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Barko Hosts American Loggers Council Summer Board Meeting
Board members gather in Duluth, Minnesota



Hemphill, Texas (July 30, 2015) –The American Loggers Council (ALC) recently held its Summer Board of Directors Meeting in Duluth, Minnesota on July 24 – 25. Barko Hydraulics, LLC volunteered to host the event and those that were attendance were treated to a first-class experience.

ALC members arrived on Thursday afternoon and attended a welcome reception held at the Holiday Inn & Suites Hotel. Barko President Scot Jenkins, Sales Manager Bruce Enstrom, and Marketing Manager John Major and several others from Barko were on hand to welcome the group.

Friday morning ALC members were transported to the Barko assembly plant in Superior, Wisconsin and met with key personnel and were also allowed to tour the plant as well as see demonstrations of the Barko CH6025 Biomass chipper and the Barko 495ML Loader.



The demo was followed up by lunch at the plant and then ALC delegates headed to the woods to experience Barko forwarders and Harvesters in action. Following the logging tour, members were taken back to the hotel and then treated to a dinner again by Barko

On Saturday, The ALC Board members met at the Duluth Holiday Inn and Suites Hotel to discuss business and issues of the Council as well as recent activities in Washington, DC that included the reintroduction of the Future Careers in Logging Act, and the Resilient Federal Forest Act of 2015. Members of the ALC have been instrumental in getting both of these bills introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives.

Other items on the agenda included reports from the Legislative Committee, Transportation Committee, Biomass Committee, Master Logger Certification Committee, Membership Committee and the Communications Committee.

The ALC Board of Directors welcomed Barko representatives to the Board meeting as well as representatives from the Associated Contract Loggers and Truckers (ACLT) of Minnesota Director Scott Dane and ACLT President Mike Nieman as they also reviewed the current 5 year strategic plan that is now in its fourth year as well as the need to begin looking head for the next 5 years.

Barko President Scot Jenkins announced that Barko was increasing their level of commitment to the ALC to further assist them in their efforts to promote the timber harvesting industry.



ALC President Myles Anderson thanked the members of Barko for not only hosting the meeting, but also for their participation and comments in the Board meeting that followed the tours. "Having our sponsors on-board and participating in our meetings allows us to get a different perspective on the issues that we are facing, including the direction that the American Loggers Council should be headed in the future. All of our sponsors are a valuable asset to the organization. Barko was an excellent host and provided a great venue for our meeting."

About American Loggers Council

The American Loggers Council is a non-profit 501(c)(6) organization representing timber harvesting professionals in 30 states. For more information contact the American Loggers Council office at 409-625-0206 or visit their website at www.amloggers.com.

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