

Sustainability, in a general sense, is the capacity to maintain a certain process or state indefinitely. In a social context, sustainability is expressed as meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

What does this mean for someone wanting office furniture? Well, one would guess that you would have to buy used furniture to be 100% sustainable. In theory you are right, but who wants to end up with a dirty, dented, desk? Nobody wants that old thing. So what are your options if 100% sustainability is not your cup of tea? How about **Echo Systems** from RSI, which uses on average 70% post consumer product in the manufacturing of your modular office furniture.

RSI has spent the last 20 years doing what most office furniture manufacturing companies are just now starting to do. Go GREEN! Echo Systems by RSI is the answer to your need for high quality modular office furniture that does not compromise the ability of future generations.

Sustainability for other manufacturers is all about minimizing the resources they use in the manufacturing of office furniture. What they don't address is all the furniture they sold that you no longer want or need? What are they doing about that waste? The answer is nothing.

RSI has provided the answer since 1987. Most manufacturers of office furniture call used furniture trash. We call it the future. We take the trash and process it into usable components. These components are what make up the 70% recycled content in our manufacturing process. The missing percentage of components are manufactured using raw materials just like every other furniture company. Don't get us wrong, we do our part to reduce water, electric other waste just like everyone else has done, but in the end they are talking about efficiency not sustainability. Efficiency is such a small reduction in waste when compared to throwing away perfectly good furniture components.

While other companies focus on minimizing waste through efficiency, help us keep moving toward sustainability by selling us your used office furniture. In turn we will keep adding to the ~12,000 individual workstations of modular office furniture we are currently producing yearly for you.



AS "GREEN" AS OFFICE FURNITURE CAN BE

Recycled Steel

Echo Systems uses an average of 70% post consumer recycled steel parts.

Recycled Fabric

Panels are available in 100% recycled-content fabric.

FSC Certified

Wood components are available with FSC-certified material.

Panel Core

Echo Systems uses 100% post consumer recycled panel cores.



Recycled Plastics

Echo Systems uses an average of 70% post consumer recycled plastic parts.

Recycled Particle Board

Echo Systems uses a 100% recycled-content particle board.

Recycled Aluminum

Echo Systems uses an average of 70% post consumer recycled aluminum parts.

VOC-Free Adhesives

Water-based adhesives used to bond laminate to substrate are 99% VOC-free.

Every year we save over 1,000 tons of modular office furniture from going to landfills by shipping it to our manufacturing facility where we use it as recycled content in the making of our Echo Systems product. This is enough old office furniture to fill 200 semi truck trailers and would consume a landfill space the size of several football fields. In addition, we use environmentally friendly materials in our manufacturing process and we recycle or reuse a high percentage of our packaging materials. All of this demonstrates our concern for the environment and hopefully, makes us the kind of company that everyone would like to work with.