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## TEST REPORT

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	W.O. Number 37363	Specification None Specified
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IDENTIFICATION : One (1) panel was submitted for testing in accordance with ASTM and Pacific Testing Laboratories methods. The samples were identified as follows:

### IDENTIFICATION

#### PHENIX Stave Material

M55J UDT 72gsm, 41.3% EX1515, Net Resin, No Bleed, O-Degree Panel

SPECIFICATION : None specified.

REFERENCE : Lawrence Berkley purchase order 6855472.

TESTING : Density, Fiber Content, and Resin Content per ASTM D 3171-99 (Reapproved 2004);  
Tensile Strength, Young's Modulus & Poisson's Ratio in accordance with ASTM D 3039-00.

SUMMARY : The test results, reported herein, are submitted for customer evaluation.

Respectfully submitted,  
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TENSILE STRENGTH, YOUNG'S MODULUS  
AND POISSON'S RATIO

REFERENCE : ASTM D 3039-00

REQUIREMENT : Not Specified.

TEST METHOD : Seven test specimens were extracted from the received panel in the long direction orientation. Fiberglass tabs were bonded to the ends of the specimens to facilitate gripping without damage to the specimen. One T-strain gage was bonded to each of the specimens surface at the middle of each specimen along the centerline in the axial direction.

Each specimen was then individually placed in the grips of a United Testing Machine, ID# EC0387. Care was taken to insure that the long axis of the specimen coincides with the direction of the applied pull through the center line of the grip assembly. A load was continuously applied to the specimen at a constant crosshead speed of 0.05 inches per minute until failure of the specimen was observed. The axial strain, transverse strain and load were recorded throughout the test. The stress, Poisson's Ratio, and Modulus were then calculated for each specimen.

The following test equipment was used for the purpose of conducting the Test:

United Testing Machine Model SFM-20, ID# EC0387  
United Load Cell Model 10,000lb, ID# EC0010  
United Strain Gage Box, ID# EC0939  
United Strain Gage Box, ID# EC0940  
Brown Sharp Micrometer Model MM2000, ID# EC0889  
Digit-Cal Caliper Model 0-6 inch, ID# EC0899

**RESULTS** : The Tensile Strength, Young's Modulus, and Poisson's Ratio results are as follows:

Specimen	Width	Thickness	Maximum Load	Maximum Stress	Poisson's Ratio	Modulus	Ultimate Extension
	(inches)	(inches)	(pounds)	(psi)		(X 10 <sup>6</sup> psi)	%
Material: PHENIX Stave Material							
1	0.500	0.0395	3,423	173,300	0.290	37.2	0.47
2	0.499	0.0391	3,955	202,700	0.356	37.4	0.55
3	0.500	0.0396	2,327	117,500	0.258	35.7	0.33
4	0.500	0.0391	3,935	201,300	0.283	36.9	0.55
5	0.499	0.0391	4,089	209,600	0.297	37.6	0.56
6	0.499	0.0393	3,659	186,600	0.324	37.0	0.51
7	0.500	0.0400	3,432	171,600	0.268	37.1	0.47
			Average :	180,400	0.297	37.0	0.49

**NOTE 1** : See "Stress vs. Strain" graphs included at the end of this report.

**REMARKS** : The test results are reported for customer evaluation.

RESIN, FIBER and VOID CONTENT

REFERENCE : ASTM 792-00, "Test methods for Density and Specific Gravity (Relative Density) of Plastics by Displacement";

ASTM D 3171-99 (Reapproved 2004), "Test Method for Constituent Content of Composite Materials";

ASTM D 3529-97 (2003), "Test Method for Resin Solids Content of Epoxy-Matrix Prepreg by Matrix Dissolution";

Pacific Testing Laboratories TP2001, "Test Procedure for the Determination of Specific Gravity and Density of Solid Materials";

Pacific Testing Laboratories TP2002, "Acid Digestion Test for the Determination of Fiber Volume, Resin Solids Content, and Nickel Content".

REQUIREMENT : None Specified

TEST METHOD : Density  
Three (3) 1.0-inch by 0.5-inch (nominal) specimens were cut from the submitted panel. The specimens were dried for one hour at 100°C then cooled in a desiccator. The density of each specimen was determined using PTL TP2001 and ASTM D 792-00.

Fiber Volume and Resin Content

The same specimens used for density determination were then subjected to the acid digestion test per PTL TP2002, ASTM D 3171-99 (Reapproved 2004), and ASTM D 3529-97 (2003).

**RESULTS :**

Specimen ID	Specimen Weight	Specimen Density	Fiber Content Volume	Resin Content Weight	Resin Content Volume	Void Content
(Units)	(g)	(g/cc)	%	%	%	%
Material: PHENIX Stave Material						
1	0.4934	1.534	47.46	40.74	53.26	-0.72
2	0.4878	1.524	46.50	41.57	54.02	-0.52
3	0.4723	1.527	46.54	41.65	54.23	-0.77

Notes: The following density data was used for the calculations above:

Resin Density(EX1515) : 1.17 grams/cm<sup>3</sup> (Provided by the customer)

Fiber Density(M55J) : 1.91 grams/cm<sup>3</sup> (Provided by the customer)

Note: Per ASTM D 3171-99(Reapproved 2004), paragraph 6.3 states that for a typical carbon/epoxy laminate, uncertainty in the void volume because of the limitation of the constituent density measurement would be approximately 1.0%.

**RESULTS :** The test results, reported herein, are submitted for customer evaluation.

## Stress vs. Strain Graphs