

News Release



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iLevel® Forte™ Software Now Sizes Vertical Framing Members

Federal Way, Wash., November 2, 2010 – The latest version of iLevel’s free, single-member sizing software – Forte™ 2010 software – now sizes vertical, as well as horizontal, framing members. Design professionals can use Forte 2010 software to quickly size freestanding posts, studs and columns embedded in wall systems, in addition to beams, joists and headers. Other recent enhancements include the ability to size dimension lumber, as well as engineered wood products, and the capability to account for seismic and wind loads. www.iLevel.com/Forte.

Forte software offers an intuitive graphical interface that enables users to select individual framing members for a given spacing, member depth or best economical fit. Designers can manage all of a job’s members (horizontal joists and beams, sloped roof members, and vertical members) in a single file, making it easier to oversee projects and print calculation packages with the single click of a button.

With the program’s expanded load calculations and code-compliant solutions for lumber, TJI® joists, Parallam® PSL, TimberStrand® LSL and other engineered wood products, designers can choose a combination of materials to ensure quality, yet affordable homes and light commercial structures. All framing solutions are compliant with the latest U.S. and Canadian building codes.

Forte software is the only single-member sizing software on the market that gives designers the ability to leverage the TJ-Pro™ Rating System. The software tabulates TJ-

Pro Rating values for each selected joist series, depth and spacing combination so that the designer can match performance and cost to customer expectations.

“The ability to size vertical members and apply wind loading for an entire wall adds new features customers have been requesting,” says Ross Theilen, General Manager of Structural Frame Software for iLevel by Weyerhaeuser. “Forte 2010 now provides designers more of what they need to quickly and effectively specify the complete structural frame. We’re continually adding new features to the software and anticipate additional updates in the coming months that will make Forte software the tool of choice for structural frame designers who specify wood products.”

Forte single-member sizing software is part of iLevel’s Modus™ suite of software, which includes Javelin® structural frame modeling and design software and Stellar® fabrication software. These tools help designers, builders and building material dealers to quickly implement high-quality structural framing solutions, optimize materials use, and reduce construction cycle time, cost and waste.

About iLevel by Weyerhaeuser

iLevel by Weyerhaeuser provides the building industry’s most comprehensive and innovative collection of structural framing products, technical support and software for homes, multi-family and light construction. It is a leader in developing ways to help builders and dealers improve quality, reduce costs and streamline construction. iLevel’s Trus Joist® brand celebrates 50 years of engineered wood product innovation, building on a legacy started in 1960. All of the engineered wood products and specialty dimension lumber iLevel manufactures are SFI® certified. In addition to its own products, iLevel also distributes a range of third-party construction and finishing materials.

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