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## VOC Emission Test Certificate

**Product Name:** Sphera

**Product Sample Information**

Manufacturer: Forbo Flooring Systems  
 Manf. Website: www.forbo.com  
 CSI Category & No.: Vinyl Sheet Flooring (096516-Vinyl)  
 Date Produced: 8/10/2016

**Certificate Information**

Certificate No: 160906-01  
 Certified By:   
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 Date: September 6, 2016

**Reference Standard:** California Department of Public Health CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method Version 1.1, 2010 (Emission testing method for CA Specification 01350)

**Acceptance Criteria and Results Demonstrating Compliance of Product Sample to Referenced Standard:**

Exposure Scenario <sup>1</sup>	Individual VOCs of Concern <sup>2</sup>		Formaldehyde <sup>3</sup>		TVOC <sup>4</sup>
	Criterion	Compliant?	Criterion	Compliant?	Range
School Classroom	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES	≤ 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Private Office	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES	≤ 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Product Coverage<sup>5</sup>:** Not applicable

1. Exposure scenarios & product quantities for classroom & office are defined in Tables 4-2 – 4-5 (CDPH Std. Mtd. V1.1-2010)
2. Maximum allowable concentrations of individual target VOCs are specified in Table 4-1 (*ibid.*)
3. Maximum allowable formaldehyde concentration is ≤9 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, effective Jan 1, 2012; previous limit was ≤16.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (*ibid.*)
4. Informative only; predicted TVOC Range in three categories, i.e., ≤0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, >0.5 – 4.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, and ≥5.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
5. Informative and applicable only to tests of wet-applied products; grams of sample applied per square meter of substrate

**Standards & Codes Recognizing CDPH Standard Method V1.1 (partial list)**

- CALGreen, CA Code of Regulations Title 24, Part II, 2012
- USGBC LEED CI, NC, Schools, Healthcare, 2009
- USGBC LEED Version 4, BD&C, ID&C, 2013
- Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS), National Core Criteria, 2013
- ANSI/GBI 01-2010, Green Building Assessment Protocol

**Narrative:** Forbo Flooring Systems selected a sample representative of its Sphera product and submitted it on 8/12/2016 for testing. Berkeley Analytical measured and evaluated the emissions of VOCs from this sample following CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V1.1-2010. The results of the test are presented in Berkeley Analytical report, 135-062-02A-Sep0616.

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