

# HUBER ENGINEERED WOODS EXPANDS AVAILABILITY OF ZIP SYSTEM™ RAINSCREEN

**CHARLOTTE, N.C., February 27, 2024** – Huber Engineered Woods, a leading provider of innovative building systems and solutions, has expanded the availability of ZIP System™ Rainscreen. First introduced in late 2023 to the Southwest and Southeast regions, the availability of ZIP System Rainscreen expanded in November to include the Northeast. As of January 1, the product is available with nationwide distribution.

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ZIP System Rainscreen is the latest addition to its ZIP System™ Building Enclosures portfolio of products and offers builders a comprehensive solution for high-performance water, air, vapor, and thermal management. Initially targeted at moist and marine climate zones to satisfy the 2021 IRC/IBC code around adhered stone and stucco, ZIP System Rainscreen has been in growing demand nationwide for different cladding types, including lap siding and cedar shakes.



“We knew that with the way building codes are changing, builders in certain regions would be quick to adopt this product,” said Justin Drake, product manager - ZIP Wall. “Based on the reputation of ZIP System products within the industry, it wasn’t long before builders in other parts of the country were asking for access to ZIP System Rainscreen.”

ZIP System Rainscreen is engineered to meet the latest code-required 3/16” air gap requirements in stucco and adhered stone assemblies. The rigid drainage mat is covered by a heavy-duty fabric that is approved as a secondary water-resistive barrier, facilitating effective moisture management and promoting drying behind cladding systems. This means building teams can meet the new code-required 3/16” air gap and secondary water-resistive layer for stucco and adhered stone assemblies with a single rainscreen product.<sup>1</sup>



Key features and benefits of ZIP System Rainscreen include:

- Enhanced wall assembly drainage
- Promotion of ventilation and drying behind cladding
- Integration of a secondary water-resistive layer
- High compression strength
- 90-day UV exposure rating
- Compliance with 2021 IRC/IBC stucco and adhered stone requirements
- Easy installation
- Available in a 4’ x 65’ roll (260 square feet)
- 15-year limited product warranty
- Evaluation Service Report (ESR-5270)

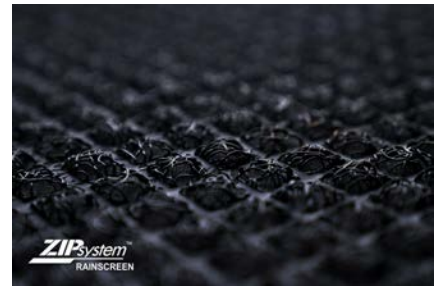
“Our customers look to us for high-quality, innovative products and for the latest in building science and building trends,” Drake said. “Launching ZIP System Rainscreen is a natural extension of the ZIP Building Enclosures Portfolio because it strikes a balance between durability and performance, ensuring builders can meet regulatory requirements while achieving optimal results in their projects.”

ZIP System Rainscreen is available where ZIP System products are sold. Builders can learn more about ZIP System™ Rainscreen and access assembly design requirements by visiting [huberwood.com/zip-system/rainscreen](https://huberwood.com/zip-system/rainscreen).

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<sup>1</sup>See 2021 IRC Section 703.7.3 for details and requirements.