**Knoll Textiles** 

Environmental Data Sheet Merge by Abbott Miller 300205

## ISO 14001 Certification

The framework of Maharam's efforts to reduce its corporate environmental impact is ISO 14001 certification.

To obtain certification, all corporate practices are carefully evaluated and measured for environmental impact. An environmental policy is defined, including concrete goals to reduce identified impacts. This environmental policy includes a commitment to compliance with environmental laws and company policies, continual improvement and prevention of pollution.

An environmental management system is created to ensure that environmental policy is implemented. An independent ISO consultant is retained to continually monitor and measure progress, and to verify that ISO standards are observed. ISO 14001 processes are audited on an annual basis and certified companies must demonstrate continual reduction of their environmental impact.

Through ISO 14001, Maharam is committed to minimizing the environmental impacts of its business practices, including, but not limited to:

- · Reduction of energy consumption
- Reduction of water consumption
- Reduction of paper consumption
- · Reduction of waste through recycling
- · Optimization of textile finishes

## **Greenguard Certification**

Merge is Greenguard certified as a low-emitting material.

• Certification: T10So99122-4

Greenguard certification verifies that chemical and particle emissions fall within acceptable indoor air quality pollutant thresholds for adults. Products are tested for emissions of formaldehyde, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), respirable particles, ozone, and other pollutants using environmental chamber protocols designed to simulate typical indoor environments.

Merge is REACH Compliant.

• Merge utilizes a vinyl that does not contain phthalates.

Location of Manufacture: Henderson, NC

• LEED V4 ID+C EQ Credit: Low-Emitting Materials

Location of Harvest/Extraction: Due to the complex and changing nature of the textile supply chain, location of harvest/extraction is unknown.

## Biodegradable and Recyclable Content

Maharam does not make claims that could misrepresent the environmental attributes of its products. At this time, a national infrastructure to collect and process textiles at the end of their useful lives does not exist. For this reason, Maharam does not claim that any of its products are biodegradable or recyclable. Maharam supports industry initiatives to develop these facilities, but until such a system is in place, Maharam's position is to not label its products as either biodegradable or recyclable.

Maharam's cardboard packaging materials are readily recyclable.

Complete product information at maharam.com 800.645.3943