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The easiest LEED credits in concrete

There are a total of nine LEED credits that can relate to concrete, but the credits 5.1 and 5.2 are the easiest to achieve. Why is this? Credit 5 deals with regionally harvested materials. The USGBC defines the word “regional” as being 500 miles or less from the harvesting site to the concrete plant, and from the concrete plant to the job site.

So how much of our sand, cement, aggregates and water are “regionally” supplied? The answer is all of them. 100% of IMI concrete raw materials are extracted within 500 miles of our plants. This also includes many of our admixtures such as fly ash, slag, microsilica or chemical additives. Of course the nature of concrete and the limited time between mix and pour keeps our plants close to all of our job sites... well within the “regional” definition.

The intent of Credit 5 is to reduce the amount of fuel used to transport materials. This in turn keeps local economies working in the supply chain to the end user. If you have used IMI concrete on a job and need LEED Credit 5 documentation, contact your IMI sales representative. We will send completed forms to you for submission.

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