



Koppers Reports Favorable Ruling in Mississippi Civil Case

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PITTSBURGH, PA, Jul 02, 2008 (MARKET WIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Koppers Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Koppers Holdings Inc. (NYSE: KOP), announced today that the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit has reversed outright a jury verdict and has rendered judgment in favor of the company in a lawsuit in which Koppers had been assigned 20 percent responsibility for damages sought by the estate of a Grenada, Mississippi woman. Koppers 20 percent portion of the original compensatory damages amounted to \$169,000, which was later reduced to \$157,000. The case was the first lawsuit to go to trial in a number of lawsuits relating to the company's Grenada, Mississippi wood treating plant. Koppers prevailed in the punitive damage phase of the case. Several other claims against the company involving the Grenada plant have already been voluntarily dismissed or have been dismissed by the courts. Koppers believes the Fifth Circuit ruling may lead to the dismissal of other lawsuits filed against it after the expiration of the Mississippi statute of limitations. The company intends to continue to vigorously defend the remaining cases brought against it.

About Koppers

Koppers, with corporate headquarters and a research center in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a global integrated producer of carbon compounds and treated wood products. Including its joint ventures, Koppers operates facilities in the United States, United Kingdom, Denmark, Australia and China. The stock of Koppers Holdings Inc. is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol KOP. For more information, visit us on the Web: www.koppers.com. Questions concerning investor relations should be directed to Brian H. McCurrie at 412 227 2153 or Michael W. Snyder at 412 227 2131.

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