



**Leak Test Survey**

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**Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Cover**

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**The data presented in this report is a record of system measurements and final adjustments that have been obtained in accordance with the current edition of the NEBB *Procedural Standard for Testing, Adjusting, and Balancing of Environmental Systems*.**

**The measurements shown, and the information given, in this report are certified to be accurate and complete, at the time and date information was gathered. For any abbreviations used in this report please refer to the current edition of NEBB *Fundamental Formulas*.**

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## GENERAL NOTES AND OBSERVATIONS

**PROJECT:** Pleasant Mount Welding, Inc. - Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Cover

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On February 9th, 2024, Air Balancing Engineers, Inc. (ABE) performed a "Extruded Aluminum Cover Leak Test" evaluation at the Pleasant Mount Welding, Inc. manufacturing facility in Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

Scope of work included measuring the air leakage rate of a formed flat cover at a specific negative pressure within the tank. Actual leakage rate was compared to the maximum allowable leakage rate. Final Test results yielded an acceptable leakage rate for the Extruded Aluminum Cover Tested during this on-site survey.

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## Extruded Aluminum Cover Leak Test

### 1. SCOPE:

The objective of this test is to measure the air leakage rate of the Formed Flat Cover at a specific negative (-) pressure within the tank. The test was performed on a “mock-up” tank with the extruded flat cover completely installed. The “mock-up” tank was constructed of plywood with 2’x4’ framing (reference photo #1). To make the tank as airtight as possible, the interior of the structure was sealed with an epoxy sealant and the exterior was sealed with plastic and all joints caulked. With the tank made essentially “*airtight*” the resultant leakage would be that of the extruded aluminum cover. The actual leakage rate of the extruded flat cover was calculated in cubic feet per minute (CFM). ***The actual leakage rate was compared to the maximum allowance leakage rate.***



## 2. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLE COVER PANELS TESTED

There was a total of six (6) cover panels (top mounted) to the PMWI wooden test tank that were evaluated during the leak testing of the PMWI Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Flat Panel Cover system. The wooden tank had inside dimensions of 9'-0" x 9'-0" and the cover panels' overall cover area was determined to be 89.85 square feet (sq ft.) in the top mounted configuration.

The PMWI cover panels leak tested were fabricated from 6061-T6 aluminum extruded components that comprise the PMWI Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Flat Panel Cover system. There are over 20 extruded aluminum components that are included in the Standard-Duty Interlocking Cover system. There are many male and female components that allow the cover system to be configured in a multitude of ways to achieve project specific requirements for loading as well as geometry of the cover system required.

There are standard components of the cover system which typically comprise over 90% of cover systems and those are the parts that were used to fabricate the cover panels used for leak testing. Please reference attached drawing [RD Leak Test 2 Cover Layout Drawing] showing the fabrication of the cover panels.

All Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Cover panels tested used the 6" wide Cover Plank (CS-1) which is the main component comprising each cover panel. This is typically the case for all cover panels. The CS-1 plank extrusion is the main decking component that the cover system is built upon. The CS-1 plank has double interlocking construction with 2 male protrusions on one side and 2 female receptors on the opposite side of each plank. This allows planks and other extruded components to be assembled together to form a rigid cover panel.

The components for the cover panels tested are listed in the Bill of Materials as shown on the attached drawings.

All of the cover panels (assembly callouts "4C1", "4C2" and "4C3") required the use of CS Interlock Edges (CSi-41). The CSi-41 Interlock Edges envelope all the decking components on each side of the panel and are held together by Sikaflex adhesive and aluminum rivets to form rigid cover panels. The Interlock Edges allow the cover panels to be supported by the Interlock Beam (CSi-40w) located at the center of the tank and the Interlock Angles (CSi-44) located at the perimeter of the tank.

Other standard components used to fabricate cover panels include the Interlock Female Handle (CSi-42) at panel-to-panel interfaces, CS Handle Male (CS-18) used at perimeter panels to allow use of Santoprene gaskets at the top mount locations for air seal protection. Also, at panel-to-panel interfaces the 3" Interlock Underlap extrusions are required (CSi-45 Male at one location and the CSi-46 Female at one location). The overlap of the Interlock Handles and the 3" Interlock Underlap components allow cover panels to hold down adjacent cover panels.

The other standard component used on all cover panels is the Interlock Slide Latch assemblies (SL-1 and SL-2) that are contained within the Handles of the system to allow panels to be latched to the support members preventing panel uplift. Also, the Interlock Beams (CSi-40w) and Interlock Angles (CSi-44) provide t-slots for Santoprene gaskets for sealing panels along the edges of cover panels in the direction of the Interlock Edges.

As stated above, the 6061-T6 extruded components used to fabricate the leak test cover panels are a representative configuration for the most commonly assembled cover panels expected to be used in the vast majority of cover applications. Though there are many additional components comprising the Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Cover system, the use of those parts do not adversely impact the capability of the cover system in regards to air leakage of the system. The same air intrusion leak rates would be expected no matter the configuration of an individual cover panel.

### 3. REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

The following equipment was required to perform the leak test:

- Blower with a capacity of 500 CFM at 1/2- inch w. c. SP.
- Calibrated orifice plates.
- Manometer with graduations of a minimum of 0.01 inches in w. c.
- The equipment used was a Retrotec 400 Series Test Fan Serial Number 4XLF10326 with calibrated orifices and DM-32 Electronic Micromanometer. A series 18 orifice plate was used for testing. Please reference appendix 1 for Certificate of Calibration.

### 4. LEAK TEST PARAMETERS:

- Depressurize the structure to (-) 0.20 inches w. c. using the aforementioned test fan assembly.
- Maximum allowable leakage shall be 0.20 CFM per square foot of cover area or less.
- Allowable Leakage: 0.20 CFM / Sq. Ft. at 0.20 inches negative pressure. 89.85 sq. ft. x 0.20 CFM / Sq. Ft. = 17.97 Maximum Allowable Leakage

### 5. LEAK TEST RESULTS:

- Cover size: 9 ft. 5 inches X 9 ft. 9 ½ inches
- Total Overall Area of Cover: 89.85 sq. ft.
- Actual Test Pressure: (-) .2015 in. wc
- Actual Leakage: 14.00 CFM
- Actual CFM leakage per square foot of cover panel: 0.1558 CFM / Sq. Ft. (14.00 CFM / 89.85 Sq. Ft. = 0.1558 CFM / Sq. Ft.)
- Reference photo #2 for image of leak test results.

### 6. CONCLUSION:

Test results indicate a LEAKAGE RATE of **0.1558 CFM / Sq. Ft.** which is less than the MAXIMUM allowable leakage rate of **0.20 CFM / Sq. Ft.** indicating the aluminum cover panels tested are acceptable and below the maximum allowable leakage rate.



Photo 2



# APPENDIX 1

## Instrument Calibration

**INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION REPORT****PROJECT:** Pleasant Mount Welding, Inc. - Standard-Duty Aluminum Interlocking Cover

MANUFACTURER / INSTRUMENT	MODEL NO.	SERIAL NO.	CALIBRATION TEST DATE	CALIBRATION DUE DATE
Retrotec Test Fan	400 Series	4XLF10326	2020-11-04	2025-11-04

# Certificate of Calibration



Issued by: **Retrotec**  
Calibration Date: **2020-11-04**

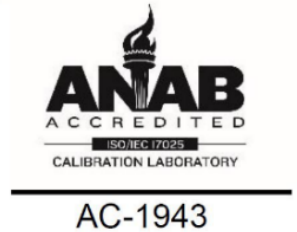
Tested in accordance to SMACNA, FD E51-767: **Pass**

Certificate Number: **202011031304-4XLF10326**

Results: **As Left**

## Calibration laboratory

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This calibration laboratory has been assessed by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board and meets the requirements of international standard ISO/IEC 17025. All pressure and flow devices used in this calibration are traceable to the International System of Units (SI), consensus standards, or ratio type measurements through national standards realized and maintained by NIST or an NMI.

## Device being calibrated:

Description: **Test Fan**  
Manufacturer: **Retrotec**  
Model Number: **400 Series**  
Shell Serial Number: **4XLF10326**  
Main Voltage: **120 V**  
Main Frequency: **60 Hz**

Calibrated by: **Shelby Zettle**

Signature

Issued Date: **2020-11-04**

## Reference Flow:

LFE 2009 Chamber, in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-07:  
Device Under Test Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **401969**  
Reference Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **405346**

LFE 2009 Chamber, in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-07:  
Device Under Test Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **401969**  
Reference Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **405308**

LFE 2018 (US) Chamber, in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-07:  
Device Under Test Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **410149**  
Reference Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **412012**

LFE 2018 (US) Chamber, in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-07:  
Device Under Test Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **410149**  
Reference Gauge: **DM-32** Gauge Serial number **407737**

## Calibration Information:

The Device was calibrated against laboratory standards whose values are traceable to recognized national standards. The uncertainty represents an expanded uncertainty using a coverage factor of  $k=2$  to approximate a 95% confidence level. In tolerance conditions are based on test results falling within specified limits without taking uncertainty into account. The uncertainty evaluation has been carried out in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 requirements.

Calibration Procedure: **Procedure ID No.CP-CHB-01**

This calibration applies only to the unit listed on this certificate.

This Calibration Certificate shall not be reproduced except in full, without written approval from Retrotec.

Name	Calibration Expiration Date	Name	Calibration Expiration Date
ISO 9972	2025-11-04	I.S. EN ISO 9972:2015	2022-11-04
CGSB 2002	2025-11-04	ATTMA-TS1	2021-11-04
ASTM-E779	2025-11-04	RESNET	2025-11-04

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## Calibration Results:

Flow rates are corrected to STP conditions of 20°C, 101.325 kPa, 50% RH and Air Density: 1.19886

Range	Humidity % (RH)	Temp (C)	Barometric Pressure (kPa)	Chamber Pressure (Pa)	Fan Pressure (Pa)	Reference Flow (m³/h)	Fan Flow (m³/h)	Error (%)
74	45.6	22.4	101.400	251.6	257.8	202.44	200.18	1.1%
74	45.9	22.3	101.400	252.7	1008.3	398.23	393.35	1.2%
74	44.4	23.1	101.400	251.0	1564.1	503.47	487.58	3.2%

47	46.1	22.4	101.400	260.8	318.8	89.32	92.75	3.8%
47	46.6	22.2	101.400	249.5	2924.6	283.05	280.70	0.8%
47	45.0	22.8	101.400	251.4	4980.6	368.07	364.32	1.0%

29	48.5	21.6	101.400	253.6	412.8	38.89	39.10	0.6%
29	45.0	22.8	101.400	247.9	2418.8	91.70	91.32	0.4%
29	44.7	22.8	101.400	261.1	4986.3	129.80	129.16	0.5%

18	47.4	21.7	101.400	250.7	667.6	19.13	18.78	1.8%
18	47.7	21.7	101.400	252.1	2651.0	38.23	37.68	1.4%
18	47.3	22.0	101.400	249.8	5016.0	52.74	52.16	1.1%

11	40.9	22.4	101.100	249.4	1357.4	10.82	10.78	0.3%
11	41.3	22.3	101.100	252.5	3085.5	16.82	16.67	0.9%
11	39.4	23.2	101.100	249.1	5052.7	21.65	21.66	0.0%

7	39.1	21.9	101.100	248.3	594.0	2.31	2.32	0.4%
7	40.4	21.3	101.100	245.4	2728.2	5.34	5.30	0.7%
7	38.4	22.3	101.100	251.7	5289.5	7.56	7.60	0.6%

3	49.6	17.4	101.200	249.3	961.3	0.55	0.53	3.3%
3	49.5	18.5	101.200	252.3	2983.8	1.23	1.22	0.8%
3	50.0	18.5	101.200	257.4	5202.9	1.75	1.84	5.3%

74 (Flex)	46.6	21.9	101.400	252.6	273.6	203.25	199.42	1.9%
74 (Flex)	46.7	21.9	101.400	252.2	1038.5	392.83	388.86	1.0%
74 (Flex)	45.0	22.7	101.400	254.2	1586.9	487.83	477.23	2.2%

Calibration and measurement capability (Expanded Uncertainty): Laminar Flow Elements (0.01 to 3300CFM) = 1.4% of reading + 0.11 CFM. Flow Nozzles (10 to 8200CFM) = 1.5% of reading + 78 CFM. The uncertainty statement is based on a 95% confidence interval, using a coverage of k=2.

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## Published Flow Equation Parameters (Units in m<sup>3</sup>/h):

Range Configuration	n	k	MF (Pa)
74	0.497	12.77	250
47	0.497	5.33	250
29	0.479	2.20	250
18	0.506	0.71	250
11	0.531	0.24	250
7	0.544	0.07	250
3	0.738	0.0033	250
74 (Flex)	0.500	12.17	250

Flow =  $P^n \times k$

Where P = Fan Pressure in Pascals

Range Configuration	K1	K2	K3
74	0	0.15	0
47	0	0.12	0
29	0	0.15	0
18	0	0.15	0
11	0	0.14	0
7	0	0.08	0
3	0	0.1	0
74 (Flex)	0	0.15	0

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# APPENDIX 2

## ABE Abbreviations



### List of Abbreviations

ACH	Air Changes/Hour	KW	Kilowatt
AC / ACU	Air Conditioning Unit	LAT	Leaving Air Temperature
AF	Air Foil	LFM	Laminar Flow Module
AH / AHU	Air Handling Unit	LD	Linear Diffuser
AMPS	Ampere	LWT	Leaving Water Temperature
BAS	Building Automated System	MAX	Maximum
BHP	Brake Horsepower	MIN	Minimum
BI	Backwards Inclined	MU	Make-Up Water
BTU	British Thermal Unit	MUA	Make-Up Air
BSC	Bio-Safety Cabinet	NA / N/A	Not Applicable
BTUH	BTU per Hour	NAV	Not Available
CC	Coiling Coil	NR	No Requirement
CD	Ceiling Diffuser	OA / OSA	Outside Air
CF	Cubic Feet	OBD	Opposed Blade Damper
CFM	Cubic Feet per Minute	OD	Outside Diameter
CHW	Chilled Water	OP	Operating
CHWR	Chilled Water Return	PD	Pressure Drop
CHWS	Chilled Water Supply	PH	Phase
CT	Cooling Tower	PRV	Pressure Reducing Valve
CUH	Cabinet Unit Heater	PSI	Pounds per Square Inch
CWR	Condenser Water Return	RA	Return Air
CWS	Condenser Water Supply	RG	Return Grille
DB	Dry Bulb (Temperature)	RH	Relative Humidity
DD	Direct Drive	RLA	Running Load Amps
DDC	Direct Digital Control	RPM	Revolutions per Minutes
DEG	Degree	RR	Return Register
DIA	Diameter	RTU	Roof-Top Unit
Dist.	Distance	SA	Supply Air
DP	Differential Pressure	SCFM	Standard CFM
DWDI	Double Width Double Inlet	SD	Supply Diffuser
EA	Exhaust Air	SF	Supply Fan
EAT	Entering Air Temperature	SG	Supply Grille
EF	Exhaust Fan	SP	Static Pressure
EG	Exhaust Grille	SR	Supply Register
ER	Exhaust Register	SUP	Supply
ERU/ERV	Energy Recovery Unit	SWR	Side Wall Register
ESP	External Static Pressure	SWSI	Single Width Single Insert
EWT	Entering Water Temperature	TBD	To be determined
F	Fahrenheit	TEMP	Temperature
FC	Forward Curve	TON	12,000 BTUH (Cooling Capacity)
FCU	Fan Coil Unit	TSP	Total Static Pressure
FLA	Full Load Amps	TSTAT	Thermostat
FPM	Feet per Minute	T-X	Traverse Test Location I.D. number
FPS	Feet per Second	V	Volts
FT	Feet	V-X	VelGRID Test Location I.D. number
FTR	Fin Tube Radiation	VAV	Variable Air Volume
GPM	Gallons per Minute	VD	Volume Damper
HC	Heating Coil	VEL	Velocity
HD	Head	VER.	Vertical
Horz.	Horizontal	VFD	Variable Frequency Drive
HP	Horsepower	WB	Wet Bulb Temperature
HRU	Heat Recovery Unit	WC	Water Column
HZ	Hertz (Cycles per Second)	W.M.S.	Wire Mesh Screen
ID	Inside Diameter	WSHP	Water Source Heat Pump
IN	Inches	WTD	Water Temperature Difference

Note: NOT all abbreviations may appear in this report.



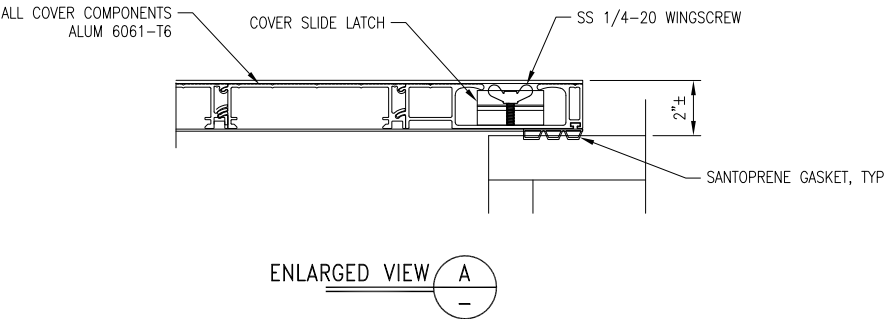
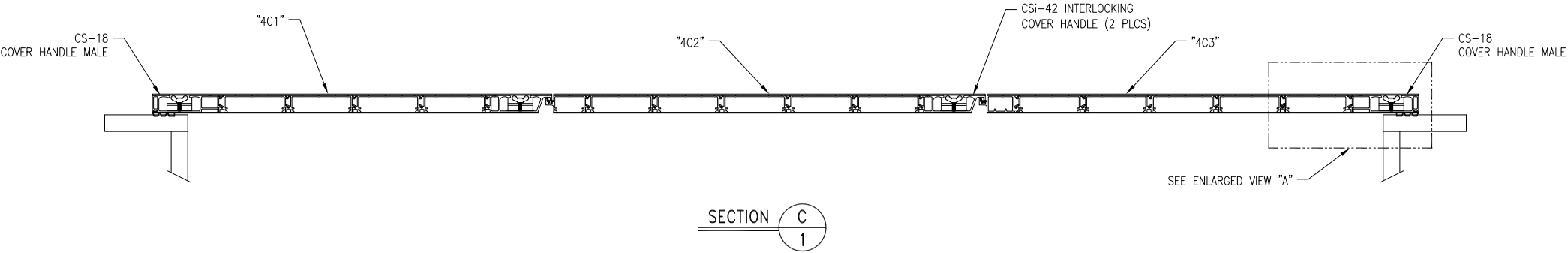
# APPENDIX 3


## R&D LEAK TEST COVER

## DRAWINGS












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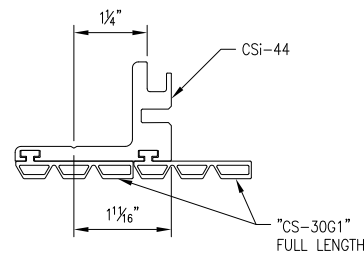
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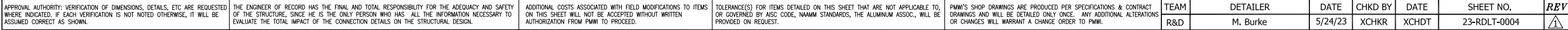
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