

## **MSR COUNCIL MATTERS**

**April 2009**

### **MSR Board of Directors Update**

In March, we were pleased to welcome two new members to our Board of Directors. In conjunction with its bi-monthly meeting, the Board unanimously approved the following appointments:

- Craig Steele will complete the term of Amber Anderson for Schuck Component Systems.
- Steve Harms will complete the term of Tom Rogers for iLevel by Weyerhaeuser.

Now serving on the MSR Board are:

#### Regular Members

John Branstetter, Vaagen Bros Lumber Company  
Joe Castleberry, Beadles Lumber Company  
Christian Gilbert, Tembec Forest Products Group  
Steve Hardy, Canfor Wood Products Marketing Ltd.  
Steve Harms, iLevel by Weyerhaeuser  
Jim Scharnhorst, Idaho Forest Group  
Craig Steele, Schuck Component Systems  
Dan Uskoski, Metriguard

#### Associate Members

Griffin Jones, Canadian Engineered Wood Products  
Craig Stuart, Lignum Forest Products

Our Board is committed to bringing you value for your membership and taking on projects that will support our members. We seek to promote the benefits of using MSR lumber and expand the markets for its use.

If you have any issues or specific projects that you would like the Board to consider, [please let us know](#). We'd love to hear from you!

**Thank you for your participation in and support of the MSR Lumber Producers Council.**

### **Binational Softwood Lumber Council Update**

We're pleased to report that MSR President Steve Hardy has been invited to address the Binational Softwood Lumber Council (BSLC) Board of Directors on May 6. The objective of this meeting is to present our funding proposals for review and provide supplemental information on who the MSR Lumber Producers Council is and what we do as an association.

The marketing projects on which our proposals focus include upgrading our website, providing online training, and participating in industry tradeshows and forming relationships with other groups, such as the Canadian Wood Council (CWC) and Forestry Innovation Investment (FII), in addition to our current relationship with the Structural Building Components Association (SBCA). We'll keep you posted on our progress.

### **Annual Production Survey**

Thank you to everyone who has completed their MSR Production Survey! Responses are still being accepted, so if you have not already done so, please consider participating.

Since 1994, the MSR Lumber Producers Council has conducted an annual survey on MSR lumber production volume. This allows us to track the overall growth of the industry in North America as well as the trends in sizes and grades.

The results of the 2007 Production Survey are being reanalyzed to correct for a calculation issue. Submissions from companies that did not complete the survey at that time have also been accepted this month. The final results of the 2007 survey will be completed in May. The results of the 2008 survey will follow. [Please let us know](#) if you have any questions.