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Michael Sanders received his BS degree in Industrial Technology and MS degree in Forest Products from Mississippi State University. He started his career at the Forest Products Laboratory in 1989 as a research technician and has since been promoted to his current position of Research Associate III. Michael has also been appointed as research and facilities coordinator for the MSU Formosan Termite Research Facility.

Michael has authored and co-authored numerous publications, including three patents and two additional invention disclosures. His research interests include new wood preservation technology and the biodeterioration of wood and wood structures. Michael has received university honors such as the MSU Forest and Wildlife Research Center Award for Excellence, 2003, the 2005 College of Forest Resources Research Support award, and a special award for service following hurricane Katrina in 2005. Michael frequently makes presentations on wood preservation and wood destroying organisms at local, regional, national, and international meetings. He currently holds membership in Forest Products Society, American Wood Preserver's Association, Railway Tie Association, and ALPHA THETA chapter of XI SIGMA PI national forestry honor society.

Michael also operates VIBewood, Inc., a private professional consulting service in the area of wood deterioration and preservation.