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Formaldehyde Emission Standards Information Packet

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In light of Robert Weed Plywood's ongoing commitment to our mission statement, "Service with integrity and value earns trust and respect leading to innovation and growth," we are providing our customer base with the following informational package.

This package describes Robert Weed Plywood's compliance to the following regulatory standards surrounding formaldehyde emissions:

- CARB Phase 1
- CARB Phase 2
- " HUD
- RVIA

This package is not intended to be an all-inclusive introduction and explanation of the standards above, but instead an explanation of how Robert Weed Plywood is approaching meeting the applicable standards for all composite wood products.

Robert Weed Plywood is also monitoring Senate Bill S1660, which is the proposed basis for a national formaldehyde standard. We will work to fully understand and communicate how this new regulation will affect our industry and be diligent about assuring compliant material for our customers.

Please contact your Robert Weed Plywood Sales Representative with any questions regarding the enclosed information.

Sincerely,

David Weed President



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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

October 18, 2009

Revision B

Non-expiring and valid until changing regulations warrant publication of Revision C.

Robert Weed Plywood certifies that all raw and fabricated parts meet the applicable formaldehyde regulatory standards outlined by:

- CARB §93120.2
- HUD CFR 24 3280.30
- RVIA Standard News Bulletin SNB-16/09

SPECIFICATION	PLYWOOD	PARTICLEBOARD	MDF
CARB § 93120.2 -Phase 1 (2009) -Phase 2 (2010, 2011)*	<0.08 ppm <0.05 ppm	<0.18 ppm <0.09 ppm	<0.21 ppm <0.11 ppm
HUD CFR 24 3280.308	<0.2 ppm	<0.3 ppm	Not Applicable
RVIA SNB-16/09 ** -January 1, 2010 -January 1, 2011 -July 1, 2011	Phase 2 Emissions Phase 2 CARB Certified	Phase 2 Emissions	Phase 2 Emissions
-July 1, 2012		Phase 2 CARB Certified	Phase 2 CARB Certified

^{*} Plywood 2010, PB and MDF 2011

.Proof of continued compliance is stated on every RWP Invoice.

CARB Compliance Certification is provided by plywood manufacturers and their CARB Approved Third Party Agencies. Emission levels are specified on product labels and invoices. All certifications from suppliers will be kept on file for 2 years, as specified by CARB Regulations.

HUD Compliance Certification is provided by Robert Weed Plywood's Third Party Agency and ASTM E1333 Large Chamber Testing. Emission levels are specified on product labels and invoices.

RVIA Compliance Certification is provided by compliance to HUD and CARB. Emission levels are specified on product labels and invoices.

David Weed President Matthew Bunner
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^{**} RVIA Effective dates are based on date of manufacture



June 22, 2009 Standards News Bulletin SNB-16/09

TO: RVIA Manufacturers, Supplier and Other Interested Parties

FROM: Kent Perkins, Director, RV Standards

SUBJECT: Recreation Vehicle Industry Association (RVIA) Board of Directors Adopts

California Air Resource Board's (CARB) Phase 2 Formaldehyde Timeline

On June 11, 2009, the RVIA Board of Directors unanimously approved a recommendation submitted by its Standards Steering Committee to adopt the CARB Phase 2 formaldehyde regulation implementation timeline as a membership requirement, with one modification: while the CARB timeline for RVs sold in California is based on a product's "date of sale," RVIA's program requirement for RVs sold in all other states will instead be based on the product's "date of manufacture." These regulations address the maximum permissible levels of formaldehyde emissions from various wood products.

CARB has developed a phased schedule of implementation and certification dates to help manufacturers, including RV manufacturers, prepare for the actual date the requirements go into effect for the state of California. CARB has based the effective date of these requirements on the date a product, such as an RV unit, is sold at retail. Thus, when CARB indicates that certain wood products need to be "all certified" by a particular date, it means the date of sale for any unit containing those wood products. If a RV with uncertified wood products is sold in California after the stated date, this sale would violate the CARB requirements.

RVIA has voluntarily adopted these CARB regulations as a membership requirement for all RVs. However, for RVs shipped to the remaining 49 states, the dates in the CARB timeline will apply to the date a unit is manufactured. The reasoning behind this modification is that the date of





manufacture is the only date that is controllable by our manufacturing members. A summary of the Implementation Timeline for Phase 1 & Phase 2 is attached for your reference.

PLEASE NOTE: There is different Phase 2 implementation/all certified dates for different products as noted on the attached timeline and <u>summarized</u> as follows:

Hardwood Plywood – Veneer Core (HWPW-VC) – Phase 2 "0.05" Emission Level Implementation date is January 1, 2010 with All Certified beginning July 1, 2011.

Particleboard (PB) – Phase 2 "0.09" Emission Levels Implementation date is January 1, 2011 with All Certified beginning July 1, 2012.

Medium Density Fiberboard (MDF) – Phase 2 "0.11" Emission Level Implementation date is January 1, 2011 with All Certified beginning July 1, 2012.

Thin MDF – Phase 2 "0.13" Emission Level Implementation date is January 1, 2012 with All Certified beginning July 1, 2013.

Hardwood Plywood – Composite Core (HWPW-CC) – Phase 2 "0.05" Emission Level Implementation date is July 1, 2012 with All Certified beginning January 1, 2014.

Should you have any question regarding this new RVIA policy please contact Kent Perkins at 1-800-336-0154, ext 336 or by e mail at kperkins@rvia.org.

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ROBERT WEED PLYWOOD PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

Robert Weed Plywood buys only CARB Phase 2 meranti plywood produced by certified mills. Copies of mill certificates are available upon request. We are fully confident that our purchasing practices will ensure availability of CARB Phase 2 Certified meranti plywood to our client base.

CARB Phase 2 Certified particleboard and MDF is available upon request from customers up until the sell through date of June 30, 2012. Following the sell through date, all MDF and particleboard will be CARB Phase 2 Certified. Please note that sell through dates are only applicable to composite panels that are manufactured by mills prior to January 1, 2009.

Page 11 of this packet contains an overview of sell through dates that apply to distributors, fabricators and retailers of finished goods.

See your Robert Weed Plywood Sales Representative regarding updated information on availability of CARB certified material.

CARB requires that the following information be present on bundle tags or individual parts:

- Fabricator name
- Date of production
- Marking that denotes the product was made with hardwood plywood, particleboard, or MDF that complies with applicable Phase 1 or Phase 2 emission standards.

Tag Identification:



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In addition to these requirements, CARB requires that goods are designated as complying with the applicable emission standards on the bill of lading OR the invoice. Robert Weed Plywood designates this information both on every invoice and all delivery tickets.

Production Date

Fabricator -

Identification



INVOICE#

631988

Invoice Date 10/22/09

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Batch# BILL! . SHIP T0:1 TO: | Cust PO # 1681255 Terms 1% 10 ADI N30 SalesPerson Date Shipped 10/21/09 Order Date 10/20/09 Ship Via SIV Transportation, LLC Pick Tick. # 745542-000 Special Instructions Qty Ship./ Item Number ' Customer Part Number Description Qty Ord. Sq. Ft. Unit Price U/M Extension 2780VKC2C 2.7 48X96 OVERLAY MERANTI 440 440 3RD PARTY CERT. CARB PHASE 2 14080 CONFORMS TO RWP STD Q *P* ordr chg frm 2780VBC2C item # 02929600 Std Q : SEE MSDS FOR PHYSICAL AND HEALTH HAZARD INFO MADE WITH HWPW, PB, OR MDF THAT IS CERTIFIED AS CARB PHASE 2. PLYWOOD .05 PPM, PARTICLEBOARD .09 PPM, MDF .11 PPM

SAMPLE INVOICE

Unpaid invoice over 30 days are subject to finance charges of 1 1/2% per month (18% per year)

Sub Total....
Shipping & Handling...
Tax....
Sub Total...
Deposit...
Balance Due...





As the industry moves through the increasing levels of CARB compliance, Robert Weed Plywood bundle tags will be identified with colored stickers as follows:

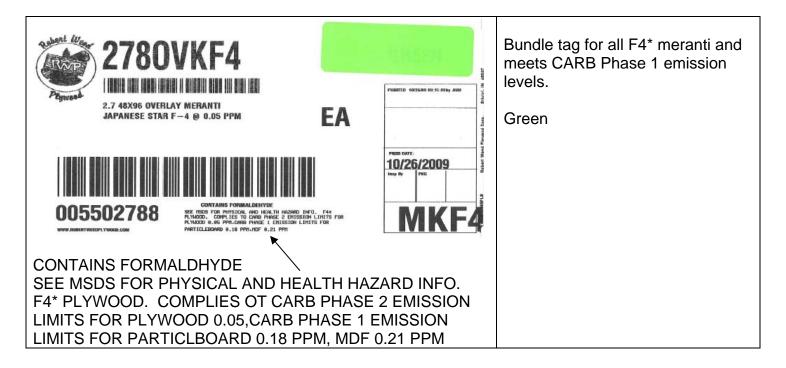
- CARB Phase 1 Emissions Compliant (Green)
- CARB Phase 1 Certified (Red)
- CARB Phase 2 Certified (Orange)

"Emissions compliant" material meets the applicable phase requirements for formaldehyde emissions, while "Certified" material means that the product fully meets all of the requirements of the CARB standard as certified by a CARB approved Third Party Agency.

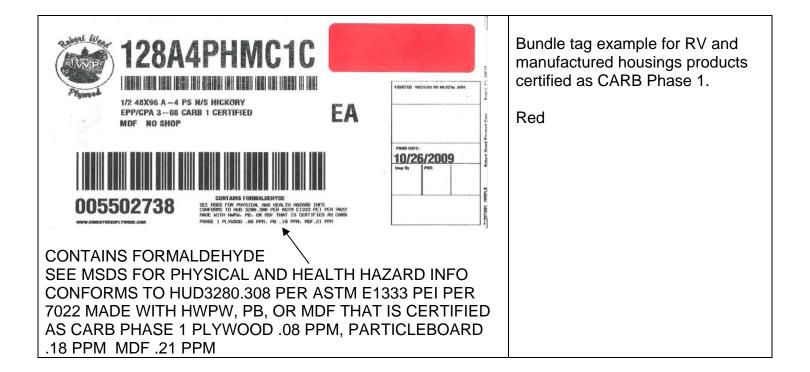
The colors on the bundle tags are intended to assist our customers in rotating through their inventory in a manner that mirrors the progression of CARB standards.

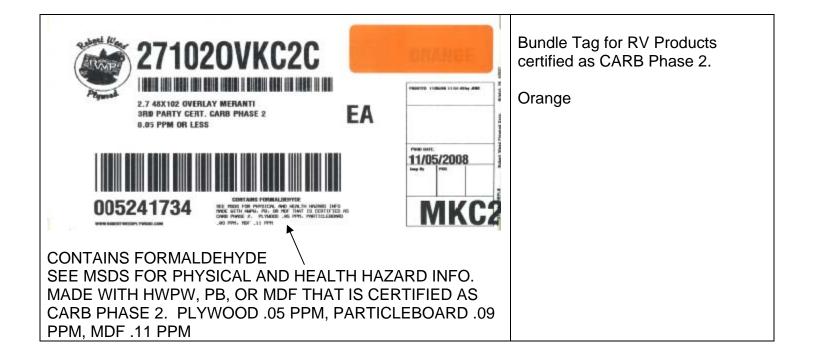
Tag samples showing color coding and product labeling are shown below and on the following pages. Also included is a copy of a sample invoice that shows how compliance information is displayed on invoices. This serves as a current up to date statement of our compliance to applicable standards and is included on every invoice.

BUNDLE TAG EXAMPLES



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ROBERT WEED PLYWOOD CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Robert Weed Plywood fulfills the fabricator requirement that we request verification from our suppliers that we receive CARB certified material. Purchase orders or certifications from vendors that guarantee CARB compliance are stored for a period of two years as required for CARB. We have full mill traceability as long as a customer can provide a copy of the backstamp or bundle tag.

Receiving and distribution use coded tags to communicate the correct classification on bundles of wood products. The tags also identify the mill where the material is manufactured. When bundles are brought to the lines, the operators use the part number and the mill code to choose the appropriate backstamp for our panels.

CARB REFERENCE INFORMATION

CARB defines:

- Distributors as "any person to whom a composite wood product or finished good is sold or supplied for the purposes of resale or distribution in commerce." Robert Weed Plywood is a Distributor of raw material.
- Fabricators as "any person that uses composite wood products to make finished goods.
 'Fabricator' includes producers of laminated products." Robert Weed Plywood and our RV customers are Fabricators.
- Retailers as "any person or entity that sells, offers for sale, or supplies directly to consumers composite wood products of finished goods that contain composite wood products." RV dealerships are Retailers.

The following chart offers information regarding sell through dates for distributors, fabricators and retailers.

CARB Sell Through Provision Dates 2012 2010 2011 2013 R - Raw Goods 12/31 12/31 6/30 6/30 2/31 9/30 2/31 5/31 5/31 3/31 3/31 5/31 3/31 F - Finished Goods DISTRIBUTORS Phase 1 HWPW - VC ** FR HWPW - CC FR PB/MDF ** FR Thin MDF ** FR Phase 2 HWPW - VC R F HWPW - CC R F R F PB/MDF Thin MDF R F **FABRICATORS** Phase 1 HWPW - VC F F HWPW - CC PB/MDF F Thin MDF F Phase 2 HWPW - VC F F HWPW - CC PB/MDF Thin MDF F **RETAILERS** Phase 1 HWPW - VC ** R F HWPW - CC R F F PB/MDF * R Thin MDF ** R Phase 2 R F HWPW - VC HWPW - CC R F PB/MDF R F Thin MDF

Further information from CARB can be found on the California Air Resources Board web pages as follows:

- Frequently Asked Questions
 http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/compwood/implementation/faq.htm
- Listings of CARB approved Third Party Certifiers of Raw Materials http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/compwood/listoftpcs.htm
- **Update Information**http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/compwood/compwood.htm