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**Raphael Sperry, AIA, LEED® AP**, is a Consultant at Simon & Associates, Inc., an internationally recognized green building consulting firm. He provides strategic planning and LEED consulting for high-rise, industrial, and infrastructure properties, higher education facilities, and LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance projects.

Raphael was appointed by the mayor to the City of San Francisco's Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Task Force in 2009, and he has served as the appointed public representative of the Municipal Green Buildings Task Force since 2004. Raphael also contributes to the public interest as a current board member and past president of Architects / Designers / Planners for Social Responsibility, where he conceived of and directs the Prison Design Boycott campaign, and as a director of the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR). In 2004, he was the lead author for the *San Mateo Countywide Guide to Sustainable Building*. And in 2000, he was the architectural project manager for Ridge Vineyards' 17,000 sq. ft. straw-bale winery in Healdsburg, California—the largest straw-bale building in the country at that time.

Raphael is a licensed architect in California. He holds a Bachelor's degree *summa cum laude* from Harvard University and a Master of Architecture from the Yale School of Architecture.