**Finestone**® **Platinum CI Stucco Ultra System - Section 092423**Specification for 2 and 3 coat impact-resistant continuously insulated (CI) premium cement plaster stucco system featuring a rain screen design with enhanced water management

**INTRODUCTION**

This specification has been assembled to enable the design professional to select or delete sections to suit the project requirements and is intended to be used in conjunction with Finestone typical details, product bulletins, technical bulletins, etc. Items in brackets indicate a system option or choice of options. Throughout the specification, delete those which are not required or utilized.

**DESIGN RESPONSIBILITY**

It is the responsibility of both the specifier and the purchaser to determine if a product is suitable for its intended use. The designer selected by the purchaser shall be responsible for all decisions pertaining to design, detail, structural capability, attachment details, shop drawings and the like. The Finestone® brand of Master Builders Solutions US, LLC (herein referred to as “Master Builders Solutions”) has prepared guidelines in the form of specifications, typical application details, and product bulletins to facilitate the design process only. Master Builders Solutions is not liable for any errors or omissions in design, detail, structural capability, attachment details, shop drawings or the like, whether based upon the information provided by Master Builders Solutions or otherwise, or for any changes which the purchasers, specifiers, designers or their appointed representatives may make Master Builders Solutions published comments.

**DESIGNING AND DETAILING A FINESTONE PLATINUM CI STUCCO ULTRA WALL SYSTEM**

General: The system shall be installed in strict accordance with current recommended published details and product specifications from the system’s manufacturer.

1. **Wind Load:**
	1. Maximum deflection not to exceed L/360 under positive or negative design loads.
	2. Design for wind load in conformance with local code requirements.
2. **Substrate Systems:**
3. Acceptable substrates are PermaBase® Cement Board and other cement-boards conforming with ASTM C1325 (Type A-exterior), poured concrete/unit masonry, ASTM C1177 type sheathings including DensGlass™ and DensElement exterior sheathing, eXP™ sheathing, GlasRoc® sheathing, Securock™ glass-mat sheathing, Weather Defense™ Platinum sheathing, and GreenGlass® sheathing, gypsum sheathing (ASTM C79/C1396), Exposure I or exterior plywood (Grade C/D or better), or Exposure I OSB or Huber ZIP (sheathing only).
4. The substrate systems shall be engineered with regard to structural performance by others.
5. Refer to Finestone’s *Stucco Wall Systems Lath and Trim Accessories* technical bulletin for more detailed information regarding metal lath, woven wire, trim requirements, etc.
6. **Moisture Control:**
7. Prevent the accumulation of water behind the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system, either by condensation or leakage through the wall construction, in the design and detailing of the wall assembly.
	1. Provide flashing to direct water to the exterior where it is likely to penetrate components in the wall assembly, including, above window and door heads, beneath window and door sills, at roof/wall intersections, decks, abutments of lower walls with higher walls, above projecting features, and at the base of the wall and anywhere else required by local code.
	2. Air Leakage Prevention: Provide continuity of air barrier system at foundation, roof, windows, doors and other penetrations through the system with connecting and compatible air barrier components to minimize condensation and leakage caused by air movement.
	3. Vapor Diffusion and Condensation: Perform a dew point analysis of the wall assembly to determine the potential for accumulation of moisture in the wall assembly as a result of water vapor diffusion and condensation. Adjust insulation thickness and/or other wall assembly components accordingly to minimize the risk of condensation. Avoid the use of vapor retarders on the interior side of the wall in warm, humid climates.
8. **Color Selection:** The use of dark colors over expanded polystyrene (EPS) trim shapes must be considered in relation to wall surface temperature as a function of local climate conditions. Select Finish Color with a light reflectance value (LRV) of 20% or higher. The use of dark colors (LRV less than 20%) is not recommended with EPS trim shapes as EPS has a sustained service temperature limitation of approximately 160°F (71°C).
9. **Grade Condition:** Stucco is not intended for use below grade or on surfaces subject to continuous or intermittent immersion in water or hydrostatic pressure. Ensure a minimum 6” (150 mm) clearance above grade or as required by code, a minimum 2” (50.8mm) clearance above finished grade (sidewalk/concrete flatwork).
10. **Decorative Shapes, Projecting Architectural Features:**

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Installation of the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system with decorative shapes that incorporate EPS outside the slope guidelines referenced in this specification may still qualify for a standard warranty; however, increased maintenance and premature deterioration of the trim shapes shall be expected and any deleterious effects caused by the lack of slope will not be the responsibility of Master Builders Solutions. The design professional has the option to build per his/her project needs. The design professional must also consider geography, climate, building orientation, wall orientation and adjacent building components when designing with EPS trim shapes. The slope guidelines referenced below are provided to offer assistance to the owner and/or design professional. Final design of any building is the responsibility of the design professional.**

Minimum slope for all projections shall be 1:2 (27º) with a maximum length of 12” (30.5 cm) [e.g. 6” in 12” (15 cm in 30.5cm)]. Increase slope for Northern climates to prevent accumulation of ice/snow on the surface.
**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall systems were designed and tested to be applied to vertical surfaces. As the slope of the wall system application decreases, the chance for premature deterioration of any wall system increases. Low sloping conditions are subject to more extreme heat. Low sloped areas are known to produce an increase in wall surface temperature which can lead to accelerated weathering of the low sloped surface.**

1. **System Joints:**
2. Expansion joints in the system are required at building expansion joints, at prefabricated panel joints, floor lines of wood frame construction, where substrates change, at termination at dissimilar materials and where structural movement is anticipated. Detail specific locations in construction drawings.
3. Control joints are required at a minimum of every 144ft2 (13m2) of wall surface area and where specified by the design professional. The maximum uncontrolled length or width is 18 lineal feet (5.5 lineal meters) and a maximum uncontrolled length to width ratio of 2 ½: 1. Detail specific locations in construction drawings.

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: It is the sole responsibility of the project design team, including the architect, engineer, etc., to ultimately determine specific expansion and control joint placement, width and design. Sealant joints are required at all penetrations through the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system (windows, doors, lighting fixtures, electrical outlets, hose bibs, dryer vents, etc.). Refer to Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system typical details.**

1. **Decks:** Wood decks must be properly flashed prior to system application. For proper application, refer to Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system typical details. The Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system must be terminated a minimum of 1” (25mm) above wood decks.
2. **Coordination with other trades:**
3. Evaluate adjacent materials such as windows, doors, etc. for conformance to manufacturer’s details. Adjacent trades shall provide scaled shop drawings for review.
4. Air seals at any joints/gaps between adjoining components (penetrations, etc.) are of primary importance to maintain continuity of an air barrier system and must be considered by the design professional in the overall wall assembly design. Air seals are needed between the primary air/water-resistive barrier and other wall components (penetrations, etc.) to maintain continuity of an air barrier system.
5. Provide protection of rough openings in accordance with Air/Water-Resistive/Vapor Barrier Application Guidelines technical bulletin before installing windows, doors, and other penetrations through the wall.
6. Install copings and sealant immediately after installation of the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system and when Finestone coatings are completely dry.

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Consult Master Builders Solutions’ Technical Services Department for specific recommendations concerning all other applications. Consult the Finestone website, Finestone.master-builders-solutions.com, for additional information about products, systems and for updated literature.

**PART 1 – GENERAL**

* 1. **SECTION INCLUDES**
	2. Refer to all project drawings and other sections of this specification to determine the type and extent of work therein affecting the work of this section, whether such work is specifically mentioned herein.
	3. Platinum CI Stucco Wall System: Composite insulated stucco wall system consisting of air/water-resistive barrier, drainage mat, rigid insulation, plaster base, stucco base, base coat(optional), reinforcing mesh (optional), primer (optional) and finish coat.
	4. Finestone products are listed in this specification to establish a standard of quality. Any substitutions to this specification shall be submitted to and receive approval from the Architect at least 10 days before bidding. Proof of equality shall be borne by the submitter.
1. The system type shall be Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system as manufactured by Master Builders Solutions, Shakopee, MN.
	1. **RELATED SECTIONS**
2. Section 03 00 00 Concrete substrate
3. Section 04 00 00 Masonry substrate
4. Section 05 40 00 Cold-formed metal framing
5. Section 06 16 00 Wood sheathing
6. Section 06 11 00 Wood framing
7. Section 07 27 00 Air barriers
8. Section 07 62 00 Sheet Metal Flashing and Trim
9. Section 07 65 00 Flexible flashing
10. Section 07 90 00 Joint protection
11. Section 08 00 00 Openings
12. Section 09 22 00 Supports for plaster and gypsum board
13. Section 09 22 16 Non-structural metal framing
14. Section 09 29 00 Gypsum board
15. Section 09 22 36 Lath
	1. **REFERENCES**
16. ASTM C150 Standard Specification for Portland Cement
17. ASTM C926 Standard Specification for Application of Portland Cement-Based Plaster
18. ASTM C1063 Standard Specification for Installation of Lathing and Furring to Receive Interior and Exterior Portland Cement-Based Plaster
19. ASTM C847 Standard Specification for Metal Lath
20. ASTM C933 Standard Specification for Welded Wire Lath
21. ASTM C1032 Standard Specification for Woven Wire Plaster Base
22. ASTM C1764 Standard Test Methods for Non-Metallic Plaster Bases (Lath) used with Portland Cement Based Plaster in Vertical Applications
23. ASTM C1787 Standard Specification for Installation of Non-Metallic Plaster Bases (Lath) used with Portland Cement Based Plaster in Vertical Applications
24. ASTM C1788 Standard Specification for Installation of Non-Metallic Plaster Bases (Lath) used with Portland Cement Based Plaster in Vertical Applications
25. ASTM D226 Standard Specification for Asphalt-Saturated Organic Felt Used in Roofing and Waterproofing
26. ASTM D1784 Standard Specification for Rigid Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Compounds and Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Compounds
27. ICC-ES AC11 Cementitious Exterior Wall Coatings
28. CCRR 0230 Intertek Code Compliance Research Report for STUCCOBASE™/ STUCCOBASE™ PREMIX
29. CCRR 0249 Intertek Code Compliance Research Report (PERMALATH 1000)
30. ESR-3463 ICC Evaluation Service, LLC, ES Report™ (NEOPOR® Rigid Insulation Board)
31. ESR-2986 ICC Evaluation Service, Inc., ES Report™ (FINESTOP RA/RS)
	1. **SUBMITTALS**
	2. Submit under provisions of Section [01 33 00]
	3. Product Data: Provide data on Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system materials, product characteristics, performance criteria, limitations and durability.
	4. Code Compliance: Provide manufacturer’s applicable code compliance report.
	5. Samples: Submit [two] [x] [inch] [centimeter] size samples of Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system illustrating Finestone Finish color and texture range.
	6. Certificate: System manufacturer’s approval of applicator.
	7. Sealant: Sealant manufacturer’s certificate of compliance with ASTM C920.
	8. System manufacturer’s current specifications, typical details, system design guide and related product literature which indicate preparation required, storage, installation techniques, jointing requirements and finishing techniques.
	9. **QUALITY ASSURANCE**
	10. Manufacturer: More than 10 years in the cement plaster stucco industry, with more than 1000 completed cement plaster stucco projects.
	11. Applicator: Approved by Master Builders Solutions in performing work of this section.
	12. Regulatory Requirements: Conform to applicable code requirements for cement plaster stucco.
	13. Field Samples
		* 1. Provide under provisions of Section [01 43 36] [01 43 39].
			2. Construct one field sample panel for each color and texture, [x] [feet] [meters] in size of system materials illustrating method of attachment, Finestone Finish color and texture.
			3. Prepare each sample panel using the same tools and techniques to be used for the actual application.
			4. Locate sample panel where directed.
			5. Accepted sample panel [may] [may not] remain as part of the work.
			6. Field samples shall be comprised of all wall assembly components including substrate, air/water-resistive barrier, drainage mat, rigid insulation, plaster base, stucco base, base coat (if specified), reinforcing mesh (if specified), primer (if specified), finish coat and typical sealant/flashing conditions.
	14. Testing
32. General Air/Water-Resistive Barrier Minimum Performance:

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| **TEST** | **METHOD** | **CRITERIA** | **RESULTS** |
| Water-resistive barrier coatings used under EIFS | ASTM E2570 |  | Meets all performance requirements |
| Air Leakage of Air Barrier Assemblies | ASTM E2357 | 0.2 l/(s.m2) @75 Pa(0.04 cfm/ft2 @ 1.57 psf) | 0.0007 l/s.m2 (0.0001 cfm/ft2) @ 75 Pa (1.57 psf) positive / post conditioning 0.0014 l/s.m2 (0.0003 cfm/ft2) @ 75 Pa (1.57 psf) negative / post conditioning |
| Air Permeance of Building Materials | ASTM E2178 | 0.02 l/(s.m2) @75 Pa(0.004 cfm/ft2 @ 1.57 psf) | 0.0049 l/s.m2 @ 75 Pa(0.00098 cfm/ft2 @ 1.57 psf)  |
| Rate of Air Leakage | ASTM E283 |  | 0.0185 l/s·m2 @ 75 Pa (0.0037 cfm/ft2 @ 1.57 psf) |
| Water Vapor Transmission | ASTM E96 | Report value | FINESTOP RA - 18 Perms (grains/Hr. in Hg. ft2) @ 10 mils wet film thicknessFINESTOP RS - 18 Perms (grains/Hr. in Hg. ft2) @ 12 mils wet film thicknessFINESTOP RA/RS - 14 Perms (grains/Hr. in Hg. ft2) @ 20 mils wet film thicknessFINESTOP VB - 0.09 Perms (grains/Hr. in Hg. ft2) @ 26 mils wet film thickness |
| Pull-Off Strength of Coatings | ASTM D4541 | Min. 110 kPa (15.9 psi) or substrate failure  | Pass - Tested over exterior gypsum sheathing, ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, cement board, OSB, plywood; PVC and galvanized flashing |
| Nail Sealability (without Sheathing Fabric) | ASTM D1970 | No water penetration at galvanized roofing nail penetration under 127 mm (5”) head of water after 3 days at 4° C (40° F) | Pass |
| Surface Burning | ASTM E84 | Flame Spread < 25Smoke Development < 450 | Meets Class A: Flame spread =15Smoke developed = 95 |

1. Air/Water-Resistive Barrier ICC-ES AC-212:

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| **TEST** | **METHOD** | **CRITERIA**  | **RESULTS** |
| Sequential Testing:1. Structural
2. Racking
3. Restrained Environmental Conditioning
4. Water Penetration
 | 1. ASTM E 1233 Procedure A
2. ASTM E 72
3. ICC-ES AC-212
4. ASTM E 331
 | No cracking at joints or interface of flashingNo water penetration after 15 min @ 137 Pa (2.86 psf)  | Pass - Tested over OSB and gypsum sheathingNo water penetration after 90 min @ 299 Pa (6.24 psf)  |
| Sequential Testing:1. UV Light Exposure
2. Accelerated Aging
3. Hydrostatic Pressure Test
 | 1. ICC-ES AC-212
2. ICC-ES AC-212
3. AATCC 127-1985
 | No cracking or bond failure to substrateNo water penetration after 21.7 in (550 mm) water for 5 hours | Pass |
| Freeze-Thaw | ASTM E 2485 (Method B) | No sign of deleterious effects after 10 cycles | Pass - Tested over exterior gypsum sheathing, ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, cement board, OSB, plywood |
| Water Resistance | ASTM D2247 | No deleterious effects after 14 day exposure | Pass - Tested over exterior gypsum sheathing, ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, cement board, OSB, plywood |
| Tensile Bond | ASTM C 297 | Minimum 103 kPa (15 psi) | Pass - Tested over exterior gypsum sheathing, ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, cement board, OSB, plywood, CMU; PVC and galvanized flashing |
| Tensile Bond (after freeze-thaw) | ASTM C 297 | Minimum 103 kPa (15 psi) avg; no failure after 10 cycles freeze-thaw | Pass |

1. Air/Water-Resistance Barrier ICC-ES AC 148:

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| **TEST** | **METHOD** | **CRITERIA**  | **RESULTS** |
| Sequential Testing:1. UV Light Exposure
2. Accelerated Aging
3. Hydrostatic Pressure Test
 | 1. ICC-ES AC 148
2. ICC-ES AC 148
3. AATCC 127-1985
 | No cracking or bond failure to substrateNo water penetration after 21.7 in (550 mm) water for 5 hours | Pass |
| Peel Adhesion | ASTM D 3330 Method F | After UV ExposureAfter Accelerated AgingAfter Elevated Temperature ExposureAfter Water Immersion | Pass - tested over ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, OSB, plywood, PVC and uncoated aluminum |
| Nail Sealability after Thermal Cycling | ASTM D 1970 (Modified), AAMA 711 | No water penetration at galvanized roofing nail penetration under 1.2” (31 mm) head of water after 24 hours at 40° F (4° C) | Pass |
| Tensile Strength after UV Exposure | ASTM D 5034, AAMA 711 | Minimum 0.5 N/mm (2.9 lb./in) | Pass |
| Cold Temperature Pliability | ASTM D 1970, AAMA 711 | No cracking after bending around a 1” (25 mm) mandrel after 2 hour exposure to 0° F (-18° C) | Pass |
| Resistance to Peeling | AAMA 711 | No signs of distress or failure after 24 hours of exposure at room temperature, 122° F (50° C), 149° F (65° C), 176° F (80° C) | Pass |
| Drainage Efficiency | ASTM E2273 | 90% Minimum | Pass |
| Transverse Wind-load | ASTM E330 | 3 5/8” 16 GA steel studs 16” o.c., 1/2” gypsum sheathing, 1 layer ASTM D226 #15 felt, rigid insulation board, Lath, 1/2” stucco base | Average ultimate loads1:-10.8 kPa (-226 PSF) +11.8 kPa (+226 PSF)\* \*Positive failure could not be reached. All failures in framing |
| Transverse Wind-load | ASTM E330 | 2” x 4” wood studs 16” o.c., 7/16” OSB, 1 layer 60-minute grade D paper, rigid insulation board, Lath, 1/2” Stucco Base | Average ultimate loads1:-10.4 kPa (-218 PSF) +10.9 kPa (+228 PSF) All failures in framing |
| Surface Burning Characteristics  | ASTM E84 | Flame spread <25 Smoke developed < 450 | Pass |
| Behavior of materials in a vertical tube furnace at 750° C | ASTM E136 | Weight loss of the specimen cannot exceed 50%.  | Pass |
| Freeze Thaw | ICC-ES AC11 | No deleterious effects after 10 cycles | Pass |

1. Platinum CI Stucco Ultra System and Component Performance:

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| **TEST** | **METHOD** | **CRITERIA** | **RESULTS** |
| Drainage Efficiency  | ASTM E2273 | 90% minimum  | Flat foam / Drainage Mat / Finestone Air/Water-Resistive Barrier exceeds 90% minimum |
| Surface Burning | ASTM E84 | Flame Spread < 25Smoke Development < 450 | Meets Class A: Flame spread =15Smoke developed = 95 |
| Behavior of materials in a vertical tube furnace at 750° C | ASTM E136 |  | StuccoBase specimens all met the weight loss criteria for passing the tests |
| Freeze-thaw resistance | Per ICC-ES acceptance criteria - AC11 | 10 freeze-thaw cycles withno visible evidence of deterioration when examined under 5X magnification | Pass |

1. ASTM E330 Wind-Load

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| **Assembly Description** | **Average Ultimate Loads** |
| 3 5/8” 16 GA steel studs 16” o.c., 1/2” gypsum sheathing, FINESTOP RA/RS/VB, DRAINAGEMAT, Acceptable rigid insulation board, Lath, minimum 1/2” Stucco Base by Master Builders Solutions | -10.8 kPa (-226 PSF) +11.8 kPa (+226 PSF) \* \*Positive failure could not be reached. All failures in framing |
| 2” x 4” wood studs 16” OC, 7/16” OSB, FINESTOP RA/RS/VB, DRAINAGEMAT, Acceptable rigid insulation board, Lath, minimum 1/2” Stucco Base by Master Builders Solutions | -10.4 kPa (-218 PSF) +10.9 kPa (+228 PSF) All failures in framing |

1. NFPA 285 and NFPA 268 Compliant Assemblies:

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| **WALL COMPONENTS** | **MATERIALS**  |
| Base wall system – Use either 1, 2 or 3  | 1. Concrete wall
2. Concrete Masonry wall
3. 1 layer – 1/2 inch thick, regular or 5/8 inch thick Type X Gypsum wallboard on interior, installed over steel studs: minimum 3-5/8 inch depth, minimum 20-gauge at a maximum of 16-inch o.c. with lateral bracing every 4- ft. vertically
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| Floorline Firestopping  | 4 lb./cu ft. mineral wool (e.g. Thermafiber) in each stud cavity at each floorline – attached with Z-clips or equivalent  |
| Cavity Insulation – Use either 1 or 2  | 1. None
2. Any noncombustible insulation (faced or unfaced)
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| Exterior sheathing – Use either 1 or 2  | 1. 1/2 inch thick, exterior type gypsum sheathing
2. 5/8 inch thick, exterior type gypsum sheathing
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| Air/water-resistive barrier applied to exterior sheathing  | Finestone FINESTOP RA/RS/VB & DRAINAGEMAT |
| Exterior insulation – Use either 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5  | * 1. Expanded Polystyrene Foam (EPS) – C578 Type II & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness of 2.5-inches
	2. Expanded Polystyrene Foam (EPS) – C578 Type IX & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness of 1.8-inches
	3. BASF Neopor expanded polystyrene foam - C578 Type II & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness 2.4-inches
	4. Extruded Polystyrene Foam (XPS) – C578 Type X or Type IV & be Class A per ASTM E84 – maximum thickness – See Note 1
	5. Polyisocyanurate Foam - C1289 compliant & be Class A per ASTM E84 – maximum thickness – see Note 1
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| Lath | 1. PERMALATH 1000 glass fiber lath
2. Metal lath – either 2.5 lb/yd2 or 3.4 lb/yd2
3. Wire lath – either 1-1/2 inch, 20-gauge or 1-inch, 17-gauge
 |
| Stucco  | Stucco Base by Master Builders Solutions - minimum ½-inch thick  |
| Finish Coat  | Finestone Wall Systems Finish |

**NOTE – The potential heat of the foam plastic insulation at the maximum installed thickens must not exceed 4999 Btu/ft2 as determined in accordance with NFPA 259.**

1. ASTM E119 1-hour Fire Resistant Compliant Assembly

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| **WALL COMPONENTS** | **MATERIALS**  |
| Interior gypsum wall board  | Any minimum 5/8” thick Type X gypsum wallboard complying with ASTM C1396 |
| Steel Framing  | Minimum 3 5/8” deep, minimum 20-gauge steel studs spaced a maximum of 24” on center |
| Wall cavity insulation - use either 1,2, or 3  | 1. None
2. Fiberglass batt insulation (faced or unfaced)
3. Mineral wool insulation (faced or unfaced)
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| Exterior sheathing  |  Any minimum 5/8” thick Type X exterior sheathing complying with ASTM C1396 and/or ASTM C1177 |
| Air/water-resistive barrier applied to exterior sheathing | Finestone FINESTOP RA/RS/VB & DRAINAGE MAT |
| Continuous Insulation  | 1. Expanded Polystyrene Foam (EPS) – C578 Type II & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness of 2.5-inches 2. Expanded Polystyrene Foam (EPS) – C578 Type IX & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness of 1.8-inches 3. BASF Neopor expanded polystyrene foam - C578 Type II & be Class A per ASTM E84– maximum thickness 2.4-inches4. Extruded Polystyrene Foam (XPS) – C578 Type X or Type IV & be Class A per ASTM E84 – maximum thickness – See Note 1 5. Polyisocyanurate Foam - C1289 compliant & be Class A per ASTM E84 – maximum thickness – see Note 1 |
| Lath - use either 1,2, or 3  | 1. PERMALATH 1000 glass fiber lath
2. Metal lath – either 2.5 lb/yd2 or 3.4 lb/yd2
3. Wire lath – either 1-1/2 inch, 20-gauge or 1-inch, 17-gauge
 |
| Stucco  | Stucco Base by Master Builders Solutions - minimum 1/2 inch thick  |
| Finish Coat | Finestone Wall Systems Finish |

* 1. **DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING - FINESTONE/MASTER BUILDERS SOLUTIONS MATERIAL**
1. Deliver, store and handle products under provisions of Section [01 65 00] [01 66 00] [ ].
2. Deliver materials in original unopened packages with manufacturer’s labels intact.
3. Protect materials during transportation and installation to avoid physical damage.
4. Store materials in cool, dry place protected from exposure to moisture and freezing. Store at no less than 40°F/4°C (50°F/10°C for AURORA STONE, AURORA TC-100, ALUMINA finish).
5. Store MAXFLASH at a minimum of 40°F. In cold weather, keep containers at room temperature for at least 24 hours before using.
6. Store rigid insulation boards flat, in original packaging and protected from direct sunlight and extreme heat.
7. Store Reinforcing Mesh, SHEATHING FABRIC and WS FLASH flexible flashing in cool, dry place
	1. **PROJECT/SITE CONDITIONS**
8. Do not apply Master Builders Solutions materials in ambient temperatures below 40°F/4°C (50°F/10°C for AURORA STONE, AURORA TC-100, ALUMINA finish). Provide properly vented, supplementary heat during installation and drying period when temperatures less than 40°F/4°C (50°F/10°C for AURORA STONE, AURORA TC-100, ALUMINA finish) prevail.
9. Do not apply to frozen surfaces.
10. Maintain ambient temperature at or above 40°F/4°C (50°F/10°C for AURORA STONE, AURORA TC-100, ALUMINA finish) during and at least 24 hours after Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system installation and until dry.
	1. **SEQUENCING AND SCHEDULING**
	2. Coordinate and schedule installation of Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system with related work of other sections.
	3. Coordinate and schedule installation of trim, flashing, and joint sealers to prevent water infiltration behind the system.
	4. **WARRANTY**
	5. Provide Master Builders Solutions – Finestone standard warranty for Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system installations under provisions of Section [01 70 00]. Warranty term varies with system component’s configuration, reference Finestone *Warranty Schedule* technical bulletin for specific information.
	6. Comply with Master Builders Solutions notification procedures to assure qualification for warranty.

**PART 2 PRODUCTS**

* 1. **MANUFACTURERS**

All components of the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra Wall System shall be obtained from the system manufacturer or through an authorized distributor.

* 1. **MATERIALS**

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Items in blue/underlined indicate a system option or choice of options. Throughout the specification, delete those which are not required or utilized. Contact Master Builders Solutions Technical Service Department for further assistance.**

1. **Air/Water-Resistive Barrier Components:**
	* + 1. Air/Water-Resistive Barrier: ***(Required, Select One)***
2. [FINESTOP R](http://www.senergy.basf.com/en/products/Air_Water_ResistiveBarriersDrainage/Pages/Senershield-R.aspx)A: A one-component fluid-applied vapor permeable air/water-resistive barrier.
3. [FINESTOP R](http://www.senergy.basf.com/en/products/Air_Water_ResistiveBarriersDrainage/Pages/Senershield-R.aspx)S: A one-component fluid-applied vapor permeable air/water-resistive barrier for use with airless spray equipment.
4. FINESTOP VB: A one-component fluid-applied vapor impermeable air/water-resistive barrier.
	* + 1. Rough Opening and Joint Treatment: **(Required, Select a or b)**
				1. SHEATHING FABRIC: A spun-bonded non-woven reinforced polyester web for use with Finestone fluid applied air/weather-resistive barriers.
				2. MAXFLASH: A one-component elastomeric material for use as a flexible flashing membrane.
			2. Transitional Membrane / Expansion Joint Flashing **(If selected, both a & b are required)**
5. WS FLASH: 30-mil thick, self-sealing, self-healing composite membrane of polyester fabric and rubberized asphalt. Compatible with Finestone fluid-applied air/water-resistive barriers.
6. FLASHING PRIMER: A water-based primer for use prior to application of WS FLASH on all acceptable surfaces.
	* + 1. Cold Temperature Additive:
7. LT ADDITIVE: Blending of LT ADDITIVE with a pail of FINESTOP RA/RS/VB enables application of these materials at temperatures as low as 25°F (-4°C).
8. **Drainage Mat by Master Builders Solutions:** Three-dimensional drainage core consisting of fused, entangled filaments.
9. **Insulation Board: (Required, Select One)**
10. Expanded polystyrene; ASTM C578, Type II.
	1. Flame spread less than 25, smoke developed less than 450 per ASTM E84, UL 723.
	2. Flexural: 35 psi, compressive: 15 psi, minimum thermal resistance 4.17/inch at 75°F (24°C) 4.55/inch at 40°F (4°C).
	3. Minimum density 1.15 lb./ft3 (18.42 kg/m3)
	4. Minimum thickness as indicated on drawings minimum 3/4" (19 mm).
	5. Air-dried (aged) six weeks, or equivalent, prior to installation.
	6. Edges: square within 1/32" per ft. (0.8 mm per m).
	7. Thickness: tolerance of +/- 1/16" (1.6 mm).
	8. Maximum Size: 2’ x 8’ (61 cm x 2.44 m x 10 cm).
	9. Length and width: tolerance of +/- 1/16" (1.6 mm).
11. NEOPOR® Rigid Insulation Board: thermal resistance values R5, R 7.5, R10 or custom thickness, meets ASTM C578 Type II
12. Flame spread less than 25, smoke development less than 450 ASTM E84,
13. Flexural: 40 psi, compressive: 20 psi, minimum thermal resistance 4.6/inch at 75°F (24°C) 4.9/inch at 40°F (4°C).
14. Minimum density 1.45 pcf (23.2 Kg/m3).
15. Air-dried (aged) six weeks, or equivalent, prior to installation.
16. Maximum size 2’ x 8’ (61 cm x 2.44 m x 10 cm).
17. Edges square within 1/32”/ft. (.08mm/0.3m)
18. Tolerance width 24” (+/-) 1/16” (61cm (+/-) 1.6mm) and length 96” (+/-) 1/8” (2.44m (+/-) 3mm).
19. Extruded polystyrene; ASTM C578, Type IV.

a. Flame spread less than 25, smoke developed less than 450 per ASTM E84, UL 723.

b. Flexural: 50 psi, compressive: 25 psi, minimum thermal resistance 5/inch at 75°F (24°C) 4.55/inch at 40°F (4°C).

c. Minimum density 1.55 lb./ft3 (25 kg/m3)

d. Minimum thickness as indicated on drawings minimum 19 mm (3/4").

e. Air-dried (aged) six weeks, or equivalent, prior to installation.

f. Edges: square within 1/32" per ft. (0.8 mm per m).

g. Thickness: tolerance of +/- 1/16" (1.6 mm).

h. Maximum Size: 2’ x 8’ (61 cm x 2.44 m x 10 cm).

i. Length and width: tolerance of +/- 1/16" (1.6 mm).

1. Polyisocyanurate insulation board: Atlas EnergyShield Pro, Atlas EnergyShieldPro2, Hunter Xci Class A, Hunter Xci CG.
2. Nominal density 2 lbs. /ft3 (32 kg/m3).
3. Minimum thickness as indicated on drawings 1” (25mm).
4. Size: 4' x 8', 4’ x 9' (1.22 m x 2.44 m, 1.22 m x 2.74 m), or other size as provided by insulation board manufacturer.
5. Edges: Square within 3/16 (4 mm) (4' x 8'/1.22 m x 2.44 m).
6. Thickness: tolerance of less than 1/16" (1.6 mm) (1” / 25 mm thick).
7. Length: Tolerance of plus or minus 1/4" (6 mm) (4' x 8'/1.22 m x 2.44 m).
8. Width: Tolerance of plus or minus 1/16" (1.6 mm) (4' x 8'/1.22 m x 2.44 m).
9. **Decorative Shapes: (Optional)** Expanded polystyrene; ASTM C578, Type I or II; Minimum thickness 3/4" (19 mm)
10. **Lath/Plaster Base: (Required, Select One)**

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Ensure selection of the appropriate lath based on specified thickness of the Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system. Delete those products not utilized. Reference *Finestone Lath & Trim Accessories System* support bulletin for additional information.**

1. PERMALATH 1000: An open weave, three-dimensional self-furring, nominal 1/4” thick glass fiber reinforcing lath is for use with a minimum thickness of 1/2” (12.7mm). Complies with ASTM C1764, C1787 and C1788.
2. Woven or Welded Wire Lath: A minimum No. 20 gauge, 1” (25.4 mm) galvanized woven wire fabric is for use with 3/8”-1/2” (9.5-12.7mm) (thickness only. Other laths shall comply with ASTM C933 (welded) and ASTM C1032 (woven). The lath is self-furred or furred when applied over all substrates.
3. Expanded Metal Lath: The lath shall comply with ASTM C847. Furring and self-furring requirements shall be as set forth for wire lath. Minimum weight is 2.5 lbs./yd2 (1.36 kg/m2). Refer to ASTM C 1063 for additional information.
4. **Fastening for Rigid Insulation Board and Lath/Plaster Base: (Required, Select One or More)**
5. Masonry: Minimum 3/16” (4.7mm) diameter corrosion resistant masonry Wind-lock type MT fastener with Wind-lock ULP 302 washer, Lath Plates or equal with 3/4” (19 mm) minimum penetration into masonry.
6. Steel framing: Minimum 20 ga (33 mil): Minimum # 8 or greater corrosion resistant screw with Wind-lock ULP 302 washer, Lath Plate or equal with 5/8” (16 mm) minimum penetration into framing.
7. Wood framing: Minimum .120” (3mm) shank corrosion resistant nail .271” (6.9mm) head with Wind-lock ULP 302 washer, Lath Plate or equal with minimum 1-1/4” (31.8mm) penetration into framing or minimum # 8 corrosion resistant wood screw with Wind-lock ULP 302 washer, Lath Plate or equal with minimum 1” (25mm) penetration into framing.
8. **Stucco Base Coat: (Required, Select One)**
9. STUCCOBASE by Master Builders Solutions: Factory-blended stucco mixture of Portland cement, reinforcing fibers, and proprietary ingredients.
10. STUCCOBASE PREMIX by Master Builders Solutions: Factory-blended stucco mixture of Portland cement, reinforcing fibers, sand, and proprietary ingredients.
11. **Plaster Sand: (Required if STUCCOBASE is retained)**

Must be clean and free from deleterious amounts of loam, clay, silt, soluble salts and organic matter. Sampling and testing must comply with ASTM C897. Plaster sand must be graded within the following limits: Percent retained by weight.

Retained on ± 2 Percent

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| --- | --- | --- |
| U.S. Standard Sieve | Minimum | Maximum |
| No. 4 |  | 0 |
| No. 8 | 0 | 10 |
|  No. 16 | 10 | 40 |
|  No. 30 | 30 | 65 |
|  No. 50 | 70 | 90 |
|  No. 100 | 95 | 100 |

1. **Water:** Clean and potable without foreign matter.
2. **Finestone Adhesive/Base Coat: (Required for Trim Shapes and Reinforcing Mesh)**
	* + - 1. A/BC Base Coat: A 100% acrylic base coat, field-mixed with Type I or Type II Portland cement. It has a creamy texture that is easily spread.
				2. A/BC 1-STEPBase Coat: A dry-mix polymer adhesive and base coat containing Portland cement, and -requires only water for mixing.
3. **Portland cement (Required if A/BC Base Coat is Selected):** Conform to ASTM C150, Type I, II, or I/II, grey or white; fresh and free of lumps.
4. **DIAMONDSHIELD Stucco Reinforcing Mesh by Master Builders Solutions:** A balanced, open-grid triaxial glass fiber mesh that distributes stress across three directions for superior crack resistance properties on new or retrofit stucco applications.
5. **STANDARD MESH 4 Finestone Reinforcing Mesh (Required if EPS Trim Shapes Are Specified**): 4 oz. balanced, open-weave glass, fiber reinforcing mesh, twisted multi-end strands treated for compatibility with Finestone Base Coats
6. **STUCCOPRIME by Master Builders Solutions:** A 100% acrylic-based primer; color [ ] to closely match the selected Finestone Finish Color.

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: STUCCOPRIME is recommended for CLASSIC finish texture and required for AURORA TC-100, AURORA STONE and ALUMINA finishes. Although optional in other applications, Finestone highly recommends the use of STUCCOPRIME prior to application of Finestone Finish over applications of Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system “brown coat”. The application of STUCCOPRIME will enhance color uniformity, performance and ease Finestone Finish application and will minimize the likelihood of read-through.**

1. **Finestone Finish Coat: *(Required, Select One or More Finishes and Textures)***
2. PEPPLETEX Finish: 100% acrylic polymer finishes with advanced technology to improve long-term performance and dirt pick-up resistance; air cured, compatible with base coat; Finestone finish

color [ ] as selected; finish texture:

1. NATURAL SWIRL: A medium worm-holed” appearance which is achieved by the random aggregate sizes in the Finish. The “worm-holed” look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal.
2. ROUGHT SWIRL: A heavy “worm-holed” appearance which is achieved by the random aggregate sizes in the finish. The “worm-holed” look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal.
3. LIMESTONE: Utilizes uniformly-sized aggregates for a uniform, fine texture.
4. FINETEX: Can achieve a wide variety of free-formed, textured appearances, including stipple and skip-trowel
5. MOJAVE: Provides a uniform, “pebble” appearance.
6. AGGRELASTIC Finish: 100% acrylic based, textured elastomeric finish that provides excellent

flexibility, weatherability, and maximum resistance to mildew growth, air cured, compatible with base coat; Finestone finish color [ ] as selected; finish texture:

1. NATURAL SWIRL: A medium worm-holed” appearance which is achieved by the random aggregate sizes in the Finish. The “worm-holed” look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal.
2. ROUGH SWIRL: A heavy “worm-holed” appearance which is achieved by the random aggregate sizes in the finish. The “worm-holed” look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal.
3. LIMESTONE: Utilizes uniformly-sized aggregates for a uniform, fine texture.
4. FINETEX: Can achieve a wide variety of free-formed, textured appearances, including stipple and skip-trowel
5. MOJAVE: Provides a uniform, “pebble” appearance.
6. PEBBLETEX TERSUS Finish: Modified acrylic based finish with water repellent properties, compatible with base coat; Finestone finish color [ ] as selected; finish texture:
	1. F1.0: A 1.0 mm uniform aggregate creating a fine texture.
	2. M1.5: A 1.5 mm uniform aggregate creating a medium sand texture.
7. Specialty Finishes: 100% acrylic polymer finishes that can be hand-troweled to simulate stone or create a time-honored, mottled tone-on-tone look that achieves a soft and weathered patina over time.
8. ENCAUSTO VERONA: Utilizes uniformly-sized aggregate to achieve a free-formed, flat texture. It can be used to achieve a mottled look and unlimited tone on tone designs by combining multiple colors.
9. METALLIC: Has a pearlescent appearance. It utilizes uniformly-sized aggregates for a uniform fine texture.
10. AURORA TC-100: Provides a stone-like appearance, either rough or smooth depending upon application.
11. AURORA STONE: Provides a rough, stone-like appearance.
12. ALUMINA: Is a factory-mixed, reflective stone finish consisting of colored aggregate and large black mica flakes in a 100% acrylic transparent binder that provides a classic granite or marble-like textured finished appearance.
13. CHROMA Finish: 100% acrylic polymer based finish with integrated high performance colorants for superior fade resistance, compatible with base coat; Finestone Finish color [ ] as selected; finish texture:
	1. F1.0: Utilizes uniformly-sized aggregates for a uniformly fine texture.
	2. M1.5: Provides a uniform “pebble” appearance.
	3. R1.5: A medium “worm-holed” appearance which is achieved by the random aggregate sizes in the Finish. The “worm-holed” look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal
14. **ANTICOGLAZE Solutions** **Glaze/Stain by Master Builders (Optional):** 100% acrylic antiquing stain product used to impart an ‘old world’ mottled look to textured finishes.
	1. **ACCESSORIES**

**Trim:** Casing bead, corner bead, expansion joint and weep screed accessories shall meet the requirements of ASTM C1063. Accessories shall be vinyl, meeting ASTM D1784; galvanized, meeting ASTM A525 and ASTM A526; or zinc, meeting ASTM B69. Vinyl or zinc accessories are recommended where highly humid or salt-laden service conditions exist. Refer to Finestone’s *Stucco Wall Systems Lath and Trim Accessories* technical bulletin for additional information.

* 1. C-I Weep Track by Clark Dietrich or AMICO: For returning insulated stucco into doors windows, etc.
	2. Foundation weep screed: Beveled edge designed to terminate finish system and drain internal moisture.
	3. Casing bead: Square edge style.
	4. Corner bead: Small radius nose style.
	5. Control joints: W-shaped accordion profile style.
	6. Expansion joints: [Two-piece slip-joint design] or [pair of casing beads spaced for application of sealant bead].

**PART 3 - EXECUTION**

* 1. **EXAMINATION**
1. Verify project site conditions under provisions of Section [01 89 00][ ].
2. **Walls:**
	1. Substrates:
3. Acceptable substrates are: PermaBase® Cement Board and other cement-boards conforming with ASTM C1325 (Type A-exterior); poured concrete/unit masonry; ASTM C1177 type sheathings, including, Weather Defense™ Platinum sheathing, GreenGlass® sheathing, eXP™ sheathing, GlasRoc® sheathing, Securock™ glass-mat sheathing, and DensGlass® exterior sheathing. DensElement (sheathing only); gypsum sheathing (ASTM C79/C1396); Exposure I or exterior plywood (Grade C/D or better); or Exposure I OSB, Huber Zip Sheathing (sheathing only). Consult the Master Builders Solutions Wall Systems Technical Services Department for all other applications.
4. Sheathings must be securely fastened per applicable building code requirements and manufacturers recommendations.
5. When applying Finestone Air/Water-Resistive Barriers to concrete/unit masonry, verify concrete/unit masonry is free of dust, dirt, grease, oils, laitance, efflorescence, biological residue, existing paint or coatings, curing compounds, form release agents, or any other contaminants which might affect the bond. Masonry walls should be properly cured to full load bearing capacity, laid true, and with joints tooled. Properly prepared concrete will have an open texture similar to fine grit sandpaper.
6. Examine surfaces to receive system and verify that substrate and adjacent materials are dry, clean, and sound. Verify substrate surface is flat, free of fins or planar irregularities greater than 1/4” in 10’ (6 mm in 3 m).
	1. Flashings:
7. All flashings are by others and must be installed in accordance with specific manufacturer’s requirements. Where appropriate, end-dams must be provided.
8. Openings must be flashed prior to window/door, HVAC, etc. installation. Refer to *Secondary Moisture Protection Barrier Guidelines for Finestone Stucco Wall System* technical bulletin or *Air/Water-Resistive/Vapor Barrier Application Guidelines* technical bulletin for further guidance.
9. Windows and openings shall be flashed per design and building code requirements.
10. Individual windows that are ganged to make multiple units require continuous head flashing and/or the joints between the units must be fully sealed.
	1. Roof: Verify that all roof flashings have been installed in accordance with the guidelines set by the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association (ARMA).
	2. Kick-out Flashing: Kick-out flashing must be installed where required. The kick-out flashing must be leak-proof and angled (min 100˚) to allow for proper drainage and water diversion. Refer to FINESTONE Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system typical details.
11. Do not proceed until all unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

	1. **PREPARATION**
12. Protect all surrounding areas and surfaces from damage and staining during application of Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system.
13. Protect finished work at end of each day to prevent water penetration.

	1. **MIXING**

General: No additives are permitted unless specified in product mixing instructions. Close containers when not in use. Prepare in a container that is clean and free of foreign substances. Do not use a container which has contained or been cleaned with a petroleum-based product. Clean tools and equipment with water immediately after use. Dried material can only be removed mechanically.

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Keep only the products in this section which were selected in Section 2.02. Delete those not to be utilized.**

1. **Air/Water-Resistive Barriers:**
	1. FINESTOP RA/RS/VB: Mix with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended. Do not add water.
	2. Cold Temperature Additive: LT ADDITIVE: Pour the entire contents of one (1) bottle of LT ADDITIVE into one (1) full pail of FINESTOP RA/RS/VB. Mix with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until fully blended.
2. **Stucco Base Coat:**
3. STUCCOBASE: Use mixer which is clean and free of foreign substances. Add 5-6 gallons (18.9-22.7 liters) of clean potable water to mixer per one bag of STUCCOBASE. Add one bag of STUCCOBASE and one half 100-120 lbs. (45.4-54.4 kg) of the required plaster sand (ASTM C144 or ASTM C897). Mix for 3-4 minutes at normal mixing speed while adding the remainder 100-120 lbs. (45.4-54.4 kg) of the plaster sand. Allow material to set for 2-4 minutes and then remix adding water to achieve desired consistency. Desired consistency varies with type of application (trowel or gun), substrate (paper-backed lath or block) and whether the stucco is applied to a wall or a ceiling. **Note: Continuous mixing may cause excessive air entrainment.**
4. STUCCOBASE PREMIX: Use mixer which is clean and free of foreign substances. Add 2-2.5 gallons (7.6-9.5 liters) of clean potable water to mixer. Slowly add one bag of STUCCOBASE PREMIX. Mix for one minute at normal mixing speed. Allow material to set for 2-4 minutes with mixing blades at rest. Then re-mix, adding water to achieve desired consistency. Desired consistency varies with type of application (trowel or gun), substrate (paper-backed lath or block) and whether the stucco is applied to a wall or a ceiling. **Note: Continuous mixing may cause excessive air entrainment.**
5. **Finestone Base Coat:**
6. A/BC Base Coat: Mix base coat with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended, before adding Portland cement. Mix one part (by weight) Portland cement with one part base coat. Add Portland cement in small increments, mixing until thoroughly blended after each additional increment. Clean, potable water may be added to adjust workability.
7. A/BC 1-STEP Base Coat: Mix and prepare each bag in a 19-liter (5-gallon) pail. Fill the container with approximately 5.6-liters (1.5-gallons) of clean, potable water. Add Base Coat in small increments, mixing after each additional increment. Mix Base Coat and water with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended. Additional A/BC 1-STEP Base Coat or water may be added to adjust workability.
8. **STUCCOPRIME Primer:** Mix the factory-prepared material with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended. A small amount of clean, potable water may be added to adjust workability. Do not overwater.
9. **Finestone Finishes:** PEBBLETEX, AGGRELASTIC, PEBBLETEX TERSUS, CHROMA, and ENCAUSTO VERONA Finish: Mix the factory-prepared material with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended. A small amount of clean, potable water may be added to adjust workability. Do not overwater, 10 oz maximum.
10. **Specialty Finish:** AURORA TC-100, AURORA STONE, and ALUMINA Finish: Gently mix the contents of the pail for 1 minute using a low RPM ½” drill equipped with a mixing paddle such as a Demand Twister or a Wind-lock B-MEW, B-M1 or B-M9.
	1. **APPLICATION**
11. **Accessories:**

Attach Window/Door Drip Edge level and per manufacturer’s instructions.

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: Keep only the products in this section which were selected in Section 2.02. Delete those not to be utilized.**

1. **Air/Water-Resistive Barrier:**
2. All sheathing joints and windows/openings must be protected, and the air/water-resistive barrier applied in accordance with *Air/Water-Resistive/Vapor Barrier Application Guideline* technical bulletin.
3. Substrate shall be dry, clean, sound, and free of releasing agents, paint, or other residue or coatings. Verify substrate is flat, free of fins or planar irregularities greater than 1/4" in 10' (6.4 mm in 3 m).
4. Unsatisfactory conditions shall be corrected before application of the Finestone air/water-resistive barriers.
5. Apply the SHEATHING FABRIC and Finestone air/water-resistive barrier in accordance with the Finestone air/water-resistive barrier product bulletin.
6. Apply the MAXFLASH in accordance with MAXFLASH product bulletin.
7. Installed materials shall be checked before continuing system application.
8. Ensure SHEATHING FABRIC Finestone air/water-resistive barrier or MAXFLASH overlaps the top flange of the starter track.
9. Installed materials shall be checked before continuing system application.
10. **DRAINAGE MAT:**
11. Apply DRAINAGE MAT horizontally or vertically over Finestone Air/Water-Resistive Barrier ensuring it is free of wrinkles.
12. Abut all vertical and horizontal edge and Secure DRAINAGE MAT to substrate with sufficient building staples or galvanized nails to remain in place prior to application of insulation board.
13. **Insulation Board:**
	1. Vertical Surfaces: begin at base of wall with firm temporary support
	2. Apply horizontally in running bond pattern.
	3. Precut insulation board to fit openings and projections and install as a single piece around corners of openings. Stagger vertical joints and corners. Stagger insulation board and sheathing joints.
	4. Abut all joints and ensure an overall flush surface.
	5. With appropriate fastening system, temporarily secure insulation board with minimum two fasteners per board.
	6. Rasp flush any irregularities that would interfere with proper application of lath.
14. **Trim:**

Refer to Finestone *Stucco Wall Systems Lath and Trim Accessories* technical bulletin.

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: It is the sole responsibility of the project design team, including the architect, engineer, etc., to ultimately determine specific expansion and control joint placement, width and design.**

1. Lath: Install in accordance with all local code requirements, applicable standards and application procedures
2. PERMALATH 1000:
3. Apply with minimum 3” (76mm) overlap at vertical and horizontal edges and overlap on flange of trim accessories. PERMALATH 1000 can be applied horizontally or vertically and should be applied such that it is flat and free of ripples, wrinkles, etc. Fastener system type appropriate for application and substrate. Fastener spacing 6” o.c. (152 mm) vertically and 16” o.c. (406 mm) horizontally.
4. Apply STUCCOBASE within 60 days of PERMALATH 1000 application.
5. Woven/Welded Wire Lath:
6. Wire or lath shall be applied with minimum 1” (25 mm) end laps and side laps.
7. Furring crimps shall occur at maximum 6” (152 mm) intervals each way.
8. Refer to ASTM C1063 for additional fastening information.
9. Expanded Metal Lath
10. The metal lath shall be applied with minimum 1/2” (13 mm) side laps and 1” (25 mm) end laps.
11. When end laps occur between supports, lace or wire ties the ends of the sheets with 0.0475” (1.2 mm) galvanized annealed steel wire.
12. Refer to ASTM C1063 for additional fastening information.

**NOTE: Supplemental fasteners, in the framing or sheathing, can be used to secure lath prior to application of STUCCOBASE.**

1. **Stucco Base Coat:**
2. Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system application 3/8”–1/2” thickness (9.5-12.7mm).
3. Following surface preparation and installation of the lath and accessories apply selected Master Builders Solutions stucco base mixture to the approved substrate by hand troweling or machine spraying to a thickness of 3/8” to 1/2” (9.5-12.77mm), completely embedding the lath.
4. Use rod and darby to level the applied base coat without exposing the lath.
5. After initial set begins and surface has sufficiently hardened, use sponge or hard rubber float as required to fill voids, holes or imperfections, leaving the surface ready to receive Finestone Finish.
6. At subcontractor’s option, the double back method of application, whereby the first and second coats are applied and cured as one system, may be used. If this system is used, the second coat (brown) should be applied as soon as the first coat is rigid.
7. Damp cure for at least 48 hours by lightly and evenly fogging the surface with water at least twice a day. Direct sunlight, hot temperatures, low humidity and windy conditions may make additional fogging necessary.
8. Allow stucco base to cure a minimum of 6 days prior to application of EPS board shapes, Finestone base coat, STUCCOPRIME or Finestone Finish application.
9. Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra wall system application 3/4”–7/8” thickness (19-22mm).
10. Nominal plaster base coat thickness:
	1. First coat “scratch”: 3/8” (9.5mm)
	2. Second coat “brown”: 3/8” (9.5mm)
11. Apply first coat to completely embed lath. Cross rake to provide key for second brown coat. Coat must be uniform in thickness. Ensure the first coat is properly “scratched” and sufficiently rigid to resist cracking prior to application and leveling of the second or “brown” coat.
12. Dampen scratch coat, apply second brown coat to provide the required total thickness. Trowel stucco base into trim to seat trim. The lath shall be fully embedded in the coating and shall be completely covered. Coat must be uniform in thickness. Rod off to desired thickness, leveled with screeds, to provide a true, flat plane. Follow this by wood floating or darbying the surface.
13. After the surface has sufficiently hardened, use sponge or hard rubber float as required to fill voids, holes or imperfections, leaving the surface ready to receive Finestone Finish.
14. Damp cure for at least 48 hours by lightly and evenly fogging the surface with water at least twice a day. Direct sunlight, hot temperatures, low humidity and wind may make additional fogging necessary.
15. Allow stucco base to cure a minimum of 6 days prior to application of EPS board shapes, Finestone Base Coat, STUCCOPRIME or Finestone Finish application.
16. **Finestone Adhesive/Base Coat:**

**NOTE TO SPECIFIER: If specifying the use of reinforcing mesh, move on to the next step and delete H from this section of the specification.**

1. Apply a skim coat of Finestone Base Coat, approximately 1/16” (1.6mm) thick to properly cured “brown coat” of stucco base.
2. Allow to dry hard (normally 8 to 10 hours).
3. **DIAMONDSHIELD Reinforcing Mesh:**
	1. Base coat shall be applied to achieve reinforcing mesh embedment with no reinforcing mesh color visible.
	2. Install DIAMONDSHIELD over properly cured Finestone Platinum CI Stucco Ultra System “brown coat” of stucco base.
	3. Apply mixed Finestone Base Coat to entire surface of “brown coat” with a stainless-steel trowel to embed the reinforcing mesh.
	4. Immediately place DIAMONDSHIELD Reinforcing Mesh against wet base coat and embed the reinforcing mesh into the base coat by troweling from the center to the edges.
	5. Lap reinforcing mesh 2 1⁄2” (64 mm) minimum at edges.
	6. Ensure reinforcing mesh is continuous at corners, void of wrinkles and embedded in base coat so that no reinforcing mesh color is visible.
	7. If required, apply a second layer of base coat to achieve total nominal base coat/reinforcing mesh thickness of 1/16” (1.6 mm).
	8. Allow base coat with embedded reinforcing mesh to dry hard (normally 8 to 10 hours).
4. **Decorative Shapes:**
	1. Apply mixed Finestone Base Coat to entire surface of insulation board using a stainless-steel trowel with 1/2”x 1/2” (13mm x 13mm) notches spaced 1/2” (13mm) apart or 3/8”x 3/8” (10mm x 10mm) notches spaced 3/8” (10 mm) apart.
	2. Immediately set shape into place and apply pressure over entire surface of board to ensure positive uniform contact and high initial grab. Do not allow base coat to dry prior to installing.
	3. Abut all joints tightly and ensure overall flush level surface.
	4. Check adhesion periodically by removing a shape prior to set. Properly installed shapes will be difficult to remove and Finestone adhesive/base coat will be adhered to both the Stucco Base and the shape.
	5. Fill 1/16” (1.6mm) and larger gaps between shapes with slivers of insulation board.
	6. Allow application of shapes to dry (normally 8 to 10 hours) prior to application of base coat/reinforcing mesh.
	7. Rasp flush any irregularities of the shapes greater than 1/16” (1.6 mm). Finestone base coat/reinforcing mesh: base coat shall be applied to achieve reinforcing mesh embedment with no reinforcing mesh color visible.
	8. For Finestone STANDARD MESH 4, apply Finestone Base Coat to entire surface of insulation board with a stainless-steel trowel to embed the reinforcing mesh.
	9. Immediately place Finestone STANDARD MESH 4 reinforcing mesh against wet base coat and embed the reinforcing mesh into the base coat by troweling from the center to the edges.
	10. Lap reinforcing mesh 2 1⁄2” (64 mm) minimum at edges and 3” (75 mm) minimum onto Stucco Base.
	11. Ensure reinforcing mesh is continuous at corners, void of wrinkles and embedded in base coat so that no reinforcing mesh color is visible.
	12. If required, apply a second layer of base coat to achieve total nominal base coat/reinforcing mesh thickness of 1/16” (1.6 mm).
	13. Allow base coat with embedded reinforcing mesh to dry hard (normally 8 to 10 hours).
5. **STUCCOPRIME:**
	1. Base coat shall be clean, dry, sound and free of paint, contaminants or other residue or coatings. Verify substrate is flat, free of fins or planar irregularities greater than 1/4” in 10’ (6.4 mm in 3 m).
	2. Apply STUCCOPRIME to substrate with a sprayer, 3/8” (10 mm) nap roller, or good quality latex paint brush at a rate of approximately 150–250 ft2 per gallon (3.6-6.1 m2 per liter).
	3. STUCCO PRIME shall be dry to the touch before proceeding to the Finestone Finish application.
6. **Finestone Finish Coat:** PEBBLETEX, AGGRELATIC, PEBBLETEX TERSUS and CHROMA.
7. Apply Finestone Finish directly to the base coat with a clean, stainless steel trowel.
8. Apply and level Finestone Finish during the same operation to minimum obtainable thickness consistent with uniform coverage.
9. Maintain a wet edge on Finestone Finish by applying and texturing continually over the wall surface.
10. Work Finestone finish to corners, joints or other natural breaks and do not allow material to set up within an uninterrupted wall area.
11. Float Finestone Finish to achieve final texture.
12. **Specialty Finish:**
13. AURORA TC-100 Finish:
14. Apply TINTED PRIMER by Master Builders Solutions to substrate in accordance with current product bulletin. Primer shall be of corresponding color for selected AURORA TC-100 Finish color. Allow Primer to dry to the touch before proceeding Finish application.
15. Apply a tight coat of finish with a clean, stainless steel trowel.
16. Maintain a wet edge on finish by applying and leveling continually over the wall surface.
17. Work finish to corners, joints or other natural breaks and do not allow material to set up within an uninterrupted wall area. Allow first coat to set until surface is completely dry prior to applying a second coat of finish.
18. For a smooth appearance, use a stainless-steel trowel and apply the second coat of finish. Achieve final texture using circular motions.
19. For a textured appearance, apply the second coat of finish using a spray gun and hopper. Double-back to achieve final texture.
20. Total thickness of finish shall be approximately 1/16 (1.6 mm).
21. AURORA STONE Finish:
22. Apply TINTED PRIMER by Master Builders Solutions to substrate in accordance with current product bulletin. Primer shall be of corresponding color for selected AURORA STONE Finish color. Allow Primer to dry to the touch before proceeding Finish application.
23. Apply a coat of Finish using a spray gun and hopper, maintaining a wet edge. Work to corners, joints or other natural breaks and do not allow material to set up within an uninterrupted wall area.
24. Allow first coat of AURORA STONE Finish to set until surface is completely dry prior to applying a second coat of Finish.
25. Apply a second coat of Finish using a spray gun and hopper; double back to achieve final texture.
26. Thickness of Finish may vary between 1/16" (1.6 mm) and 1/8" (3.2 mm), depending upon texture.

**Note: Spraying of AURORA STONE shall be in the same manner and direction and by the same mechanic on a particular elevation or project whenever possible, to maintain a uniform appearance. Maintain consistent air pressure to minimize texture variations. Stator or rotor design pumps are not recommended.**

1. ALUMINA Finish:
2. Apply TINTED PRIMER by Master Builders Solutions to substrate in accordance with current product bulletin. Primer shall be of corresponding color for selected ALUMINA Finish color. Allow Primer to dry to the touch before proceeding Finish application.
3. Apply a tight coat of finish with a clean, stainless steel trowel.
4. Maintain a wet edge on finish by applying and leveling continually over the wall surface
5. Work finish to corners, joints or other natural breaks and do not allow material to set up within an uninterrupted wall area. Allow first coat to set until surface is completely dry prior to applying a second coat of finish
6. Use a stainless-steel trowel and apply the second coat of finish. Achieve final texture using circular motions
7. Total thickness of finish may be between 1/16" (1.6 mm) and 1/8" (3.2 mm).
8. **ANTICOGLAZE Glaze/Stain:** Apply in accordance with recommendations contained in current product literature.
	1. **CLEANING**
9. Clean work under provisions of Section [01 74 00] [ ].
10. Clean adjacent surfaces and remove excess material, droppings, and debris.
	1. **PROTECTION**
		1. Protect Stucco Base from rain, snow and frost for 48-72 hours following application.
		2. Protect Finestone base coat, air/water-resistive barriers, primer and finish from rain and temperatures below 40°F (4°C) for 24 hours or until dry.
		3. Protect installed construction under provisions of Section [01 76 00] [ ].

**END OF SECTION**

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