

## Who Is GRC-NW?

The concept of a green resource partnership was formulated by Apex Facility Resources, Inc. with the mission of educating and promoting sustainability within the commercial interiors sector. “The issue of sustainability is driving us to take a closer look at the processes and materials that go into building and furnishing the workplace,” says Apex president Mar-laine McCauley.

Although green is becoming mainstream, there’s still a lot of “greenwashing” which makes it difficult to distinguish qualified products from the rest. Our goal is to serve as a resource partner to help clients make informed decisions regarding product selections, in terms of materials content – recycled content, low-emitting, rapidly renewable and locally-sourced/ regional materials – and indoor environmental quality.

### Mission

The Green Resource Council of the Northwest (GRC-NW) is a collaborative partnership of industry professionals – including manufacturer’s representatives, interior designers, architects, and other design professionals – working to promote environmentally-responsible products, practices and approaches within the commercial interiors marketplace.

### Goals

The Council’s goals are:

- ⇒ Raise awareness of sustainability issues, including environmental & human health concerns
- ⇒ Educate design professionals, engineers, construction managers, real estate professionals, facility managers, end users, and business owners
- ⇒ Provide training workshops, educational forums & other events
- ⇒ Serve as a clearinghouse for information & ideas
- ⇒ Develop partnerships & resource networks
- ⇒ Forge strategic alliances

## Upcoming Events

GRC is in the formative stages, focusing on a Council membership base and a series of workshop training sessions. We have tentatively scheduled two upcoming Workshop Training Sessions:

### September 18, 2007

#### 3-Hour Morning Workshop

(certified by IIDA for CEU credits)

*What is Green: The Basics*

*Environmental Materials*

*LEED CI and the Interior Designer*

Presenter: **Gene Lisa**, Verde Interior Products

#### Afternoon Presentation

(certified by IIDA for CEU credits)

*An Eco-Modernist Design Initiative*

Guest Speaker: **Peter Danko**, Danko Design Initiative

### November 15, 2007

#### 3-Hour Morning Workshop

(certified by IIDA for CEU credits)

*“Specifying Green- Pulling it All Together”*

#### Afternoon Green Roundtable Discussion

Guest Speakers: **Charles Pomeroy**, Magna Design; **Eli Gilbert**, CAF; **Sandy Campbell**, One Earth One Design; and **Colleen Hazelrigs**, Hazelrigs Architecture.