Our new Semi-Ventilated Bee Wear will be available for shipping mid-March!

PMTC®’s new warehouse location. PMTC®’s Main Street store -- expanding to growing needs!.

Order your 2014 package bees before they are gone. More than half of our stock has already been sold!

First I would like to

wish each of you a Happy and Prosperous New Year!
We at Pigeon Mountain Trading Company® know that great things are going to happen in 2014. For example, we will be introducing some new, useful items that I think you are sure to appreciate.

Our first new item will arrive in March, and it truly is an item that has been customer-driven: semi-ventilated bee wear! Many of you have asked if we could make bee clothing with the body made from ventilated material while the sleeves, legs and hood are made from 100% cotton. You reasoned that since your body is what gets over-heated, it needs the benefit of ventilation. But you prefer the lighter and less-bulky cotton for your arms and legs because it allows more freedom of movement. So we took your ideas and created a hybrid -- part 100% cotton, part ventilated material! This meshing of materials also reduces the overall cost of the bee wear, making it less costly than ventilated bee wear, and just slightly more than 100% cotton bee wear. Like all of our other Pigeon Mountain Brand® products, our new Semi-Ventilated Bee Wear
comes with a money back guarantee...if you are not satisfied -- for any reason -- just send it back for a full refund. Although we are now taking orders for this new bee wear, it will not be ready to ship until mid-to-late March.

Our move consolidating our multiple smaller warehouses of our inventory is progressing well to the large 50,000 square foot warehouse on McLemore Street, about six blocks distance from our store location. All orders will be shipping from the new warehouse by February 1st, 2014. Our Pigeon Mountain Trading Company® store open to the public will remain where it is on North Main Street, except we are expanding it to better serve our walk-in customers!

Sales of live package bees, nuc and complete hives are very brisk. As of December 31st, over 50% of the bees we have to sell for Spring of 2014 have already been sold. Because live bees are still in short supply, you should place your order as soon as you can, because once the supply is gone, they are gone!

Make one of your new year's resolution to give us a call, send us an email or visit our store. I look forward to hearing from you!

Steve McCloud
I travel a great deal around the world and always try to get in some learning time about the local beekeeping in the areas I visit. In mid-December I was lucky enough to travel to Costa Rica, where I spent most of my time in the area around a very small town called Quepos. While there I was able to visit with some bee keepers in the area. All the bees were either African or African crossed with European. The main difference in the breeds is the fact that they are more aggressive than our bees are here in the U.S. The Costa Rica bees suffer from very few problems and they make a lot of honey. One of the bee keepers I visited with has hives in a 52,000-acre palm tree plantation -- the fruits from the trees are used to make palm oil. Aside from the vast number of palm trees in the area, there is also an unbelievable amount of flowering plants, shrubs, trees and vines -- this makes for some happy bees! The photo above is of the sunset in Quepos, Costa Rica, on December 19th, 2013. This is one of the most beautiful sunsets I have ever seen anywhere in the world!! I'm not sure what made this sunset so spectacular...but it was the only one like this while I was there, and I was lucky enough to have my camera!

-- Steve
Happy New Year from the shipping department!

We hope that you all have enjoyed the holidays with family and friends. It is now time to start a new year and work on all of the resolutions we made for ourselves. Spring time seems so far away, but it will be here before we know it. Now is the perfect time to get prepared for the upcoming bee season. We can ship your new equipment or new bee clothing in plenty of time for bee season. Why not beat the rush and get your orders in now? Take a look at our website www.pigeonmountaintrading.com or give us a call at 706-638-1491. One of our customer service representatives will be glad to help you with your order. We look forward to serving you in 2014 and thank you for a great 2013.

Susan Johnson