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SPRI Updates and Re-approves ANSI/SPRI IA-1 Standard

Waltham, MA, January 2016 — SPRI, the association representing sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry, announced that it has updated and re-approved ANSI/SPRI IA-1 *Standard Field Test Procedure for Determining the Mechanical Uplift Resistance of Insulation Adhesives over Various Substrates*. This standard specifies a field-testing procedure to determine the mechanical uplift resistance of specific roof insulation/adhesive and substrate combinations.

The document contains detailed test procedures, enhanced bead placement examples and other illustrations. Three *Insulation Adhesive Test Report* forms offer templates for use when reporting test results on the mechanical uplift resistance of insulation adhesives.

The primary purpose of ANSI/SPRI IA-1 is to give the roofing industry a clear and understandable means for testing existing roof substrates, according to SPRI. This, in turn, gives roof system designers and manufacturers a method for deciding if an existing substrate is suitable for a roofing adhesive. In addition, the test procedures are minimally intrusive on the existing roof and can be used before the new roof system is installed.

“We at SPRI take an immense amount of pride in the creation and dissemination of these standards,” says Chris Mader chair of SPRI’s IA-1 task force. “The updated ANSI/SPRI IA-1

standard clarifies some language and sample illustrations to make the document even more user-friendly.”

IA-1 was first approved as a National Standard in 2005 and again in 2010. It was re-canvassed and approved in 2015 as required by the American National Standards Institute’s (ANSI’s) policy that all National Standards must be re-evaluated every five years.

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