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**Stucco Products Division**

**To:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attention:**

**From:**

**Subject:** Submittal for approval

**Project:**

**Gray Finish Coat**

**Product information:**

Spectrum Gray Finish coat is preferred by contractors as an effective & simple alternative to field-mixed finish coats. It is an economical, easy-to-use, un-sanded bagged product. Contractors often mix Spectrum Gray Finish coat with aggregate conforming to ASTM C-897 and water to create a texture/finish coat that can be applied with paint. It is also used in a similar fashion to create a skim coat or to float the wall. Stucco contractors expressed a need for a pre-mixed, affordable bagged finish material to take the place of the complex and inconsistent field-mixed finish. Gray Finish coat is preferred over traditional job mixed finish because it doesn't dry out as fast for the applicator. This allows for quick drying and faster job completion. The Gray Finish coat requires less labor, is affordable, dries a lighter color and is easily covered with paint or finish.

**Features:**

- Mildew Resistant
- Interior or exterior
- Neutral Gray
- Quick-Drying

**General information:**

Spectrum Gray Finish coat is used as the finish/texture coat in a conventional stucco application (ideally the final coat after Spectrum Scratch and Brown application). When mixed with the appropriate aggregate in accordance with ASTM C-926 and C-897, you will have a job-mixed finish coat that meets the standard specifications for Portland cement-based plasters. 1 Bag of Spectrum Gray Finish Coat equals approx. 1 cubic foot of cementitious material (ASTM C-926 Table 4 states). For every part of cement, mix aggregate conforming to (ASTM C-897) at a range of 1.5 to 3 parts.

1. Add 2/3 of the required water, 1/2 of the required sand into the mixer and allow that to mix briefly.
2. Add the Spectrum Gray Finish Coat, the remainder of the sand, and sufficient water to bring the mix to the desired workability. These components should be mixed a minimum of 5

minutes after all materials have been added to the mixer. When using sand that is not in a bag, it is recommended that a 1 cubic foot box or similar measuring tool be used to measure the sand. This will insure consistent color, uniformity and strength.

Allow sufficient time to dry between coats. Air and substrate temperatures must remain above 40°F for 24 hours (minimum). Store off ground in a dry area and protect from moisture. Product conforms to ASTM C925 Type FP when applicable.

**Surface Preparation:**

Clean area and remove all dust, grease, oil, paint, dirt, efflorescence and any unsound concrete. Spectrum tintable primer must be applied over all cementitious products once they have been allowed to cure. Primer must be applied with a spray application and then back rolled with a paint roller. With a pH pencil, check the surface pH levels 4-6 hours after the primer has dried. Dry time will depend on surface temperatures, humidity and porosity of material to be coated. Randomly check the entire surface to ensure pH levels are below 10.

**Coverage Reported by Users:                      Mix Design**

- 251-300 Sq/Ft - 1 Bag of Spectrum Gray Finish coat mixed with 1.5 bags of Blasting Sand #3
- 400-440 Sq/Ft - 1 Bag of Spectrum Gray Finish coat mixed with 2 bags of Blasting Sand #4
- 450-500 Sq/Ft - 1 Bag of Spectrum Gray Finish coat mixed with 2bags of Blasting Sand #5

**All coverages are approximate, dependent on substrate and individual application techniques.**

**DO NOT USE THIS PRODUCT AS A COMPONENT OF AN EXTERIOR INSULATION FINISH SYSTEM (EIFS) OR AS PART OF ANY EXTERIOR INSULATION FINISH APPLICATION REPRESENTED TO BE A SIMILAR GROUP COMPONENT BASED SYSTEM.**

EIFS refers to an exterior insulation system in which the specific components are designed, formulated, tested and may also be certified by “EIMA”, “ICBO” or other organization to ensure that the individual components are compatible with one and another and will successfully function together. All AHI products are sold independently and separately and have not been tested, designed, formulated, manufactured or certified by any entity to work together successfully in Exterior Insulation Finish Systems or as a part of any exterior insulation application represented to be similar group component based system.

**WARRANTY:** All Spectrum stucco coatings come with a limited 5 year warranty.

**Thank you for the opportunity of furnishing this quality product on your important project!**