

Response to Comments

Proposed Revisions to the GS-11 Standard for Paints, Coatings, Stains, and Sealers

September 7, 2021. Green Seal has issued Edition 4.0 of the Standard for Paints, Coatings, Stains, and Sealers (GS-11). Updates to the standard include: a required emissions evaluation according to the California Department of Public Health method v1.2,¹ full alignment with the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) limits on volatile organic compounds, and updates to the list of prohibited ingredients.

Final Standard Documents:

- GS-11 Full Revision Proposal
- GS-11, Edition 4.0 with Tracked Changes

Standard Revision documents, including the proposal, can be found on Green Seal's website.²

Summary of Stakeholder Input:

In March 2021, Green Seal published the GS-11 Standard Revision Proposal for public comment. Green Seal held discussions during the development of this proposal and widely solicited technical input and general feedback from a balanced group of stakeholders including industry experts, manufacturers, and trade associations.³ No opposition to this proposal was submitted or informally shared by stakeholders and Green Seal did not receive requests for an extension of the comment period. Green Seal appreciates the time and expertise volunteered of the participating stakeholders.

Written Comments Submitted by Stakeholders:

No formal written comments were received during the public comment period.

Contact:

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¹ This requirement is specific to products intended for interior application

² Standards Documents Library, https://greenseal.org/green-seal-standards/library#section5