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Nine Companies Given Sequoia New Product Award
For Product Innovation in Woodworking Industry

LAS VEGAS – July 22, 2011 **–** Nine companies have been given a Sequoia New Product Award by AWFS for product innovation and leadership in the woodworking industry.

Given since 1997, the Sequoia New Product Awards recognize creativity and innovation as well as leadership in green/environmental product development. Entries are evaluated on quality, production impact, practicality, innovation and user-friendliness.

This year's awards, chosen by a panel of hand-selected judges representing various areas of the industry, including professional end-users, woodworkers and company owners, were announced at the 2011 AWFS®Fair.

Award Winning Companies and Products:

For Product Innovation in Components:
Biesse America for Viet HP Sanding Pad

For Product Innovation in Machinery over $50,000:
SCM Group North America for Stefani ONE TOUCH

For Product Innovation in Machinery under $50,000: TIE
Graco, Inc. for ProMix® 2KE and
Oneida Air Systems for Smart Pro Dust Collector™

For Product Innovation in Power Tools:
Micro Fence for Plunge Base & Edge Guide Package

For Product Innovation in Tooling:
Leitz Tooling Systems for the Leitz RipTec Cutting System

For Productivity in Software:
Planit Solutions for Stand Alone Screen-to-Machine™ Center

For Green/Environmental Leadership in Wood Coatings:
M.L. Campbell for EnviroVar

For Green/Environmental Leadership in Raw Materials:
Hardwoods Specialty Products for Red Grandis

AWFS®Fair has become a critical hub for international commerce in the woodworking industry. The Fair brings together the entire home and commercial furnishings industry, including manufacturers and distributors of machinery, hardware, lumber, construction materials and other suppliers to the furniture, cabinet manufacturers and custom woodworkers.

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