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Overall Market Dynamics

- Continued strong demand will exist for commodity and specialty building products:
 - Pressure on labor availability
 - Demand for innovative, low maintenance building materials
- Consolidation of producers, channel partners and end customers:
 - "Big Boxes"
 - Big builders
 - Distribution channels

Long Term Leading Indicators of Demand Remain Strong

Leading Indicator

Macroeconomic Indicators

- Demographics
- Disposable income
- Mortgage rates
- Consumer confidence

Home Building Demand Indicators

- Housing starts
- Cubic and square footage per home

Repair and Remodeling Demand Indicators

- Demographics
- Aging housing stock

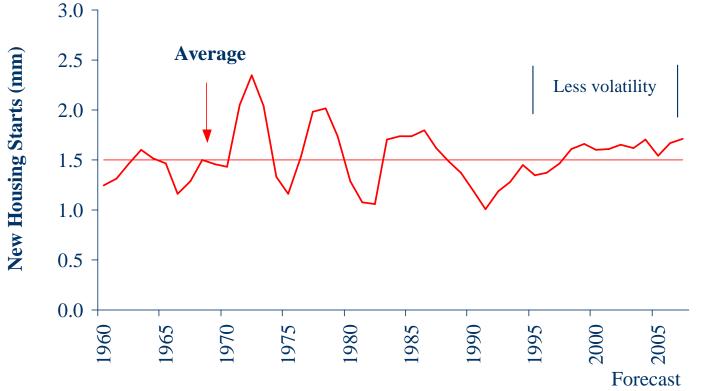
Comment

- Immigration will lead demand
- Real wage and salary growth is healthy despite higher jobless rates
- Remain below historical average levels
- Weakening however consistent with historic trends during recovery period
- Expected to remain strong in the 1.5-1.7mm range
- Home sizes expected to continue to grow
- Boomers in peak period upgrading and improving
- High land prices driving improvement versus new building

Sources: US Department of Commerce; RISI

Home Building Demand Indicators

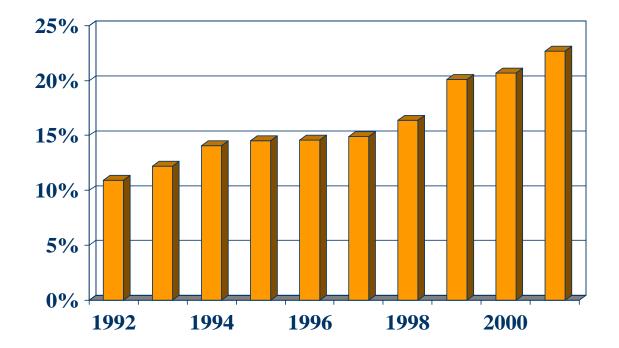
#Annual housing starts have averaged about 1.5 million since 1960 and are projected to remain strong in the 1.6 million range over the next 5 years.





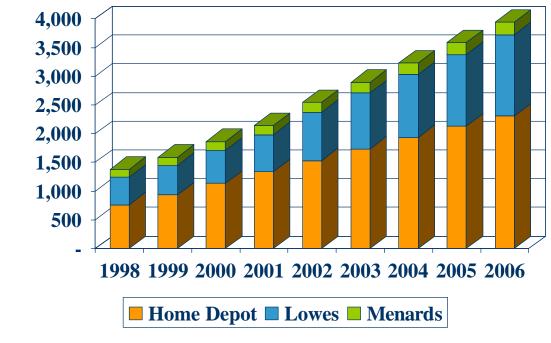
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Top 20 Builder Share of New Home Sales



Source: Homebuilding Industry Update, Banc of America Securities, May 2002

Home Center – Number of Stores



Source: LP Management

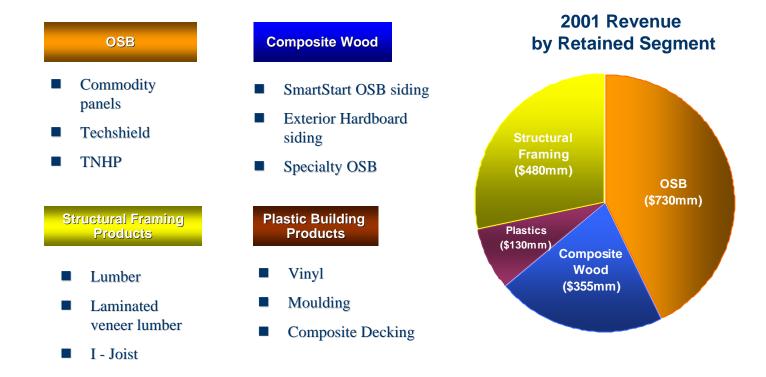
Competitive Dynamics

- Suppliers remain fragmented
- To win, we must:
 - Build sustainable cost advantages in commodity products
 - Respond rapidly to new product needs
 - Consolidate where possible
- Requires:
 - Swift action
 - Financial flexibility
 - Relentless cost reduction
 - Gain "good market share" by offering products and services

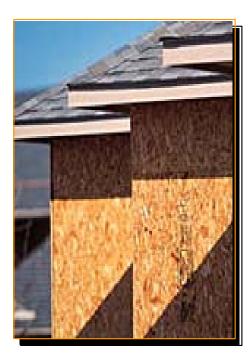
LP Strategy

- Last May, we announced a major asset divestiture and debt reduction plan
- Retained businesses have scale, path to low cost position and opportunities for growth:
 - OSB, Structural Framing (EWP and lumber), Composite Wood and Plastic Building Products
- Divestiture process commenced immediately:
 - Sales to be finalized within 12 to 18 months
 - Net proceeds expected to be between \$600 and \$700 million
- Proceeds to be used to restore financial flexibility and resume internal investments in businesses

LP's Businesses ... Post Divestiture



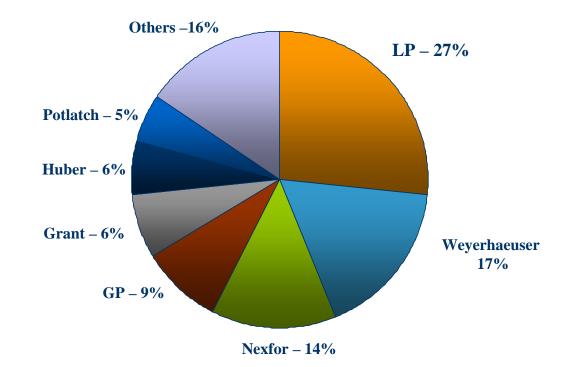
Oriented Strand Board (OSB)



- #1 North American producer with greater than 25% market share
- Lowest cost / highest margin producer
- Growth through substitution

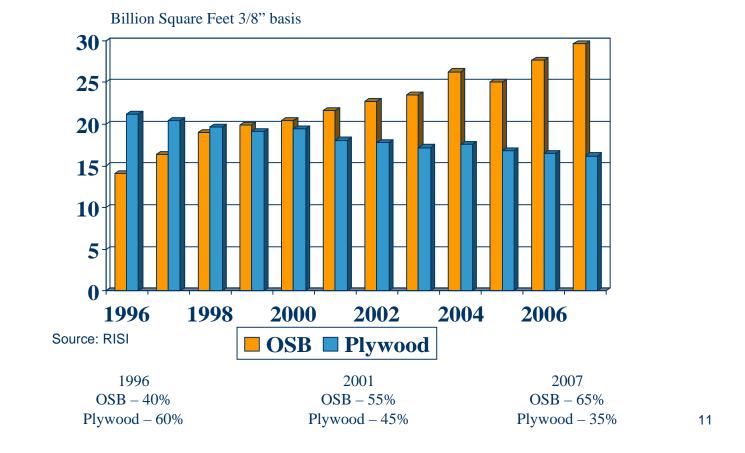
Mill capacities: 15 mills – 6.1 billion square feet

OSB Market Share



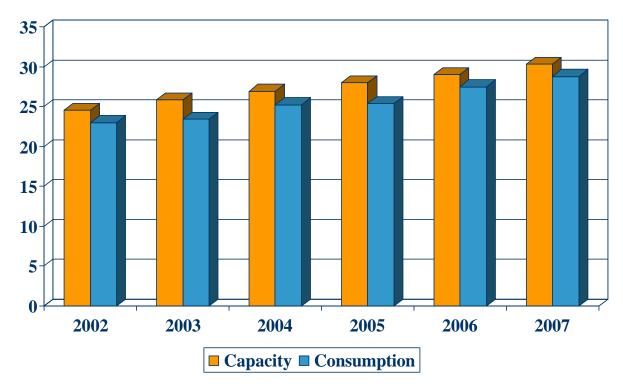
Source: RISI

Overall Structural Panel Demand



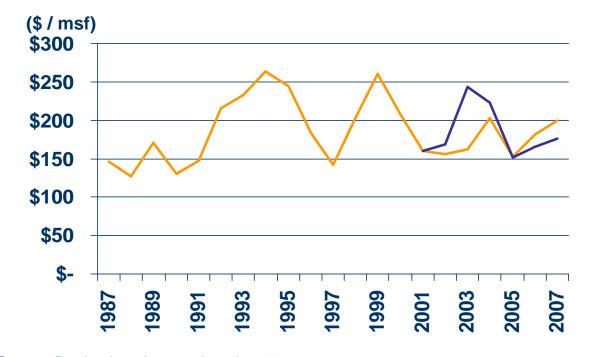
OSB Demand / Capacity Forecast

Billion Sq Ft 3/8



Source: RISI, APA and LP Management estimates

OSB Pricing, 7/16" North Central



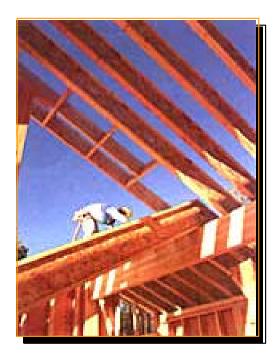


----- Clear Vision – 2002 through 2007

OSB Investment Priorities

- Investments in existing mills:
 - Substantially lower cost (reductions in energy, materials, yield and resin costs)
 - Improved product properties:
 - lower swell
 - greater surface stability
 - Greater throughput
- Greenfield "opportunities":
 - Canada British Columbia
 - U.S. fiber supply near growing markets
 - South America
- Acquire competitive facilities

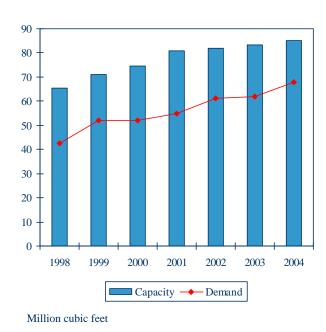
Structural Framing Products



- #1 position in stud lumber
- #1 position in Solid Sawn I-Joist
- #3 position in LVL / I-Joist
- Markedly improving cost position

Mill capacities: LVL – 9.9 million cubic feet I-Joist – 120 million lineal feet Lumber – 1.1 billion bf

EWP Demand / Capacity Forecast



LP Market share = 9%

LVL Capacity vs. Demand

IJ Capacity vs. Demand

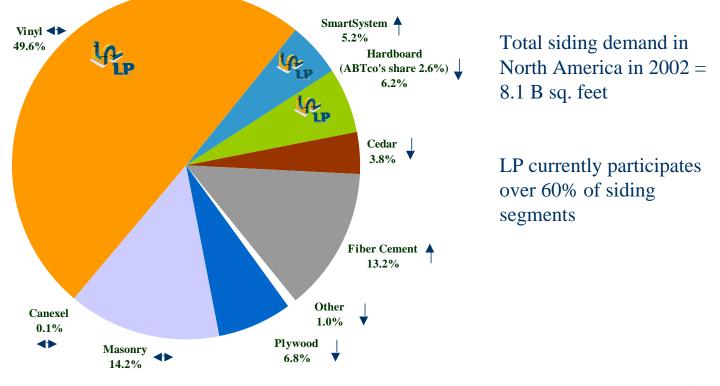


Million lineal feet

LP Market share
$$= 13\%$$

Source: RISI

Exterior Siding Market Market Share by Product Category - 2002



Source: VSI, AHA, LP

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Siding Market Drivers

- Proven performance and durability
- Easy installation resulting in low installed costs
- Multiple patterns providing various looks
- Demand for complete siding systems/solutions
- Low maintenance -- prefinished products
- Consolidation of channels and end users driving more demand to full product line suppliers
- Multiple product offerings cover multiple price points

Composite Wood Products

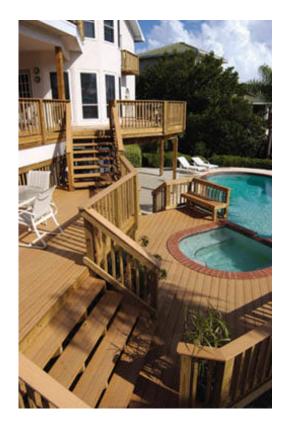


- Smart System OSB exhibiting strong growth
 - Family of products lap, panel, trim, fascia, soffet
 - Lowest installed cost
 - Curb appeal / outstanding performance
- Hardboard lowest cost and broadest product line
- LP Chile Source of low cost specialty products
- Decorative panels #1 position, strong retail presence

Mill capacities:

7 mills - 1 billion square feet

Plastic Building Products



- Vinyl siding growth through service and product development
- Profitable / growing mouldings business
- Composite decking early stage, excellent products, technology platform

Mill capacities: Vinyl – 3.2 million squares Decking – 31 million lineal feet Moulding

Assets to be Divested

- **Timberlands** Up to 935,000 acres of timberlands in Texas, Louisiana and Idaho:
 - Closed Urania sale of 95,000 acres for \$68 million
 - Working on sales of three additional blocks in Louisiana and Idaho... potentially close in Q4 2002 and Q1 2003
 - Marketing "big block" (705,000 acres):
 - Conducted "limited auction" with select group of buyers...
 yielded several favorable bids
 - Final bids due end of December / early January
 - Estimated close (if single buyer) Q2 2003

Assets to be Divested

- **Plywood** 4 plants with total capacity 800 million square feet
 - Traded all of our plywood plants, plus MDF, to GP for Woodlands Maine OSB plant
 - Closed in Q3 2002

• Industrial Panels:

- Particleboard 3 plants total capacity of 360 million square feet
 - Missoula announced letter of intent close Q4
 - Silsbee Closed
 - Arcata SOLD
- Medium density fiberboard 1 plant with 50 million square feet capacity GP transaction

Assets to be Divested

- **Distribution** 2 distribution centers
 - Rocklin, CA SOLD
 - Conroe announced closure liquidation
- **Summary** generated nearly \$145 million in value (cash proceeds, working capital and liability avoidance) since January 1, 2002

Use of Proceeds

- Reduce short-term and revolving debt
- Amortize other debt and contingencies as appropriate
- Longer term:
 - Review the cost / benefit of retiring long-term public debt
 - Build appropriate cash reserves
 - Reinvest in businesses

LP's Financial Strategy / Objectives

- Adopt conservative financial policy (cycle average):
 - Debt / total capitalization of < 30 35%
 - Debt to EBITDA $< 2 2 \frac{1}{2} X$
 - Regain investment grade status
- Achieve a cycle-average EBITDA of > \$400 million (after corporate unallocated):
 - \$125 \$150 million of relatively stable EBITDA from Composite Wood and Plastics
 - \$250 \$300 million of EBITDA from OSB and Structural Framing
- Manage through the cycle:
 - Adjust capital spending
 - Actively and aggressively manage working capital
 - Adjust operating schedules with demand

Conclusion...

LP has....

- Focused business model
- Unrelenting focus on being low cost producer
- Growth will come primarily from OSB (commodity and specialty) and exterior siding
- Appropriate level of SGA
- Continuous discipline in capital deployment



Questions