



Koppers Fran Wisniewski Earns 2025 Women MAKE Award

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Manufacturing Institute Award Celebrates Women Demonstrating Leadership Excellence

PITTSBURGH, March 11, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Koppers (NYSE: KOP) today announced that Fran Wisniewski, recently retired Vice President of Long-Range Planning, has been honored with The Manufacturing Institute's 2025 Women MAKE Award. She joins more than 100 other women across the country in receiving this distinction, which recognizes women at all levels within the manufacturing industry who have demonstrated leadership and excellence in their careers.



After joining Koppers in 1980, Wisniewski went on to hold positions such as Vice President of the Utility and Construction division, Global Director of Business Development and Analysis, and Global Director of Corporate Growth, before assuming her role as Vice President of Long-Range Planning where she helped establish plans to expand and optimize the business. During her time with the company, she also worked to successfully complete two strategic acquisitions, elevating Koppers position as a global leader in wood preservation.

As a founding member of Koppers employee resource group, LINKwomen, Wisniewski helped develop a scholarship program for female relatives of Koppers employees. She has mentored countless young female employees across the company and served as a trusted advisor on the Sustainability Steering Committee.

"Fran was an exemplary team member during her incredible 45-year career at Koppers. She was instrumental in advancing both business strategy and culture while being a trusted source of knowledge and support for fellow colleagues," said Leroy Ball, Chief Executive Officer of Koppers. "On behalf of the entire Koppers team, we send our sincere congratulations to Fran. She personifies the spirit of this award and has more than earned this distinction."

The Women MAKE Awards recognize women in science, technology, engineering and production careers who exemplify leadership within their companies. This national honor identifies top talent in the manufacturing industry and further encourages award winners to mentor and support the next generation of female talent to pursue modern manufacturing careers. Click [here](#) to read Wisniewski's profile on the MAKE Award website.

About Koppers

Koppers (NYSE: KOP) is an integrated global provider of essential treated wood products, wood preservation technologies and carbon compounds. Our team of 2,200 employees create, protect and preserve key elements of our global infrastructure – including railroad cross-ties, utility poles, outdoor wooden structures, and production feedstocks for steel, aluminum and construction materials, among others – applying decades of industry-leading expertise while constantly innovating to anticipate the needs of tomorrow. Together we are providing safe and sustainable solutions to enable rail

transportation, keep power flowing, and create spaces of enjoyment for people everywhere. Protecting What Matters, Preserving The Future. Learn more at [Koppers.com](https://koppers.com).

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About The Manufacturing Institute

The Manufacturing Institute helps build a manufacturing workforce prepared for the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. Through implementing groundbreaking programs, convening industry leaders and conducting innovative research, the MI furthers individual opportunity, community prosperity and a more competitive manufacturing industry. As the 501(c)3 nonprofit workforce development and education affiliate of the [National Association of Manufacturers](https://www.nam.org/), the MI is a trusted adviser to manufacturers, equipping them with solutions to address the toughest workforce issues.

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