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**SIMPSON MANUFACTURING CO., INC. ANNOUNCES
WORK STOPPAGE AT STOCKTON MANUFACTURING FACILITY**

Pleasanton, CA -- Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc. (the “Company”) (NYSE:SSD) announced today that union employees at its Stockton, California, manufacturing facility have commenced a work stoppage. The company does not anticipate the work stoppage to materially affect its sales or profits.

Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc., headquartered in Pleasanton, California, through its subsidiary, Simpson Strong-Tie Company Inc., designs, engineers and is a leading manufacturer of wood-to-wood, wood-to-concrete and wood-to-masonry connectors and fastening systems and pre-fabricated shearwalls. Simpson Strong-Tie also offers a full line of adhesives, mechanical anchors and powder actuated tools for concrete, masonry and steel. The Company’s other subsidiary, Simpson Dura-Vent Company, Inc., designs, engineers and manufactures venting systems for gas and wood burning appliances. The Company’s common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol “SSD.”

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