

WELL-ESTABLISHED ALABAMA WOODEN PALLET COMPANIES ANNOUNCE MERGER

ROBERTSDALE, AL (April 4, 2017) - The owners of APC Forest Products, Inc. in Muscle Shoals, AL, announce the merger of the wooden pallet and crate manufacturer with McVantage Packaging, LLC of Tuscumbia, AL. The Muscle Shoals area operations will be combined into one company and will operate under the McVantage name beginning April 1, 2017.

"All APC Forest Products employees will be retained by McVantage and will transition to its property in the next few months," said Jeremy Bowley, president of APC Forest Products.

"The options this arrangement offered the APC team of employees is what we are most excited about," said Jimmy Wilson, an owner of the privately-held APC Forest Products and founder and president of Bay Wood Products in Robertsedale, AL. (Photo: Jimmy Wilson)

Bay Wood Products was one of three privately-held plants across the southeastern U.S. that partnered with APC Forest Products to most efficiently respond to the needs of its customers.

"Our stockholders discussed potential opportunities for years but the right scenario never developed until now," Wilson said. "We will continue to contribute to the success of the McVantage group by being a supplier through Bay Wood Products."

McVantage officials said they will eventually shift operations to its property located at 514 Hwy. 43 South, in Tuscumbia. Current APC customers may continue to contact Bowley and Kim Brackin, also with APC, for their wooden packaging needs.

"Our long-time McVantage colleagues showed me their plans regarding new equipment and services," Bowley said. "I believe our customers will be pleasantly surprised with the offerings we can make as a combined group and look forward to communicating these added benefits in the next few weeks."

About Bay Wood Products

Bay Wood Products is a full-service manufacturer of wooden pallets, rough-cut lumber, dunnage and crates with a recent expansion into the biofuel and mulch markets. The company is one of the largest single-site manufacturers of wooden pallets in Alabama and Mississippi, specializing in customer-designed solutions to wood packing material needs. Since 1994, the company has crafted pallets of all shapes and sizes and specifications for big industry, large petroleum companies, and chemical companies, shipping agencies, manufacturers, farmers of sod and other crops. For more information, call 251.960.1108 or visit bay-wood-products.com.

Background on APC Forest Products (APC)

APC Forest Products is a full-service manufacturer of wooden pallets, rough cut lumber, dunnage and crates in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. With a staff of about 40, APC Forest Products specializes in the design and creation of custom pallets and crates with more than 45 years of experience building pallets to meet the specifications of a variety of companies. APC was established in 1970 as Alabama Pallet Company. Until April 1, 2017, APC Forest Products was a sister company to Bay Wood Products, located in Robertsedale, AL.

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