



YKK AP Thermashade more versatile then ever

AUSTELL, Ga. (Oct. 6, 2008) - YKK AP publicly announced the expansion of its ThermaShade sunshade system today at GlassBuild America 2008 in Las Vegas.

Thermashade sunshades can now be integrated with multiple curtain wall systems. The product can now be applied to YKK AP's impact-resistant YHC 300 OG curtain wall series, the YCW 750 OG curtain wall system and other non-fenestration wall conditions designed to carry the combined loads imposed.

ThermaShade is the only sunshade system that incorporates a thermally broken anchor to minimize energy transfer into the curtain wall system at the point of attachment. This patent-pending feature allows YKK AP ThermaShade products to be used with YKK AP curtain wall systems while maintaining the maximum thermal efficiency of both products.

Thermashade sunshades are pre-engineered and can be arranged in over 100 standard configurations, allowing them to be incorporated into building designs without the need for costly, customized engineering support. ThermaShade's pre-engineered options now include 90-degree inside and outside corner transitions.

ThermaShade is the only Cradle to Cradle SM (C2C) certified sunshade system on the market.

C2C certification recognizes the environmental merits of the product, green manufacturing processes and social responsibility. Projects seeking certification under the LEED® Rating System can earn an "Innovation in Design" point by using Cradle to Cradle certified building products. To qualify for the credit, at least 2.5% of the total cost of all building materials must be C2C certified.

Detailed product information including CAD details, CSI formatted specifications, and installation instructions are available at www.ykkap.com.

About YKK AP America

YKK AP America Inc. manufactures entrances, storefronts, curtain wall, window wall, sunshades, windows and sliding doors for office buildings, residential high-rises, schools, stadiums, shopping centers and institutional structures. 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.

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