



## *The Associated General Contractors of Greater Florida, Inc.*

### **The Increased Risks of Green Buildings: What Contractors Need to Know!**

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The great irony of building green in hot, humid climates is that the very concepts that are intended to enhance a building's performance over its lifetime are the same things that make a building susceptible to significant moisture & mold problems during its first few years of operation.

While green buildings have many positive benefits, there is also strong evidence to suggest a direct correlation between new green buildings and failures. Simply put, departing from the "tried and true" often means increasing the risk of building failure.

The proliferation of new "green" products and innovative building approaches are so dramatically changing the design and construction industry that it will virtually guarantee an increase in building problems. Although some of these failures are likely to be catastrophic, fortunately most of them are predictable and avoidable.

The successful contractors will be those that understand the unique risks of green construction and take steps to avoid the problem areas.

This presentation will discuss what makes green buildings more risky and what steps must be taken by contractors to avoid building failures (and lawsuits). Some of the issues covered in this seminar include:

1. What makes green buildings uniquely susceptible to schedule & cost overruns as well as performance problems?
2. Case studies of green building construction problems, what must be done to avoid them, and what some contractors have already learned.
3. Green construction techniques that must be avoided at all costs or problems are guaranteed!
4. Specific measures should be taken to reduce risks and increase the likelihood of consistent project success.

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