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Sustainable Commercial Interiors Routledge
Evidence has accumulated that shows that the quality of indoor environments can affect the health and productivity of adults and children. One consequence is that a movement has emerged

to promote the design of schools that have fewer adverse environmental effects. To examine the potential of such design for improving education, several private organizations asked the NRC to review and assess the health and productivity benefits of green schools. This report provides an analysis of the complexity of making such a determination; and an assessment of the potential human health and performance benefits of improvements in the building envelope, indoor air quality, lighting, and acoustical quality. The report also presents an assessment of the overall building condition and student achievement, and offers an analysis of

and recommendations for planning and maintaining green schools including research considerations.

A Guide to Preparing for the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Professional Accreditation Exam Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning

"From this book, you will learn how to: 1. Pass the LEED Green Associate exam; 2. Use LEED exam preparation strategies, study methods, tips, suggestions, mnemonics, and exam tactics to improve your exam performance; 3. Effectively understand, digest, and retain your LEED knowledge; 4. Understand the process of registering and certifying a building for LEED; 5. Understand the scope, main intent, core concepts and strategies, as well as identify the regulations, recognition, and incentives for each major LEED category; 6. Identify the strategies for case studies; 7. Identify the synergy in case studies; 8. Implement the most important LEED related codes and building standards; 9. Get points for categories not yet clearly defined by the USGBC"--P. [4] of cover.

Life Cycle Cost Analysis of Occupant Well-being and Productivity Impacts in LEED Offices Green Building Research Institute

Pass the LEED® AP ID+C EXAM With These Proven Strategies Here is the ideal study guide for understanding and preparing for the LEED® AP ID+C exam. Written by an expert who is a LEED consultant and partner at Green Education Services?a premier LEED exam preparation provider?Guide to the LEED® AP Interior Design and Construction (ID+C) Exam engages readers by breaking down difficult concepts in sustainable design and

engineering in a clearly organized, straightforward manner that helps streamline the learning process for those seeking participation in the operation and maintenance of existing buildings that implement green practices. Guide to the LEED® AP Interior Design and Construction (ID+C) Exam features: A brief overview of the LEED Green Associate material included in the first portion of this LEED AP exam, along with specific ID+C content A collection of sample test questions and study tips to reinforce learned material. An accessible and stimulating approach that fosters quicker retention. A set of strategies for summarizing critical information and details more effectively. A wealth of material that includes drawings, charts, and diagrams to help understand concepts visually. A total of 128 sample flashcards that allow you to study on the go. Covering the detailed concepts of the LEED for Commercial Interiors Green Building Rating System, this book is an all-inclusive resource for achieving successful results on the LEED AP ID+C exam. Green Education Services (greenedu.com) is a leading provider of green jobs training related to LEED, EPA energy auditing, solar, and more for building developers, architects, engineers, interior designers, planners, commercial real estate brokers, and other construction industry professionals. A national member of USGBC and CAGBC, accredited by the EPA, and an approved AIA/CES provider, Green Education Services has helped thousands of professionals throughout the United States prepare for their credentialing exams and maintain their credential as an approved GBCI CE provider. Other Michelle Cottrell titles available from Wiley: Guide to the LEED® Green Associate Exam, Guide to the LEED® AP Building Design and Construction (BD+C) Exam, Guidebook to the LEED® Certification Process:

For LEED® for New Construction, LEED® for Core & Shell, and LEED® for Commercial Interiors, Guide to the LEED® AP Operations and Maintenance (O+M) Exam.

Round Industrial Duct Construction Standards 3rd Ed. 2013 Butterworth-Heinemann

The must-have reference on construction product representation—and the essential study aid for the Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR) Exam The CSI Practice Guides are a library of comprehensive references specifically and carefully designed for the construction professional. Each book examines important concepts and best practices integral to a particular aspect of the building process. The CSI Construction Product Representation Practice Guide is an authoritative resource for the principles and best practices of effective construction product representation. This easy-to-follow guide includes: Coverage of the construction process and the roles the construction product representative can play in it Information that clients require to select appropriate products to meet project requirements Knowledge, preparation, and use of construction documents The role the product representative plays in an Integrated Product Delivery (IPD) workflow Access to a password-protected website with bonus content, including a PDF of the printed book and copies of CSI format documents, such as UniFormat™

and Section Format™/Page Format™ The CSI Construction Product Representation Practice Guide is an essential resource for building product manufacturers, sales representatives, and related professionals and a valuable study aid to help prepare for the Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR) Exam.

Construction Estimating ArchiteG, Inc.

Discover new approaches to green design and sustainable building with this comprehensive guide There's a substantial amount of information designers and architects need to understand about sustainability and commercial projects, especially as expectations for

professionals in the industry become clearer. Luckily, the second edition of Sustainable Commercial Interiors has been revamped to serve as a comprehensive guide for anyone looking to understand the latest in green and sustainable design. Fully revised throughout, this resource now includes frameworks based on the new LEED v4 rating system, and provides fifteen brand-new case studies that document green design and building strategies for all types of projects. You'll find information on materials, furnishings, finishes, product standards, and certifications, all designed to keep you in the know and prepare you for future ventures in sustainable design. The ideal professional companion for interior designers, commercial builders and developers, architects, and interior design students, this guide is an all-in-one introduction to the most essential topics in the industry, such as global environmental issues, water and energy usage, and the tools of the trade, to name just a few. The book is illustrated with full color images throughout. Fully revised and updated to include information on the new LEED v4 rating system Discusses the past, present, and future of sustainable design Considers global environmental issues, such as waste, land use, and bio-inspired design Covers water and energy usage and sustainable materials Discover the benefits of green building and adopt new approaches to sustainable design. Sustainable Commercial Interiors is your go-to resource for navigating new expectations for responsible interior design. A Guide to Careers in Sustainable Architecture, Design, Engineering, Development, and Operations ProQuest Here is the ideal guide for understanding and preparing for the LEED AP O+M exam. Written by an expert who is a LEED consultant and partner at Green Education Services—a premier

LEED exam preparation provider—Guide to the LEED AP Operations + Maintenance (O+M) Exam engages readers by breaking down difficult concepts in sustainable design and engineering in a clearly organized, straightforward manner that helps streamline the learning process. Covering the detailed concepts of the LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations + Maintenance green building rating system, this book is an all-inclusive resource for achieving successful results on the LEED AP O+M exam.

HVAC Air Duct Leakage Test Manual 2nd Ed McGraw Hill Professional
High performance buildings maximize operational energy savings; improve comfort, health, & safety of occupants & visitors; & limit detrimental effects on the environment. These Guidelines provide instruction in the new methodologies that form the underpinnings of high performance buildings.

They further indicate how these practices may be accommodated within existing frameworks of capital project administration & facility management. Chapters: city process; design process; site design & planning; building energy use; indoor environment; material & product selection; water mgmt.; construction admin.; commissioning; & operations & maintenance.

HVAC Duct Construction Standards - Metal and Flexible 3rd Ed John Wiley & Sons

Proven Strategies for Getting a Project LEED® Certified Here is the ideal guide for architects, engineers, interior designers, project managers, facility managers, and building owners for understanding the project certification process for the Leadership for Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) for New Construction and Major Renovations (LEED NC), LEED for Core & Shell (LEED CS), and LEED for Commercial Interiors (LEED CI) rating systems of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC®). Written by an expert who is the President of Design Management Services, a LEED consulting firm?Guidebook to the LEED Certification Process engages readers by outlining the steps, roles, and responsibilities of the team members in a straightforward, chronological manner that helps streamline the certification process. With the release of the

LEED v3 rating systems and a new version of LEED-Online, the Guidebook to the LEED Certification Process helps project teams to streamline the project team efforts and outlines the role of the LEED consultant and project administrator. Written for LEED AP professionals and building owners that need guidance navigating a project through the process, this book outlines each step in the design and construction phases including programming and post-occupancy. Serving as a valuable resource for anyone seeking information on how to get a project LEED certified, Guidebook to the LEED Certification Process features: An overview of the integrative design process. Understanding the role of a LEED consultant. How to build a successful team for a project pursuing LEED certification. How to register a project with Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI). Common pitfalls to avoid during the LEED certification process. Checklists to use during design and construction to keep the team on track.

Guide to the LEED AP Interior Design and Construction (ID+C) Exam John Wiley & Sons

This all-inclusive LEED v4 Green Associate exam Study Guide is your path to a new professional credential! GBRI, a USGBC Education Partner, has carefully developed this guide to ensure all topics found on the real exam are thoroughly covered. Our expert instructors have devised an easy-to-navigate guide that comes with complimentary access to supplemental materials online! You will gain access to online on-demand study modules exploring the topics covered in the guide, mock exams structured like the real test, additional practice questions by section, flash cards, memory charts & more. Access your materials 24/7 for your convenience!

LEED Practices, Certification, and Accreditation Handbook IAQ Guidelines for Occupied Buildings Under Construction 2nd Ed

The classic reference for high-performance green building delivery systems No longer just a buzzword, sustainable construction is going mainstream—and soon will be the norm. Revised to reflect the latest developments of the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system and other tools,

Sustainable Construction: Green Building Design and Delivery, Third Edition guides construction and design professionals through the process of developing commercial and institutional high-performance green buildings in today's marketplace. Charles Kibert provides an introduction to green building, covering the theory, history, and state of the industry as well as best practices in building procurement and delivery systems. From green building and Green Globes assessments to building hydrological systems and materials and product selection, this comprehensive text covers all of the factors involved with sustainable construction. In a clear and accessible writing style, Kibert addresses issues so that the reader can think critically and independently as part of the cutting edge in green building. The Third Edition includes up-to-date coverage of: The latest developments leading up to LEED version 4 Carbon neutral design and carbon accounting Green Globes and international building assessment systems The Living Building Challenge Environmental product declarations (EPDs) as the norm for green building products The trends in net-zero energy building design and policies Broad enough to cover the needs of faculty and students and detailed enough to serve as a professional reference, Sustainable Construction, Third Edition is a must for the builder/owner and construction manager looking to take advantage of the opportunities in this rapidly evolving field, the designer looking to be LEED certified, or anyone interested in sustainability.

Complete Study Materials including Mock Exams and Additional Study Materials National Academies Press

The CSI Sustainable Design and Construction Practice Guide is a compilation of information and recommended best practices for those who participate in the design and construction of commercial-level sustainable facilities. It offers guidelines and standards for applying sustainable design and construction principles in practical terms. This Practice Guide includes an overview of sustainable design standards and rating systems; an overview of green products and systems, and how to evaluate them; the lifecycle of a building; and the roles

and responsibilities of members of the design and construction team.

Sustainable Buildings and Infrastructure Momentum Press

Adopted in the United States and a number of other countries, LEED certification is the recognized standard for measuring building sustainability. Achieving LEED personal certification or project certification is the best way to demonstrate that the project is truly "green." Written by an architect with over 30 years of international experience, this book provides architects, designers, building owners, and construction engineers with an easy to understand guide to the nuts and bolts of LEED project and personal certification. Written in plain and easy to understand language, this "hands on" book is designed to assist readers with all aspects of LEED certification. The handbook follows the rigorous third-party commissioning process, beginning with basic LEED concepts, and then carefully explains LEED documentation and technical requirements along with its standards, professional accreditation, and codes. The handbook provides readers with design strategies for sustainable site selection, and design process for high performance building and commissioning. Other important topics include green materials and products selection as well as strategies for ensuring Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ), water efficiency and sanitary waste disposal. This handbook also offers readers a multitude of forms with expert guidance for their completion. Clear and authoritative in scope, LEED Practices and Accreditation Handbook provides architects, builders/owners, construction managers, and engineers with a reference that will help them to offer their clients, peers, and the public at large compelling proof that they have achieved their projects environmental goals and that the building is performing as designed. Instruction for completing LEED checklist and forms Detailed explanation of the third-party commissioning process Explains LEED documentation & technical requirements Topics include green materials and products selection

The CSI Sustainable Design and Construction Practice Guide John Wiley & Sons
The Green Library Planner is designed for library building design teams who are not actively engaged in architecture or engineering, but need an introduction to green building. With this book, the librarian and related staff will be able to design and operate the library in the best and most efficient way possible.

Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning

LEED v4 Practices, Certification, and Accreditation Handbook, Second Edition, provides users with a practical user-friendly roadmap that presents the guidelines for selecting the LEED v4 rating system to better fit a particular project (e.g. LEED for Building Design and Construction, LEED for Operations and Maintenance, LEED for Interior Design and Construction, LEED for Building Design and Construction, or LEED for Neighborhood

Development). In addition, this comprehensive handbook carefully explains the modifications in the credentialing process, including the new 3-Tier system requiring applicants to first take the LEED™

Green Associate exam, followed by the LEED™ Professional Accreditation exam. Practical strategies and guidelines for applying LEED v4 project certification Annotated tables, checklists, charts, and references to "quantum leap," LEED v4 Includes case studies

with special focus is put on key areas where most errors occur

Demystifies LEED v4 requirements for project as well as

personal/professional LEED Certification Appendixes including

sample exam questions, acronyms and abbreviations and a glossary

Moisture Control Guidance for Building Design, Construction and

Maintenance John Wiley & Sons

Pass the LEED AP BD&C Exam, Get Your Building LEED Certified,

Fight Global Warming and Save Money! The USGBC released

LEED v4 in GreenBuild International Conference and Expo in

November, 2013. The GBCI started to include the new LEED v4 content for all LEED exams in late Spring 2014. We have incorporated the new LEED v4 content in this book. Starting on December 1, 2011, GBCI began to draw LEED AP BD+C Exam questions from Green Building and LEED Core Concepts Guide. We have also incorporated the latest information from this book. LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is one of the most important trends in development and is revolutionizing the construction industry. It has gained tremendous momentum and has a profound impact on our environment. From this book, you will learn how to: 1. Pass the LEED AP BD+C Exam. 2. Register and achieve LEED certification for a building. 3. Understand the intent of each LEED prerequisite and credit. 4. Calculate points for LEED credits. 5. Identify the credit path, submittal requirements, synergies, possible strategies and technologies, project phase, LEED submittal phase, and responsible party for each prerequisite and credit. 6. Earn extra credit (exemplary performance) for LEED. 7. Implement the related codes and standards. 8. Obtain points for categories not yet clearly defined by the USGBC. Most of the existing books on LEED and the LEED exams are too expensive and complicated to be practical or helpful. This guide fills in the blanks and demystifies LEED. It uncovers the secrets, codes, and jargon for LEED as well as the true meaning of "going green." It provides a solid foundation and fundamental framework for LEED. It covers every major aspect of LEED in plain and concise language, and introduces it to ordinary people. This guide is easy to carry around. You can read it whenever you have a few extra minutes. It is an indispensable book for ordinary people, developers, brokers, contractors, administrators, architects,

landscape architects, engineers, interns, drafters, designers, and other design professionals. What others are saying about LEED BD&C Exam Guide ... “ Passed on first try, only used this guide “ This is the best study guide HANDS DOWN. If you're serious about passing the LEED AP BD&C exam on your first try, this is the one you've been looking for! I bought Mr. Chen's LEED Green Associate Exam Guide 2 months ago and passed it on the first try as well. I purchased the USGBC reference guide and Mr. Chen's LEED BD&C Exam Guide. I never opened the USGBC reference guide, only studied from Mr. Chen's study guide. I followed Mr. Chen's instructions and studied the guide for 2 weeks (yes, I have a full-time job). I did ignore the mnemonics, not my learning style (makes it more confusing to me). The exam was not easy, but I prepared and stuck to this material. I am not a good test taker by no means. I reviewed the technical data of the guide about 6 times and ignored everything else I had read or heard about the exam. Here's a piece of advice that I picked up from this book, spend less time on practice tests and more time studying! I have a subscription to a web exam simulator (rated the best) and only did about 100 questions, until I realized that I was wasting my valuable time. Find a good book and stick to it. This is also a great reference guide to use on everyday projects. Review the material, try to understand it, then try to memorize it through repetition. I would like to shake your hand and say THANKS AGAIN MR. GANG CHEN !!! ” —LOBO “ Excellent Guide and Good Manual “ I passed the LEED AP BD+C and the LEED AP ID+C exams this year and Gang Chen's books were my primary study material! The books are easy to read and use. Gang Chen provides study hints and guidance as well as an outline format that makes it easy for the reader to grasp key points. He also provides an excellent review of the entire accreditation process which can save people time in personal research. The books are more than study guides; they are helpful as reference manuals because of the easy to follow format. Definitely a keeper in my bookshelf for future project reference. ” —Karen M. Scott “ Great resource for studying for the LEED Exam! “ I have taken and passed the LEED AP BD+C exam and know what it takes. As this author says, it's not an easy exam and he is right. What is critical to passing is having great teaching tools and this book is one of them. He touches on every aspect of how to memorize data, how questions are formed, what to expect on tricky questions, the content the test writers are looking for and every little detail you need to know when preparing for this exam. I highly recommend this author's books if you are serious about passing any of the LEED exams, hopefully on the first try! ” —S. Jennifer Sakiewicz “ LEED BD & C Exam Study Guide “ Gang Chan's study guide is an excellent resource in preparing to take the LEED AP BD+C exam particularly if one follows the study recommendation made in the guide. It does not replace the LEED Reference manual as the definitive source for technical information but more importantly provides a structure for the study of the information that is easily understood and when followed should provide good assurance of success in passing the exam the 1st time. This is a 'keeper'! ” —Spock “ Good summary of information to memorize for the test “ Chen's exam guide is a good summary of the test relevant information in the LEED reference guide. He underlines specific information that is important to commit to memory for the test. It is a good way to understand which information needs to be strictly

memorized if you are preparing for the test in a short amount of time and have a good understanding of the LEED process through your professional experience. I passed the test with a very high score on my first try, and I did use this guide, one other, the LEED reference manual, online sources, a class, and many years of personally working on and completing online LEED submittals through my work. The week before taking the test I used it to commit point values and those kind of details to memory... ” —Denver “ Not a bulky ref guide “ LEED BD&C Exam Guide does a great job in highlighting and summarizing the key points and concepts in USGBC ref guide. If you only have limited amount of time for LEED AP BD+C exam preparation, definitely go for this book. ” —Metcalf “ Very valuable guide! “ I am a lighting designer and am preparing to take the LEED BD+C exam...I got LEED BD&C Exam Guide to prepare for the LEED AP BD+C Exam and it was fairly well organized to help me refresh my memory on the background LEED knowledge I had. All the specifics that one needs to know about each credit such as the Purpose of the credit, Credit path, Submittals, Strategies and technologies etc, are clearly organized for every credit. In addition the author also employs the smart technique of Mnemonics which helps in memorizing the vast amount of information in a simplified manner. ” —Visswapriya Prabakar “ Immensely valuable and utterly to the point, a true must have! “ This is an excellent publication by Gang Chen that outlines precisely all the key points one need for success. I personally appreciate the easy to adopt memorization technique offered by the author. Practice exams are very comprehensive yet summarized and not to mention highly effective learning tool as it is designed in this book. It is a very

delightful experience for me to have this outstanding publication. In a word, this definitely worth the money and for me it turns out extraordinarily helpful. ” —Shanaz, who passed LEED AP BD+C Exam on the first try “ Very Helpful! “ I found LEED BD&C Exam Guide to be very detailed and very helpful. I plan to take the exam soon, and I feel fully prepared for it. ” —Yousuf Asadzo “ Good book! “ I had appeared for GA and passed. I loved the content and the underlined highlights. I read your book; it gave me insight and knowledge on how credits are applied. Some questions in your book helped me answer ones on the test. Good book, I'll go through it once again when I appear for AP. ” —Haresh Vibhakar, AIIA (India), AIA, LEED Green Associate, Architect “ A good outline “ The book is an excellent outline to learn the necessary items required to study for the exam. It is not a comprehensive study guide in and of itself. Practice exam is good indicator of test preparation. ” —Paul Levine “ Solid LEED Study Guide “ This is the kind of book I wish was available when I did my original LEED AP exam. It teaches you how to study, which is so important when school is a distant memory. The bulk of the book helps you review and memorize with mnemonics the concepts for each credit that you need to know for the exam. The questions are good representations of questions on the exam. I would recommend to anyone studying for their exam, that they: - First read the chapters in this book on how to study; - Second read the actual LEED BD+C guide to give you the background information on the credits and gain comprehension. Underline and review as the author indicates to get the most out of your study time. - Finally read the rest of this exam guide to help you review and memorize for the exam. ” —missfitz "missfitz" “ Very Helpful

Guide “ Gang Chen's LEED BD&C Exam Guides very helpful in consolidating information from USGBC and GBCI sources as well as providing the information that is necessary for the exam without excess irrelevant information. I highly recommend this book for preparation for the LEED BD+C exams. ” —leedap

Green Schools Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning

The Toxic Schoolhouse is a collection of articles on chemical hazards endangering students, teachers, and staff in the education system of the United States and Canada. Some of the articles were originally published in a special issue of *New Solutions: A Journal of Occupational and Environmental Policy*, but all have been updated and several new articles have been added. The book is organized in three sections. The first describes problems ranging from the failures of coordination, monitoring, and siting of school buildings to the hazards of exposure to toxic substances, including lead and PCBs. The second section captures the voices of activists seeking change and describes community and union organizing efforts to improve school conditions. The third section covers policy "solutions." The authors include academics, union staff and rank-and-file activists, parent organization leaders, and public health professionals.

Guidebook to the LEED Certification Process Butterworth-Heinemann

This comprehensive volume, often called the “ HVAC bible, ” has been thoroughly updated to cover the latest code changes, equipment, and techniques HVAC Equations, Data, and Rules of Thumb, 3e offers all of the information an HVAC student or professional needs in one resource. The book thoroughly explains the expansion of piping systems and temperature limitations of new materials such as polyethylene, polypropylene, PVC, CPVC, and PEX. Detailed information is included for all types of facilities, including offices, hotels, hospitals, restaurants, commercial spaces, and computer rooms. This practical handbook

reflects all the latest code changes—including the ASHRAE standards—and explains how to interpret and put them to use. It includes completely updated coverage of new pumps, chillers, air handling units, cooling equipment, boilers, and pipe material. You will get complete coverage of sustainability organizations that have become more important since last edition, including LEED, USGBC, Energy Star. Features hundreds of equations and rules for everything from ductwork to air-handling systems Includes a brand-new chapter on sound, vibration, and acoustics Contains an updated list of equipment manufacturers for all products featured

LEED Reference Guide for Building Design and Construction McGraw-Hill Professional Pub

The second edition of *Sustainable Buildings and Infrastructure* continues to provide students with an introduction to the principles and practices of sustainability as they apply to the construction sector, including both buildings and infrastructure systems. As a textbook, it is aimed at students taking courses in construction management and the built environment, but it is also designed to be a useful reference for practitioners involved in implementing sustainability in their projects or firms. Case studies, best practices and highlights of cutting edge research are included throughout, making the book both a core reference and a practical guide.

美國綠建築專業人員LEED-AP

BD+C建築設計與施工應考攻略(電子書) John Wiley & Sons

This report to the California Energy Commission's Public Interest Energy Research Program (PIER) helps Home Performance Contractors train their crews to achieve superior results in home energy retrofits. The book was updated and expanded in December of 2012 to include the impressive measured results from 15 home energy retrofits in Redding, California that were accomplished using the principles and practices outlined in this report. Homeowners

may also find this information useful, when they want to understand the techniques that regularly achieve utility bill savings of 40 to 70% on an annual basis. This approach-called Measured Home Performance-is different from other means of saving energy. Most importantly, all of the home's energy features are redesigned and improved at the same time, so the synergies take effect immediately. Next, measurements are taken all the way through the process, to ensure that both the redesign and the installation are excellent. Improved comfort and energy savings are assured by high-tech field measurements, taken by the craftspeople themselves rather than by 3rd-party auditors. This process provides real-time feedback to the real decision makers-the technicians who do the work. Measurements of critical parameters like duct air leakage, while-house air leakage, supply air flow at each grill, CO concentration & draft pressure of combustion appliances and superheat and subcooling of the AC equipment make the installation quality-good or poor-are instantly clear to the crews. They can fix any shortcomings on the spot, rather than waiting days or weeks for 3rd-party testing results. Craftspeople measuring key parameters as they work transforms the workplace. Measured quality not only ensures successful results for the homeowners, it self-trains crew members in the field, where they learn more quickly than in the classroom. At the end of every day, workers know when they have achieved excellent results-a powerful motivator that works to everybody's benefit.

LEED GA Exam Guide (3rd Large Format Edition) John Wiley & Sons

This pocket-sized book is a concise guide to the basics of estimating construction costs for residential and light commercial building projects. It provides a step-by-step guide to estimating the total cost of a construction project. It takes readers through five phases that lead to a successful estimate:

initial assessment, work analysis, programming, costing and cost distribution and summarization. The book's primary targets are small contractors; however, the principles set forth in the book are applicable to all contractors. The book could also serve as a textbook for estimating classes in construction management programs at universities and community colleges. The last section of the book provides useful but not readily available information for estimators on diverse topics, e.g., detailed information about Value Engineering, scheduling, subcontractor selection, bid summarization, and so on. An extensive glossary of construction terms is also included. Readers in all construction capacities will find:

- * A new, fresh look at the often baffling and deceptive job of estimating construction costs for residential and light commercial construction
- * How to assess plans, review bonds, and evaluate the site and the project schedule before beginning a cost take-off
- * How to integrate a cost estimate into a general accounting program for cost management and eventual billing
- * Incredibly helpful appendix with common construction standards and measurements--from standards for concrete forms, to nail sizes to commercial lumber sizes, and much more!