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**Sansin Exterior Wood Stain and Primer Featured on LEED Platinum Registered  
Halifax Seaport Farmers Market**

*--Sansin stain selected for LEED friendly formulation,  
high performance especially in locations near water--*

STRATHROY, Ontario – October 18, 2012 – Sansin’s [Enviro Stain SDF™](#) is featured on the wood exterior of the Seaport Farmers' Market, a LEED Platinum Registered building located in a new international port and cruise ship terminal adjacent to Halifax Harbor in Halifax, Canada. The Seaport Farmer’s Market was established in 1750 and is the oldest continuously running market in North America.

According to Andrew Milburn at [Goodfellow](#), a wholesaler and distributor of wood and wood products, “The customer wanted FSC-certified wood that could be sourced locally and a wood finish that would meet LEED certification standards and perform very well. We supplied eastern white cedar and recommended that they use Sansin stains, which are known to perform exceptionally well with a low-VOC profile.”

To protect the exterior, the Halifax Port Authority selected Sansin SDF™ in the popular Acorn color. “Goodfellow made a great choice in selecting eastern white cedar for this project,” said Sjoerd Bos, VP at Sansin. “It is a solid performing wood with a nice graining texture that absorbs Sansin’s water-borne stains very nicely. Our SDF stain will provide the resiliency and long-lasting sustainable protection that is needed since the building is close to the water and exposed to moisture.”

Sansin SDF™ isn’t the only Sansin product used on the building. In addition, Sansin Foundation™ was applied to the glue-laminated beams, also supplied by Goodfellow. This product seals and protects the lumber from mark-ups and discoloration, in addition to ensuring dimensional stability, repelling water and supporting breathability. Sansin Foundation™ is a concentrated, penetrating, water-borne primer for both interior and exterior wood surfaces – ideally applied in a factory setting –that keeps wood surfaces from weathering for up to six months during the construction phase.

As Milburn explains, “With Sansin’s Foundation primer, you can simply wash off the wood with a mild detergent to prep the wood surface for finishing. This is important when a building is so close to a waterway, and when you want to keep an environmental focus throughout the process.”



Sansin's SDF™ and Foundation™ meet LEED Criteria for New Construction/Innovation in Design.

**Project Overview:**

**Location:** Halifax seaport farmers market (old Pier 21)

**Architect:** Lydon Lynch Architects

**Owner:** Halifax Port Authority

**Engineers:** M&R Engineering (mechanical, electrical); Campbell Comeau (structural)

**Environmental consultant:** Archineers

**General contractor:** RCS Retail Construction Specialists

**Wood:** Goodfellow FSC-certified eastern white cedar

**Stain:** Sansin Corporation's SDF™ (in Acorn) and Foundation™

**About Sansin**

For 25 years, Sansin has been the only wood protection company focused exclusively on researching, developing, and introducing environmentally-friendly, 'water-borne' interior and exterior wood products and technologies that deliver outstanding color, durability and performance without the toxicity found in conventional stains. Sansin Enviro Stains use water, not oil, to deeply penetrate and protect wood naturally, from within. Headquartered in Ontario, Canada, Sansin has dealer locations across Canada and in the U.S. To learn more about The Sansin Corporation, its line of Enviro Stains or how to become a Sansin preferred dealer, visit [www.sansin.com](http://www.sansin.com).