada, and abroad participated in the 2009 program. A total of 16 mills earned awards in various competition categories of the 2009 program. Some of the mills were multiple award winners. They represented seven APA member companies—Anthony Forest Products Co.; Georgia-Pacific Wood Products, LLC; LP; Norbord; Rosboro; Shelton Lam and Deck; and Stark Truss Company, Inc.

All major product categories produced by APA's membership were represented among the winning mills, including oriented strand board, plywood, glulam timber, wood I-joists, and laminated veneer lumber.

The winning facilities and companies will be recognized and celebrated for their safety accomplishments during the Chairman's Dinner at APA's annual meeting in October in Tucson, Arizona.

## About APA

Based in Tacoma, Washington, APA-The Engineered Wood Association (<u>www.apawood.org</u>) is a nonprofit trade association representing North American manufacturers of plywood, oriented strand board, glued laminated timer, wood I-Joist, laminated veneer lumber, and other structural engineered wood products. Its primary functions are quality auditing and testing, applied research, and market support and development.

## **About Anthony Forest**

Anthony Forest Products Company (<u>www.anthonyforest.com</u>) is an integrated forest products business incorporated in 1965. The Company operates southern pine lumber producing mills in Urbana, Arkansas and Atlanta, Texas; and wood chips 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 EACOM Timber Corporation of Montreal, Canada jointly own and operate an I-Joist manufacturing plant in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.