

Pallet Tag Program Laboratory Report

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Loreggia, PD, Italy Pallet Tag Evaluation

SAMPLES SUBMITTED: 3 types of clay brick

| Sample | Name | Туре | Color Per Website | Texture/Finish Per Website | Size |
|------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| (10) Brick | "Grey Cashmere" | Facebrick | White | Molded | 7-5/8" x 2-1/4" |
| (10) Brick | "Limewash" | Facebrick | White | Molded | 7-5/8" x 2-1/4" |
| (10) Brick | "Opaque Slate" | Facebrick | Gray | Molded | 7-5/8" x 2-1/4" |

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PURPOSE OF TEST:

- To determine the most appropriate PROSOCO, Inc. new construction cleaner(s) for the submitted samples.
- To determine if any of the requested PROSOCO, Inc. products cause any adverse effects to the submitted samples.

NOTE: The "Grey Cashmere", "Limewash", and "Opaque Slate" facebrick exhibited a variation in color or surface finish upon arrival prior to any testing (as shown in the photograph below).





"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick

"Limewash" Facebrick "Opaque Slate" Facebrick



PRODUCTS EVALUATED:

| New Construction Cleaning | Dilution: |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Sure Klean® 600 | 1:6, 1:8 |
| Sure Klean® Vana Trol® | 1:6, 1:8 |

| Adverse Effects | Dilution: |
|--|-----------|
| Sure Klean® Ferrous Stain Remover | 1:3 |
| Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover | 1:1 |
| Sure Klean® White Scum Remover | 1:1 |
| Sure Klean® ReVeal | 1:3 |
| Sure Klean® Restoration Cleaner | 1:3 |
| Enviro Klean® Klean 'N Release Cleaner | 1:10 |



TEST METHODS: New Construction Cleaning

Sure Klean® 600 and Sure Klean® Vana Trol® were evaluated to determine the optimal concentration of cleaner which leaves the external surface looking most like the uncleaned surface of the submitted clay brick.

<u>Surface Finish Removal</u> is the visual examination of the sample comparing the surface finish of the uncleaned surface to the surface finish cleaned with selected product(s) at given dilutions.

<u>Substrate Deterioration</u> is the visual examination of the sample comparing the uncleaned surface to surfaces cleaned with selected product(s) at given dilutions looking for any potential erosion/digestion of the sample.

<u>Color Change</u> is the visual examination comparing the color of the uncleaned surface to the color of surfaces cleaned with selected products at given dilutions.

<u>Staining</u> is the visual examination for changes that are the result of a chemical reaction that leaves a staining precipitate.

The following is the scale used for reporting results of both categories:

- 0 No change compared to uncleaned surface
- 1 Slight change compared to uncleaned surface
- 2 Moderate change compared to uncleaned surface
- 3 Significant change compared to uncleaned surface

Cleaning Procedure:

- Pre-wet the surface and apply diluted cleaning solution according to PROSOCO, Inc. Product Data Sheet.
- 3. Reapply cleaning solution; do not let cleaner dry into sample.
- 4. Rinse thoroughly with plenty of fresh water.*
- 5. Allow the sample to dry for at least 18 hours and visually examine.
- 6. Compare the uncleaned surfaces to the cleaned surfaces for the best match.

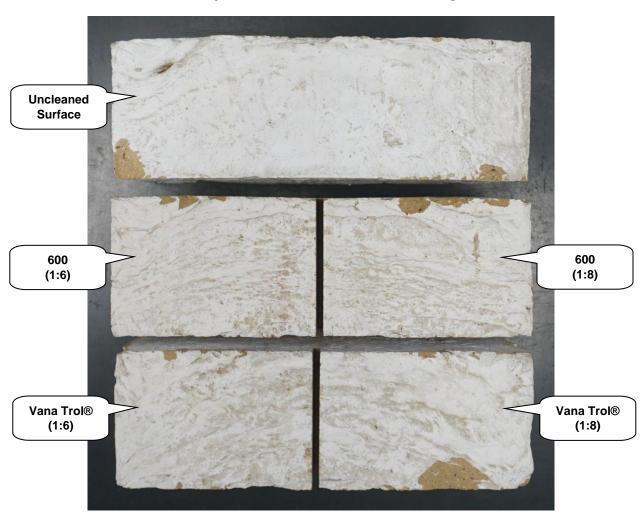
^{*}Rinsing Equipment – A garden hose with an adjustable nozzle set for a narrow stream of water was used for rinsing because the manufacturer recommends psi values below 400 for the majority of the submitted brick.



TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: New Construction Cleaning

| Name: "Grey Cashmere" Facebrick | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining |
| 600 | 1:6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 600 | 1:8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick After Cleaning





TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: New Construction Cleaning (cont.)

| Name: "Limewash" Facebrick | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining |
| 600 | 1:6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 600 | 1:8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

"Limewash" Facebrick After Cleaning

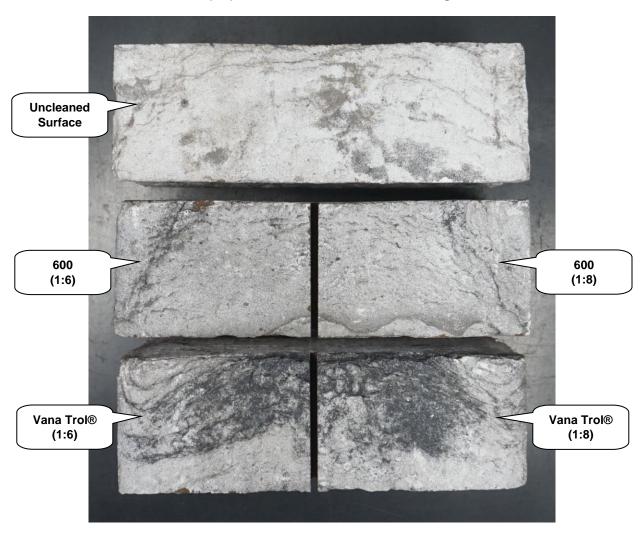




TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: New Construction Cleaning (cont.)

| Name: "Opaque Slate" Facebrick | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining |
| 600 | 1:6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 600 | 1:8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vana Trol® | 1:8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

"Opaque Slate" Facebrick After Cleaning





CONCLUSIONS: New Construction Cleaning

In the cleaning tests conducted, Sure Klean® 600 and Sure Klean® Vana Trol® removed a slight to moderate amount of surface finish from the submitted brick. However, simply rinsing with water alone using a garden hose with an adjustable nozzle set for a narrow stream also resulted in slight to moderate amount of surface finish removal on all of the submitted brick (see photographs below).

When choosing the most appropriate product for the desired result:

- For a general purpose, concentrated acidic cleaner test Sure Klean® 600
- For new masonry surfaces that are subject to vanadium, manganese, and other metallic stains test Sure Klean® Vana Trol®

It is recommended that the selected cleaners always be used in the lowest possible concentration. Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations 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.





"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick After Rinsing With Water Alone





RECOMMENDATIONS: New Construction Cleaning

Recommendations for cleaning the brick submitted by Glen-Gery, Loreggia, PD, Italy are provided in the chart below. Recommendations are based on the cleaner and dilution that provided the best match to the uncleaned surface as well as brick type.

| Sample | New Construction Cleaning |
|---------------------------|---|
| "Grey Cashmere" Facebrick | |
| "Limewash" Facebrick | ¹ Sure Klean® Vana Trol® (1:6) or (1:8) OR ² Sure Klean® 600 (1:6) or (1:8) |
| "Opaque Slate" Facebrick | |

NOTE: "1" indicates the recommended first choice and "2" indicates the recommended second choice. These recommendations are based on the Product Data Sheet limitations for certain brick types.

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.



TEST METHODS: Adverse Effects

Various PROSOCO, Inc. cleaners were evaluated to determine if the any of the cleaners cause any adverse effects when used on the submitted brick. The samples were visually examined following the procedure below based on the following:

<u>Surface Finish Removal</u> is the visual examination of the sample comparing the surface finish of the uncleaned surface to the surface finish cleaned with selected product(s).

<u>Substrate Deterioration</u> is the visual examination of the sample comparing the uncleaned surface to surfaces cleaned with selected product(s) for any potential erosion/digestion of the sample.

<u>Color Change</u> is the visual examination comparing the color of the uncleaned surface to the color of surfaces cleaned with selected product(s).

<u>Staining</u> is the visual examination for changes that are the result of a chemical reaction that leaves a staining precipitate.

The following is the scale used for reporting results of both categories:

- 0 No change compared to uncleaned surface
- 1 Slight change compared to uncleaned surface
- 2 **Moderate change** compared to uncleaned surface
- 3 Significant change compared to uncleaned surface

Cleaning Procedure:

- Pre-wet the surface and apply diluted cleaning solution according to PROSOCO, Inc. Product Data Sheet.
- 2. Allow for an appropriate dwell time and periodically agitate:

| Ferrous Stain Remover | 5 minutes |
|--------------------------|------------|
| 800 Stain Remover | 5 minutes |
| White Scum Remover | |
| ReVeal | 5 minutes |
| Restoration Cleaner | 5 minutes |
| Klean 'N Release Cleaner | 10 minutes |

- 3. Reapply cleaning solution; do not let cleaner dry into the brick.
- 4. Rinse thoroughly with plenty of fresh water.*
- 5. Allow the sample to dry for at least 18 hours and visually examine.
- 6. Compare the uncleaned surfaces to the cleaned surfaces for the best match.

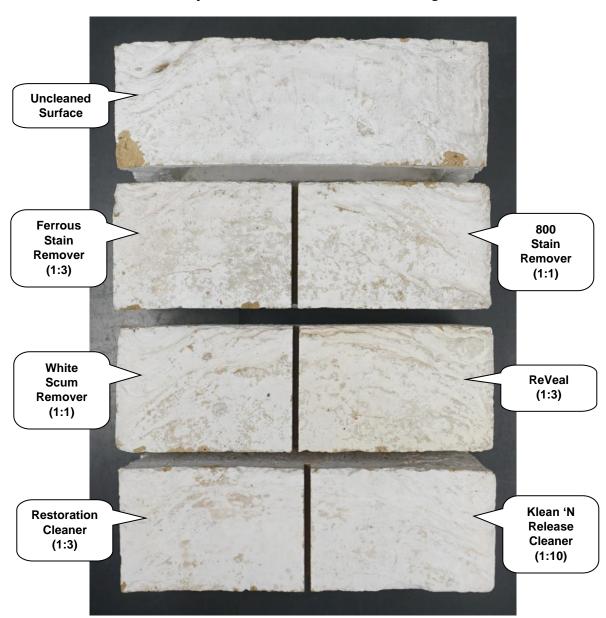
^{*}Rinsing Equipment – A garden hose with an adjustable nozzle set for a narrow stream of water was used for rinsing because the manufacturer recommends psi values below 400 for the majority of the submitted brick.



TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: Adverse Effects

| Name: "Grey Cashmere" Facebrick | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining | |
| Ferrous Stain Remover | 1:3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 800 Stain Remover | 1:1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| White Scum Remover | 1:1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| ReVeal | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
| Restoration Cleaner | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Klean 'N Release Cleaner | 1:10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick After Cleaning





TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: Adverse Effects

| Name: "Limewash" Facebrick | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining | |
| Ferrous Stain Remover | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 800 Stain Remover | 1:1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| White Scum Remover | 1:1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| ReVeal | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Restoration Cleaner | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Klean 'N Release Cleaner | 1:10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

"Limewash" Facebrick After Cleaning

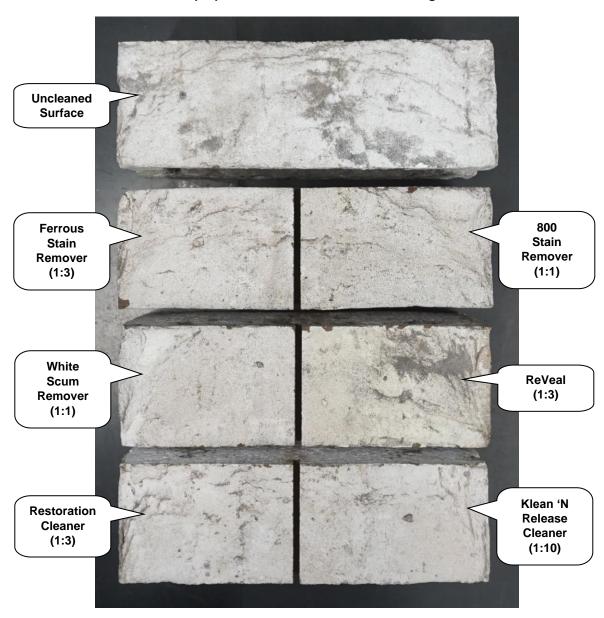




TEST RESULTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS: Adverse Effects

| Name: "Opaque Slate" Facebrick | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Product | Dilution | Surface Finish Removal | Substrate Deterioration | Color Change | Staining | |
| Ferrous Stain Remover | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 800 Stain Remover | 1:1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| White Scum Remover | 1:1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| ReVeal | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
| Restoration Cleaner | 1:3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Klean 'N Release Cleaner | 1:10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

"Opaque Slate" Facebrick After Cleaning





CONCLUSIONS: Adverse Effects

In most of the adverse effects tests conducted, the specialty cleaners removed a slight amount of surface finish from the submitted brick. A moderate amount of surface finish was removed when cleaning the "Grey Cashmere" facebrick with Sure Klean® Ferrous Stain Remover and Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover. As previously noted on page 8, simply rinsing with water alone using a garden hose with an adjustable nozzle set for a narrow stream also resulted in a slight to moderate amount of surface finish removal on all of the submitted brick.

A slight color change was observed when Sure Klean® ReVeal was applied to the "Grey Cashmere" and "Opaque Slate" facebrick. Therefore, Sure Klean® ReVeal is not recommended for use on these facebrick.

It was hypothesized that this slight color change might fade if the brick was weathered outside. After weathering all of the brick outside for 48 hours, it was observed that the "Grey Cashmere" and "Opaque Slate" facebrick cleaned with Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover, Sure Klean® White Scum Remover, and Sure Klean® Restoration Cleaner had also changed colors (as shown in the photograph below). Therefore, Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover, Sure Klean® White Scum Remover, and Sure Klean® Restoration Cleaner are also not recommended for use on these facebrick.

"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick After Cleaning and Weathering





CONCLUSIONS: Adverse Effects (cont.)

Alternate Specialty Cleaners

Enviro Klean® SafRestorer® diluted with three parts water and Sure Klean® Light Duty Restoration Cleaner were tested as alternative specialty cleaner options to replace some of the specialty cleaners that resulted in color changes when applied to the "Grey Cashmere" and "Opaque Slate" facebrick. Both cleaners resulted in significant surface finish removal but no color change after 72 hours of outdoor weathering (as shown in the photograph below). Due to the significant surface finish removal observed on the facebrick, neither Enviro Klean® SafRestorer® nor Sure Klean® Light Duty Restoration Cleaner is recommended for use on the "Grey Cashmere" and "Opaque Slate" facebrick.





"Grey Cashmere" Facebrick After Cleaning and Weathering



When choosing the most appropriate product for the desired result:

- For removal of iron, manganese, vanadium, straw stains, acid burns, and other metallic discolorations from brick, stone, and masonry surfaces – test Sure Klean® Ferrous Stain Remover
- For removal of green vanadium stains, straw stains, acid burns, and other metallic discolorations from most masonry surfaces test Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover
- For removal of salt scums (carbonates and sulfates) from clay brick and tile surfaces without discoloring or alter the surface – test Sure Klean® White Scum Remover
- For removal of stubborn atmospheric and carbon staining on masonry and stone test Sure Klean® ReVeal
- For a concentrated compound able to loosen and dissolve dirt, paint oxidation, carbon buildup, and other atmospheric pollutants test Sure Klean® Restoration Cleaner
- For delicate substrates and all-purpose cleaning test Enviro Klean® Klean 'N Release Cleaner

It is recommended that the selected cleaners always be used in the lowest possible concentration. Apply all products in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations 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.



RECOMMENDATIONS: Adverse Effects

Recommendations for cleaning each type of brick submitted by Glen-Gery, Loreggia, PD, Italy are provided in the chart below.

| Sample | Adverse Effects |
|---------------------------|--|
| "Grey Cashmere" Facebrick | Sure Klean® Ferrous Stain Remover (1:3) OR |
| "Opaque Slate" Facebrick | Enviro Klean® Klean 'N Release Cleaner (1:10) |
| "Limewash" Facebrick | Sure Klean® Ferrous Stain Remover (1:3) OR Sure Klean® 800 Stain Remover (1:1) OR Sure Klean® White Scum Remover (1:1) OR Sure Klean® ReVeal (1:3) OR Sure Klean® Restoration Cleaner (1:3) OR Enviro Klean® Klean 'N Release Cleaner (1:10) |

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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ALL SAMPLES SUPPLIED FOR THE ABOVE EVALUATION WILL BE DISPOSED OF <u>THIRTY (30) DAYS</u> AFTER THE ISSUE DATE OF THIS REPORT. IF SAMPLES ARE TO BE RETAINED FOR ADDITIONAL TESTING OR RETURNED TO THE SENDER, PROVIDE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LABORATORY WITHIN <u>THIRTY (30) DAYS</u> OF THE ISSUE DATE OF THIS REPORT.

Recommendations made within this report are based on laboratory test applications and observations. Final determination of the suitability of a product and/or procedure should be made only after thorough job testing on actual surfaces.