





## Case Study Rayonier Office, Tauranga

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## PRE-FINISHED PLASTERBOARD SAVES TIME AND ELIMINATES DUST



BECAUSE of a need to save time and create a specific design aesthetic, Tauranga architect Richard Hale specified ClimateLine® pre-finished plasterboard in his latest commercial project. But during construction he discovered there was more to ClimateLine® than he initially thought.

ClimateLine® is a pre-finished plasterboard that eliminates the need for plastering and painting, therefore cutting down on labour and ridding building sites of dust and mess.

"Rayonier is an American forestry management company and we were hired to refine the office, enhance interoffice communications and create a more presentable space," Richard says. "They wanted us to use a lot of timber products and we had only a strict six week window to strip out and rebuild a 250m<sup>2</sup> office."

Due to the expanse of timber Richard planned to use a negative detail. He learnt that ClimateLine® would be able to achieve a similar look, using a knife-edge jointing system in a contrasting anodized aluminium "I thought this is a crazy idea; it's going to be more hassle than it's worth." His thoughts postinstallation? "Brilliant." -Builder Jeff Parks, Jafa Construction Ltd finish. ClimateLine® would also save crucial time and could be custom coloured in Rayonier's green corporate shade.

"It was easy to put up and involved no stopping or painting which can often take a couple of weeks to complete." Richard says. "This was a high-IT environment but we didn't have to use drop sheets or worry about dust getting into the equipment. Plus it was winter which is traditionally a difficult time to get paint dry quickly."

Builder Jeff Parkes of Jafa Construction says he hadn't used ClimateLine® before and was curious about some of the manufacturer's claims.

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"It was easy to install, fitted together well, was easy to work with and reduced the amount of clean up because there was no dust created in the construction process. It was more labour intensive than traditional plasterboard but because it's pre-finished there's no plastering or painting required. I was worried about handling it but there's so much strength in it; it's a very strong product."

Jeff says he also had concerns that sub-contractors might inadvertently damage the installed sheets, so was pleased to discover the board comes with a plastic coating which protects the surface and peels off at the last minute to reveal a perfect finish.

"I would definitely use it again. It was very enjoyable to work with," Jeff says.

Richard echoes his sentiments: "There is no way we would have finished this project on time if we'd used the traditional methods of stopping and painting plasterboard."

He says he would "definitely" use ClimateLine® again, citing its strength and time- and labour-saving qualities.



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ClimateLine can be used in dry, wet and hygienic areas in both commercial and domestic projects. A range of joiners are available to suit all design specifications. The durable lining material can be found in many projects around the country including hospitals and medical buildings, restaurants, early childhood learning centres, transportable homes, offices and residential homes.

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