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### RCI Foundation Announces Speakers and Topics for 2009 Building Envelope Symposium

(Raleigh, NC) – The RCI Foundation recently announced speakers and topics for its Symposium on Building Envelope Sustainability: The Future is in the Balance. Respected industry professionals will present on a range of topics from specific case studies in sustainability to new technological breakthroughs that will further advance the growing green movement. Energy consumption, lifecycle assessment, recycling material and green roofs are just a few of the issues that will be covered during the two-day event.

The event will be held at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington DC from April 30 – May 1, 2009. The symposium is intended for any building design professionals – architects, engineers, consultants, building material specifiers and contractors – interested in finding out how to contribute to a more sustainable built environment.

The speakers and presentations for the two-day event are outlined below. Registration opens in January 2009.

The National Institute of Building Sciences, the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, the National Research Council Canada, the Institute for Research in Construction and the Building Enclosure Technology and Environment Council are co-sponsors of the symposium.

#### About the RCI Foundation:

The RCI Foundation is a not-for-profit; 501(c) (3) organization committed to advancing knowledge in the roofing and general building community through education and research and is governed by an Independent Board of Directors. For more information call 800.828.1902 or visit [www.rcifoundation.org](http://www.rcifoundation.org).

Speaker	Topic
Dr. Christoph Buxbaum – Carinthia University of Applied Sciences	Moisture Performance of Green Flat Roofs Made in Timber Construction
Mike Enis, RRC - Single-Ply Roofing Industry (SPRI)	Vegetative Roof Fire and Wind Resistance Standards
Quinn A. Ferrall, PE, RRC, RRO, CDT – Baker Roofing	Simple Green: Roof Maintenance as a Component of Life Cycle Assessments
Warren R. French, PE, RRC, RWC – French Engineering, Inc.	Renovation Design and Construction Issues Related to Aluminum Sliding Glass Doors for Residential High-Rise Buildings in a Coastal Environment
Stanley P. Graveline, PEng – Sika Sarnafil Inc.	End of Service Life Recycling of Low-Slope Roofing Materials
Rob Haddock – The Metal Roof Advisory Group	Thin Film or Crystalline Arrays with Standing-Seam Metal Roofs

Dr. James L. Hoff – Center for Environmental Innovation in Roofing	Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) and the Building Envelope: Balancing Durability and Environmental Impact
William A. Kirn, RRC – National Coatings Corporation	Reflective Roof Coatings and Their Use in Reducing Lifecycle and Energy Costs
Michael A. Lacasse, PEng – National Research Council Canada	Evaluating Window-Wall Interface Details for Risk of Condensation on Windows
Forrest Masters, PhD – University of Florida	The Effectiveness of Window-Wall Installation Details under Hurricane Force Wind Driven Rain Simulations
R. Christopher Mathis – Mathis Consulting Company	One Man's Bait is Another Man's Sushi: Perspectives on the Challenge of Establishing Meaningful Sustainability Metrics for Buildings and Building Products
Roger G. Morse, AIA – Morse Zehnter Associates	Building for Sustainability
Paul J. Romano, RA – New Jersey Institute of Technology Raymond Johnson, PE – Concord Engineering Group, Inc.	Integration of Radiant Cooling Systems with the Building Envelope
Edward J. Stewart, RRC – Gale Associates, Inc.	Stormwater Management within Green Roofing
James Sullivan, PhD, LEED AP – University of Florida	Assessment of Sustainable Buildings – A Preference and Cost-Based Approach
Paul E. Totten, PE – Simpson Gumpertz & Heger Inc. Richard Hodge, AIA, LEED AP – Kieran Timberlake Associates	Sidwell Friends Middle School – Building Enclosure Panel System Design
Paul E. Totten, PE – Simpson Gumpertz & Heger Inc.	Building Enclosure and Building Systems Commissioning for Sustainable Structures
Torben Valdbjørn Rasmussen, PhD – Dept. of Building Design and Technology, Danish Building Research Institute, Aalborg University	Superinsulated Strip Foundation for a Traditional Single-Family House
Nathan Van Den Bossche, Eng. Arch. – University of Ghent	Performance Assessment of Building Envelope Interface: Self-Adhering Flashings

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