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YKK AP Debuts Energy-Saving Thermal Performance Calculator on the Web

Provides building professionals with easy access to myThermalAssistant calculator, assisting in selection and integration of glass and framing systems for energy-efficient building facades

AUSTELL, Ga. — May 4, 2011 — Today [YKK AP America](#) debuts its thermal performance calculator, myThermalAssistant, on the [web](#). Architects and building professionals now have easy, online access to a tool that can calculate the overall façade system U-factor when using the energy-saving performance metrics of YKK AP enerGfacade and other products using the AAMA 507 standard based on NFRC test methods. Using the tool, users can calculate overall façade U-factors in seconds – versus minutes or hours of consultation with multiple suppliers or building consultants. A complement to the company’s iPad app, Architectural Product Master®, the web application now makes myThermalAssistant accessible to a broader audience of industry professionals, underscoring YKK AP’s ongoing commitment to sustainable architecture.

Hosted on YKK AP’s [website](#), myThermalAssistant provides information in a printer-friendly format and is compatible with Internet Explorer, Firefox and Google Chrome browsers. If a professional is unsure of which product and glass package to specify in order to meet the thermal performance needs of the building envelope, he can simply go online, enter the desired energy performance criteria and the program will recommend the YKK AP framing system and glass package to specify in order to meet that requirement.

“myThermalAssistant is a powerful and highly demanded tool for architects and other building professionals,” said Michael Turner, vice president of marketing at YKK AP America. “Now, any building professional with access to a web browser can use this valuable resource to complete building projects efficiently while ensuring the high quality and sustainability associated with the YKK AP brand.”

YKK AP will be exhibiting at AIA 2011 in New Orleans, May 12 – 14, booth number 2811. For more details on YKK AP and to utilize myThermalAssistant on the web, visit <http://www.ykkap.com/thermalcalculator>. myThermalAssistant is also available for download on YKK AP’s iPad app, Architectural Product Master®.

About YKK AP America

YKK AP America Inc. manufactures a complete line of aluminum entrances, storefronts, curtain walls, sunshades, and windows for use in commercial and institutional construction. YKK AP aluminum products are manufactured in ISO 14001 certified facilities in Dublin, Georgia – a standard for businesses that operate in a sustainable manner by reducing pollution and waste. The company has also been recognized by the U.S. Department of Energy for Exceptional Leadership in Industrial Energy Efficiency. The company is also a leading producer of window products for use in new construction and replacement in homes and light commercial structures. Its residential products are manufactured in a highly automated manufacturing facility located in Macon, Georgia. YKK AP America is based in Austell, Ga. It is a subsidiary of YKK Corporation of America, whose parent company is global manufacturer YKK Corporation of Japan. For more information, visit www.ykkap.com.

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