



April 14, 2008

Mr. Robert Simon
Gossen Corporation
2030 West Bender Road
Wisconsin, Milwaukee 53209

RE: STRUCTURAL PERFORMANCE TESTS OF WEATHERREADY DECK

Dear Mr. Simon:

This is to advise that we have completed the performance testing on Gossen Corporations' WeatherReady cellular PVC decking.

Testing was performed to evaluate compliance with ICC-ES AC174 (effective March 1, 2007), *Acceptance Criteria for Deck Board Span Ratings and Guardrail Systems (Guards and Handrails)* which is ICC-ES acceptance criteria for recognition of compliance with the following building codes:

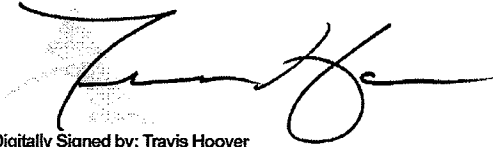
- 2006 International Building Code (IBC)
- 2006 International Residential Code (IRC)
- 1999 BOCA National Building Code
- 1997 Uniform Building Code (UBC)

The WeatherReady cellular PVC decking tested met the requirements of AC174 for the referenced building codes as follows:

1. Flexural testing and duration of load testing substantiate a 16/100 span rating for deck boards with no residential use limitation when installed in a minimum two-span condition.
2. Testing substantiates a 16 in stair tread span for deck boards used as stair treads with no residential use limitation when installed in a minimum two-span condition.

A comprehensive report with full details of the testing is forthcoming. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting us.

For ARCHITECTURAL TESTING, INC.:



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