Sometimes building design professionals struggle with specifying materials. First of all, the CSI (Construction Specifications Institute) format for building product specifications is geared toward systems, not materials. This tends to favor delegating the responsibility for material selection to the panel manufacturer or fabricator in the case of metal building panel systems. Although system providers can be capable of making good decisions, the architect’s vision and the building owner’s best interests are reinforced when clear and specific instructions are given regarding the materials to be used.

In the case of building envelope materials, the impact of material specifications is particularly high in terms of visual appearance and cost to the owner. The material chosen plays a substantial role in how the building looks and what it costs to operate in the long term. Contrarian Micro Textures produces and distributes high performance metals that balance visual excellence with true sustainability. Whether the application is interior or exterior, design professionals often agree that our products are worthy of specification.
Prefer to Write Your Own Specifications?
Our product data sheets contain sufficient information to write performance specifications. For your convenience, we also have representatives available to assist as necessary to ensure all pertinent details are covered.

In addition, we offer the following standards, which should be referenced when specifying our materials:

**Stainless Steel**
*American Society for Testing & Materials (ASTM):*


**Titanium**

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3-Part Specifications and BIM Objects of our products are available in a variety of formats and versions on our website. Visit [www.metalresources.net/specifications](http://www.metalresources.net/specifications) to view and download!