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DesignRail® Aluminum Railings Help Green and Beautify the NextGen “First to the Future” Home

Summary: Recycled content, lighter shipping weights, state-of-the-art powder coatings, long usage cycles and attractive styles make the DesignRail® aluminum railings a natural fit for the NextGen “First to the Future” demonstration home in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Oakland, CA (PRWEB) April 27, 2009--[DesignRail® aluminum railings](#) from Feeney, Inc. are among the many prominent products featured in the [NextGen “First to the Future”](#) National Demonstration Home in Las Vegas. The 5,200 square foot, 5 bedroom home is a showcase of modern, next generation living ideas with a focus on four basic themes: strong, green, efficient and digital.

The DesignRail® railings are installed on the foyer stairway and balcony of the NextGen home and include a silver powder-coated aluminum frame with stainless steel cable infill. These railings were selected for the project because of the durability, low maintenance, and environmental integrity of their materials as well as their innovative design details that ensured an attractive finished product.

“The characteristics of the DesignRail® line blend perfectly with the ‘stronger’ and ‘[greener](#)’ concepts of the NextGen project,” said Del Leutbecher, Director of Business Development at Feeney. “Not only do our aluminum and stainless steel products contain a high percentage of recycled raw materials, but they are also incredibly strong and durable with long usage cycles and low maintenance costs. And our state-of-the-art, powder coating line emits no V.O.C.s or heavy metal waste, uses a non-chromium pre-treatment wash, and reclaims 93% of the waste water via a reverse-osmosis membrane filtration system.”

The DesignRail® systems are designed for quick and easy on-site assembly using pre-engineered components that snap and screw together without any welding, grinding or special finishing. All of the rails and stanchions are made from high-strength 6000-series aluminum that contains a minimum of 25% reclaimed content. In addition, the lightweight nature of aluminum reduces shipping costs and related fuel use and makes the parts easier to handle on the job.

The aluminum components are available in 8 standard colors and over 200 custom colors to suit virtually any design requirements, and the tough powder coated finishes adhere to rigorous AAMA-2604 coating specifications for lasting performance.

Available with the system are ADA compliant applied grab rail designs, 5 different styles of cap rails, and 4 post-mounting options. Infill options include CableRail™ stainless steel cables (used on the NextGen project), tempered glass panels and aluminum pickets.

The low maintenance benefits include no rusting, peeling, splintering, cracking, or repainting, issues that are typically associated with many other types of materials and railing systems, and Feeney offers a 10-year warranty on the powder coated finishes and stainless steel cable infill



DesignRail® railings showcased on the front entry stairway of the NextGen demonstration home. The railings have a series 200 rectangular cap rail with a silver powder-coated finish and 1/8" diameter stainless steel CableRail infill cables.

Feeney, Inc., based in Oakland, California, is a leading manufacturer of high quality stainless steel and aluminum products, marketed under their Feeney Architectural Products line. They celebrated their 60th anniversary in 2008. For additional information on the NextGen project and DesignRail® aluminum railings, please contact Andrew Penny or visit www.nextgenhome.com and www.designrail.com. Detail drawings, 3-D Sketch-up models and 3-part specifications for the DesignRail® products are available for downloading from the website. Members of the media can get the latest news from Feeney at www.feeneyarchitectural.com/media.