



*Shown in this photograph with the 2016 Health, Safety, and Environmental Chairman's Award are (left to right): Chairman Jonathan E. Martin; Director of OSB Manufacturing Marty Neiswender; Vice President of OSB and Corporate Safety Director Terry Secret; President, CEO, and CFO Roy O. Martin III; and OSB Business Safety Manager Robert Ryder.*

## RoyOMartin's Oakdale plant celebrates 10 years

OAKDALE — RoyOMartin's oriented strand board (OSB)-manufacturing plant in Oakdale celebrated its 10th anniversary of operations Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Construction began in 2005 on the Allen Parish OSB facility, still one of the largest of its kind in North America. The first Southern yellow pine OSB panel from the plant was pressed Jan. 31, 2007, with the official plant-opening coming three months later on April 23, 2007.

Taking part in the festivities on Tuesday were company leaders RoyOMartin Chairman Jonathan E. Martin, President-CEO-CFO Roy O. Martin III, Senior Vice President-COO Scott Poole and Vice President of OSB and Corporate Safety Director Terry Secret. The officials reminisced about accomplishments and talked about lessons learned during the start-up operation a decade ago. They also thanked OSB team members for their vital contributions.

At the conclusion of the celebration, Jonathan Martin presented the 2016 Health, Safety and Environmental Chairman's Award to the Oakdale OSB team in recognition for their superior achievement in those areas.

“Over the past 10 years, the RoyOMartin Oakdale OSB team has taken a first-class asset and made it into a world-class organization that is admired across the industry,” Secrest said in a prepared statement. “Through innovation and a continuous-improvement mindset, the facility has out-produced its original design capacity by 15 percent. The entire OSB team continues to demonstrate its commitment to working safely, operating at top efficiency and satisfying customers every single day.”