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## QUEBEC: Site of First PFS Training Seminar for Canadian Manufacturers



Twenty-five manufacturers' inspectors and quality control personnel participated in the August 18, 2006 PFS Training Seminar for Canadian Manufacturers. Hotel Quebec Plaza, Sainte Foy, Quebec provided a delightful setting for the first PFS Training Seminar ever to be held in Canada.

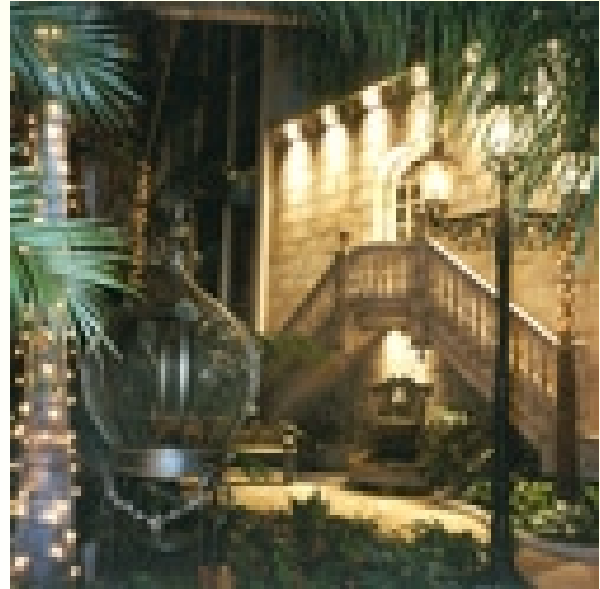
The agenda included:

- Fire-Rated Assemblies Requirements for Factory Built Structures
- Plan Review Requirements for Factory Built Structures
- On-Site Installation Manual Requirements
- Massachusetts' Plumbing Designs and Inspections for Factory Built Structures
- Significant Code Changes and Updates

Jim Rothman, PFS Sr. VP, Quality Control, told Encore, "The seminar was well-received by the Canadian participants. With the presence of Stephane Morin, our new bilingual representative in Canada, what may have been a language barrier was overcome."

***Stephane Morin will be introduced in the September Encore coming soon.***

The exterior of Hotel Quebec Plaza is graced by an enchanting garden pictured at right.



**Milt Stoltzfus**, Area Training Supervisor (ATS) for the PFS Northeast Region in Bloomsburg, PA, explained the Requirements for Plumbing Designs and Inspections of Factory Built Structures being shipped into the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

**Richard L. “Rick” Wenner, PE**, Vice President of the Northeast Region of PFS Corporation, outlined and thoroughly reviewed significant changes from the 2003 International Residential Code (IRC) to the 2006 IRC.



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## Southeast Region Welcomes a New Plan Reviewer



**Andrew Carson** joined PFS Corporation in the Raleigh, NC office in July.

It's "full speed ahead" for Andrew as he works full time on plan review for the Southeast Region's manufacturer clients.

*"Andrew comes to us with knowledge of codes from his educational background,"* says Larry Beineke, vice president of the PFS Southeast Region. *"His knowledge and work ethic will help us meet our clients' need for timely, accurate, and thorough plan reviews."*

## PFS Participates in 2006 WCTE

**Larry A. Beineke**, vice president of the PFS Southeast Region, and **J. Robert Nelson**, senior vice president of PFS' Western Region participated in the World Conference on Timber Engineering in Portland, OR early in August.



The 2006 WCTE attracted over 500 engineers, architects and builders from 45 different countries.

Pictured at left: Agron Gjinolli, TECO; Larry Beineke, PFS; and Jim Vogt of WTCA enjoy a break together at the Portland Art Museum during the WCTE 2006 Conference.



## PFS Supports the New Engineered Wood Products Association (EWPA)

PFS Corporation, a Founding Sponsor of the new Engineered Wood Products Association (EWPA), is pleased to share membership with its colleagues in this new association.

The engineered wood products (EWP) business is one of the more innovative and creative sectors of the forest products industry, yet is still highly fragmented. The mission of the Engineered Wood Products Association (EWPA) is to be a key internet site to access information about EWP. It is a virtual association maintaining an electronic portal that is specifically devoted to advancing knowledge about EWP, the manufacturers of EWP and those that support and supply the industry such as PFS. Bob Nelson and Larry Beineke have actively participated in this association since its inception.

**For more information, you may visit — [www.ewpa.com](http://www.ewpa.com).**

## **PFS Test Laboratory Boasts Expanded List of 12 Additional Wood-Based Products Accredited Test Methods**

*“The PFS Testing Laboratory has expanded its ISO 17025, Wood-Based Products accreditation scope with the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program,”* announces James Van Schoyck, PFS Laboratory Administrator.

The recent NVLAP scope expansion includes the following:

- ANSI A208.1 Particleboard: Modulus of Rupture and Modulus of Elasticity, Internal Bond, Face Screw-Holding Capacity, Edge Screw-Holding Capacity, Thickness Swell, Linear Expansion, Moisture Content
- ANSI A209.2: Medium Density Fiberboard: Modulus of Rupture and Modulus of Elasticity, Internal Bond, Face Screw-Holding Capacity, Edge Screw-Holding Capacity, Moisture Content
- AITC 200 Method T119: Full Size End Joint Tension
- AITC 200 Method T123: Sampling, Testing, and Data Analysis to Determine Tensile Properties of Lumber.
- ASTM D5572: Adhesives Used for Finger Joints in Nonstructural Lumber Products
- ASTM D5751: Adhesives Used for Laminate Joints in Nonstructural Lumber Products
- CSA 0112.9: Standard Specification for Evaluation of Adhesives for Structural Wood Products (Exterior Exposure).
- ASTM D3043: Method C: Structural Panels in Flexure, Pure Moment Test
- ASTM E455: Static Load Testing of Framed Floor or Roof Diaphragm Constructions for Buildings
- ASTM D5266: Practice for Estimating the Percentage of Wood Failure in Adhesive Bonded Joints
- ASTM D3500: Structural Panels in Tension, Method A: Tensile Properties of Small Specimens
- PS2: Adhesive Bacteria Test, Adhesive Mold Test, Probe Test for Delamination, Panel Thickness, Panel Moisture Content, Small Static Bending Test for Composite and Mat-formed Panels, Small Static Bend Test for OSB, Large Panel Bending, and Wall Racking.

With its extensive list of wood-based products' accredited test methods, the PFS Testing Laboratory is a leader in the industry.

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