Triton Underwater Wood Selected Top-10 Product for 2006

Denver, CO, November 15, 2006 – Triton Underwater Wood from Triton Logging Inc., has been selected as one of the 2006 Top-10 Green Building Products by the editors of Environmental Building News and GreenSpec®. This annual award recognizes the most innovative and exciting green building products added to the GreenSpec® Directory during the past year or covered in Environmental Building News.

“Our selections of the Top-10 Green Building Products represent a wide range of product types,” noted GreenSpec coeditor Alex Wilson. “And most of the Top-10 products this year have multiple environmental attributes.”

A big driver in the development of green products continues to be the U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED® Rating System (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), which awards points for the use of certain product types or for the energy or water savings that certain green products can achieve. “Designers of LEED buildings are looking for green products, and manufacturers are responding,” said Wilson.

Triton Logging, the world leaders in underwater forestry, use their patented Sawfish™ harvesting technology to recover standing forests flooded by hydro reservoirs. Triton’s wood products, certified by the Rainforest Alliance’s SmartWood Rediscovered program, have attracted significant attention in the green building market. The wood is being used to make a variety of high value products – from Glulam beams to furniture – and the story has garnered attention from media and customers around the world.

“Triton’s products are changing the way green builders look at how and why wood should be included in their projects,” said Triton’s VP Marketing, Jim Hayhurst. “We are delighted that our wood has been recognized so quickly by the industry - and now by its leading publication.”
By harvesting these submerged, preserved trees with the Sawfish system, Triton provides green builders with a clear environmental wood choice that helps fulfill the promise that the green builders have long sought: a reliable, long-term source of quality, environmentally certified wood products. In addition, the unique story of the wood’s origins and recovery, plus the potential for LEED points, offers green builders a distinctive marketing advantage with which to distinguish their projects.

About GreenSpec, BuildingGreen and Environmental Building News

GreenSpec is the leading national directory of green building products. Products are selected by editors of Environmental Building News (EBN) based on criteria developed over the past 15 years. Manufacturers do not pay to be listed in GreenSpec, and neither GreenSpec nor EBN carries advertising; both are supported by users of the information. “Our policy of not accepting money from manufacturers allows us to be objective in our review of products,” said Wilson. A new 7th edition of the printed GreenSpec Directory will be published in 2007. The GreenSpec product database is also available online as part of the BuildingGreen Suite, which is growing quickly in popularity. Environmental Building News, founded in 1992, is the oldest and most widely respected newsletter in the green building field. BuildingGreen, Inc., celebrates its 21st year in business this year. For information on BuildingGreen resources, visit www.BuildingGreen.com or call 800-861-0954.

About Triton Logging

Triton Logging Inc. is the world’s leader in underwater harvesting and a growing player in the eco-certified wood market. Triton’s patented Sawfish™ harvesting system allows for the safe, economical and environmentally-friendly recovery of standing forests flooded by hydro reservoirs. With an estimated 300 million trees submerged worldwide, flooded forests represent a significant source of untapped fibre. Triton’s certified wood products – including Glulam beams, flooring, paneling, and furniture – are sought after by consumers, architects and builders who want a clear environmental wood choice. For information on Triton or its wood products, visit www.tritonlogging.com or call 250-652-4033.

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