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## **LEED Information Statement**

We are committed to environmentally based, responsible practices in the manufacture of our line of Toilet Partitions and related products. To that end, we are proud to publish the following information on how our various products qualify for LEED Certification points.

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System is a voluntary standard for developing environmentally responsible, low emission, high-performance, sustainable buildings. It was developed by the U.S. Green Building Council, under contract with the US Department of Energy.

Individual materials and products used in Buildings are not certified. The certification process is for the entire construction project. Building products can only contribute to earning points in various categories. The project earns "points" towards becoming certified. The categories where points can accumulate for Metpar products are listed on the chart below. LEED provides a complete framework for assessing building performance and meeting sustainability goals. Based on well-founded scientific standards, LEED emphasizes state-of-the-art strategies for sustainable site development. Using the point based system, building owners can measure their success in environmental stewardship. USGBC has developed several "products" – LEED-NC (New Construction), LEED-EB (Existing Building), LEED-CI (Commercial Interiors) and LEED for schools.

The categories where points can accumulate for our products are as follows:

Recycled Content: LEED V3.0 awards points for buildings that contain recycled, salvaged, reused, or refurbished materials, with points awarded as a function of the total building material weights (10% = 1 point, 20% = 2 points). Credit is based on the sum of post-consumer recycled material +  $\frac{1}{2}$  of post-industrial recycled material. This contributes to Credits 4.1 & 4.2 of the "Materials & Resources" area.

<u>Local Regional Materials</u>: LEED V3.0 awards 1 point if 20% of the building materials are manufactured (final assembly) regionally within 500 miles of the project site. This contributes to Credit 5.1 of the "Materials & Resources" area.

Rapidly Renewable Materials: LEED V3.0 awards 1 point if 2.5% of the total value, based on cost, of all building materials used are derived from plants that are harvested within a ten-year cycle or shorter. This contributes to Credit 6.0 of the "Materials & Resources" area.

<u>Certified Wood Materials</u>: LEED V3.0 awards 1 point if a minimum of 50% of wood based materials certified in accordance with Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Guidelines. This contributes to Credit 7.0 of the "Materials & Resources" area.

Low Emitting Materials: LEED V3.0 awards 1 point (Credits 4.1 and 4.2 of "Indoor Environmental Quality" area) if the VOC content is less than the current limits specified in SCAQMD Rule #1168 (adhesives) and Green Seal Standard GS-11 (paint), and 1 point (Credit EQ 4.4) if the composite wood and agri-fiber products contain no added urea-formaldehyde resins. Furthermore, to the best of our knowledge as indicated by our vendors, materials used by us including but not limited to Plastic Laminate, Solid Phenolic, Polly SPR, plywood and #606 adhesives contain no added urea-formaldehyde resins.

Metpar/Sanymetal products qualify for LEED Version 3.0 (2009) Certification points as follows:

LEED Category	Sections & Points	Description	Powder Coated Steel	Dur-A-Tex™	Stainless Steel	Polly® SPR aka Solid Plastic or HDPE	Phenolic	Plastic Laminate
Recycled Content	MR 4.1 (1)	Post Consumer	35%	35%	25%	-	-	-
	MR 4.2 (1)	Post Industrial	20%	20%	35%	25 - 70% Optional 100%	3%	Particle Board Core 90%
Local/Regional Materials	MR 5.1 (1)	Final Assembly Point	Westbury, NY 11590					
Rapidly Renewable Materials	MR 6.0 (1)	Content	Honey Cell Core 95%	Honey Cell Core 95%	Honey Cell Core 95%	-	-	-
Certified Wood	MR 7.0 (1)	FSC - Certified	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low Emitting Materials	EQ 4.1 (1) EQ 4.2 (1)	VOC Content of Adhesives/Paint Below Defined Limits	Adesive - Yes Paint - Yes	Adesive - Yes Paint - Yes	Adhesive - Yes	N/A	N/A	Adhesive - Yes
		Free of Added Urea - Formaldehyde Resins	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Laminate - Yes
	EQ 4.4 (1)	GREENGUARD Certified	No	No	No	No	Yes	Laminate - Yes

Additional information and resources can be found on the following websites:

The US Green Building Council www.usgbc.org Building Green Inc. www.buildinggreen.com Whole Building Design Guide www.wbdg.org Interior Design Educators Council www.idec.org Green Building Initiative www.thegbi.org Powered Green LLC www.poweredgreen.com

