

Outsulation® Case Study



Southeast Georgia Health System Chooses Dryvit Outsulation® to Solve Problems with Leaky Brick and Stucco Exterior



A leaky exterior is a nightmare for any building owner. For a hospital system confronted by myriad challenges in an ever-changing healthcare regulatory environment, a leaky exterior is both an expense and a problem it simply cannot afford to have.

Enter Dryvit Systems, Inc. with the solution to the moisture intrusion problem

the owners of the Southeast Georgia Health System in Brunswick, Georgia were experiencing. Dryvit's Outsulation System was chosen to repair and prevent significant moisture intrusion problems that had plagued the building since it was originally constructed.

"There were two fundamental challenges that we used Outsulation to solve," said Bryan Tuttle, Project Coordinator at the Nashville, TN architectural firm of Gresham, Smith & Partners. "One part of the building had a stucco exterior that was full of cracks and the owner was not happy with it. Another portion of the original structure featured several brick walls that were experiencing moisture problems. The owner had placed an elastomeric coating over the brick, but was not a solution to the problem, so we recommended Dryvit Outsulation and it has worked out very well."

Approximately 180,000 square feet of Dryvit Outsulation was applied to the building's exterior. Sandblast® finish was used, along with Dryvit's unique Reflectit® coating to replicate metal panels that were part of the design.

Project Name:

Southeast Georgia Health System
Brunswick, GA

Architect:

Gresham, Smith & Partners
Nashville, TN

Dryvit System & Finishes:

Outsulation
Sandblast
Reflectit

Dryvit Applicator:

Dan J. Sheehan Company
Savannah, GA

Dryvit Distributor:

Fogleman Builders Supply
Brunswick, GA



"It was a great project for us and has really enhanced the appearance and the performance of the building," says Mary Kathryn Farrahar of Savannah, GA, a contractor with Dan J. Sheehan Company, who has been applying Dryvit systems in the southeast for nearly 25 years. "It is a very good looking building and quite an improvement over the original." Tuttle, who reports that his firm's healthcare studio uses Dryvit commonly on healthcare facility projects, says that Dryvit Outsulation solved several problems on the project.

"We used a Dryvit system on this project for three reasons: we loved the appearance, the cost of the project was acceptable to the owner, and the owner had had prior experiences with stucco and brick that were not favorable," Tuttle said. "Everyone is happy with the building now that we have completed the project."

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