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### IFI Stone & Brick Environmental Commitment

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**IFI Stone & Brick** is committed to the environment through various approaches. We aim to produce our products that promote durability and efficiency, incorporate the highest recycled content possible, and use sustainable manufacturing processes. The **IFI Stone & Brick** veneer advantages are:

- Increases the energy efficiency of the building envelope thereby reducing the need for costly heating and air conditioning equipment.
- Produced in a controlled environment which results in less wasted water
- Our manufacturing process results in an immense amount of energy savings. Our product is air dried and does not require kiln firing. The manufacturing of clay bricks, by kiln firing, requires a high temperature of over 2000 °F consuming large amounts of energy.
- It is a lightweight and thin product which will save on transportation costs. One truck load of veneers will carry more pieces than full bricks resulting in less gallons of diesel fuel required from additional trips.
- Our product reduces site disturbance as it requires no foundation for structural support.
- Our product saves time due to its lightweight nature and ease of installation.

**IFI Stone & Brick** furthers the environmental commitment by our dedication to the U.S. Green Building Council's (USGBC) Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design green building rating system. The system, also known as LEED, is a voluntary certification system designed to promote buildings that are environmentally responsible and healthy places for people to live and work. LEED is divided into five environmental categories and a sixth category to recognize innovate design.

1. Sustainable Sites
2. Water Efficiency
3. Energy and Atmosphere
4. Materials and Resources
5. Indoor Environmental Quality
6. Innovation in Design

LEED certification points are based on the overall building design concept and performance. **IFI Stone & Brick** veneer can contribute up to 14 points toward LEED. For a list of points that **IFI Stone & Brick** veneer contributes to, please refer to the IFI LEED Contribution sheet.

