

Makita Corporation of America - James Pearce, Sr. - Human Resource Manager



The safety of our employees is a critical dimension of our business here at Makita's only American production location. Because of the constant use of forklifts through out our facility, it is of paramount importance that we are absolutely assured that every single forklift operator is thoroughly trained. We rely on "L.I.F.T. Training" for our industrial truck training. They have always done an excellent job. Their responses to our requests for training are invariably quick and reliable. It seems that every time "L.I.F.T. Training" completes an on-site training program for us, employees who completed the program tell me that the training was very valuable and thorough. The on-site feature allows us to avoid sending people down to the perimeter and inside the perimeter for early morning training classes. The value for the cost of this training is outstanding.

"L.I.F.T. Training" is number one in my book.

Jim Pearce, Human Resources Manager, Makita Corporation of America, Buford, Georgia



Jim Pearce is pictured with forklift operator, Russell Gregory. Mr.Gregory has been employed with Makita for 15 years.

Mr. Mosaburo Makita founded the "Makita Electric Machine Company" on March 21, 1915, at Nagoya City, Japan, as a manufacturer of motors and voltage converters. Makita opened its first sales and marketing office in the U.S. in 1970. With the volume of power tool sales rapidly increasing in the U. S., Makita founded its first power tool facility (Makita Corporation of America) in the United States on an 80-acre tract of land in Buford, Georgia, on September 20, 1984. Makita owes its reputation for building outstanding quality power tools to the drive and determination for excellence that began over 90 years ago. That drive continues today. Makita is one of the world's largest power tool manufacturers with seven manufacturing facilities globally and a selection of over 350 superior, innovative tools and well over 4,500 accessories.