REPORT 08-12

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REQUESTED BY: Decoral System

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<u>1. Purpose:</u>

Testing the resistance of decorated material to prolonged high temperature exposition $(90^{\circ}C)$

2. Samples description:

The samples to be tested were prepared with following materials:

| ID Lab. | Sample type | Powder coating | Sublimatic film | Remarks |
|---------|--|----------------------|--------------------|---------|
| 25261 | Decorated aluminum plate | DS 401 | 2401/04L | |
| 25262 | Decorated aluminum plate | DS-0401S | 2401/04L | |
| 25263 | Piece of aluminum profile with thermal break | DS 733 | 2401/04L | |
| 25264 | Piece of aluminum profile with thermal break | DS-0733S | 2401/04L | |
| 25265 | Piece of aluminum profile with thermal break | PE 411+ DS 810 | 6044/09L | |
| 25266 | Piece of aluminum profile with thermal break | PE 411 + DS-0810S | 6044/09L | |

Equipment for the test:



Oven: electrical oven set to 90°C on ventilation mode

Picture 1: Samples during testing phase

Measuring equipment:

K Probe: digital thermometer to verify the effective reaching and maintaining of the set temperature.



Picture 2: temperature monitoring probe

Test:

The samples were prepared using different powder-coating bases and exposed to constant heating (90°) in a oven for 1000 h. The test was split in intermediate checks (150 h each).



Picture 3: samples exposed to prolonged heating test.

4. Conclusions:

The samples, prepared and decorated in the lab show an excellent resistance to high temperatures in terms of colour variation and pattern definition.

No relevant differences are visible between the non-heated sample (ref. 1st row) and the exposed ones. Even the 1000 h heated samples do not show any variation, regardless of the used Decoral System raw material.

Therefore we can conclude, that the items, decorated through sublicromy process, using Decoral System materials, can be employed in all those fields of application, where the materials are subjected to 90°C heat sources.

Nevertheless for every specific application field a preventive verification by the final user is required.

5. Attachments:

- original samples (Lab archive)

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