



Westervelt Announces Leadership Changes

New Vice President of Westervelt Wood Products in 2023

Tuscaloosa, Ala. – September 12, 2022 – The Westervelt Company recently announced a change of leadership in the Wood Products business.

Mark Richardson has been promoted to the position of Vice President and General Manager, Wood Products, effective January 1, 2023. He will be promoted into the role currently held by **Joe Patton**, who recently announced his retirement after a 24+ year career with the Company.

“Joe has had a remarkable career at Westervelt, and he has shaped our Lumber business into an industry leader in quality, safety and culture,” said Brian Luoma, President and CEO. “Joe leaves a long legacy of leadership that has benefited our entire industry. Mark has been with Westervelt for 24 years, and has worked closely with Joe as the Lumber Sales and Marketing Director. We’re excited to welcome him to his new role.”

In related moves, **Rick Brignac** has been promoted to Lumber Sales and Marketing Director, after serving most recently as Senior Sales Representative, and **Bryan Martin** has been promoted to Manufacturing Director, after serving most recently as Process Excellence Director.

About The Westervelt Company

The Westervelt Company, a privately held company headquartered in Tuscaloosa, Ala., was founded in 1884 and is currently under the fourth generation of family leadership. Westervelt is an industry leader in land management, wood products manufacturing and environmental mitigation. The company is recognized for excellence in sustainable forest management, responsibly sourced forest products and services, natural resource stewardship and ecosystem conservation. With more than half a million acres of land under Westervelt management, Westervelt’s diverse businesses all work together to ensure the sustainable stewardship of natural resources today, tomorrow and for many generations to come.

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