

**CLIENT:** **Marlite**  
1 Marlite Drive  
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<b>Test Report Number :</b> <b>RJ5720F-1</b>	<b>Date:</b> <b>September 27, 2017</b>
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**SAMPLE ID:** The client identified the following test material as:  
Marlite Plank Panel Class A E84

**SAMPLING DETAIL:** Test Samples were submitted to the Laboratory directly by the client. No sampling or sample preparation were observed by QAI staff.

**DATE OF RECEIPT:** Samples were received at QAI facilities on: September 12, 2016

**TESTING PERIOD:** September 22, 2017.

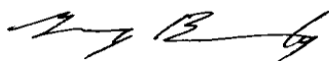
**AUTHORIZATION:** Testing was authorized by Megan Bourquin for proposal 17FB08101 signed August 28, 2017

**TEST REQUESTED:** Perform standard flame spread and smoke density developed classification tests on the sample supplied by the Client in accordance with ASTM Designation E84-17, "Standard Method of Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials". The foregoing test procedure is comparable to UL 723, ANSI/NFPA No. 255, and UBC No. 8-1.

<b>TEST RESULTS:</b>	<b><u>Flame Spread</u></b>	<b><u>Smoke Developed</u></b>
	<b>5</b>	<b>35</b>

**CONCLUSION:** When tested in accordance to ASTM E84-17 the tested material resulted in a Class 'A'. Detailed test results are presented in the subsequent pages of this report

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**SCOPE:** This fire-test-response standard (ASTM E84 -17) used for the comparative surface burning behavior of building materials is applicable to exposed surfaces such as walls and ceilings. The test is conducted with the specimen in the ceiling position with the surface to be evaluated exposed face down to the ignition source. The material, product, or assembly shall be capable of being mounted in the test position during the test. Thus, the specimen shall either be self-supporting by its own structural quality, held in place by added supports along the test surface, or secured from the back side. The purpose of this test method is to determine the relative burning behavior of the material by observing the flame spread along the specimen. Flame spread and smoke developed index are reported. However, there is not necessarily a relationship between these two measurements.

**USE:** The use of supporting materials on the underside of the test specimen has the ability to lower the flame spread index from those which might be obtained if the specimen could be tested without such support. These test results do not necessarily relate to indices obtained by testing materials without such support.

Testing of materials that melt, drip, or delaminate to such a degree that the continuity of the flame front is destroyed, results in low flame spread indices that do not relate directly to indices obtained by testing materials that remain in place.

*This standard is used to measure and describe the response of materials, products, or assemblies to heat and flame under controlled conditions, but does not by itself incorporate all factors required for fire-hazard or fire-risk assessment of the materials, products, or assemblies under actual fire conditions.*

**PROCEDURE:** The test is conducted in accordance with ASTM E84-17. A brief overview of the method is as follows: The test specimen, a material between 20 and 24 inches in width by 24 feet +/- 12 inches in length is loaded onto the water cooled ledge of the fire test chamber. The fire test chamber is a rectangular horizontal duct with a removable lid. The inside dimensions are 17 3/4 inches +/- 1/4" wide by 12 inches +/- 1/2" deep by 25 feet long. The sides and base of the chamber are lined with an insulated firebrick with pressure tight observation windows down one side for a technician to observe flame progression during the duration of the 10-minute test period. The chamber lid is lowered into test position with non combustible concrete board placed between the specimen and chamber lid. A draft of 240 feet per minute which is maintained inside the test chamber throughout the test period by the means of an electronic fan afterburner and an electronically controlled damper door system located downstream of the test chamber in the exhaust ducting. The test is started when the test flame is ignited at the front of the test chamber. An electronic photocell system located in the exhaust system downstream from the test chamber is used to plot the smoke developed for use in calculating the smoke developed index while a technician plots the flame spread distance used in determining the flame spread index. The test is run for the 10 minute duration or until the flame spread has reached the end of the test chamber. (See Diagrams in the Appendix of this report.)

**PREPARATION AND CONDITIONING:**

The sample Material was delivered to QAI in (4) 24" wide by 6 feet long specimens. (See Photos in Appendix of this report). The specimen was placed in the conditioning room (maintained at 73.4 ± 5° F and a relative humidity of 50 ± 5%) for a minimum of 72 hours prior to testing..

**ASTM E84 TEST RESULTS:**

**MOUNTING METHOD:**

The sample was supported during testing by 2" hexagonal mesh poultry netting running the length of the test chamber and 1/4" round metal rods placed at two foot intervals across the width of the test chamber.

**CLIENT:** Marlite **DATE:** 9/22/2017

**SAMPLE ID:** Marlite Plank Panel Class A E84

**SAMPLE IGNITION:** 00:59 Minutes / Seconds

**MAX FLAME FRONT:** 0.9 Feet

**TIME TO MAXIMUM SPREAD:** 02:01 Minutes / Seconds

**TEST DURATION:** 10 minutes, 00 seconds

**SUMMARY:** FLAME SPREAD: 5 4 Unrounded  
SMOKE DEVELOPED: 35 35 Unrounded

**OBSERVATIONS:**

Sample was resistant to ignition until 0:59 when the sample ignited and flame progressed down chamber.

**CALIBRATION DATA:**

Time to Ignition of Last Red Oak (sec): 54  
Red Oak Smoke Area (%A\*Min): 153  
Total Fuel Burned (ft<sup>3</sup>): 50.2

**SUMMARY OF ASTM E84 RESULTS:**

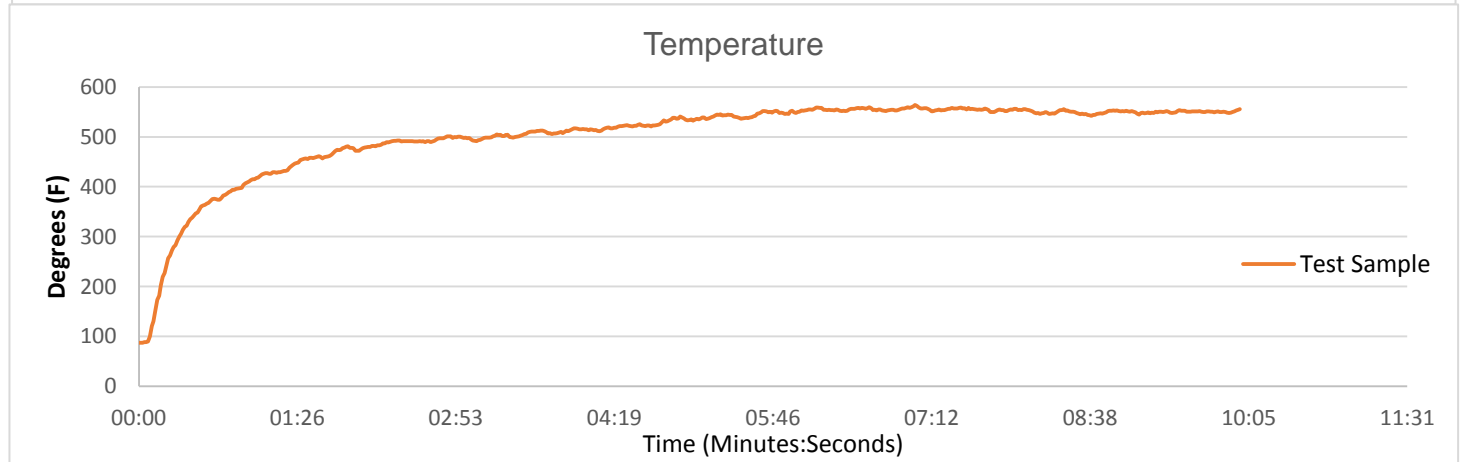
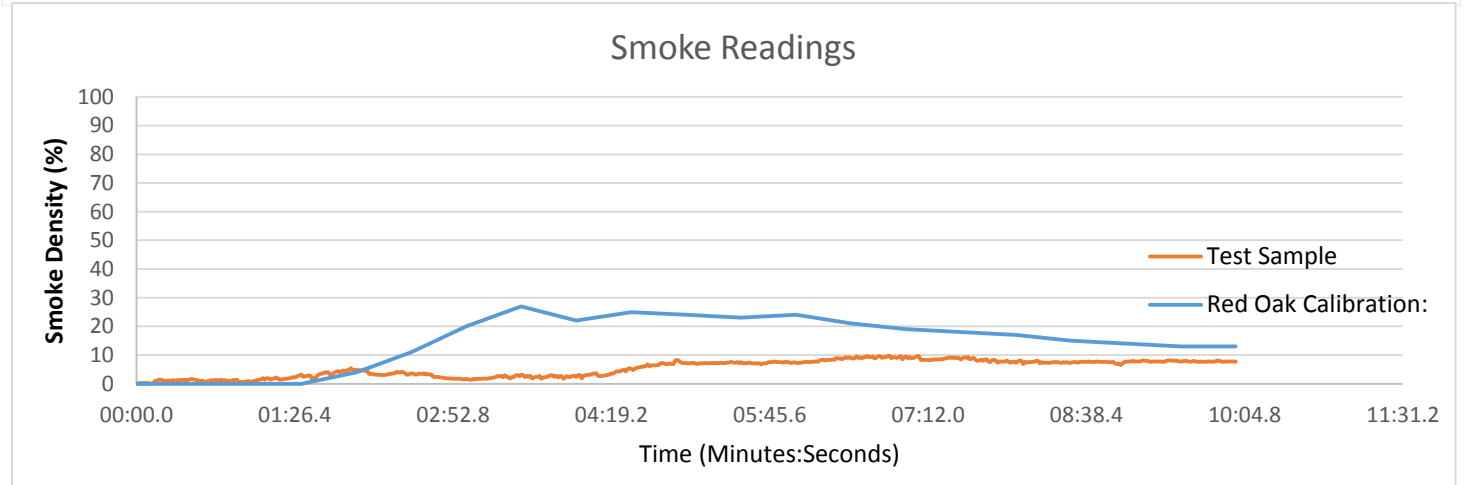
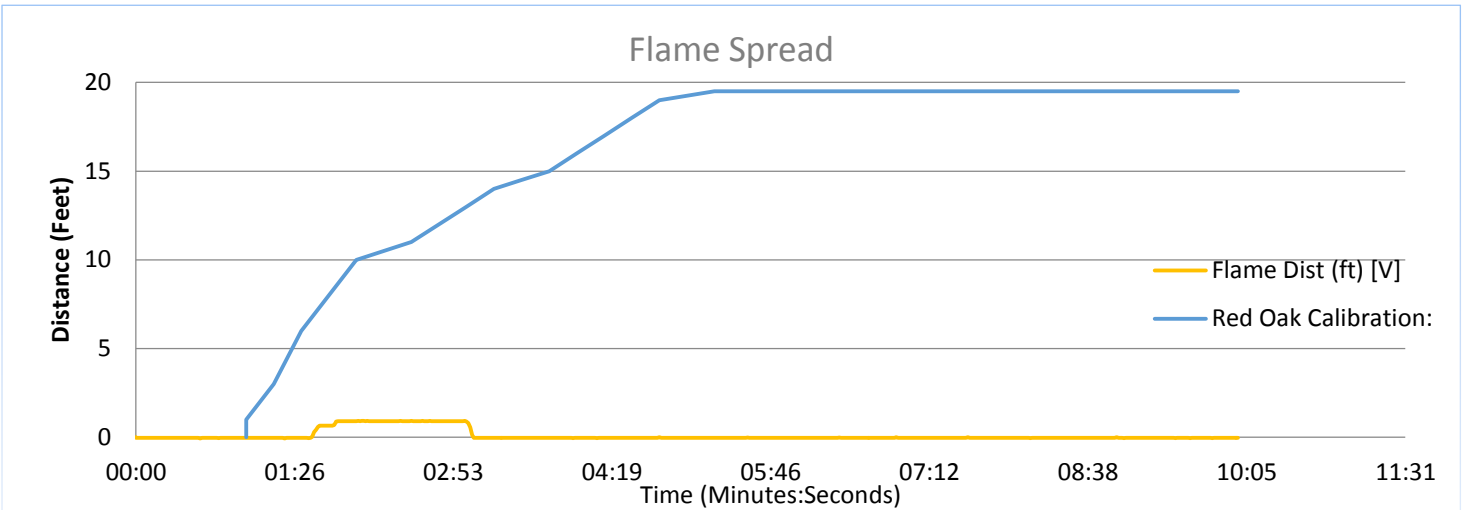
Because of the possible variations in reproducibility, the results are adjusted to the nearest figure divisible by 5. Smoke Density values over 200 are rounded to the nearest figure divisible by 50.

In order to obtain the Flame Spread Classification, the above results should be compared to the following table:

<u>NFPA CLASS</u>	<u>IBC CLASS</u>	<u>FLAME SPREAD</u>	<u>SMOKE DEVELOPED</u>
A	A	0 through 25	Less than or equal to 450
B	B	26 through 75	Less than or equal to 450
C	C	76 through 200	Less than or equal to 450

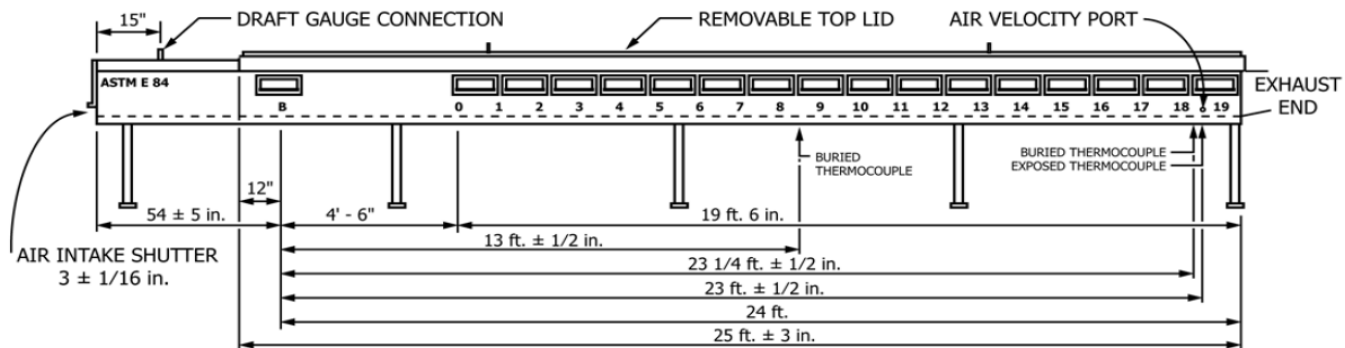
**BUILDING CODES CITED:**

1. National Fire Protection Association, ANSI/NFPA No. 101, "Life Safety Code"
2. International Building Code, Chapter 8, Interior Finishes, Section 803.

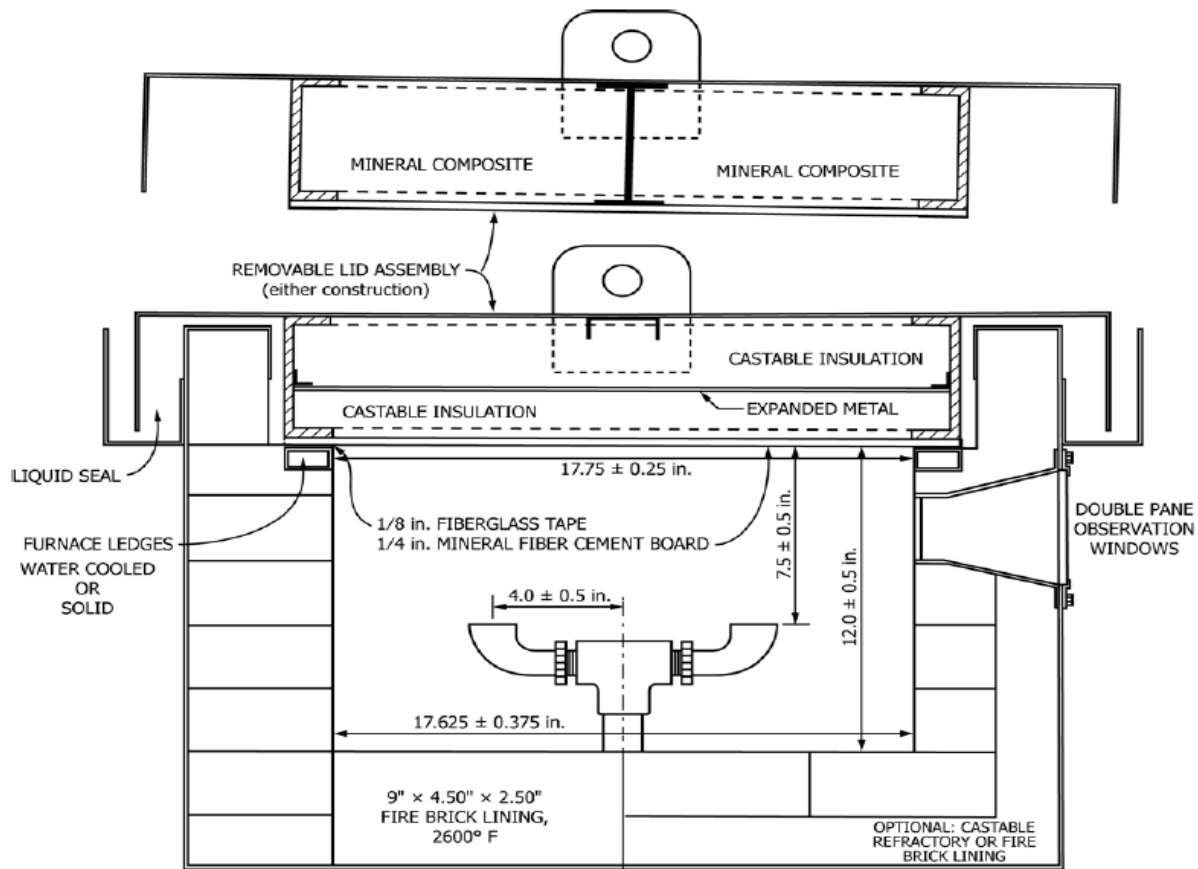


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**APPENDIX**



**Diagram 1.** Test Chamber side view showing critical dimensions.



**Diagram 2.** Test Chamber looking down chamber showing critical dimensions.

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**Photo 1.** Surface of Specimen Tested

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