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Surface Flammability, Smoke and Toxic Gas Generation of "3M Scotch-Weld™ Acrylic Adhesive DP8410NS Green"

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SPECIFICATIONS OF ORDER

Determine surface flammability in accordance with ASTM E 162, rate of smoke generation according to ASTM E 662 and toxic gas production in accordance with Bombardier SMP 800-C and Boeing BSS 7239, as per Exova Warringtonfire North America Quotation No. 14-002-272,152 RV1 accepted January 13, 2014.

IDENTIFICATION

Two component structural acrylic adhesive, identified as "3M Scotch-Weld™ Acrylic Adhesive DP8410NS Green".

(Exova sample identification number 14-002-S0031-1)

SAMPLE PREPARATION

As per client's instructions, the two component structural acrylic adhesive was applied onto 6 mm thick fiberglass reinforced cement substrate using a flat trowel at a typical thickness range of 0.125 to 0.5 mm. The material was applied and allowed to cure at room temperature for a minimum of 3 days prior to testing.

TEST RESULTS

ASTM E 162-13

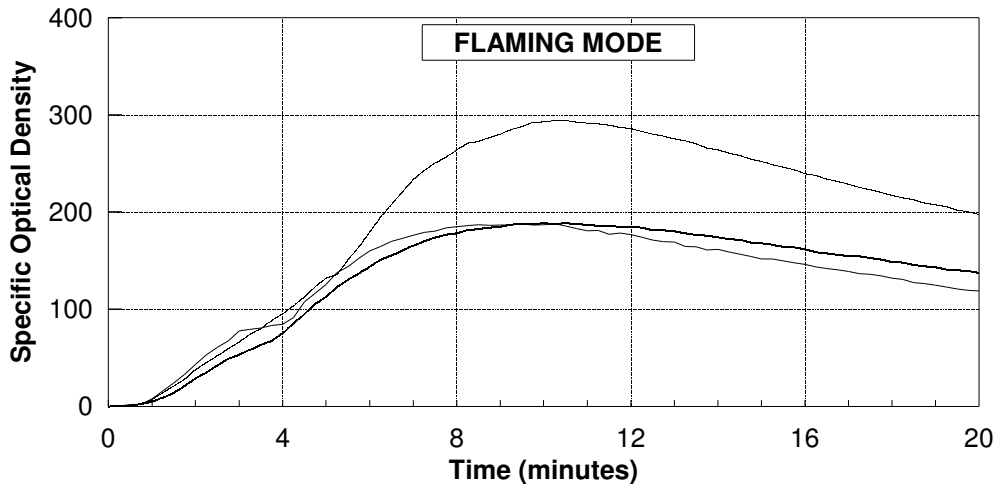
Surface Flammability of Materials Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source. (Is = Flame Spread Index).

	<u>Es</u>	<u>Q</u>	<u>Is</u>	<u>Observations</u>
1:	3.6	6.7	24	Maximum flame front propagation to a distance
2:	2.0	4.2	8	of 12 inches.
3:	3.1	4.0	12	Surface venting observed.
4:	3.5	4.2	<u>15</u>	No flaming running and flaming dripping observed.
Rounded Average:			15	
Specified Maximum:			35	No flaming running or flaming dripping allowed

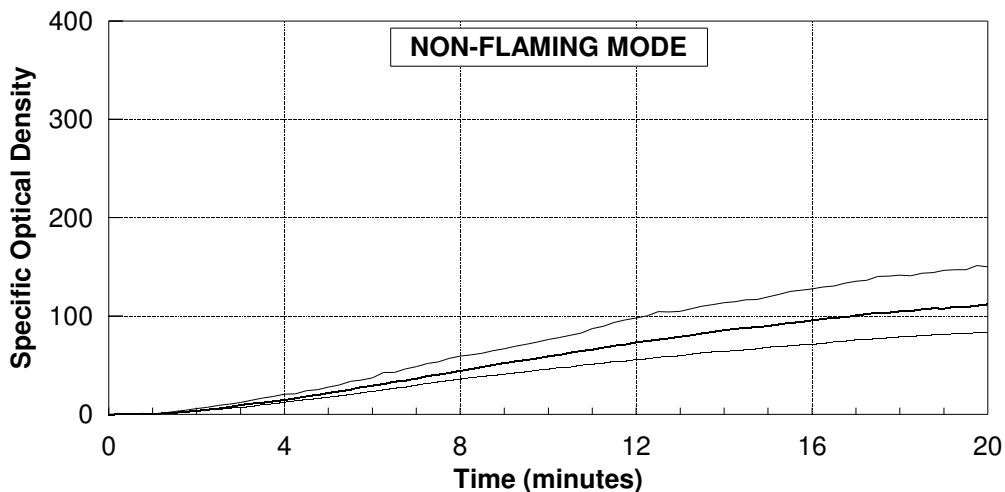
TEST RESULTS (continued)

ASTM E 662-13d

Specific Optical Density of Smoke Generated by Solid Materials



Relative Room Humidity: 20%		Test Duration: 20 min.			Chamber Wall Temp: 35 °C		
Flaming Mode		Test	#1	#2	#3	Average	Specified Maxima
Specific Optical Density at 1.5 minutes			14	21	24	20	100
Specific Optical Density at 4.0 minutes			76	96	85	85	200
Maximum Specific Optical Density			189	295	188	224	-
Maximum Corrected Optical Density			185	289	186	220	-



Relative Room Humidity: 20%		Test Duration: 20 min.			Chamber Wall Temp: 35 °C		
Non-Flaming Mode		Test	#1	#2	#3	Average	Specified Maxima
Specific Optical Density at 1.5 minutes			2	2	3	2	100
Specific Optical Density at 4.0 minutes			15	13	21	16	200
Maximum Specific Optical Density			112	84	151	116	-
Maximum Corrected Optical Density			112	83	151	115	-

TEST RESULTS (continued)**ASTM E 662 Observations**

In the flaming mode, ignition was initially observed at the point of pilot flame impingement followed by visible smoke and charring. In the non-flaming mode, visible smoke production was observed followed by charring.

Bombardier SMP 800-C (Rev. 6 2009-08-31)
Toxic Gas Generation from Material Combustion

	Flaming Mode	Non-Flaming Mode	Specified Maxima
Carbon Monoxide (CO ppm)			
at 1.5 minutes	<1	<1	-
at 4.0 minutes	76	<1	-
at maximum	847	85	3500
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂ ppm)			
at 1.5 minutes	<10	<10	-
at 4.0 minutes	<10	<10	-
at maximum	7076	180	90000
Nitrogen Oxides (as NO ₂ ppm)	5	<1	100
Sulfur Dioxide (SO ₂ ppm)	<1	<1	100
Hydrogen Chloride (HCl ppm)	6	<2	500
Hydrogen Fluoride (HF ppm)	4	<2	100
Hydrogen Bromide (HBr ppm)	3	<1	100
Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN ppm)	8	2	100
Original Weight (g)(including substrate)	46.70	48.52	-
Final Weight (g)	<u>Not determinable</u>	<u>Not determinable</u>	-
Weight Loss (g)	-	-	-
Weight Loss (%)	-	-	-
Time to Ignition (s)	10	Did not ignite	-
Burning Duration (s)	240	-	-

TEST RESULTS (continued)**Boeing BSS 7239 (Rev.: A 1-18-88)**Toxic Gas Generation

		Flaming Mode	Non-Flaming Mode	Typical Specified Maxima
Carbon Monoxide (CO ppm)	at 1.5 minutes	2	<1	-
	at 4.0 minutes	94	<1	-
	at maximum	724	117	3500
Nitrogen Oxides (as NO ₂ ppm)		<1	<1	100
Sulfur Dioxide (SO ₂ ppm)		<3	<3	100
Hydrogen Chloride (HCl ppm)		<12	<12	500
Hydrogen Fluoride (HF ppm)		<12	<12	200
Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN ppm)		6	<1	150
Original Weight (g)(including substrate)		49.37	45.53	-
Final Weight (g)		<u>Not determinable</u>	<u>Not determinable</u>	-
Weight Loss (g)		-	-	-
Weight Loss (%)		-	-	-
Time to Ignition (s)		10.0	Did not ignite	-
Burning Duration (s)		240.0	-	-

CONCLUSIONS AND COMMENTS

There are currently no specific performance criteria cited by the Federal Railroad Administration for adhesive materials. However, the adhesive identified in this report, when tested applied onto 6 mm thick fiberglass reinforced cement substrate, would meet all of the current requirements (for all specified categories) as they pertain to surface flammability (ASTM E 162) and rate of smoke generation (ASTM E 662).

The two component acrylic adhesive also meets Bombardier requirements as they pertain to toxic gas production (Bombardier SMP 800-C).

Boeing BSS 7239 is solely a test procedure and as such, has no specific pass/fail criteria of its own. The reference criteria cited are typical for the transportation industry and are listed for reference purposes only. They may or may not apply to this specific product.

The two component acrylic adhesive would meet the typically-specified industry requirements as they pertain to toxic gas generation (Boeing BSS 7239).

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APPENDIX

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Summaries of Test Procedures

ASTM E 162-13Surface Flammability of Materials Using a Radiant Energy Source.

As specified, four specimens, 6 x 18 inches in size, are pre-dried for 24 hours at 60°C. Section 10.1 of ASTM E 162-13 states to then condition the specimens to "equilibrium (constant weight)" but does not specify a definition or procedure with respect to establishing the "constant weight". Therefore, prior to testing, the specimens are then conditioned for a minimum period of 24 hours at 50 ± 5% relative humidity and 23 ± 3°C.

Each specimen is mounted into a holder and inclined at 30° from the vertical in front of a 12 x 18 inch gas-fired radiant panel. The orientation of the specimen is such that ignition is forced near its upper edge by a pilot flame, and the flame front progresses downwards.

A factor derived from the rate of progress of the flame-front and the rate of heat liberation by the material under test is calculated as follows and then reported after rounding the average of the tests to the nearest multiple of 5:

$$I_s = F_s \cdot Q$$

Where: I_s is the flame spread index

F_s is the flame spread factor

Q is the heat evolution factor

Transit authorities generally specify a maximum I_s acceptance criterion of 35 for general applications, and 100 for light diffusers, windows and transparent plastic windscreens.

ASTM E 662-13d

Standard Test Method for the Specific Optical Density of Smoke Generated by Solid Materials

This method of test covers a procedure for measuring the smoke generated by solid materials and assemblies in thickness up to and including 1 inch (25.4 mm). Measurement is made of the attenuation of a light beam by smoke (suspended solid or liquid particles) accumulating within a closed chamber due to nonflaming pyrolytic decomposition and flaming combustion. Results are expressed in terms of specific optical density (Ds), which is derived from a geometrical factor and the measured optical density (absorbance).

As specified, the test samples are pre-dried for 24 hours at 60°C. Section 9.1 of ASTM E 662-13d states to then condition the specimens to "equilibrium (constant weight)" but does not specify a definition or procedure with respect to establishing the "constant weight". Therefore, prior to testing, the specimens are then conditioned for a minimum period of 24 hours at 50 ± 5% relative humidity and 23 ± 3°C.

Three specimens, 3" square, are exposed to each mode of combustion. Prior to test initiation, the chamber wall temperature is established in the range of 33 to 37°C. The % light transmittance during the course of the combustion is recorded. These data are used to express the quantity of smoke in the form of Specific Optical Density based on the following formula, which assumes the applicability of Bouguer's law:

$$D_s = (V/AL) \cdot \log(100/T) = G \cdot \log(100/T) = 132 \cdot \log(100/T)$$

Where: Ds = Specific Optical Density

T = % Transmittance

V = Chamber Volume (18 ft³)

A = Exposed Area of the Sample (0.0456 ft²)

L = Length of Light Path in Chamber (3.0 ft)

G = Geometric Factor

Among the parameters normally reported are:

Ds		
1.5	- specific optical density after 1.5 minutes	
Ds		
4.0	- specific optical density after 4.0 minutes	
Dm	- maximum specific optical density at any time during the 20 minute test	
Dm (corr)	- Dm corrected for incidental deposits on the optical surfaces	

Transit authorities generally specify a maximum Ds 1.5 of 100 and a maximum Ds 4.0 of 200 in either flaming or non-flaming test mode.

Bombardier SMP 800-C (Rev. 6 2009-08-31)
Toxic Gas Sampling and Analytical Procedures

Toxic Gas Generation

Gases produced for analysis are generated in a specified, calibrated smoke chamber during standard rate of smoke generation testing (typically ASTM E 662), in both flaming combustion and non-flaming pyrolytic decomposition test modes.

Carbon Monoxide (CO) and Carbon Dioxide (CO₂)

CO and CO₂ are monitored continuously during the 20 minute test using a non-dispersive infrared (NDIR) analyzer. Data are reported in ppm by volume at 1.5 and 4.0 minutes and at maximum concentration.

Acid Gas Sampling

HCN, HF, HCl, HBr, NO_x and SO₂ are sampled by drawing 6 litres of the chamber atmosphere through two midget impingers, each containing 10 ml of 0.25N NaOH, at a rate of 375 ml per minute. The 16-minute sampling period is commenced at the 4 minute mark. All determinations are performed in both the flaming and non-flaming modes and all data are reported in parts per million (ppm) by volume in air.

Analysis of Impingers for Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN)

Cyanide in the NaOH impinger, as NaCN, is converted to CNCl by reaction with chloramine-T at pH greater than 8 without hydrolyzing to CNO⁻. After the reaction is complete, CNCl forms a red-blue colour on addition of a pyridine-barbituric acid reagent. Cyanide is quantified by spectrometric measurement of the increase in colour 578 nm.

Reference: In-house SOP 00-13-SP-1216 based on ASTM Method D 2036-91

Analysis of Impingers for Hydrogen Fluoride (HF)

Fluoride, as NaF, in the NaOH impinger is determined using SPADNS colorimetry.

Reference: In-house SOP 01-13-SP-1295

Analysis of Impingers for Hydrogen Chloride (HCl) and Hydrogen Bromide (HBr)

Alkali halides (chloride and bromide) formed in the NaOH solution are measured using ion chromatography and conductivity detection.

Reference: In-house SOP 02-13-SP-1402

Analysis of Impingers for Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x)

Nitrite and nitrate formed in the alkaline solution are determined using ion chromatography and conductivity detection. The nitrite and nitrate results are combined and the total expressed as nitrogen dioxide (NO₂).

Reference: In-house SOP 02-13-SP-1402

Analysis of Impingers for Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂)

SO₂ is trapped in the NaOH impinger as sulfite and sulfate (SO₃²⁻ and SO₄²⁻). Hydrogen peroxide is added to convert SO₃²⁻ to SO₄²⁻. Resulting sulfate is determined using ion chromatography and conductivity detection.

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CO is monitored continuously during the 20 minute test using a non-dispersive infrared (NDIR) analyzer. Data are reported in ppm by volume at 1.5 and 4.0 minutes and at maximum concentrations.

Acid Gas Sampling

HCN, HF, HCl, HBr, NO_x and SO₂ are sampled by drawing 1 litre of the chamber atmosphere through two midjet impingers, each containing 10 ml of 0.25N NaOH, at a rate of 400 ml per minute. The 2½ minute sampling period is commenced at the 4 minute mark. Determinations are performed in both the flaming and non-flaming modes and data are reported in parts per million (ppm) by volume in air.

Analysis of Impingers for Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN)

Cyanide in the NaOH impinger, as NaCN, is converted to CNCl by reaction with chloramine-T at pH greater than 8 without hydrolyzing to CNO⁻. After the reaction is complete, CNCl forms a red-blue colour on addition of a pyridine-barbituric acid reagent. Cyanide is quantified by spectrometric measurement of the increase in colour 578 nm.

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