

# Xccent

## ... AND THE ENVIRONMENT



As responsible members of the Playground Industry and the environment, we are committed to leave the environment better than we found it. As consumers of the earth's resources, we consider it our responsibility to reduce and eventually eliminate the environmental impact of our manufacturing processes. The transition to an environmentally conscious company is a management-fostered lifelong philosophy that drives our commitment to sustainability. We are grateful for the opportunity to make a difference.

### STRIVING FOR SUSTAINABILITY

***In Product Development...***The main component in our playground equipment and site amenities is steel. More specifically, from steel that has a minimum of 35% recycled content. Xccent is committed and will continually strive toward increasing the percentage of recyclable materials into products that we develop.

***In Manufacturing...*** All our PVC is free of hazardous heavy metals such as lead. Additionally, we have reduced the levels of phthalate plasticizers. We are proud to be compliant with initiatives driven by progressive states such as California. Our new California compliant, reduced-phthalate PVC further supports our commitment to environmental sustainability.

***In Packaging...***We encourage the use of materials containing recycled content and drive this initiative through to our vendors as well. From post-consumer recycled content in plastic wrap to the use of recycled pallets the impact on the environment is a deciding factor.

***In Energy Consumption...***Our progress towards lean manufacturing has thus far reduced our finished good inventory by 90% and raw materials by 50%. Reduced lead times along with flexible work schedules have resulted in reductions of energy consumption.

***In Waste Management ...*** We aggressively find use for scrap materials. From the use of our PVC scrap material as a playground safety product to recycling steel and aluminum, Xccent's position has been and continues to be one of re-use where possible and recycle where not.



**FACT:** Every year Xccent processes and repurposes more than 26 tons of retired highway construction cones and gives them a new life on playgrounds across America.