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Building Blocks

Innovative products for today's renovators.

Plasti-Fab expands its EPS line

Plasti-Fab Ltd.'s expanded green polystyrene (EPS) insulation products PlastiSpan and DuroFoam can be applied to the exterior of the building envelope or for retrofitting basement walls or ceilings and floors.

Each is hydro chlorofluorocarbon (HCFC) free and provide stable R-value (thermal protection) that does not diminish with age.

HCFC is a chemical with ozone-depleting potential that can provide increased R-value for some insulation products initially. However, the HCFC in these products diminishes over time and the R-value deteriorates. The rigid closed-cell structure of DuroFoam and PlastiSpan insulation contains only air so the R-Value does not decrease with time.



Moen launches its new collection of kitchen and bath faucets

As the popularity of clean, contemporary styling continues to grow, Moen Canada answers the need with a new minimalist-style faucet collection. The new Level suite features a modern, sleek design with products for both the kitchen and bath.



Available in Chrome and LifeShine Brushed Nickel finishes, the Level collection stands apart with its clean, geometric lines. The cylindrical design of the lavatory faucet, with its tubular-shaped handle, will enhance the look of any modern bath. The faucets make a definite statement in both a single-handle, single-hole mount (both 7" and 12" to accommodate vessel sink applications); as well as a two-handle widespread style.



Weiser Lock achieves industry first

Weiser Lock recently unveiled SmartScan, a biometric keyless entry system for the home, which completely eliminates the need for a key or key code by utilizing a fingerprint scan.

The SmartScan deadbolt, which can be applied to both internal and external doors, can be activated by swiping a fingerprint across a sensor. Programmable with more than 50 user fingerprints, it also has a special timed lock out feature that allows homeowners three levels of access options. These include continual access (24/7) for family members, temporary access for house sitters or contractors, and time restricted access for babysitters or housekeepers.