NHBC & RSS000

Three options:

- 1) Use a non-combustible product
- 2) Go with the BR135/BS8414 testing recommendations
- 3) Carry out a desktop study

NHBC continue to offer resistance to using RSS000 in rainscreen cladding applications. Why? Do they insure fire damage? Would they be liable for deaths? Part of the issue seems to be that they have allowed Kingspan to 'get away with it' for a number of years and they no feel that they have to tighten up.

We have carried out a couple of desktop studies but it still remains that the approval of our product is on a project by project basis. We should continue to warn potential specifiers that NHBC may not accept the use of our board.

There is a commercial aspect to this too, as if NHBC fail to approve any rigid foam product in rainscreen claddings then specifiers will seek alternative warranty providers who do.

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