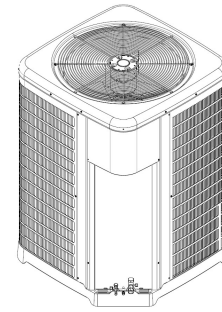


**EVALUATION SUBJECT: RESIDENTIAL SPLIT SYSTEM****23-61438****REPORT HOLDER:**RHEEM SALES COMPANY, INC.  
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(770) 351-3000 | RHEEM.COM**SCOPE OF EVALUATION (compliance with the following codes):**

**THIS IS A STRUCTURAL (WIND) PERFORMANCE EVALUATION ONLY. NO ELECTRICAL OR TEMPERATURE PERFORMANCE RATINGS OR CERTIFICATIONS ARE OFFERED OR IMPLIED HEREIN. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE DOES THIS PERFORMANCE EVALUATION GUARANTEE, IMPLY, OR STATE PERFORMANCE OF THE UNIT IS MAINTAINED DURING OR AFTER A DESIGN EVENT.**

This Performance Evaluation is being issued in accordance with the requirements of the **Florida Building Code Eighth Edition (2023)** per ASCE 7, FBC Building Ch. 16, FBC Building Sections 104.11 & 1522.2, FBC Existing Building Sections 707.1 & 707.2, FBC Mechanical 301.15, FBC Residential M1202.1 & M1301.1, and FS 471.025. The product noted in this performance evaluation has been tested and/or evaluated as summarized herein.

**SUBSTANTIATING DATA:****• Product Evaluation Documents**

Substantiating documentation has been submitted to provide this performance evaluation and is summarized in the sections below.

**• Structural Engineering Calculations**

Structural engineering calculations have been prepared which evaluate the product based on comparative and/or rational analysis to qualify the following design criteria:

- Max. allowable lateral & uplift wind pressures certified herein
- Max. allowable sliding forces, uplift forces, & overturning moments (see Unit Reactions from Wind Guide on last page)
- Tie-down configuration and anchor capacity for concrete, aluminum, and steel host substrates (host by others).
- Unit panel wind pressure connection integrity

Calculation summary is included in this product evaluation and appears herein. Structural unit integrity and unit tiedowns for all units described herein have been qualified through test report #0323-01-15 by American Test Lab of South Florida.

**LIMITATIONS & CONDITIONS OF USE:**

Use of the product(s) listed herein shall be in strict accordance with this product evaluation as noted herein and manufacturer-provided model specifications. Installation shall conform to the minimum standards stated in the referenced building code(s) in addition to the specifications and limitations stated herein. See herein for complete limitations & conditions of use.

**OPTIONS:**

This evaluation is valid for the THERMALZONE and FUJITSU models described herein. The critical unit designs have been determined and used in this evaluation. Any structural changes outside of the design as described herein would void this certification.

**UNIT CASING MATERIALS:**

26ga galvanized sheet steel ASTM A653 CS cold rolled steels for side covers.  
22ga galvanized sheet steel ASTM A653 cold rolled steel for bottom base pan.  
20ga galvanized sheet steel ASTM A653 cold rolled steel for top panel.  
Removable top & side covers secured with #10-12 sheet metal screws.  
Knockouts provided for utility & control connections. Contact Report Holder for further unit construction information.

**TERMINOLOGY:**

See herein for definitions of terms and abbreviations used in this evaluation.

**NOTE: THE GRAPHICAL DEPICTIONS IN THIS EVALUATION ARE FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY AND MAY DIFFER IN APPEARANCE.**

**STRUCTURAL PERFORMANCE:**

Models referenced herein are subject to the following design limitations:

**Maximum Rated Wind Pressures\*:  
± 150 psf Lateral, 100 psf Uplift**

- Required design wind pressures shall be determined according to the guide provided in the Appendix (see last page of this document) or on a site-specific basis in accordance with ASCE 7 and applicable sections of the building code(s) being referenced in accordance with ASD methodology.
- Required design pressures shall be less than or equal to the maximum pressures listed herein.
- \*Maximum Rated Wind Pressures indicate the maximum pressures that all units listed herein are approved for. Valid for at-grade, wall-mounted and rooftop applications. See limitations herein.
- Valid for use inside and outside the High-Velocity Hurricane Zone (HVHZ).
- Site-specific wind analysis may produce alternate limitations provided maximum rated wind pressures stated herein are not exceeded.

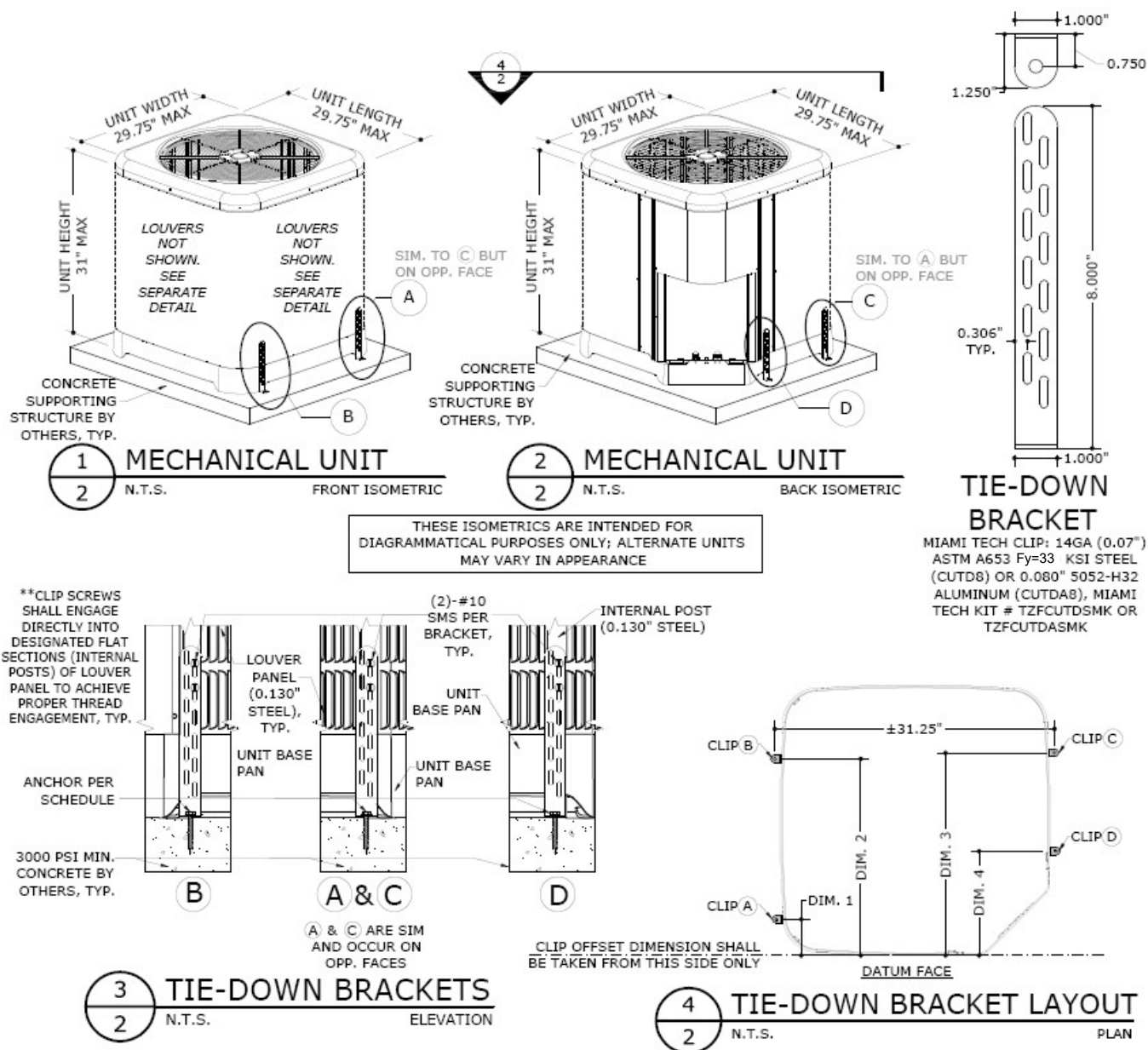
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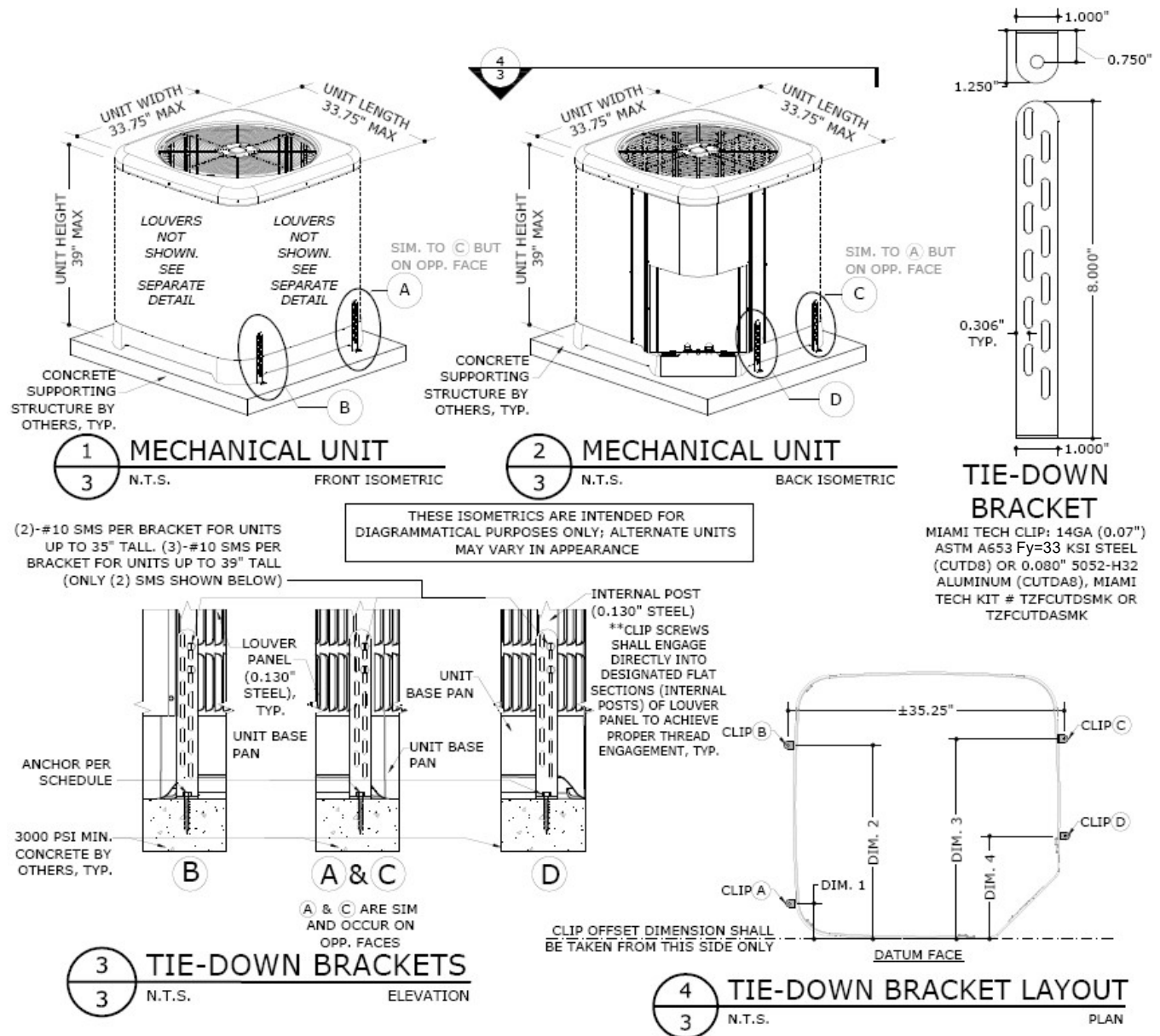
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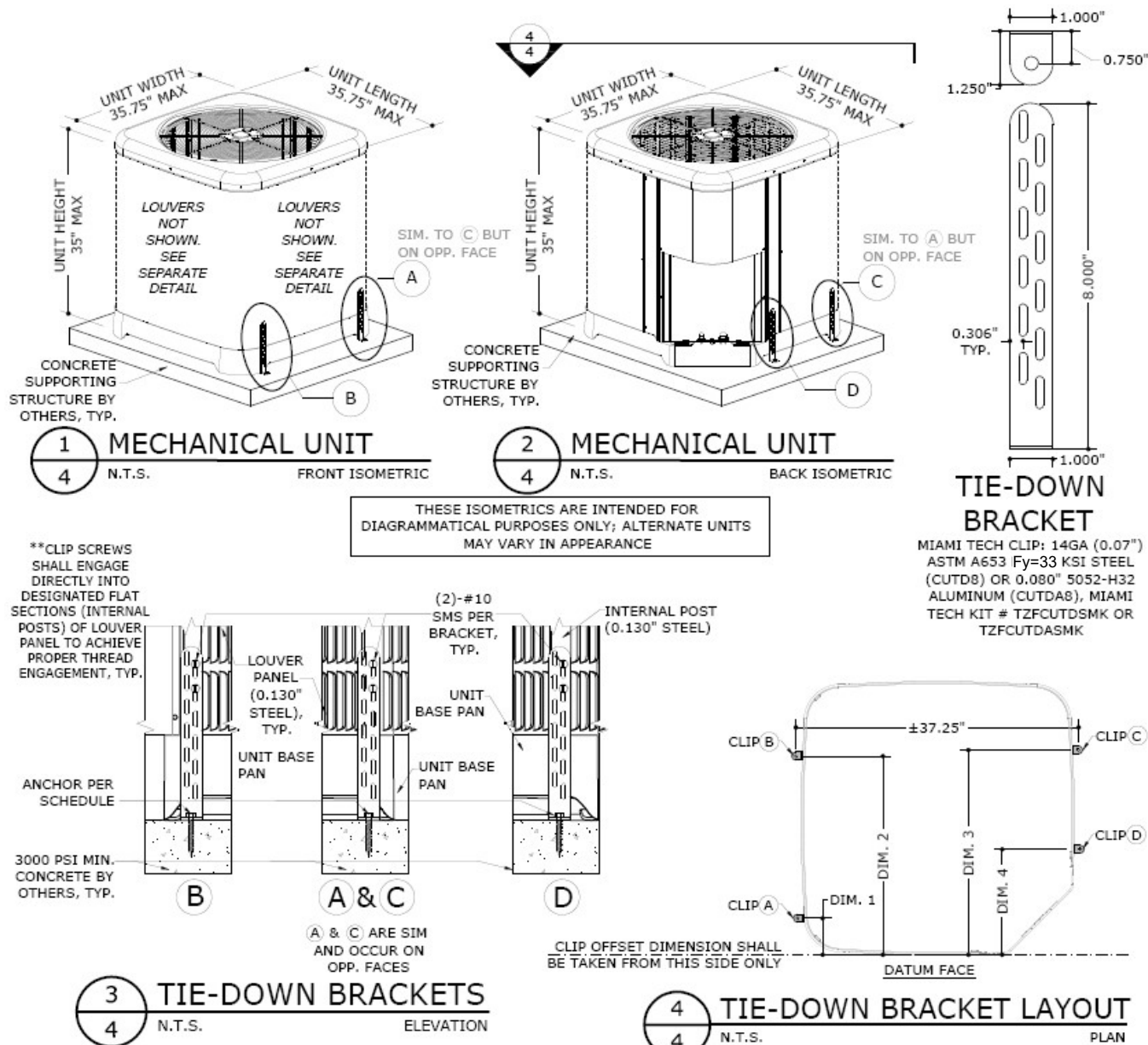
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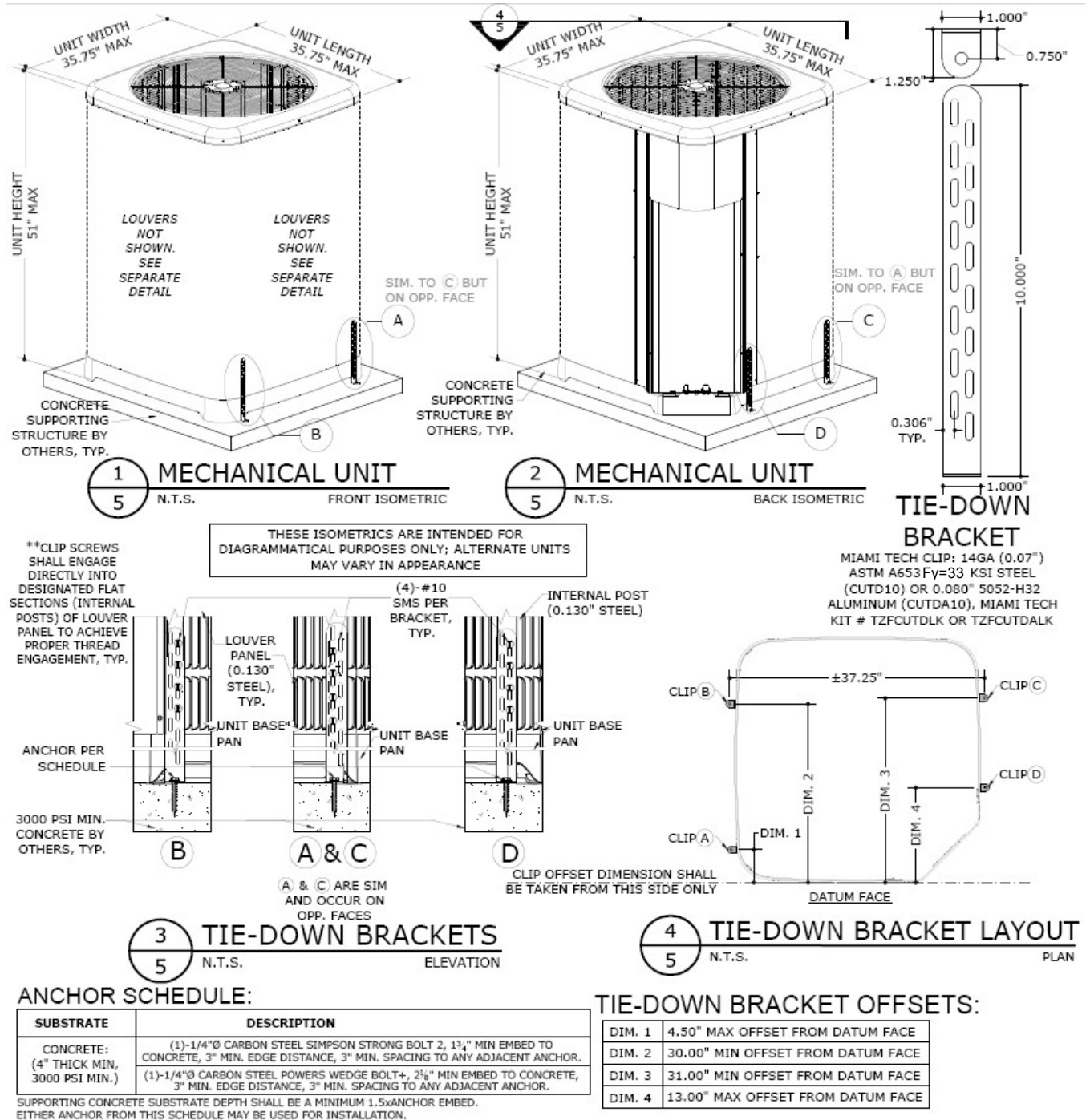
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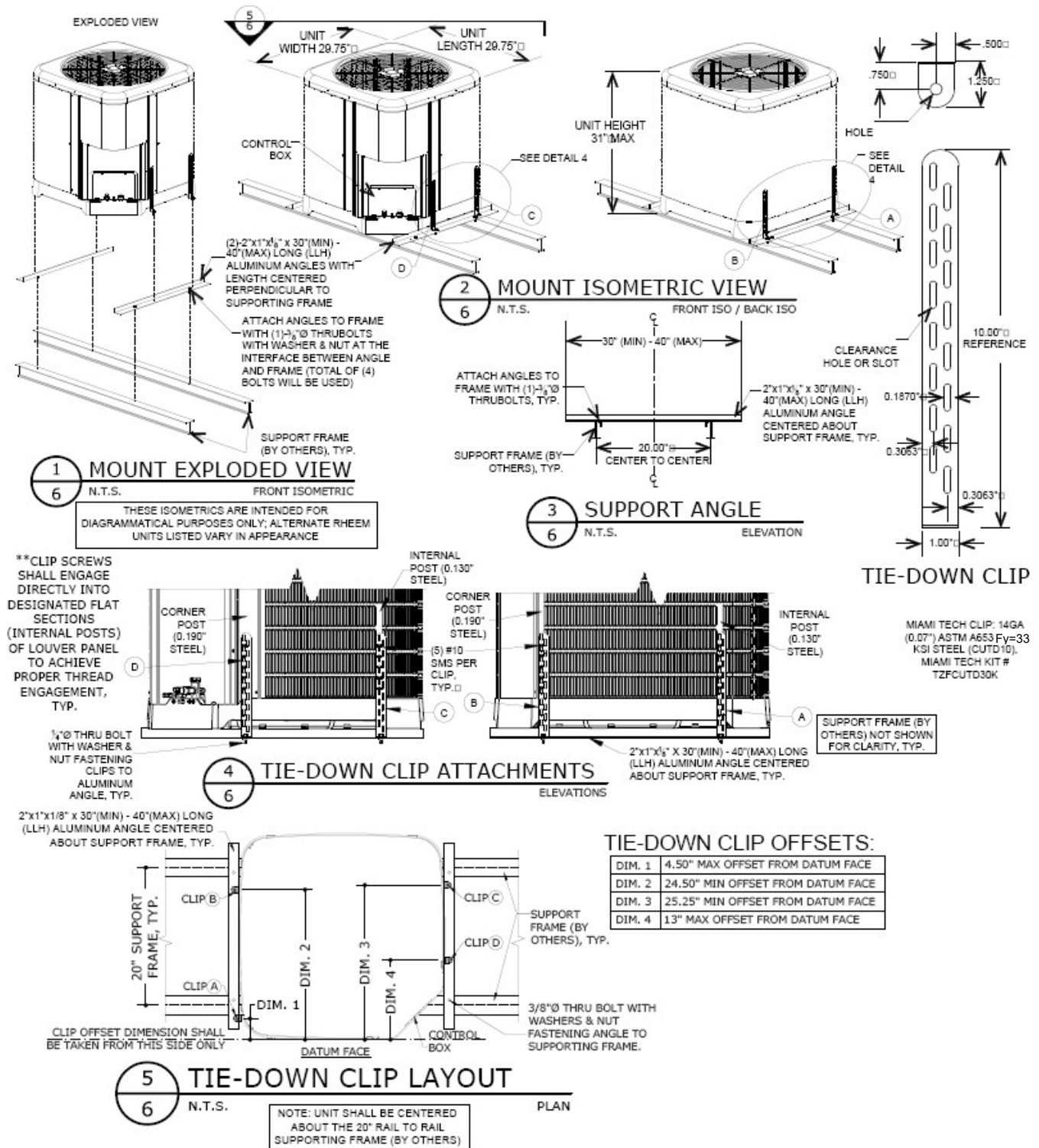
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DIM. 2	30.00" MIN OFFSET FROM DATUM FACE
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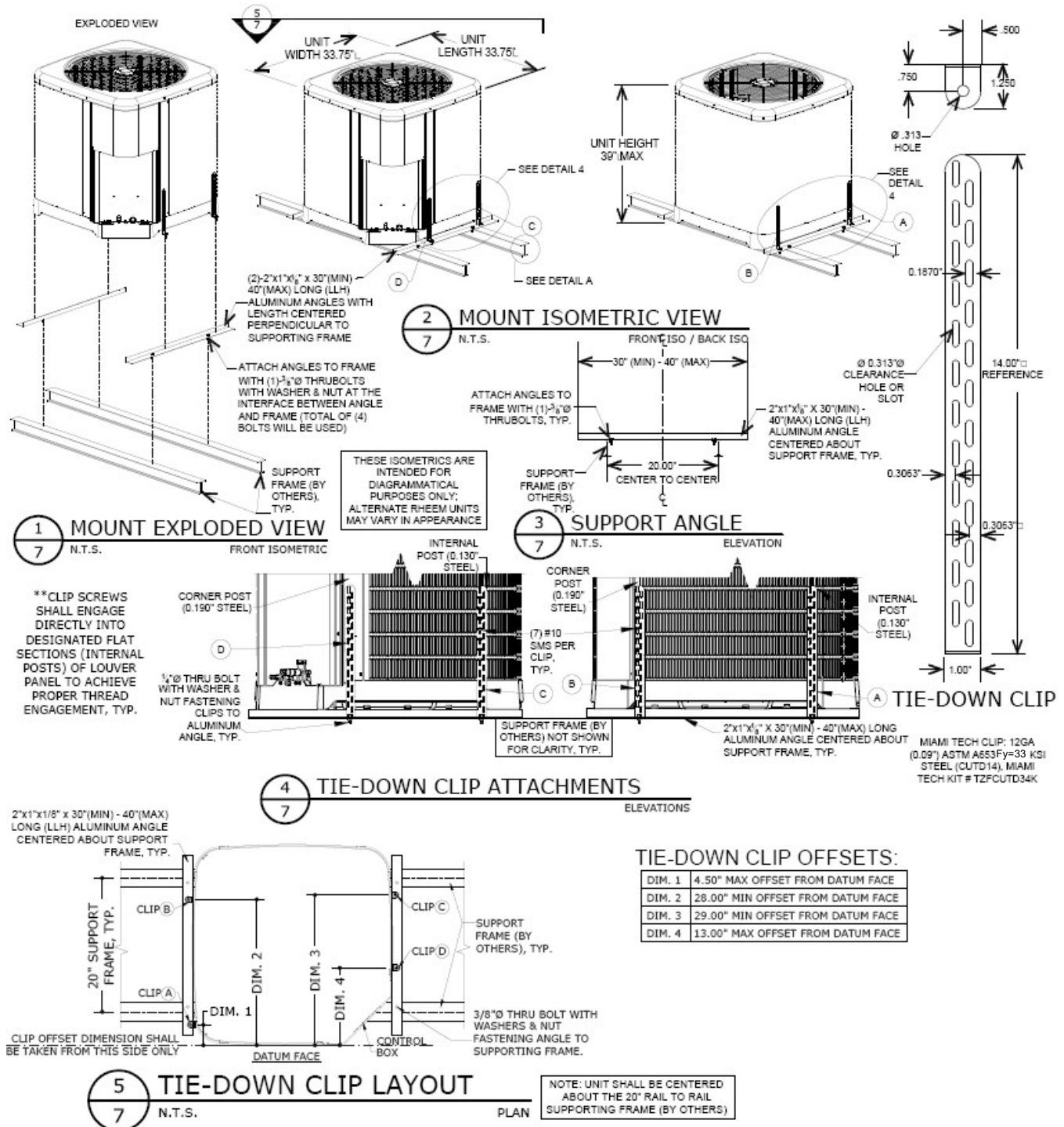


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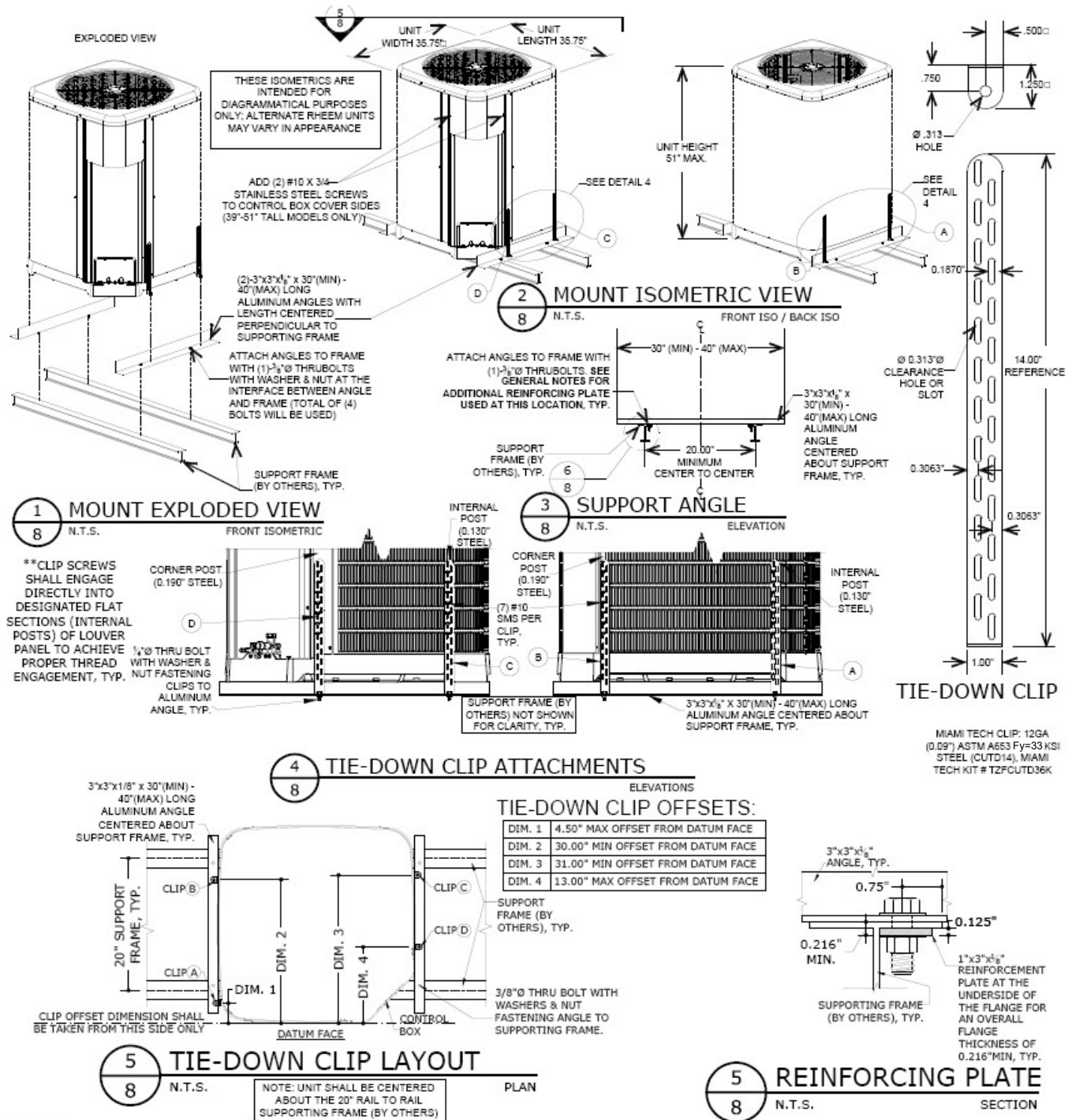




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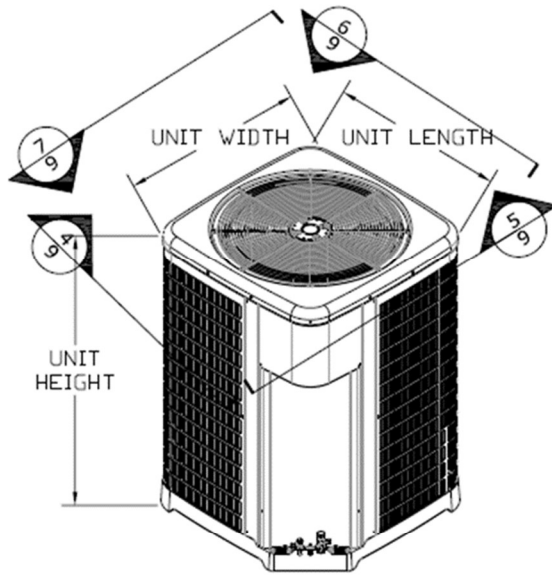


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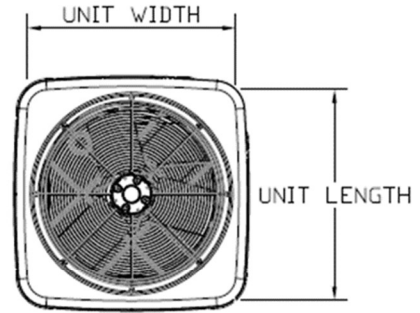


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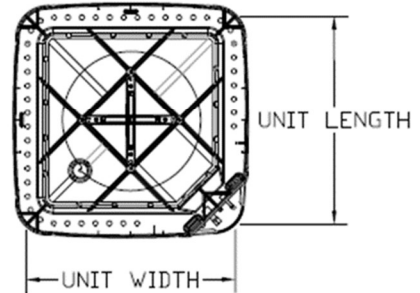


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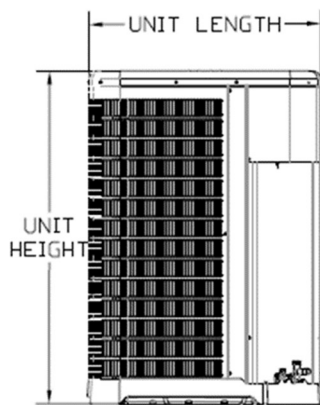
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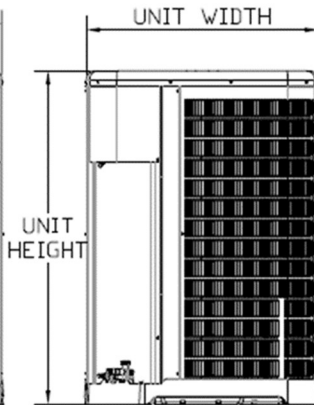
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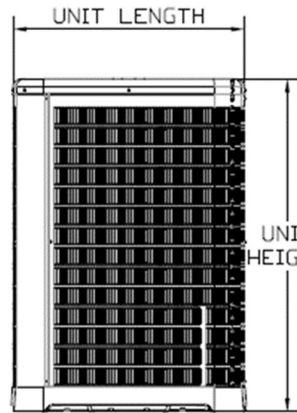
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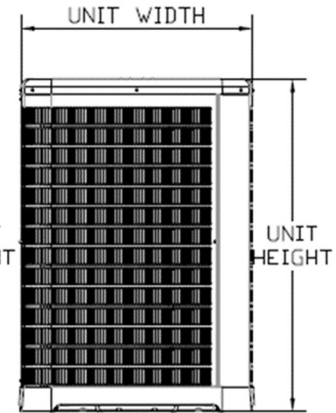
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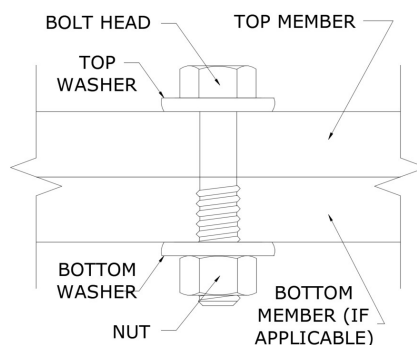
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## TERMINOLOGY, CONTINUED

The following abbreviations may appear in this report: "Addtl." for "additional", "AHJ" for "Authority Having Jurisdiction", "alum" for "aluminum", "ASCE" for "American Society of Civil Engineers", "ASD" for "Allowable Stress Design", "ASTM" for "American Society for Testing and Materials", "EA." for "each", "E.D." for "edge distance", "EDDS" for "extra deep drawing steel", "e.g." for "*exempli gratia*" or "for example", "equiv." for "equivalent", "FBC" for "Florida Building Code", "FEA" for "Finite Element Analysis", "FLCA" for "Florida Certificate of Authorization", "FS" for "Florida Statutes", "Fu" for "ultimate tensile strength" or "ultimate tensile stress", "Fy" for "yield strength" or "yield stress", "GA" for "gauge", "GR." or "Gr." for "grade", "HVAC" for "heating, ventilation, and air conditioning", "HVHZ" for "High-Velocity Hurricane Zone", "i.e." for "*id est*" or "in other words", "in" for "inch", "lb" for "pound (force)", "max." for "maximum", "min." for "minimum", "mm" for "millimeter", "NTS" for "not to scale", "O.C." for "on center", "OD" for "outer diameter", "pcf" for "pounds (force) per cubic foot", "PE" for "Professional Engineer", "qty" for "quantity", "SAE" for "Society of Automotive Engineering", "SMS" for "sheet metal screws", "SS" for "stainless steel", "TER" for "Technical Evaluation Report", "typ." for "typical", "ult" for "ultimate loads", "U.N.O." for "unless noted otherwise", "UTS" for "ultimate tensile strength" or "ultimate tensile stress", "WLL" for "working load limit", "w/o" for "without", "YS" for "yield strength" or "yield stress", "#" for "number", "&" for "and", and "Ø" for "diameter". For additional abbreviation/terminology clarifications, please contact this office.



**SAMPLE THRU-BOLT**

SCALE: NTS SECTION VIEW

Note: The term "Thru-Bolt" or through bolt, if used herein, refers to a bolt passing through the member(s) in contact and is fastened by a nut at the end opposite the screw head. Nut shall be equivalent to or exceed the strength of the bolt U.N.O. Nut shall be sized to accommodate the same nominal diameter as the bolt U.N.O. See diagram above-right for a sample thru-bolt configuration.

Note: For instances herein which list material specifications as "[material type] or stronger":

U.N.O. herein, the term "stronger" refers to a material with a UTS value equal to or greater than the UTS value of the stated material type. Consult appropriate literature for established material UTS values.

Note: Equivalent steel gauge thicknesses as used in this evaluation, U.N.O., are as follows:  
22 GA (.030"), 20 GA (.036"), 18 GA (.048"), 16 GA (.060"), 14 GA (.075"), 12 GA (.098").

## LIMITATIONS & CONDITIONS OF USE, CONTINUED

**Use of this product shall be in strict accordance with this product evaluation as noted herein.** The supporting host structure shall be designed to resist all superimposed loads as determined by others on a site-specific basis as may be required by the authority having jurisdiction. Host structure conditions which are not accounted for in this product's respective anchor schedule shall be designed for on a site-specific basis by a registered Professional Engineer. No evaluation is offered for the host supporting structure by use of this document. Adjustment factors noted herein and the applicable building codes must be considered, where applicable. Product components shall be of the material(s) specified in the manufacturer-provided product specifications. All supporting components which are permanently installed shall be protected against corrosion, contamination, and other such damage at all times. All fasteners and anchors shall be installed in accordance with the applicable provisions specified herein in addition to the anchor/fastener manufacturers' published installation instructions. Fasteners must penetrate the supporting members such that the full length of the threaded portion is embedded within the main member. This evaluation does not offer any evaluation to meet large missile impact debris requirements under any circumstances.

All of the wind-resisting exterior panels (with accompanying retrofits) individually meet or exceed their capacity to resist the design wind loads as stated in the calculations as required by the codes and standards stated herein. Due to the indeterminate nature of these units, distortion, deflection, and material deformation cannot be accurately evaluated, but with the diaphragm action of external components and internal stiffeners, the base unit (with accompanying retrofits stated herein as applicable) has the capacity to withstand the design wind loads without detaching from the unit and becoming flying debris.

**Survivability:** This performance evaluation is valid for a newly installed unit and do not include certification of the product beyond a design event or if impacted by any debris. Inspections shall be implemented annually by the end user and after every named storm. All fasteners and cabinet components are to be verified, and all damaged, loose, corroded and/or broken fasteners and cabinet components shall be replaced to ensure structural integrity against hurricane wind forces. Contact this office for any reevaluation needs or as designated by the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

**Durability:** Components or component assemblies shall not deteriorate, crack, fail, or lose functionality due to galvanic corrosion or weathering. All supporting components which are permanently installed shall be protected against corrosion, contamination, and other such damage at all times. Each component or component assembly shall be supported and oriented in its intended installation position. All exposed plastic components shall be certified to resist sunlight exposure as specified by ASTM B117, or ASTM G155 in Broward or Miami Dade counties.

**Extent of Certification:** Certification pertains to the overall structural integrity of the unit components listed within the evaluation as required by code, subject to the limitations and criteria stated herein. Operability during or after a design event is not included in this certification. Water infiltration is outside the bounds of this certification. No other certifications are intended other than as described herein. This evaluation alone does not offer any evaluation for large missile impact debris or cyclic wind requirements unless specifically stated herein.

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## APPENDIX A: DESIGN WIND PRESSURE GUIDE

Max. Ult. Wind Speed ( $V_{ult}$ )	Max. MRH (Roof Height)	Exposure Category	Required Design Wind Pressures (ASD)	
			Lateral Pressure	Uplift Pressure
140 mph	At-Grade (0 ft)	C	± 26 psf	0* psf
		D	± 31 psf	0* psf
	100 ft	C	± 63 psf	50 psf
		D	± 71 psf	56 psf
	200 ft	C	± 72 psf	57 psf
		D	± 80 psf	63 psf
175 mph	At-Grade (0 ft)	C	± 40 psf	0* psf
		D	± 49 psf	0* psf
	100 ft	C	± 98 psf	77 psf
		D	± 111 psf	87 psf
	200 ft	C	± 113 psf	89 psf
		D	± 124 psf	98 psf
186 mph	At-Grade (0 ft)	C	± 46 psf	0* psf
		D	± 54 psf	0* psf
	100 ft	C	± 111 psf	87 psf
		D	± 125 psf	99 psf
	200 ft	C	± 127 psf	100 psf
		D	± 140 psf	111 psf

100-psf

Note: Any table values with the format shown left, if present, indicate design wind pressures and site conditions that are **not approved for use** by this evaluation. Seek additional engineering or contact this firm for design solutions.

**DIRECTIVE:** This design pressure guide is for reference only and shall be approved for use by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). If the design pressures listed in this guide are not used, required design pressures shall be calculated separately. For site-specific scenarios classified as Exposure Category B, the required design pressures stated for Exposure Category C in the above guide shall be used or design pressures shall be calculated separately. For heights and parameters beyond the parameters listed in this guide, visit our Online Calculator via the website link (<https://ecalc.io/forces>) or QR Code below, or obtain calculations separately by others.

The required ASD design pressures listed in this guide were calculated per the table's listed corresponding site conditions. The project design professional or permitting contractor shall verify that the site-specific conditions are equal to or less than the approved design parameters listed in the guide. Per the note below table: any values shown as "XX-psf", indicate wind pressures and corresponding site conditions that are **not valid for use** with this evaluation (exceeds the max. rated pressures).

\*Note: Per the codes and standards referenced herein, uplift is not required for mechanical equipment at-grade. If uplift at-grade is required by the AHJ, contact this firm for a site-specific evaluation.

**At-Grade (0 ft MRH) Required Design Pressures:**

- o ASCE 7 "Design Wind Loads: Other Structures"
- o Structure Shape = Square, flat terrain
- o Height of structure (unit + stand or curb, if used) = 6 ft max.
- o Width of unit = 1 ft min., Depth of unit = 11 in min.

**Rooftop (>15 ft MRH) Required Design Pressures:**

- o ASCE 7 "Design Wind Loads: Other Structures: Rooftop Structures and Equipment for Buildings"
- o Structure Shape = Square, flat terrain
- o z = up to 7 ft, where z = height of stand or curb + ½ unit height
- o Lateral GC<sub>r</sub> = 1.90; Uplift GC<sub>r</sub> = 1.50

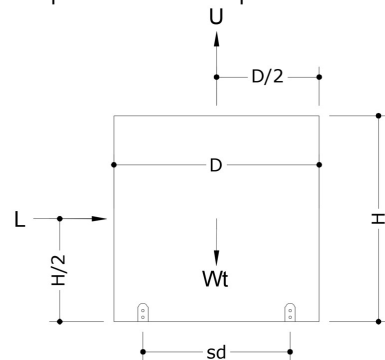
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## UNIT REACTIONS FROM WIND GUIDE

**DIRECTIVE:** This guide is intended for use by a design professional. Design parameters shall abide all specifications and limitations stated in this evaluation. Design professional shall consider all forces, including seismic and snow loads, per the governing building code. Unit reactions obtained from this guide shall be verified by a registered Professional Engineer. Reactions are applicable for unit-to-host connections only. Sample calculations are provided below.

**Design Parameters:**

- Lateral Wind Pressure,  $P_{lat}$
- Unit Height,  $H$
- Unit Width,  $W$
- Support Spacing across Depth,  $sd$
- Uplift Wind Pressure,  $P_{up}$
- Unit Depth,  $D$
- Unit Weight,  $Wt$
- Support Spacing across Width,  $sw$

**Unit Reaction Equations:****Long Side (Width x Height):**

- Sliding Force,  $L = P_{lat} \times W \times H$
- Uplift Force,  $U = P_{up} \times W \times D$
- Total Tension per Long Side =  $(L \times H/2 + U \times sd/2 - Wt \times 0.6 \times sd/2) / sd$

**Short Side (Depth x Height):**

- Sliding Force,  $L = P_{lat} \times D \times H$
- Uplift Force,  $U = P_{up} \times W \times D$
- Total Tension per Short Side =  $(L \times H/2 + U \times sw/2 - Wt \times 0.6 \times sw/2) / sw$

**Example:** A (48" W x 36" D x 42" H), 250 lb net weight unit at wind pressures of 120 psf lateral and 95 psf uplift, on a 24" wide roof stand, shall have the following unit reactions:

**Long Side (Width x Height):**

1. Sliding Force,  $L = P_{lat} \times W \times H$   
 $= (120 \text{ psf}) \times (48 \text{ in}) \times (42 \text{ in}) \times (1 \text{ in}^2 / 144 \text{ ft}^2) = \mathbf{1680 \text{ lb}}$
2. Uplift Force,  $U = P_{up} \times W \times D$   
 $= (95 \text{ psf}) \times (48 \text{ in}) \times (36 \text{ in}) \times (1 \text{ in}^2 / 144 \text{ ft}^2) = \mathbf{1140 \text{ lb}}$
3. Total Tension per Long Side =  
 $= (L \times H/2 + U \times sd/2 - Wt \times 0.6 \times sd/2) / sd$   
 $= ((1680 \text{ lb} \times 42/2 \text{ in}) + (1140 \text{ lb} \times 24/2 \text{ in}) - (250 \text{ lb} \times 0.6 \times 24/2 \text{ in})) / 24 \text{ in} = \mathbf{1965 \text{ lb}}$

**Short Side (Depth x Height):**

1. Sliding Force,  $L = P_{lat} \times D \times H$   
 $= (120 \text{ psf}) \times (36 \text{ in}) \times (42 \text{ in}) \times (1 \text{ in}^2 / 144 \text{ ft}^2) = \mathbf{1260 \text{ lb}}$
2. Uplift Force,  $U = P_{up} \times W \times D$   
 $= (95 \text{ psf}) \times (48 \text{ in}) \times (36 \text{ in}) \times (1 \text{ in}^2 / 144 \text{ ft}^2) = \mathbf{1140 \text{ lb}}$
3. Total Tension per Short Side =  
 $= (L \times H/2 + U \times sw/2 - Wt \times 0.6 \times sw/2) / sw$   
 $= ((1260 \text{ lb} \times 42/2 \text{ in}) + (1140 \text{ lb} \times 48/2 \text{ in}) - (250 \text{ lb} \times 0.6 \times 48/2 \text{ in})) / 48 \text{ in} = \mathbf{1046 \text{ lb}}$

**IN ALL CONDITIONS IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PERMIT HOLDER TO ENSURE THE HOST STRUCTURE IS CAPABLE OF WITHSTANDING THE RATED GRAVITY, LATERAL, AND UPLIFT FORCES BY SITE-SPECIFIC DESIGN. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, IS OFFERED BY ENGINEERING EXPRESS AS TO THE INTEGRITY OF THE HOST STRUCTURE TO CARRY DESIGN FORCE LOADS INCURRED BY THIS UNIT.**