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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: United States Green Building Council LEED Rating System

Belden strives to provide cable solutions with the best possible product performance. To maintain this high level of quality, Belden uses primarily virgin materials but may occasionally use a small amount of recycled materials. These are primarily internal recycled materials that go back into the same process that generated it. Therefore, our products are not eligible for any LEED credits related to recycling content. It should also be noted that credits for recycling are not applicable to electrical systems, which may include wire and cable.

At this time, there are no credits related to the use of environmentally friendly virgin material in wire and cable. However, the proposed draft of LEED for Healthcare facilities includes credits for lead-free and non-halogen cable solutions.

Belden's products are lead free and European Union RoHS compliant, meaning they do not contain lead, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, mercury, PBBs or PBDEs above the allowable limits. Belden strives to be an environmentally friendly manufacturer by providing products that, in addition to RoHS, meet California Proposition 65, European Union WEEE, and China RoHS.

Belden will continue to monitor any updates to the LEED rating system related to wire and cable products, and update this posing accordingly.

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