

MEDIA RELEASE

Timberlink manufactures its first GLT beam, meets with the South Australian Parliamentary Select Committee

Timberlink was pleased to welcome the South Australian Parliamentary Select Committee to its Tarpeena manufacturing facility this week for the South Australian Forest Products Association's Seed to Structure tour. In attendance were Hon. Nicola Centofanti MLC, Hon. Tung Ngo MLC, Hon. Frank Pangallo MLC, Hon. Ben Hood MLC, in addition to various industry members from across the South Australian forestry sector.

The purpose of the tour was to increase awareness around the many stages of softwood timber manufacturing in South Australia; right from planting seeds in the nursery through to processing and manufacturing finished plantation pine timber products.

Ian Tyson, CEO of Timberlink, was delighted to host the committee at Timberlink's Tarpeena manufacturing facility and to share with them an exciting milestone in the construction of Timberlink's Cross Laminated Timber (CLT) and Glue Laminated Timber (GLT) manufacturing facility: the very first glue laminated timber beam produced on its newly commissioned GLT line.

"This is a very meaningful day for Timberlink," said Ian Tyson. "From our first sod turn in February 2022 to producing our first GLT beam in August 2023, we are well on our way to full production which is scheduled for October this year. It was fantastic to share this milestone moment with the committee."

Timberlink's NeXTimber facility will be Australia's only combined radiata pine CLT and GLT facility, increasing Australia's sovereign capability to manufacture these products while reducing reliance on imports. Mass timber products offer an exciting alternative to traditional construction materials, with the potential to assist to decarbonise construction in Australia by storing carbon for the life of the timber.



The Timberlink team with the South Australian Parliamentary Select Committee in Timberlink's NeXTimber CLT & GLT plant.



The Timberlink team holding the very first GLT beam produced on its newly commissioned GLT line.

Left to right: Chief Marketing, Sales & Corporate Affairs Officer David Oliver, CEO Ian Tyson, CLT/GLT Operations Manager Patrick Dark, Major Strategic Projects Manager Ranabir Ghose, NeXTimber Project Manager David Gittins, Chief Manufacturing Officer Jodie Murdoch, Production Manager Brian Murphy.

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About Timberlink Australia & New Zealand

Timberlink (timberlinkaustralia.com.au, timberlinknz.co.nz) is a leading Australasian timber products manufacturing business. The business has two sawmills at Bell Bay (Tasmania) and Tarpeena (South Australia) that manufacture plantation structural pine products. Timberlink has sales and distribution teams based in Perth, Adelaide, Sydney and Melbourne and sales teams based at their Bell Bay manufacturing facility and Blenheim sales office. Aligning the Timberlink business with forest resources enables the company to have a long-term committed approach to its business and customers. Timber manufacturing is a carbon negative industry. For every cubic metre of dry finished timber produced, 699 kg of carbon dioxide is drawn from atmosphere and retained in the timber over its entire lifetime.

Timberlink is a part of an integrated softwood forestry business that is managed by New Forests, a sustainable real assets investment manager headquartered in Sydney. Founded in 2005, New Forests has more than AUD 9.95 billion in assets under management globally, across more than 1,100,000 hectares of forests, rural land, and conservation investments. Learn more at www.newforests.com.au