



ABOVE: Light sand vertical satin wide BT Bamboo Flooring

## LEND LEASE CHOOSES BT BAMBOO FLOORING

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→ IN SUPPLYING 'BT BAMBOO', ECO FLOORING SYSTEMS ARE PROUD TO HAVE BEEN able to provide a high quality, beautiful and hardwearing solution to the flooring needs of Lend Lease in their new Sydney headquarters at '30 The Bond'.

An Australian owned company operating since 1996, Eco Flooring Systems already has a proven track record in supplying high quality BT Bamboo flooring, including installations at David Jones Perth, David Jones Bondi Junction and the Chinese Consulate.

Lend Lease have been committed to incorporating environmentally sustainable development (ESD) initiatives into the project brief for '30 The Bond' and through employee workshops they identified seven ESD priorities, one of these seven priorities was that of 'materials selection'. The stringent criteria placed on all materials selected for the development has ensured that the product 'BT Bamboo' Supplied by Eco Flooring Systems has the highest environmental credentials.

In selecting BT Bamboo, Lend Lease looked at a range of factors including the manufacturing process, coatings and the glues used. They also looked at practicalities such as the hardness and durability, BT Bamboo is equal in hardness to Jarrah and Tallowwood and is quality assured (ISO 9002).

The zero emission water based coatings, non toxic glues and environmentally responsible manufacturing processes used to produce BT Bamboo satisfied the strict criteria placed on materials chosen for the development. The clarity of the flooring, and the fact that it is one of the few, pale yellow, solid hardwood timbers available that are suitable for this purpose made it a natural choice.

BT Bamboo flooring, whilst complying with the architect's requirements also complimented and enhanced the mood of the building and the overall theme of '30 The Bond', helping to create a light, open environment of quality in which to work.

BT Bamboo flooring was not only chosen by Lend Lease for its environmental qualities though, it is also a unique leading edge product that although widely used overseas is relatively new to Australia. This was seen to be in keeping with the innovative approach to the development.

Lend Lease chose light sand vertical wide boards with a satin finish and, as a feature for the new level 9 boardroom, darker, coffee coloured BT Bamboo carbonated amber vertical wide board was selected.

The selection of BT Bamboo flooring for this project is a demonstration of the innovative and careful choice of materials undertaken by the developers, and as such, they and Eco Flooring Systems have created a benchmark for future development projects that will be hard to match.



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