

Our Story

Established in 1979 and incorporated in 1983, BRC Business Enterprises has grown into a leader in the research, development and manufacturing of high quality ergonomic furniture. BRC is a Canadian-owned private company with manufacturing facilities in Georgetown, Ontario, Canada.

Bill Melnik, owner of BRC Business Enterprises Ltd. was an early pioneer in the research and development of adjustable workstation furniture in Canada. An engineering graduate of Queen's University, Bill has been working with public and private sector clients since 1985 to design and produce products, which allow their employees to work productively and safely in their specific environments. His client list includes the top ranked North American companies in banking, finance and aerospace as well as leading educational institutions and government departments.

Bill has built BRC's business and reputation on his personal integrity, commitment to excellence and strong belief in sustainable, environmentally conscious, business practices.

Under his leadership, BRC has become a forerunner in blending environmental initiatives with the manufacturing of renewable and recyclable products. Bill supports and endorses a North American, community strong, manufacturing base where today's youth are meaningfully employed and gain skills while mentored by experienced workers.

In 2011, the BRC Group created an Architectural wall division (BRC StylWall) intending to offer a high design, demountable architectural wall system to its dealers and clients. Soon thereafter, it partnered with Styloffice S.p.a. a leading, partition wall and furniture manufacturer based in Pescara, Italy. This partnership provided BRC immediate access to Italian furniture designs and architectural wall products for the North American market. The wall product has a sleek, contemporary design and is a natural fit for the A & D community. StylWall provides both solid wall demising and glass features in 2" and 4" wall thickness. It is easily customized for creative wall textures and alternate glass solution for small offices or complete floor layouts. BRC StylWall supports the manufacturing of this product in North America by providing locally sourced glass, laminates, veneers and hardware. All project management and installation services are handled by North American regional staff.

Environment

As a private Canadian corporation, BRC is concerned about the environmental impact of product design and all manufacturing processes, as well as with the content and recyclability of packaging materials. BRC adheres to the most stringent environmental standards published by the various government agencies across Canada and the United States. It will encourage any effort by employees to exceed these standards and provide a leadership role in environmental awareness.

BRC designs its products for maximum longevity by using commercial grade components such as metal brackets, threaded inserts, metal legs, steel frames and high density particleboard. These components, when assembled constitute a durable product that can withstand the challenges of the workplace for many years. In addition, all products are designed for easy installation of repair parts, precluding the necessity to replace the entire product. Metal to metal connections, heavy gauge steel components, polished and ground lead (lifting) screws and composite gears are examples of long life components in our products.

At BRC's manufacturing facility scrap wood, steel and cardboard are recycled when at all possible. These scrap products are collected at BRC and shipped to the appropriate recycling facility to be reprocessed and reused in various new products. All cardboard shipping cartons used by BRC have the highest possible recycled fiber content. At all major project installations, we remove all packaging materials and process them for recycling. Wherever possible, products are shipped bulk packed to reduce overall use of packaging materials or shipped blanket wrapped to completely eliminate the need for packaging. At BRC's facility a Blue Box program collects all recyclable materials.

BRC is concerned about the office environment and indoor air quality of its clients. In all manufacturing processes, BRC uses products or processes that are certified to reduce VOC (volatile organic compound) emissions. Adhesives used are either water based or non-solvent dispersed to reduce product off gassing. For painting of metal components, BRC uses an electrostatic powder coating process that is virtually VOC free. In addition to VOC type emissions, BRC is very concerned about formaldehyde emissions and uses wood and wood based products that have negligible formaldehyde emissions.