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Product Control Advisory Metal Roofing Jobsite Forming and/or Rolling:

In an industry meeting held June 20, 2005 the metal roofing industry was presented with Miami-Dade County's policy on Jobsite Forming, and how the industry can comply with existing product approval provisions. It was further clarified that all the NOAs issued to date were issued under the assumption that the panels are shop formed.

It was determined that individuals who jobsite form panels are actually manufacturing the panels, and all applicable provisions of a manufacturer apply. The association policy refers to these individuals as "fabricators", and it provides the means for each fabricator to legitimize the manufacturing process by obtaining NOAs. The roll machine manufacturer can have all the required testing performed under the association auspices, allowing each of its fabricators to benefit from the same tests. This will allow industry to eliminate duplicative testing and minimize costs.

The process works by first approving the association under the associations guidelines found in checklist #0345. Secondly, the association entity then files for product approval of the association's panel(s) and corresponding deck type(s). Master file(s)/NOA(s) is/are issued which will be referenced by the fabricator applicants. Lastly, the fabricator applies for the NOA with written authorization by the association allowing the use of test data on file with Miami-Dade and an acknowledgement letter from the fabricator stating the understanding that they are using testing of an association to obtain the NOA.

A common concern voiced at the meeting was the cost of obtaining NOAs. The current fee schedule for NOAs was discussed and the following schedule reflects how Miami-Dade can process the fabricator approvals:

Fabricator Charges: \$4000 per panel profile inclusive of one deck type; \$1500 per additional deck type of the same profile.

Included with these charges is the issuance of the NOA for a period of five years, and annual quality assurance audits by our staff.

Our office is committed to working with your industry to bring your products and processes into compliance. If we can be of additional assistance, please contact our office.

