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M&M Lumber Newsletter

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With Valentine's Day behind us, spring is right around the corner. We say goodbye to an unseasonably warm winter with the days beginning to get longer. We hope you see your business picking up as there seems to be an uptick around town.

In this month's issue of M&M Lumber's e-newsletter, you will

find the latest market update - of which many vendors have announced price increases, new pine design values, and a reminder to post your OSHA 300 logs.

Do you enjoy reading your copy of M&M News? Let us know what you like best about the newsletter and what you'd like to see in the future. We appreciate your business as well as your <u>feedback</u>. 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 918-627-1926 In This Issue <u>Market Report</u> <u>Lumber Yard News</u> <u>From the Wood Pile</u> <u>OSHA Form 300-300A</u> <u>Housing Starts</u> <u>Feedback</u>

From the Wood Pile: New Design Values

New design values for all sizes and grades of visually graded Southern Pine dimension lumber were published in the Southern Pine Inspection Bureau's (SPIB) Supplement No.13 to the 2002 Standard Grading Rules for Southern Pine Lumber on February 11, 2013. The Board of Review of the American Lumber Standard Committee approved the new design values following its hearing on January 30, 2013. New design values apply only to new construction; the integrity of existing structures designed and built using design

Market Report:

Market Update: <u>Gypsum</u>: Drywall remains steady with all the major manufactures implementing a price increase in early January. USG will implement



USG will implement a 6% price increase

March 4 on all Fiberock and Durock products. National will implement a 5% price increase March 4 on their Permabase.

<u>Roofing:</u> The shingle industry remains firm with price increases announced for most manufactures.

OC	February 28 (10-13%)
OC	April 15 (9-11%)
Tamko	February 4 (10-14%)
Tamko	April 1 (12-14%)
Malarkey	March 1 (10-12%)
Atlas	March 1 (9-11%)
CertainTeed	February 4 (10%)

<u>Rebar</u>: Pricing has remained flat since January. Talks of a price increase were mostly held off as the general market place anticipates a large amount of import product to hit the ports the end of this month.

<u>Lumber:</u> Look up the definition of optimism and you will find something like this:

Noun-a tendency to look on the more favorable side of events or conditions and to expect the most favorable outcome. Then do a Google search on the words Current Lumber Industry and you will find the link below nearly at the top of your search

http://www.randomlengths.com/Woodwire/RL-Lbr-Pnl/

The industry that we are a part of is incredibly dynamic, and with all the different forecasting resulting from a wide source of information it is hard to not recognize one thing; and that is the general consensus that the market upturn we are in is going to stick for the foreseeable future. values meeting applicable building codes at the time of permitting does not change.

The new design values become effective June 1, 2013 to provide time for an orderly transition, but there is no requirement to wait until the effective date to begin using the new design values.

For more information, go to: http://www.southernpine.com/new-design-values.asp

OSHA Form 300 and 300A Deadline

Did you post your OSHA 300 log? The deadline is February 1 for employers with more than 10 employees to have completed their OSHA 300 Log and to have posted their OSHA 300A Summary. A copy of the completed OSHA 300A Summary must be posted from February 1 thru April 30 in a place available to all employees. The Summary should list the total number of injury and illness cases, days away from work, days of restrictions or job transfers, and types of injuries and illnesses that occurred in 2012 and were recorded on the OSHA 300 Log. The OSHA 300A Summary also requires date and establishment information. Even if there are no injuries or illnesses to report, the employer is still required to post the form, with zeros on the appropriate line. The OSHA 300 Log does not need to be posted, but employers need to complete it, and it must be available for 5 years upon OSHA or Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) request. For details about recordkeeping requirements, see OSHA's recordkeeping website: http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/

Housing Starts

The dimensional lumber market continues to set new records on price increases and it is apparent that availability of product is the key factor in this. Keep yourself current on the expense of materials as they relate to your job site needs.

<u>Plywood:</u> Inventories on OSB are light in every channel (distribution, wholesalers, and retailers). Availability remains tight as we move into spring and producers are not interested in any 'volume' business for discounts so prices continue to increase.

Something unique happened 2 weeks ago when the market as a whole took a sideways move. There was quite a bit of conversation as to why but one thing was for sure that with in a weeks' time things were off like a rocket ship again. There has been rumor of more mills coming online however the potential production they may be able to produce will not affect the current situation.

Other Vendors:

-Engineered Wood: LVL and I-joist will be implementing a price increase of 9-10% at the end of February.

-Fiberglass insulation: Insulation pricing remains steady with a price increase announced by CertainTeed for a 15% increase after orders shipped June 3.

-LP announced an 8% increase on all their 'Smart' products that have an OSB underlayment. -Protecto Wrap has announced a price increase effective March 1 of a minimum of 5% citing increased cost of raw materials (asphalt, resin and butyl) and freight.

-Doors: Craft Master doors implemented their price increase 4-6%. Our next load of doors will have the increased cost added on.

Premdor/Masonite doors will take a price increase effective March 18 of 4-10% depending on the item.

Buffelen will increase their door prices on doors that have LVL stile and rails due to the LVL market taking a price increase. Effective February 18, the LVL adder will be +\$16 for 6/8 doors, +\$17 for 7/0 doors, and +\$20 for 8/0 doors. -Surface Shields has acquired Filmtech who was a competitor of Surface Shields (carpet and floor



Prices continue to rise on many products. Last month we showed you a 3000 square foot house that we have tracked price changes up and down for a number of years. Look at the link below of just the OSB market for the last 6 months!

OSB Prices

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protector along with adhesive zippers). Both these companies made surface protection films for the construction industry and could complement each other very well being under one company name. -Gatorade took a price increase January 2013.

Lumber Yard News:

What is happening around M&M Lumber?



Roscoe turned...39 again this month! Steve Waugh and Linda also celebrated birthdays this month. Happy Birthday!

January and February is when we go to various hardware markets. We will soon be getting in some new products...

Check out these new tool boxes that just came in:





The mark of responsible forestry



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We will be getting new items arrive so stay tuned-

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