

Notice of Change

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Description of Proposed Change: The references to CA Section 01350 in the GREENGUARD test methods (GGTM.P057, GGTM.P058, GGTM.P066, and GGTM.P072) will be updated from CA/DHS/EHLB/R-174 “Standard Practice for the Testing of Volatile Organic Emissions for Various Sources Using Small Scale Environmental Chambers” to CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V1.1 “Standard Method for the Testing and Evaluation of Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions From Indoor Sources Using Environmental Chambers Version 1.1” dated February 2010. As a result, the classroom ventilation rate will change from 0.9 ACH to 0.82 ACH and the ventilated building fraction will change from 0.9 to 1. Thus, there will be no change in the effective ventilation rate. Additionally, per Section 7, “Testing of Freestanding Furniture,” to demonstrate compliance with GREENGUARD Children & Schools, the model will require two (2) identical seating units with an air flow rate of 24.8 m³ h⁻¹. Thus, the unit specific air flow rate for each seating unit will be 12.4 m³ h⁻¹, and consistent with the credit criteria for seating in CHPS 2009, BIFMA e3-2008, and ASHRAE 189.1.

Rationale: It is GREENGUARD’s policy to incorporate the most up-to-date test methodology into the GREENGUARD Certification Programs and to meet current market demands.

Response: The references to CA Section 01350 in the GREENGUARD test methods (GGTM.P057, GGTM.P058, GGTM.P066, and GGTM.P072) and Children & Schools Standard will be updated to meet the test requirements of CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V1.1 “Standard Method for the Testing and Evaluation of Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions From Indoor Sources Using Environmental Chambers Version 1.1” dated February 2010.

Effective Date: 8/2/2010.