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World's Largest Consumer of Wood

IKEA is likely the world's largest single consumer of wood using a staggering 1% of the world's wood every year. The wood is needed to make the roughly 100 million pieces of furniture sold in its roughly 300 global stores, annually. That's 17.8 million cubic yards, or .00326499108 cubic miles according to the Pacific Standard.

IKEA actually split its wood sourcing and production arm into its own company, Swedwood, back in 1991. Right now, it employs 15,000 people at 46 different manufacturing sites, where the engineering group sources, harvests, and readies raw wood for production.

To its credit, IKEA seems committed to sourcing its materials sustainably; 25 percent of its wood is certified by the Forest Stewardship Council, which ensures that the wood is legally and sustainably sourced, with plans for half to be by 2017. The company says it is going step further. It will become "forest positive" by 2020, meaning that, despite its continuing high demand for timber, it intends its business to have an overall positive effect on the world's forests. Integral to this approach is the commitment that it will be growing at least as many trees as it uses to make products by 2020.

Locals Ratify Contract that Includes 19 IAM Locations

IAM members of Local Lodge 23, Local Savannah, GA; Local 414, Rome, GA and Local 1002, Hemingway, SC recently ratified a six-year contract extension of the International Paper Mill Master Agreement. Contract negotiations were held the first week of March 2014 in Little Rock, AR and included representatives from 19 separate mill locations.

"Representatives of the IAM, Steelworkers Union, IBEW, the Boilermakers, and the United Association worked well together accomplishing this bargaining achievement," said IAM Director of Collective Bargaining Tom O'Heron. "The Brothers and Sisters represented by these unions can be proud. They held the line and didn't back down."

Highlights of the agreement are wage increases of 13.25% over the term of the agreement and a Pension Multiplier increase to \$52.50 in 2015 and \$55 in 2017 for all bargaining unit employees.

Highlights also included increases in Sickness and Accident, Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits and a transition in Healthcare plans.

Other agreement improvements include Successorship language, union participation on the Primary Mill Joint Pension Council and a commitment to work jointly on public policy and health and safety issues. The membership will also benefit from a Manufacturing Training Initiative intended to address new hire integration, training and maintenance structure redesign.

Where Are IAM Woodworkers?

District Lodge 1

Metso Paper USA, Inc.

District Lodge 10

Kimtech Machine and Fab
Voith Paper Fabric and Roll

District Lodge 11

Johnston Dandy, Ltd.
Kefor Structures, Inc.

District Lodge 112

Arizona Chemical
Georgia Pacific Consumer Ops
Ikea Distribution Services
International Paper Company
Kapstone Charleston Kraft, LLC
Koppers, Inc.
Rayonier, Inc.
Rock Tenn Container Corp.

District Lodge 131

Arizona Chemical Company
Elberta Crate and Box Company
Graphic Packaging International
Voith Paper Fabrics Waycross
West Fraser, Inc.

District Lodge 15

Chelsea Forest Products
Enterprise Corrugated Container

District Lodge 160

Rock Tenn

District Lodge 161

Hood Packaging Corp
International Paper Company

District Lodge 165

Boise PCA

District Lodge 190

Sonoco Protective Solutions

District Lodge 27

Lebanon Oak Flooring Company

District Lodge 4

Domtar Maine Corporation
Great Northern Paper Co., LLC
Ikea Distribution Services, Inc.
Madison Paper Industries
Ox Paperboard, LLC
Sappi, Inc.
SD Warren
Verso Paper

District Lodge 54

Cenveo Corporation
Inca Presswood Pallets, Ltd.

District Lodge 6

Hughes Brothers, Inc.
International Paper
Rock Tenn CP, LLC
Tension Envelope Corporation

District Lodge 60

Americraft Carton, Inc.
Graphic Packaging Int'l., Inc.

District Lodge 65

Finch Paper
Paxar America
Setterstix Corporation

District Lodge 711

Corley Manufacturing Company
International Paper

District Lodge 74

Georgia Pacific Wood Products
Ikea

District Lodge 75

Georgia Pacific Corporation
Rock Tenn

District Lodge 776

Artco Bell Corporation

District Lodge 78

Purewood, Inc.

District Lodge 8

Brakur Custom Cabinetry, Inc.
Graphic Packaging Int'l., Inc.
Rock Tenn

District Lodge 90

Miller Veneers, Inc.

District Lodge 98

Commodore Corporation
Everite Door Company
TCC Pennwest, LLC

TC1

Koppers Industries

District Lodge W2

Atlas Roofing Corporation
Certaineed Ceilings Corporation
Dominance Industries, Inc.
Georgia Pacific Corporation
Koppers Industries, Inc.
Masonite Door Corporation
Potlatch Forest Products Corp.
Quality Logistics Systems, Inc.
Roseburg Forest Products South
Weyerhaeuser Company

District Lodge W24

Bomac Lumber Company Inc.
Clearwater Paper Corporation
Collins Products, LLC
Dart Container Corporation
Endeavor Homes, Inc.
Georgia Pacific West, LLC
Green Diamond Resource Co.
IFA Nurseries, Inc.
Lindgren Lumber Company
Northwest Hardwoods, Inc.
Olympic Panel Products, LLC
Package Containers, Inc.
Ply veneer Products, LLC
Roseburg Forest Products Co.
Simpson Lumber Co., LLC
Timber Products Company
Weyerhaeuser Company

District Lodge W3

Bell Lumber and Pole Company
Boise PCA
Certaineed Ceilings Corporation
Decorative Panels International
Domtar Paper Company, LLC
Dynamic Homes, Inc.
Georgia Pacific Wood Products
Horner Flooring Company, Inc.
International Bildrite, Inc.
Liberty Homes, Inc.
Nekoosa Corporation
New Page Corporation
Packaging Corp of America, Inc.
Robbins, Inc.
Timber Products Michigan
Wisconsin Homes, Inc.

Local Lodge 771

Abitibi Consolidated Co. of Can

Local Lodge 778

Burd and Fletcher Company

Local Lodge 1567

Corner Brook Pulp and Paper

Local Lodge 10

Georgia Pacific Corporation

Local Lodge 905

Nefab, Inc.

Local Lodge 778

Ritemade Paper Converters, Inc.

Local Lodge 2418

Stone-Consolidated, Inc.

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