California Expanded Metal Products Company (CEMCO)

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California Expanded Metal Products Company (CEMCO) is the premier manufacturer of cold-formed steel framing and metal lath products in the Western United States. Founded in 1974, CEMCO is one of the largest manufacturers in the industry and the leader in quality, service and product development. CEMCO's steel framing product segments include: ViperStud® interior stud framing system; metal lath; FAS™ head-of-wall products; Sure-Span® steel framing floor joist system; SureBoard® for shear-wall panels; water-management products; and CSSA Code Certified structural steel framing products.

For almost 40 years, CEMCO has supplied the construction field with the highest-quality steel framing and metal lath products through a network of carefully chosen distributors nationwide. CEMCO offers one of the broadest product lines available in cold-formed steel framing used for both the commercial and residential construction markets. CEMCO also offers complete engineering and BIM support to architects, engineers and contractors. Our structural engineering group can provide full-scale, stamped and sealed drawings along with complete design services using the latest in BIM technology.

CEMCO's commitment to ensuring the use of mill-certified PRIME hot-dipped galvanized steel guarantees that our products will perform as intended to meet or exceed the most recent IBC and IRC building codes. CEMCO's support and service standards are the highest in the industry, which has resulted in some of the longest-lasting and most successful business partnerships with our customers in the industry.

CEMCO prides itself as an industry innovator. Our most recent development is the release of our Metal Wall Type Manager software, which was developed in conjunction with StrucSoft Solutions LLC, one of our most prominent business partners. This latest software is available for free on our website at www.cemcosteel.com. Regarding product development, CEMCO's new Deflection Drift Angle (DDA) is setting new standards of performance when it comes to fire, air and sound abatement in head-of-wall assemblies. We're also offering online resources such as our website video "Installing the NEW Deflection Drift Angle (DDA)," and we continue to introduce product and technology developments to the industry as quickly and efficiently as possible. In fact, an exciting new development will be announced online very soon, so check our website often!

Currently, one of our ongoing projects is supplying the NSA's Utah Data Center project in Bluffdale, Utah. This project is possibly the largest steel framing project in the United States and is using just about every product we manufacture. However, we have also been involved in supplying material for projects as small as a 10-foot-by-10-foot shed, proving CEMCO's adaptability and range in our ability to serve our customers.

As an active member of WACA, CEMCO puts at the forefront its care and concern for those using CEMCO products in the field. We look to them for feedback on how we perform for them as suppliers of steel framing and metal lath products for their projects. CEMCO's close relationship with these clients continues to provide the necessary lines of communication when it comes to the latest in construction technologies, along with expectations for service and support — allowing us at CEMCO to constantly monitor our levels of quality and service from the vantage point of the end user.

CEMCO is proud of its reputation as the leader in quality and service for nearly four decades. CEMCO is one of the few U.S.-based steel framing and metal lath manufacturers that continues to sustainably grow in an ever-increasingly competitive industry, which has seen its share of companies, both large and small, cease to exist.