



COMPOSITE PANEL ASSOCIATION

30 Year Commitment to Reducing Emissions



OUR STEWARDSHIP STORY

For over 30 years, North American manufacturers of particleboard and medium density fiberboard (MDF) have been at the forefront of developing standards for formaldehyde emissions and have actively supported national regulations widely recognized as the most stringent in the world today.

- Worked closely with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to support development and implementation of California's formaldehyde emissions regulation.
- Voluntarily applied the California emissions limits to all U.S. production.
- Led efforts along with the Sierra Club and other NGOs to secure bipartisan legislation calling for a national formaldehyde emissions regulation.
- Actively supported EPA's development of TSCA Title VI implementing regulations based on the California standard.
- Developed world's leading sustainability certification standard, Eco-Certified Composite (ECC), which requires 100% compliance with EPA formaldehyde emission levels for 100% of production.



WORLD'S MOST STRINGENT REGULATION

The newly implemented federal formaldehyde regulation, known as TSCA Title VI includes:

- **Rigorous third-party certification and testing** by EPA-approved certifiers and testing labs.
- **Quarterly audits and lot-by-lot testing** with results reported to the third-party certifier.
- **Testing of collected samples** to be done at an EPA-approved laboratory.
- **Non-complying lots** to be isolated and properly managed.
- **Composite panel producers, finished product manufacturers, distributors and retailers** to meet recordkeeping and labeling requirements to ensure chain-of-custody and proper notice.

NO OTHER REGULATORY REGIME IN THE WORLD TODAY FOR COMPOSITE WOOD PANELS CARRIES THIS LEVEL OF OVERSIGHT to ensure each production lot destined for the U.S. market has been tested for compliance with the extremely low EPA TSCA Title VI emission limits.

The Composite Panel Association (CPA) is the leading North American association for manufacturers of wood-based composite panels, representing nearly 95% of industry manufacturing capacity.

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The North American composite panel industry is proud of its longstanding history of stewardship in reducing formaldehyde emissions to historically low levels and welcomes a new generation of safer composite wood products. We remain committed to working with EPA and CARB to strengthen enforcement and ensure consumers can purchase products with confidence.