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## Sustainable roofer GR Green advances in Cleantech Open finals

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GR Green of Burnaby BC won the top award for the Green Building category in this year's Cleantech Open competition.

San Jose, CA — Geoff Wensel, founder of [GR Green Building Products](#), impressed a panel of judges yesterday at the [Cleantech Open](#) Global Forum. His reward is an Oscar-style trophy and \$20,000 in prizes, a combination of in-kind services and cash. GR Green manufactures roofing and siding materials from recycled plastic and waste limestone.



The GR Green team won the Green Building category's top prize in the Cleantech Open 2012 final competitions.

### **[Read about the final winners of the 2012 Cleantech Open.](#)**

The company and two others — REgenergy365 and Vyykn Water — were [named Northwest Regional Finalists](#) in the business plan competition last month. All three are presenting here, joined by 19 other finalists from around North America. They're competing for prizes by category, and the category winners will pitch judges again in hopes of winning the grand prize worth \$100,000. Vyykn of Eagle, ID, was named runner-up in the Water category, behind Red Ox Systems of New Haven, CT. Vyykn makes a network-controlled water purification and dispensing system. Red Ox Systems has a product that combines desalination and energy generation.

Final presentations are scheduled for this afternoon and winners will be named at an awards gala tonight.