

# New Certification from CARB LIFE

## American OEM has Received Renewed Status for Their Engineered Wood Flooring Products

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Burns, TN - American OEM, a manufacturer of hardwood flooring out of Tennessee, has obtained renewed status of their CARB ULEF exemption on engineered wood flooring products.

The CARB ULEF renewal was granted after a perfect record of passing indoor air quality tests for formaldehyde emissions, and was also extended to include product with HDF core materials. All of which, the company will manufacturing beginning in the second quarter of 2018. This exemption grants American OEM the ability to reduce submittal samples for VOC testing, and establishes the company's products as ultra-low risk for off gassing.

"The health and safety of our consumers is of utmost concern to us," said Don Finkell, American OEM founder and CEO. "We will continue quarterly tests for VOCs to ensure that we remain compliant with all regulations, even though it is no longer required."

This type of continuous quality assurance provides customers with peace of mind, something many lost after the 60 Minutes special exposed unsafe levels of formaldehyde in wood-based products sold in a major retail chain.

HPVA laboratories is a third party laboratory that has been testing and certifying North American manufacturers of engineered wood products for over 50 years. They are currently a California approved third-party certifier (CARB TPC-8).

In addition to [CARB](#) exempt status, the manufacturer has achieved Indoor Advantage Gold certification for ultra-low emitting materials. This certification verifies that all the hardwood produced in the Tennessee facility contributes to healthy indoor air quality for customers of American OEM private label products, and the products sold under the company's new brand [HEARTHWOOD](#).

### ABOUT AMERICAN OEM

Headquartered in Burns, TN, [American OEM](#) was founded by Don Finkel. The company was created to develop products from the highest standards of quality, craftsmanship and attention to detail. Drawing upon generations of collective experience, the American OEM team embraces both traditional and cutting-edge technology to create floors designed for today and tomorrow.