Vinyl Wallcovering

It's safe.

- Vinyl wallcovering is non-toxic and has been used for decades. (EPA, NFPA, ANSI)
- Wallcoverings today meet stringent standards, are non-toxic, and most meet all low VOC requirements.
- Today, most wallcoverings are manufactured using no heavy metals such as lead, mercury, chromium or cadmium that could adversely affect the environment.
- Many manufacturers are introducing and developing additional environmentally-friendly substrates in the manufacture of wallcoverings.
- Wallcoverings are tested before they are put on the market for flame spread and smoke levels in case of fire.
 Wallcoverings on the market meet regulated standards, with many wallcoverings exhibiting extremely low flame spread and smoke development ratings.

It's cost effective.

- Vinyl wallcovering has a lifecycle that is much longer than paint with a 5-10 year average.
- Vinyl wallcovering saves money on maintenance cost compared to paint.
- Vinyl wallcovering protects the wall surfaces from nicks and dings (damages.)

It's sustainable.

- Over 50% of PVC polymer is salt, a natural resource.
- The manufacturing of vinyl wallcovering is more energy efficient than other plastics and papers.
- Vinyl wallcovering is recyclable, saving materials from landfills.
- The vinyl industry has recently established a multi-attribute sustainability standard.

For more information vinyl wallcovering, visit <u>www.wallcovering.org</u>. Check out their resources section for everything you need to know about wallcoverings and their CEU "The Wall Covered Wall," an accredited course on features and benefits of wallcovering as well as the basic construction of various wallcoverings and answers to common questions.

