





# UVC's direct & indirect contribution to LEED® and BREAM®

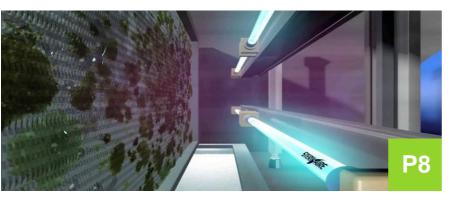
E-CO, Creating healthier environments

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# Getting the credit you deserve

# Clarification about our contribution to earning points

While many E-CO products will help contribute to point acquisition, it is important to note that LEED is a project certification system and that no products can be LEED certified or guarantee the acquisition of LEED points.

The charts below outlines E-CO's direct and indirect contributions to a project's pursuit of LEED Certification across the ID+C rating system.

# Clarification about our contribution to earning points

LEED, or Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design, is transforming the way we think about how our buildings and communities are designed, constructed, maintained and operated across the globe. Comprehensive and flexible, LEED is a green building tool that addresses the entire building lifecycle recognizing best-in-class building strategies.

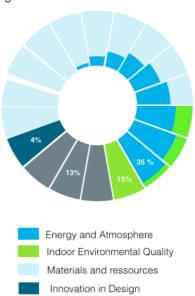
At its core, LEED is a program that provides third-party verification of green buildings. Building projects satisfy prerequisites and earn points to achieve different levels of certification.

Prerequisites and credits differ for each rating system, and teams choose the best fit for the project.

LEED rating systems generally have 100 base points plus six Innovation in Design points and four Regional Priority points, for a total of 110 points (LEED for Homes is based on a 125-point scale, plus 11 Innovation in Design points).

Each credit is allocated points based on the environmental impacts and

human benefits of the building-related impacts that it addresses. Projects achieve certification if they earn points according to the following levels: Certified (40 – 49), Silver (50-59), Gold (60-79) and Platinum (80+ points).



### LEED V4 **Interior Design** & construction

Direct WEc1 Water Efficiency /indirect Up to 12 The intent of this credit is to reduce indoor water consumption. points Project teams are required to further reduce fixture and fitting water use from the calculated baseline in WE Prerequisite. Additional potable water savings can be earned above the prerequisite level using alternative water sources. The condensate water from coils treated by UVC is so clean that some users collect and pump it into the cooling tower as make-up water or use it for irrigation. **Regional Priority Credits** 1 extra point RP Credits incentivise the achievement of credits that address geographically specific environmental priorities. The incentive to achieve the credits is in the form of a bonus point. If an RP Credit is earned, then a bonus point is awarded to the project's total points\*. If projects in the UK achieve 8 points under this credit, then they'll get an extra point. EAc3 Optimise energy performance HVAC **Up to 25** Project teams must achieve increasing levels of energy performance beyond the prerequisite standard to reduce environmental and points economic harms associated with excessive energy use UVC equipment reduces the growth of bacteria, mould, and algae on coils and drain pans, keeping coils clean and free from deposits improves heat transfer and can contribute to overall IAQ\*. 1 extra point **Regional Priority Credits** If projects in London achieve 12 credits under EAc3 then they'll get an

extra point.

<sup>\*</sup> To find more about Regional Priority Credits and how these can affect your project, please go to <a href="http://www.usgbc.org/rpc">http://www.usgbc.org/rpc</a>
\*\* This credit is aim at building materials but UVC solutions meet the intent of the credit. Project teams pursuing this credit should apply for a formal enquiry to USGBC (credit interpretation ruling). Please also note ID#695 made on 01/21/2004.

# LEED V4 Interior Design & construction

### Direct Interiors life-cycle impact reduction MRc2 /indirect The intent of this credit is to encourage adaptive reuse and optimize Option 3 the environmental performance of products and materials. 2 points Project teams must use at least three strategies among 7 proposed. Our products helps you achieve the 4th strategy: «Include in at least one major component or systems purchase contract a clause specifying subcontractor, vendor, or on site take back system». **Regional Priority Credits** 1 extra point If projects in London achieve 2 points under this credit, then they'll get an extra point.

## IEQc2 Low-emitting materials

Up to 3 points



Project teams are required to reduce concentrations of chemical contaminants that can damage air quality, human health, productivity, and the environment.

Germicidal UVC solutions can:

- Kill 99% of airborne bacteria, viruses and allergens as they pass through the HVAC system and neutralise odours.
- Prevent the spread of infectious diseases caused by bacteria and viruses
- UVC light also breaks down airborne volatile organic compounds (VOCs)\*.

<sup>\*</sup> This credit is aim at building materials but UVC solutions meet the intent of the credit. Project teams pursuing this credit should apply for a formal enquiry to USGBC (credit interpretation ruling).

### LEED V4 Interior Design & construction

IEQc5	Direct /indirect	Thermal Comfort
	/indirect	
1 point		To promote occupants' productivity, comfort, and well-being by providing quality thermal comfort.
		Project teams must meet the requirements of ASHRAE Standard 55–2010 or design HVAC systems and the building envelope to meet the requirements of the applicable standard: ISO 7730:2005 / EN 15251:2007.
1 extra point		Regional Priority Credits
		If projects in the UK achieve 12 credits under EAc3 then they'll get an extra point.
IDc1		Innovation in Design
1 point		The intent of this credit is to encourage projects to achieve exceptional or innovative performance.
		Innovation in Design points are awarded to LEED projects that develop new solutions, employ new technologies, educate, or realise exemplary performance in another area. UVC solutions have all ready been awarded with an ID Credit.
IDc2		Innovation in Design
1 point		To encourage the team integration required by a LEED project and to streamline the application and certification process.
		At least one principal participant of the project team must be a LEED Accredited Professional (AP) with a specialty appropriate for the project.



**Our contribution to LEED** 

SUPPLIER

Water Efficiency

### Reduce indoor water consumption

The condensate water from coils treated by UVC is so clean that some users collect and pump it into the cooling tower as make-up water or use it for irrigation.

### **Regional Priority Credit RPC**

If projects in the UK achieve 8 points under this credit, then they'll get an extra point.

### **About E-CO**

CARBON

Our mission is to produce innovative, technological solutions, backed by science, that enhance our customer's image, save money and create a better environment to live, work and breathe.

We are the leader in high-intensity ultraviolet germicidal solutions for HVAC (Heating, ventilation and air conditioning).

We help you implement green and efficient Steril-Aire™ UVC technology for HVAC systems across your building/facilities, to deliver cleaner indoor air, free of bacteria, viruses and mould, while reducing your HVAC energy cost by 20%.

EAc3

### Optimise energy performance HVAC UVC equipment reduces the growth of bacteria, mould, and

algae on coils and drain pans, keeping coils clean and free from deposits improves heat transfer and can contribute to overall IAQ.

### **Regional Priority Credit RPC**

If projects in the UK achieve 12 credits under EAc3 then they will get an extra point.

### Materials and Resources

**Energy and** 

**Atmosphere** 

### MRc2

### Low-emitting materials

[4th Strategy option 3] Include in at least one major component or systems purchase contract a clause specifying sub-contractor, vendor, or on site take back system

### **Indoor Air Quality**

### IEQc2 Interiors life-cycle impact reduction

Our products help to reduce concentrations of chemical contaminants that can damage air quality, human health, productivity, and the environment.

### **Thermal Comfort**

Our products can help you promote occupants' productivity, comfort, and well-being by providing quality thermal comfort.

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### Innovation in design

### Innovation in Design

A LEED Innovation Point Awarded for UVC Lights in Air Handlers.

### **LEED Professional**

### IDc2

In the UK, our LEED Accredited Professionals are available to identify and support credit applications

BREEAM UK Refurbishment and Fit-Out

# Getting BREEAM to work for you

## Clarification about our contribution to earning points

While many E-CO products will help contribute to point acquisition, it is important to note that BREEAM is a project certification system and that no products can be BREEM certified or guarantee the acquisition of BREEAM points.

The charts below outlines E-CO's direct and indirect contributions to a project's pursuit of BREEAM Certification.

BREEAM (BRE
Environmental
Assessment Method) is
the world's foremost
environmental assessment
method and rating system
for buildings, with 250,000
buildings with certified
BREEAM assessment
ratings and over a million
registered for assessment
since it was first launched
in 1990.

BREEAM addresses wideranging environmental and sustainability issues and enables developers and designers to prove the environmental credentials of their buildings to planners and clients. It: Uses a straightforward scoring system that is transparent, easy to understand and supported by evidence-based research Has a positive influence on the design, construction and management of buildings
Sets and maintains a robust technical standard with rigorous quality assurance and certification In parallel, BRE Global has developed an Environmental Profiles Methodology to be able to compare materials that go into the buildings.

The Environmental
Profiles Methodology is a
standardised method of
identifying and assessing
the environmental effects
associated with building
materials over their life
cycle - that is their
extraction, processing, use
and maintenance and their
eventual disposal.
Environmental Profiles
allow designers to demand

environmental information about competing building materials, and give suppliers the opportunity to present credible environmental information about their products. This means that designers can have confidence in the "level playing field" status of Environmental Profiles for every material type.

Energy
Health and Wellbeing
Water

reliable and comparable

Innovation

### BREEAM UK Refurbishment and Fit-Out

### HEA2

Direct /indirect

### **Indoor Air Quality**

Up to 4 credits (Minimizing sources of air pollution)



The intent of this credit is to recognise and encourage a healthy internal environment through the specification and installation of appropriate ventilation, equipment and finishes.

Germicidal UVC solutions can:

Kill 99% of airborne bacteria, viruses and allergens as they pass through the HVAC system and neutralise odours.

Prevent the spread of infectious diseases caused by bacteria and viruses. UVC light also breaks down airborne volatile organic compounds (VOCs)\*.

### HEA4

Up to 4 credits (Minimising sources of air pollution)



### **Thermal Comfort**

The intent of this credit is to ensure that appropriate thermal comfort levels are achieved through design, and controls are selected to maintain a thermally comfortable environment for occupants within the building.

Our products reduce energy consumption used by the fan, chiller and chiller pump by continuously cleaning the coils and drain pan, in doing so they promote occupants' productivity, comfort, and well-being by providing quality thermal comfort.

### ENE1

Up to 15 points (Option 1) and 12 (option 2)



### Reduction of energy use and carbon emissions

The intent of this credit is to recognise and encourage refurbishment and fit-out projects that reduce operational energy demand, primary energy consumption and carbon emissions.

UVC equipment reduces the growth of bacteria, mould, and algae on coils and drain pans, keeping coils clean and free from deposits improves heat transfer and can contribute to overall IAQ.

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### BREEAM UK Refurbishment and Fit-Out

WAT1

Direct /indirect

Water Efficiency

Up to 5 points



The intent of this credit is to reduce the consumption of potable water for sanitary use in existing buildings from all sources through the use of water efficient components and water recycling systems.

Reclaimed clean, coil condensate can be used for cooling tower make-up water, landscape irrigation or grey water flushing, thereby reducing overall water consumption.

The reclamation process can also realise energy savings by mixing the chilled make-up water with the warmer water for the tower. Not only is the water already chilled — requiring less energy — but also distilled and clean with high output Steril-Aire UVC germicidal energy.

Inn1

Up to 10 points



Innovation

The intent of this credit is to support innovation within the construction industry through the recognition of sustainability related benefits which are not rewarded by standard BREEAM issues.

Innovation credits are awarded to projects using new technology, design, construction, operation, maintenance or demolition method or process that can be shown to improve the sustainability performance of a building and is of demonstrable benefit to the wider industry in a manner that is not covered elsewhere in BREEAM.

Our products can help you demonstrate exemplary performance by meeting defined exemplary level performance criteria in the following BREEAM assessment issues: Hea 02 Indoor air quality, Ene 01 Reduction of energy use and carbon emissions, and Wat 01 Water consumption.



### **Our contribution to BREEAM**







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### HEA2

### Indoor Air Quality

Our products help to reducing concentrations of chemical contaminants that can damage air quality, human health, productivity, and the environment. UVC light kills any virus, bacteria or fungal pathogens.

### HEA4

### Thermal Comfort

Our products reduce energy consumption used by the fan, chiller and chiller pump by continuously cleaning the coils and drain pan, in doing so they promote occupants' productivity, comfort, and well-being by providing quality thermal comfort.

### Energy

Health and

Wellbeing

### ENE1 Reduction of energy use and carbon

UVC equipment reduces the growth of bacteria, mould, and algae on coils and drain pans, keeping coils clean and free from deposits improves heat transfer and can contribute to overall IAQ.

### Water

### WAT1

### Water consumption

The condensate water from coils treated by UVC is so clean that some users collect and pump it into the cooling tower as make-up water or use it for irrigation.

**Other Benefits** 

# Water £

### Flush Out



### Innovation



### **Energy £**



### Filtration



### Comfort



### IAQ



### Management



### Productivity



### Innovation

### Inn1

### Innovation

Our products help you to support innovation within the construction industry through the recognition of sustainability related benefits which are not rewarded by standard BREEAM issues.

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### Other benefits not taken into account by LEED or BREEAM.

In the absence of a standardised and internationally recognised definition, Green Buildings are often characterized by obtaining an environmental certification from a private law entity.

Green Building certifications attest to the acknowledgement of environmental considerations during the different phases of conception, construction and use of a building but not of the intrinsic quality or the real performance of the latter.

They are management tools and not measures of performance. They are all inspired by the ISO 14000 system and notably the ISO 14050 standard.

### **Indoor Air Quality**

Indoor air quality in Green Building means employing building materials, maintenance products and practices and operating strategies that provide acceptable indoor air quality to building occupants.

Today the use of dynamic air cleaners, utilising ultra-violet germicidal irradiation (UVGI), as equivalent to MERV 13 static filtration media is not recognised. The basis for rejection seems to rest solely on the fact that rating systems reference standards such as ASHRAE 52.2, which standardise best practice but not innovation. In reality dynamic filtration exceeds the standard of compliance and technology changes more quickly than building codes.

Please note that ASHRAE 52 sub-committee is in the process of reviewing testing methods for electronic filters, and is likely to issue an addendum to ASHRAE 52.2 in the near future. This will have an impact on the contribution of our products to the LEED rating system.

### **Filtration and Maintenance**

Filters were originally conceived to protect heating and cooling equipment—for example, to prevent large particles from clogging the air passages of coils. Filters also enhance indoor air quality but need to be changed regularly. This incurs maintenance costs and requires physical intervention. UVC can help you reduce the replacement cycles of your filtration media. Also, the use of UVC as a non-invasive cleaning method versus current practice of manual cleaning that damages heat exchanger plates means that HVAC components last longer.



<sup>\*</sup>Penn State University's Department of Aerobiological Engineering performed one such research study. Many other health organizations including the Centers for Disease Control, and The Lancet medical journal support these findings.

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