

## NORTH AMERICAN MANUFACTURER WINS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD AT 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL PASSIVE HOUSE CONFERENCE IN CHINA

CASCADIA WINDOWS & DOORS' FIBERGLASS INNOVATION DRAWS JURY'S ATTENTION FOR PERFORMANCE AND AESTHETICS, AS WELL AS LOW PRICE-POINT

Langley, B.C., Canada: Cascadia Windows & Doors proudly announces the company is the recent recipient of the Special Prize: Aesthetic & Innovation Award at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Passive House Conference in Gaobeidian, China. Recognizing the company's unique Universal Series<sup>™</sup> fiberglass windows, the jury panel praised the visually striking and ultra high-performance product, commenting specifically on it's "innovative qualities and cost efficiency".

"We're very excited to be recognized by Passive House International for our Universal Series™ windows," says Mike Battistel, president of Cascadia Windows & Doors. "Our Universal Series™ represents a big step forward in building envelope innovation and it's great to be acknowledged on the international stage."

Created as part of the AZEB-Project—a European Union supported initiative aimed at reducing costs associated with nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB's)—this year's award saw 23 companies from 12 countries vying for honors. Open only to companies whose products carry Passive House Certification, Cascadia Windows & Doors was one of the few North American manufacturers to be recognized by the international body.

"It's difficult to even receive Passive House Certification as a window manufacturer," explains Battistel, "so to be recognized along side so many innovators striving to improve the way buildings are made; this award is something special."

Originally receiving its Passive House Certification in March 2018, Cascadia's Universal Series<sup>™</sup> windows can improve a building's thermal performance by 50% to 150%, compared to traditional commercial aluminum windows. This improved efficiency, coupled with comparable structural performance, lifespan and price point, offers architects and specifier an exciting opportunity in the face of emerging building energy code requirements.

"Jurisdictions across North America are aggressively outlining better energy efficiency requirements for commercial buildings," explains Battistel. "The Universal Series™ offers architects and specifiers the best of both worlds. They can design exciting, engaging buildings that people want to live and work in, all while delivering better building efficiency. They don't have to choose between the two."

Manufactured—Red List Free—in North America, the EnergyStar certified Universal Series<sup>™</sup> windows are custom manufactured and can be used in both commercial and residential buildings. The company also offers a variety of commercial and residential application doors and associated hardware.

## ABOUT CASCADIA WINDOWS & DOORS:



Cascadia Windows & Doors was founded in 2008 in Langley, British Columbia, Canada, by a collective of building science and window specialists. Their focus was to innovate, commercialize, and produce the most energy-efficient building products in the marketplace.

Cascadia manufactures resilient, versatile, and sustainable building envelope products, including windows, doors, and cladding support systems forged from high-quality pultruded fiberglass. Cascadia's mission is to lead North America's transition to energy-efficient building design. They accomplish this by offering high-performance products that substantially reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, thereby reducing the contribution to climate change.

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