



## M&M Lumber Newsletter

October 2012



Greetings! Hopefully all the hot, dry and dusty days are gone for all of us for awhile. Fall is here with football, cooler weather, fall colors and Thanksgiving right around the corner.



October is Breast Cancer Awareness month where we are encouraged to 'go pink' to raise awareness and funds for cancer research, not only for breast cancer, but for all cancers since cancer can touch anyone male or female at any age.

In this email, you will find the latest market report, information on Fire Prevention Week, and the latest happenings around M&M Lumber to name a few.

Thank you for your continued support. We appreciate your business as well as

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### Fire Prevention Week

October 7-13 is fire prevention week. During National Fire Prevention Week, attention is focused on promoting fire safety and prevention, however we should practice fire safety all year long. Many potential fire hazards go undetected

your [feedback](#) If you have any questions, feel free to call or email us! Thank you for supporting M&M Lumber, the place to be for your building and hardware needs.

Sincerely,

**M & M Lumber**  
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## Market Report:

Market Update:

Gypsum: The drywall market is firm and on allocation. Price increases have been announced for January 1 by American

Gypsum of 25%, and CertainTeed and National Gypsum have both announced a 30% price increase. The prediction is the shortage of drywall will worsen as 2013 progresses.

Roofing: The shingle industry currently reflects very little activity. A minor price decrease is expected in the fourth quarter due to a below average storm season and lack of product demand. Numerous distributors are currently sitting on an abundance of inventory. -Along with the below average storm season, felt is expected to drop in the next quarter as well.

Rebar/Mesh: Domestic rebar decreased in mid-September by \$.75cwt, due to the falling price of scrap steel along with a lack of demand. Prices are expected to remain flat through October.

Concrete reinforced wire took a price increase in September and it seems to be holding. The mesh market is weak and prices are expected to soften for the next 45 days.

Lumber: Overall price trend continued to tilt downward, however buyers remain cautious. Southern pine prices weakened with the notable exception of 2x10.



because people simply do not take steps to fireproof their home.

- Install and maintain a working smoke alarm outside of every sleep area and remember to change the battery at least once a year.
- Designate two escape routes from each bedroom and practice them regularly.
- Teach everyone the "Stop, Drop, and Roll" technique in case clothing catches on fire.
- Teach kids that matches, lighters and candles are tools, not toys. Matches and lighters should be stored in a secure drawer or cabinet.

Click here for a Checklist for your jobsite or office to help prevent avoidable fires: [Fire Prevention Checklist](#)

## Get Out to Vote

2012 Elections are right around the corner. Below are some important dates to remember:

- The last day to register to vote is Friday, October 12th.
- The last day to request an absentee ballot is Wednesday, October 31st.
- Presidential Election is Tuesday, November 6th. Get out and vote!! Encourage your employees and friends to vote.



## Feedback

Are there items that you need that we don't stock? What are those items?

Plywood: There seems to be a break in the increasing panel prices over the last few weeks. The prices are not falling as fast as the prices went up, but there does seem to be a slow and steady decrease as prices continue to fall.

GP recently announced plans to ramp up production at its OSB plant in Clarendon County, SC in the first quarter of next year. Arbec Forest Products is scheduled to start up its plant in Miramichi, New Brunswick, CAN later this month. The Clarendon mill was acquired by GP in 2010 from Grant Forest Products, and has not been operational. The GP mill's annual production capacity is 800 million square feet.

Other Products: Fiberglass insulation is steady with OC announcing a price increase December 17 of 10-17%.

## Lumber Yard News:

What is happening around M&M Lumber?

Ever had your 'Smart Phone' ring and you



can't answer it because you have gloves on? We now have in stock some touchscreen gloves just for you. The tips of the touchscreen gloves have a different fabric that

will allow you to swipe, dial or do what you need to on your phone. Check them out up front!

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Now in stock is 6"x75' Protecto Flash. This is made by Protecto Wrap and is a butyl hybrid window and door sealing tape that forms a permanent waterproofing air/vapor seal around doors and windows to prevent air and moisture leaks. It will adhere to vinyl, plywood, OSB, foam, metal, aluminum and masonry.

We've added 14 new Irwin levels to inventory.

They range from the small 9" torpedo levels all the way up to 72" levels. We haven't had access to the long levels in a long time so hopefully this will help our customers out who need the longer levels. These are located on an end cap in front of the front counter as well as in a display rack in the tool area by the key machine.



Light bulb regulations which started earlier this year include a phase-out of many incandescent light bulbs, standard halogen bulbs and many T12 fluorescent bulbs. This year manufacturers could no longer produce 100W incandescent bulbs,



next year the phase-out will include 75W bulbs followed by 60W and 40W in 2014. Many light bulbs will be changing over the next year due to government regulations.

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