

# LIV BUILDING PRODUCTS TEST REPORT

#### SCOPE OF WORK

TESTING OF VARIOUS GUARD RAIL COMPONENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM B117-16, STANDARD PRACTICE FOR OPERATING SALT SPRAY (FOG) APPARATUS

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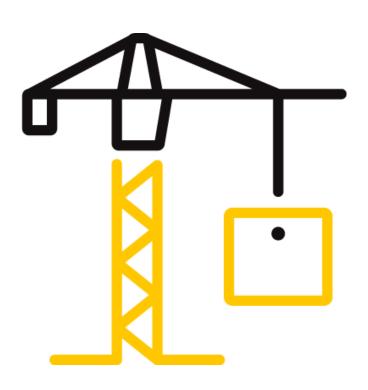
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#### **SECTION 1**

#### SCOPE

Intertek Building & Construction (B&C) was contracted by Liv Building Products to perform testing in accordance with ASTM B117-16, *Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus*, on their various guard rail components. Results obtained are tested values and were secured by using the designated test method. Testing was conducted at the Intertek test facility in Coquitlam, BC, Canada.

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#### **SECTION 2**

#### **SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS**

All samples were exposed to 1000 hours of salt spray per ASTM B117. Observations are outlined below:

| DESCRIPTION  | OBSERVATIONS  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| SS Handrail Bracket  | Corrosion at corner of bracket  |  |  |
| SS Wedge Block   | No sign of any corrosion  |  |  |
| SS Glass Connector (both halves)                                 | Corrosion spots on bottom and on bolt head                                  |  |  |
| ALX Post Matte Black   | No sign of any corrosion  |  |  |
| ALX Contemporary Brushed Titanium Top Rail with Bracket Attached | No sign of any corrosion; surface staining from salt remained after washing |  |  |
| ALX Post Satin Black   | Corrosion on baseplate and in mounting holes                                |  |  |
| Satin Black Invisipost   | No sign of any corrosion  |  |  |
| SS Pipe  | Surface corrosion/staining; corrosion at end of pipe and at surface defects |  |  |
| 42 in. SS Invisipost (2 bolts in flange 3M SAND NO WAX)          | Surface corrosion/staining; corrosion at surface defect locations           |  |  |
| 42 in. SS Invisipost (1 bolt in flange 3M SAND + WAX)            | Surface corrosion/staining; corrosion at mounting holes                     |  |  |
| 36 in. SS Invisipost (no bolts in flange                         | Surface corrosion/staining; corrosion at mounting holes and                 |  |  |
| NO 3M NO WAX)  | surface defect locations  |  |  |
| 42 in. Matte Black Invisipost                                    | No sign of any corrosion  |  |  |
| 42 in. Textured White Invisipost                                 | No sign of any corrosion  |  |  |

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#### **SECTION 3**

#### **TEST METHOD**

The specimens were evaluated in accordance with the following:

ASTM B117-16, Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus

# **SECTION 4**

# **MATERIAL SOURCE**

The various guard rail components were submitted to the Evaluation Center on July 17, 2018 (Coquitlam ID# VAN1807171505-001). Samples were not independently selected for testing.

# **SECTION 5**

#### **EQUIPMENT**

| ITEM                           | ID#   | CALIBRATION   |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Atlas SF850 Salt Spray Chamber | 22080 | June 21, 2019 |

#### **SECTION 6**

#### **LIST OF OFFICIAL OBSERVERS**

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#### **SECTION 7**

#### **TESTING AND EVALUATION METHODS**

#### **CONDITIONING**

Before testing, specimens were held in standard laboratory conditions for at least 24 hours at a temperature of  $23 \pm 2$ °C and relative humidity of  $50 \pm 5$  %.

#### **SALT FOG RESISTANCE**

Salt spray resistance was tested in accordance with ASTM B117-16, Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus. All guard rail components were placed into an Atlas SF850 Salt Spray Chamber and supported between 15° and 30° from the vertical. Samples were all subjected to 1000 hours of exposure at  $35 \pm 2$ °C ( $95 \pm 3$ °F). The salt solution was prepared to  $5 \pm 1$  parts by mass of sodium chloride in 95 parts of water. Two fog collectors were placed within the test chamber to ensure that the fog quantity was maintained at 1.0 to 2.0 mL of solution per hour. Additionally, the collected solution was tested to ensure the sodium chloride concentration was  $5 \pm 1$  mass % and the pH was 6.5 to 7.2. At the completion of 1000 hours of exposure, samples were gently washed in warm running water. A visual examination was then performed to check for signs of corrosion or other physical changes.

#### **SECTION 8**

#### SAMPLE AND ASSEMBLY DESCRIPTION

The products were identified as the following:

- SS Handrail Bracket
- SS Wedge Block
- SS Glass Connector (both halves)
- ALX Post Matte Black
- ALX Contemporary Brushed Titanium Top Rail (short section) with bracket attached
- ALX Post Satin Black
- Satin Black Invisipost
- SS Pipe
- 42" SS Invisipost (2 bolts in flange representing 3M SAND NO WAX)
- 42" SS Invisipost (1 bolt in flange representing 3M SAND + WAX)
- 36" SS Invisipost (no bolts in flange representing NO 3M NO WAX)
- 42" Matte Black Invisipost
- 42" Textured White Invisipost

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# **SECTION 9**

# **RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS**

Photos of the samples after 1000 hours of salt spray can be found below:



Figure 1. SS Handrail Bracket



Figure 2. SS Handrail Bracket



Figure 3. Wedge Block



Figure 4. Wedge Block



Figure 5. SS Glass Connector



Figure 6. SS Glass Connector

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Figure 7. ALX Post Matte Black

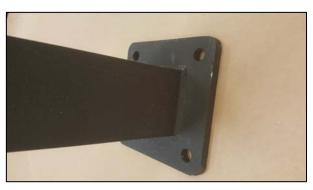


Figure 8. ALX Post Matte Black



Figure 9. ALX Contemporary Brushed Titanium Top Rail with Bracket



Figure 10. ALX Contemporary Brushed Titanium Top Rail with Bracket

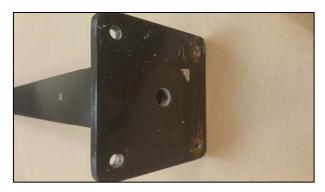


Figure 11. ALX Post Satin Black



Figure 12. ALX Post Satin Black

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Figure 13. Satin Black Invisipost



Figure 14. Satin Black Invisipost



Figure 15. SS Pipe



Figure 16. SS Pipe



Figure 17. 42 in. SS Invisipost - 2 Bolts in Flange



Figure 18. 42 in. SS Invisipost - 2 Bolts in Flange

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Figure 19. 42 in. SS Invisipost – 1 Bolt in Flange



Figure 20. 42 in. SS Invisipost – 1 Bolt in Flange



Figure 21. 36 in. SS Invisipost – No Bolt in Flange



Figure 22. 36 in. SS Invisipost – No Bolt in Flange



Figure 23. 42 in. Matte Black Invisipost



Figure 24. 42 in. Matte Black Invisipost

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Figure 25. 42 in. Textured White Invisipost



Figure 26. 42 in. Textured White Invisipost



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# **SECTION 10**

# **CONCLUSION**

The Liv Building Products various guard rail components identified and evaluated in this report have been tested per ASTM B117-16, *Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus*. As there is no pass/fail criterion, only the product test results are presented in Section 9 of this report.

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