



To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: *Westpac Drywall Finishing Products*

It is quite common and proper to use Westpac Drywall Finishing Products over virtually any brand of gypsum drywall panels.

There are two agencies responsible for the basic material standards and specifications in our industry. They are:

- 1) **The Gypsum Association** – An organization of gypsum wallboard manufacturers whose standards are referenced by the BOCA National Building Code, the Uniform Building Code, and the Standard Building Code. One of their more commonly applied publications is Recommended Levels of Gypsum Board Finish (GA-214).
- 2) **The American Society For Testing and Materials (ASTM)** – A scientific and technical organization whose material and application standards are accepted as the U.S. Federal Government Standards. These same standards are referenced by the Gypsum Association and are therefore incorporated in the information listed above.

All Westpac Joint Compounds, Joint Tape, Fast Sets, Prep Coat and Smooth Coat are certified to meet, or exceed, the applicable ASTM Standards. They are then, by all industry standards, approved and recommended for use over gypsum wallboard products meeting applicable ASTM Standards.

At present, there are no industry standards on texture products. It should be noted, however, that Westpac Textures have been used extensively over virtually all brands of gypsum wallboard and have been accepted by the drywall trade as the standard to which all competitive products are compared.

If you have further questions regarding Westpac Materials, please contact your local sales representative or our office.

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