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AAIS RELEASES BULLETIN ALERTING INSURERS TO THE POTENTIAL
BENEFITS OF Intumescent Fire Retardant Coating (IFRC)

AAIS, in its bulletin #06-0322, released April 7, 2006, has informed its subscribing insurers of important developments in the test results of IFRC .

AAIS alludes to recent recognized testing methodology, most importantly, the flame spread test. Also referred to as ASTM E-84 30 minute extended test, this test protocol is the standard by which FRTW has historically achieved non-combustible status. This test protocol, which is recognized by ANSI, NFPA, UL and UBC, is the standard by which FRTW historically achieved non-combustible status based on UL flame spread requirements.

AAIS recommends that insurers ascertain the precise certifications and obtain reliable verification that IFRC'S are applied in accordance with specifications.

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