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Subject: USGBC LEED® Rating System Assessment
Kitchen Kompact Products

Bgreen2 LLC (BG2) was retained by Kitchen Kompact to assess and document the United States Green Building Council, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (USGBC LEED®) applications of your cabinet products using the USGBC, LEED-NC Version 2009 guidance.

The report includes two documents. The first document explains the LEED® status of Kitchen Kompact's cabinets and can be used by existing and potential clients. The second document explains how LEED® points could be achieved and calculated for Kitchen Kompact's cabinets.

Bgreen2 LLC was delighted to assist Kitchen Kompact, Inc. with this USGBC LEED® Assessment project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maria Koetter".

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Attachments (2)

Kitchen Kompact – Statement of USGBC LEED® Qualifications
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Attachment 1

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Kitchen Kompact received the Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturers Association (KCMA) Environmental Stewardship Program (ESP) recognition in 2007. Our cabinets meet or exceed the KCMA ESP standards and we are delighted to be early adopters in this program. We are proud of our environmental conservation achievements and have prepared the following summary of how our cabinet products align with the U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (USGBC LEED®) credits and the associated points. It should be noted that LEED® points are achieved for the project as a whole and that the points achieved are determined by the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI) who administers the LEED® certification program.

MR 2 Construction Waste Management – 2 Possible Points

Our products are packaged in materials that are 100% recyclable and therefore contribute to the minimum percentages of recycled debris required to achieve points under MR-2 Construction Waste Management category (minimum percentage of recycled debris: 50% - 1 point and 75% - 2 points). These points are achieved through implementation of a recycling and/or salvage program for nonhazardous construction and demolition debris during a construction project.

MR 3 Materials Reuse – 2 Possible Points

Our cabinets are manufactured for long lasting use and durability and can be salvaged, refurbished and reused from past project locations and therefore contribute to the points calculation for MR 3 Materials Reuse as long as they are permanently installed in the project (minimum percentage of materials reused: 5% - 1 point and 10% - 2 points). These points are achieved by using the required minimum percentages of salvaged, refurbished or reused materials, based on the cost of said materials relative to the total value of materials on the project.

MR 4 Recycled Content – 2 Possible Points

Our cabinets contain 100% recycled content MDF and 100% recycled content particleboard. MR4 points are achieved by using materials with recycled content and calculating materials factors including post-consumer recycled content, pre-consumer recycled content and the total value of the materials in the project (minimum percentage of recycled materials: 10% - 1 point and 20% - 2 points).

MR 5 Regional Materials – 2 Possible Points

Our cabinets are manufactured in Jeffersonville, Indiana and our products are extracted, harvested /or recovered within 500 miles of our Jeffersonville facility. Therefore, project sites located within 500 miles of our Jeffersonville, Indiana facility and also within the 500 mile range of our product extraction, harvesting / recovery plants will qualify toward achieving MR-5 Regional Materials points (minimum percentage of regional materials: 10% - 1 point and 20% - 2 points). These points are achieved by using building materials or products that have been extracted, harvested or recovered, as well as manufactured, within 500 miles of the project site, based on the cost of said materials relative to the total value of materials on the project.

Attachment 2

Kitchen Kompact – USGBC LEED® Point Requirements

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This document describes how Kitchen Kompact's cabinet products comply with the LEED® points requirements. It also distinguishes between points directly achievable through the use of our products versus those that are dependant on the project management practices utilized during construction or renovation activities and the documentation submitted with the LEED® certification package.

Kitchen Kompact cabinet products contribute to LEED® point accumulations in the following categories:

1. MR 2 Construction Waste Management – 2 Possible Points
2. MR 3 Materials Reuse – 2 Possible Points
3. MR 4 Recycled Content – 2 Possible Points
4. MR 5 Regional Materials – 2 Possible Points

MR 2 and MR 3 points are achieved based on how the project contractor manages, coordinates and documents the onsite construction or renovation activities. In the event that the construction waste management activities are not properly performed or documented, then the associated LEED® points will not be achieved. Use of Kitchen Kompact products or other similar products does not ensure these points will be achieved and representation of such is not accurate. However, our products contribute to the project qualifying for and achieving points in these categories as stated in the Kitchen Kompact – Statement of LEED® Qualifications document.

Kitchen Kompact's cabinet materials contribute to LEED® points in the MR 4 and MR 5 categories. The particleboard and medium density fiberboard (MDF) materials used in our cabinets affects whether or not LEED® points are achieved in the MR 4 category. As such we are pleased to report that the particleboard and MDF used in our cabinets consist of 100% recycled materials. The MR 4 points are achieved based on the percentage of recycled materials used on the project and their associated costs relative to the total value of materials used on the project. The minimum percentage of recycled materials is 10% to achieve 1 point and 20% to achieve 2 points.

Achieving the MR 5 points depends on the project location. Kitchen Kompact's cabinets are manufactured in Jeffersonville, Indiana and our products are extracted, harvested or recovered within 500 miles of our Jeffersonville facility as listed below.

Particleboard – Monroeville, Alabama

MDF – Bennettsville, South Carolina

Hardwood – Monticello, Kentucky; Jasper, Indiana; and Huntington, Indiana

Therefore, project sites located within 500 miles of our Jeffersonville, Indiana facility and also within the 500 mile range of our product extraction, harvesting or recovery plants will qualify toward achieving MR 5 Regional Materials points in accordance with the LEED® calculations. The minimum percentage of regional materials is 10% or 20% based on cost of the total materials value on the project.