CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

Pursuant to Administrative Code Section 27-131, the following equipment or material has been found acceptable for use in accordance with the Report of Materials and Equipment Acceptance (MEA) Division.

Patricia J. Lancaster, A.I.A., Commissioner

MEA 101-00-E Vol. III
Report of Material and Equipment Acceptance Division

Manufacturer-Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, 805 S.W. Broadway, Suite 1200, Portland, OR 97205-3303.
Trade Name – LPI 20, LPI 20X1.7, and LPI 32 Series I-Joists.

Description – All LPI 20 series I-Joists, LPI 20X1.7 Series I-Joists, and LPI 32 Series I-Joists are manufactured under strict Quality Assurance Programs outlined in the following applicable Quality Assurance Manuals:


Third party inspection shall be performed by either PFS Corporation, 6608 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27615, or Intertek Testing Services (ITS), 1829 32 Avenue, Lachine, Qc H8T371 Canada, in accordance with Quality Assurance Manuals.

Recommendations – That the above stated to MEA reports MEA 101-00-E Vol. I and Vol. II relating to revised and updated Quality Assurance Manuals and the addition of a second third party inspection agency be accepted on condition that all uses, locations and installations shall comply with the applicable requirements of the New York City Building Code and Technical Policy and Procedure Notice #7, 1992 dated August 19, 1992 (attached) and on further condition that:

1. All other recommendations and requirements of MEA 101-00-E Vol. I and Vol. II shall apply to the LPI Series I-Joists described therein.
2. Structure designs using wood joists shall conform to the manufacturer’s specifications except that appropriate design load(s), deflection limitation(s) and other performance standards of the New York City Building Code shall apply.

3. Glue used shall not delaminate during a fire.

4. Wood I-Joists shall be used in locations that will ultimately be protected from the weather and be marked “Exposure I”, indicating the exposure durability as defined in PS 2-92, “Performance Standards for Wood-Based Structural Use Panels.”

5. When stored out of doors or exposed to wet weather conditions during construction, be inspected by the user for flange-web separation, swelling or warping and replaced if so damaged.

6. The size of any cutouts in the web of the joist shall be exceed the manufacturer’s recommendations.

7. Firestopping shall be provided between the ceiling and the floor or roof above and shall be divided into approximately equal areas not greater than 500 square feet.

8. The cutting of openings for ducts, pipes, conduits, etc. in wood I-Joists shall be subject to a controlled inspection.

9. The building permit applicant shall notify the Fire Department of the proposed installation of wood I-Joists prior to the Building Department issuance of a construction permit. Evidence of such notification shall be a certifying statement submitted on Form TR-1, Technical Report, reading as follows:

I hereby state that I have mailed a copy of this statement to the Fire Department, Bureau of Fire Prevention, Technology Management Unit, as notification of the proposed installation of wood I-Joists at this location.
This statement shall be placed on the reverse side of the form in the lower right-hand box.

The copy of the completed Form TR-1 shall be mailed to the new address at:

Chief-In-Charge of the Bureau of Fire Prevention
Fire Department
Bureau of Fire Prevention
Technology Management Unit
9 MetroTech Center
Brooklyn, New York 11201-3857

All shipments and deliveries of such material shall be provided with a permanent marking suitably placed, certifying that the materials shipped or delivered is equivalent to those tested and accepted for use, as provided for in Section 27-131 of the Building Code.

Final Acceptance  May 29, 2003

Examined by  Donald [Signature]
TECHNICAL POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTICE # 8/92

TO: Distribution
FROM: Richard C. Visconti, A.I.A.
DATE: August 19, 1992
SUBJECT: Laminated Wood "I" Beams

PURPOSE: To interpret the requirements of the Administrative Code, Sections 27-617 and 27-620, pertaining to firestopping requirements per RS 10-8 and Inspection of Methods of Construction per Table 10-2 for laminated wood "I" beams used in fire resistance rated floor/roof-ceiling assemblies.

To establish a new administrative procedure for applicant notification to the Fire Department of proposed use of laminated wood "I" beams.

SPECIFICS:

1. Firestopping

Reference Standard RS 10-8, Section 9.2.1 - General Requirements for Firestopping states that, "the space between the ceiling and the floor or roof above shall be divided by providing firestopping where ceilings are suspended below solid joists or suspended from or attached directly to the bottom of open wood floor trusses in buildings of combustible construction."

The Department now interprets the requirement to comply with the firestopping provisions of Section 9.2.1 et seq. to include laminated wood "I" beam assemblies. Therefore, the space between the ceiling and the floor or roof above shall be divided into approximately equal areas not greater than 500 square feet.
Firestopping is subject to controlled inspection pursuant to Section 27-345.

2. Inspection of Methods of Construction

Table 10-2 – Operations on Structural Elements that shall be Subject to Controlled Inspection, lists the "Fabrication of glue-laminated assemblies and of plywood components."

The Department now interprets the requirement to comply with the controlled inspection provision of Table 10-2 to include laminated wood "I" beams. Therefore, the cutting of openings for ducts, pipes, conduit, etc. in laminated wood "I" beams shall be considered fabrication and, therefore, subject to controlled inspection.

3. Notification

The applicant shall be required to notify the Fire Department of the proposed installation of laminated wood "I" beams prior to the Department issuing a construction permit. Evidence of such notification shall be a certifying statement submitted on Form TR-1, Technical Report, reading as follows:

I hereby state that I have mailed a copy of this statement to the Fire Department, Bureau of Fire Prevention, Technology Management Unit, as notification of the proposed installation of laminated wood "I" beams at this location.

This statement shall be placed on the reverse side of the form in the lower right-hand box.

The copy of the completed Form TR-1 shall be mailed to:

Chief-in-Charge of the Bureau of Fire Prevention
Fire Department
Bureau of Fire Prevention
Technology Management Unit
250 Livingston Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201-5884

cc: Chief John Hodgens
TECHNICAL POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTICE #2/00

TO: Distribution

FROM: Satish K. Babbar, R.A.

DATE: July 24, 2000

SUBJECT: Semi-Controlled Inspection for Structural Light Gage Cold-Formed Steel, Plate Connected Wood Floor Trusses and Laminated Wood “I” Beams

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

SUPERCEDES: Brooklyn Borough Memorandum by Borough Superintendent George E. Berger dated August 11, 1983.

BACKGROUND: There have been several structural failures involving lightweight floor construction. Professional inspection is needed during construction of buildings and other structures utilizing it in order to ensure that the delivered members are not damaged or defective, the installation is proper and safeguards are taken to prevent failure.

PURPOSE: To set forth the requirements for the semi-controlled inspection of the construction, including size, quality, framing, erection and both temporary and permanent bracing of light gage cold-formed steel structural members, plate connected wood floor trusses and laminated wood “I” beams.

REFERENCE: Section 27-132(b) of the Administrative Code.
SPECIFICS:

REQUIREMENTS: The plans submitted for approval/acceptance/professional certification showing these members shall be complete including member sizes, positions, locations, permanent and temporary bracing, fasteners (location, type and spacing), stiffeners, connections, etc., as needed for the proper erection of the structure.

The construction of all light gage cold-formed steel structural members, plate connected wood floor trusses and laminated wood "I" beams shall be subject to semi-controlled inspection for size, quality, framing, erection and both temporary and permanent bracing, as set forth below.

Size Profiles used structurally shall conform to the specified dimension. Care shall be taken not to stretch, bend, or otherwise distort parts of the sections unless such forming is in the integral part of the design.

Quality All materials shall be clean, straight, and undamaged. Damaged members shall be discarded. Only BSA/MEA approved laminated wood "I" beams shall be used. Glue shall completely bond all laminated wood "I" beam surfaces being joined. Quality Control for the erection of all members shall be under the supervision of the professional designated to perform the semi-controlled inspection.

Framing Components may be cut by slitting, shearing, sawing, or flame cutting, as appropriate, in accordance with manufacturers' instructions and the design drawings. All punched holes and sheared or flame cut edges of material in members subject to calculated stress shall be clean and free from notches and burred edges. The approved/accepted/professionally certified drawings shall be adhered to regarding member dimensions, locations, positions, beam separators, bearing surfaces and fasteners, including shear connectors, plate connectors, screws, bolts and welds, as applicable.
Erection  Care shall be taken to avoid damage to members when erecting, loading, unloading and otherwise handling them.

Bracing  Temporary bracing, shoring, jacks, etc. shall not be removed until the registered architect or professional engineer determines that they are no longer needed. Permanent bracing, web stiffeners, bridging, wind bracing, etc. shall be installed according to the approved/accepted/professionally certified drawings.

INSPECTIONS AND REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED: These inspections are to be performed by, or under the direct supervision of, licensed professional engineers or registered architects, who shall submit form(s) TR-1 indicating the following: “Semi-controlled inspection of light gauge cold-formed steel structural members, plate connected wood floor trusses or laminated wood “I” beams (as applicable) per TPPN #2/00”.

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