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TEST REPORT AND PERFORMANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NZBC ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS SECTION 5.8.1. OF CEMINTEL SURROUND™ PANEL

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TEST SUMMARY

Objective

To conduct cone calorimeter testing and reduce the data in accordance with ISO 5660 (2002) as specified in New Zealand Building Code (NZBC) Acceptable Solutions Appendix C 7.1, on client supplied specimens for the purposes of determination of the Exterior Surface Finishes performance in accordance with:

- NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1. a) and b)

Test sponsor

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Description of test specimen

The product as described by the client as Cemintel Surround™, prefinished 8mm thick compressed fibre cement panel with an opaque polyacrylic colour coating.

Date of tests

30 July 2019

Test results

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

Building Code Document	Type	Performance
NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1	A	Satisfied
	B	Satisfied

LIMITATION

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

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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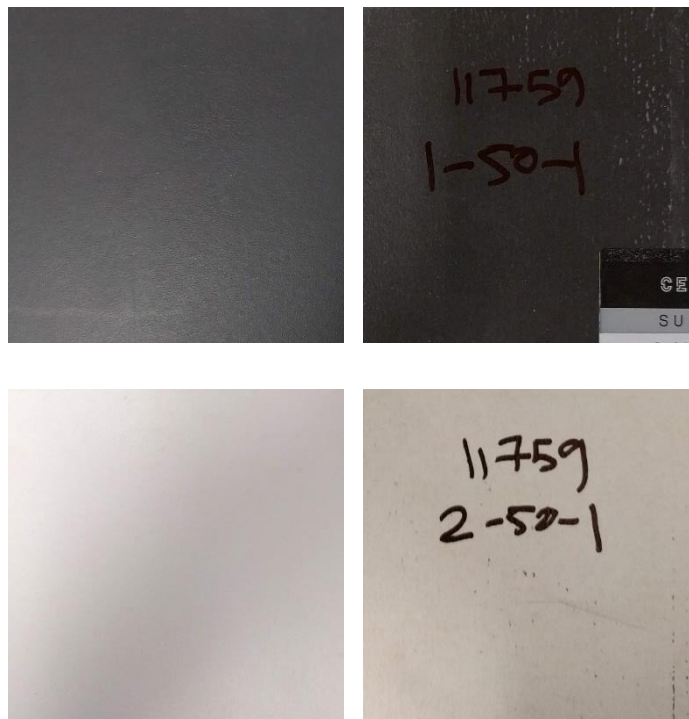
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1. GENERAL

The product submitted by the client for testing was identified by the client as Cemintel Surround™, prefinished 8mm thick compressed fibre cement panel with an opaque polyacrylic colour coating.. Figure 1 illustrates representative specimens of that tested.

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



1.1 Sample measurements

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

Table 1: Physical parameters

Specimen ID	Initial properties		Overall apparent density (kg/m ³)	Colour
	Mass (g)	Mean thickness (mm)		
FH11759-2-50-1	146.8	7.8	1,882	Cream
FH11759-2-50-2	154.5	7.9	1,956	Cream
FH11759-2-50-3	154.1	7.8	1,976	Cream
FH11280-1-50-1	158.6	8.2	1,934	Black

Shaded row – single indicative specimen

2. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

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 30 July 2019 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 $23 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ and a relative humidity of $50 \pm 5\%$ immediately prior to testing.

2.4 Special weathering

According to Acceptable Solutions Appendix C 7.1.3, timber claddings which have a fire-retardant treatment incorporated in or applied to them are required to be subjected to the regime of accelerated weathering described in ASTM D 2898 Method B with the water flow rate from Method A before testing. The tested specimens were not timber claddings and therefore were not subjected to the accelerated weathering.

2.5 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 during testing. All specimens were wrapped in a single layer of aluminium foil, covering the unexposed surfaces. Prior to testing all samples had the front facing aluminium skin removed.

2.6 Test programme

The test programme consisted of three replicate specimens and one indicative specimen as identified in the Table 1, tested at an irradiance level of 50 kW/m^2 . All tests were carried out with the specimen horizontal, and with a nominal duct flow rate of $0.024 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$.

2.7 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 Acceptable Solutions Appendix C7.1

Table 2: Test results and reduced data

Material	Test specimens as described in Section 1 (in accordance with ISO 5660)			Mean
	FH11759-2-50-1	FH11759-2-50-2	FH11759-2-50-3	
Specimen test number	FH11759-2-50-1	FH11759-2-50-2	FH11759-2-50-3	
Test Date	30/07/2019	30/07/2019	30/07/2019	
Time to sustained flaming	s	142	160	136
Observations ^a		-	-	-
Test duration ^b	s	900*	900*	900*
Mass remaining, m _f	g	128.9	135.2	136.4
Mass pyrolyzed	%	12.2%	12.5%	11.5%
Specimen mass loss ^c	kg/m ²	1.7	1.8	1.7
Specimen mass loss rate ^c	g/m ² .s	2.3	2.6	2.3
Heat release rate				
peak, \dot{q}_{max}''	kW/m ²	59.1	40.6	59.0
average, \dot{q}_{avg}''				
Over 60 s from ignition	kW/m ²	41.5	24.6	45.1
Over 180 s from ignition	kW/m ²	39.3	27.9	35.7
Over 300 s from ignition	kW/m ²	26.8	24.1	24.1
Total heat released	MJ/m ²	11.2	13.1	12.1
Average Specific Extinction Area	m ² /kg	128.8	44.4	44.2
Effective heat of combustion ^d , $\Delta h_{c,eff}$	MJ/kg	5.6	6.0	6.1

Notes:

^a no significant observations were recorded

^b determined by * test duration of 15 minutes as specified in NZBC Acceptable Solutions Appendix C 7.1.2

^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.

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3.2 Indicative test results

Table 3: Indicative test results summary

Ref. no	Test date	Time to Ignition (s)	Peak Heat Release Rate (kW/m ²)	Total Heat Released (MJ/m ²)	Average Specific Extinction Area (m ² /kg)
FH11759-1-50-1	30/07/2019	No Ignition	12.3	5.4	24.0
FH11759-2-50-1	30/07/2019	142	59.1	11.2	128.8

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

4. SUMMARY

The test standard 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 4: Heat release rate

Specimen ID	Average HRR over 180 s from ignition	Arithmetic mean	% difference from the arithmetic mean
FH11759-2-50-1	39.3	34.3	14.6%
FH11759-2-50-2	27.9		-18.7%
FH11759-2-50-3	35.7		4.1%

Table 4 identifies two specimens exposed to 50 kW/m² irradiance exceeded the acceptance criteria. Although outside of the variability criteria of the test standard, the same classification was determined for each specimen. A further set of three tests as required by the test standard was deemed not to be necessary and would not be expected to lead to an alteration of the classification.

Table 5: Report summary

Mean Specimen thickness (mm)	Irradiance (kW/m ²)	Mean Time to Ignition (s)	Mean Peak Heat Release Rate (kW/m ²)	Average Specific Extinction Area (m ² /kg)
7.8	50	146	52.9	72.5



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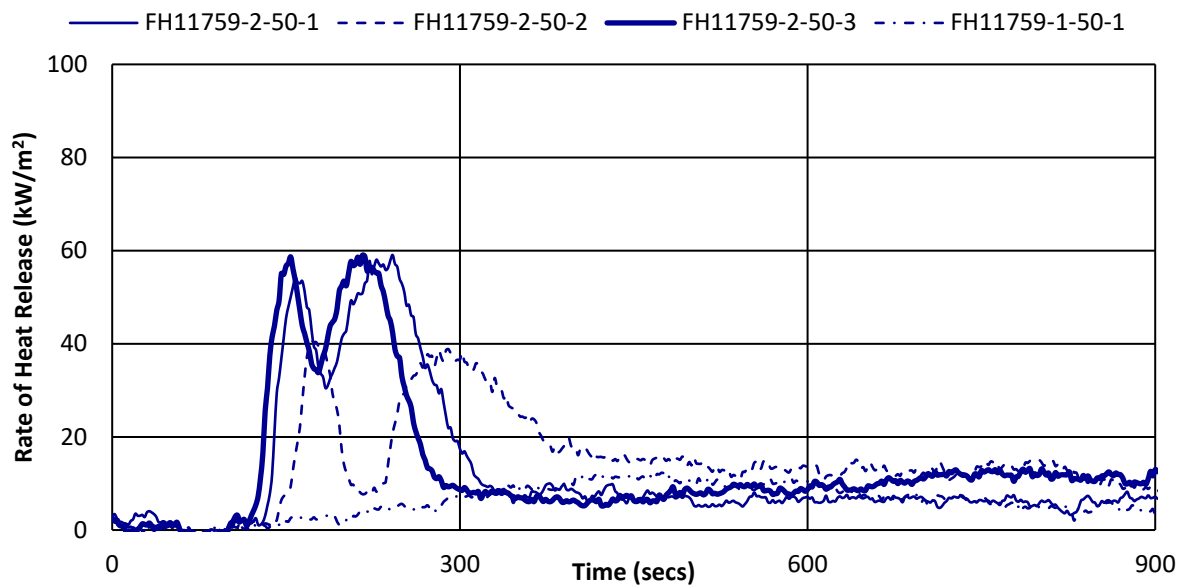
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Figure 2: Rate of heat release versus time



5. DISCUSSION

No significant variations were detected in the indicative test of black coloured Cemintel Surround™ specimen FH11759-2-50-1. The peak heat release rate and total heat released were lower than that of cream coloured sample FH11759-1-50-1. It is therefore considered that coloured panels within the Cemintel Surround™ range would perform to the equivalent classification as cream coloured specimen FH11759-1-50-1.

6. RESULTS FOR NZBC ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS SECTION 5.8.1

In accordance with NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1 a) and b) for external walls the mean test results must not exceed the Peak Heat Release rate and Total Heat Release shown in Table 5.

Table 6: NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1 a) and b) requirements

	NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1 Requirement – values shall not exceed	
	Type A	Type B
Peak Heat Release rate (kW/m ²)	100	150
Total Heat Release (MJ/m ²)	25	50

The samples as described in Section 1 had the following results when reduced over the 15-minute (900 s) period as specified in Appendix C 7.1.2 as shown in Table 6.

Table 7: NZBC Group classification and smoke extinction area

	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Performance
Peak Heat Release rate (kW/m ²)	59.1	40.6	59.0	Meets Type A and B
Total Heat Release (MJ/m ²)	11.2	13.1	12.1	Meets Type A and B

The tested samples recorded a mean Peak Heat Release of 52.9 kW/m² and a mean Total Heat Release of 12.2 MJ/m² and it is therefore considered to satisfy the requirements of NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1 a) and b).

7. NZBC CONCLUSION

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.

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NZBC CLASSIFICATION



This is to certify that the specimen described below was tested by BRANZ in accordance with ISO 5660 Parts 1 and 2.

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Date of tests

30 July 2019

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Test specimen as described by the client

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Shaded row – single indicative specimen

Classification in accordance with the New Zealand Building Code

Calculations were carried out according to NZBC Verification Method C/VM2 Appendix A. The classification for the sample as described above is given in the table below.

Building Code Document	Type	Performance
NZBC Acceptable Solutions Section 5.8.1	A	Satisfied
	B	Satisfied

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