

Winter Issue 2009

# The PASFI® Implementation Committee (SIC)

## IT'S A MATTER OF SURVIVAL

Over the past several months we have had to find ways of tightening the financial belt at the PA SFI program. It has been a most unpleasant exercise and my fear is that it is far from being over. While misery loves company, and we certainly have plenty of company on this trip, I don't find any comfort in knowing we are not alone.

The PA SFI program State Implementation Committee has made some tough decisions recently with the goal being to adjust our level of financial expenditures to more closely align with our declining rate of income. The mills and organizations in the forest products industry have been adjusting to worsening economic and business conditions for the past few years. Initially the signs differed, depending on which market segment one was viewing. Now, and for the past several months, there doesn't seem to be any positive signs anywhere. The impact on our program is that we had less financial support in 2008 than we did in 2007, and we can see now that 2009 will be even worse.

We are being forced to cut operating expenses wherever possible. This includes travel, office related expenses, postage and phone, printing, outreach - very few line items are being spared at this point. For several of you, this is the last PA SFI newsletter you will receive in the mail. We are holding to the twice-a-year rate of publishing, but we must limit who the newsletter is mailed to. For those who are interested, we will make the newsletter available to you on our website (www.sfiofpa.org). We also are reducing the number of pages per issue from 12 to 8. In this particular issue we have included information that in years past has been part of our PA SFI Annual Progress Report. We have decided to no longer publish a separate annual progress report.

Yes, times are tough. We are most thankful that we are still able to do most of what we see as the mission of the PA SFI program, albeit in some cases on a reduced scale. We recognize that there is not yet an end in sight to these economic difficulties. So we are taking action to position us to be around and functioning for the long-term, to include identifying further adjustments we may need to make in the months ahead. In that regard, circumstances will dictate what we do and when we do it.

In another section of this newsletter is a listing of the companies and organizations who have been the mainstay of our success and survival over the years. Some have been with us since our beginning in 1995. To each of them we offer our deepest gratitude for their past and present generous support, and we hope the future will be kind to them.

Ken Manno Program Manager PA SFI Program

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PS: The PA SFI Program, in order to help reduce expenses, will no longer participate in the publishing of *Forest Leaves*, a newsletter issued by the School of Forest Resources at Penn State. If you wish to continue to receive Forest Leaves, please contact its editor, Allyson Brownlee Muth (814-865-3208) or via email at <a href="mailto:alm173@psu.edu">alm173@psu.edu</a> to determine your options for doing so.



The Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) program is a voluntary, industry driven effort developed to ensure that future generations will have the same abundant, healthy, and productive forests we enjoy today. Oreated in 1995 by the American Forest & Paper Association (the national trade organization representing the United States forest products industry), SFI is a program of comprehensive forestry and conservation practices, which now functions under SFI, Inc., a registered 501(c)(3) organization.

In order to broaden the practice of sustainable forestry in our state, an Implementation Committee was formed to develop the Sustainable Forestry Initiative of Pennsylvania. Today, the PA SFI program works to ensure the progress of the national initiative, here in Pennsylvania.

# SFI Implementation Committee (SIC) Members

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Dave Jackson, Penn State Cooperative Ext.
Mark King, Craftmaster Manufacturing, Inc.
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#### PA SFI PROGRAM - 2008 IN REVIEW

All things considered, 2008 has to be viewed as being another good year for the PA SFI program. In spite of ever-increasing financial pressures, we managed to accomplish the vast majority of the goals we had set and we did so within the construct of our operating budget for the year. A brief review of our accomplishments is as follows:

#### Outreach

There are several activities in which we participated during the year in an effort to assure that our industry's commitment to sustainable forestry practices is known and understood. As well as speaking with several student groups elementary school through college, we sat on the PA Department of Environmental Protection Non-point Source Liaison Workgroup, the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee Forestry Task Force, the PA Fuels for Schools and Beyond Program Committee, the Roach-Bauer Forestry Forum Steering Committee, and the PA State Tree Farm Committee. We assisted the PA Hardwoods Development Council with staffing the Wood Mobile at the PA Farm Show, attended the guarterly meetings of the PA Hardwoods Development Council, attended several of the annual conferences conducted by the private forest landowner organizations, manned the PASFI Program display at Ag Progress Days and at the Kane Area Logging Safety program, and conducted the evaluation of several private forest landowners competing for the M. K. Goddard Forest Sustainability Award. We also distributed 955 of our PA SFI Forest Landowner Information packets to parties who were contemplating conducting a timber harvest, or who simply wanted information on sustainable forest management.

### **Logger Training**

2008 turned out to be a better year for logger training than we expected, given the poor business and economic climates throughout the year. We scheduled 71 training sessions of which 25 were cancelled for various reasons. This represents a 35% cancellation rate, which is about the average we experience in any given year. But for the 46 training sessions we conducted, 26 for core courses and 20 for continuing education purposes, the attendance was quite good. 231 individuals took core training and 354 attended our continuing education offerings. Our goal was to have 600 individuals attend training during the year. We managed to get 585.

### **Forest Products Industry Participation**

We were most fortunate in that the commitment to forest sustainability by our industry remained strong throughout the year. While many companies experienced a steady decline in business as the year went by, they maintained their interest in our program — which was demonstrated through their on-the-ground practices and their level of financial support for the SFI program. They are to be commended for not faltering in the face of extremely difficult circumstances.

#### **Inconsistent Practices**

We received three reports during the year from forest landowners who experienced





# Pennsylvania Sustainable Forestry Initiative SIC Block 1 Schedule 2009: March 27 to June 9

CORE COURSES (Must complete Environmental Logging, Logging Safety and First Aid/CPR to complete SFI Core Training Requirements. First Aid/CPR may be taken through other entities. To receive credit, send us a copy of your First Aid/CPR cards.) PLEASE NOTE: Continuing Education Credit will no longer be awarded for any of the CORE Courses.

Course Date	Course Name	<u>Lo catio n</u>	Registration Deadline	Cost
Tues. 3/31/09	Logging Safety	Wellsboro BOF, Wellsboro	Tues. 2/24/09	\$60.00
Thur. 4/9/09	Environmental Logging	Rouse Annex, Youngsville	Thur. 4/2/09	\$60.00
Tues. 4/14/09	Environmental Logging	Wellsboro BOF, Wellsboro	Tues. 4/7/09	\$60.00
Thur. 4/23/09	Logging Safety	Johnsonburg Boro Bldg., Johnsonburg	Thur. 4/16/09	\$60.00
Fri. 5/8/09	Environmental Logging	Johnsonburg Boro Bldg., Johnsonburg	Fri. 5/1/09	\$60.00
Tues. 5/12/09	Environmental Logging	Warriors Mark UMC, Warriors Mark	Tues. 5/5/09	\$60.00
Weds. 5/13/09	Logging Safety	Warriors Mark UMC, Warriors Mark	Weds. 5/6/09	\$60.00
Thur. 5/14/09	First Aid/CPR	Warriors Mark UMC, Warriors Mark	Thur. 5/7/09	TBD

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES: (1) year of credit is given for a 4-hr. course and (2) years of credit is given for an 8-hr. course as per SFI Training Letter dated 1/5/07.

Course Date	Course Name	<u>Location</u>	Registration Deadline	Cost
Fri. 3/27/09	Log Bucking Class**	Johnsonburg Fire Hall, Johnsonburg	Fri. 3/20/09	\$45.00
Weds. 4/8/09	4-Hour CE Update Class	PPL's Environmental Learning Center, Hawley	Weds. 4/1/09	\$45.00
Tues. 4/14/09	4-Hour CE Update Class	BOF, Laughlintown	Tues. 4/7/09	\$45.00
Thur. 4/16/09	4-Hour CE Update Class	Apple Bin Restaurant, Fishertown	Thur. 4/9/09	\$45.00
Weds. 4/22/09	4-Hour CE Update Class	Glatfelter Mill, Spring Grove	Weds. 4/15/09	\$45.00
Thur. 4/23/09	CE Update, BMP Review - 4-Hr. Class	Smethport Area - TBA	Thur. 4/16/09	\$45.00
Weds. 4/29/09	GPS	BOF Office - Michaux S.F Fayetteville	Weds. 4/22/09	\$90.00
Thur. 5/14/09	4-Hour CE Update Class	Warriors Mark UMC, Warriors Mark	Thur. 5/7/09	\$45.00
Weds. 5/27/09	GPS	BOF Office, Penfield, Clearfield Co.	Weds. 5/20/09	\$90.00
Fri. 5/29/09	1-Hour Workshops - TBA	Timber 2009, Ag Progress Days Site	No pre-reg. required	See below'
Sat. 5/30/09	1-Hour Workshops - TBA	Timber 2009, Ag Progress Days Site	No pre-reg. required	See below'
Tues. 6/9/09	Advanced Environmental Logging	Tunkhannock Area - TBA	Tues. 6/2/09	\$70.00
TBA	Game of Logging 4	Towanda Area - TBA	TBA	\$ 125.00

\*The PA Sustainable Forestry Initiative State Implementation Committee (PA SFI SIC) will be offering Continuing Education credit for loggers who participate in workshops at Timber 2009 on Friday, May 29 or Saturday, May 30. These workshops are free of charge.

To receive one-year of CE credit, a person must attend any 3 of the scheduled sessions. Additionally, a \$20.00 administrative fee is required, payable to PASFI SIC with proof of attendance. See back page for general information about the show.

\*\*Class is limited to 25 attendees.

For additional information, please contact the SFI office at (814) 867-9299 or Toll free at (888) 734-9366. You may also email us at sfi@penn.com. Upon receipt of your completed registration form and payment, participant will receive further, more detailed information regarding the classes.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:** For the most up-to-date schedule, visit www.sfiofpa.org.

To Register for One o	r More of These Courses by Mail, Send Completed Form & Check
_	IC) to: 315 South Allen Street, Suite 418, State College, Pennsylvania 16801
Name Attending:	
Name, Date & Location of Courses Attending: (Use back for additional space)	
Street Address:	
City, State, & Zip Code:	
Telephone Number:	A Check is Enclosed for \$



## REVIEW OF SFI PROGRAM AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

**2008 HAS BEEN A SENSATIONAL YEAR** for the SFI program on all fronts, thanks to the enthusiastic involvement of our many participants, partners, supporters and clients.

SFI certification continues to grow exponentially — with 20 or so label approvals every day — as more companies and consumers learn how our program can meet their high expectations for responsible forest products. Everything from packaging, direct marketing, lumber products and envelopes is using the SFI label.

We started 2008 with 102 certificates at 408 certified locations — last month Hearne Hardwoods became our 1,000th certified location and we began 2009 with 407 certificates. We started 2008 with 143.7 million acres (58.1 million hectares) of certified lands in North America, and started 2009 with 154 million acres/62 million hectares.

Obviously, this kind of growth is the result of a lot of hard work. In 2008, this included:

- The revision process leading to the SFI 2010-2014 Standard began with a 60-day public comment period last summer.
- The simpler, clearer SFI on-product labels introduced after thorough market testing are making it easier for consumers to find the information they want.
- The SFI program once again met the tough conditions of the UK's Central Point of Expertise on Timber for 'legality' and 'sustainability'.
- Two SFI Implementation Committees Minnesota and Maine partnered with Habitat for Humanity to build homes with products from well-managed forests.
- A new www.sfiprogram.org website was unveiled, and our blog, www.goodforforests.com, was launched.
- SFI Inc. was among sponsors of Forest Trends' 2nd Potomac Forum on Illegal Logging and Associated Trade, where international experts examined complex issues around illegal logging.
- At our annual conference, about 170 delegates from every link of the forest product supply chain explored opportunities ahead for certification and for the SFI program.

Much of our success is tied to the fact that more organizations are coming to appreciate and respect SFI's forest, fiber sourcing and chain-of-custody standards, including:

- A guide from the Competition Bureau of Canada (Environmental Claims: A Guide for Industry and Advertisers) noted claims of sustainability for forest products can be verified if the products are certified to a sustainable forest management standard such as SFI, CSA (Canadian Standards Association), FSC (Forest StewardshipCouncil) or PEFC (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification schemes).
- GfK Roper Public Affairs & Media and the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies found Americans appreciate the value of eco-labels, and more respondents are familiar

with the SFI label (19 percent) than the FSC label (12 percent).

• Terra-Choice Environmental Marketing's EcoMarkets<sup>TM</sup> survey (www.terrachoice.com) of procurement professionals found the SFI label was on the list of the top 10 ecolabels they relied on frequently to make buying decisions.

At a time when only 10 percent of the world's forests are certified, it was refreshing to see a more inclusive approach being taken to forest certification in 2008, such as:

- The U.S. Green Building Council has proposed changes to its Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating systems which, if approved, would mean wood certification programs meeting a set of measurable benchmarks can earn points under LEED.
- The states of Minnesota and Washington both publicly supported a more inclusive approach to certification, saying this has the potential to include more forest products from family forest owners in their states, and other small forest parcels.LTINUED
- The Maine government directed state officials to buy wood or paper products that come from forests certified to standards that include the SFI 2005-2009 Standard.
- Florida and Indiana joined 16 other states in formally recognizing the Green Building Initiative's Green Globes environmental assessment and rating system, which provides points for using wood from sustainable sources such as SFI-certified products.

Throughout the year, SFI staff and supporters accepted marketing challenges head-on, taking every opportunity to promote the SFI program's environmental, social and economic strengths. We recognized the good work of many participants:

- The Minnesota SFI Implementation Committee won the 10th annual SFI Implementation Committee Achievement Award for outstanding community service including its Habitat for Humanity partnership.
- The Minnesota Division of Forest Capital Partners LLC won the SFI and Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation Wildlife Stewardship Award.
- UPM-Kymmene Inc. and Rayonier Inc. and their many partners each won an SFI Leadership in Conservation Research Award.
- Harden Furniture Inc., JELD-WEN Windows and Doors, National Envelope, Sierra Pacific Industries and Smead Manufacturing Company received President's awards for activities promoting the benefits of their SFI certification.

There were changes to our board, the SFI External Review Panel and the SFI program:

• Rick Holley, President and CEO of Plum Creek Timber Co. Ltd., replaced John A. Luke Jr., Chairman and CEO of



# PA SFI PROGRAM – 2008 IN REVIEW (cont.)

problems on timber harvests. In two of the matters, a single and same individual logger was involved. Each landowner had decided to pursue the matters through legal proceedings. but wanted to go on record with us concerning their situations. The third incident involved a sawmill and as we looked into things we determined that there really had not been any violations of best management or even acceptable practices. As often happens, there was a lack of effective communications between the parties and consequently, the job was closed out in a manner that would lend itself to establishing regeneration on the site, but was not aesthetically pleasing to the landowner. We can't emphasize enough the importance of taking the time to discuss in advance of the harvest all the issues that could develop, and reach a mutually agreeable understanding by all parties involved of how they will be addressed.

So we go forward into 2009 with much uncertainty about what to expect. We also know that it is times such as these that produce the greatest opportunities. The SFI program, both at the national level and here in PA, remains focused on our core mission of sustaining the forest resource for the benefit of future generation the world over. Dire business and economic conditions may cause us to progress at a slower rate than we otherwise would. But we are determined to progress as best we can.

# REVIEW OF SFI PROGRAM AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL (cont.)

MWV, as chairman of the SFI Inc. Board of Directors.

New board members included Tom Franklin of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership; Roger Sedjo of Resources for the Future; Larry Selzer of the Conservation Fund; Mike Zagata of the Ruffed Grouse Society; Robert A. (Bob) Luoto, representing independent logging professionals and the American Logging Council; Henry (Hank) Ketcham of West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd., and Daniel S. Fulton of Weyerhaeuser Company

- Michael T. Goergen Jr., Executive Vice-President and CEO of the Society of American Foresters, became chair of the independent SFI External Review Panel, replacing Richard W. (Dick) Brinker, Dean and Professor in the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences at Auburn University.
- We filled two new senior positions Rob Worthington is Director, Green Building, and Danny Karch is National Director, Market Access (Canada).

It is heartening to look back at the many achievements of 2008 and to know that at this time next year we will be celebrating new successes — including the completion of our transition to the new SFI on-product labels and the start of our transition to the SFI 2010-2014 Standard.

#### **KATHY ABUSOW**

President & CEO SFI, Inc.PrASR

**SHADE TREES CAN REDUCE POWER BILLS BY 11.4 PERCENT** - The E-Forester - November 17, 2008; From YubaNet.Com - Author: Auburn University. November 13, 2008 - An Auburn University study sheds new light on just how valuable shade trees are in reducing homeowners' electricity bills during hot summer months.

Professor David Laband in the Auburn University School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences says electricity usage and costs will be 11.4 percent less if a house has just 17.5 percent heavy shade coverage. This is compared to a house with no shade.

"The keys are heavy foliage and late afternoon shade," Laband said. "The savings can be very significant for homeowners. Over the years I had read statements that shade trees reduce electricity consumption, so we wanted to put a dollar amount to it."

His office conducted a yearlong study of 160 houses in the Auburn, Alabama area to determine the annual energy savings provided by shade trees, primarily looking at the months of May to September. He analyzed power bills, calculated shade coverage and surveyed the homeowners about household makeup, electricity-usage habits, square footage, type of air conditioning, appliances, roofing, exterior material and other factors.

"We looked at the amount of shade in the early morning, early afternoon and late afternoon," Laband said. "If you have trees on the west side of your house, you will have a much lower power bill.

Using local power company rates for kilowatt hours per day, Laband said the 11.4 percent savings would equal \$31 to \$33 per month. The study, which categorized types of shade into light, moderate and heavy, also found that a house covered with 50 percent of light shade will save 10.3 percent.

Thermostat settings were important as well. "For each degree you raise your thermostat in the summer, you will save 3.3 percent on your power bill," he said. "We also found that children under age 12 are the major power consumers in the home. They watch television, play games and leave lights on."

Laband hopes the study will encourage real estate developers not to cut down all the trees on new lots.



CORE TRAINING COMPLETED
Since July 2008, the following individuals have completed Core Level
training with the PA SFI. Core Level
Courses are FA/CPR, Logging Safety,
and Environmental Logging.

Stan Barnett Johnsonburg Greg Berndtson Wellsboro Shawn Bilger Three Springs Lane Brown Pleasantville Woodland Fred Bumbarger Mark Burdge Spring Run Howard Aaron Geaver Larry E Geaver Howard .bson Couser Madisonburg Adam M Cressman .hmes Creek Brian K English Morrisdale Elvis A Ensor Warfordsburg Bryan Harer Liberty Mansfield Scott House Lance Howell **Qurwensville** Richard Huck Wellsboro Irvin J Kauffman Belleville Wilbur Kephart Woodland Ira Kessler Jr. Millerton St. Marys Robert Kried James C Leach Galeton Richard Lyle Kane Doug A Maines Grampian Doug C Maines Grampian Ramon Martin Shippensburg Michael T McCall Jr. Summerhill Andrew E Miller Spring Mills Terry Mitchell Corry Charles E Pierce Arnot Micah Rosenberry Fannettsburg Timothy C Smail West Chester Jay L Summerson Arnot Randal Van Horn II Danville Douglas Van Meter Smithsburg David Yoder Allensville

# Continuing Education Courses Completed Since July 2008

Port Allegany

Charles Zimmerman

#### ADVANCED MISCELLANEOUS

Scott R Cary Northumberland
James B Davis Gearfield
Ed Konwinski Bradford
Genn A White Sigel

#### **BUYING STANDING TIMBER**

Corey L Brumbaugh Shirleysburg Wesley E Brumbaugh Shirleysburg Nick Chamberlin St. Marvs Frank Gothier Arnot Gino Copello Ridgway Mike Cowan Ridgway Jason DeGolier Ellington, NY Christian M Delancy Thompsontown Douglas Dellinger Lebanon Michael Donahue St. Marvs Michael I Dreese Jr. Lewisburg Greg Felmlee Wilcox Richard Garrison Troy

Bradley Gilliland Orbisonia Mill Hall Darick Graham Mifflinburg Steve Hanselman Mike S Harding Blossburg Doug Kinkead Ridgway Richard Kordes Lewisburg Gary Laslow Brookville Jason Lorenzo Mark Mekos Morris Shane R Miles Ridgway Todd M Monks Blossburg John Newman Wilcox Fay WParsells Wellshoro .bson Peterson Ellington, NY David Platt Lewisburg John T Redell III Troy Randy Renninger McVeytown Travis Renninger McVeytown Christopher Route Trov David Sallack Wilcox Benjamin Sayler Middletown Thomas P Shields St. Marys Mifflinburg Michael D Shoemaker Tim Shoemaker Millmont Brendan P Short Sunbury Quinn E Shreve Kane Henry F Smith Reynoldsville Michael Sowles Pleasantville Jay L Summersom Arnot Dominic A Suppa II Perry Swanson Leonard Thompson Arnot Robert Trumpie St. Marys Keith E Walter Middleburg Wesley Walter Middleburg Edward Werner Mapleton Depot Jonathan WWhitsel Mapleton Depot

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Samuel C Yoder

Paul E Zwald

John C Zaborowski

Dave Alexis Mt. Jewett Victor Bizzak Kane James Fowler Kane Jacob M Fremer Brockway Steve Ginkel Mt. Jewett Roger A Ginkel Mt. Jewett Richard Iddings Brockway Edgar D James Jr. Shawn Johnston Kane Joseph Kocjancic **J**bhnsonburg Michael Kocjancic Kane Greg Lindguist Kane Thomas McQuire Kane Michael L Miller Kane Randy Moore Kane Lyle Pierce Mt. Jewett Patrick A Rolfe Gifford Garry Saline Kane David A Snyder Kane

Belleville

Wattsburg

Williamsport

GOL I

Jeff Budman Unityville

Dusty Cartrette Susquehanna

Joe Kandrovy Tunkhannock
Christopher D Malson Moscow
Andy Meagley Susquehanna
Robert P Reddon Susquehanna
Rob Sawicki Factoryville
Mark Sickler Moscow
Barrett Wiggans Tunkhannock

#### GOL II

Jeff Budman Unityville **Dusty Cartrette** Susquehanna Joe Kandrovy Tunkhannock Brian Kelly Montrose Christopher D Malson Moscow Andy Meagley Susquehanna Nicholas Preston Wyalusing Nick Pries Mehoopany Robert P Reddon Susquehanna Lanny Russell LeRaysville Rob Sawicki Factoryville Barrett Wiggans Tunkhannock

#### GOL III

Joe Kandrovy
Tunkhannock
Brian Kelly
Montrose
Aaron Montross
Noxen
Nicholas Preston
Wyalusing
Nick Pries
Tunknannock
Lanny Russell
Barrett Wggans
Tunkhannock

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#### INTRO TO FOREST MANAGEMENT

John D Alspaugh Mverstown John A Carvell New Holland Shermans Dale David H Gymer Loysville Jeffrey W Halley David R Henry Reading Ben Livelsberger Newport Jason H Martin Lebanon Paul Shaffer Manheim James A Shipp Wavnesboro Timothy C Smail West Chester Tom Stahl Lancaster

#### MISCELLANEOUS - 4-HR. CLASS

Taylor Qingerman Everett

Michael C Jones Ft. Loudan Todd D McCabe Portage

#### **WLDLIFE**

Dick Cooney St. Marys Dave Grant Ulvsses Allen F Liegey Weedville Alice Ramsey Emporium Delmas Ramsev Emporium Brookville Todd Sparks Wayne Tomak Genesee Todd Watt Brockway Andy Whelpley Brockway Joseph Yilek Galeton

#### FUTURE DEMAND FOR LOW-GRADE EXPECTED TO BE STRONG

Recent events indicate a continued high level of interest in woody biomass as an alternative to fossil fuels. The PA Fuels for Schools and Beyond program continues to receive inquiries about heating and energy producing systems powered by low-grade or low-use trees. Many entities seem interested in, at the very least, getting the preliminary work completed so when conditions become more favorable for actually installing such equipment there will be no time lost in doing so. We have, in recent months, received several inquiries as well about who the woody biomass suppliers are in different areas of the state - indicating that potential future consumers of this material want to know now where their possible sources of supply exist. In the past few issues of the PA SFI Newsletter, a form was included for fiber suppliers to complete and return to the SFI office. If you want your name added to this list, please call the SFI office toll free at (888) 734-9366 and register. The PA SFI is also working to develop a training program on the proper procedures for harvesting this fiber without creating potential threats to the future sustainability of our forest resource. It is expected this training will become available either in the latter part of 2009, or during the first block of training in 2010.



### Chain-of-Custody Certifications

Art Communications Systems Inc., Harrisburg, PA

Art Print Company, Harrisburg, PA

Catawissa Lumber and Specialty Company, Catawissa, PA

Cenveo, Commercial Envelope Manufacturing Division, Carlstadt, NJ; Deer Park, NY; Altoona, PA; Cleveland, OH; Chicago, IL; Boone, IA; Kirksville, MO; Jacksonville,

The YGS Group, York, PA

Fiber Sourcing Certificates

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AREA Third-Party Certified to the SFI 2005-2009 Standard

154 million acres (62 million hectares)

CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFICATES

407 (from 359 in October 2008)

AREA Third-Party Certified to the SFI 2005-2009

CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFIED LOCATIONS (A company with multiple facilities, such as a paper merchant or printer, has the option of including more than one facility under its certificate.)

1020 (from 912 in October 2008)

PEFC ANNES 4 (U.S.) CERTIFICATIONS

PEFC Chain-of-Custody Certificates - 129 PEFC certified locations - 515

The Pennsylvania Sustainable Forestry

#### InitiaSFI, Inc. Program Participants in Pennsylvania

These PA Companies are affiliated with the SFI Program at the national level through independent third-party certification and provide direct involvement and support to the PA SFI Program as well.

> Domtar Paper LLC (3) Forest Investment Associates (8) Glatfelter Pulp Wood Co. (12) Hancock Forest Management (4) International Paper (12)

## PA SFI SIC Program Partners

Partners Program Participants are committed to the SFI Standards and pay a set fee annually based on sawmill production from Pennsylvania sawlogs.

Appleton Papers, Inc. (11) Blue Ox Timber Resources (10) Brode Lumber (10) BroJack Lumber Company, Inc. (8) Brooks Lumber & Timber Harvesting (11) Clear Lake Lumber (10) Cornerstone Forest Products (11)

Craftmaster Manufacturing, Inc. (7) 

D&D Wood Sales, Inc. (4) Deer Park Lumber (11)

Dunn Forest Products (2)

Dwight Lewis Lumber Co. (7)

Heacock Lumber (8) Hyma Devore Lumber (10)

Kern Brothers Lumber Company (8)

Krumenacker Lumber Company (10) Lapp Lumber Company (10)

Lauchle Lumber (11)

Lee Brothers Lumber Company (7)

Matson Lumber Company (8)

Mick Brothers Lumber Co. (2)

Mt. Airy Lumber Co. (6) Ordie Price's Sawmill (8)

P & S Lumber Company (8)

PA Veneers, Inc. (6) Patterson Lumber Co. (8)

Pine Creek Lumber (10)

RAM Forest Products (10)

Salem Hardwood, Inc. (6)

St. Marys Lumber Co., Inc. (10)

Sterling Forest Products (8) Trumco, Inc. (5)

Tuscarora Hardwoods, Inc. (9) Wheeland Lumber (11)

\*denotes new company ( )= years as participant Visit our web site for e-mail addresses (☑) and web site links (4) for these Partners and Supporters!

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#### PA SFI SIC Program Supporters

Supporter Companies help to promote sustainable forestry practices and pledge meaningful financial contributions.

Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group (6) Bailey Wood Products, Inc. (8) Brownlee Lumber Co. (4) Catawissa Lumber & Specialty Co. (6) Clarion Timber Co. (4) Coastal Lumber Co. (2) W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. (4) Custead's Sawmill, Inc. (10) Hobbes Forestry Services (8) Horizon Wood Products (8) John Karakash (2) Keystone Chipping North, Inc. (7) Gerald King Lumber (11) Northern Tier Hardwood Assoc. (6) Penn State University (7) Pennco International, Inc. (6) Stiber Forestry (4) Sylvandale Forestry (8) TimberLeads, Inc. (7) Walker Lumber Co. (4)

*denotes new company
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