

TECHNICAL BULLETIN 109**MECHANICAL FASTENING OF INSUL-FLEX OVER PLYWOOD/OSB**

El Rey has completed it's testing of the Insul-Flex water management fastening system. The preliminary tests we conducted were with 1" crown staples. This installation did not provide values sufficient enough to allow staples through only the EPS. We then completed tests where the staples were attached through mesh and then basecoated. The results of the testing with this method actually provided excellent results.

The fact that staples can not be attached through the EPS only does not prohibit the use of staples in conjunction with Wind-Lock fasteners. Staples eliminate the common problem of loose areas between the Wind-Lock fasteners. You will still need to install the minimum number of Wind Lock fasteners which remains 1 per square foot.

All of these changes will be reflected in the re-issue of our ICBO ES Report 3559. The report should be printed and distributed in April. If you have any questions please feel free to call El Rey's Technical departments at the phone numbers below.

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