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ANSI/SPRI FX-1 Standard Fills Need for Fastener Pullout Testing

Waltham, MA, December 2015 — SPRI, the association representing sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry, notes The American National Standard Institute's (ANSI's) approval of **ANSI/SPRI FX-1** "*Standard Field Test Procedure for Determining the Withdrawal Resistance of Roofing Fasteners.*"

The Western States Roofing Contractors Association (WSRCA) has stated the need for just such a fastener pull-out test in a recent technical bulletin. According to SPRI Technical Director Mike Ennis, the recanvassed ANSI/SPRI FX-1 standard should fill this need for WSRCA members and other roofing professionals.

SPRI developed this standard for measuring the pullout resistance of roofing fasteners in field conditions. Specifically, it is used to obtain data used by roofing professionals to calculate the proper density and placement of roofing fasteners used in membrane roofing systems and by roofing installers and inspectors as a quality control test to ensure that sufficient pullout performance is achieved. It was first approved in 1996 and revised and re-approved again in 2001, 2006 and 2011.

ANSI's policy is that all National Standards must be re-evaluated every five years. For this reason, the standard will undergo review and re-approval again in 2016. For more information about the standard, visit info@spri.org or by call 781-647-7026.

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