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Ward Lumber announces 3rd Qtr. Achievement Recognition

Jay, NY. - Jim Rushia, Vice President of Human Resources, is pleased to announce Team Members recognized for outstanding achievements and contributions they have made to the Ward Lumber Team during the third quarter, 2006.

Lumber Manufacturing Division: Jim Welch, Lumber Sorter, Sawmill, Jay, NY

Building Materials Division: Angie Hogan, Cashier, Plattsburgh Store; Paul Mintz, Retail Sales, Jay Store; Mickey Manson, Estimating Manager, Malone Store.

Support Center: Melissa Whisher, Accounting Manger for the Building Materials Division, Corporate Headquarters, Jay, NY

Ward Lumber is a three-unit building materials supplier with locations in Jay, Plattsburgh and Malone, NY. One of the largest private employers in Essex County, Ward Lumber manages over 6,000 acres of timberland and operates one of New York State's largest white pine sawmills and planing mills in Jay, NY.

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