

Superior Essex Communications Cable Products Offer Industry-First Health Product Declarations™

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Superior Essex announces that it is the first company in the telecommunications cable manufacturing industry to offer Health Product Declarations™ (HPDs), which can be used to obtain a point in the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification process for building projects. The newly published HPDs, when combined with the previously announced Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs), make it possible for Superior Essex cable products to contribute towards two (2) LEED points for a single project.

A Health Product Declaration (HPD) is a report of product contents and the impact of ingredients on human and ecological health. The HPDs were issued in accordance with the Health Product Declaration Collaborative™ open standard, which provides a common framework for disclosing information about the ingredients and associated health risks in products that are permanently installed.

Eight (8) HPDs have been published to cover twenty-five (25) Superior Essex premises copper data cable products, including multiple designs of plenum rated and riser rated Category 5e, 6 and 6A cables. These products are now eligible to contribute to a Material and Resources credit under the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) version 4. These same products may contribute towards a second Materials and Resource credit applicable for products with published EPDs. The LEED program is administered by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), and has become the national standard for rating and certifying the environmental impact of building projects, including new construction and existing structures.

“Superior Essex is committed to being the industry leader in environmental sustainability and with that role comes the responsibility to provide full disclosure of any health risks from our products. Additionally, we are pleased that these HPDs can be used by architects and designers in making fully informed decisions regarding the communications products they select for their projects,” says Eric Perry, Vice President Applications Engineering and Quality at Superior Essex.

“As architects, designers, and project teams continue to focus on occupant health and safety, HPDs are becoming a necessary tool in manufacturers’ transparency strategies,” says Tad Radzinski, President of Sustainable Solutions Corporation. “By releasing these industry-first HPDs, Superior Essex demonstrates its commitment to offering sustainable products and cements its role as a market leader.”

For more information about Superior Essex HPDs visit our [website](#). Superior Essex EPDs are available in the [UL Sustainable Product Guide](#).

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About Superior Essex

Superior Essex Inc. manufactures a broad portfolio of wire and cable products and accessories primarily serving communications, magnet wire/winding wire, energy, wireless, and related distribution markets. It is a leading manufacturer and supplier of copper/fiber optic communications wire and cable products used to interconnect outdoor and in-building data networks. It is also a global leading manufacturer and distributor of magnet wire/winding wire products for use in motors, transformers, generators and electrical controls. Superior Essex also offers distributed antenna systems (DAS) coaxial cables and accessories that increase wireless coverage and network capacity, and low/medium voltage, energy cable products that service the Commercial, Industrial, and Utility markets. Superior Essex International LP is a subsidiary of Superior Essex Inc. [SuperiorEssex.com](#)