

Garland Achieves UL Environment™ Validation

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Recognizing longevity as the most critical sustainability attribute, The Garland Company, Inc. has been investing in sustainable initiatives for decades. In 1991, it was among the first roofing companies in North America to introduce vegetative roofing. As early as 1997, it was incorporating recycled post-consumer tires into its modified bitumen roof systems. Most recently, Garland has obtained UL Environment validation for a wide range of its high-performance roof and wall systems, as a natural extension of its enduring commitment to sustainable design.

UL Environment (ULE) has independently reviewed Garland's manufacturing processes and raw materials to validate that specific roof and wall materials meet its recycled and bio-based content goals and match the information provided in published Garland literature. UL Environment is a division of Underwriters Laboratories Inc[®] (UL) and has emerged as the leading environmental claims accreditation body.

As a result of its ULE initiative, Garland has become the first manufacturer in the roofing industry to have an extensive product line of modified bitumen membranes and metal roof and wall panels earn third-party validation for their recycled and/or bio-based content. Dozens of Garland roof and wall solutions now bear the UL Environment Validation Logo on their data sheets.

According to Garland's director of products and systems, Brian Lambert, "Garland's products have always been the most sustainable membranes in the marketplace, not only due to our extensive use of recycled materials, but also because of the impressive longevity of our products. Now that we've successfully completed the UL Environment verification process, our recycling efforts have been formally validated by an independent third party. We are particularly pleased to have raised the

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industry's sustainability expectations with the first modified membranes to have been independently validated for both recycled and bio-based content."

In addition to the validation of Garland products, UL Environment has partnered with the US Green Building Council to offer additional LEED® credits through the Innovation in Design Credit. This partnership allows Garland modified membranes to contribute to obtaining additional LEED credits, and credits for the UL-affiliated EcoLogo^M program in Canada, which is run by TerraChoice.

UL Environment supports the growth and development of sustainable products, services and organizations in the global marketplace through standards development, educational services and independent third-party assessment and certification. Specific UL Environment services include environmental claims validation, sustainable products certification, energy efficiency certification, environmental product declarations and advisory services. As the premier global safety science company, UL has more than 100 years of proven history helping industries around the world establish and verify performance-critical standards. For more information on UL services, visit www.ul.com [1].

The Garland Company, Inc. is a Cleveland, Ohio based manufacturer and distributor of high-performance materials for the total building envelope, and a worldwide leader of quality high-performance roofing and building maintenance systems for the commercial, industrial and institutional markets. For over 100 years, Garland has continually developed unique product and service offerings that raise industry standards of performance in order to meet the technical performance requirements of a wide range of challenging waterproofing applications throughout the world. Its 200 local representatives are strategically positioned throughout the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom to provide integrated product and service solutions for single and multi-property facilities. The Garland Company, Inc., headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, is an ISO 9001:2008 certified company.

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