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## Report Owner

### USG Interiors, LLC

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## Product

**Celebration™** System  
**Gypsum Lay-In Panel System**  
**Linear Metal Ceiling System**  
(Paraline II® & Paraline Plus™)

## Approved Manufacturing Locations

<b>USG Interiors, LLC</b> Plant # 601 1000 Crocker Rd. Westlake, OH 44145	<b>USG Interiors, LLC</b> Plant # 603 2575 East Loomis Rd. Stockton, CA 95205	<b>USG Interiors, LLC</b> Plant # 605 1000 Donn Dr. Cartersville, GA 30120	<b>CGC Interiors, Inc.</b> Plant # 091 735 Fourth Line Rd. Oakville, Ontario, Canada L6L 5B7
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## Evaluation Report Information

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## General Details

This report covers the following evaluated systems: **Celebration™** Ceiling Panels supported by **FINELINE DXFEVH 2924** or **DXFEVH 2930** suspension systems; **SHEETROCK® Brand Clima Plus™ Lay-In Ceiling Panels** supported by **DONN® Brand ZXLA 26** suspension system; The **Linear Metal Ceiling Systems** are comprised of two systems **Paraline® II panels** supported by **Symmetrical Carrier** suspension system and **Paraline Plus™** Panels supported by **Paralock Main Tees**. These systems are manufactured by **USG Interiors, LLC**. The plant locations listed above have an approved Q.C. Manual for the manufacture of the grid parts only and have a Product Evaluation Service Agreement with **Pei Evaluation Service** / Inspection Agreement with **Progressive Engineering Inc.** The plant locations listed above will be audited Quarterly by **Pei**.

## Product Description

The **USG Interiors, LLC** ceiling framing systems described in this report are assemblies used in exterior or interior, fire-resistance-rated and non-fire-resistance-rated, construction. The suspended ceiling systems consist of main and cross runner framing members with metal panels, gypsum lay-in panels, and linear metal pans. Each suspended ceiling system is available with a variety of wall angles, moldings, access angles and corner caps. The steel body of the suspension system members have hot-dipped galvanized coating Type G90 for exterior installations complying with ASTM A653.

**Celebration™** Ceiling Panels are aluminum panels, painted or anodized supported by **FINELINE DXFEVH 2924** or **DXFEVH 2930** suspension systems. The main tees **DXFEVH2924** and **DXFEVH2930** are classified as Heavy Duty per ASTM C635. Available panel sizes are from 12"wide x 24"long to 30"wide x 78"long, with perforation and/or embossing. The clearance for installation and removal of panels is minimal, due to the panels being installed from below. The system has been tested for exterior applications and its performance is contained in this report.

**SHEETROCK® Brand Clima Plus™ Lay-In Ceiling Panels** supported by **DONN® Brand ZXLA 26** suspension system. Classified as *Heavy Duty* per ASTM C635, the **DONN® ZXLA 26** Suspension system is made of painted hot dipped galvanized steel, with an aluminum face cap. The suspension system has a polyester paint finish for corrosion protection. **SHEETROCK® Brand ClimaPlus Lay-In Ceiling Panels** with **FIRECODE** formulation are vinyl laminated face gypsum panels. Available panel sizes are 2'x2'x1/2" or 2'x4'x1/2". The system has been tested for exterior applications and its performance is contained in this report.

**Paraline® II panels** supported by **Symmetrical Carrier** suspension system. The **Paraline® II** ceiling system combines 12' long linear aluminum pans in widths of 3-1/4" and 7-1/4" and an aluminum **Symmetrical Carrier**. The system has been tested for exterior applications and its performance is contained in this report.

**Paraline Plus™** Panels supported by **Paralock®** main tees, which are classified as Heavy Duty per ASTM C635. The **Paraline Plus™** ceiling system combines 12' long linear aluminum pans in widths of 3-1/4" and 7-1/4" and **Paralock®** main tees suitable for exterior ceiling applications under protected soffits, as well as interior applications. The system has been tested for exterior applications and its performance is contained in this report.

### **General Product Usage and Limitations**

1. All **USG** **DONN**® brand suspension grid systems, when used with any **USG** ceiling panels or tiles, carry a lifetime (30-year) warranty that **USG** products shall be free from manufacturing defects and that the suspension systems shall be free from the occurrence of 50 percent(%) red rust as defined by ASTM D610 test procedures for 30 years from date of installation.
2. Building structure from which the **DONN**® Brand suspension system is suspended must be capable to withstand the applicable loads required by Chapter 16 of the 2012 and 2015 International Building Code®.
3. The **DONN**® Brand suspension grid system shall be installed in accordance with manufacturers recommendations and are subject to the conditions of this **PER**. A copy of the installation guide shall be made easily available to the installer.
4. Installation details shall meet or exceed the requirements in the following sections: ASTM C636, ASTM E580 and ASCE 7, as applicable.
5. The suspension ceiling framing system installed in accordance with the minimum requirements of Section ASCE 7, 13.5.6 as referenced in the 2012 and 2015 IBC, Section 1613 and upgraded to comply with the pressure loads for exterior systems as described in this report.
6. Finish is not UV-resistant. All **USG** **DONN**® Brand suspension grid systems should not be installed where direct exposure to sun or weather will occur. Furthermore, indirect exposure to severe environmental conditions will shorten the lifespan of the product.

### **Properties Evaluated**

**Exterior Ceiling Installations:** The evaluated systems comply with the requirements for exterior installations. The evaluated systems above are tested in accordance with **UL580 Tests for Uplift Resistance of Roof Assemblies** and **UL1897 Uplift tests for Roof Covering Systems**.

### **Code Compliance**

Meets the requirements for suspended ceilings in accordance with the **2012 International Building Code**®

Meets the requirements for suspended ceilings in accordance with the **2015 International Building Code**®

### **Compliance with the following standards:**

ASCE 7 - Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Structures

ASTM C 635 - Standard Specification for the Manufacture, Performance and Testing of Metal Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panel Ceilings

ASTM C 636 - Standard Practice for Installation of Metal Ceiling Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panels

ASTM E 84 - Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials

ASTM E 119 - Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials

ASTM E 580 - Standard Practice for Application of Ceiling Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panels in Areas Requiring Moderate Seismic Restraint

UL 580 - Tests for Uplift Resistance of Roof Assemblies

UL 1897 - Tests for Roof Covering Systems

### **Seismic Classification**

**Table 1 - Seismic Design Classification**

<b>Seismic Design Category A, B</b>	<b>Seismic Design Category C</b>	<b>Seismic Design Category D, E, F</b>
No Requirement	Intermediate Duty	Heavy Duty

## Exterior System Assemblies

### Celebration™ System:

**Table 2 - Celebration™ System Load Rating and Performance**

Main Tee	Main Tee Spacing (in)	Cross Tee Spacing (in)	Compression Post Spacing (in)	UL Class	Maximum Load Rating (psf)	Test Standard
DXFEVH 2924	48	24	24	Class 30	30	UL580
	24	48	48	Class 30 <sup>1</sup>	30	Engineering Analysis
	24	24	24	Class 90	90	UL580
	24	24	24	n/a	102	UL1897
DXFEVH 2930	30	30	30	n/a	68	UL1897
	30	30	30	Class 60	60	UL580

**Note:**

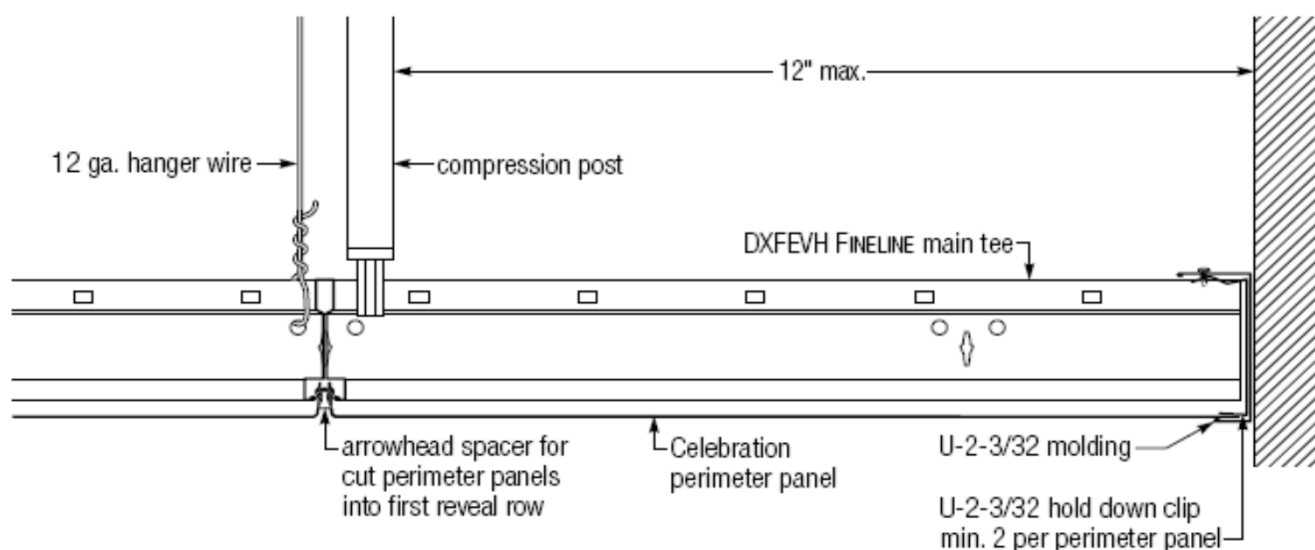
1. Value derived through engineering calculation

**Table 3 - FINELINE DXFEV Rated Loads**

Main Tee	ASTM Class <sup>1</sup>	Fire Rating	Rated Load <sup>2</sup> (lbs./LF)		
			4' Hanger Spacing	5' Hanger Spacing	6' Hanger Spacing
DXFEV2924	Intermediate Duty	Class A	12	6.6	3.6
DXFEVH2924	Heavy Duty	Class A	16	8.3	4.9
DXFEV2912	Intermediate Duty	Class A	12	6.6	3.6
DXFEVH2912	Heavy Duty	Class A	16	8.3	4.9
DXFEVH2930	Heavy Duty	Class A	16	8.3	4.9

**Notes:**

1. ASTM Class is valid when ceiling grid is installed in accordance with ASTM C636 and/or ASTM E580
2. Rated loads are based upon the minimum of the load at a deflection limit of L/360 and the ultimate bending capacity divided by a safety factor of 2.0



**Figure 1 - DXFEVH FINELINE Main Tee Perimeter Detail Assembly**

**Note:** U-2-3/32 molding is design to receive the perimeter tees and the tee ends are cut back at an angle. Back-blocking is not required. Fastener attachments through the top leg of molding in the bulb is required. See **Celebration™** installation guide and **USG Exterior Ceiling Application guide** for more details.

### **SHEETROCK® Brand Clima Plus™ Lay-In Ceiling Panels supported by DONN® Brand ZXLA 26**

1. The **SHEETROCK® Lay-in Panel** and **ZXLA 26** System performance is summarized in the table below.
2. The panels must be held down with a min. 6d common nail installed through available hanger wire holes to prevent panel uplift. The nails must be spaced at a maximum of 6 inches on center along each tee.
3. Pop rivets shall be suitable for exterior use.
4. See [USG Exterior Ceiling Application Guid](#) for more details.

**Table 4 - ZXLA System Load Rating and Performance**

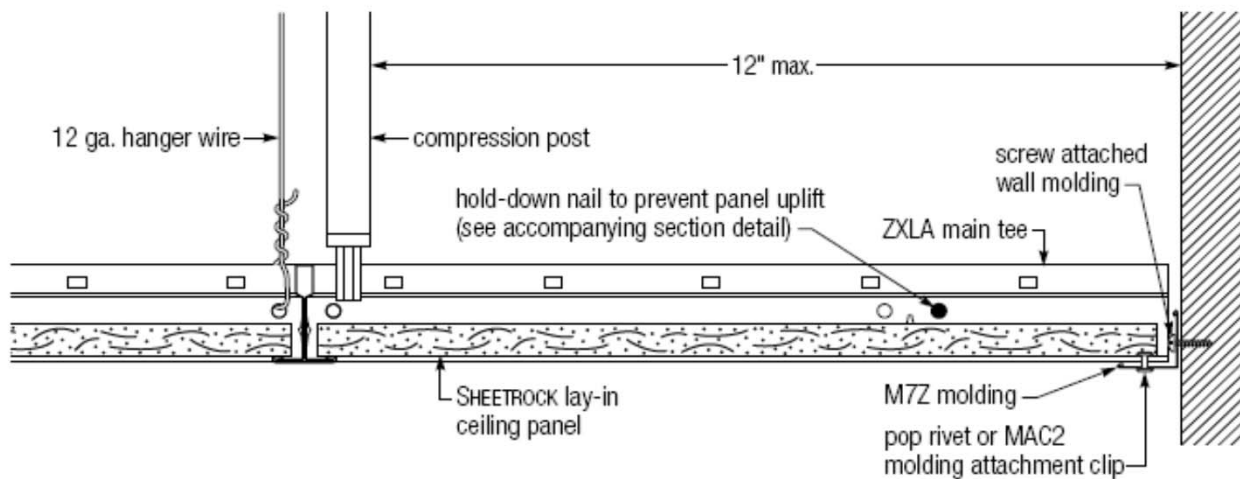
Main Tee	Main Tee Spacing (in)	Cross Tee Spacing (in)	Compression Post Spacing (in)	UL Class	Maximum Load Rating (psf)	Test Standard
ZXLA26	48	24	24	n/a	26	UL1897
ZXLA26	24	48	24	Class 30	30	UL580
ZXLA26	24	48	24	n/a	85	UL1897

**Table 5 - ZXLA Rated Loads**

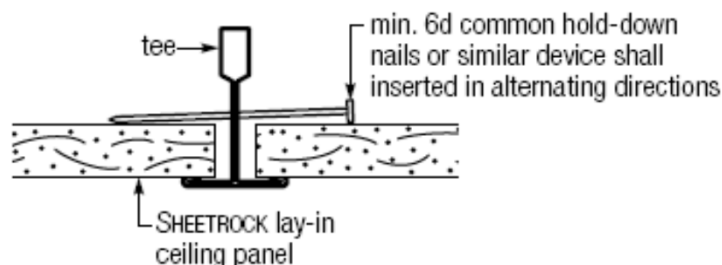
Main Tee	ASTM Class <sup>1</sup>	Rated Load <sup>2</sup> (lbs./LF)		
		4' Hanger Spacing	5' Hanger Spacing	6' Hanger Spacing
ZXLA24	Intermediate Duty	12	6.6	3.6
ZXLA26	Heavy Duty	16	8.3	4.9

Notes:

1. ASTM Class is valid when ceiling grid is installed in accordance with ASTM C636 and/or ASTM E580
2. Rated loads are based upon the minimum of the load at a deflection limit of L/360 and the ultimate bending capacity divided by a safety factor of 2.0



**Figure 2 - ZXLA Main Tee Perimeter Detail Assembly**



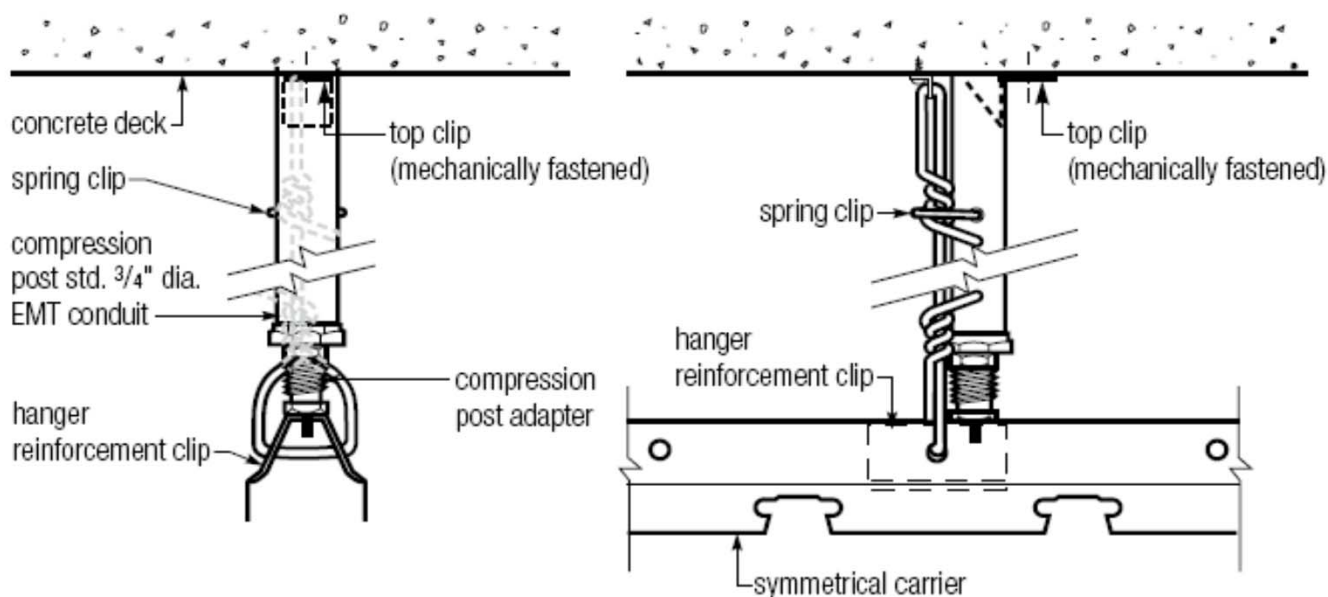
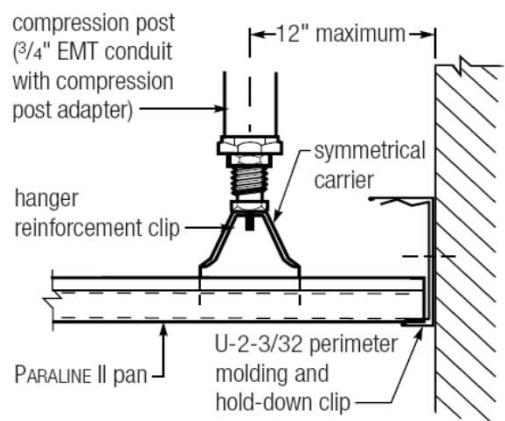
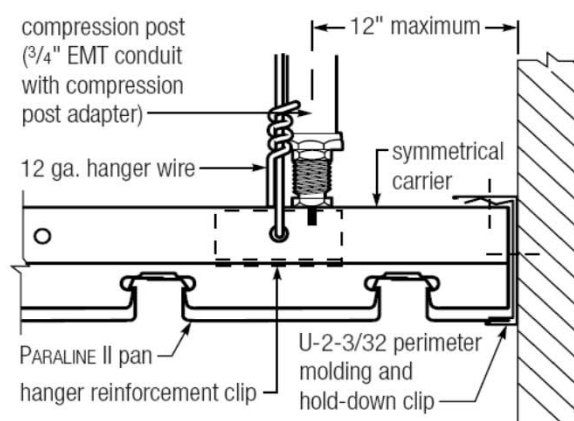
**Figure 3 - Hold-Down Nail Detail**

**Paraline® II System:**

1. Pop rivets shall be suitable for exterior use.
2. See [USG](#) exterior ceiling Application Guide for more details.

**Table 6 - Paraline® II System Load Rating and Performance**

Main Tee	Main Tee Spacing (in)	Cross Tee Spacing (in)	Compression Post Spacing (in)	UL Class	Maximum Load Rating (psf)	Test Standard
Symmetrical Carrier	48	no cross tees	24	n/a	46	UL1897
Symmetrical Carrier	24	no cross tees	24	Class 90	90	UL580

**Figure 4 - Symmetrical Carrier Profile Detail****Figure 5 - Pans Perpendicular to Wall****Figure 6 - Pans Parallel to Wall**

**Paraline Plus™ System:**

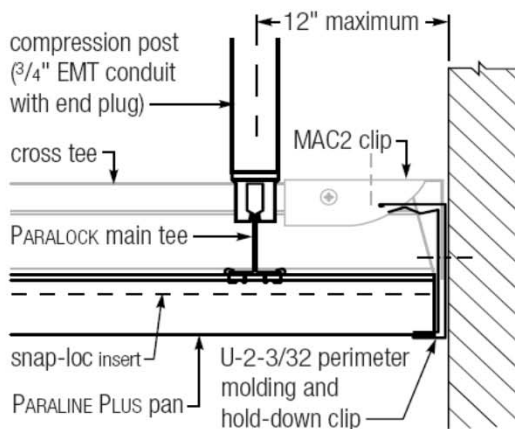
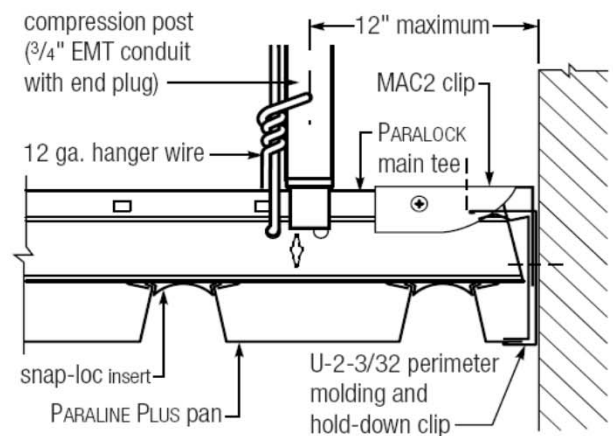
1. Pop rivets shall be suitable for exterior use.
2. See [USG](#) exterior ceiling Application Guide for more details.

**Table 7 - Paraline Plus™ System Load Rating and Performance**

Main Tee	Main Tee Spacing (in)	Cross Tee Spacing (in)	Compression Post Spacing (in)	UL Class	Maximum Load Rating (psf)	Test Standard
Paralock	48	24	24	Class 30	30	UL580
Paralock	48	24	24	n/a	55	UL1897
Paralock	24	30	30	Class 60	60	UL580
Paralock	24	24	24	Class 90	90	UL580
Paralock	24	24	24	n/a	102	UL1897

**Note:**

UL fire-rated design number D-218 rating for 2-hour or 3-hour restrained or unrestrained assembly and 3-hour unrestrained beam rating.

**Figure 7 - Pans Perpendicular to Wall****Figure 8 - Pans Parallel to Wall**



### Test Reports

Test Records in accordance with UL580 and UL1897 for Wind Uplift

### Product Labeling

Each ceiling grid system shipment assembly, that is covered by this **Product Evaluation Report**, must have a label attached with at least the following information:

1. [USG Interior, LLC](#) Name and Address
2. Product Name
3. Plant Identifier & Date Code
4. *Pei* **ES** Information: [See \*Pei\* Evaluation Report at p-e-i.com](#)
5. UL Backstamp Information for Fire Resistance
6. Image of Permanent Label on Main Tee for Miami-Dade Resistance
7. ICC-ES ESR Report Number

### Acceptable Evaluation Marks



### Product Documentation

[USG](#) - The Gypsum Construction Handbook, Sixth Edition

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Quality Control Manual for DONN® Brand Suspension Systems and [USG](#) Drywall Suspension Systems - Dated: August 4, 2015

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Data Submittal Sheet - Celebration™ Metal Ceiling Panels -- Dated: January, 2015

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Technical Document - [USG](#) Exterior Ceiling Applications including: Paraline®, Celebration™ and ZXLA™ Systems - Dated: March, 2012

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Systems Guide - [USG](#) Exterior Ceiling Applications including: Paraline®, Celebration™ and ZXLA™ Systems - Dated: May, 2014

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Data Submittal Sheet - Radar™ Ceramic ClimaPlus™ for ZXLA™ Suspension System -- Dated: June, 2008

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Data Submittal Sheet - Paraline® Linear Metal Ceiling System -- Dated: April, 2010

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Data Submittal Sheet - Paraline Plus™ Linear Metal Ceiling System -- Dated: March, 2005

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) Technical Data Sheet - Paraline Plus™ Linear Metal Ceiling System

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) MSDS #42-100-011 - DONN® Suspension System - ZXLA™ -- Dated: January 1, 2011

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) MSDS #41-200-050 - Radar™ Ceramic ClimaPlus™ -- Dated: January 1, 2011

[USG Interiors, LLC](#) MSDS #42-100-005 - DONN® Suspension System - DXLA™ -- Dated: January 1, 2011

ICC-ES Evaluation Report ESR - 1222 - Dated: December, 2013.

### Quality Assurance Documentation

A Product Evaluation Service Agreement between *Pei* **Evaluation Service** and [USG Interiors, LLC](#)

An Inspection Agreement between *Progressive Engineering Inc.* and [USG Interiors, LLC](#)

Installation guide for the listed products in this **PER**