

**PRESS RELEASE – NOVEMBER 13, 2009**

**SIMPSON MANUFACTURING CO., INC. CANCELS  
PRESENTATION AT NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> CONFERENCE**

Pleasanton, CA -- Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc. (the "Company") (NYSE:SSD) announced today that due to unforeseen circumstances, its Chairman, Barclay Simpson, regrets that he will not speak as scheduled at the Stephens Inc. Fall Investment Conference in New York on Tuesday, November 17, 2009.

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, stainless steel fasteners 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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