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## **Patti Products, Inc. launches DumpsterDome product designed to reduce cost of construction debris disposal**

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At a time when cost-cutting in the construction industry is critical, Patti Products, Inc., presents a novel cost-cutting solution. The company recently launched its DumpsterDome portable dumpster covering system which works in several ways to reduce the costs of construction debris disposal. By keeping water, snow and ice out of the dumpster, the DumpsterDome eliminates the unnecessary weight gain of water-saturated debris. Users of the product also find it to be an effective deterrent against unauthorized use of their dumpster. Not only does this keep weights accurate, but it prevents the financial and legal responsibility of disposing of someone else's potentially hazardous trash.

The unnecessary extra expense of disposing of water-logged debris is a common problem in the construction industry as much of this scrap is known to be highly absorbent. At eight pounds per gallon, even a small amount of water drives weight totals up quickly. A single sheet of drywall doubles in weight when saturated, while acoustic ceiling tiles can hold enough water to increase in weight from 5 pounds to a whopping 25 pounds. Unable to determine how much of a dumpster's weight is due to water saturation, hauling companies have no choice but to charge for the full weight of the water-logged debris. The most effective way to keep the weight down is to keep the contents dry.

"People are doing everything they can to keep costs down," says Pattie Brockwell, president of Patti Products. "The construction industry has been hit especially hard by the current economic situation, and we're proud to offer the first and only cost-effective solution that really works and offers such a rapid return on their investment."

The concept of keeping dumpster contents dry to reduce weight is not a new one. The most basic solution of covering the dumpster with an inexpensive tarp only leads to the build-up of heavy pools of water that either make removal extremely difficult, or cause the tarp to tear and leak. Ultimately, the water still makes it into the dumpster, defeating the entire purpose of covering it at all. Most attempts at homemade solutions prove to be more trouble than they're worth.

Only the patent-pending DumpsterDome is durable enough to stand up to the elements. It's simple enough to install and remove in minutes, and is inexpensive enough to warrant use on any temporary or permanent dumpster installation.

In addition to dealing with overweight dumpster tipping fees, construction companies and contractors must also bear responsibility for the types of debris in their dumpster—regardless of who puts it there. One problem many dumpster customers face is having unwanted debris added to their dumpsters during off-hours. Not only does this fill the dumpster more rapidly, but it transfers the legal and financial responsibility of proper disposal of these potentially hazardous items to the dumpster customer.

"You wouldn't believe the things we would find in our dumpsters after a weekend away from the job," said Dan Macklin, owner of Harborside Remodeling and a DumpsterDome user. "Paint cans, car batteries, motor oil, and computer monitors were the most common intruders. Imagine our surprise one Monday morning when we found an entire piano in our dumpster! Once that trash is in there, it becomes our responsibility to pay to have these things disposed of properly and that really impacts our bottom line."

"Since installing DumpsterDome systems on our dumpsters, that nonsense has come to an abrupt halt," Macklin said. "They seem to prefer to just keep hunting for an easier target."

Patti Products is a woman-owned company founded in 2008. The DumpsterDome is their first product, and is representative of their objective to create and market products designed and manufactured in the USA. More information about the company and the DumpsterDome portable dumpster covering system can be found at [www.DumpsterDome.com](http://www.DumpsterDome.com).

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