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## Announcement

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We are pleased to announce that Boise Cascade's Building Materials Distribution Division (BMD) has acquired the assets of Total Structural Systems (TSS), formerly Wood Structures, Inc. In addition, Boise Cascade has hired the core group of TSS associates.

The intent of the acquisition is to create a production, marketing, and logistics organization that will serve New England customers with a complete package of building materials including trusses and engineered wood products. This will be accomplished from Boise Cascade's current facilities in Westfield, Massachusetts and Portsmouth, New Hampshire, plus the truss assembly and EWP distribution operations of TSS. At a strategic level, this combination demonstrates our commitment to structured, well conceived growth for BMD. It also demonstrates our commitment to our customers to provide new products and services, combined with the belief that we must take full advantage of growth opportunities when appropriate.

While it will take some time to gear up the truss manufacturing operations, it is our goal to be producing trusses by the end of June. We believe that this combination will provide customers in New England with a broad selection of quality products, enhanced logistical capabilities, and most important, excellent service from a combined staff of specialists in the structural components business. We will keep you updated on our progress.

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