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**CAN/ULC-S102.2 Surface Burning Characteristics  
of "Armstrong Migrations BioBased Tile"**

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### **SPECIFICATIONS OF ORDER**

Determine the Flame Spread and Smoke Developed Classifications based upon triplicate testing conducted in accordance with CAN/ULC-S102.2-07, as per your Purchase Order No. 4502312640 and our Quotation No. 09-002-8423 accepted November 18, 2009.

**SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION** (Exova sample identification number 09-002-S0938-1)

Resilient flooring material identified as "Armstrong Migrations BioBased Tile".

### **TEST PROCEDURE**

The method, designated as CAN/ULC-S102.2-07, "Standard Method of Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Flooring, Floor Covering and Miscellaneous Materials", is designed to determine the relative burning characteristics of materials under specific test conditions. Results of less than three identical specimens are expressed in terms of Flame Spread Value (FSV) and Smoke Developed Value (SDV). Results of three or more replicate tests on identical samples produce average values expressed as Flame Spread Rating (FSR) and Smoke Developed Classification (SDC).

Although the procedure is applicable to materials, products and assemblies used in building construction for development of comparative surface spread of flame data, the test results may not reflect the relative surface burning characteristics of tested materials under all building fire conditions.

### **SAMPLE PREPARATION**

Each sample consisted of 6 sections of flooring material adhered to a substrate (by client) with Armstrong S-515 adhesive. Each section was approximately 533 mm in width by 1219 mm in length by 13 mm in total thickness (including substrate). The sections were butted together to form the requisite specimen size. Prior to testing, each sample was conditioned at a temperature of  $23 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$  and a relative humidity of  $50 \pm 5\%$ .

The testing was performed on: Test #1: 2009-12-23 Test #2: 2009-12-24 Test #3: 2009-12-24

### **SUMMARY OF TEST PROCEDURE**

The tunnel is preheated to  $85^{\circ}\text{C}$ , as measured by the backwall-embedded thermocouple located 7090 mm downstream of the burner ports, and allowed to cool to  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$ , as measured by the backwall-embedded thermocouple located 4000 mm from the burners. At this time the tunnel lid is raised and the test sample is placed along the floor of the tunnel so as to form a continuous surface and then the lid is lowered.

**SUMMARY OF TEST PROCEDURE (continued)**

Upon ignition of the gas burners, the flame spread distance is observed and recorded every 15 seconds. Flame spread distance versus time is plotted, ignoring any flame front recessions. Calculations are based on comparison with flame spread characteristics of select red oak, determined in calibration trials and arbitrarily established as 100. If the area under the curve (A) is less than or equal to 29.7 m·min, FSV = 1.85·A; if greater, FSV = 1640/(59.4·A). The Smoke Developed Value is determined by comparing the area under the obscuration curve for the test sample to that of inorganic reinforced cement board and red oak, established as 0 and 100, respectively.

**TEST RESULTS**

<u>SAMPLE</u>		<u>FSV</u>	<u>SDV</u>
"Armstrong Migrations BioBased Tile"	Test #1	0	17
	Test #2	0	15
	Test #3	<u>0</u>	<u>38</u>
	Average:	0	23
	Rounded Average Flame Spread Rating (FSR):	<b>0</b>	
	Rounded Average Smoke Developed Classification (SDC):	<b>25</b>	

**Observations of Burning Characteristics**

- In all three tests, the samples ignited approximately 2.5 to 3 minutes after exposure to the test flame. Blistering and charring of the sample surfaces was observed.
- The flame fronts did not advance past the base line.
- Smoke Developed and temperature were also recorded during the tests (see accompanying charts).

**Note: This is an electronic copy of the report. Signatures are on file with the original report.**

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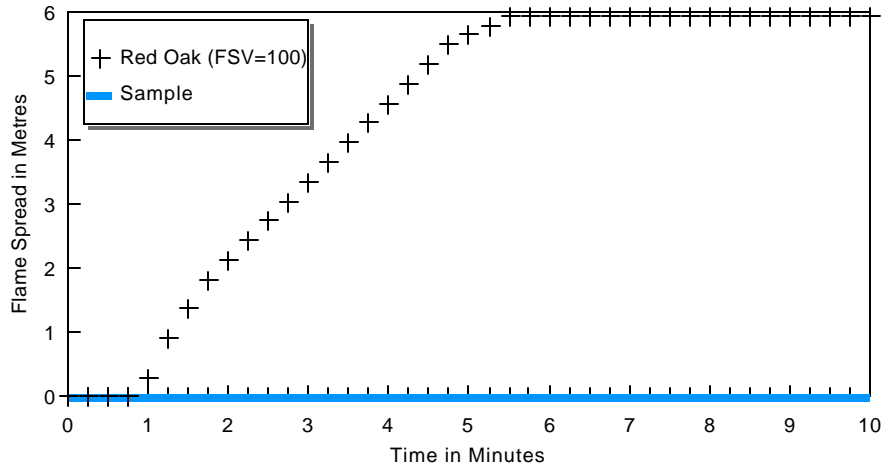
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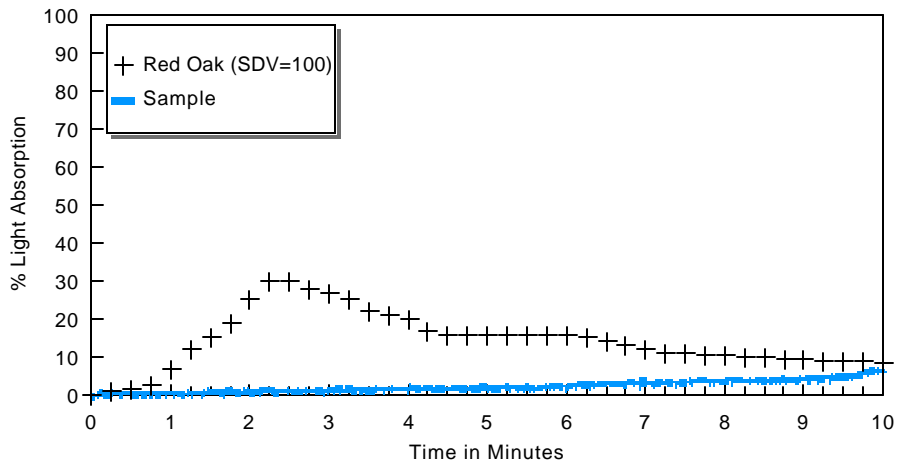
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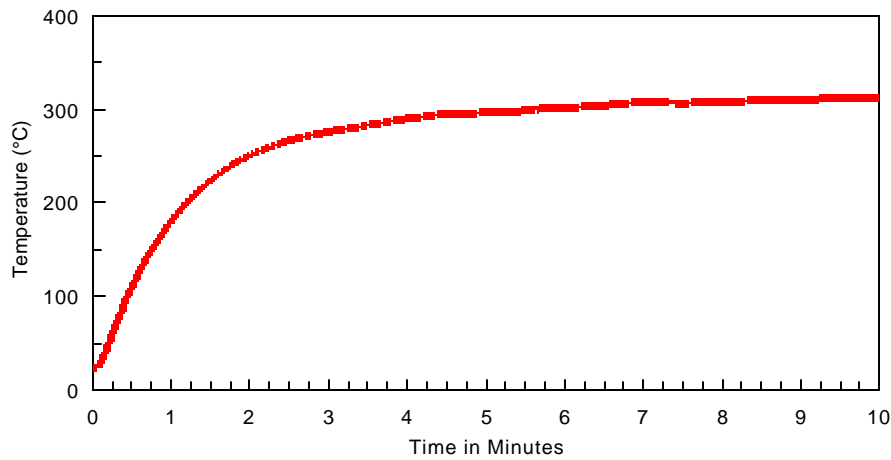
FLAME SPREAD



SMOKE DEVELOPED



TEMPERATURE

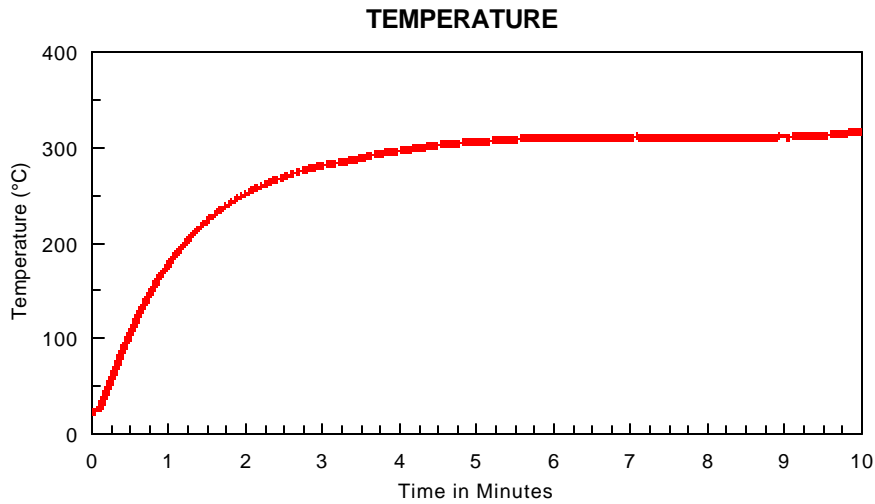
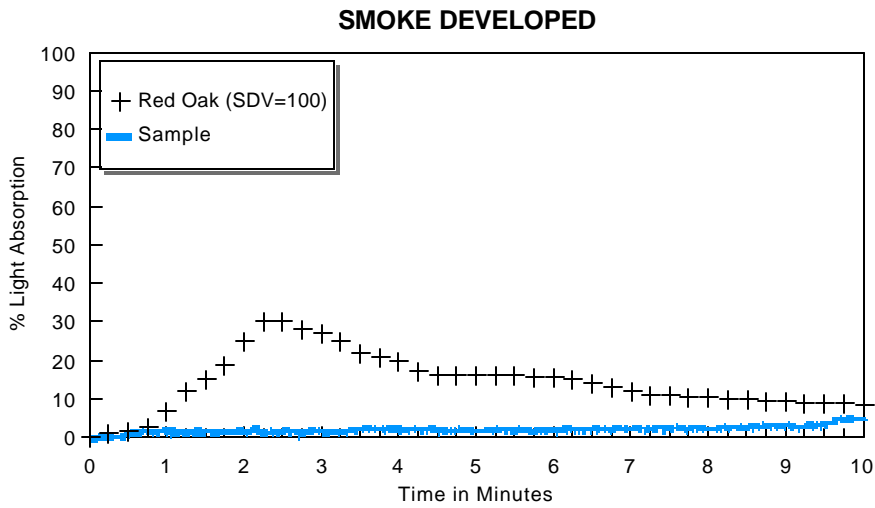
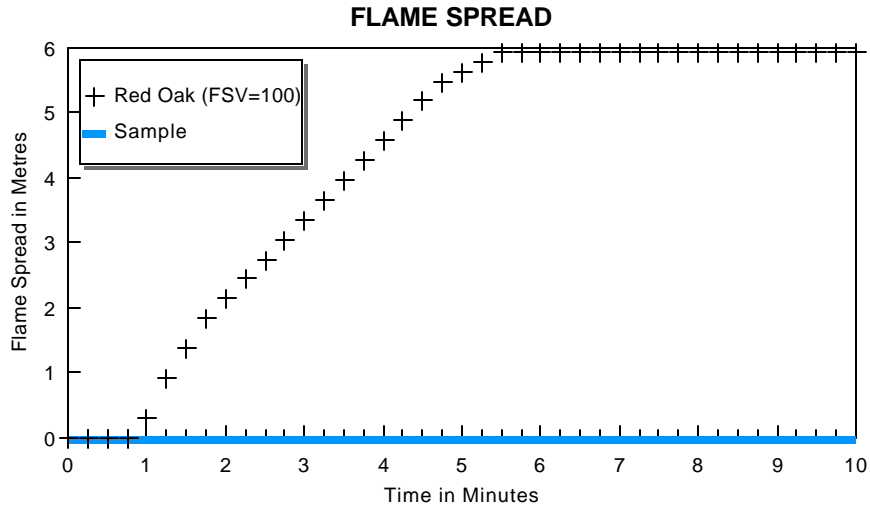


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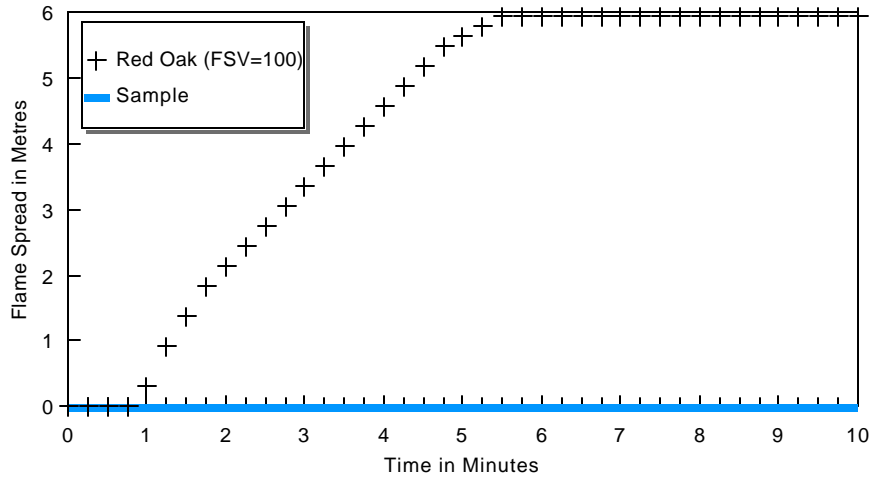
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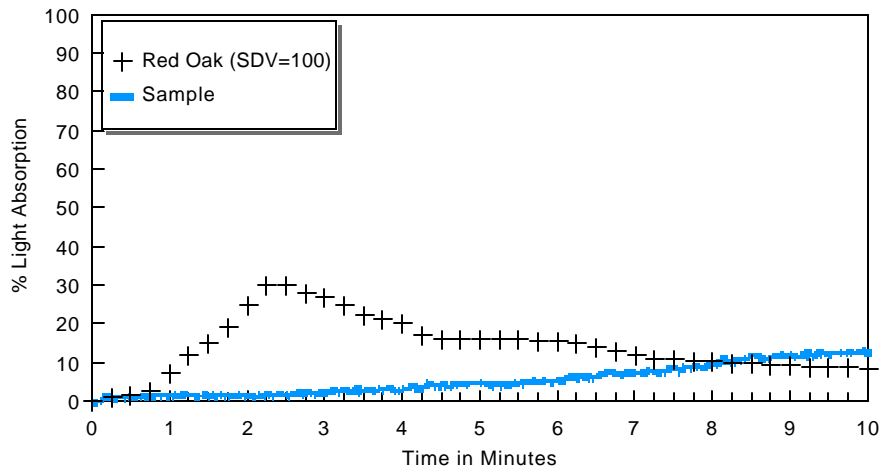
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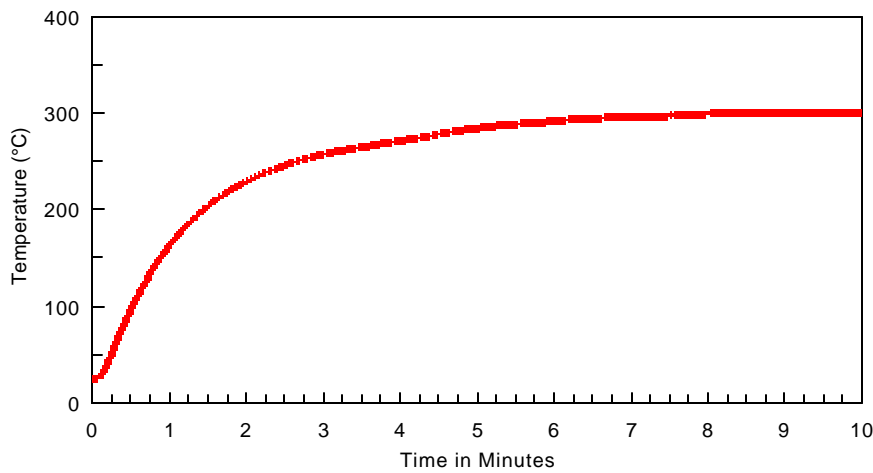
FLAME SPREAD



SMOKE DEVELOPED



TEMPERATURE



**FSV**

0

**SDV**

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