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BRACKET PRODUCT: 6 ft x 6 ft and 6 ft x 8 ft Vinyl Privacy Fence Systems

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1.0 General Information

1.1 Product

- 1) 6 ft x 6 ft privacy fence using 5-1/2 in PVC brackets for mounting to PVC post
- 2) 6 ft x 8 ft privacy fence using 7 in PVC brackets for mounting to PVC post

1.2 Project Description

Architectural Testing, Inc., an Intertek company ("Intertek-ATI"), was contracted by Collins Limited, LLC to perform dynamic wind load tests on their 6 ft x 6 ft and 6 ft x 8 ft vinyl privacy fence systems. Testing was conducted at the Intertek-ATI laboratory in York, Pennsylvania. This report includes comprehensive written and photographic documentation of testing performed.

2.0 Dynamic Wind Load Testing

2.1 Test Specimen

One specimen of each vinyl privacy fence system were tested. The 6 ft high by 6 ft wide assembly consisted of a 1-panel/2 post fully assembled fence section. The 6 ft high by 8 ft wide assembly consisted of a 2-panel/3-post fully assembled fence section. Collins Limited, LLC provided all test materials to Intertek-ATI in York, Pennsylvania. Test materials were inspected prior to testing by an Intertek-ATI technician to verify the condition of the materials was suitable for testing. No potentially compromising defects were observed. See drawings in Appendix A for detailed descriptions of assembly and components.





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2.2 Equipment

One propeller fan wind generator was utilized for testing of the one-panel system and two propeller fan wind generators were utilized for testing of the two-panel system. The propeller of each fan was 84 in diameter and was comprised of four Kevlar composite airfoil units belt-driven by a high-output V8 engine. Wind speeds for the wind generators were calibrated according to AAMA 501.1-05. Deflections were measured with linear displacement transducers accurate to 0.01 inch.

2.3 Test Setup

A steel test fixture was designed and fabricated to simulate a rigid post embedment. The bottom of the bottom rail was fixed at two inches above the top of the test fixture. The propeller fan wind generator(s) was positioned 4 ft from the face of the specimen (reference photographs in Appendix B). Linear transducers were fixed on the top rail, middle of the in-fill area, and bottom rail for deflection measurements.

2.4 Test Procedure

Wind load testing began at 50 mph and increased until failure or a maximum wind speed of 115 mph. Wind loads were performed with a relaxation period following 50 mph, 75 mph, 85 mph, 95 mph, 105 mph and 115 mph to record permanent set measurements. The duration of the applied wind load at each wind speed was determined by using the following equation:

 $t = 3600 / V_{fm}$ (Equation 1)

where:

t = duration (s), required for a one mile long sample of air to pass V_{fm} = "fastest mile" wind speed (mph)

Wind speeds used in testing correlate with "fastest mile" wind speeds (V_{fm}) for reference to codes and design standards. Maximum deflections were recorded at each load level.





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2.5 Dynamic Wind Load Test Results

See drawings in Appendix A for assembly details and photographs in Appendix B for specimen orientation respective to wind direction.

Test Series No. 1

Description: 6 ft high by 8 ft wide (nominal) 2-panel/3-post PVC privacy fence using PVC

collar brackets for mounting to PVC post

Rails: Two 1-3/4 in wide by 7 in high by 90-5/16 in long (0.050 in wall) PVC slotted rails

per panel

Rail Reinforcement: None

Panels: Fifteen 7/8 in deep by 6-5/16 in wide (including tongue) by 63-1/2 in long smooth

PVC Glidelock tongue and groove panels per panel.

Post: Three 5 in by 5 in by 99-1/2 in long (0.160 in wall) PVC posts

Rail Attachment: Four 7-1/2 in high by 3-1/2 in wide PVC collar brackets per panel, one

at each end of top and bottom rail. Each bracket was secured to the post using four #10-10 x 1-1/2" (0.117 in minor diameter) pan head, phillips drive, self-drilling, zinc coated carbon steel screws. Each bracket was secured to the rail using one #10-12 x 1" (0.126 in minor diameter) pan head, phillips drive, self-drilling, zinc coated carbon

steel screw on windward side of fence.

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		Maximum Deflection (inches)					
Wind Speed	Duration	Тор		Mid		Bottom	
		Left	Right	Left	Right	Left	Right
50 mph	72 sec	2.03	2.40	1.35	2.30	0.87	1.16
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.67	0.41	0.70	0.41	0.37	0.21
60 mph	60 sec	4.20	3.97	3.15	3.32	1.36	1.70
70 mph	51 sec	5.40	6.10	4.51	5.80	1.85	2.60
75 mph	48 sec	5.90	6.60	4.59	6.10	1.70	3.11
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.35	0.35	0.65	0.27	0.38	0.15
85 mph	42 sec	8.00	9.73	6.49	8.5	2.40	4.70
0 mph	Permanent Set 1						

¹ Deflection readings were not recorded due to equipment malfunction.

Observation: Bottom rail broke away from brackets 28 sec into 95 mph.

Maximum Sustained Wind, $V_{fm} = 85$ mph (equivalent 3-second gust, $V_{3s} = 100$ mph)





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2.5 Dynamic Wind Load Test Results: (Continued)

Test Series No. 2

Description: 6 ft high by 6 ft wide (nominal) 1-panel/2-post PVC privacy fence using PVC

collar brackets for mounting to PVC post

Rails: Two 1-3/4 in wide by 5-1/2 in high by 66-1/2 in long (0.085 in wall) PVC slotted

rails

Rail Reinforcement: None

Panels: Eleven 7/8 in deep by 6-5/16 in wide (including tongue) by 63-1/2 in long smooth

PVC Glidelock tongue and groove panels.

Post: Two 5 in by 5 in by 99-1/2 in long (0.160 in wall) PVC posts

Rail Attachment: Four 6 in high by 3-1/2 in wide PVC collar brackets, one at each end of

top and bottom rail. Each bracket was secured to the post using four #10-10 x 1-1/2" (0.117 in minor diameter) pan head, phillips drive, self-drilling, zinc coated carbon steel screws. Each bracket was secured to the rail using one #10-12 x 1" (0.126 in minor diameter) pan head, phillips drive, self-drilling, zinc coated carbon steel screw

on windward side of fence.

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Wind Speed	Duration	Maximum Deflection (inches)			
wina Speed		Тор	Mid	Bottom	
50 mph	72 sec	1.93	1.92	0.64	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.11	0.13	0.06	
60 mph	60 sec	2.51	2.54	0.81	
70 mph	51 sec	3.36	3.86	1.05	
75 mph	48 sec	4.00	3.86	1.23	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.23	0.15	0.07	
85 mph	42 sec	4.86	4.77	1.49	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.33	0.25	0.18	
95 mph	38 sec	5.73	5.34	1.70	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.44	0.33	0.11	
105 mph	34 sec	6.35	5.93	1.97	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.57	0.42	0.14	
115 mph	31 sec	7.90	7.44	2.45	
0 mph	Permanent Set	0.68	0.49	0.20	

Observation: Infill panels blew out attempting to reach 125 mph

Maximum Sustained Wind, $V_{fm} = 115$ mph (equivalent 3-second gust, $V_{3s} = 131$ mph)





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3.0 Closing Statement

Intertek-ATI will service this report for the entire test record retention period. Test records that are retained such as detailed drawings, datasheets, representative samples of test specimens, or other pertinent project documentation will be retained by Intertek-ATI for the entire test record retention period.

Results obtained are tested values and were secured using the designated test methods. This report does not constitute certification of this product nor an opinion or endorsement by this laboratory. It is the exclusive property of the client so named herein and relates only to the specimens tested. This report may not be reproduced, except in full, without the written approval of Intertek-ATI.

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This report is complete only when all attachments listed are included. Attachments (pages):

> Appendix A - Drawings (8) Appendix B - Photographs (1)





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Revision Log

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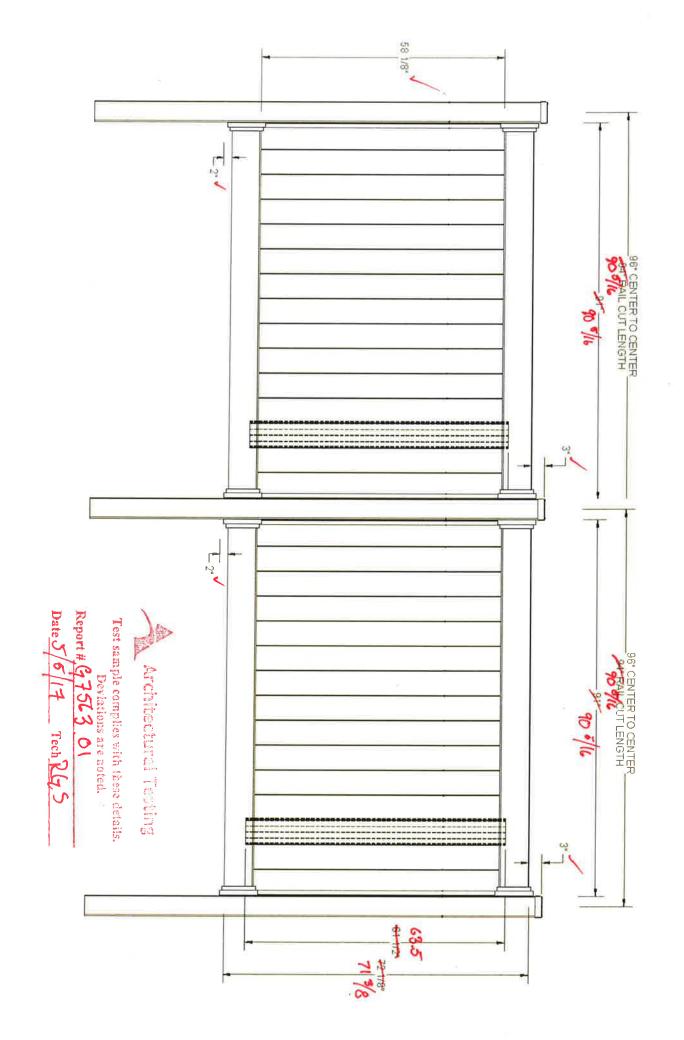


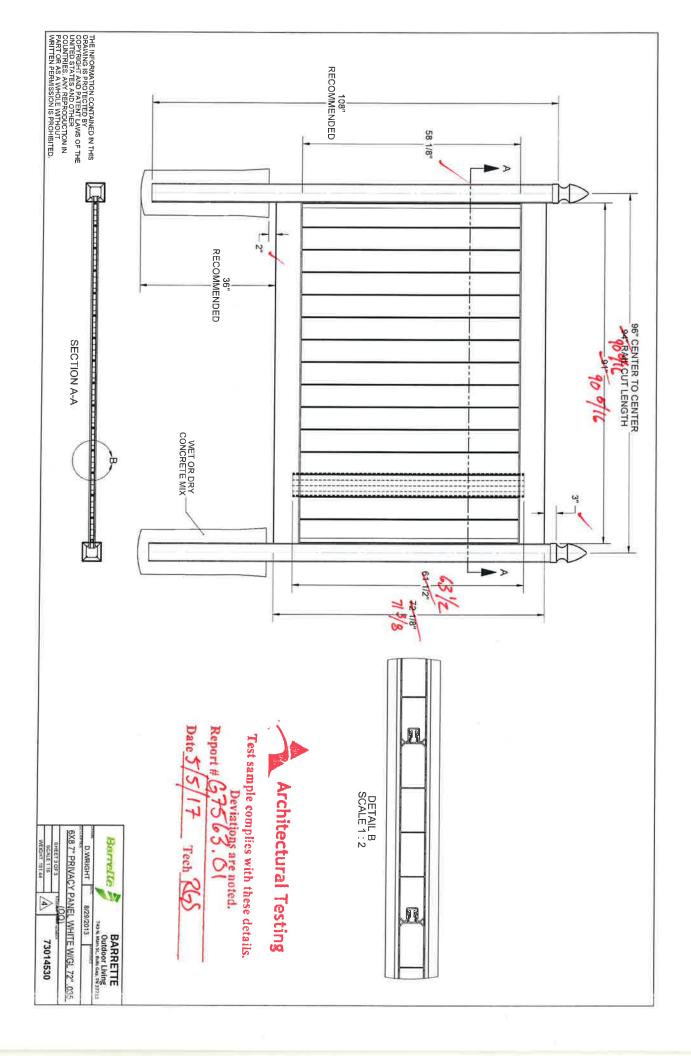


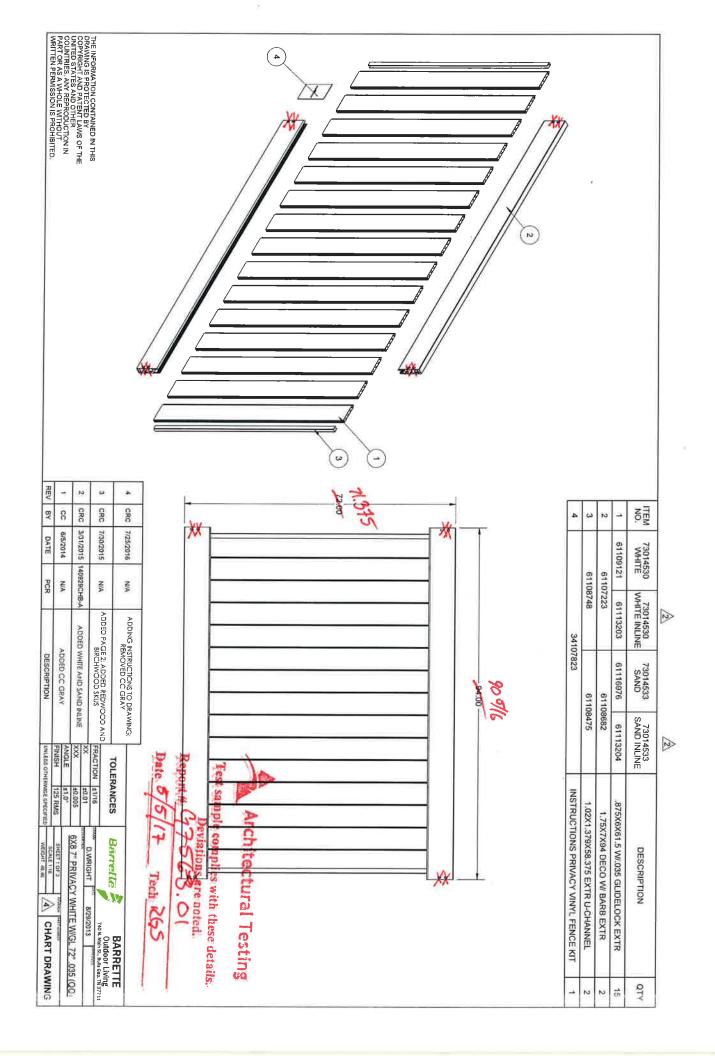
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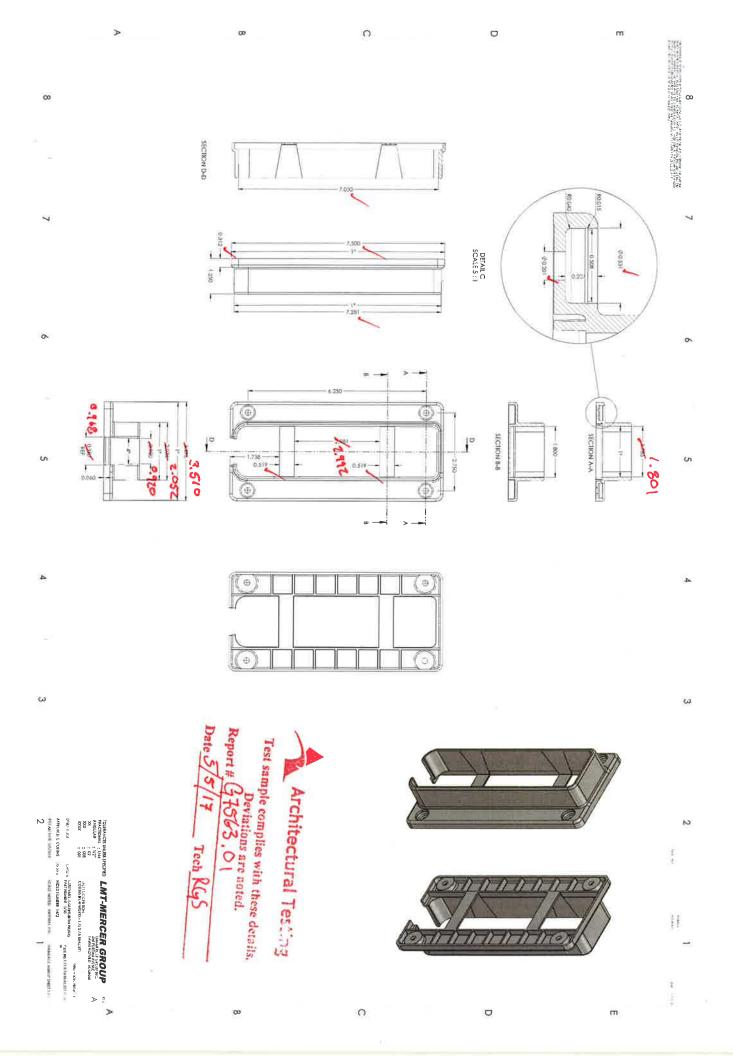
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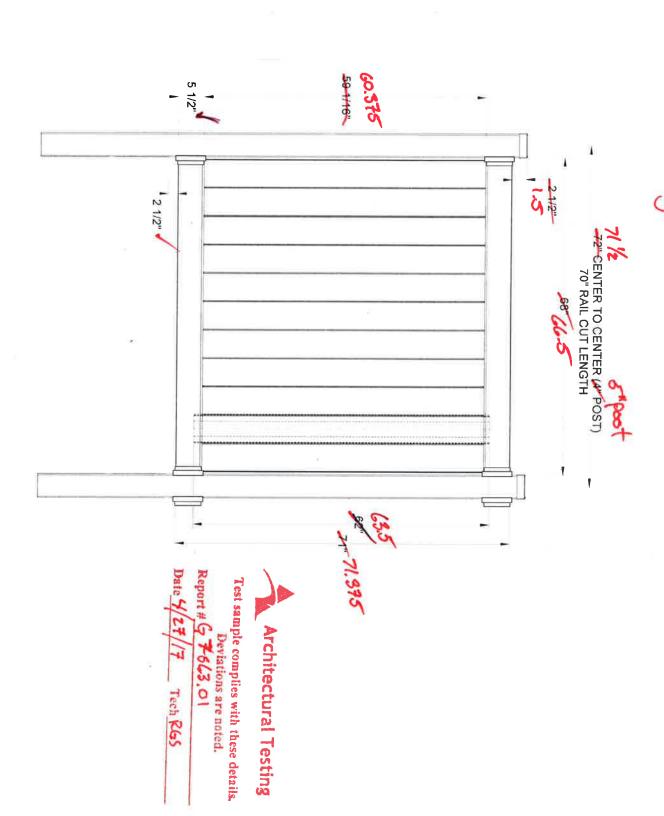
6' High X 8' Wide $\int 5$ Inch Post $\int 7$ Inch Bracket_Illustration

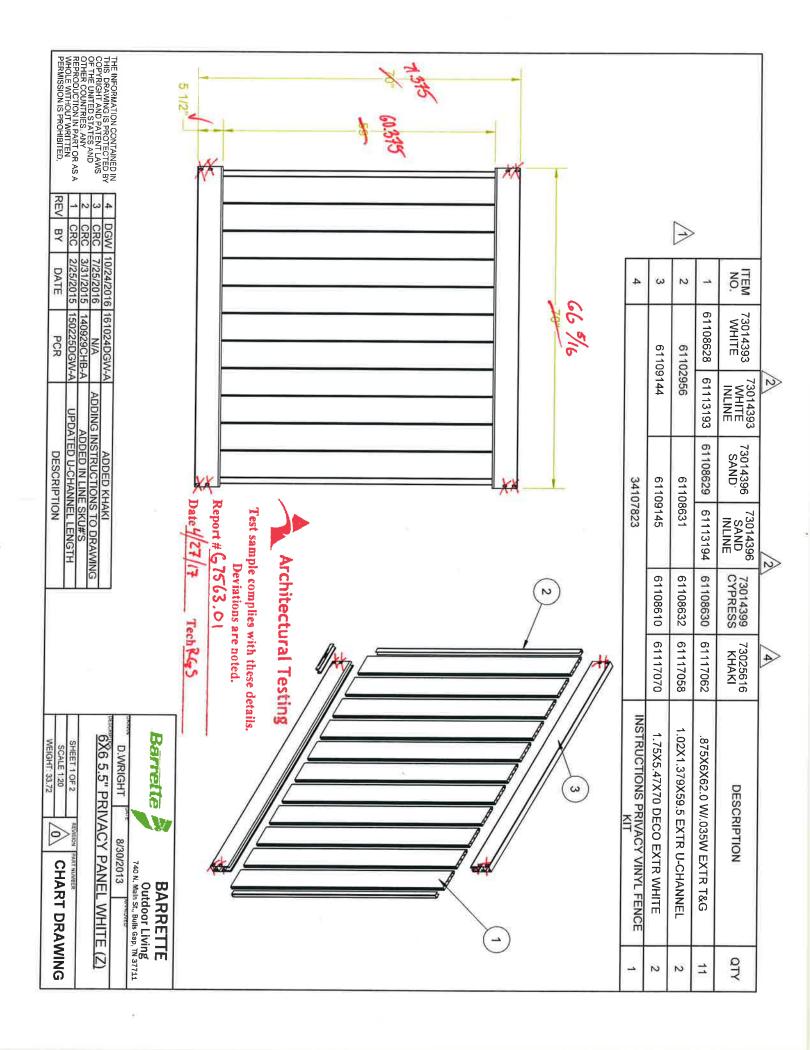


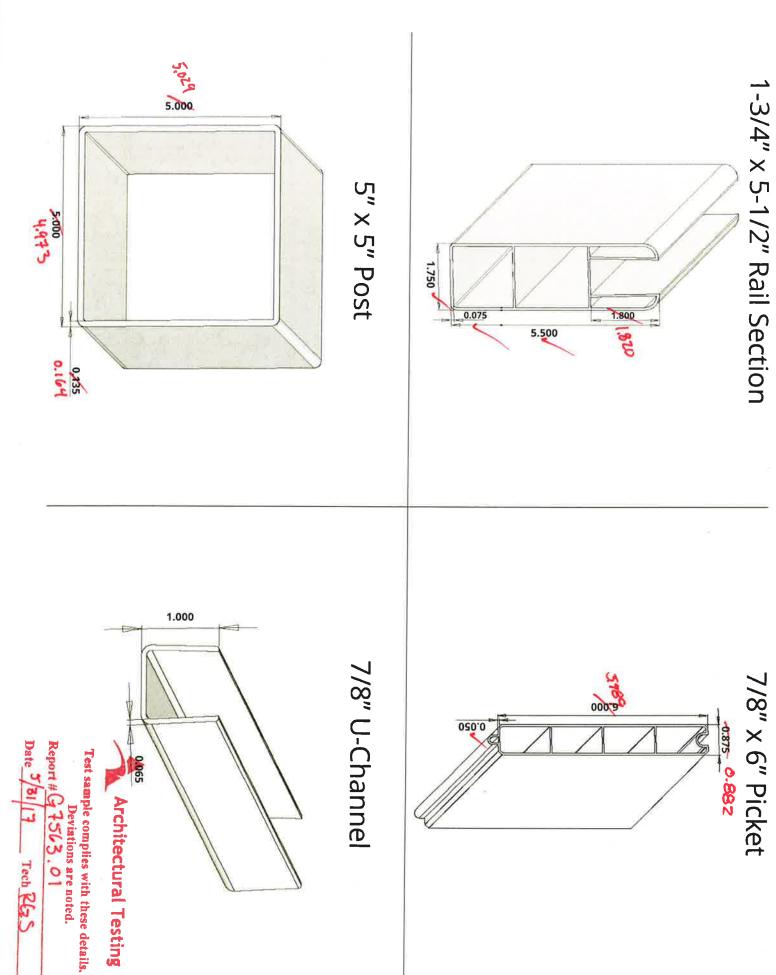


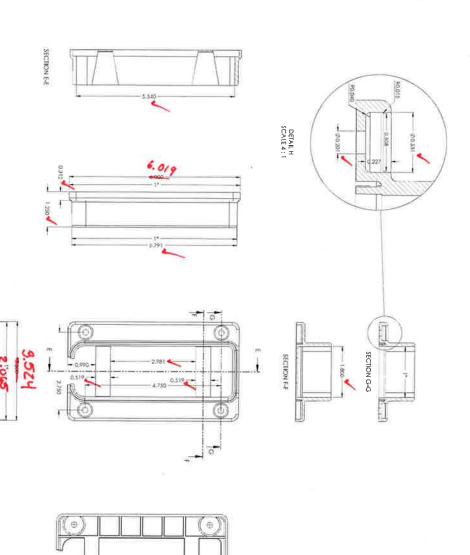












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APPENDIX B

Photographs







Photo No. 1
Typical Dynamic Wind Test Setup



Photo No. 2
Transducer Locations on Backside of Fence Panels