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A discussion about Roof installations, Manufacturer Warranties, and the value of Roof Analysis.

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Is Mother Nature telling you it's time for a new Roof?

Every year our building products expand and contract with the summer-winter cycle. This is normal, and many buildings are designed to accept this expansion and contraction.

The challenge to the roof often presents itself when you add high-winds and hail storm events; this puts building components to a substantial test.

A roof analysis can determine whether the roof needs to be replaced, or if the current roof can be repaired.

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When it is time for a new Roof, how do you know whether it is installed correctly?

- *Not all roofs perform the same, and not all roofs are in the Owner's best interest.*
- *There are a variety of roofs; our roof consultants can help advise on a roof best fit for any Owner.*
- *We can help determine the best options to extend the life of aged roofs, and how much roof repairs will cost.*

What happens when you have a roof leak? You may call a roofer to come and fix it, but the roofer may tell you that you need a new roof.

How do you determine whether this roofer is trying to sell you a new roof, or if there are other options for you, or your client? Roof technology has dramatically changed in the past twenty years. There are now many types of roofs. As roofs have become more complex, it is the new industry standard for architects, contractors, and engineers to have a Roof Consultant to advise. Owners deserve to be counseled. At BD Hatchman, we conduct third-party roof analysis, generate detailed reports, and advise on the best options for the Owner—including how much options will likely cost.

Building Owners realize that the roof is the most expensive component to maintain. The high price often inspires complicated questions that require expert advice.

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One consideration must be the warranty associated with the bargain of a new roof. It may not surprise you to know that manufacturers are quick to extend warranties, but are hesitant when honoring such warranties. Many factors affect whether a warranty will be honored.

One common factor is whether the roof is installed according to the manufacturer's specifications. If enough disparity between manufacturer's specifications and the existing conditions, then it may void the warranty. Our Roof Consultants help ensure that the roof is installed per manufacturer's specifications.

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