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e2e MATERIALS WINS 'COMPOSITES SUSTAINABILITY' AWARD AT COMPOSITES 2012 CONFERENCE

Leading Biocomposite Materials Innovator Earns Prestigious Award for its 'Transform Worksurface' Product from American Composites Manufacturers Association

Ithaca, NY – February 28, 2012 – [e2e Materials](#), an innovative clean technology spinoff of Cornell University that develops product made from its [advanced biocomposite materials](#) used for the furniture and cabinet industries, today announced it has won the Award for Composites Excellence (ACE) for its Transform™ Worksurface product in the Composites Sustainability category. The award, announced by the [American Composites Manufacturers Association \(ACMA\)](#) at the [Composites 2012 conference](#) in Las Vegas is provided to companies whose composite-based products demonstrate significant innovation and commercial application.

e2e Materials' Transform Worksurface, used in a wide range of furniture applications, embodies the future of office furniture: strong, safe, sustainable and cost effective. The Transform Worksurface is made from a proprietary biocomposite comprised of soy flour and flax fibers that far outperforms products made from today's particleboard and medium density fiberboard. In addition, e2e goes beyond today's formaldehyde legislation by eliminating all hydrocarbon feedstocks to offer the highest and safest ratings possible in the [Living Building Challenge](#) and Pharos frameworks. e2e uses only 19 percent of the energy to produce its products—compared to particle board—which naturally biodegrade at the end of their life cycle.

The company's proprietary biocomposites—featuring 28 pending patents—are made from plentiful feedstocks including soy flour and natural grass fiber such as jute, flax and kenaf, which eliminates the off-gassing of formaldehyde or any toxic chemicals. Using these biocomposite materials enables e2e to manufacture lighter products that maintain the tensile strength and durability approaching some steel products and have been extensively tested and validated to multiple industry standards. In addition, the company employs a unique 3-D forming capability that eliminates costly manufacturing processing steps and associated waste.

“Being acknowledged as a key innovator by the American Composites Manufacturing Association is the ultimate validation of our highly differentiated approach to developing sustainable biocomposites that are the ultimate in sustainability, American made and cost-effective, said [Patrick Govang, CEO of e2e Materials](#). “We’re fortunate to be at a key intersection in our industry where market demand for sustainable composite-based materials is exploding globally.”

About e2e Materials

e2e Materials, based in Ithaca, NY, develops, designs, engineers and produces proprietary biocomposites for the furniture, cabinetry and other markets. e2e's proprietary composites are made from soy flour and natural grass fiber such as jute, flax and kenaf. Products made from e2e's biocomposite are stronger, lighter, safer and cheaper than those made from formaldehyde-laden wood composites. Additionally, e2e uses only a small fraction of the energy required for wood composites, saving billions of pounds of CO2. www.e2ematerials.com

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