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Masland Carpets, Inc. Saraland, Alabama Test Number 3698–7132 August 9, 2005

Flooring Radiant Panel Test

Test Method: The test was conducted in accordance with the ASTM International fire test response standard E 648-04, *Critical Radiant Flux of Floor–Covering Systems Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source.* This test measures the critical radiant flux at flame–out of horizontally mounted floor–covering systems that duplicate or simulate accepted installation practices. The floor–covering system is exposed to a flaming ignition source in a graded radiant heat energy environment generated by a radiant panel inclined at a 30° angle to the sample. The panel generates a heat distribution along the sample length ranging from a nominal maximum of 1.0 W/cm² to a minimum of 0.1 W/cm². Tests on individual components are of limited value and are not valid for evaluation of floor–covering systems.

Floor Covering:

Identification: 7243 Random Control

Construction: Loop Pile

Secondary Backing: Woven Synthetic

Total Weight: 71.6 oz/yd²

Flooring System:

Application: Glue-Down

Subfloor: Simulated Concrete (Reinforced Cement Board)

Adhesive: Henry 356

Test Result:

	#1	#2	#3
Maximum Burn Distance (cm)	32.3	29.2	30.8
Time to Flame Out (min)	23.5	21.8	22.8
Critical Radiant Flux	0.64	0.71	0.67
Average Critical Radiant Flux	0.67 W/cm ²		
Standard Deviation	0.03		

Classification: The floor–covering system tested may be classified as a **Type I** installation based on the NFPA 101 *Life Safety Code*, or a **Class A** as defined by the GSA in Solicitation Number 3FNH–98–F301–B, CP–FSS–1–C (March 1998), 3FNE Technical Requirements Booklet, April 30, 2002. However, care must be exercised in their use as a material may be otherwise classified by the authority having jurisdiction.

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(Authorized Signature)

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