SECTION 09 97 23 — Concrete and Portland cement stucco Coatings
Architectural Coatings and Finishes for Portland Cement Stucco

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES
A. Supply and installation of base coat, reinforcing mesh and finish installed over Portland cement stucco.

1.2 RELATED SECTIONS
A. Section 03 00 00 - Concrete
B. Section 07 90 00 - Joint Protection
C. Section 08 50 00 - Windows

1.3 REFERENCES
A. ASTM C578 Specification for Preformed, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation
B. ASTM C847 Standard Specification for Metal Lath
G. ASTM E331 Test Method for Water Penetration by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference.

1.4 ASSEMBLY DESCRIPTION
A. An exterior coating system consisting of Base Coat with embedded Reinforcing Fabric Mesh, Primer (Optional), and Finish Coat.

1.5 SUBMITTALS
A. General: Submit Samples, Evaluation Reports and manufacturer’s product data sheets in accordance with Division 1 General Requirements Submittal Section.
B. Samples: Submit samples for approval. Samples shall be of materials specified and of suitable size as required to accurately represent each color and texture used on project. Prepare each sample using same tools and techniques for actual project application. Maintain and make available, at job site, approved samples.
C. Manufacturer’s Warranty: Submit sample copies of Manufacturer’s Warranty indicating Single Source Responsibility for stucco assembly materials.
1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE
A. Qualifications:
   1. Manufacturer: Shall have marketed stucco assemblies in United States for at least ten years and shall have completed projects of same general scope and complexity.
   2. Applicator: Shall be experienced and competent in installation of stucco materials, and shall provide evidence of a minimum of five years experience in work similar to that required by this section.
B. Architectural Coatings and Finishes for Portland cement stucco Functional Criteria:
   1. General:
      a. Inclined surfaces shall follow the guidelines listed below:
         (1) Minimum slope: 6 in (152 mm) of vertical rise in 12 in (305 mm) of horizontal run.
         (2) For sloped surfaces, run of slope shall be a maximum of 12 in (305 mm).
         (3) Usage not meeting above criteria shall be approved by Parex USA prior to installation.
      b. Flashing: Flashing shall be continuous and watertight. Flashing shall be designed and installed to prevent water infiltration behind the El Rey Architectural Coatings and Finishes for Portland cement stucco. Refer to Division 7 Flashing section for specified flashing materials.
      c. Expansion joints: Continuous expansion joints shall be installed per contract documents.
      d. Building code conformance: The construction shall be acceptable for use under the building code in force in the jurisdiction of the project.
   2. Performance Requirements: Shall meet the testing requirements of the Product Performance Sheet.

1.7 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING
A. Delivery: Deliver assembly materials in original packaging with manufacturer’s identification.
B. Storage: Store assembly materials in a dry location, out of direct sunlight, off the ground, and protected from moisture.

1.8 PROJECT / SITE CONDITIONS
A. Substrate Temperature: Do not apply stucco assembly materials to substrates whose temperature are below 40°F (4°C) or contain frost or ice.
B. Inclement Weather: Do not apply stucco assembly materials during inclement weather, unless appropriate protection is employed.
C. Sunlight Exposure: Avoid, when possible, installation of the stucco assembly materials in direct sunlight. Application of finishes in direct sunlight in hot weather may adversely affect aesthetics.
D. Do not apply stucco base coats or finishes if ambient temperature falls below 40°F (4°C) within 24 hours of application. Protect stucco materials from uneven and excessive evaporation during dry weather and strong blasts of dry air.
E. Prior to installation, the substrate shall be inspected for surface contamination, or other conditions that may adversely affect the performance of the stucco assembly materials, and shall be free of residual moisture.

1.9 COORDINATION AND SCHEDULING:
A. Coordination: Coordinate Architectural Coatings and Finishes installation with other construction operations.

1.10 WARRANTY
A. Warranty: Upon request, at completion of installation, provide manufacturer’s Standard Limited Warranty.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS
A. Manufacturer, Basis of Design: Parex USA, Inc., 4125 E. La Palma Ave., Suite 250, Anaheim, CA 92807
   Contact: Architectural Sales (866.516.0061) or Technical Support (800.226.2424).
B. Components: Obtain components manufactured by Parex USA from authorized distributors. No substitutions or additions of other materials are permitted without prior written permission from Parex USA for this project.
2.2 MATERIALS

A. Base Coats:
   [2.] El Rey Insul-Bond P Base Coat: Copolymer based, factory blend of cement and proprietary ingredients requiring addition of water.
   [3.] Parex USA Stucco Level Coat: Copolymer based, factory blend of cement and proprietary ingredients requiring addition of water.

EDITOR NOTE: REINFORCING MESH IS USED FOR GAUGING THE THICKNESS OF THE BASE COAT AND IS REQUIRED WITH PAREX USA WEATHERDRY

B. Reinforcing Mesh
   1. Parex USA 355 Standard Mesh: Weight 4.5 oz. per sq. yd. (153 g/sq m); coated for protection against alkali. Standard reinforcement of EIFS, or for use with Parex USA High Impact 358.14 Mesh, or Parex USA Ultra High Impact 358.20 Mesh.

[C. Primers
   1. Parex USA Primer: 100% acrylic based coating to prepare surfaces for finishes.
   [2.] Variance VariPrime Sanded: 100% acrylic based coating to prepare surface for Cerastone and Spraystone finishes.

EDITOR NOTE: MODIFY BELOW TO SUIT REQUIREMENTS. CHOOSE ONE FINISH TYPE, TEXTURE, & COLOR WITH ACCESSORY MATERIALS TO CREATE DESIRED EFFECT

D. Finish:
   [1.] Perma-Flex Finish: Factory blended, 100% acrylic polymer based finish, integrally colored. Finish type, texture and color as selected by Architect. Finish type, texture and color as selected by Architect
   [2.] Perma-Flex Lastic® Finish: Factory blended, 100% acrylic polymer based elastomeric textured finish, integrally colored. Finish type, texture and color as selected by Project Designer
   [3.] Parex USA Variance Finish [enter selected product]: Acrylic-based specialty finish. Finish type, texture and color as selected by Project Designer.
      [a. Variance Antiquing Gel: a water-based, tinted, semi-transparent, acrylic emulsion for staining, sealing, and protecting concrete, portland cement stucco and other cementitious substrates. Use as required to achieve desired finish.
      [b. Variance VariSeal is a 100% acrylic, water based sealer. Improves scratch and scuff resistance and adds depth of color.

EDITOR NOTE: ADD CLEAR SEALER WHERE ENHANCED CLEANABILITY IS DESIRED FOR HIGH SOILING EXPOSURES.

[4.] Parex USA Clear Sealer: 100% acrylic, transparent, permeable, dirt resistant sealer for use as a protective coating over acrylic finishes. Use 600 Clear or 610 Matte Clear as detailed on drawings.

E. Water: Clean, potable water

F. Portland Cement: ASTM C150, Type I or Type I-II.

2.3 RELATED MATERIALS AND ACCESSORIES

A. Substrate Materials:
   [1.] Concrete Portland cement stucco Units (CMU): Non-painted (uncoated).
   [2.] Concrete (poured or pre-cast).
   [3.] Unglazed brick and portland cement stucco units.
   [4.] Other Approved by Parex USA in writing prior to the project

B. Flashing: Refer to Division 7 Flashing Section for flashing materials.
C. Sealant System:
1. Sealants shall conform to ASTM C920, Grade NS.
2. Expansion joints between sections of EIFS shall have a minimum width of 3/4 in (19 mm).
3. Sealant backer rod shall be closed-cell polyethylene foam.
4. Apply sealant to tracks or base coat.
5. Refer to Parex USA current bulletin for listing of sealants which have been tested and have been found to be compatible with EIFS.
6. Color shall be as selected by Architect.
7. Joint design, surface preparation, and sealant primer shall be based on sealant manufacturer’s recommendations and project conditions.

EDITOR NOTE: PART 3 EXECUTION BELOW INVOLVES ONSITE WORK AND SHOULD INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR INCORPORATING MATERIALS AND PRODUCTS INTO PROJECT. TYPICALLY, “CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT” ESTABLISH RESPONSIBILITY FOR “MEANS, METHODS, TECHNIQUES, AND SAFETY” REQUIREMENTS OF CONSTRUCTION WITH CONTRACTOR. SPECIFICATIONS SHOULD AVOID CONFLICTS WITH THIS CONTRACTUAL PRINCIPLE.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION
A. Verify project site conditions under provisions of Section 01 00 00.
B. Compliance: Comply with manufacturer’s instructions for installation of coatings.
C. Substrate Examination: Examine prior to Base Coat installation as follows:
   1. Substrate shall be free of dust, dirt, laitance, efflorescence, and other harmful contaminants.
   2. Substrate construction in accordance with substrate material manufacturer’s specifications and applicable building codes.
   3. Substrate shall be cured concrete (28 days minimum)
   4. Substrate shall have no irregularities greater than 1/4” (6.4 mm), and shall be sound and free of foreign substances, including paint, bond breakers, form oils, laitance, scaling and flaking.
   5. Unsatisfactory conditions shall be corrected before the application of the coatings.
   6. Painted surfaces shall have paint removed to achieve a substrate with 90% or more of the surface free of paint.
   7. Sanding surfaces shall be eliminated mechanically, then washed with clear water.
   8. Remove efflorescence using mechanical removal and/or a diluted acid solution followed by complete rinsing.
   9. Concrete surfaces shall be level and free of voids over 1/8” (3 mm) across. Glossy surfaces shall be dulled by chemical or mechanical means. Thoroughly remove all residues.
D. Advise Contractor of discrepancies preventing installation of the El Rey Architectural Coatings and Finishes. Do not proceed with the El Rey Architectural Coatings and Finishes work until unsatisfactory conditions are corrected.

3.2 PREPARATION
A. Protection: Protect surrounding material surfaces and areas during installation of system.
B. Clean surfaces thoroughly prior to installation.
C. Prepare surfaces using the methods recommended by the Manufacturer for achieving the best result for the substrate under the project conditions.

3.3 MIXING
A. Mix proprietary products in accordance with Manufacturer’s instructions.

3.4 APPLICATION
A. General: Installation shall conform to this specification and Parex USA written instructions and drawing details.
B. Base coat
   1. If leveling is required, apply any El Rey Base Coat. El Rey Base Coat may be applied up to 3/8” (9.5 mm) and up to 1/2 in. (13 mm) thick in a single pass when used as a leveler.
   2. Apply base coat and fully embed mesh if applicable in base coat.
C. Bond supplemental EPS shapes as indicated on the drawings. Bond shapes to EPS or to dry reinforced base coat using any El Rey Base Coat & Adhesive as an adhesive. Allow 24 hours to dry. Refer to Standard System Specification for materials and installation of Base Coat and Mesh over EPS shapes.

D. Apply primer to base coat after drying. Primer may be omitted if it is not required by the Manufacturer’s product data sheets for the specified finish coat or otherwise specified for the project.

E. Finish Coat: Apply finish coat to match specified finish type, texture, and color. Do not apply finish coat to surfaces to receive sealant. Keep finish out of sealant joint gaps.

3.5 CLEAN-UP

A. Removal: Remove and legally dispose of El Rey Architectural Coatings and Finishes for Portland cement stucco component debris material from job site.

B. Clean EIFS surfaces and work area of foreign materials resulting from EIFS operations.

3.6 PROTECTION

A. Provide protection of installed materials from water infiltration into or behind them.

B. Provide protection of installed stucco from dust, dirt, precipitation, and freezing during installation.

C. Provide protection of installed finish from dust, dirt, precipitation, freezing and continuous high humidity until fully cured and dry.

D. Clean exposed surfaces using materials and methods recommended by the manufacturer of the material or product being cleaned. Remove and replace work that cannot be cleaned to the satisfaction of the Architect/Owner.

END OF SECTION

Disclaimer: This guide specification is intended for use by a qualified designer. The guide specification is not intended to be used verbatim as an actual specification without appropriate modifications for the specific use intended. The guide specification must be integrated into and coordinated with the procedures of each design firm, and the requirements of a specific project. For additional assistance, contact Parex USA's Architectural Sales (866.516.0061) or Technical Support (800-226-2424).
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*No deleterious effects: no cracking, checking, crazing, erosion, rusting, blistering.  

Where several tests on different materials are summarized, a range of values is shown. This summary has been prepared to provide quick but partial information on how certain combinations of Parex USA products perform during certain tests. It is not a complete description of the test procedures or of the results thereof. Copies of original test reports are available at no charge upon request. Please contact Parex USA's Architectural Sales (866-516-0061) or Technical Support Department (800-226-2424) if further information is required.