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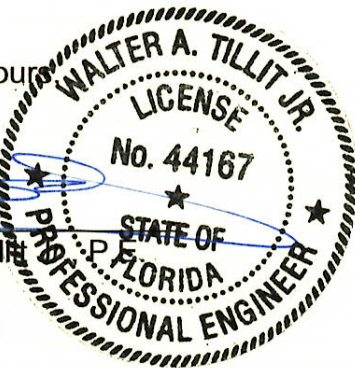

RE: Equivalence between SSTD 12-99 Impact Testing Standard and
ASTM E-1996 Impact Testing Standard for Qualification of Storm Panels.

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that Impact Testing performed in accordance with SSTD 12-99 is structurally equivalent to Impact Testing performed as per ASTM E-1996 standard as long as the installation is limited to wind zones 1, 2 and 3, as defined by the ASTM standard.

Therefore please take note of this wind zone limitation as far as locations applicable to storm panel installation.

Very truly yours,



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ASTM E-1996.455