

RE: ICC Reports for T-BOR Protect® Borate treated wood

To Whom It May Concern,

We do not have an ICC ESR for T-BOR Protect® Borate treated wood.

The simple reason is that an ICC ESR is not needed or required for our Borate preservative products because if treated wood has been treated to American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) standards, the material meets the applicable building code requirements. Borate treated wood meets the codes without an ICC ESR. An ICC ESR would simply be a duplication of current practices and results.

Below are some important points to consider regarding wood pressure treated with Borates:

- Borate preservatives meet the current requirements of the AWPA P25 standards respectively.
- Borate pressure treated wood is produced to the exacting standards of the American Wood Protection Association;
  - Standard U1-11, Use Categories UC1, UC2
  - M2 Standard for Inspection of Wood Products Treated with Preservatives.
  - M4 Standard for Care of Preservative-Treated Wood Products.
- Borates meet the AWPA Standards mandated in sections 2303.1.8 and 2304.11.2 of the International Building Code (IBC), and sections 2303.1.8 and 2304.11.2 of the current California Building Code.
- Numerous field studies and decades of use have shown that material treated to
  the AWPA standards will provide wood structures with proper protection from
  rot and termite attack. An ICC ESR would yield no additional or different use
  information than what is currently available for Borate treated wood manufactured
  in accordance with AWPA standards.
- Borate treated wood that has been processed per AWPA standards is

inspected by an ALSC approved inspection agency. Treating plants that process Borate treated wood that treat to AWPA standards are required to have an on-site quality control manager that individually inspects every production batch.

I hope the information enclosed is helpful. Please contact me if we can provide additional information.

Sincerely,

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