

Petition for Declaratory Statement before the Florida Building Commission  
Date: October 18th, 2024

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**DS 2024-039**

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Stature(s), Agency Rule(s), Agency(s), and/or Code Section(s) on which the Declaratory Statement is sought:

2023 Florida Building Code, Residential and Commercial  
Rule: 61G20-3.00 Product Approval by the Commission

**Background:**

Parge Guard LLC is a licensed manufacturer of the product called Parge Guard. It is made from 100% recycled material with materials 100% made in the USA. Products are manufactured and assembled in the Tampa Bay area by a certified ISO shop by the name Florida Custom Molds. We have full distribution for the whole state of Florida but commonly get asked questions of "Do we have approval from Florida Building Code and numbers?" and "Do you have Florida Product Approval and number?" They are very hesitant if we do not have those even though we exceed in all the new 2023 Building Codes in Section 2510.6.2 1 and 2. Our products provide drainage and ventilation for stucco, natural and manufactured thin stone and brick over sheathing. Performed at 99% drainage efficiency with the ASTM E2273 test that was completed with PRI out of Tampa, Florida. We would like a Florida Product Approval verification from the Florida Building Commission to be able to move forward with sales in the state of Florida. We are not a structural product so we don't believe we fit in the scope of the program under rule 61G20-3?

**Products:**

Moisture Mitigator - formed polymeric sheeting made from HDPE which measures 6mm in depth (exceeds drainage space mentioned in 2023 Building Code Section 2510.6.2 Moist and Marine Climates).

Parge Guard - formed polymeric sheeting made from HDPE which measures 6mm in depth that is mechanically attached to Standard galvanized steel lath that meets ASTM C847, A653, and C1063 standards. (exceeds drainage space mentioned in 2023 Building Code Section 2510.6.2 Moist and Marine Climates and has results of 99% drainage efficiency from ASTM E2273 testing)

**Question:**

Do Parge Guard LLC's products, the 2 listed above, need to go through the Florida Product Approval Program, Rule 61G20.3 from the Florida Building Commission if the products pass up-to-date codes and are not structural?

Summary:

We believe our products are not required to have Florida Product Approval number and if that is correct can we at least be provided stating this if the Florida Building Commission is in agreement.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Parge Guard LLC  
by: Chad Villers

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