

SWRI Approves First Product in the Wall Coating Validation Program

After passing the Priority Performance Property Profile for Elastomeric Wall Coatings, Edison Coatings, Inc.'s Elastowall 351 is the first product to receive the official stamp of approval through the Sealant Waterproofing & Restoration Institute's new Wall Coating Validation Program.

DL Laboratories tested the product for Resistance to Wind-driven Rain (ASTM D 6904), Moisture Vapor Transmission (ASTM E 96, Procedure B), Tensile Strength (ASTM D 412) and Volume Solids and Crack Bridging (ASTM C 1305) properties. This means that Elastowall 351 performs exactly to the industry-standard specifications listed on its data sheet and product label.

SWRI's validation programs, which now include testing for sealants and wall coatings, were developed to give end-users, applicators and specifiers a way to accurately substantiate the performance claims of a product. The validation process verifies a product's ability to perform, facilitating better-informed buying decisions.

Manufacturers may participate in the program by simply choosing an independent laboratory from a list provided by SWRI. Once a lab is chosen, the manufacturer provides the name of the wall coating or sealant to be tested, as well as a current manufacturer data sheet with the stated performance characteristics, test results and any other collateral materials. The third-party lab will randomly purchase the product to be tested, and tests the product to the greatest claim on the manufacturer's data sheet.

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