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**Subject: Small-Scale Chamber Emissions Testing
Compliance Report per California Department of Public Health Standard Method
Version 1.2
Cultured Marble Tile
MAS Project No.: 2000402**

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

Materials Analytical Services, LLC is pleased to submit this report with results of VOC emissions testing from an application of Cultured Marble Tile.

MAS conducted this test in accordance with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) *Standard Method for the Testing and Evaluation of Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions from Indoor Sources Using Environmental Chambers Version 1.2*. This testing protocol was implemented to bracket similarly formulated, lower emitting products under a single test.

Based on the test results, the Cultured Marble Tile is compliant with the residential performance standards established for low-emitting materials under the CDPH and the LEED v4.1 programs. Qualified project uses of this product and all bracketed products (see Appendix C) may be eligible for credit points under the LEED program.

MAS is pleased to have been of service to you. If you have any questions or comments, or if we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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Appendices: Appendix A – General Testing Parameters and Data
Appendix B – Chain-of-Custody
Appendix C – Compliant and Bracketed Products

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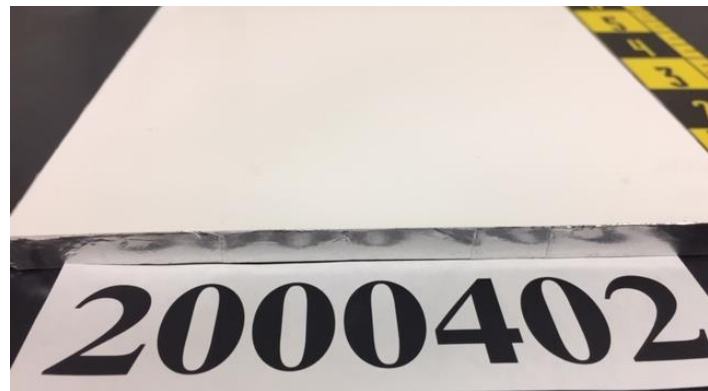
EMISSIONS COMPLIANCE TEST

California Dept. of Public Health Standard Method Version 1.2
Tile Evaluation

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION & TESTING PARAMETERS

Sample specifics as described in the chain-of-custody (see Appendix B) and a timeline of milestones dates relative to sampling and analysis are summarized below.

Product Name: Cultured Marble Tile	MAS Assigned ID: 2000402
Manufacturer: MPL Company Fairland, IN	Product Description: cultured marble tile Approx.: 6" x 6" as tested
Manufacture Date: May 20, 2020	Testing Period: May 28 – June 11, 2020
Collection Date: May 20, 2020	In-Chamber Sampling Dates: June 8 @ 24 hrs.; June 9 @ 48 hrs.; June 11 @ 96 hrs.
Shipping Date: May 20, 2020	Date of Sample Analysis: June 15-17, 2020
Laboratory Arrival Date: May 21, 2020	Age of Sample at Testing: 8 days



MPL Company cultured marble tile as submitted (left) and tested (right)

To prepare the sample for chamber testing, the underside and edges of the tile were sealed with aluminum tape, and the sample was placed inside one of MAS's small-scale emissions chambers.

Sample conditioning, collection of samples, and analysis of compounds of interest were conducted in accordance with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) *Standard Method for the Testing and Evaluation of Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions from Indoor Sources Using Environmental Chambers Version 1.2*, for comparison to the CDPH emission limits and the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standard. Appendix A presents general testing parameters and data.



TEST RESULTS

To compare the chamber-derived data to the standards established under the CDPH Standard Method an emission factor for the tested sample is calculated based on the 96-hour test point data following ten days of in-chamber conditioning. This emission factor is used to predict airborne concentrations of target compounds in a CDPH-defined single-family residence panel system shower enclosure with dimensions of 60” long, 48” deep and 96” high (worst case) with a total surface area of 19 square meters (two showers), as allowed in Section 4.3.6 of the standard. Table I presents the results of the modeled data.

Table I
Comparison of Emission Factors and Predicted 96-Hour Airborne Concentrations
from the Cultured Marble Tile in Residential Shower Settings

VOC Name	Calculated Emission Factor (µg/m ² hr)	Predicted Airborne Concentration (µg/m ³)*	Maximum Concentration Limits (µg/m ³)	Testing Comment
		Residential		
Total VOCs (TVOC)	110	16	NA	NA
Formaldehyde ^{1,2}	4.5	0.69	9	Compliant
Acetaldehyde ^{1,2}	4.9	0.74	70	Compliant
Isopropanol	<2.9	<0.44	3500	Compliant
1,1-dichloroethylene	<2.9	<0.44	35	Compliant
Methylene chloride ²	<2.9	<0.44	200	Compliant
Carbon disulfide ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	400	Compliant
MTBE ²	<2.9	<0.44	4000	Compliant
Vinyl acetate ²	<2.9	<0.44	100	Compliant
Hexane ²	<2.9	<0.44	3500	Compliant
Chloroform ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	150	Compliant
2-methoxyethanol ¹	<2.9	<0.44	30	Compliant
1,1,1-trichloroethane ²	<2.9	<0.44	500	Compliant
Benzene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	1.5	Compliant
1-methoxy-2-propanol	3.6	0.54	3500	Compliant
Carbon tetrachloride ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	20	Compliant
Ethylene glycol ²	<2.9	<0.44	200	Compliant
1,4-dioxane ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	1500	Compliant
Trichloroethylene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	300	Compliant
Epichlorohydrin ^{1,2}	<1.5	<0.23	1.5	Compliant
2-ethoxyethanol ¹	<2.9	<0.44	35	Compliant
n,n-dimethylformamide ²	<2.9	<0.44	40	Compliant
Toluene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	150	Compliant
2-methoxyethanol acetate ¹	<2.9	<0.44	45	Compliant
Tetrachloroethylene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	17.5	Compliant
Chlorobenzene ²	<2.9	<0.44	500	Compliant



Ethylbenzene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	1000	Compliant
m & p-xylene ²	<2.9	<0.44	350	Compliant
Styrene ^{1,2}	64	9.6	450	Compliant
2-ethoxyethyl acetate ¹	<2.9	<0.44	150	Compliant
o-xylene ²	<2.9	<0.44	350	Compliant
Phenol ²	<2.9	<0.44	100	Compliant
1,4-dichlorobenzene ^{1,2}	<2.9	<0.44	400	Compliant
Isophorone ²	<2.9	<0.44	1000	Compliant
Naphthalene ^{1,2}	<1.5	<0.23	4.5	Compliant

* Assumes a single family home with a floor area of 2,272 square feet and two full bathrooms with a ventilation rate of 0.23 h⁻¹ as defined by CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V.1.2

1 Compound included on Cal/EPA OEHHA Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65)

2 Compound included on Cal/EPA ARB list of Toxic Air Contaminants (TAC)

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the emissions test data, MAS offers the following findings and conclusions:

- Predicted airborne concentrations of the CDPH target compounds at the 14-day test point in a residential setting are compliant with the CDPH Standard Method v1.2 maximum concentration limits;
- By virtue of compliance with CDPH Standard Method, the Cultured Marble Tile is compliant with LEED v4.1 EQ Credit: Low-Emitting Materials VOC emissions evaluation criteria. In accordance with LEED v4 reporting requirements, the estimated TVOC concentration is 0.5 mg/m³ or less. This test did not evaluate the VOC content of the material.

Qualified project uses of the Culture Marble Tile may be eligible for credit points under the LEED program.

Note: all data, including but not limited to raw instrument files, calibration fits, and quality control checks used to generate the test results are available to the client upon request.

LIMITATIONS

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Emissions generally decay over time, and the representativeness of the analytical data reported is directly dependent upon the age and conditions under which the tested sample was received.



APPENDIX A

GENERAL TESTING PARAMETERS AND DATA

Under the provisions of the testing method referenced in this report, testing consisted of the following procedural steps:

- Storage of test specimens in original shipping containers prior to emissions testing for up to 10 days in a ventilated and conditioned room maintained at a temperature of $23 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ and a relative humidity of $50\% \pm 15\%$.
- For quality assurance purposes the emission chamber was cleaned and air purged prior to testing. Air samples were collected and analyzed from the chamber exhaust prior to loading to establish background levels.
- Collection of air samples at method-specified intervals from the chamber exhaust port utilizing mass flow controllers calibrated at 180 cc/min for VOCs and 150 cc/min for aldehydes.
- Tenax TA[®] tubes are used for VOC analysis performed by thermal desorption gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (TD-GC/MS) using a modified EPA TO-17 method. Samples are also collected on DNPH tubes for aldehyde analysis performed using high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) using a modified NIOSH 2016 method. All samples are drawn and analyzed in duplicate.
- Instrument calibration, analysis of quality control samples and quantitation of the CDPH target list of 35 chemicals of concern, and reporting and speciation of top 10 tentatively identified compounds.

The operating parameters for the small-scale emissions chamber used for this project included:

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
Chamber Volume	0.053 m ³	Area Specific Flow Rate	2.4 m/h
Loading Factor	0.425 m ² /m ³	Temperature	23 ± 1 °C
Air Exchange Rate	1.0 ± 0.05 h ⁻¹	Relative Humidity	50 ± 5%

Total volatile organic compounds (TVOC) are defined as the compounds eluting between hexane (*n*-C₅) and hexadecane (*n*-C₁₇) and in this protocol quantified as toluene. Table A-I presents the measured concentration and emission factor of TVOC at each of the three sampling intervals.

Table A-I
Total Volatile Organic Compounds (TVOC) between n-C₅ and n-C₁₇ Measured by GC/MS*

Sample Interval (hours)	TVOC Concentration (µg/m ³)	TVOC Emission Factor (µg/m ² h)
24	50	120
48	42	98
96	45	110

*TVOC values are background corrected



Table A-II presents measured concentrations and emission factors of formaldehyde and acetaldehyde at each of the three sampling intervals.

Table A-II
Formaldehyde and Acetaldehyde Concentrations and Emission Factors as Measured by HPLC

Sample Interval hours	Target Compound	Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Emission Factor ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2 \text{h}$)
24	Formaldehyde	1.8	4.2
48	Formaldehyde	1.6	3.8
96	Formaldehyde	1.9	4.5
24	Acetaldehyde	1.8	4.3
48	Acetaldehyde	1.8	4.3
96	Acetaldehyde	2.1	4.9

Table A-III present the individual volatile organic compounds (IVOC) identified by GC/MS after 96 hours.

Table A-III
Speciation of Tentatively Identified IVOCs* by GC/MS after 96 hours

CAS Number	Tentatively Identified Compounds	Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Emission Factor ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2 \text{h}$)
100-42-5	styrene	27	64
100-52-7	benzaldehyde	8.8	21
20780-53-4	benzene, (epoxyethyl)-, (r)-	3.6	8.6
107-98-2	1-methoxy-2-propanol	1.5	3.6
No other IVOCs were identified in concentrations above laboratory instrument detection limits			

*All IVOCs detected were identified using the average response factor of toluene calibration standards. The sum concentration of IVOC's does not necessarily correlate with the TVOC concentration under the analytical conditions.



APPENDIX B

Chain-of-Custody



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Standard Method (section 01350)

Emission Testing
 Chain-of-Custody

Client Information		Testing Specifications (per MAS) check appropriate test below		
Company: MPL Company		<input type="checkbox"/> R&D (custom): Specify Details		
Street Address: 203 N. Edgerton St.		<input type="checkbox"/> 24-hour Comparative R&D Test		
City/State: Fairland, IN		<input type="checkbox"/> 72-hour Comparative R&D Test		
Zip/Postal Code: 46126		<input type="checkbox"/> 14-day CDPH Compliance Test		
Country: US		<input type="checkbox"/> CARB Formaldehyde Test		
Contact Name: Sean Jacobs				
Title: SVP Sales & marketing				
Phone Number: cell: 262-804-2839				
Fax Number:				
Email Address: sjacobs@mplcompany.net				
Manufacturer Information (if different than client)		Construction Details (as applicable)		
Company:		Covering Type: Fabric <input type="checkbox"/> (Primary Fiber type: _____), Vinyl <input type="checkbox"/> , Leather <input type="checkbox"/>		
City/State/Country:		Plastic Type(s): Nylon <input type="checkbox"/> , PVC <input type="checkbox"/> , PE <input type="checkbox"/> , PP <input type="checkbox"/> , PU <input type="checkbox"/> , PS <input type="checkbox"/> , PC <input type="checkbox"/> , ABS <input type="checkbox"/> , Acrylic <input type="checkbox"/> , Lexan <input type="checkbox"/>		
Contact Name/Title:		Substrate Type(s): MDF <input type="checkbox"/> , Particle Board <input type="checkbox"/> , Plywood <input type="checkbox"/> , Solid Wood <input type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>		
Phone Number:		Outer Finish Type(s): Oil Base <input type="checkbox"/> , Water Base <input type="checkbox"/> , Catalyzed/Conversion Var <input type="checkbox"/> , Polyurethane <input type="checkbox"/> , Plastic Laminate <input type="checkbox"/> , Melamine <input type="checkbox"/> , UV <input type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>		
		Foam Type: Polyurethane <input type="checkbox"/> , Memory <input type="checkbox"/> , Latex <input type="checkbox"/> , Evlon <input type="checkbox"/> , High Resilience <input type="checkbox"/> , High Density <input type="checkbox"/>		
		Paint Type: Latex <input type="checkbox"/> , Oil <input type="checkbox"/> , Low VOC <input type="checkbox"/> , No VOCs <input type="checkbox"/> , PowderCoat <input type="checkbox"/> , Chrome <input type="checkbox"/>		
Sample Details		Special Notes or Comments from Manufacturer:		
Unique Sample ID (if applicable):				
Product Name & Catalog #:				
Product Type: Ceiling/Wall Panels <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Flooring <input type="checkbox"/> , Trim <input type="checkbox"/> , Wall Paint <input type="checkbox"/> , Wall Coverings <input type="checkbox"/> , Thermal Insulation <input type="checkbox"/> , Adhesives <input type="checkbox"/> , Ceiling Tiles <input type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>				
Date of Product Manufacturing Completion: May 20, 2020				
Sample Location: Factory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Warehouse <input type="checkbox"/> , Production Stack/Roll <input type="checkbox"/> , Container <input type="checkbox"/>				
Sample Submitted by: Mark Laughlin				
Date of Sample Shipment : May 20, 2020				
Number of Boxes or Pallets: One Box				
Shipping Details		Laboratory Receipt (to be completed by Laboratory Representative)		
Packed By: Kaleigh Moore		Received By:		
Shipping Date: May 20, 2020		Received Date:		
Carrier/Airbill Number: UPS tracking # 1ZAE79930177917587		Condition of Shipping Package:		
		Condition of Sample:		
		Remarks:		
Sample Handling				
Relinquished By	Company	Received By	Company	Date/Time



APPENDIX C

CDPH and LEED Compliant Products

MPL Company

Tub and Shower Surrounds

Textured Tile Pattern	Smooth Tile Pattern*	Classic Designs	Panels with Built-in Listellos
Specialty Molds	Interval Pattern	Vertical Pattern	Chevron (Flat/Glossy)
Stars - Flat	Theory Pattern	Stitch	Bamboo
Metro	Herringbone	Beveled Vertical	

Shower Pans

Corner	Center	Offset Left/Right
Specialty & ADA	Curved Front Left/Right	Trench Left/Right

Accessories

Foot Rests	Accessory Shelves	Soap Dishes
Specialty Molds	Trim Strips	Window Sills / Thresholds

* Product tested as representative exemplar of products listed above. Claims of compliant products are made under the criteria in Section 8.3 of the CDPH Standard Method and/or Section 9.1 of ANSI/BIFMA M7.1-2011 (R2016).

Per ANSI/BIFMA and CDPH standards, products must be re-evaluated if significant changes to materials, processes, or the facility occur that affect the eligibility of the products for any credits available under these or other applicable standards. Regardless, the frequency of compliance assessment for ANSI/BIFMA shall not exceed three years. Third-party certification programs may require more frequent compliance testing.