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Class 0 summary report

**Including Opinion Of
Compliance With The
Requirements For A Class 0
Surface As Defined In
Paragraph A13(b) Of Approved
Document B (Volumes 1 & 2),
(2006 Edition) 'Fire Safety' To
The Building Regulations 2000**

Summary of WF Report Numbers

189309 & 189310

Date:

27th January 2010

Test Sponsor:

**PRA Coatings Technology
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Executive Summary

Objective To assess the results of tests to BS 476:Part 6:1989+A1: 2009 and BS 476:Part 7:1997, obtained on specimens of the following coated plasterboard product and to provide an opinion of compliance with the requirements for a Class 0 surface, as defined in Approved Document B to the Building Regulations 2000.

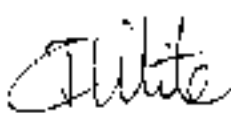
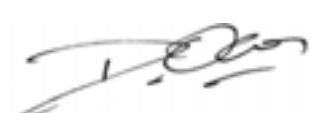

| Generic Description | Product reference | Thickness | Weight per unit area or density |
|---|---|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Coated plasterboard | Coating system - "Bedec MSP Multi surface paint – Gloss finish" | 13mm | 10.95 kg/m ² |
| Individual components used to manufacture composite: | | | Specific gravity |
| Waterborne paint coating | "Bedec MSP Multi surface paint – Gloss finish" | Not specified | 1.26 |
| Waterborne paint coating | "Bedec MSP Multi surface paint – Gloss finish" | Not specified | 1.20 |
| Glass reinforced gypsum board | "Glasroc F" | 12.5mm | -- |
| Please see page 5 of this test report for the full description of the product tested | | | |

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Opinion: We consider the results of the tests to BS 476:Part 6:1989+A1: 2009 and BS 476:Part 7: 1997, demonstrate that the product, as tested, complies with the requirements for Class 0, as defined in paragraph A13(b) of Approved Document B, 'Fire Safety', to the Building Regulations 2000.

Date of Test 15th and 16th December 2009

Signatories

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| Responsible Officer I. White * Testing Officer | Approved D. J. Owen * Senior Technical Officer |
|  | * For and on behalf of Exova Warringtonfire . |
| Authorised C. Dean * Operations Manager | Report Issued: 27 th January 2010 |

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Test Details

Terms Of Reference

To assess the results of tests to BS 476:Part 6:1989+A1: 2009 and BS 476:Part 7:1997, obtained on specimens of a product and to provide an opinion of compliance with the requirements for a Class 0 surface, as defined in Approved Document B to the Building Regulations 2000.

Introduction

Specimens of a product have been tested in accordance with the test methods specified in BS 476: Part 6: 1989+A1: 2009 'Method of test for fire propagation for products' and BS 476: Part 7: 1997 'Method of test to determine the classification of the surface spread of flame of products'. The results of the tests are fully reported in the **Exova Warringtonfire** test reports No's. 189309 and 189310

This summary test report has been prepared at the request of the sponsor and relates the results of the tests to the requirements for a Class 0 surface of a material or composite product, as defined in paragraph A13(b) of Approved Document B, 'Fire Safety', to the Building Regulations 2000.

This summary should be read in conjunction with, and not accepted as a substitute for, the **Exova Warringtonfire** test reports No's 189309 and 189310. Those test reports may include additional information which may be relevant to the assessment of the potential fire hazard of the product.

Face subjected to tests

The specimens were mounted in the test positions such that the decorative face was exposed to the heating conditions of the tests.

Results of test

The following results were obtained for the specimens, which were tested.

BS 476: Part 6: 1989

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|-----|
| Fire propagation index, I | = | 3.1 |
| subindex, i_1 | = | 2.3 |
| subindex, i_2 | = | 0.7 |
| subindex, i_3 | = | 0.1 |

BS 476: Part 7: 1997

Class 1 surface spread of flame

The test results relate only to the behaviour of the test specimens of the product under the particular conditions of the test, they are not intended to be the sole criterion for assessing the potential hazard of the product in use.

Description of Test Specimens

The description of the specimens given below has been prepared from information provided by the sponsor of the test. All values quoted are nominal, unless tolerances are given.

| | | |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| General description | | Multi Surface Paint Finish - Gloss |
| Thickness of composite | | 12.61mm (determined by Exova Warringtonfire) |
| Weight per unit area of composite | | 10.95kg/m ³ (determined by Exova Warringtonfire) |
| Product reference of coating system | | "Bedec MSP Multi Surface Paint – Gloss Finish" |
| Overall coating system thickness | | 50 µm |
| Final coating product (Test face) | Generic type | Waterborne paint |
| | Product reference | "Bedec MSP Multi Surface Paint – Gloss Finish" |
| | Name of manufacturer | Bedec Products Ltd |
| | Colour | "White" |
| | Number of coats | Two |
| | Thickness per coat | See Note 1 below |
| | Application rate per coat | Second coat applied un-thinned and applied at the natural spreading rate by brush |
| | Application method | Brush |
| | Specific gravity | 1.26 |
| | Flame retardant details | See Note 2 below |
| | Curing process per coat | Air drying |
| First coating product | Generic type | Waterborne paint |
| | Product reference | "Bedec MSP Multi Surface Paint – Gloss Finish" |
| | Name of manufacturer | Bedec Products Ltd |
| | Colour | "White" |
| | Number of coats | One |
| | Thickness per coat | See Note 1 below |
| | Application rate per coat | First coat 30% thinned with water and applied at the natural spreading rate by brush |
| | Application method | Brush |
| | Specific gravity | 1.20 |
| | Flame retardant details | See Note 2 below |
| | Curing process per coat | Air drying 24 hours before application of 2 nd coat |
| Substrate | Product reference | "Glasroc F" |
| | Generic type | Glass reinforced gypsum board EN 15283-1 |
| | Name of manufacturer | British Gypsum |
| | Thickness | 12.5mm |
| | Density / weight per unit area | See Note 1 below |
| | Flame retardant details | See Note 1 below |
| Preparation details | See Note 1 below | |
| Brief description of manufacturing process of coatings | | Products manufactured by high speed dispersion of pigments, followed by addition of emulsion binder at low speed |

Note 1. The sponsor was unable to provide this information

Note 2. The sponsor of the test has confirmed that no flame retardant additives were utilised in the production of the component

Classification

Opinion

We consider the results of the tests detailed above demonstrate that the product, as tested, complies with the requirements for Class 0, as defined in paragraph A13(b) of Approved Document B, 'Fire Safety', to the Building Regulations 2000.

Validity of opinion

This opinion is based on the requirements of the Building Regulations at the date of this report. If the Building Regulations are revised or amended in any way subsequent to that date, care must be taken to ensure that this opinion is not invalidated by those revisions or amendments.

The opinion has been formulated on the assumption that the specimens are representative of the product in practice. **Exova Warringtonfire** was not involved in any sampling or selection procedures which would confirm this or in any audit testing which would provide confidence in the consistency of the product in the tests.

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