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Wind Pressure Performance of DuPont™ Insulated Sheathing Products

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1 Innovative Products Evaluated[1]

1.1 DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products:

1.1.1 *Styrofoam™ Brand Insulating Sheathing Products:*

1.1.1.1 Styrofoam™ Square Edge

1.1.1.2 Styrofoam™ Tongue and Groove

1.1.1.3 Styrofoam™ Ultra Ship Lap

1.1.1.4 Styrofoam™ UtilityFit™

1.1.1.5 Styrofoam™ Duramate™ Plus

1.1.1.6 Styrofoam™ Residential Sheathing

1.1.2 *Tuff-R™ Brand Insulating Sheathing Products:*

1.1.2.1 Tuff-R™ Insulation Sheathing

1.1.2.2 Super Tuff-R™ Insulation Sheathing

1.1.2.3 Tuff-R™ (ci)

1.1.3 *Thermax™ Brand Insulating Sheathing Products:*

1.1.3.1 Thermax™ Sheathing

1.1.3.2 Thermax™ (ci)

1.1.3.3 Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci) Exterior Insulation

1.1.3.4 Thermax™ Heavy Duty

1.1.3.5 Thermax™ Light Duty

1.1.3.6 Thermax™ Metal Building and White Finish

1.1.3.7 Thermax™ Metal Building Board NH

1.1.3.8 Thermax™ White Finish NH

1.1.3.9 Thermax™ Heavy Duty NH

1.1.3.10 Thermax™ Light Duty NH

1.1.3.11 Thermax™ Basic NH

2 Product Description and Materials

2.1 An example of one of the innovative products evaluated in this report is shown in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1. Styrofoam Brand Foam Plastic Insulating Sheathing
(Styrofoam Square Edge Insulation Shown)

2.2 *Styrofoam Brand*

2.2.1 Styrofoam Brand insulation is an extruded polystyrene foam insulation, manufactured in compliance with ASTM C578, and includes:

2.2.1.1 Styrofoam SE – Square Edge (Type IV)

2.2.1.2 Styrofoam TG – Tongue and Groove (Type IV)

2.2.1.3 Styrofoam Ultra SL – Ultra Ship Lap (Type IV)

2.2.1.4 Styrofoam UtilityFit (Type X)

2.2.1.5 Styrofoam Duramate Plus (Type X)

2.2.1.6 Styrofoam Residential Sheathing (Type X)

2.2.2 Styrofoam Brand Insulated Sheathing is manufactured in 2' x 8', 4' x 8' or 4' x 9' sheets, in thicknesses ranging from $^1/_2$" to 3".

2.3 *Tuff-R Brand*

2.3.1 Tuff-R insulation is a Type I polyisocyanurate (polyiso) foam insulation with aluminum foil facers, manufactured in compliance with ASTM C1289 Type I and includes:

2.3.1.1 Tuff-R Insulation Sheathing

2.3.1.2 Super Tuff-R Insulation Sheathing

2.3.1.3 Tuff-R (ci)

2.3.2 Tuff-R and Super Tuff-R are manufactured in 4' x 8' or 4' x 9' sheets, in thicknesses ranging from 1/2" to 2". Tuff-R (ci) is manufactured in 4' x 8' or 4' x 9' sheets, in thicknesses ranging from 1/2" to 3.2".

2.4 *Thermax Brand*

2.4.1 Thermax insulation is a Type I, Class 2 polyiso foam plastic core material with a glass fiber mat bonded on both sides to aluminum facers, manufactured in compliance with ASTM C1289 Type I, Class 2, and includes:

2.4.1.1 Thermax Sheathing

2.4.1.2 Thermax (ci) Exterior Insulation

2.4.1.3 Thermax XARMOR (ci) Exterior Insulation

2.4.1.4 Thermax Heavy Duty

2.4.1.5 Thermax Light Duty

2.4.1.6 Thermax Metal Building

2.4.1.7 Thermax White Finish

2.4.2 Thermax is manufactured in various lengths and widths with thicknesses ranging from 1/2" to 4 1/2".

2.5 *Thermax Brand NH Products*

2.5.1 Thermax NH (Non-Halogen) insulation is a Type I polyisocyanurate (polyiso) foam insulation with a glass fiber mat bonded on both sides to aluminum facers, manufactured in compliance with ASTM C1289, Type 1, Class 2, and includes:

2.5.1.1 Thermax Metal Building NH

2.5.1.2 Thermax White Finish NH

2.5.1.3 Thermax Heavy Duty NH

2.5.1.4 Thermax Light Duty NH

2.5.1.5 Thermax Basic NH

2.5.2 Thermax NH is manufactured in various lengths and widths with thicknesses ranging from 1/2" to 3".

2.6 As needed, review material properties for design in **Section 6** and the regulatory evaluation in **Section 8**.

3 Definitions[2]

3.1 New Materials[3] are defined as building materials, equipment, appliances, systems, or methods of construction, not provided for by prescriptive and/or legislatively adopted regulations, known as alternative materials.[4] The design strength and permissible stresses shall be established by tests[5] and/or engineering analysis.[6]

3.2 Duly authenticated reports[7] and research reports[8] are test reports and related engineering evaluations that are written by an approved agency[9] and/or an approved source.[10]

3.2.1 This report utilizes intellectual property and/or trade secrets to create public domain material properties for commercial end-use.

3.2.1.1 This report protects confidential Intellectual Property and trade secrets under the regulation, 18.US.Code.90, also known as Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 (DTSA).[11]

3.3 An approved agency is *"approved"* when it is ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited. DrJ Engineering, LLC (DrJ) is accredited and listed in the ANAB directory.

3.4 An approved source is *"approved"* when a professional engineer (i.e., Registered Design Professional, hereinafter RDP) is properly licensed to transact engineering commerce. The regulatory authority governing approved sources is the state legislature via its professional engineering regulations.[12]

3.5 Testing and/or inspections conducted for this duly authenticated report were performed by an ISO/IEC 17025 accredited testing laboratory, an ISO/IEC 17020 accredited inspection body, and/or a licensed RDP.

3.5.1 The Center for Building Innovation (CBI) is ANAB[13] ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17020 accredited.

3.6 The regulatory authority shall enforce[14] the specific provisions of each legislatively adopted regulation. If there is a non-conformance, the specific regulatory section and language of the non-conformance shall be provided in writing[15] stating the nonconformance and the path to its cure.

3.7 The regulatory authority shall accept duly authenticated reports from an approved agency and/or an approved source with respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in regulations regarding the use of alternative materials, designs, or methods of construction.[16]

3.8 ANAB is an International Accreditation Forum (IAF) Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) signatory. Therefore, recognition of certificates and validation statements issued by conformity assessment bodies accredited by all other signatories of the IAF MLA with the appropriate scope shall be approved.[17] Thus, all ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 duly authenticated reports are approval equivalent,[18] and can be used in any country that is an MLA signatory found at this link: https://iaf.nu/en/recognised-abs/

3.9 Approval equity is a fundamental commercial and legal principle.[19]

4 Applicable Local, State, and Federal Approvals; Standards; Regulations[20]

4.1 *Local, State, and Federal*

4.1.1 Approved in all local jurisdictions pursuant to ISO/IEC 17065 duly authenticated report use, which includes, but is not limited to, the following featured local jurisdictions: Austin, Baltimore, Broward County, Chicago, Clark County, Dade County, Dallas, Detroit, Denver, DuPage County, Fort Worth, Houston, Kansas City, King County, Knoxville, Las Vegas, Los Angeles City, Los Angeles County, Miami, Nashville, New York City, Omaha, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Portland, San Antonio, San Diego, San Jose, San Francisco, Seattle, Sioux Falls, South Holland, St. Louis County, Texas Department of Insurance, and Wichita.[21]

4.1.2 Approved in all state jurisdictions pursuant to ISO/IEC 17065 duly authenticated report use, which includes, but is not limited to, the following featured states: California, Florida, New Jersey, Oregon, New York, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin.[22]

4.1.3 Approved by the Code of Federal Regulations Manufactured Home Construction: Pursuant to Title 24, Subtitle B, Chapter XX, Part 3282.14[23] and Part 3280[24] pursuant to the use of ISO/IEC 17065 duly authenticated reports.

4.1.4 Approved means complying with the requirements of local, state, or federal legislation.

4.2 *Regulations*

4.2.1 *IBC – 18, 21, 24: International Building Code®*

4.2.2 *IRC – 18, 21, 24: International Residential Code®*

4.3 *Standards*

4.3.1 *ABTG ANSI/FS 100: Standard Requirements for Wind Pressure Resistance of Foam Plastic Insulating Sheathing Used in Exterior Wall Covering Assemblies*

4.3.2 *ANSI/AWC NDS: National Design Specification (NDS) for Wood Construction*

4.3.3 *ASCE/SEI 7: Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures*

4.3.4 *ASTM C203: Standard Test Methods for Breaking Load and Flexural Properties of Block-Type Thermal Insulation*

4.3.5 *ASTM C578: Standard Specification for Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation*

4.3.6 *ASTM C1289: Standard Specification for Faced Rigid Cellular Polyisocyanurate Thermal Insulation Board*

4.3.7 *ASTM E330: Standard Test Method for Structural Performance of Exterior Windows, Doors, Skylights and Curtain Walls by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference*

5 Listed[25]

5.1 Equipment, materials, products, or services included in a List published by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (e.g., CBI), an approved agency (e.g., CBI and DrJ), and/or and approved source (e.g., DrJ), or other organization(s) concerned with product evaluation (e.g., DrJ), that maintains periodic inspection (e.g., CBI) of production of listed equipment or materials, and whose listing states either that the equipment or material meets nationally recognized standards or has been tested and found suitable for use in a specified manner.

6 Tabulated Properties Generated from Nationally Recognized Standards

6.1 *General Requirements*

6.1.1 The following are minimum installation requirements for DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products when applied to light-frame wall framing members:

6.1.1.1 Light-frame wood framing members supporting the insulating sheathing shall have a nominal thickness of not less than 2" (1$^1/_2$" actual).

6.1.1.2 Light-frame steel framing members shall have a flange width of not less than 1$^1/_2$" (including bend radius at web and lip).

6.1.1.3 Framing members shall be spaced at a maximum of 24" o.c.

6.1.1.4 The insulating sheathing shall be attached to the wall framing in accordance with the manufacturer installation instructions and this report.

6.1.1.5 All sheathing edges shall be supported by wall framing or blocking.

6.2 *Wind Pressure Requirements*

6.2.1 When fastened directly to light-frame wall members (e.g., studs), DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products shall comply with the requirements of **Section 6.2**, in accordance with IBC Section 104.2.3, IRC Section R104.2.2, and ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289, as applicable.

6.2.2 *Specific Requirements:*

6.2.2.1 The minimum thickness of DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products shall comply with **Table 1** for one of the following two conditions:

6.2.2.1.1 The insulated sheathing is directly constrained by a code-compliant cladding material (i.e., no gap between the cladding and the insulating sheathing).

6.2.2.1.2 Where a code-compliant cladding system is installed over, but not directly on, the surface of the insulating sheathing so that there is a space between the sheathing and the cladding (i.e., furring is used over insulating sheathing product).

6.2.2.2 The components and cladding design wind pressure and basic wind speed determined in accordance with IBC Section 1609 or IRC Section R301.2, shall not exceed the allowable wind pressure value or basic wind speed of the insulating sheathing shown in **Table 1**.

6.2.2.3 The insulating sheathing can be oriented with the length dimension parallel or perpendicular to the wall-framing members. When perpendicular to framing members, horizontal joints shall be supported by blocking, unless use of unblocked joints qualifies in accordance with IBC Section 104.2.3, IRC Section R104.2.2, and ASTM C578, as applicable.

Table 1. Allowable Wind Pressure Resistance (psf) and Basic Wind Speed (mph) for DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products Used in Exterior Wall Covering Assemblies[1,2,3]

DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products	Sheathing Thickness (in)	Fastener Spacing[10] (Perimeter:Field) (in)	ASD Components and Cladding Design Wind Pressure[4,6,7] (psf)		Components and Cladding Basic Wind Speed[8,9] (V_{ult}) (mph)	
			16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing	16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing
Styrofoam Duramate Plus	1/2	12:16	24.4	-	130	-
Tuff-R (ci)	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Styrofoam Residential Sheathing	1/2	6:12	29.9	13.3	140	-
	1	12:16	48.3(5)	23.9	180	120
Styrofoam UtilityFit	1	12:16	47.0(5)	20.9	180	120
Styrofoam Ultra Ship Lap	1	12:16	35.9(5)	35.9(5)	150	150
Styrofoam Tongue and Groove	1	12:16	35.9(5)	35.9(5)	150	150
Styrofoam Square Edge	1	12:16	35.9(5)	35.9(5)	150	150
Tuff-R Insulation Sheathing	1/2	6:12	21.0	-	120	-
	5/8	6:12	21.0	-	120	-
	3/4	6:12	21.8	-	120	-
	1	12:16	23.0	23.0	120	120
Super Tuff-R Insulation Sheathing	1/2	12:16	21.3	-	120	-
Thermax (ci)	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax Sheathing	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax XARMOR (ci)	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax Heavy Duty	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax Light Duty	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax Metal Building	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax White Finish	1/2	12:16	22.0	-	120	-
Thermax NH	1	12:16	41.4(5)	17.6	160	110

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			16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing	16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing

SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1-psf = 0.0479 kN/m², 1 mph = 1.61 km/h

1. Linear interpolation shall not be permitted.
2. **Table 1** shall be used in conjunction **Section 9**.
3. Allowable design wind pressure ratings are based on ASTM E330 testing in accordance with IBC Section 1609 and IRC Section R301.2.
4. Tabulated values were determined in accordance with ABTG ANSI/FS 100 for a fully-blocked condition, (i.e., all horizontal and vertical sheathing joints supported on blocking or framing members) using a Pressure Equalization Factor (PEF) of 0.9 where the allowable wind pressure is 30-psf or less.
5. Allowable wind pressures greater than 30-psf were determined using a PEF of 1.0.
6. Where a 0.9 PEF factor is used, 1/2" gypsum meeting the requirements of ASTM C1396 is required to be installed on the interior of the wall assembly. Where 1/2" gypsum is not installed on the interior side of the wall assembly, multiply the listed allowable wind pressure by 0.9.
7. Where the exterior cladding (e.g., brick, stucco, cultured stone, cement fiber siding) is able to resist 100% of the required negative wind pressures, the listed value is permitted to be used for design of the positive wind pressure only.
8. Wind speeds are based on the following: Zone 5, Mean roof height – 30', Exposure B, 10 sq. ft. effective wind area in accordance with ASCE 7.
9. Allowable stress design wind speed shall be determined in accordance with IBC Section 1609.3.1: $V_{asd} = V_{ult}\sqrt{0.6}$
10. Minimum fastener specifications of 0.113" diameter ring shank nails with 1" plastic cap. Fasteners shall be long enough to penetrate the stud 1 1/2".

6.3 *Wall Assembly Wind Pressure Requirements*

6.3.1 The components and cladding design wind pressure and basic wind speed determined in accordance with IBC Section 1609 or IRC Section R301.2 shall not exceed the allowable wind pressure value or basic wind speed of the assembly shown in **Table 2**.

6.3.2 When installed as part of the assembly described below and in **Table 2**, Styrofoam Residential Sheathing shall comply with the requirements of this report, and in accordance with IBC Section 104.2.3, IRC Section R104.2.2, and ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289, as applicable.

6.3.2.1 The wall assembly in **Table 2** is composed of SPF wood studs spaced a maximum of 24" o.c., Styrofoam Residential Sheathing, Tyvek® water-resistive barrier and James Hardie™ Hardie® Plank cladding.

6.3.2.2 The minimum thickness of Styrofoam Residential Sheathing shall comply with **Table 2**.

6.3.3 The insulating sheathing can be oriented with the length dimension parallel or perpendicular to the wall framing members. When perpendicular to framing members, horizontal joints shall be supported by blocking, unless use of unblocked joints qualifies in accordance with IBC Section 104.2.3, IRC Section R104.2.2, and ASTM C578, as applicable.

Table 2. Wall Assembly Allowable Wind Pressure Resistance and Basic Wind Speed[2]

DuPont Insulated Sheathing Product	Sheathing Thickness[5] (in)	Sheathing Fastener	Wrap[6]	Siding[7]	ASD Components and Cladding Design Wind Pressure[1,3] (psf)		Components and Cladding Basic Wind Speed[4] (V_{ult}) (mph)	
					16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing	16" o.c. Framing	24" o.c. Framing
Styrofoam Residential Sheathing	1/2	1 1/2" X 0.120" Roofing Nails Spaced 12":16"	Tyvek	9 1/4" James Hardie 5/16" Hardie Plank Fastened with 0.120" x 1 3/4" Roofing Nails[8]	44.4	21.9	170	120
	1	2 1/2" X 0.120" Roofing Nails Spaced 12":16"	Tyvek	8 1/4" James Hardie 5/16" Hardie Plank Fastened with 0.120" x 3" Ring Shank Nails[9]	153.3	68.1	200	200

SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1-psf = 0.0479 kN/m^2, 1 mph = 1.61 km/h

1. Linear interpolation shall not be permitted.
2. **Table 2** shall be used in conjunction with **Section 9**.
3. Allowable design wind pressure ratings are based on ASTM E330 testing in accordance with IBC Section 1609 and IRC Section R301.2.
4. Wind speeds are based on the following: Zone 5, Mean roof height – 30', Exposure B, 10 sq. ft. effective wind area in accordance with ASCE 7.
5. The listed thickness is the minimum thickness of Styrofoam Residential Sheathing allowed. When thicker Styrofoam Residential Sheathing is used, the nail penetration depth shall be maintained.
6. Wrap fastened with minimum 5/16" x 1" staples including 1" diameter plastic caps spaced 18":18".
7. Siding installed with 1 1/4" overlap and blind nailed at 24" on center. Narrower siding panels than those listed are permitted.
8. Minimum head diameter of 0.375"
9. Minimum head diameter of 0.281"

6.4 Alternative techniques shall be permitted in accordance with accepted engineering practice and experience. These provisions for the use of alternative materials, designs, and methods of construction are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed herein. This includes, but is not limited to, the following areas of engineering: mechanics of materials, structures, building science, and fire science.

7 Certified Performance[26]

7.1 All construction methods shall conform to accepted engineering practices to ensure durable, livable, and safe construction and shall demonstrate acceptable workmanship reflecting journeyman quality of work of the various trades.[27]

7.2 The strength and rigidity of the component parts and/or the integrated structure shall be determined by engineering analysis or by suitable load tests to simulate the actual loads and conditions of application that occur.[28]

8 Regulatory Evaluation and Accepted Engineering Practice

8.1 DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products comply with the following legislatively adopted regulations and/or accepted engineering practice for the following reasons:

8.1.1 Styrofoam Brand, Tuff-R Brand, and Thermax Brand Insulating Sheathing products were evaluated for the following:

8.1.1.1 Wind pressure resistance performance for use as part of an exterior wall covering assembly over wood or steel studs in accordance with the following code sections:

8.1.1.1.1 IBC Section 104.2.3 and 2021 IBC Section 1403.12

8.1.1.1.2 IRC Section R104.2.2, IRC Section R703.1.2, IRC Section R703.3, and IRC Table R703.3(1)

8.1.1.2 Wind pressure resistance performance for use as exterior wall sheathing in compliance with the building codes listed in **Section 4**.

8.1.2 When used as over-sheathing[29] on light-frame, masonry, or concrete exterior walls, DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products are not required to meet the wind pressure requirements of this report.

8.1.3 This report does not address wind pressure resistance requirements for DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products used as part of an Exterior Insulation Finish System (EIFS). Refer to the EIFS manufacturer installation instructions for building code compliance.

8.2 Any building code, regulation and/or accepted engineering evaluations (e.g., research reports, duly authenticated reports, etc.) that are conducted for this Listing were performed by DrJ, which is an ISO/IEC 17065 accredited certification body and a professional engineering company operated by RDP or approved sources. DrJ is qualified[30] to practice product and regulatory compliance services within its scope of accreditation and engineering expertise,[31] respectively.

8.3 Engineering evaluations are conducted with DrJ's ANAB accredited ICS code scope of expertise, which is also its areas of professional engineering competence.

9 Installation

9.1 Installation shall comply with the approved construction documents, the manufacturer installation instructions, this report, and the applicable building code.

9.2 In the event of a conflict between the manufacturer installation instructions and this report, contact the manufacturer for counsel on the proper installation method.

9.3 *DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products Installation*

9.3.1 The insulation boards should be oriented with the printed side facing the exterior side of the building.

9.3.1.1 The insulating sheathing can be oriented with the length dimension parallel or perpendicular to the wall-framing members. All joints shall be supported by blocking.

9.3.2 Secure the sheathing to framing members with fasteners capable of resisting the imposed loads in accordance with the NDS. Fasteners will vary, depending on the substrate and cladding materials.

9.3.2.1 Fastener heads shall be a minimum of $^{3}/_{8}$" diameter. Do not allow the fastener head to penetrate the sheathing facer. Use of washers at the fastener head is recommended.

9.3.2.2 Minimum penetration of the fasteners into wood framing is $1^{1}/_{2}$".

9.3.2.3 Minimum penetration of the fasteners into steels studs is three (3) threads through the steel flange.

9.4 *Cladding Installation*

9.4.1 Wind pressure rating adjustments for vinyl siding installed directly over DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products shall comply with IRC Section R703.11.2 for buildings constructed under the IBC or IRC.

9.4.2 Wind pressure resistance for James Hardie cladding installed directly over Styrofoam Residential Sheathing shall comply with **Table 2**.

9.4.3 Cladding installation and fastening through foam sheathing shall comply with the applicable building code and the cladding manufacturer installation instructions. The minimum fastener size shall be capable of supporting the cladding weight when cantilevering through the insulating sheathing.

9.4.3.1 Per **Table 2**, James Hardie cladding installation shall be in accordance with James Hardie Technical Bulletin #19.

9.4.4 Wall assemblies that include DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products, and that are intended to serve as part of the lateral force resisting system of a structure, shall be braced to resist the in plane shear force in accordance with IBC Section 2308.10,[32] IRC Section R602.10, or a design in accordance with IBC Section 2305 or IRC Section R301, as applicable.

9.4.5 Wall assemblies with insulating sheathing attached to gravity load supporting members (e.g., studs) that require buckling restraint in a direction parallel to the plane of the wall shall have such restraint provided by other suitable materials. Wall assemblies shall be designed with an effective buckling length equal to the length of the member between points of lateral support provided by attachment to other building assemblies.

10 Substantiating Data

10.1 Testing has been performed under the supervision of a professional engineer and/or under the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 as follows:

10.1.1 Wind pressure resistance testing in accordance with ABTG ANSI/FS 100

10.1.2 Load and flexural properties testing in accordance with ASTM C203

10.1.3 Wind pressure performance testing in accordance with ASTM E330

10.2 Information contained herein may include the result of testing and/or data analysis by sources that are approved agencies, approved sources, and/or an RDP. Accuracy of external test data and resulting analysis is relied upon.

10.3 Where applicable, testing and/or engineering analysis are based upon provisions that have been codified into law through state or local adoption of regulations and standards. The developers of these regulations and standards are responsible for the reliability of published content. DrJ's engineering practice may use a regulation-adopted provision as the control. A regulation-endorsed control versus a simulation of the conditions of application to occur establishes a new material as being equivalent to the regulatory provision in terms of quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, and safety.

10.4 The accuracy of the provisions provided herein may be reliant upon the published properties of raw materials, which are defined by the grade mark, grade stamp, mill certificate, or duly authenticated reports from approved agencies and/or approved sources provided by the supplier. These are presumed to be minimum properties and relied upon to be accurate. The reliability of DrJ's engineering practice, as contained in this duly authenticated report, may be dependent upon published design properties by others.

10.5 *Testing and Engineering Analysis*

10.5.1 The strength, rigidity, and/or general performance of component parts and/or the integrated structure are determined by suitable tests that simulate the actual conditions of application that occur and/or by accepted engineering practice and experience.[33]

10.6 Where additional condition of use and/or regulatory compliance information is required, please search for DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products on the DrJ Certification website.

11 Findings

11.1 As outlined in **Section 6**, DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products have performance characteristics that were tested and/or meet applicable regulations. In addition, they are suitable for use pursuant to its specified purpose.

11.2 When used and installed in accordance with this duly authenticated report and the manufacturer installation instructions, DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products shall be approved for the following applications:

11.2.1 Wind pressure resistance in accordance with ABTG ANSI/FS 100, as referenced in IBC Section 2603.10 and IRC Section R303.8.[34]

11.3 Unless exempt by state statute, when DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products are to be used as a structural and/or building envelope component in the design of a specific building, the design shall be performed by an RDP.

11.4 Any application specific issues not addressed herein can be engineered by an RDP. Assistance with engineering is available from DuPont Performance Building Solutions.

11.5 IBC Section 104.2.3[35] (IRC Section R104.2.2[36] and IFC Section 104.2.3[37] are similar) in pertinent part state:

> **104.2.3 Alternative Materials, Design and Methods of Construction and Equipment.** The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative is not specifically prohibited by this code and has been approved.

11.6 **Approved:**[38] Building regulations require that the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports.[39]

11.6.1 An approved agency is *"approved"* when it is ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited.

11.6.2 An approved source is *"approved"* when an RDP is properly licensed to transact engineering commerce.

11.6.3 Federal law, Title 18 US Code Section 242, requires that, where the alternative product, material, service, design, assembly, and/or method of construction is not approved, the building official shall respond in writing, stating the reasons why the alternative was not approved. Denial without written reason deprives a protected right to free and fair competition in the marketplace.

11.7 DrJ is a licensed engineering company, employs licensed RDPs and is an ANAB Accredited Product Certification Body – Accreditation #1131.

11.8 Through the IAF Multilateral Arrangement (MLA), this duly authenticated report can be used to obtain product approval in any jurisdiction or country because all ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 duly authenticated reports are equivalent.[40]

12 Conditions of Use

12.1 As defined in **Section 6**, where material and/or engineering mechanics properties are created for load resisting design purposes, the resistance to the applied load shall not exceed the ability of the defined properties to resist those loads using the principles of accepted engineering practice.

12.2 DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products shall comply with the applicable sections of the IBC and IRC and are subject to the following conditions:

12.2.1 These products shall be installed in compliance with the manufacturer installation instructions, the applicable building code, and this report.

12.2.2 The manufacturer shall provide the building official and purchaser with evidence of code compliance for matters beyond the wind pressure resistance scope of this report.

12.2.3 Styrofoam Brand, Tuff-R Brand, and Thermax Brand Insulating Sheathing Products shall comply with the material standards listed in **Section 2** and **Section 4**, as applicable, and shall be applied to exterior wall construction in accordance with the general requirements of **Section 6.1**, as well as the prescriptive wind pressure resistance requirements of **Section 6.2**.

12.2.4 DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products used in accordance with this report, that are required to resist wind pressure in exterior wall covering assemblies, shall also comply with the conditions of use listed in **Section 12** and the product marking requirements of **Section 13**.

12.3 When required by adopted legislation and enforced by the building official, also known as the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) in which the project is to be constructed:

12.3.1 Any calculations incorporated into the construction documents shall conform to accepted engineering practice and, when prepared by an approved source, shall be approved when signed and sealed.

12.3.2 This report and the installation instructions shall be submitted at the time of permit application.

12.3.3 These innovative products have an internal quality control program and a third-party quality assurance program.

12.3.4 At a minimum, these innovative products shall be installed per **Section 9**.

12.3.5 The review of this report by the AHJ shall comply with IBC Section 104.2.3.2 and IBC Section 105.3.1.

12.3.6 These innovative products have an internal quality control program and a third party quality assurance program in accordance with IBC Section 104.7.2, IBC Section 110.4, IBC Section 1703, IRC Section R104.7.2, and IRC Section R109.2.

12.3.7 The application of these innovative products in the context of this report is dependent upon the accuracy of the construction documents, implementation of installation instructions, inspection as required by IBC Section 110.3, IRC Section R109.2, and any other regulatory requirements that may apply.

12.4 The approval of this report by the AHJ shall comply with IBC Section 1707.1, where legislation states in part, *"the building official shall make, or cause to be made, the necessary tests and investigations; or the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in Section 104.2.3"*, all of IBC Section 104, and IBC Section 105.3.

12.5 Design loads shall be determined in accordance with the regulations adopted by the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed and/or by the building designer (i.e., owner or RDP).

12.6 The actual design, suitability, and use of this report for any particular building, is the responsibility of the owner or the authorized agent of the owner.

13 Identification

13.1 DuPont Insulated Sheathing Products, as listed in **Section 1.1**, are identified by a label on the board or packaging material bearing the manufacturer name, product name, this report number, and other information to confirm code compliance.

13.2 Additional technical information can be found at www.dupont.com/building.

14 Review Schedule

14.1 This report is subject to periodic review and revision. For the latest version, visit www.drjcertification.org.

14.2 For information on the status of this report, please contact DrJ Certification.

Notes

1 For more information, visit drjcertification.org or call us at 608-310-6748.

2 Capitalized terms and responsibilities are defined pursuant to the applicable building code, applicable reference standards, the latest edition of TPI 1, the NDS, AISI S202, US professional engineering law, Canadian building code, Canada professional engineering law, Qualtim External Appendix A: Definitions/Commentary, Qualtim External Appendix B: Project/Deliverables, Qualtim External Appendix C: Intellectual Property and Trade Secrets, definitions created within Design Drawings and/or definitions within Reference Sheets. Beyond this, terms not defined shall have ordinarily accepted meanings as the context implies. Words used in the present tense include the future; words stated in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural, the singular.

3 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1702

4 Alternative Materials, Design and Methods of Construction and Equipment: The provisions of any regulation code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by a regulation. Please review https://www.justice.gov/atr/mission and https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.2.3

5 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1706.2:~:text=the%20design%20strengths%20and%20permissible%20stresses%20shall%20be%20established%20by%20tests

6 The design strengths and permissible stresses of any structural material shall conform to the specifications and methods of design of accepted engineering practice. https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1706.1:~:text=Conformance%20to%20Standards-,The%20design%20strengths%20and%20permissible%20stresses,-of%20any%20structural

7 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1:~:text=the%20building%20official%20shall%20make%2C%20or%20cause%20to%20be%20made%2C%20the%20necessary%20tests%20and%20investigations%3B%20or%20the%20building%20official%20shall%20accept%20duly%20authenticated%20reports%20from%20approved%20agencies%20in%20respect%20to%20the%20quality%20and%20manner%20of%20use%20of%20new%20materials%20or%20assemblies%20as%20provided%20for%20in%20Section%20104.2.3.

8 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1703.4.2

9 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/2/definitions#approved_agency

10 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/2/definitions#approved_source

11 https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/1832 (b) Any organization that commits any offense described in subsection (a) shall be fined not more than the greater of $5,000,000 or 3 times the value of the stolen trade secret to the organization, including expenses for research and design and other costs of reproducing the trade secret that the organization has thereby avoided. The federal government and each state have a public records act. To follow DTSA and comply state public records and trade secret legislation requires approval through ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited certification bodies or approved sources. For more information, please review this website: Intellectual Property and Trade Secrets.

12 https://www.nspe.org/resources/issues-and-advocacy/professional-policies-and-position-statements/regulation-professional AND https://apassociation.org/list-of-engineering-boards-in-each-state-archive/

13 https://www.cbitest.com/accreditation/

14 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.1:~:text=directed%20to%20enforce%20the%20provisions%20of%20this%20code

15 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.2.3 AND https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#105.3.1

16 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1

17 https://iaf.nu/en/about-iaf-mla/#:~:text=Once%20an%20accreditation%20body%20is%20a%20signatory%20of%20the%20IAF%20MLA%2C%20it%20is%20required%20to%20recognise%20certificates%20and%20validation%20and%20verification%20statements%20issued%20by%20conformity%20assessment%20bodies%20accredited%20by%20all%20other%20signatories%20of%20the%20IAF%20MLA%2C%20with%20the%20appropriate%20scope

18 True for all ANAB accredited product evaluation agencies and all International Trade Agreements.

19 https://www.justice.gov/crt/deprivation-rights-under-color-law AND https://www.justice.gov/atr/mission

20 Unless otherwise noted, the links referenced herein use un-amended versions of the 2024 International Code Council (ICC) 2024 International Code Council (ICC) model codes as foundation references. Mississippi versions of the IBC 2024 and the IRC 2024 are un-amended. This material, product, design, service and/or method of construction also complies with the 2000-2012 versions of the referenced codes and the standards referenced therein. As pertinent to this technical and code compliance evaluation, CBI and/or DrJ staff have reviewed any state or local regulatory amendments to assure this report is in compliance.

21 See Adoptions by Publisher for the latest adoption of a non-amended or amended model code by the local jurisdiction. https://up.codes/codes/general

22 See Adoptions by Publisher for the latest adoption of a non-amended or amended model code by state. https://up.codes/codes/general

23 https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3282/subpart-A/section-3282.14

24 https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280

25 https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280#p-3280.2(Listed%20or%20certified); https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/2/definitions#listed AND https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/2/definitions#labeled

26 https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1703.4

27 https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280#:~:text=All%20construction%20methods%20shall%20be%20in%20conformance%20with%20accepted%20engineering%20practices%20to%20insure%20durable%2C%20livable%2C%20and%20safe%20housing%20and%20shall%20demonstrate%20acceptable%20workmanship%20reflecting%20journeyman%20quality%20of%20work%20of%20the%20various%20trades

28 https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280#:~:text=The%20strength%20and%20rigidity%20of%20the%20component%20parts%20and/or%20the%20integrated%20structure%20shall%20be%20determined%20by%20engineering%20analysis%20or%20by%20suitable%20load%20tests%20to%20simulate%20the%20actual%20loads%20and%20conditions%20of%20application%20that%20occur

[29] As used in this report, *"over-sheathing"* refers to the application of foam sheathing over and directly on the surface of wall sheathing material or solid wall construction, such as masonry or concrete, whereby the substrate is capable of resisting the full design transverse wind load required by the applicable building code or latest edition of ASCE 7. In addition, cladding is separately installed over foam sheathing in accordance with **Section 6.2**. An over-sheathing application of foam sheathing does not require that the foam sheathing resist wind pressure in accordance with this report.

[30] Qualification is performed by a legislatively defined Accreditation Body. ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) is the largest independent accreditation body in North America and provides services in more than 75 countries. DrJ is an ANAB accredited product certification body.

[31] https://anabpd.ansi.org/Accreditation/product-certification/AllDirectoryDetails?prgID=1&orgID=2125&statusID=4#:~:text=Bill%20Payment%20Date-,Accredited%20Scopes,-13%20ENVIRONMENT.%20HEALTH

[32] 2021 IBC Section 2308.6

[33] See Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 24 Subtitle B Chapter XX Part 3280 for definition: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280

[34] 2021 IRC Section R316.8

[35] 2021 IBC Section 104.11

[36] 2021 IRC Section R104.11

[37] 2018: https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ifc-2018/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.9 AND 2021: https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.11

[38] Approved is an adjective that modifies the noun after it. For example, Approved Agency means that the Agency is accepted officially as being suitable in a particular situation. This example conforms to IBC/IRC/IFC Section 201.4 (https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/2/definitions#201.4) where the building code authorizes sentences to have an ordinarily accepted meaning such as the context implies.

[39] https://up.codes/viewer/mississippi/ibc-2024/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1

[40] Multilateral approval is true for all ANAB accredited product evaluation agencies and all International Trade Agreements.