

HUBER ENGINEERED WOODS PATENT INFRINGEMENT LAWSUIT SETTLED

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CHARLOTTE, NC [March 2, 2017] Specialty building products manufacturer Huber Engineered Woods LLC (“HEW”) has achieved a negotiated settlement with Georgia Pacific Wood Products LLC (“GP”) in the patent infringement lawsuit filed by HEW in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina (*Huber Engineered Woods LLC v. Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC*, Civil Action No. 3:16-cv-399).

The lawsuit, filed in June 2016 by the Charlotte-headquartered manufacturer, alleged that GP’s ForceField® products infringed HEW’s patents for its ZIP System® sheathing and tape products. The settlement includes a license under HEW’s patents to GP to cover sales of GP’s ForceField products with a payment of an undisclosed upfront amount and ongoing royalties.

“For more than two decades, Huber Engineered Woods has provided innovative, premium products to our customers,” said HEW President Brian Carlson. “Investing in the continued development and protection of our intellectual property portfolio is central to our company’s strategy and success. We are pleased to resolve this issue with GP and will continue to be vigilant in the defense and protection of our brands and intellectual property.”

Since its introduction in 2006, ZIP System sheathing and tape has been quickly and widely adopted as a replacement for traditional sheathing and housewrap. The innovative exterior wall and roof system consists of a high-performance engineered wood panel with a built-in, water-resistive barrier that eliminates the need for housewrap or felt. Completed with taped panel seams using advanced, acrylic-based ZIP System™ tape, the system helps achieve quick rough dry-in, while providing a continuous air barrier to protect against unwanted air leakage.



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- Brian Carlson, president of
Huber Engineered Woods
LLC



“Our sales success and high customer satisfaction affirm the trust our company has built in the building industry as a manufacturer of dependable, high quality products that deliver value to our customers.” Carlson added.

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About Huber Engineered Woods

Huber Engineered Woods LLC continually strives to create innovative products that suit customers' needs. Specialty products AdvanTech® flooring and sheathing, AdvanTech™ subfloor adhesive, ZIP System® wall and ZIP System® roof products, ZIP System™ tape and ZIP System™ stretch tape each deliver outstanding performance, easy installation and great strength in single-family, multifamily and light commercial projects. Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Huber Engineered Woods has manufacturing operations in Maine, Georgia, Virginia, Tennessee and Oklahoma, as well as research and development facilities in Georgia. Huber Engineered Woods also serves industrial markets with products for door manufacturers and the transportation industry.

For more information, visit HuberWood.com.

About J.M. Huber Corporation

J.M. Huber Corporation, headquartered in Edison, New Jersey (U.S.), operates a portfolio of companies with a focus on its core engineered materials businesses. Founded in 1883, today Huber is one of the largest family-owned companies in the United States. The diversified, multinational company creates products that are used in a broad range of consumer and industrial applications, personal care, food, beverage, pharmaceuticals and building materials.

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