



BB&S Treated Lumber of New England Leverages Ponderosa REMAN Capabilities

BB&S Treated Lumber of New England offers a wealth of resources and experience to help dealers sell pressure-treated forest products successfully and profitably. Founded in 1983 and privately held, BB&S is a well-established reputation for high-quality production and exceptional service.

BB&S' extensive range of excellent treated lumber products includes Southern Pine, decking, posts, timbers and landscape ties. The company is on the cutting edge of treatment technology, enabling its customers to meet consumer demand for long-lasting, low-maintenance products with minimal environmental impact.

BB&S operates a state-of-the-art production facility with the capacity to receive up to 1 million board feet and the ability to treat more than a half of that each and every day (more than 150 million board feet per year). In addition, the company has the ability to store 25 million board feet on 30 acres of pavement.



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Each year, BB&S receives almost 1000 rail cars and over 1500 trailers. The rail siding allows them to load and unload, store and ship just-in-time products. The company sends out product 24 hours a day, employing its own trucking fleet and dedicated outside contractors to meet the most demanding delivery requirements.

REMAN Processing Improves Re-costing, Pricing and Labor Tracking

Paul Scholtes, Controller of BB&S Lumber said, "We have found Ponderosa to be ideally suited to the daily needs of our business, saving valuable time and improving the quality of service we provide. As 'white wood' raw material is treated with various preservatives, Ponderosa's Inventory Remanufacturing Processing module automatically calculates chemical costs—based on the amount of chemicals applied to the lumber—tracks labor and updates inventory data for both the raw materials and the finished product," Scholtes said.

BB&S uses Ponderosa to improve the processing of an extensive range of treated lumber products, including Southern Pine lumber, decking, posts, timbers and landscape ties.

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“From product re-costing and pricing to board-foot conversions and real-time inventory management, sellers of pressure treated lumber face a unique set of business challenges,” said Jim McCooley, President of Computer Associates. “We are pleased to have had the opportunity to work with BB&S Lumber and to enable them to leverage the vast array of industry-specific capabilities available in the Ponderosa software.”

Warehouse Management System - Control Your Inventory, Control Your Business

Ponderosa Software’s “built-in” Warehouse Management System (WMS) is a real-time Inventory Control solution that helps BB&S improve efficiency and accuracy in their warehousing and yard operations, reduce inventory levels and costs, and maximize order fulfillment and customer satisfaction. ***(Built-in meaning Ponderosa’s WMS is fully integrated with all of the Ponderosa core applications vs. an expensive, third-party “bolt-on” product.)***

Ponderosa WMS uses durable, wireless, handheld RF mobile PCs and barcode scanners, capable of reading barcodes from up to 40 feet away, to track inventory from the time raw materials arrive to the shipping of finished goods.

Ponderosa helps BB&S reduce inventory verification times and increase accuracy by reading, automatically printing and tracking barcodes on inventory, purchase orders, production orders, cycle counts and shipping documents to simplify receiving, stocking, picking, staging, shipping, invoice generation and physical inventory.

The system captures inventory information at the receiving dock and then utilizes this data to immediately update the physical locations of lumber as it moves through Production Work Centers—***with complete Absorption Cost Accounting for manufactured items—so BB&S is always confident of their pricing and true gross margin.***

The system also provides detailed audit trails that, so LBM manufacturers can analyze, plan, and distribute resources based on real-time inventory and operator data. The result is ***reduced labor costs, increased productivity, better manufacturing space utilization, increased capacity and near-perfect accuracy - all important profit-boosting steps for your business.***

Whether looking for in-yard inventory or moving lumber from place to place, BB&S can leverage a complete Inventory Management solution to ensure their staff gets instant access to business-critical information, at any point, from any computer or any handheld, eliminating paper processing and the errors created by manual re-entry of data. With Ponderosa, BB&S can quickly search by status, wood classifications, species, grades, and dimensions and create custom inventory reports which can be e-mailed directly to customers.

Optimize your companies’ warehouse and manufacturing operations and make informed decisions that get your customers the right products in the right place at the right time for total customer satisfaction with greater profitability.



About Ponderosa

Ponderosa Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software is a fully integrated, Windows-based solution that automates Point of Sale, Product Configuration, Sales Order Processing, Purchasing, Manufacturing and Production Scheduling, Inventory Control, Warehouse Management, Installed Sales, Deliveries, Accounting, Business Intelligence (BI), e-Commerce and more.

Developed by CAI and continually enhanced and supported for more than 35 years with state-of-the-art technology and industry best practices, Ponderosa consolidates critical information—from all areas of the business—to provide the industry’s most comprehensive LBM Business Management System.

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