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CONE CALORIMETER TEST AND NZBC VERIFICATION METHOD C/VM2 APPENDIX A PERFORMANCE OF RESENE QUICK DRY ON STANDARD PAPER-FACED PLASTERBOARD

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TEST SUMMARY

Objective

To conduct cone calorimeter testing and reduce the data in accordance with ISO 5660 on client supplied specimens for the purposes of determination of the Group Classifications in accordance with;

New Zealand Building Code (NZBC) Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A

Test sponsor

Rockcote Resene Ltd P.O. Box 39108 Harewood, Christchurch, 8545 New Zealand

Description of test specimen

The product as described by the client as "Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Application with Resene Aquapel", "Typical Rockcote Multistop Finishing Application", "Typical Rockcote Milano Application" and "Typical Rockcote Earthen Application".

Date of test

11th, 17th and 18th February 2014

Test results

For the purposes of compliance with the relevant building code documents, the following classification is considered applicable to the tested sample as described in Section 1.

Building Code Document	Group Number Classification
NZBC Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A	1-S

LIMITATION

The results reported here relate only to the item/s tested.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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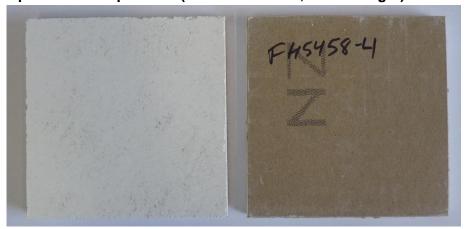
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1. **GENERAL**

The product submitted by the client for testing was identified by the client as Typical Rockcote Earthen Application comprising Resene Quick Dry with some clay mixed in and two coats of Rockcote Earthen Decor on a standard paper-faced plasterboard substrate. Figure 1 illustrates a representative specimen of that tested.

Figure 1: Representative specimen (front face on left, back on right)



1.1 **Sample measurements**

The following physical parameters were measured for each specimen prior to testing.

Table 1: Physical parameters

	Initial p	Overall apparent	
Specimen ID	Mass* (g)	Mean thickness* (mm)	density* (kg/m³)
FH5458-4-50-1	82.0	11.1	739
FH5458-4-50-2	82.2	11.1	741
FH5458-4-50-3	82.3	11.1	741

^{*}includes nominally 10 mm thick paper faced plasterboard substrate.



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EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE 2.

2.1 Test standard

The tests were carried out and data reduced according to the test procedures described in ISO 5660: (2002), Reaction-to-fire tests – Heat release, smoke production and mass loss – Part 1: Heat release rate, and Part 2: Smoke production rate. The sample preparation and test procedure are as described in 2.4 and 2.5.

2.2 Test date

The tests were conducted on the 11th, 17th and 18th of February 2014 by Mr Lukas Hersche at BRANZ Limited laboratories, Judgeford, New Zealand.

2.3 Specimen conditioning

All specimens were conditioned to moisture equilibrium (constant weight), at a temperature of $23 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C and a relative humidity of $50 \pm 5\%$ immediately prior to testing.

2.4 Specimen wrapping and preparation

All tests were conducted and the specimens prepared in accordance with the test standard. The spark igniter and the stainless steel retainer frame were used. All specimens were wrapped in a single layer of aluminium foil, covering the unexposed surfaces.

2.5 Test programme

The test program consisted of three replicate specimens as identified in the above table, tested at an irradiance level of 50 kW/m². All tests were carried out with the specimen horizontal, and with a nominal duct flow rate of 0.024 m³/s.

2.6 **Specimen Selection**

BRANZ was not involved in the selection of the materials submitted for testing. The test materials used were supplied to the laboratory by the client.





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3. TEST RESULTS AND REDUCED DATA

3.1 Test results and reduced data – NZBC C/VM2

Table 2: Test results and reduced data - NZBC C/VM2

Material		Test specimens as described in Section 1 (in accordance with ISO 5660)			Mean
Specimen test number		FH5458-4-50-1	FH5458-4-50-2	FH5458-4-50-3	
Time to sustained flaming	S	61	64	65	63
Observations ^a		-	-	-	
Test duration ^b	S	1748*	926*	1794*	1489
Mass remaining, m _f	g	64.2	64.6	66.0	64.9
Mass pyrolyzed	%	21.7%	21.5%	19.8%	21.0%
Specimen mass loss ^c	kg/m²	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9
Specimen mass loss rate ^c	g/m².s	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Heat release rate					
peak, $\dot{q}_{ ext{max}}''$	kW/m²	125.4	142.9	135.0	134.4
average, $\dot{q}_{\mathit{avg}}^{\prime\prime}$					
Over 60 s from ignition	kW/m²	63.3	62.9	63.3	63.2
Over 180 s from ignition	kW/m²	26.9	25.8	26.9	26.5
Over 300 s from ignition	kW/m²	18.8	17.4	18.6	18.3
Total heat released	MJ/m ²	8.9	6.7	9.2	8.3
Average Specific Extinction Area	m²/kg	8.2	4.6	3.8	5.5
Effective heat of combustion ^d , $\Delta h_{c,e\!f\!f}$	MJ/kg	4.4	3.4	5.0	4.3

Notes:

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^a no significant observations were recorded

^b determined by * X₀₂ returning to the pretest value within 100 ppm of oxygen concentration for 10 minutes

^{** 30} minutes after time to sustained flaming

^c from ignition to end of test;

d from the start of the test

^{*} value calculated using data beyond the official end of test time according to the test standard.

4. SUMMARY

The test standards requires that the mean heat release rate (HRR) readings over the first 180 s from ignition for the three specimens should differ by no more than 10% of the arithmetic mean of the three readings. In the event of this criterion not being met, a further three specimens are required to be tested.

Table 3: Heat release rate

Specimen ID	Average HRR over 180 s from ignition	Arithmetic mean	% difference from the arithmetic mean
FH5458-4-50-1	26.9		1.3%
FH5458-4-50-2	25.8	26.5	-2.9%
FH5458-4-50-3	26.9		1.6%

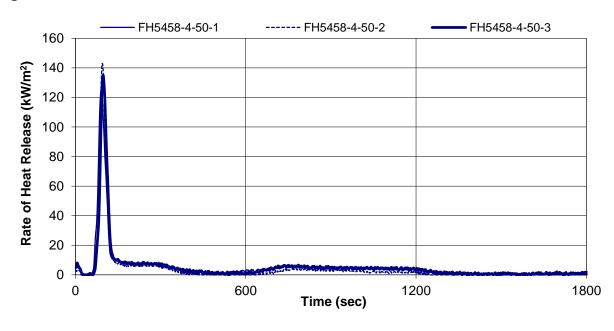
Table 3 identifies that the specimens exposed to 50 kW/m² irradiance meet the acceptance criteria.

The report summary for the specimens as described in Section 1, exposed to an irradiance of 50 kW/m² is given in table below with rates of heat release illustrated in Figure 2.

Table 4: Report summary

Mean Specimen thickness (mm)	Irradiance (kW/m²)	Mean Time to Ignition (s)	Mean Peak Heat Release Rate (kW/m²)	Average Specific Extinction Area (m²/kg)
11.1	50	63	134.4	5.5

Figure 2: Rate of heat release versus time







5. DISCUSSION

Additionally three other surfaces based on Resene Quick Dry were submitted for testing. A summary of the composition is in Table 5.

Table 5: Product Designations

Ref. no	Designation	Composition
FH5458-1-50-1	Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Application with Resene Aquapel	Resene Quick Dry with some Rockcote MultiStop Bedding Compound mixed in 2 coats Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Compound 1 coat Resene Aquapel
FH5458-2-50-1	Typical Rockcote Multistop Finishing Application	Resene Quick Dry with some Rockcote MultiStop Bedding Compound mixed in 2 coats Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Compound
FH5458-3-50-1	Typical Rockcote Milano Application	Resene Quick Dry with some Rockcote MultiStop Bedding Compound mixed in 2 coats of Rockcote Milano MarbleStone 1 coat of Rockcote Milano Plak 1 coat of Rockcote Milano Saonada
FH5458-4-50-1	Typical Rockcote Earthen Application	Resene Quick Dry with some clay mixed in 2 coats of Rockcote Earthen Decor

Shaded row – Sample 1 results for material tested in full herein.

Prior to testing the physical parameters in Table 6 were recorded.

Table 6: Physical Parameters

Ref. no	Weight* (g)	Thickness* (mm)	Density* (kg/m³)
FH5458-1-50-1	84.6	10.9	776
FH5458-2-50-1	69.1	10.3	671
FH5458-3-50-1	71.8	10.5	684
FH5458-4-50-1	82.0	11.1	739

Shaded row – Sample 1 results for material tested in full herein.

Samples of each type were subjected to single indicative tests to identify any possible variations.





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^{*}includes nominally 10 mm thick paper faced plasterboard substrate.

Table 7: Summary of Indicative Results

Ref. no	Time to Ignition (s)	Test Duration (s)	Peak Heat Release Rate (kW/m²)	Total Heat Released (MJ/m²)	Average Specific Extinction Area (m²/kg)	Indicated Group No.
FH5458-1-50-1	No Ignition	1800	10.6	7.1	32.5	1-S
FH5458-2-50-1	68	1672	147.3	3.3	13.8	1-S
FH5458-3-50-1	48	1718	141.4	6.2	7.1	1-S
FH5458-4-50-1	61	1748	125.4	8.9	8.2	1-S

Shaded row – Sample 1 results for material tested in full herein.

No significant variations were detected and each sample was designated a Group 1-S classification. As the peak heat release rate and the total heat release results are comparable to the "Typical Rockcote Earthen Application", it is considered that the "Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Application with Resene Aquapel", "Typical Rockcote Multistop Finishing Application" and "Typical Rockcote Milano Application" will retain a Group 1-S achieved by the "Typical Rockcote Earthen Application" as tested and reported herein.

CLASSIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH NZBC 6. **VERIFICATION METHOD C/VM2 APPENDIX A**

The following classification has been assessed in accordance with the New Zealand Building Code Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A: Establishing Group Numbers for lining materials. Calculations were carried out according to section A1.3 for predicting a material's group number for each specimen tested. It states that "If a different classification group is obtained for different specimens tested, then the highest (worst) classification for any specimen must be taken as the final classification for that material." The classification for the specimens as described in Section 1 is as follows:

Table 8: NZBC Group classification and smoke extinction area

	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Classification
Group number Classification	1	1	1	1-S
Average Specific Extinction Area (m²/kg)	8.2	4.6	3.8	1-3

The tested samples recorded an average specific extinction area less than 250 m²/kg. In accordance with Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A, samples achieving either a Group number classification 1 or 2, and with an average specific extinction area less than 250 m²/kg are identified with "S" post-script to the Group number.



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7. NZBC CONCLUSION

The cone calorimeter testing was carried out on the specimens as described in Section 1. For the purposes of compliance with the NZBC Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A, the following classification is considered applicable to the material as described in Section 1 and discussed in Section 5.

Group Number Classification	1-S
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BRANZ Type Test Summary

This is to certify that the specimen described below has been tested by BRANZ Ltd on behalf of

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Test standard: ISO 5660 Parts 1 and 2

Rockcote MultiStop Finishing Application with Resene Aquapel Specimen name:

Typical Rockcote Multistop Finishing Application

Typical Rockcote Milano Application Typical Rockcote Earthen Application

Specimen description: Resene Quick Dry systems on standard paper-faced

plasterboard.

Orientation: From the direction tested.

A full description of the test specimen and the test results are given in BRANZ Test Report:

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Regulatory authorities are advised to examine test reports before approving any product.

The test results were the basis for the following:

Building Code Document	Group Number Classification
NZBC Verification Method C/VM2	1-S
Appendix A	1-3

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