Evaluation of Wall Assemblies Under Racking Load Sheathed with Raw Gypsum Attached by PEMCO 5100 & PEMCO 3100

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

NTA, Inc. conducted racking load tests at the Apha Systems test facility in Elkhart, IN on wall assemblies tested in substantial conformance to ASTM E 72 - 80 Standard Methods of Conducting Strength Tests of Panels for Building Construction, section 14, Racking Load--Evaluation of Sheathing Materials on a Standard Wood Frame.

The Purpose of this evaluation was to determine what the allowable shear design load is for wall assemblies put together as described using PEMCO 5100 & 3100 adhesives for use as shear walls in manufactured housing.

2.0 TEST SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION

A. Materials
1. Studs: 2 X 3 stud grade S.P.F. at 16" o.c.
2. Top Plate: Single 1 X 3 utility grade S.P.F.
3. Bottom Plate: Single 2 X 3 stud grade S.P.F.
4. Sheathing: 4' X 8' X 5/16" thick Gold Bond Raw Gypsum panels
5. Adhesive: PEMCO 5100 & PEMCO 3100

B. Fasteners
1. Top plate attached to studs with (2) 7/16" X 2" X 16 ga. staples per stud.
2. Bottom plate attached to studs with (2) 7/16" X 2-1/2" X 16 ga. staples per stud end.
3. One gypsum side attached to 2 X 3 studs with (2) 1/16" to 1/8" (average) beads of PEMCO 5100 adhesive. The other gypsum side attached with (1) 1/4" (average) bead of PEMCO 3100 adhesive.
4. Gypsum attached to 1 X 3 top plate with (1) 1/16" to 1/8" (average) bead of PEMCO 5100 adhesive on one side and the second side attached with (1) 1/4" average bead of PEMCO 3100 adhesive.
5. Gypsum attached to 2 X 3 bottom plate with (2) 1/16" (average) beads of PEMCO 5100 adhesive on one side and the second gypsum side attached with (1) 1/4" (average) bead of PEMCO 3100.
6. Gypsum attached to framing with 3/16" X 3/4" X 19 ga. staples at 6" o.c. edge fastening around entire perimeter of gypsum panels. Field fasteners were at 6" from top and bottom plates and 21" o.c. thereafter on field studs.

C. Construction Steps
1. The PEMCO 5100 adhesive was applied to the previously assembled wall framing with a squeeze bottle.
2. The raw gypsum was placed on one side of the wall framing immediately after the PEMCO 5100 adhesive was applied and then promptly stapled along all framing members.

3. The PEMCO 3100 adhesive was applied to the second side of the previously assembled frame from a tube.

4. The raw gypsum was placed on this side of the wall framing immediately after the PEMCO 3100 adhesive was applied and then promptly stapled along all framing members.

D. Cure Time

The wall assemblies were tested (7) days after construction.

3.0 TEST SET UP AND PROCEDURE

The top and bottom plates were attached to 4 X 4s with (3) - #8 X 3" screws per bay. The 4X4 was then secured by adding a 4X4 block between the 4x4 and the Vertical I-beam. The block and 4X4 were then secured to the horizontal I-beam using 2 C-clamps per end.

Load was applied horizontally to the 4 X 4 attached to the top plate of the wall. Dial indicators were placed on the top plate (indicator #1) and bottom plate (indicator #2) opposite the loaded end of the wall. An additional dial indicator was placed at the load end of the wall at the base of the rack on the first stud (indicator #3). See figure #2 for details.

Load was applied in 400 pound increments, up to 2400 pounds, at a rate of approximately 400 lbs/minute. When each load increment was reached, deflection readings were taken while holding at that load and then the load was reduced back to zero at a rate of approximately 400 lbs/minute. Zero load reading were taken after each load increment up to 2400 pounds. Load was then applied at the same rate of 400 lbs/minute until failure was reached.

To determine the horizontal deflection of the panel, deflection readings from indicator #2 and #3 were subtracted from indicator #1. Indicator #3 which is attached to the stud measures any rotation of the panel. Indicator #2 measures any slippage of the panel in the test rack. Indicator #1 measures the total of indicators #2 and #3 plus the deformation of the panel.
4.0 TEST RESULTS

A total of three (3) specimens with gypsum attached to one side with PEMCO 5100 and a second side with PEMCO 3100 were tested. The ultimate loads achieved and the types of failures are described below.

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<th>MAX. LOAD</th>
<th>FAILURE MODE</th>
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<td>9258 Lbs.</td>
<td>Gypsum shear at 1st bay of 2nd panel</td>
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<td>#2</td>
<td>7937 Lbs.</td>
<td>Paper failure at last stud of 2nd panel</td>
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<tr>
<td>#3</td>
<td>9054 Lbs.</td>
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Average Ultimate Load (lbs) = 8749.7 Lbs.

Allowable design Load (PLF) = (Ave.Ult. load)/[(wall length)(safety factor)]

\[
(8749.7 \text{ Lbs.})/[(8 \text{ ft.})(2.5)] = 437.5 \text{ PLF}
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5.0 CONCLUSION

Based on the results of the tests conducted the maximum allowable design shear wall load built with 2 X 3 stud grade S.P.F. studs spaced 16" o.c. and 1 X 3 utility grade S.P.F. top plate and 2 X 3 stud grade S.P.F. bottom plate with Gold Bond raw gypsum attached to both sides built as described in this report is:

GOLD BOND GYPSUM ATTACHED TO BOTH SIDES WITH PEMCO 5100 & PEMCO 3100 = 437.5 PLF

This design value is only applicable for Manufactured Housing built under the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards and is not intended for use with other model building codes.

5.1 FOLLOW-UP TESTING

Follow-up testing will be in accordance with the NTA, Inc. follow-up testing procedures.

TEST WITNESSED BY: Jason C. McIver

TEST REPORT REVIEWED BY: Phillip E. Robbins, P.E.
Load Deflection Curves

Deflection (inches)

Load (lbs)

Test No. 1 Load
Test No. 1 Residual
Test No. 2 Load
Test No. 2 Residual
Test No. 3 Load
Test No. 3 Residual
Average Load
Average Residual

PEMCO ADHESIVES
PEMCO 5100
GOLD BOND DOUBLE SIDED
**Double Sided Wall Rack Test**

*Test No.: 96-0212-4 Sample #1*

**Temperature:** 72°F  
**Humidity:** 30%

**Gypsum Type:** 5/16" Gold Bond Gypsum  
**Adhesive:** Pemco 5100 & Pemco 3100

**Fastener Spec:** 3/16"x3/4"x19Ga. Face Staples  
**Top Plate:** 1x3 SPF utility  
**Bottom Plate:** 2x3 SPF Stud grade  
**Fabric Date:** 2/12/96

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**Time (sec)** | **Load (lbs)** | **Indicator #1 (in)** | **Indicator #2 (in)** | **Indicator #3 (in)** | **Resultant Deflection (in)**
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8:10 AM | 0 | 0.144 | 0.100 | 0.360 | 0.036
8:11 AM | 400 | 0.199 | 0.033 | 0.344 | 0.016
8:12 AM | 0 | 0.149 | 0.101 | 0.359 | 0.001
8:14 AM | 800 | 0.236 | 0.092 | 0.322 | 0.038
8:16 AM | 0 | 0.153 | 0.102 | 0.358 | 0.002
8:19 AM | 1200 | 0.305 | 0.161 | 0.299 | 0.061
8:22 AM | 0 | 0.160 | 0.106 | 0.356 | 0.004
8:26 AM | 1600 | 0.365 | 0.221 | 0.259 | 0.101
8:30 AM | 0 | 0.165 | 0.105 | 0.353 | 0.007
8:35 AM | 2000 | 0.590 | 0.446 | 0.266 | 0.094
8:40 AM | 0 | 0.186 | 0.112 | 0.351 | 0.009
8:46 AM | 2400 | 0.634 | 0.490 | 0.228 | 0.132
8:52 AM | 0 | 0.193 | 0.108 | 0.350 | 0.010

**Load at failure:** 9258 LBS

**Mode of failure:** Gypsum shear at 1st bay of 2nd panel  
diagonally from middle of center stud to  
2nd stud in panel.

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**Location of Failure and Dial Indicator Placement**

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**NTE Inc. Double Sided Wall Racking Test**

**Test No.: 96-0212-4 Sample #2**

- **Temperature:** 69°F
- **Humidity:** 35%
- **Average M C @ Construction:**
  - Plates: 9%
  - Studs: 9%

**Gypsum Type:** 5/16" Gold Bond Gypsum

**Adhesive:** Pemco 5100 & Pemco 3100

**Fastener Spec:** 3/16"x3/4"x19Ga. Face Staples

**Top Plate:** 1x3 SPF utility
**Bottom Plate:** 2x3 SPF Stud grade

**Fabric. Date:** 2/19/96

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**LOAD AT FAILURE:** 7937 LBS

**MODE OF FAILURE:** Paper failure at last stud in 2nd panel at bottom left corner of sample.

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Location of Failure and Dial Indicator Placement

#1

#2

#3

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**LOAD AT FAILURE:** 9054 LBS

**MODE OF FAILURE:** Paper failure at stud in 2nd panel at bottom left corner of sample.

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Location of Failure and Dial Indicator Placement

#1  
#2  
#3  

6.1  

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TOP PLATE FASTENED WITH
(2) 7/16" x 2" x 16ga
STAPLES AT EACH STUD END.

TYPICAL ADHESIVE PATTERN

2x3 STUD GRADE
SPF STUDS 16" O.C.

BOTTOM PLATE FASTENED WITH
(2) 7/16" x 2 1/2" x 16ga
STAPLES AT EACH STUD END.

2x3 STUD GRADE SPF BOTTOM PLATE

GYPSUM PANEL

1x3 UTILITY SPF TOP PLATE

3/18" x 3/4" x 19ga
STAPLES – 6" O.C. AROUND
GYPSUM PERIMETER.

FIELD FASTENING AT 6" O.C.
FROM PLATES AND 21" O.C.
THEREAFTER.

PEMCO 5100 (SIDE "A")

PEMCO 3100 (SIDE "B")

NOTE:
SEE THE ATTACHED TEST REPORT
FOR EXACT CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURE.

SIDE "A" – (2) 5/16" x 48" x 96" GOLD BOND GYPSUM PANELS ATTACHED WITH
STAPLES AND (2) 1/16" TO 1/8" BEADS OF PEMCO 5100 ON ALL STUDS AND
BOTTOM PLATE AND ONE BEAD ON THE TOP PLATE.

SIDE "B" – (2) 5/16" x 48" x 96" GOLD BOND GYPSUM PANELS ATTACHED WITH
STAPLES AND (1) 1/4" BEAD OF PEMCO 3100 ON ALL STUDS AND TOP AND
BOTTOM PLATES. TWO (2) 1/4" BEADS APPLIED TO CENTER STUD AT PANEL JOINT.

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N. T. S.

DATE: 02/26/96

MODEL: W212-4GB

PROJECT NO: NTA96-0212-4

DRAWN BY: P.N.

DRAWING NO: FIGURE #1

PHILLIP EDWARD ROBBINS
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER
**Diagram Description**

- **6" x 9#/FT. I-BEAM**
- **DIAL INDICATOR #1**
- **TIRED TO BUILDING MAIN COLUMN**
- **DIAL INDICATOR #2**
- **8" x 15#/FT I-BEAM**
- **HYDRAULIC CYLINDER**
- **CALIBRATED PRESSURE GAUGE**
- **HYDRAULIC HAND PUMP**
- **SCREWS INTO 4x4 WALL PANEL**
- **1/2" DIAMETER TIE-DOWN**
- **FRAME LATERALLY BRACED TO BLOCK WALL**
- **4x4 BLOCK ADDED TO SECURE SAMPLE AND CLAMPED WITH (2) C-CLAMPS PER END.**