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Milton J. Wood Fire Protection Selected to Design and Install Systems for Drax Biomass International, Inc.

Wood pellet plants in Louisiana and Mississippi to supply renewable, sustainable fuel to the largest power plant in Europe

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., August 1, 2013 – Milton J. Wood Fire Protection, a subsidiary of MJW Consolidated and a leading provider of design-build fire protection systems for the wood pellet manufacturing industry, has been selected to design and install fire protection and process control systems for two wood pellet plants located in Louisiana and Mississippi and the associated port storage and loading facility at the Port of Greater Baton Rouge, projects of Drax Biomass.

<u>Drax Biomass</u> is a subsidiary of Europe's largest power company, Drax Group plc. Drax Group is converting its coal-fired power plants in the UK to sustainable and low-carbon footprint wood pellets, a new and emerging energy standard in Europe. Milton J. Wood Fire Protection is an established leader in the design and install of fire protection systems for wood pellet plants and ports. MJW designed and installed innovative fire protection systems in the world's largest pellet plants built by <u>Green Circle Bio Energy</u> in Cottondale, Fla. and by <u>Georgia Biomass</u> in Waycross, Ga, as well as the largest pellet exporting facility in the US, <u>Enviva</u> Port of Chesapeake.

Milton J. Wood Fire Protection was selected by the <u>Haskell Company</u> to provide design-build services at the two Drax Biomass pellet producing plants and by the <u>Gray Construction</u> to provide design-build services for the Port Allen facility.

A recent Drax <u>news release</u> stated "The manufacturing facilities, Amite BioEnergy in Gloster, Mississippi and Morehouse BioEnergy in Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, would be expected to start full operations in 2014 with combined capacity to produce 900,000 metric tons of biomass pellets annually using fiber from actively and sustainably managed forests."

Milton J. Wood Fire Protection and MJW Consolidated, is the leader in design and build projects for the wood pellet industry. The company has designed, engineered and installed fire protection systems for the world's largest wood pellet plants and the world's largest power companies.

MJW Consolidated is the parent entity of Milton J. Wood Company, general and mechanical contracting and Milton J. Wood Fire Protection, a full service consulting, design, fabrication, installation and inspection contractor for all types of fire protection, fire detection and alarm systems including "Special Hazards" systems. Founded in Jacksonville Florida in 1969, MJW has built a respected reputation for integrity, quality and dependability in manufacturing facilities throughout the southeast. Headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida, the company has facilities in Lakeland as well as Brunswick and Savannah, Georgia. With a weekly average of more than 300 employees and up to 700 during plant outages, MJW Consolidated one of the region's most versatile general and mechanical contractors. The Milton J. Wood Company is proud to be an employee owned company. Contact MJW at Phone: (904) 353-5527 or find them online at www.mjwood.com.

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