



## FEBRUARY 2010 CHAPTER MEETING NOTICE

for

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER OF  
THE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS INSTITUTE, INC.



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Creating and Sustaining  
The Built Environment

### GreenFormat™ AND THE NEED FOR COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATIONS

**If you are not confused** about how to specify sustainable products, it means **you are not paying attention.**

GreenFormat™ allows manufacturers to **accurately and uniformly report on the sustainable properties** of their products, and provide designers, contractors and building operators with basic information to help meet 'green' requirements.

Inconsistencies exist in how **green and/or sustainable building product attributes** are being reported. This has **caused considerable confusion** about what constitutes a green or sustainable building product or attribute. The confusion has been exacerbated by a **growing number of green building rating systems/programs** that call for reporting of single sustainable product attributes as a basis for receiving points and credits. In addition, various third party certification programs have been developed to verify a product's sustainable attributes such as Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's), recycled content, and recyclability. **Design firms attempting to sort through the clutter** of information on manufacturer's websites and seeking greater clarification from manufacturers on sustainable product attributes have further complicated the situation by **not having a standardized way to request or report information** about products.

**DATE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2010**



**SPEAKER: Michael Fuller, AIA, NCARB, CSI, CDT, LEED® AP**

*Michael Fuller has been practicing architecture for more than 25 years, half of which as a project manager, and most recently as a Quality Control Manager for a number of LEED® Certified Gold and Certified Silver projects including UC Merced, Los Angeles Emergency Operations Center, Pierce College Center for the Sciences, and the Big Blue Bus projects. As a LEED® Accredited Professional, Michael is a frequent lecturer on "GreenFormat and the Need for Comprehensive Environmental Product Declarations" and on "BuildingSmart: An Integrated Approach to Project Delivery." Michael has served on CSI's Los Angeles Chapter Board since 1998. In addition to being*

*elected by the LA Chapter as Director, President Elect, and President, as well as currently fulfilling his duties as Past President, Michael has been a member of local and national CSI committees, including the Technical, Education, Website/Electronic Communications, Strategic Planning and GreenFormat™ committees.*

**LOCATION: Admiral Baker Golf Course Clubhouse** ([click here for map / directions](#))

**EVENING 5:30 p.m.** – Networking, Cocktails, Product Vendor Tabletops

**SCHEDULE: 6:30 p.m.** – Buffet Dinner      **7:15 p.m.** – Chapter Announcements / Program

**COST: SDCSI Chapter Members:** Cost incl. in the dues of *current* Chapter members  
**Non-members:** \$40.00      **Students:** \$15.00

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**PRODUCT TABLETOPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$125.00, WHICH INCLUDES DINNER FOR 1.**

This is a great opportunity for **SUSTAINABLE or GREEN PRODUCT exhibitors** to showcase their product lines to San Diego County designers, specifiers, contractors and building officials.

Tabletop display space is limited, so contact the SDCSI Hotline **EARLY** at 619.401.6733 (toll free 877.401.6733) or email [admin@sandiegocsi.org](mailto:admin@sandiegocsi.org) to reserve a space.