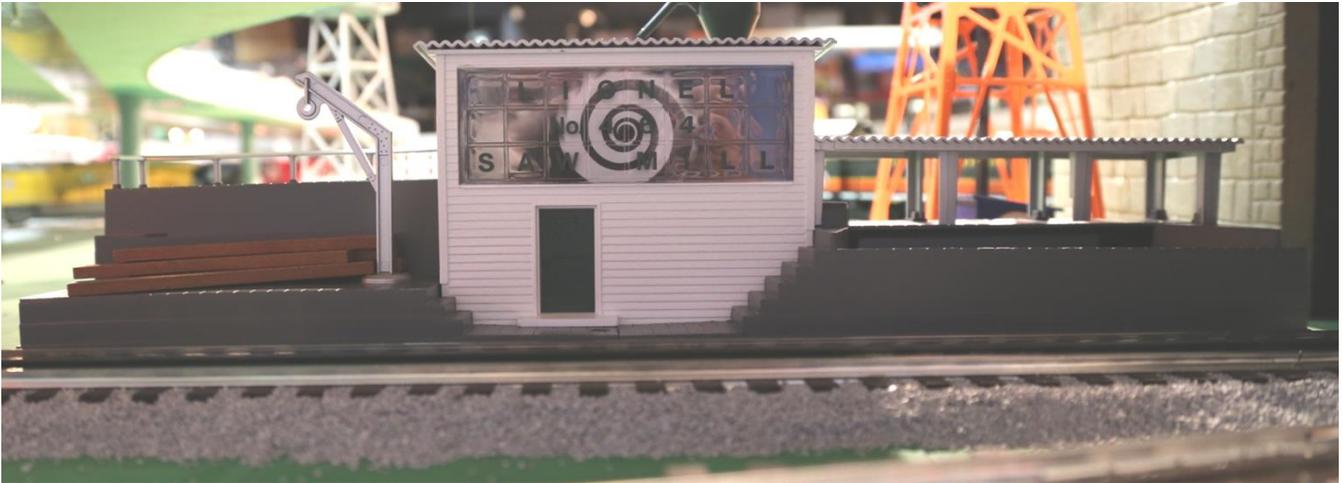Lionel Sawmill with Sounds #82023

This one is a keeper. As a youngster, I always wanted the Lionel accessories, including the sawmill. As an adult, I got the postwar sawmill in pieces. The dust exhaust, the corrugated roof, the crane and other key parts of the sawmill were gathered separately and put together all from post war originals. I was set until I saw the new TMCC Sawmill with Sounds. Yes with sounds!   This is the one to get.

Full view of Sawmill

To get started, one attaches the black wire to the outside track and the red wire goes to the center track. Since the track is at command voltage, it matches what is required by the sawmill.

As a TMCC device, the Sawmill needs to be programmed. Set the "Run/Program" switch to "Program". With your Cab 1 or 2, activate the "ACC" (accessory) key and enter your Sawmill code and press "SET". Put the "Run/Program" switch to "Run" and you are ready for some fun.

RUN/PRG Switch on back of Sawmill

Like the conventional sawmill, the logs are loaded in front right and the secret cut pieces of wood are loaded at the top corrugated roof slot. This is where the similarities stop. Activate "ACC", your code, "Aux 1" and the number 9 and the Sawmill is off to the races. Turn off with number 8. Warning lights turn on and blink on both sides of the saw housing. The saw rotates. Sounds of a sawmill start up and the conveyor to load the log is in gear. The log goes in and a serious sawing sound starts as the cut wood starts to go out of the sawmill. Once the cut wood is finished, the sawing sound stops. But wait, the next log goes in and the sawing sound starts up again with a new piece of wood coming out for shipping.

Again, this is a neat accessory that I am glad to have and know anyone who gets this one will enjoy its wood cutting illusions, and yes with sound.

Logs loading into sawmill with blinking light

Cut board coming out with blinking light