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FIRE TEST REPORT: SOUTH SHORE IRON WORKS INTEGRITY WALL

CLIENT/MFG:		South Shore Iron Works, Inc. 407 West 109 th St. Chicago, IL 60628	
PRODUCT:		South Shore Iron Works Integrity Wall With 2 Layers of Glas Roc and 2 layers 5/8 Type X Gypsum Wallboard	
STANDARD TESTED TO:		ASTM E 119-08a Standard Test Method for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials	
FIRE TEST ENDURANCE RATING:		3 Hours	
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Abstract

This report describes the three-hour successful Fire Endurance Test for South Shore Iron Works Integrity Wall which was tested in accordance with ASTM E 119-08a, Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials.

The wall consisted of South Shore Iron Works Tubular Load Bearing Steel Studs, two layers of 5/8" Certainteed Glas Roc Board on fire side, 2" thick, 8 pound density wool insulation and 2 layers of 5/8" type X gypsum wallboard on the unexposed side. The steel studs were 24" on center and the wallboard was applied vertically and horizontally.

The load bearing capacity was determined by the recording of the steel studs' temperatures during the test. The average steel temperature did not exceed 1,000 ° F as per the test standard.

The wall system met the fire endurance requirements for a onehour rating as per the ASTM E 119-08a test standard.

We checked the ASTM Directory and ASTM E-119-08a is the latest edition of E-119.

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2. General

- 2.1 Units of measurement used in this test are English: inches, feet and Fahrenheit.
- 2.2 The testing was conducted by Guardian Fire Testing Laboratories, Inc. with Guardian's testing equipment in the laboratory facilities of Guardian in accordance with the test standard ASTM E 119-08a edition.
- 3. <u>Performance</u>

This report presents the results of a fire test of a fire wall system as per ASTM E 119-08a. This report contains a description of the material evaluated, procedures used and the test results. The results listed apply only to the specimens tested, in the manner tested.

3.1 <u>Procedure</u>:

The furnace test wall is 5 feet wide by 8 feet high.

The fire wall is directional with 2 layers of 5/8" Certainteed GlasRoc on the fire side and 2 layers of 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard on the unexposed side with 2" of mineral wool batts in the stud cavirty.

The temperatures on the unexposed side of the wall did not exceed the allowable limits.

A drawing of the wall construction is attached.

- 4 <u>Construction</u>
- 4.1 General:

The following is a detailed account of the construction of the South Shore Iron Works Integrity Wall. See attached drawings.

- 4.1.1 The wall tubular studs, tubular header and track, an all-welded system, is 6" wide. It consists of a 6" wide by 4" high by 3/16" thick steel tube header. The bottom track is 6" wide, 16 gauge steel with 1" legs. The studs are 2" x 2" by 1/8" steel tubes spaced 2" apart with a 2" tube horizontal stabilizer in the center at mid height.
- 4.1.2 Mineral wool batts, 8 pounds per cubic foot weight, 2 inches thick, 2 feet wide by 4 feet long were installed into the steel studs via friction fit. Additional insulation batts, 2 inches thick by 6 inches wide by 4 feet long, were placed between the stud tubes centered on the tubes.
- 4.1.3 2 layers of 5/8" Glas Roc was installed with one layer horizontal and one layer vertical on the fire side and 2 layers of 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard on the unexposed lside, base layer horizontal and face layer vertical.

4.1 General (cont'd.)

4.1.3 (cont'd)

The wallboard and Glas Roc were fastened to the tubular steel with 1 5/8 inch long self-drilling, self tapping screws, 8 inches on center.

- 4.1.4 2 inch wide fiberglass joint tape, self sticking, was applied to the wallboard joints on the unexposed side..
- 4.1.5 One coat of setting type wallboard joint compound, Dura Bond 90, was applied to the joints and the screw heads on the unexposed side.
- 4.1.6 Mineral wool batts, 8 pounds per cubic feet weight, 2 inches thick, 2 feet wide by 4 feet long was installed in the wall, and 6 inch wide batts were placed between the stud tubes centered on the tubes.

5 Fire Endurance Test

- 5.1 Conditions of Acceptance
- 5.1.1 The wall system withstood the fire endurance test without passage of flame or gases hot enough to ignite cotton waste for a period equal to that for which classification is desired.
- 5.1.2 Transmission of heat through the wall or partition during the fire endurance test shall not have been such as to raise the temperature on its unexposed surface more than 250°F above its initial temperature of 59°F.

6 Control and Conduct of Fire Test

- 6.1 The furnace control followed the test standard limits.
- 6.2 The furnace pressure was maintained slightly higher than atmospheric at the top of the furnace The pressure gauge at a 48 inch high location remained at 0.0 inches of water.
- 6.3 The fire test was continued for 3 hours and 5 minutes.

7 <u>Fire Test Instrumentation</u>

Furnace Temperatures:

Thermocouples were equally spaced in the furnace. The temperatures are shown on the attached chart.

Unexposed Surface Temperatures:

5 thermocouples were placed on the unexposed face of the wall. One was placed in the center of the test wall, 2 were over stud locations and 2 were in the field. The high temperature was 137° F. Temperatures are shown on the attached chart.

8 **Load bearing temperatures** were recorded at 4 points on each of 2 steel tubular stud locations. The average temperatures did not exceed 1100 ° F, and a single T/C temperature high was 1175° F.

9 <u>Test Temperatures, Observations and Test Photos are attached.</u>

<u>10</u> <u>Conclusion</u>

- 10.1 South Shore Iron Works' Integrity Wall, as a load bearing wall with 2 layers of 5/8" Glas Roc on the fire side and 2 layers of 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard on the unexposed side, successfully withstood the 3 hour fire endurance test as per the test standard, ASTM E 119-08a.
- 10.2 This wall system also receives a 3-hour fire endurance rating.

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Test Performed and Reported by:

Report Reviewed by:

R. Joseph Pearson Fire Testing Engineer Dr. Lalit Kumar, P.E. President

Uncertainty Measurement in Guardian's fire testing is less than 1% as per ASTM E-2536-06.

This test is accredited and meets the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 as verified by ANSI/ASQ National Accreditation Board/ACLASS. Refer to certificate and scope of accreditation Report AT1247.

Guardian also is accredited as an Inspection Agency and as a Product Certification Agency per ISO 17020 and ISO Guide 65 through IAS, Report AA 713 and PCA 104

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Drawing of Wall Construction

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South Shore Iron Works Unexposed Side Temperature Data High Temperature in °F: T/C#

The highest temperatures at 3 hours:

<u>T/C#</u>	Location	Temperature °F
1	ambient	62
8	left lower, over stud	135
10	center	135
7	upper right, over stud	128
9	lower right	128
6	upper left	137

Failure temperature was 310°F

The highest temperatures on the steel studs:

1	1152
2	1113
3	1175
4	1123
5	340
6	319
7	346
8	324
Average	737

Test Observations

There were no visable changes to the unexposed side.

Fire side: The color changed to glowing orange after 30 minutes of test time, and the Glas Roc stayed in place

Photos: South Shore Iron Works, Inc., Integrity Wall with GlasRoc, 3 hr. ASTM E 119-08a Times in minutes & seconds

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Before test: side to be exposed

back of exposed side

unexposed side



Completed unexposed side











120:00





180:00

After test: exposed side

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After test: exposed side



After test: showing back of unexposed side