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Happy Birthday, Dricon® FRT Wood!

Get out the cake plates, and don't worry about candle flames. Dricon® fire retardant treated wood from Arch Wood Protection is 30 years old. It has been used without change in formulation since its first installation in 1981. Dricon® FRT wood is an alternative to construction materials classified as noncombustible for weather-protected applications. It has been primarily used for commercial and multi-family applications where codes require, but now it is now also being used in single-family residences where homeowners desire additional fire protection.

"We're thrilled to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Dricon® FRT wood. It has been involved in countless projects in the U.S. and around the world," said Rodney Hardison of Arch Wood Protection which manufactures the fire retardant used in the wood. "For three decades, it has served the construction industry well, and its use is continuing."

Suited for interior applications shielded from precipitation, Dricon® FRT wood is primarily used for studs & framing, roof systems, wall plates, fire stops, joists, electrical backer boards, air return plenum framing in HVAC systems, and millwork.

Dricon® FRT wood is produced by independent wood treating companies using chemicals sold by Arch Wood Protection. It is available to contractors through many building supply outlets. Builders needing a source may contact us at 1-866-USE-FRTW.

Highlights of Dricon® FRT Wood:

- Dricon® FRT wood introduced to market in 1981
- Three decade track record with no formulation changes needed
- Interior Class A fire retardant
- EPA registration of preservative component
- Most warranted FRT wood product available (with roof system, preservative & truss warranties)
- No more corrosive to fasteners and truss plate connectors than untreated wood
- Approved for use as sill plate
- Covered in ICC ESR-1626
- Meets current AWPA (American Wood Protection Association) standards
- Can be used in contact with concrete that touches ground