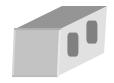


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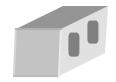


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### **ATTACHMENTS**

Technical Services TECH Note RILEM Tube Test Procedures
Product Data literature for all products evaluated





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**SUBJECT:** Consumers Concrete Corporation

Kalamazoo, MI

**DATE:** June 4, 2002

**PROJECT:** 0203-12 PTP

**SAMPLES SUBMITTED:** Ten types of block in various colors. Two types with dry block.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Size</u>
(4) Smooth-face CMUs	"Pecan" (dry block)	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Smooth-face CMUs	"Walnut"	16" x 8" x 4"
(4) Fluted CMUs	"Sandstone"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Burnished CMUs	"Whitesands " (dry block)	16" x 8" x 8"
(2) Burnished CMUs	"Old Gold"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Split-face CMUs	"Flax"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Split-face CMUs	"Wine"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Split-face CMUs	"Old Rose"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Split-face CMUs	"Buckskin"	16" x 8" x 8"
(4) Split-face CMUs	"Ash"	16" x 8" x 8"

Submitted by: Doug Barron





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#### PURPOSE OF TESTING:

Five integrally colored split-face concrete blocks, two integrally colored smooth-face concrete blocks, two integrally colored burnished concrete blocks and one integrally colored fluted concrete block with large, small and fine aggregate were submitted for testing using PROSOCO's new construction cleaning and water repellent products.

**A.** Cleaning Concrete Masonry Units: Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Custom Masonry Cleaner was evaluated for removal of laboratory applied mortar.

To simulate new construction soiling, all CMUs are placed on a bench with finished surface facing upward. Hollow cylinders measuring 50 mm in diameter and 75 mm tall are positioned on top of each CMU and filled with a wet mixture of Ash Grove<sup>®</sup> Type S mortar. The wet, mortar-filled cylinder is allowed to remain in contact with the CMU for 10 minutes before removal.

Heavy deposits of mortar are removed with dry scraping after 24 hours. Prepared cleaning solutions are then evaluated for their effectiveness in removing residual Ash Grove<sup>®</sup> Type S mortar staining after 4 days, 7 days, and 14 days of curing.\*

\*Note: Mortar was removed after 4 days instead of 3 days due to holiday scheduling conflict.

**B.** Color Uniformity Testing\* - Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Custom Masonry Cleaner was evaluated at various dilutions to determine the optimal concentration of cleaner that leaves the external surface looking most like the natural through-body color of the CMU. Color uniformity was evaluated by comparing aggregate exposure and surface pigment alternation/removal of each cleaned surface compared to the natural through-body color of the CMU.

<u>Aggregate Exposure</u> is the visual examination comparing aggregate exposure of the interior, through-body section of CMU to surfaces cleaned with selected product(s) at given dilutions.

<u>Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal\*</u> is the visual examination comparing the pigmentation of the interior, through-body section of the CMU to surfaces cleaned with selected product(s) at given dilutions.

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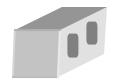
- 0 **Worst** match to through-body
- 3 **Good** match to through-body
- 1 **Poor** match to through-body
- 4 **Best** match to through-body
- 2 **Fair** match to through-body

#### \* NOTE: When cleaning integrally colored CMU.

Integrally colored concrete masonry units (CMUs) frequently have high amounts of pigments concentrated on the surface of the cured concrete unit. Variation of surface pigment concentrations from one CMU to the next creates a blotchy appearance in the completed wall. Allowed to remain on the surface of the CMU, the weakly bound pigment will weather and streak, further detracting from the appearance of the completed CMU wall.

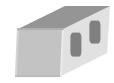
In addition to removing excess mortar and construction related soiling, the goal of any cleaning operation undertaken on integrally colored CMU should include removal of unnaturally high concentrations of surface pigment. By revealing the natural through-body color on the integrally colored unit, the overall color uniformity and weathering resistance of the completed CMU wall is improved.





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- **C. Protective Water Repellents -** Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control and Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate were evaluated for their ability to provide water repellency to the submitted samples.
- **D. Graffiti Control** Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control was evaluated on all types. Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S and Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier NS were evaluated on type "Whitesands" burnished CMU for their ability to control graffiti. Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper, Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Wipe and Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Release were evaluated for their ability to remove graffiti from the submitted samples.



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#### PRODUCTS EVALUATED FOR CLEANING AND COLOR UNIFORMITY

Block Type	Product	Dilution
Split-face, Smooth-face &	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2, 1:4, 1:6
Fluted CMUs	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> 600 Detergent	1:6, 1:8

Block Type	Product	Dilution
Burnished CMUs	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2, 1:3

#### WATER REPELLENT PRODUCTS EVALUATED

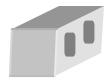
Block Type	Product	Dilution
All submitted CMUs	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Concentrate
7 till Gubrinition Givies	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate	1:9, 1:14

### **GRAFFITI CONTROL PRODUCTS EVALUATED**

Block Type	Product	
"Whitesands" burnished	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	
cMU	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier NS	
	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S	

Block Type	Product
*All other submitted CMUs	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control





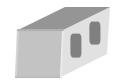
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### **GRAFFITI REMOVAL PRODUCTS EVALUATED**

Block Type	Product	
"Mhitaganda" burniahad	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper	
"Whitesands" burnished CMU	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Wipe	
	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Release	

Block Type	Product	
*All other submitted CMUs	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper	
All other submitted civios	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Wipe	





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#### **SECTION A - CLEANING INTEGRALLY COLORED CMUs**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCTS EVALUATED**

These cleaning trials were conducted to determine the optimal cleaning/cure time combination.

**Sure Klean**<sup>®</sup> **Custom Masonry Cleaner** – A general purpose, concentrated acidic cleaner for most custom masonry and colored concrete. Removes concrete splashes, excess mortar, mud, heavy efflorescence and surface soiling, leaving the masonry clean and uniform with no acid burning or streaking. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 2-6 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

**Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner** – A general purpose, non-etching acidic cleaner removes rust, mud, oil, atmospheric dirt, mortar smears and other stains without altering the surface texture. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 2-3 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

**Sure Klean**<sup>®</sup> **600 Detergent** – A general purpose, concentrated acidic cleaner for brick, tile and concrete surfaces. Dissolves mortar smears and construction dirt quickly, leaving the masonry clean and uniform with no acid burning or streaking. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 4-25 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

#### **TEST METHOD – Cleaning**

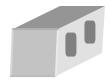
Dilution ratios refer to mixtures of parts concentrated cleaner: parts fresh water. Chemical cleaners were evaluated using the following procedure:

- 1. Prewet the surface with water.
- 2. Apply each cleaner at the appropriate dilutions.
- 3. Allow appropriate dwell time for each cleaner:

Custom Masonry Cleaner	3 minutes
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	5 minutes
600 Detergent	5 minutes

- 4. Reapply the products and moderately agitate with a brush.
- Pressure rinse thoroughly.\*
- 6. Allow the surface to dry for at least 18 hours and visually examine.
- \* Pressure rinsing was conducted at approximately 1300 psi with a warm water flow rate of 1.9 gallons per minute.





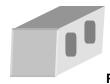
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## **TEST RESULTS - Cleaning**

## % removal

	"Pecan"			
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Walnut"			
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Sandstone"	,		
Product	Dilution		7 day	11 day
		4 day	<b>7 day</b> 100%	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%		100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Flax"			
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Wine"			
Product		4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
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600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%





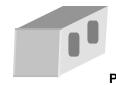
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TEST RESULTS - Cleaning Continued

## % removal

	"Old Rose"			
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Daralasia"			
Product	"Buckskin" Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	<b>4 day</b> 100%	<b>7 day</b> 100%	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
000 Detergent	1.0	10070	10070	10078
	"Ash"			
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:6	100%	100%	100%
600 Detergent	1:8	100%	100%	100%
	"Whitesands"	,		
Product	Dilution	4 day	7 day	14 day
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:3	100%	100%	100%
·				
	"Old Gold"			T
Product		4 day	7 day	14 day
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	100%	100%	100%
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	100%	100%	100%





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#### **CONCLUSIONS - Cleaning**

Based on the test data, all of the submitted block samples were efficiently cleaned with each dilution of the selected PROSOCO Inc.'s cleaning products. Use higher concentrations and surface agitation to maximize aggregate exposure. Use low concentration and surface agitation to minimize aggregate exposure.

All dilutions of Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Custom Masonry Cleaner, Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner and Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> 600 Detergent tested affected the substrate in a similar manner, removing slight to heavy concentrations of pigmented matrix from the rough and smooth block faces, exposing small and large aggregate, and enhancing the natural appearance of the integrally colored concrete masonry unit.

#### **RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS AND DILUTIONS - CLEANING**

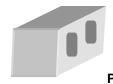
Recommendations for cleaning for each type of CMU submitted by Consumers Concrete Corporation, Kalamazoo, MI are provided in the chart below. Recommendations are based on the optimum dilution for complete removal of mortar.

Block	Color	New Construction Cleaning (Type S mortar, 14 day)
Smooth-face CMU	Pecan	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:2)
SilloutiFlace Civio	recall	600 Detergent (1:6)
Smooth-face CMU	Walnut	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:4)
Fluted CMU	Sandstone	600 Detergent (1:8)
Burnished CMU	Whitesands	Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:3)
Burnished CMU	Old Gold	Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:3)
Split-face CMU	Flax	600 Detergent (1:6)
Split-face CMU	Wine	600 Detergent (1:6)
Split-face CMU	Old Rose	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:4)
Split-face CMU	Buckskin	600 Detergent (1:8)
Split-face CMU	Ash	600 Detergent (1:6)

The most appropriate cleaner and dilution should be determined on the specific job-site, and will be dependent primarily on the nature and severity of soiling present at that location.

Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation provided on container labels and product data sheets. On-site testing should be conducted to determine the most appropriate cleaning product and procedures for a particular project. See product literature for additional application and product information.





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#### **SECTION B - COLOR UNIFORMITY:**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCTS EVALUATED – Color Uniformity:**

**Sure Klean® Custom Masonry Cleaner** – A general purpose, concentrated acidic cleaner for most custom masonry and colored concrete. Removes concrete splashes, excess mortar, mud, heavy efflorescence and surface soiling, leaving the masonry clean and uniform with no acid burning or streaking. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 2-6 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

**Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner** – A general purpose, non-etching acidic cleaner removes rust, mud, oil, atmospheric dirt, mortar smears and other stains without altering the surface texture. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 2-3 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

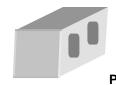
**Sure Klean**<sup>®</sup> **600 Detergent** – A general purpose, concentrated acidic cleaner for brick, tile and concrete surfaces. Dissolves mortar smears and construction dirt quickly, leaving the masonry clean and uniform with no acid burning or streaking. Liquid concentrate for dilution with 4-25 parts water. Apply by brush or low-pressure spray.

#### **TEST METHOD – Color Uniformity Testing:**

Dilution ratios refer to mixtures of parts concentrated cleaner: parts fresh water. Chemical cleaners were evaluated using the following procedure:

- 1. Prewet the surface with water.
- 2. Apply each cleaner at the appropriate dilutions.
- 4. Reapply the products and moderately agitate with a brush.
- 5. Pressure rinse thoroughly.\*
- 6. Allow the sample to dry for at least 18 hours and visually examine.
- 7. Break the sample in half and compare the through-body surfaces to the cleaned surfaces for the best match.
- \* Pressure rinsing was conducted at approximately 1300 psi with a warm water flow rate of 1.9 gallons per minute.





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## **TEST RESULTS – Color Uniformity**

Substrate: Smooth-face CMU	Pigment Col	or: "Pecan"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	3	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	2	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	2	3
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	1	3
Substrate: Smooth-face CMU	Pigment Cold	or: "Walnut"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	2	2
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	3	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	2	3
600 Detergent	1:6	1	3
600 Detergent	1:8	1	3
Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Cole	or: "Sandstone"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	1	1
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	1	1
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	2	2
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	4	4
Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Colo	or: "Flax"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	1	1
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	2	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	2	2
600 Detergent	1:6	4	4
600 Detergent	1:8	3	2

Scale used for reporting results of both categories

0 – **Worst** match to through-body

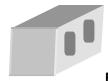
3 - Good match to through-body

1 – **Poor** match to through-body

4 - **Best** match to through-body

2 – **Fair** match to through-body





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### **TEST RESULTS – Color Uniformity Continued**

Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Cole	or: "Wine"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	1	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	1	3
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	1	3
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	2	3
Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Cole	or: "Old Rose"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	0	0
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	4	4
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	1	1
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	3 3	
Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Cole	or: "Buckskin"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure Surface   Alteration/	
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	1	1
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	2	2
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	2	2
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	4	4
Substrate: Split-face CMU	Pigment Cold	or: "Ash"	
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	1	2
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:4	1	2
Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:6	1	2
600 Detergent	1:6	3	3
600 Detergent	1:8	2	2

Scale used for reporting results of both categories

0 – **Worst** match to through-body

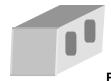
3 – **Good** match to through-body

1 – **Poor** match to through-body

4 – **Be st** match to through-body

2 – **Fair** match to through-body





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## **TEST RESULTS – Color Uniformity Continued**

Substrate: Burnished CMU	Pigment Color: "Whitesands"				
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure Surface Pigm Alteration/Rem			
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	3	3		
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:3 4 4				
Substrate: Burnished CMU	Pigment Col	or: "Old Gold"			
Product	Dilution	Aggregate Exposure	Surface Pigment Alteration/Removal		
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:2	3	3		
Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner	1:3	4	3		

Scale used for reporting results of both categories

0 – **Worst** match to through-body

3 – **Good** match to through-body

1 – **Poor** match to through-body

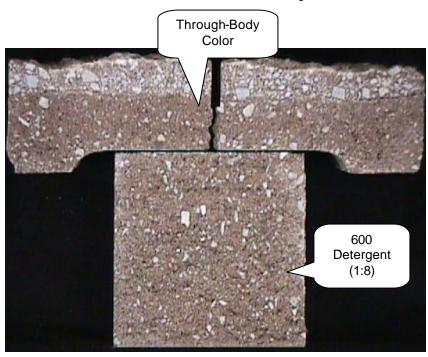
4 – **Best** match to through-body

2 - **Fair** match to through-body

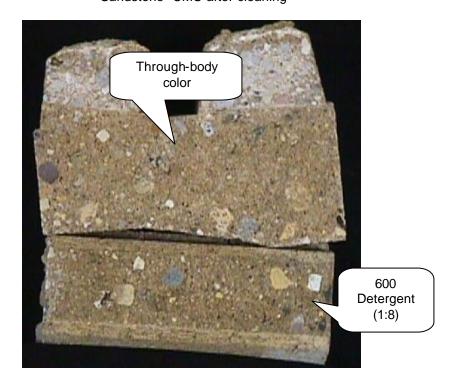
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## **PHOTOGRAPHS – Color Uniformity**





"Sandstone" CMU after cleaning







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#### **CONCLUSIONS: COLOR UNIFORMITY:**

All dilutions of Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Custom Masonry Cleaner, Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner and Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> 600 Detergent tested affected the substrate in a similar manner. Higher concentrations of cleaner removed moderate to heavy concentrations of pigmented matrix, exposing small and large aggregate. Lower concentrations of cleaner removed slight to moderate concentrations of pigmented matrix, exposing small and large aggregate. All dilutions enhanced the natural appearance of the integrally colored CMU.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS - COLOR UNIFORMITY**

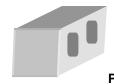
Recommendations for color uniformity for each type of CMU submitted by Consumers Concrete Corporation, Kalamazoo, MI are provided in the chart below. Recommendations are based on the optimum dilution that provides the best color uniformity and the complete removal of mortar.

Block	Color	Color Uniformity	
Smooth-face CMU	Pecan	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:2)	
Sillouthiace Civio	Pecan	600 Detergent (1:6)	
Smooth-face CMU	Walnut	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:4)	
Fluted CMU	Sandstone	600 Detergent (1:8)	
Burnished CMU	Whitesands	Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:3)	
Burnished CMU	Old Gold	Burnished Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:3)	
Split-face CMU	Flax	600 Detergent (1:6)	
Split-face CMU	Wine	600 Detergent (1:6)	
Split-face CMU	Old Rose	Custom Masonry Cleaner (1:4)	
Split-face CMU	Buckskin	600 Detergent (1:8)	
Split-face CMU	Ash	600 Detergent (1:6)	

The most appropriate cleaner and dilution should be determined on the specific job-site, and will be dependent primarily on the nature and severity of soiling present at that location.

Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation provided on container labels and product data sheets. On-site testing should be conducted to determine the most appropriate cleaning product and procedures for a particular project. See product literature for additional application and product information.





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#### **SECTION C - PROTECTIVE WATER REPELLENTS:**

The testing described below evaluates the suitability of water repellent treatments.

The surface treatments evaluated were selected for their suitability for application based on the following selection criteria:

- 1. Weatherproofing properties
- 2. Color change
- 3. Ease of application

### **DESCRIPTIONS OF PRODUCTS EVALUATED - Protective Water Repellents:**

**Sure Klean® Weather Seal Blok-Guard® & Graffiti Control -** A clear, solvent-based silicone elastomer formulated to weatherproof custom masonry units, cast stone, and concrete block without altering the natural appearance. Blok-Guard® & Graffiti Control penetrates and fills pores to prevent water penetration through exterior walls exposed to normal weathering as well as long-lasting protection against many types of graffiti.

**Sure Klean® Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate** – A self-emulsifying water repellent concentrate designed for dilution with fresh water at the jobsite. This solvent-free blend of silanes and oligomeric alkoxysiloxanes mixes easily with water to produce a penetrating water repellent ideal for application to dense or porous masonry surfaces.

#### **SAMPLE PREPARATION - Protective Water Repellents:**

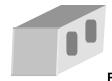
The submitted blocks were scored, allowed to dry, and to reabsorb atmospheric humidity for 24 hours prior to treatment. The treatment method consisted of a wet-on-wet brush application. All treatments were allowed to cure at least 3 days prior to testing.

#### **TEST METHODS - Protective Water Repellents:**

Water Absorption Tube Test: RILEM II.4, 60 mph, 20 Minutes

The water absorption tube test simulating wind driven rain conditions was performed. This test simulates 60 mile per hour wind driven rain conditions for a period of 20 minutes. See Technical Services TECH Note RILEM Tube Test Procedures.





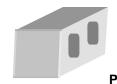
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### **TEST RESULTS - Protective Water Repellents:**

### Water Absorption Tube Test: RILEM II.4, 60 mph, 20 Minutes

	RESULTS
"Pecan" (dry block)	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	58 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	58 mph
"Walnut"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	60 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	59 mph
"Sandstone"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	57 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	57 mph
"Whitesands" (dry block	)
Untreated Control	54 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	57 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	55 mph
"Old Gold"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	58 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	60 mph





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## **TEST RESULTS - Protective Water Repellents:**

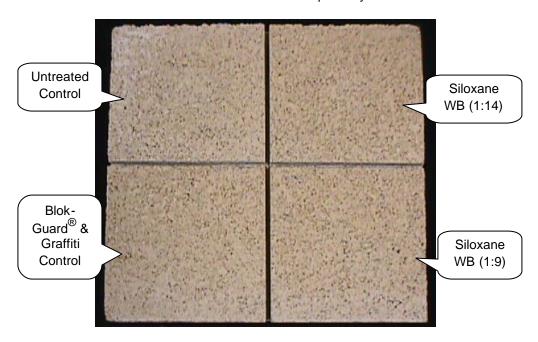
Water Absorption Tube Test: RILEM II.4, 60 mph, 20 Minutes

	RESULTS
"Flax"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	58 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	57 mph
"Wine"	
Untreated Control	44 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	60 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	55 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	60 mph
"Old Rose"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	60 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	59 mph
"Buckskin"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	57 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	59 mph
"Ash"	
Untreated Control	< 40 mph
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	59 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9)	58 mph
Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:14)	59 mph

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#### **PHOTOGRAPHS – Protective Water Repellents**

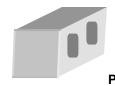
"Pecan" smooth CMU after water repellency treatment



"Old Gold" burnished CMU after water repellency treatment







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#### **CONCLUSIONS - Protective Water Repellents**

Based upon laboratory evaluations, Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control and Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate diluted with nine or fourteen parts fresh water provided above average water repellency to all submitted samples. Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control moderately enhanced the natural color of the CMUs and Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate slightly enhanced the natural color of the CMUs.

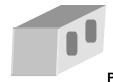
#### **RECOMMENDATIONS - PROTECTIVE WATER REPELLENTS**

Recommendations for water repellency treatment for each type of CMU submitted by Consumers Concrete Corporation, Kalamazoo, MI are provided in the chart below. Recommendations are based on the treatment that proved most effective and can provide water repellency on all types submitted.

Block Type	Water Repellents
"Pecan" smooth-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
recair sinodin-lace civio	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Walnut" smooth-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
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"Sandstone" fluted CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
Sandstone nated Civio	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Whitesands" burnished CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
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"Old Gold" burnished CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
Old Gold Bullished Civio	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Flax" split-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
Tiax spin face divice	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Wine" split-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
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"Old Rose" split-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
Old Rose Spill face Olifo	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Buckskin" split-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
Buokskiii Spiit lade OMO	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control
"Ach" colit face CML	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Siloxane WB Concentrate (1:9), (1:14)
"Ash" split-face CMU	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control

Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation provided on container labels and product data sheets. On-site testing should be conducted to determine the most appropriate water repellent product and procedures for a particular project. See product literature for additional application and product information.





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#### **SECTION D - GRAFFITI CONTROL**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCTS EVALUATED**

These trials were conducted to determine the optimal graffiti control treatment.

#### **Graffiti Control Treatments**

**Sure Klean**<sup>®</sup> **Weather Seal Blok-Guard**<sup>®</sup> **& Graffiti Control** – A clear, solvent-based silicone elastomer formulated to weatherproof custom masonry units, cast stone, and concrete block with altering the natural appearance. Blok-Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control penetrates and fills pores to prevent water penetration through exterior walls exposed to normal weathering as well as long-lasting protection against many types of graffiti.

**Defacer Eraser**<sup>®</sup> **Graffiti Barrier NS** – A clear, water-based, non-sacrificial coating for control of graffiti on most building surfaces. When mixed with PROSOCO's Protective Film Hardener component, Graffiti Barrier NS stops spray paints, crayons and ink from penetrating and staining.

**Defacer Eraser**<sup>®</sup> **Graffiti Barrier S** – A clear, water-based sacrificial coating for control of graffiti on most building surfaces. Easy-to-apply Graffiti Barrier S stops spray paints, crayons and ink from penetrating and staining the underlying surface.

#### **Products Evaluated for Graffiti Removal**

**Defacer Eraser**<sup>®</sup> **Graffiti Wipe** – An easy-to-use graffiti remover that does not contain methanol, methylene chloride or other "halogenated" solvents prohibited on many projects. Graffiti Wipe removes a variety of graffiti stains from most smooth masonry, wood and metal surfaces.

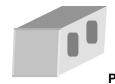
**Defacer Eraser**<sup>®</sup> **Graffiti Release** – An easy-to-use graffiti remover that does not contain methanol, methylene chloride or other "halogenated" solvents prohibited on many projects. Graffiti Release removes a variety of graffiti stains from most smooth masonry, wood and metal surfaces.

**Sure Klean**<sup>®</sup> **Fast Acting Stripper** – A thixotropic stripping compound formulated specifically for removal of high strength paints and coatings such as epoxies, polyurethanes, and floor enamels. Additionally, Fast Acting Stripper dissolves most spray paints, marking pens, lacquers and other graffiti.

### **Graffiti Agents**

Interior/Exterior Spray Paint (Black)
Permanent Marker (Green)
Permanent Marker (Red)
Permanent Marker (Black)





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#### SAMPLE PREPARATION - Graffiti Control

This evaluation compares the effectiveness in preventing staining of enamel spray paint and permanent markers.

Sections of the concrete samples were treated with either one coat of Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard & Graffiti Control, Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S or Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier NS in accordance with PROSOCO, Inc.'s Product Guide application recommendations and then allowed to cure for at least fourteen days. At the end of the fourteen-day cure period, a visual adverse effects evaluation was made and then the graffiti agents were applied to the substrates.

Spray paint and markers were applied as graffiti agents to all treated surfaces following the curing period of Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard & Graffiti Control, Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S or Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier NS. Removal of the graffiti agents was attempted 24 hours after application of the graffiti agents, using either Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Wipe, Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper or Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Release.

#### **TEST METHOD - Graffiti Control**

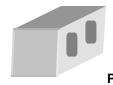
Chemical cleaners were evaluated using the following procedure:

- 1. Apply the product to a dry surface, soiled with graffiti.
- 2. Allow appropriate dwell time:

Graffiti Wipe	5 minutes
Fast Acting Stripper	
Graffiti Poloaco	15 minutos

- 3. Pressure rinse thoroughly until water runs clear. \*
- 4. Allow the surface to dry thoroughly and visually examine to determine effectiveness.
- \* Pressure rinsing was conducted at approximately 1300 psi with a warm water flow rate of 1.9 gallons per minute.



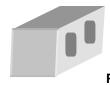


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### **TEST RESULTS – Graffiti Control**

	"Pecan"					
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	80%	90%	50%	60%	70%	
Graffiti Wipe	30%	20%	50%	50%	38%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	80%	90%	50%	70%	73%	
Graffiti Wipe	70%	30%	50%	40%	48%	
	"W	/alnut"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	99%	99%	90%	70%	89%	
Graffiti Wipe	70%	70%	70%	70%	70%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	98%	100%	80%	90%	92%	
Graffiti Wipe	85%	90%	90%	85%	88%	
	"Sar	ndstone"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	90%	95%	60%	70%	79%	
Graffiti Wipe	70%	60%	50%	60%	60%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	
Graffiti Wipe	70%	85%	80%	85%	80%	
	"	Flax"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	70%	80%	40%	40%	58%	
Graffiti Wipe	20%	40%	40%	40%	35%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	90%	80%	60%	70%	75%	
Graffiti Wipe	90%	80%	60%	60%	73%	



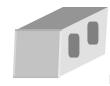


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### **TEST RESULTS – Graffiti Control Continued**

	"Wine"					
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	99%	98%	80%	95%	93%	
Graffiti Wipe	90%	50%	80%	90%	78%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	
Graffiti Wipe	98%	95%	98%	98%	97%	
	"Ol	d Rose"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	99%	99%	70%	70%	84%	
Graffiti Wipe	95%	80%	70%	70%	79%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	95%	99%	90%	90%	94%	
Graffiti Wipe	90%	70%	90%	85%	84%	
	"Bu	ıckskin"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	99%	99%	70%	70%	85%	
Graffiti Wipe	70%	50%	50%	50%	55%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	95%	95%	70%	70%	83%	
Graffiti Wipe	60%	90%	70%	70%	73%	
	61	'Ash"				
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	100%	90%	60%	80%	83%	
Graffiti Wipe	85%	60%	60%	60%	66%	
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal	
Fast Acting Stripper	100%	99%	95%	90%	96%	
Graffiti Wipe	100%	95%	90%	85%	93%	

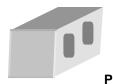




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### **TEST RESULTS – Graffiti Control Continued**

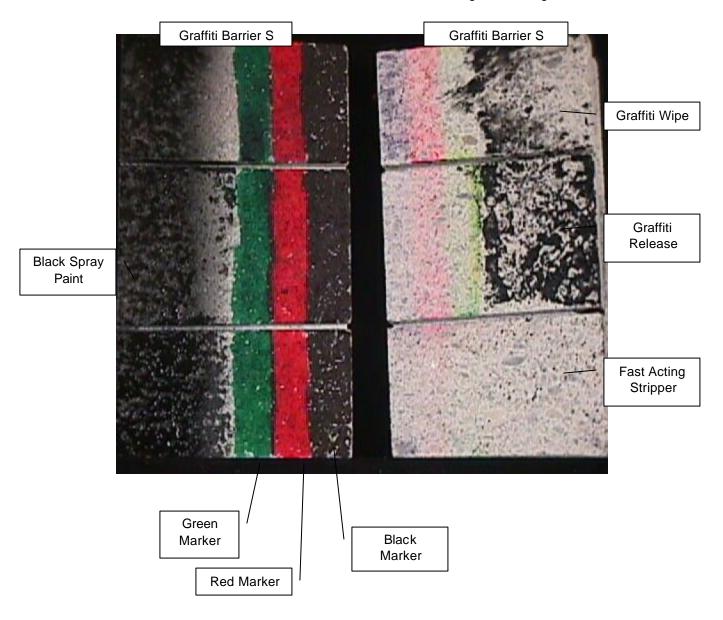
"Old Gold"					
Untreated Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	90%	98%	85%	85%	90%
Graffiti Wipe	70%	70%	50%	50%	60%
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	90%	80%	50%	50%	68%
Graffiti Wipe	70%	70%	50%	50%	60%
	"Whi	tesands"			
Untreated Control	Black	Black	Green	Red	% Avg.
F	Paint	Marker	Marker	Marker	Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	70%	80%	40%	40%	58%
Graffiti Wipe	20%	40%	40%	40%	35%
Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	90%	80%	60%	70%	75%
Graffiti Wipe	90%	80%	60%	60%	73%
Graffiti Barrier NS	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	95%	88%	75%	75%	83%
Graffiti Wipe	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%
Graffiti Barrier S	Black Paint	Black Marker	Green Marker	Red Marker	% Avg. Removal
Fast Acting Stripper	95%	98%	95%	98%	97%
Graffiti Wipe	90%	50%	50%	50%	60%
Graffiti Release	10%	50%	50%	50%	40%

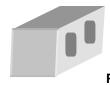


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### **PHOTOGRAPHS – Graffiti Control**

"Whitesands" burnished CMU before & after graffiti testing

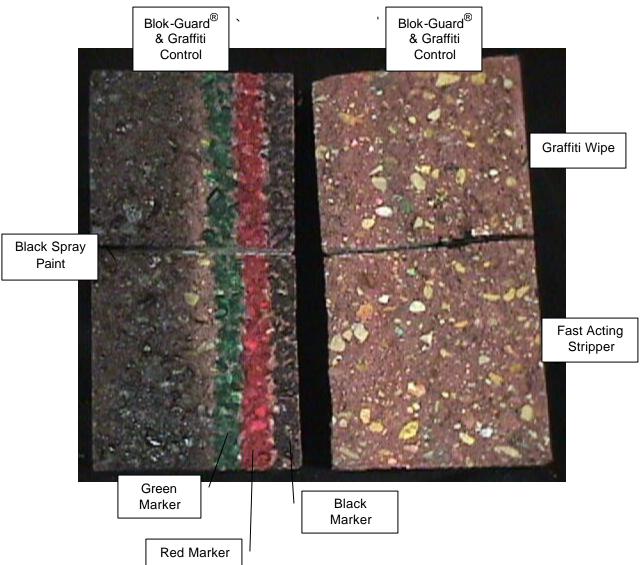




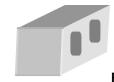
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## PHOTOGRAPHS - Graffiti Control Continued

"Wine" split-face CMU before & after graffiti testing







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#### **CONCLUSIONS – Graffiti Control**

Based upon laboratory evaluations, Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper was most effective at removing graffiti from the submitted samples. Graffiti removal was improved on most of the submitted samples when treated with Sure Klean<sup>®</sup> Weather Seal Blok-Guard & Graffiti Control or Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S prior to graffiti application. Blok Guard<sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control cannot be recommended on CMU types "Old Gold" and "Buckskin". It is recommended that Defacer Eraser<sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S be tested at the job site.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS - GRAFFITI CONTROL**

Recommendations for graffiti control treatment for each type of CMU submitted by Consumers Concrete Corporation, Kalamazoo, MI are provided in the chart below. Recommendations are based on the treatment that proved most effective for providing graffiti repellency and the product that was most effective at removing the graffiti on all types submitted.

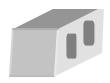
Block Type	Graffiti Repellents	Graffiti Removers
"Pecan" smooth-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Walnut" smooth-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Sandstone" fluted CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Whitesands" burnished CMU	Defacer Eraser <sup>®</sup> Graffiti Barrier S	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Old Gold" burnished CMU	No recommendation	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Flax" split-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Wine" split-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Old Rose" split-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Buckskin" split-face CMU	No recommendation	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper
"Ash" split-face CMU	Blok-Guard <sup>®</sup> & Graffiti Control	Sure Klean <sup>®</sup> Fast Acting Stripper

Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation provided on container labels and product data sheets. On-site testing should be conducted to determine the most appropriate graffiti control product and procedure for a particular project. See product literature for additional application and product information.

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## Laboratory Report

## **Pallet Tag Program Evaluation**

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