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Stego Helps Launch Open Standard for Building Products

Health Product Declaration Collaborative Seeks to Standardize Reporting of Material Content and Hazards

SAN FRANCISCO – **STEGO INDUSTRIES, LLC**, the construction industry leader in below-slab vapor protection, is proud to announce the launch of the <u>Health Product Declaration Collaborative</u>, a pioneering new effort to standardize reporting of construction materials' contents and hazards.

 $STEGO^{\otimes}$ serves as a founding member of the HPD Pilot Program, which developed the standard by submitting its products, their contents, and hazards to 50 expert reviewers from across the building industry. The newly-formed HPD Collaborative will develop, maintain, and evolve the HPD Open Standard to ensure that the format continues to meet the needs of building users – designers, specifiers, building owners and occupants – for reporting building product and material contents and associated health information.

To assist in the effort, **STEGO**[®] submitted materials and hazards associated with **STEGO**[®] **WRAP Vapor Barrier**, the most specified vapor barrier in North America, and will continue to provide support to better serve the needs of the sustainable building industry.

The announcement comes at the outset of <u>Greenbuild 2012 Convention and Expo</u> in San Francisco, where $STEGO^{\otimes}$ will proudly exhibit to the sustainable building community the benefits of below-slab vapor protections in making buildings thrive from higher indoor air quality and greater energy efficiency.

WHO: HPD Collaborative Members, Premier Sponsors, and Pilot Program Participants

WHAT: Unveiling of the New Health Product Declaration Standard

WHEN: Wednesday, 4:00p.m. PST

WHERE: Greenbuild Expo, Booth 1413S, South Hall

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STEGO INDUSTRIES, LLC is the dominant force in the below-slab vapor barrier industry. Its primary product, STEGO WRAP VAPOR BARRIER, revolutionized the below-slab environment by delivering superior performance in preventing the diffusion of water vapor, contaminants, and soil gases into the building envelope.

Recognized across North America as the yellow vapor barrier, Stego became the most widely-specified vapor barrier in the United States by earning the respect, trust, and recommendation of the design, engineering and construction communities.

Stego Industries provides science-based solutions, field-tested results, and strategic speed to market from its 100% solar-powered headquarters in San Clemente, California.

