

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**For more information, contact:**

Linda King, SPRI Managing Director  
77 Rumford Avenue, Suite 3B  
Waltham, MA 02453  
Tel: 781-647-7026: Fax: 781-647-7222  
E-mail: [info@spri.org](mailto:info@spri.org) / Web: [www.spri.org](http://www.spri.org)



**ANSI/SPRI Wind Design Standard (WD-1) now available**

Waltham, MA, October 2007 – SPRI, the association representing sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry, has announced that “The Wind Design Standard Practice for Roofing Assemblies ANSI/SPRI WD-1” has been accepted as an American National Standard as of Sept. 2007.

This Wind Design Standard Practice is the work of several industry partners and provides a two-part methodology of designing for wind uplift resistance of non-ballasted built-up roofing, modified bitumen, and single-ply roofing system assemblies installed over any type of roof deck. (Refer to the ANSI/SPRI RP-4 Standard for wind design requirements of ballasted single-ply roofing systems).

"This wind design standard provides an excellent tool to assist architects and consultants with the design and installation of roof systems that are compliant with the wind resistance requirements of the International Building Code (IBC)," says SPRI Technical Director Mike Ennis. "This standard contains easy-to-read tables that were developed using the calculations contained in ASCE-7, as required by the IBC. This standard also contains prescriptive enhancements that can be used under defined conditions for the perimeter and corner areas of the roof."

SPRI earned its certification as an official ANSI canvasser in 1994. Since then, it has seen the acceptance of several of its design documents, including this one, as ANSI standards. The others are: "ANSI/SPRI IA-1, Standard Field Test Procedure for Determining the Mechanical Uplift Resistance of Insulation Adhesives over Various Substrates;" "ANSI/SPRI RP-4 2002, Wind Design Standard for Ballasted Single-Ply Roofing Systems;" and "ANSI/SPRI ES-1 2003, "Wind Design Guide for Edge Systems Used with Low-Slope Roofing Systems", and ANSI/SPRI RD-1 2004, "Standard Performance for Retrofit Drains."

All SPRI standards can be downloaded **free of charge** at [www.spri.org](http://www.spri.org).

###