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4” INSULATED TRANSLUCENT FIBERGLASS SANDWICH PANEL UNIT WALL SYSTEM

# - GENERAL

## SUMMARY

### Section includes the insulated translucent sandwich panel system and accessories, factory unitized, as shown and specified. Work includes providing and installing:

#### Flat factory prefabricated structural insulated translucent sandwich panels

#### Aluminum installation system

#### Aluminum sill flashing

#### Thermal break windows (Optional)

#### Screens (Optional)

#### Louvers (Optional)

#### Opaque panels (Optional)

### Related Sections:

#### Structural Steel/Concrete/Rough Carpentry: Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Masonry: Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Flashing and Sheet Metal: Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Sealants: Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Glazing: Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## SUBMITTALS

### Submit manufacturer’s product data. Include construction details, material descriptions, profiles and finishes of components.

### Submit shop drawings. Include elevations and details.

### Submit manufacturer's color charts showing the full range of colors available for factory-finished aluminum.

#### When requested, submit samples for each exposed finish required, in same thickness and material indicated for the work and in size indicated below. If finishes involve normal color variations, include sample sets consisting of two or more units showing the full range of variations expected.

##### Sandwich panels: 14” x 28” units

##### Factory finished aluminum: 5” long sections

### Submit Installer Certificate, signed by installer, certifying compliance with project qualification requirements.

### Submit product reports from a qualified independent testing agency indicating each type and class of panel system complies with the project performance requirements, based on comprehensive testing of current products. Previously completed reports will be acceptable if for current manufacturer and indicative of products used on this project.

#### Reports required are:

##### International Building Code Evaluation Report

##### Flame Spread and Smoke Developed (UL 723) – Submit UL Card

##### Burn Extent (ASTM D 635)

##### Color Difference (ASTM D 2244)

##### Impact Strength (UL 972)

##### Bond Tensile Strength (ASTM C 297 after aging by ASTM D 1037)

##### Bond Shear Strength (ASTM D 1002)

##### Beam Bending Strength (ASTM E 72)

##### Insulation U-Factor (NFRC 100)

##### NFRC System U-Factor Certification (NFRC 700)

##### Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (NFRC or Calculations)

##### Condensation Resistance Factor (AAMA 1503)

##### Air Leakage (ASTM E 283)

##### Structural Performance (ASTM E 330)

##### Water Penetration (ASTM E 331)

##### 1200°F Fire Resistance (SWRI)

##### Performance for Windows (AAMA/WDMA/CSA-101/I.S.2/A440-05)

##### LEED Credits

##### Daylight Autonomy

## QUALITY ASSURANCE

### Manufacturer's Qualifications

#### Material and products shall be manufactured by a company continuously and regularly employed in the manufacture of specified materials for a period of at least ten consecutive years and which can show evidence of those materials being satisfactorily used on at least six projects of similar size, scope and location. At least three of the projects shall have been in successful use for ten years or longer.

#### Panel system must be listed by an ANSI accredited Evaluation Service, which requires quality control inspections and fire, structural and water infiltration testing of sandwich panel systems by an accredited agency.

#### Quality control inspections shall be conducted at least once each year and shall include manufacturing facilities, sandwich panel components and production sandwich panels for conformance with AC177 “Translucent Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Faced Panel Wall, Roof and Skylight Systems” as issued by the ICC-ES.

### Installer’s Qualifications: Installation shall be by an experienced installer, which has been in the business of installing specified panel systems for at least two consecutive years and can show evidence of satisfactory completion of projects of similar size, scope and type.

## PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

### The manufacturer shall be responsible for the configuration and fabrication of the complete unitized panel system.

#### When requested, include structural analysis data signed and sealed by the qualified professional engineer responsible for their preparation.

#### Standard panel system shall have less than 0.01 cfm/ft² air leakage by ASTM E 283 at 6.24 PSF (50 mph) and no water penetration by ASTM E 331 at 15 PSF; and structural testing by ASTM E 330.

#### Structural Loads; Provide system capable of handling the following loads:

##### Positive Wind Load: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PSF

##### Negative Wind Load: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PSF

##### Seismic Design Criteria (where applicable): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## DELIVERY STORAGE AND HANDLING

### Deliver panel system, components and materials in manufacturer's standard protective packaging.

### Store panels on the long edge; several inches above the ground, blocked and under cover in accordance with manufacturer's storage and handling instructions.

## WARRANTY

### Submit manufacturer's and installer's written warranty agreeing to repair or replace panel system work, which fails in materials or workmanship within one year of the date of delivery. Failure of materials or workmanship shall include leakage, excessive deflection, deterioration of finish on metal in excess of normal weathering, defects in accessories, insulated translucent sandwich panels and other components of the work.

### Extended Warranty: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# - PRODUCTS

## MANUFACTURER

### The basis for this specification is for products manufactured by Kalwall Corporation. Other manufacturers may bid this project provided they comply with all of the performance requirements of this specification and submit evidence thereof. Listing other manufacturers’ names in this specification does not constitute approval of their products or relieve them of compliance with all the performance requirements contained herein.

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## PANEL COMPONENTS

### Face Sheets

#### Translucent faces: Manufactured from glass fiber reinforced thermoset resins, formulated specifically for architectural use.

##### Thermoplastic (e.g. polycarbonate, acrylic) faces are not acceptable.

##### Face sheets shall not deform, deflect or drip when subjected to fire or flame.

#### Interior face sheets:

##### Flame spread: Underwriters Laboratories (UL) listed, which requires periodic unannounced retesting, with flame spread rating no greater than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and smoke developed no greater than 250 when tested in accordance with UL 723.

##### Burn extent by ASTM D 635 shall be no greater than 1”.

#### Exterior face sheets:

##### Color stability: Full thickness of the exterior face sheet shall not change color more than 3 CIE Units DELTA E by ASTM D 2244 after 5 years outdoor South Florida weathering at 5° facing south, determined by the average of at least three white samples with and without a protective film or coating to ensure long-term color stability. Color stability shall be unaffected by abrasion or scratching.

##### Strength: Exterior face sheet shall be uniform in strength, impenetrable by hand held pencil and repel an impact minimum of \_\_\_\_\_\_ ft. lbs. without fracture or tear when impacted by a 3-1/4” diameter, 5 lb. free-falling ball per UL 972.

#### Appearance:

##### Exterior face sheets: Smooth \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thick and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in color.

##### Interior face sheets: Smooth \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thick and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in color.

##### Face sheets shall not vary more than ± 10% in thickness and be uniform in color.

### Grid Core

#### Thermally broken composite I-beam grid core shall be of 6005-T5 alloy and temper with provisions for mechanical interlocking of muntin-mullion and perimeter. Width of I-beam shall be no less than 7/16”.

#### I-beam Thermal break: Minimum 2”, thermoset fiberglass composite.

### Laminate Adhesive

#### Heat and pressure resin type adhesive engineered for structural sandwich panel use, with minimum 25-years field use. Adhesive shall pass testing requirements specified by the International CodeCouncil “Acceptance Criteria for Sandwich Panel Adhesives”.

#### Minimum tensile strength of 750 PSI when the panel assembly is tested by ASTM C 297 after two exposures to six cycles each of the aging conditions prescribed by ASTM D 1037.

#### Minimum shear strength of the panel adhesive by ASTM D 1002 after exposure to four separate conditions:

##### 50% Relative Humidity at 68° F: 540 PSI

##### 182° F: 100 PSI

##### Accelerated Aging by ASTM D 1037 at room temperature: 800 PSI

##### Accelerated Aging by ASTM D 1037 at 182° F: 250 PSI

## PANEL CONSTRUCTION

### Provide sandwich panels of flat fiberglass reinforced translucent face sheets laminated to a grid core of mechanically interlocking I-beams. The adhesive bonding line shall be straight, cover the entire width of the I-beam and have a neat, sharp edge.

#### Thickness: 4”

#### Light transmission: \_\_\_\_\_\_%

#### Solar heat gain coefficient \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Panel U-factor by NFRC certified laboratory: 4” thermally broken grid \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.**

#### Complete insulated panel system shall have NFRC certified U-factor of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Grid pattern: Nominal size \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; pattern \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

### Standard panels shall deflect no more than 1.0” at 30 PSF in 10’ 0” span without a supporting frame by ASTM E 72.

### Standard panels shall withstand 1200° F fire for minimum one hour without collapse or exterior flaming.

### Thermally broken panels: Minimum Condensation Resistance Factor of 85 by AAMA 1503 measured on the bond line.

## BATTENS AND PERIMETER CLOSURE SYSTEM

### Closure system: Thermally broken extruded aluminum 6063-T6 and 6063-T5 alloy and temper clamp-tite screw type closure system.

### Sealing tape: Manufacturer's standard, pre-applied to closure system at the factory under controlled conditions.

### Fasteners: 300 series stainless steel screws for aluminum closures, excluding final fasteners to the building.

### Finish:

#### Manufacturer's factory applied finish, which meets the performance requirements of AAMA 2604. Color to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (selected from manufacturer's standards).

#### Anodized (optional) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Mill (optional)

## WINDOWS (OPTIONAL) – 2 ¾" DEEP

### Windows shall be designed specifically for inclusion in the translucent panel unit wall system and factory unitized to panels.

#### Units shall be of the following type(s):

##### Project-out bottom

##### Project-in top

##### Fixed lite

### Performance: Windows shall pass or exceed requirements of AAMA/WDMA/CSA-101/I.S.2/A440-05.

#### **HC-2000 projected windows: PI-AW50, PO-HC55**; shall pass requirements at 75 psf uniform structural load with air infiltration <.01 CFM/FT2 at 6.24 psf and no water penetration at 10 psf (PI) and 8 psf (PO)

#### **HC-2000 fixed widows: F-AW80**; shall pass requirements at 120 psf uniform structural load with air infiltration <.01 CFM/FT2 at 6.24 psf and no water penetration at 12 psf.

### Construction: All window frame members shall be of heavy gauge 6063-T5 extruded aluminum with a thermal break. Frame sections shall be coped and joined by stainless steel screws at each corner. All joints exposed to the weather shall be sealed with an elastic compound. All openings shall be double weather stripped using T-slot bulb gaskets to insure minimum air infiltration.

#### Operating sash shall be hollow extruded design, mitered and joined with heavy reinforcing corners.

#### Both operable and fixed lites shall be inside glazed with an expanded EPDM closed cell sponge gasket to exterior, with aluminum glazing bead and a driven EPDM wedge gasket to the interior for rapid removal and replacement.

### Hardware:

#### Hinges on operating windows shall be four bar stainless steel with adjustable friction blocks.

#### Locking hardware shall be of cam lever design and shall be made of cast white bronze.

### Glazing:

#### Heavy commercial (HC2000) windows shall be glazed with 1” double (triple) insulated glass.

##### (Optional) 1” translucent panels with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ U-factor and faces to match 2-3/4” translucent panels.

#### Glazing Specification: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### Finish is to be coordinated with closure system.

### Insect Screens \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ be supplied.

#### Constructed of hollow box extruded frame

#### Mitered with reinforcing corners mechanically joined

#### Screens for project-out windows shall be equipped with wickets for access to handles

#### Screen cloth shall be of 18-16 aluminum mesh and held in place by spline

## LOUVERS (OPTIONAL) – 2 ¾" DEEP

### Drainable Fixed Louver, 45°, 2-3/4” deep, shall be designed specifically for inclusion in the translucent panel unit wall system and factory unitized to panels.

### Performance:

#### Free Area 4 ft. by 4 ft. louver: 6.38 sq. ft.

#### Percent Free Area: 40%

#### Free Area Velocity at beginning point of water penetration 0.01 oz. of water per sq. ft. of louver free area: 1230 fpm

#### Maximum Pressure Drop at 2,000 fpm: 0.612” H2O in, 0.439” H2O out

### Construction: Frames and blades shall be manufactured of commercial quality 6063-T6 extruded aluminum conforming to ASTM B221. Frame and Blade thickness shall be 0.081” thick. Louver shall have 100% welded construction.

### Finish to be coordinated with closure system.

### Options:

#### Bird Screens: ¾" flat expanded alum. 0.051" thick set in an extruded tubular aluminum screen frame.

#### Insect Screens: 18-16 aluminum mesh set in an extruded tubular aluminum screen frame.

#### Blank-off plates: 0.063" thick.

## OPAQUE PANELS (OPTIONAL)

# - EXECUTION

## EXAMINATION

### Installer shall examine substrates, supporting structure and installation conditions.

### Do not proceed with panel installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

## PREPARATION

### Metal Protection:

#### Where aluminum will contact dissimilar metals, protect against galvanic action by painting contact surfaces with primer or by applying sealant or tape recommended by manufacturer for this purpose.

#### Where aluminum will contact concrete, masonry or pressure treated wood, protect against corrosion by painting contact surfaces with bituminous paint or method recommended by manufacturer.

## INSTALLATION

### Install the panel system in accordance with the manufacturer's suggested installation recommendations and approved shop drawings.

#### Anchor component parts securely in place by perma­nent mechanical attachment system.

#### Accommodate thermal and mechanical movements.

#### Set perimeter framing in a full bed of sealant compound, or with joint fillers or gaskets to provide weather-tight construction.

### Install joint sealants at perimeter joints and within the panel system in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.

## CLEANING

### Clean the panel system interior and exterior, immediately after installation.

### Refer to manufacturer's written recommendations.

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