

The Southern Pine Inspection Bureau is a not-for-profit organization that serves as the rules-writing agency for Southern pine lumber. The scope of our services includes various audit programs for all softwood species to evaluate lumber manufacturing and grading, treated wood products, export wood packaging, truss manufacture, glued products and physical testing of treated or mechanical properties. SPIB's reputation in the marketplace has been earned over the past 75 years by its commitment to promoting and ensuring quality standards with the most knowledgeable and experienced field staff in the industry. SPIB has accreditation through the American Lumber Standards Committee (ALSC), International Accreditation Service (IAS) and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The SPIB Treated Wood Program is designed to offer manufacturers of pressure-treated wood products a structured Third-Party Quality Audit Program to verify the accuracy and consistency of their In-House Program. Further, SPIB Third-Party overview is designed to evaluate the entire manufacturing process to ensure that the minimum quality standards are met, whether AWPA or proprietary.

The SPIB Treated Wood Program specifically evaluates the production process from the entry of raw materials, product staging, treatment, QC evaluation of product, proper documentation and any necessary correction of non-conformances. The QC evaluation of product includes both a verification of In-House duties as well as physical inspection of product to verify conformance of treatment attributes on individual charges or lots AND to quantify overall trends in performance. While this program is generally designed for inspection at the treating plant, SPIB offers customized audit services to evaluate product conformance at distribution centers or the jobsite. Certification of grade and/or treatment is also available.

Treated wood samples obtained through field staff inspections or those received from the plant directly are analyzed at the SPIB Laboratory in Pensacola, FL. The SPIB Lab has also earned a reputation within our industry as the most efficient, reliable and consistent source for your wood dust or solution analytical needs. The SPIB Lab is available to both Subscribers and non-subscribers alike.

Whether you need physical inspection of untreated or treated wood products, laboratory analyses or technical information, please feel free to contact SPIB or our Western Wood Services Division if we can be of assistance in any facet of your operation.

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