

## COURSE SESSION

### Provider Name and Number

K373 – Contact Industries Inc.

### Course Number and Title

CON001 – Real Wood Veneer:  
The Sustainable, High Quality Product Choice

### Credits - Sustainable Design

1 AIA/CES HSW/SD 1.0 Learning Unit

### Delivery Method

Lunch and Learn Presentation  
using samples and photos

### Length

1 Hour

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### Focus Audience

Architects  
Specifiers  
Designers  
Engineers  
Students and Academia  
Developers

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### Presented By Contact Industries:

Founded in 1946, Contact Industries is a privately owned manufacturing organization located in Oregon whose 325 employees produce and supply a wide range of FSC Chain of Custody and ISO 9001:2008 certified veneered components to the commercial architecture, window and door, institutional furniture, and kitchen cabinet industries.

### Program Overview

For the design professional and specifier, this interactive program provides participants with a description of 2 primary Veneered Product manufacturing methods, using mock room samples and photos to help communicate an understanding of the process, materials and technology involved in extending the available solid clear wood fibre resource through the use of real wood veneered components.

The intent of the program message is to quantify the information and encourage the understanding that properly sourced and certified veneered wood products are inherently green building materials, offering such features as product durability, dimensional stability, creativity in design, unique engineering capabilities and the ability to meet aesthetic design requirements.

### Learning Objectives:

1. Participants should be able to recognize the differences in each of the two veneer process types reviewed, and the variety of raw materials that can be used to meet product requirements and expectations.
2. Participants should be able to summarize the sustainability benefits in using veneered products as an option to the use of solid hardwood lumber.
3. Participants should be able to distinguish between the two primary No Added Urea Formaldehyde (NAUF) adhesive types recommended and be able to specify the Testing Protocols used to assure proper long-term adhesion.
4. Participants should be able to identify product design opportunities where use of a veneered product may be a viable option to the use of solid lumber products.
5. Participant should be able to write a specification that can be understood by all parties in the process.



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