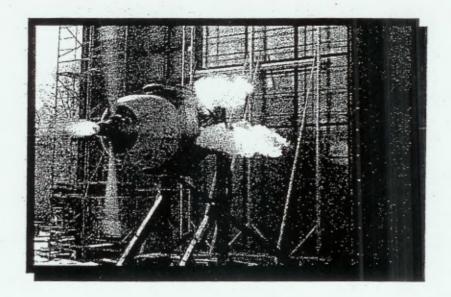


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TEST REPORT:

AAMA 501-94 PERFORMANCE TEST US ALUMINUM TOP NOTCH SYSTEM REPORT #CCLI-00-046

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1. PROJECT DATA

Project: AAMA 501-94 Performance Testing

US Aluminum Top Notch System Mock-Up

Date of Testing: April 7, 2000

Tested For: United States Aluminum Corporation

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2. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the performance results of US Aluminum Corporation Top Notch System Mock-Up. Tests were conducted at US Aluminum Corporation testing facility in Waxahachie, TX.

3. SCOPE

The purpose of this test was to verify performance characteristics of the US Aluminum Corporation Top Notch System Mock-Up when tested in accordance with AAMA 501.94, Methods of Tests for Exterior Walls.

4. SUMMARY

US Aluminum Top Notch System Mock-Up complied with the performance requirements when tested in accordance with test methods noted in AAMA 501-94 with the following results:

- Air Infiltration of 0.02 cfm/ft² (.006 m³/min·m²)@ 6.24 psf.
- No Water Penetration @ 10 psf (.48 kPa).
- No Water Penetration @ 12 psf (.57 kPa) with a continuous seal at interior sill glazing gasket.
- Uniform Load Deflection of .530" (13.46mm) positive and .520" (13.21mm) negative @ 40.0 psf (1.92 kPa).
- No glass breakage or permanent deformation @ 60 psf +/- (2.87kPa)
 Uniform load Structural Test.
- Right Intermediate mullion failed with No glass breakage @ 127 psf
 +/- (6.08 kPa) Uniform Load Structural test to destruction.
- Head/Sill connections and anchoring members did not fail @ 127 psf (6.08 kPa) destruction test.

5. TEST SPECIMEN

PRODUCT TYPE:

Aluminum Thermally Broken Mock-Up, Photograph 1

SERIES/MODEL:

Top Notch System

OVERALL SIZE:

10' 10-1/2" x 8'-10" (3.31m x 2.69m)

CONFIGURATION:

Reference Mock-Up drawings, Appendix A

WEATHER-STRIP: None

GLASS: Sealed Insulated glass, 2 pcs ¼" (6.35mm) annealed, ½" (12.7mm) air spacer, and 1" (25.4mm) overall thickness.

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GLAZING: Captured glazed with wedge gasket part #NP-225 at interior and exterior of glass.

<u>WEEP ARRANGEMENT:</u> Total of six (6) $^9/_{32}$ " (7.14mm) weep holes spaced at quarter points at each setting block location with weep baffle part #UB-624 at interior of sill only. One (1) 1-½" (38.1mm) weep tube at each continuous vertical, total of four (4).

SEALANT: All frame corners and vertical to horizontal connections silicone sealed. Sealant applied 2" (50.8mm) vertically and horizontally at gasket corners. *Continuous bead of sealant at interior sill glazing gasket full span. Sealant applied to end dams and end dam fasteners at head, sill and verticals with foam blocks sealed to end dams at sill only. Sealed void between water diverter part # WD-200and WD-210 at vertical glass pocket to horizontal pocket, Mock-Up Drawing, Appendix A.

*Continuous bead of sealant at interior sill glazing gasket was not required to pass water resistance test @ 10 psf (.48 kPa).

INSTALLATION: Test specimen attached to chamber with two (2) ½" x 3" (6.35mm x 76.2mm) lag bolts spaced 2" (50.8mm) each side of vertical and at center of each D.L.O, at midpoint of frame jambs and 4" (101.6mm) from each jamb and on each side of vertical mulls at head and sill.

<u>OTHER-FEATURES:</u> Frame members are thermally broken, corners are coped; butted, and attached with four (4) #10 x 1" (25.4mm) screws at vertical to head and four (4) #10 x 1" (25.4mm) hex head screws at vertical to sill. Shear clip attached to intermediate vertical members with two (2) #10 x 2" (50.8mm) pan head screws, Mock-Up Drawing, Appendix A.

Date testing started:
Date testing completed:

April 7, 2000 April 7, 2000

Testing performed at:

United States Aluminum testing facility in

Waxahachie, Texas.

Refer to Mock-Up drawing in Appendix A, this report is not complete unless this drawing is stamped by this laboratory symbol are included.

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6. PERFORMANCE RESULTS

Title of Test	Test Method	Measured	Allowed
Air Infiltration @ 6.24psf (.30 kPa)	ASTM E 283-91	0.02 cfm/ft ² (0.006 m³/min·m	0.06 cfm/ft ² ²)(.018 m³/min·m²)
Water Resistance @ 10.00psf (.48 kPa	ASTM E 331-96	No Leakage	No Leakage
Water Resistance @ 12.00psf (.57 kPa	ASTM E 331-96	No Leakage	No Leakage
Uniform Load Deflection -Interior @ 40.00 psf -Exterior @ 40.00 ps		0.520" (13.21mm) 0.530" (13.46mm)	0.580" (14.73mm) 0.580" (14.73mm)
Uniform Load Structural -Interior @ 60.00 psf -Exterior@ 60.00 psf -Permanent Set		No Damage No Damage Negligible	No Damage No Damage 0.406" (10.31mm)
Uniform Load ASTM E 330-97 Structural (to destruction) -Interior @ 127 psf (6.08 kPa)		No Glass Breakage	

Detailed extrusion and assembly drawings indicating measured wall thickness and corner construction are on file and were compared to the test specimen. These records will be retained at CCLI for a period of four years.



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7. CONCLUSION

The test specimen meets the Laboratory test requirements of AAMA 501-94. The above results were obtained by using the designated test methods.

Respectfully submitted,

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