

## **Best Practices Bulletin**

### **Big Sky Adaptor**

Tool ensures a consistent nail position on Fiber Cement Siding.



James Hardie Building Products has one of the most extensive Best Practices programs in the exterior cladding industry. Now we're pleased to endorse the **Big Sky Adaptor** as a preferred Best Practices Tool Partner for improving siding installation. This revolutionary tool attaches to the nosepiece of several popular air nail gun brands, and helps installers deliver precise nail placement every time!

The James Hardie team is constantly visiting job sites and introducing pros to the latest tools and techniques that improve the application process of our fiber cement products. Our installation specialists and sales reps have eagerly distributed hundreds of tool samples to get the job done right!

Due to overwhelming demand for these tools, we are expanding their distribution through our dealer network. Our latest licensing agreement allows **Big Sky Adaptor** to use the James Hardie logo in packaging and marketing.

The **Big Sky Adaptor** is fast becoming a preferred tool for installation because it alleviates the problems associated with both high and low nailing of the cement board lap sidings.

It fits over the nosepiece of the Hitachi NV 65, The Bostich N66C-1, The MAX CN565S and any air nail gun that has a round nosepiece of .702 to .705. It provides correct and consistent placement of the nail 1" down from the top of the siding to the center of the nail while still allowing the depth adjustment to function properly. This nail guide helps both the Professional and the casual Applicator achieve a consistent nailing pattern on every piece of siding.

Building contractor Jerry Tabacco and outside lumber salesman Rep Ron Udall, both of Great Falls, Montana, invented the **Big Sky Adaptor**. After years of wondering why nobody had come up with a dependable gauge for nailing, the pair welded up their own prototype. Now after two years on the market, the Big Sky Adaptor is a "Big" hit with James Hardie Installers everywhere.

Tabacco says the **Big Sky Adaptor** helps contractors eliminate high and low nail problems-and the warranty issues that can result. Plus, he adds, "It really speeds up the installation."

Learn more about the Big Sky Adaptor at: <http://www.bigskyadapter.com>