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Tan-Treat™ Gets The ‘Thumbs Up’ from Khulani Timbers

24 April 2015, Port Shepstone – Khulani Timber Industries, one of Limpopo’s longest established timber treatment operators, has given Arch Wood Protection’s Tan-Treat™ Quality Support System the ‘thumbs up’ for value-added savings and efficiency improvements.



Charl Gobetz, Technical Manager at Khulani Timber Industries with Thomas Ngwenya and Beauty Ralepille

Tan-Treat™, an integrated electronic record keeping system, forms an integral part of Arch’s commitment to build customer relationships through initiatives across the supply chain, and thereby add value that goes beyond treatment products. This philosophy formed the foundation during the early stages of Khulani and Arch’s longstanding relationship, when Arch undertook to commission a new Tanalith™ CCA treatment plant and planted the seed for the relationship to grow exponentially over the years.

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Charl Gobetz, Technical Manager at Khulani Timber Industries, says that TanTreat™ has been a seamless integration into their stock taking system. “Stock reconciliation used to be a time-consuming exercise, but with TanTreat™ we are now experiencing faster turn around times with the vital information at our fingertips,” explains Charl.



Khulani Timber stock controllers, Thomas Ngwenya and Beauty Ralepille, at work with Arch Wood Protection's Tan-Treat™ Quality Control System

“The system is user-friendly and the hands-on technical training provided by Arch during the initial setup is highly commendable. Our stock controllers have become eager to learn and to continue developing their computer skills in this vital area of the business,” adds Charl.

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With all calculations being computed by TanTreat™, the margin for human calculation error is now zero. The system removes the need for separate Charge Sheet books in each Hazard Class, and all hazard classes are integrated into a single stock reconciliation. The programme also allows for stock reconciliation for any period of time without manual calculations, and all data once entered is secure and cannot be manipulated. With the ability to produce stock recons so easily, adjustments to the charge process can be made more readily as the charges results indicate any changes from the norm.

Doug Sayce, General Manager of Arch Wood Protection South Africa, concludes, “We are delighted with the positive contribution that TanTreat™ has made at Khulani and that we are able to provide a service that enables them to reap the benefits of all important cost savings and improved efficiency in their business. To date, TanTreat™ has been rolled out to over 90% of our customers and we are excited about growing this value-added service within our industry”.

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About Arch Wood Protection (not for editorial use)

Arch Wood Protection specializes in products for the industrial pre-treatment and surface protection of wood and has global operations in North and South America, Europe, key markets in Africa, the Middle East and Asia Pacific. Arch Wood Protection’s approach to business is characterized by innovative products, valued brands and exceptional customer service, including:

- The broadest range of industrial wood treatments in the world
- Products which improve the performance of wood, one of the world’s most sustainable natural resources
- Treatments which make wood resistant to termites, fungi, mold, fire and moisture
- Products which sustain the natural appearance of wood
- Engineering and marketing services to help customers grow

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- Broad global regulatory expertise and world-class toxicology and analytical chemistry skills, offering customers solutions that contribute to the sustainability of their own products and services
- Many products that satisfy green building and sustainability standards

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Lonza is one of the world's leading suppliers to the pharmaceutical, healthcare and life science industries. Products and services span its customers' needs from research to final product manufacture. It is the global leader in the production and support of chemical and biological active pharmaceutical ingredients. Lonza is also the world leader in microbial control, providing innovative, chemistry-based and related solutions to destroy or to selectively inhibit the growth of harmful microorganisms. Lonza is headquartered in Basel, Switzerland and is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange and secondarily listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST").. In 2012, the company had sales of CHF 3.925 billion. Further information can be found at www.lonza.com

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