APPLICATION SUGGESTIONS

INTRODUCTION: The RGL product line manufactured by Auburn Manufacturing, Inc has a preapplied rewetable lagging adhesive. This adhesive is essentially inorganic and is designed to bond to many surfaces and itself. The adhesive is activated by water. Properly activated adhesive feels slick and somewhat sticky to the touch.

APPLICATION:

- Care must be taken to make sure the adhesive is properly activated. Too little moisture will result in little or no tack or adhesion development. Too much moisture can result in a situation where some of the inorganic adhesive washes away leaving insufficient adhesive to achieve good bonding.

- Under controlled conditions, a 2 to 5 second immersion in a pail of water has been found to give adequate wetting without soaking the material and is a reasonable starting point.

- Excessive soaking lengthens the drying time and can lead to edges curling up during the drying cycle.

- Naturally this will vary with conditions such as temperature, humidity, wind, etc. It is best to do a test piece of the material to be lagged to establish the optimum immersion time for the set of conditions specific to the particular application.

- Another method that has been found to work well is to spray water on both sides of the material with a bottle sprayer. Material should be completely moistened but not saturated. Although this method is more time consuming, it may be effective when working in tight areas.

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