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## **NBMDA Elects Duane Lambrecht as President**

Chicago – The North American Building Material Distribution Association (NBMDA) has elected Duane Lambrecht, President and CEO of Shelter Products, the 2009 NBMDA President. A 36-year veteran of the distribution industry, Lambrecht brings leadership, experience and insight to NBMDA's membership.

Lambrecht graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1969 and is a Vietnam combat veteran who served in the United States Army from 1969- 1971. He is married to his wife Diane, and has one son, Aaron and a granddaughter, Mia. He founded Shelter Products, Inc. in 1981, and joined NBMDA as a member in 1982. Shelter Products is a locally owned wholesale company supplying both retail building centers and the manufactured housing industry throughout Minnesota, eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, northern Iowa and western Wisconsin.

Lambrecht serves on numerous boards and holds memberships in many local organizations. His community involvement includes serving such organizations as Rotary Club, Disabled American Veterans, Purple Heart Association, American Legion, New Ulm Medical Foundation, Sioux Valley Hospital, United Way of New Ulm, Carlson School of Management- University of Minnesota and various Church Boards.

Throughout 2009 Lambrecht will focus his attention on providing NBMDA member's new and innovative benefits and services that will provide enhanced value especially during these challenging economic times. These offerings include economic outlook reports, distributor financial benchmarking reports and an enhanced Annual Convention which will be held November 4-5 in Nashville. "I feel strongly that NBMDA's member benefits along with its network of members can significantly help a firm manage through these trying times," Lambrecht commented.

For more information on the NBMDA Annual Convention & Table Top Business Session and NBMDA's member benefits, go to [www.nbmda.org](http://www.nbmda.org).

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*NBMDA is a multi-segment trade association representing the leading wholesale distributors of specialty building products and woodworking materials. Membership segments represent distributors and manufacturers that serve the independent building material, and kitchen and bath dealer, regional and national home centers, as well as those that serve production companies involved in cabinetry, architectural woodwork, stock woodwork, store fixtures, solid surface fabricating, general and specialty woodworking industries. Distributor members operate from more than nine hundred distribution centers throughout the U.S. and Canada. The association's collective purchasing power exceeds \$25 billion. Founded in 1952, NBMDA's mission is to develop and promote the effectiveness of distribution processes to improve member profitability and growth.*