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Sitka shines at Vancouver show

Sitka Log Homes strutted their stuff at the Vancouver Home and Garden Show, Feb. 21- 25th and found the experience not only a positive one for their own business but for the region as well.

Thousands of people toured the Sitka display house and John Johnson, Sitka owner said the visitors' comments were all favourable, with not a single negative comment. The Sitka crew he said, distributed information on 100 Mile House and the Cariboo and Johnson is confident the show will net more business in the future.

"People were happy with the look, the reception was 100% positive."

The house, including furniture and appliances sold in the first 10 minutes after the doors opened. Those buyers have property in the 100 Mile House area and the house will be reconstructed after the foundation is prepared.

The 1,200 square foot house was made of log kill pine and Johnson said they spent a lot of time educating people about the misconceptions surrounding the wood. "People expected it to be full of bugs and bug holes but everybody liked the blue tinge."

The house was constructed at Sitka's operation in 100 Mile House, then transferred in pieces to Vancouver. Crews from twenty different companies worked day and night to be ready for the show.

The house created quite a buzz and Johnson said media representatives from various news outlets toured the home.