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### **CLSAB to Launch Marking Program for Pressure Treated Wood**

Over the last several months, WPC has been working closely with the Canadian Lumber Standards Accreditation Board to develop a quality assurance marking program for pressure treated wood products so that we can address the new requirements of the National Building Code of Canada and the provincial codes.

We are pleased to announce that CLSAB is currently finalizing the details for the program with an expected launch date of September 2007. The program is similar to the current program administered by the American Lumber Standards Board in the United States.

The program is designed to address the residential lumber and plywood market i.e. CSA O80.36, O80.32 and O80.2. These products will be marked using end tags and ink stamps to show compliance. The mark will be bilingual, carry the logo of the agency, a plant number, the CSA standard and identify whether the product is for ground contact or above ground use. Other products will be included in the future as the agencies expand their service.

Costs for the program will vary with each agency and it appears that most agencies currently under the CLSAB will be participating. We encourage all members to contact their local grading agency to determine their participation.

### **2007 – 2008 Board of Directors**



Ian Jones (center), past president receives token of appreciation from incoming president Peter Mason (right), while executive director Henry Walthert (left), presents the gift.

The new slate of board of directors was presented and approved at the Annual General Meeting April 2007.

Mr. Peter Mason from Brisco Wood Preservers Ltd. has become the new President of Wood Preservation Canada following Mr. Ian Jones of Bell Pole Canada Inc's term. Mr. Mason has been actively

involved in the association for some time and was previously vice president of the association. Mr. Mike McCollough a long time board member has accepted the duties of Vice President of Wood Preservation Canada.

Enclosed is the current list of Board of Directors:

President:

Mr. Peter Mason – Brisco Wood Preservers Ltd.

Past President:

Mr. Ian Jones – Bell Pole Canada Inc.

Vice-President:

Mr. Mike McCollough – Northern Pressure Treated Wood Ltd.

Mr. Craig Frohlich – Guelph Utility Pole Co.

Mr. Tom Mitchell – KMG Bernuth Inc.

Mr. Tom Fitzgerald – Viance LLC.

Mr. Tom Moryto – RAM Forest Products Inc.

Mr. Peter Hattin – Pastway Planing Ltd.

Mr. Danny Goodine – Marwood Ltd.

Mr. Jason Quantz – Spray Lake Sawmills Ltd.

### **CSA Use Category Standard Expected in Spring 2008**

The CSA Use Category Technical Sub-Committee has been very active since the AGM in Kelowna. The group has met for 8 full days on webex meetings to discuss and review the draft standard. Incorporated into the new standard is the O80.36 standard for above ground residential lumber and the proposed revision to O80.32 for ground contact residential lumber.

The draft standard will be presented to the CSA A366 Technical Committee for discussion at their October meeting in Quebec City. CSA will then post the draft standard for public comment followed by committee balloting. The goal is to have the new standard published by the Spring of next year.

WPC will be working with the Canadian Wood Council to have the new standard

referenced in the National Building Code of Canada 2010 edition.

### **WPC 2007 Annual General Meeting**



Paul Gravel Lifetime Achievement Award recipients: Mike Hollick (far left), Dennis Konasewich (center) and Friedl Brudermann (second from the right) are joined by Barb and Christopher Gravel.

Wood Preservation Canada held it's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting in Kelowna, British Columbia at the Grand Okanagan Resort and Conference centre on April 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> 2007.

The annual general meeting was a three day event with the board of directors meetings on Sunday, the committee meetings and awards dinner on Monday and finally the AGM on Tuesday morning. As per usual there was great discussion in all of the committees and some serious issues were addressed. One such discussion was surrounding the new CSA residential ground contact standard, after lengthy debate it was voted by the members to move forward and present the new standard to CSA. Other topics which received lots of discussion were the improper use and labelling of PTW that is occurring in Canada. The AGM handled the regular business of appointing officers, legal council and included presentations from three other associations that WPC works with. There were updates from Pauline Rochefort of the Canadian Wood Council, Carl Johnson of the

Southern Pressure Treater's Association and Ted Ledoux from the Western Wood Preservers Institute.

The awards dinner took place at the beautiful Mission Hill Family Estate Winery where members enjoyed wine tasting and a brief tour of the facilities. The purpose of the evening was the inaugural presentation of the Paul Gravel Lifetime Achievement Award. The award was named after Paul Gravel for his commitment and support of the industry over the years. His wife Barbara and son Christopher were there to present the awards and gave a brief bio on Paul's life. The recipients of the inaugural Paul Gravel Lifetime Achievement Award were Friedl Brudermann, Mike Hollick and Dennis Konasewich. These three gentlemen were long time members and supporters of WPC and have made significant contributions to the association and industry as a whole.

### **WPC Trade Shows**



Robert Lloyd in the WPC booth at the Calgary Wood Solutions Fair.

Wood Preservation Canada participated at the Canadian Wood Council's Wood Solutions Fair, April 19<sup>th</sup> in Calgary, Alberta. The show had a good turnout and

gave us the opportunity to speak with many specifiers and architects. WPC also plans on attending all further CWC Wood Solutions Fairs in Canada this year. The next fair takes place September 27<sup>th</sup> 2007 in Montreal, Quebec and the final fair of the year occurs in Toronto, Ontario on November 7<sup>th</sup> 2007. These fairs are a great way to meet the local market and disseminate information on pressure treated wood and make valuable contacts. If anyone from the surrounding areas would like to assist us in manning the WPC booth please contact us so we can make the proper arrangements. This is a great opportunity to get connected with local decision makers.

### **CWPCA Membership Plaques**

WPC mailed out the Canadian Wood Preservation Certification Authority's official plaques in late June 2007. All plaques should have arrived by now. If you have not received your plaque please contact us. All qualifying and conforming plants that remain in the program will annually receive a package containing the next year's badge. Participating plants that are out of compliance will be asked to return their plaques to WPC.

### **CSA, CWPA and WPC 2007 Fall Committee Meetings**

Once again this year WPC will be holding it's fall meetings in conjunction with the Canadian Standards Association and the Canadian Wood Preservation Association. This year the venue is Quebec City, Quebec and the meetings will be from the 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2007. The venue for the meetings is Loews Le Concord Hotel reachable at (418) 647-2222 or 1-800-23-LOEWS. Accommodations have been reserved at a room rate of \$182 a night; the cut-off date is

September 14<sup>th</sup> 2007. The meetings will start on Monday with Wood Preservation Canada committee meetings and will be followed Tuesday and Wednesday by Canadian Wood Preservation Association AGM. The CSA meeting will be held on the Thursday and Friday morning.

## **Upcoming Events**

- **CWC Wood Solutions Fair  
September 27<sup>th</sup> 2007  
Palais de Congres  
Montreal, QC**
- **WPC Fall Committee Meeting  
October 14-15<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Loews Le Concord Hotel  
Quebec, QC**
- **Canadian Wood Preservation  
Association  
October 16-17<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Loews Le Concord Hotel  
Quebec, QC**
- **CSA A366 Technical  
Committee  
October 18-19<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Loews Le Concord Hotel  
Quebec, QC**
- **CWC Wood Solutions Fair  
November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Direct Energy Centre  
Toronto, Ontario**



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