

## Our company relies on natural materials to build our business, just like yours.

Therefore it is only natural that we are interested in doing the right thing for the environment... and your business. That is why we developed an entire line of hardwood plywood that carries the familiar Forest Stewardship Council<sup>™</sup> (FSC<sup>®</sup>) mark. FSC is recognized and specified by architects and designers seeking wood products which contribute to credits in Living Building Challenge, Build It Green and LEED<sup>®</sup> which together exclusively call for this "gold" standard of forest certification programs.

Columbia also has your indoor air quality requirements covered with no-added formaldehyde FSC-certified constructions featuring our EPA award-winning PureBond® plywood assembly process.











## Securing and converting FSC fiber into decorative hardwood plywood panels is only half of the story.



Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont

Columbia Forest Products has been dedicated to supporting, growing and sustaining FSC certification in the U.S. and Canada since its early introduction within North America. And that commitment and the efforts behind it -remain steadfast today. Columbia has developed the largest North American network of FSC chain of custody (COC) certified building products distributors, which enables customers to more readily purchase the FSC panel products they specify. Moreover, those COC distributors are trained in the material handling, use and application in green building programs such as LEED.<sup>®</sup> Columbia has also encountered a new demand driver for FSC as today's firms, who are cognizant of the Lacey Act amendment, seek FSC Chain-of-Custody certification as a component of a responsible due care approach for wood sourcing.

FSC-certified hardwood plywood products are offered in thicknesses ranging from 5/32" to 1-1/4" for veneer cores and 1/2" and

3/4" on certified composite cores. Columbia also offers selected grades of rotary and plain-sliced decorative veneers when a 100% certified panel construction is needed. And this FSC-certified plywood can also be manufactured formaldehyde-free by using PureBond,<sup>®</sup> Columbia's proprietary, soy-based, cost neutral hardwood plywood manufacturing innovation.

Through all of this, Columbia has created a significant opportunity for fabricators to differentiate their product offerings in the marketplace. With green building projects registering exponential growth each year, FSC-certified plywood plays a key role in positioning fabricators who wish to capitalize on this growth opportunity.

For more information on Columbia's certified offering or to identify a local COC distributor, visit **www.columbiaforestproducts.com** or call one of the regional numbers listed below.

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## Features & Benefits

- FSC-certified wood may contriute to points within the U.S. Green Building Council's (USGBC) Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED®) high performance green building standards.
- FSC-certified wood can be quoted with Columbia's exclusive PureBond technology for formaldehyde-free construction in all core types.
- FSC-certified hardwood plywood products are offered in thicknesses ranging from 5/32" to 1-1/4" for veneer cores and 1/2" and 3/4" on composite cores.
- FSC certified face and back veneers available when a 100% certified panel construction is required.
- Columbia's well established network of COC distributors ensures product availability with manageable lead times.
- Columbia's LEED APs<sup>®</sup> can assist architects, specifiers, designers, fabricators and homeowners with support for specification of FSC-certified, no-added formaldehyde panels in green building projects.

