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## Good Samaritan Medical Center – Lafayette, Colorado

Good Samaritan Medical Center, one of the Exempla Health Care Hospitals, is located in Lafayette, Colorado. To select the best roofing system for the new facility, Good Samaritan hired an architect, who initially recommended an EPDM system. According to Tom Ghidotti, FiberTite's Western Region District Manager, "The Project Manager insisted on using FiberTite, due to a history of success dating back to the early 90's."

FiberTite was previously installed on Exempla's Lutheran Medical Center and St. Joseph Hospital. "Since they had many leaks, they decided to re-roof these buildings with FiberTite due to its proven longevity, low maintenance, energy savings, chemical resistance and impact resistance from hail," said Tom. "In particular, they were having problems with grease generated by cafeteria exhaust." In both cases, FiberTite was installed over a built-up roof system.

Roof Check, Inc, a roofing contractor with over twenty years experience with industrial warehouses, hospitals and schools, was hired to install FiberTite on the new Good Samaritan hospital.

The unique properties of FiberTite Fleeceback, which includes DuPont Elvaloy as the base polymer, allow it to be installed with hot asphalt. "Installing in hot asphalt proved to be a less costly alternative to installing other membranes, which would have required more costly adhesives or mechanical fasteners," stated Steve Cain, president of Roof Check.

FiberTite was introduced in 1979 by Seaman Corporation, a company that has also been a leader in many other markets, some for more than 55 years. These markets include architectural fabric structures, geomembranes, truck tarps, dock seals, military collapsible fuel tanks and military tents.

FiberTite is constructed with the heaviest denier (strongest) yarn in the industry, which provides superior puncture and tear resistance. Next, a unique adhesive coat is applied to the base fabric, which forms a molecular bond and encapsulates each yarn.

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This extra step maximizes peel resistance and seam strength. The face coat includes DuPont Elvaloy as the base polymer, along with other proprietary chemicals, to provide superior UV and chemical resistance as well as long-term flexibility. In fact, FiberTite was used as the standard to set ASTM D6754-02 for KEE membranes. The back coat is a balanced coating, which offers superior welding properties and maximizes seam strength.

Over 99% of FiberTite roofs ever installed are still protecting.



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