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FLOOR/CEILING ASSEMBLY

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FCS1 SMWNV FIIC63-FSTC57



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CONSTRUCTION

* Ceramic Tile

* 1-1/4" thick lightweight concrete floorslab

- * 1/4" thick resilient floor membrane
- * 1-1/8" T&G plywood deck
- * 22" deep I-beam
- * Cellulose insulation 22" blown in
- * RSIC-1 installed 48" oc.
- * 7/8" furring channel 24" oc.
- * 2 Layers 5/8" Gypsum Drywall





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Report Date: Test Date: Test Site: Test Construction: May 20, 2003 May 7 and May 8 2003 Tramonto Villas, Lake Las Vegas, NV Building No. 7, Floor-Ceiling between 3rd & 2nd Floor Villas

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Conformance to Standard

Test of floor-ceiling assembly was conducted according to ASTM Standard E1007-97: *Standard Test Method for Measurement of Tapping Machine Impact Sound Transmission Through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies and Associated Support Structures.* The measurements acquired was then used to calculate a Field Impact Insulation Class (FIIC) in accordance with ASTM E989-89(1999), *Standard Classification for Determination of Impact Insulation Class (IIC).*

Test Equipment Used

Equipment used for the measurements included recently calibrated floor tapping machine, pink noise generator, powered-amplified loudspeaker, and a Brüel & Kjær Type 2260 Modular Precision Digital Sound Analyzer.

Site Observations

The 3rd floor villa was designated as the source room for the test. The test was conducted on the 18" x 18" x 3/8" glazed flooring that extended throughout the large combine foyer/living/dining/kitchen space. The villa itself was unfinished. The tapping machine was positioned on the approximate center of the combined space.

The receive or measurement room was a similar space located on the 2nd floor level, directly below the source room. The walls and ceiling for both units are painted drywall, with hard glazed flooring. The ceiling height for the combined living/dining area is approximately 9'-0", with the kitchen area being approximately 8'-0". The volume of the combined space is approximately 10,000 cubic feet.

Description of Floor-Ceiling Assembly

The test floor-ceiling assembly consisted of 3/8" thick glazed floor tile on 1-1/4" thick Gypcrete on 1/4" thick Maxxon Acoustimat II resilient floor underlayment on 1-1/8" T&G plywood deck. The system is supported by 20" deep I-beam filled with cellulose insulation. The two layers 5/8" thick drywall ceiling in the 2nd floor villa is mounted to the structure via PAC International RISC resilient mount.

Test Procedure

The measurement process was conducted in accordance with ASTM E1007-97. Both source and receive room's windows and doors were closed and latched securely. Prior to the actual tests, measurements were taken to verify that the sound pressure level in the receive room are not influenced by flanking noise.

We initially observed that flanking noise was significant due to the elevator shaft. However, this condition was mitigated the following day by sealing the elevator doors on the 3^{rd} and 2^{nd} floor villas with two layers of 5/8" thick drywall, cavity lined with unfaced fiberglass insulation, and all edge conditions sealed with a continuous bead on non-hardening acoustical sealant.

Four microphone locations were selected throughout the space for each of the four tapping machine orientations. Each measurement consisted of a minimum of 15-seconds averaging time, following a manual swept figure "8" pattern.

No extraneous mechanical operation noise by the tapping machine was observed and measured.

The decay rate method was used to calculate the receive room sound absorption from reverberation time measurements.

For Field Sound Transmission Class (FSTC), the test was conducted in accordance with procedure set forth in ASTM E90, wherein a sound source is placed in the source room, and measurements are taken in the receive room to determine the background noise levels with and without the sound source.

Conclusion

The attached data sheet summarizes the measured and calculated data. The results indicated a rating of FIIC-63. This rating exceeds the standards set in the 1997 Uniform Building Code, Appendix 12, Division II – Sound Transmission Control, Section 1208.3 states: *"All separating floor-ceiling assemblies between separate units or guest rooms shall provide impact sound insulation equal to that required to meet an Impact Insulation Class (IIC) of 50 (45 if field tested)."* A 5-point difference between laboratory tests (IIC) and field test (FIIC) is typical.

We found the Field Sound Transmission Class of the floor-ceiling assembly to be approximately FSTC-57. This is identical to our calculated result based on double membrane Transmission Loss Synthesis.

Tramonto Villas FIIC and FSTC Test Report Finally, note that the UBC guideline is general in its application. However, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has develop guidelines for various classification of buildings (HUD AD669.933, *Airborne, Impact, and Structure-Borne Noise Control in Multifamily Dwellings*). Under this guideline, luxury constructions are considered Grade I, where HUD recommends a laboratory IIC rating of 55, or greater for floor-ceiling assemblies between residential units. While the IIC 55 is not a field-tested criterion, the field equivalence is generally 5 points below the laboratory IIC rating.

In either case, the Tramonto Villa floor-ceiling assembly surpassed the minimum requirements.

This concludes the summary of our field tests. Please call should you have questions.

Sincerely, Shen Milsom & Wilke, Inc.

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FSTC = 57

