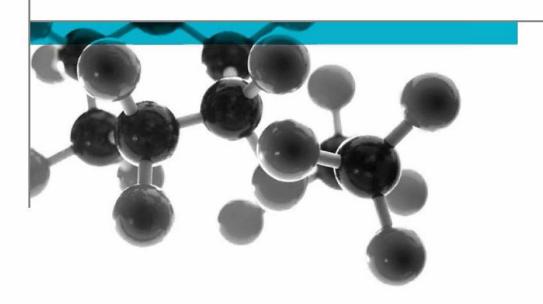


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Reaction to Fire Tests for Building Products -Building Products Excluding Floorings Exposed to the Thermal Attack by a Single Burning Item

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### Table 2

Time		Observations during test of Presimen 1			
min Sec		Observations during test of Specimen 1			
00	00	Pre-checks performed on analysers			
02 00 Auxiliary burner switched on to check correct burner operating conditions		Auxiliary burner switched on to check correct burner operating conditions			
05 00 Gas flow switched from auxiliary burner to main burner & test flames specimen		Gas flow switched from auxiliary burner to main burner & test flames impinge on specimen			
05	12	Flaming on the surface of the product occurred in the region of the burner			
26 00 End of test conditions. Flaming continued to the end of the test		End of test conditions. Flaming continued to the end of the test			

Time		Observations during test of Specimen 2			
min Sec Observations during test of Specimen 2					
00	00	Pre-checks performed on analysers			
02 00 Auxiliary burner switched on to check correct burner operating conditions					
05 Gas flow switched from auxiliary burner to main burner & test flames impinion specimen		Gas flow switched from auxiliary burner to main burner & test flames impinge on specimen			
05	09	Flaming on the surface of the product occurred in the region of the burner			
26	00 End of test conditions. Flaming continued to the end of the test				

Time		Observations during test of Specimen 3			
min	Sec	Observations during test of Speciment 3			
00	00	re-checks performed on analysers			
02	00	Auxiliary burner switched on to check correct burner operating conditions			
05	00	Gas flow switched from auxiliary burner to main burner & test flames impinge on specimen			
05	09	Flaming on the surface of the product occurred in the region of the burner			
26	00	End of test conditions. Flaming continued to the end of the test			

Note: Impingement of the burner flame onto all three specimens commenced at 5 minutes.

### Validity

The specification and interpretation of fire test methods is the subject of ongoing development and refinement. Changes in associated legislation may also occur. For these reasons it is recommended that the relevance of test reports over five years old should be considered by the user. The laboratory that issued the report will be able to offer, on behalf of the legal owner, a review of the procedures adopted for a particular test to ensure that they are consistent with current practices, and if required may endorse the test report.

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## Appendix 1

### **Photographs**

Plate 1: Total View of the exposed surface of the long wing.



Plate 2: Close up view of the vertical outer edge of the long wing at a height of 500mm



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## Appendix 2

### Graphs

Figure 1. HRR<sub>av</sub>(t) (kW)

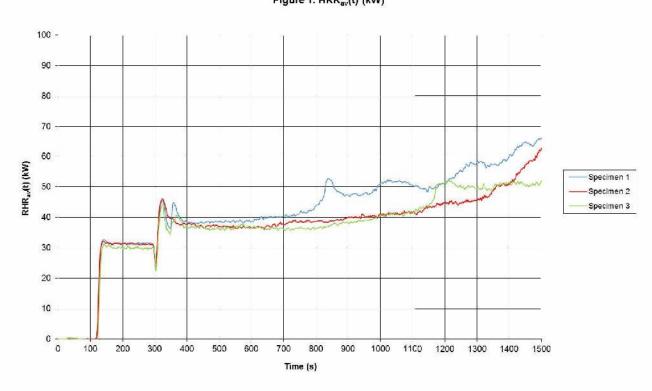
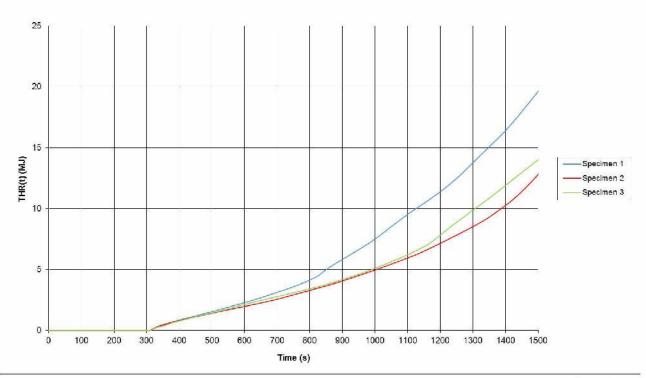


Figure 2. THR(t) (MJ)



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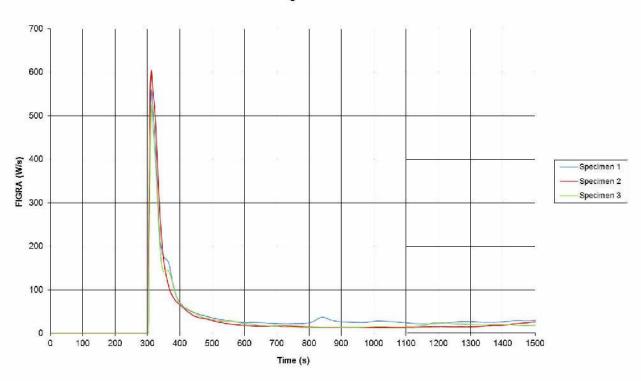
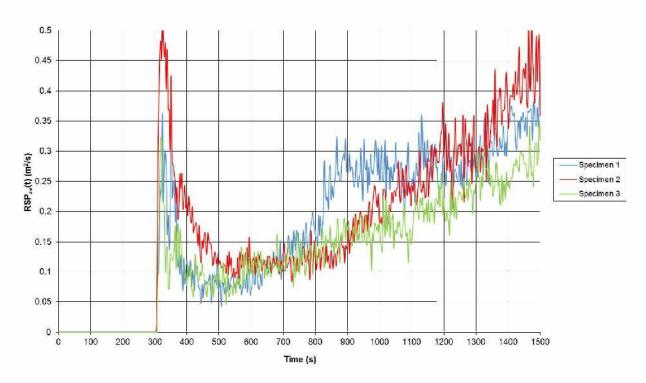


Figure 4. SPR<sub>av</sub>(t) (m<sup>2</sup>/s)



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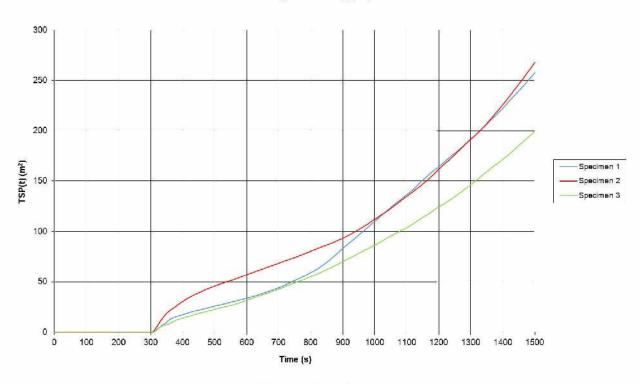
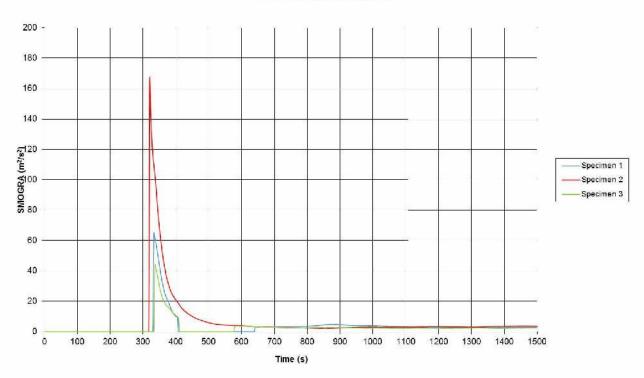


Figure 6. SMOGRA Graph.



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## **Executive Summary**

Objective

To determine the fire performance of the following product when tested in accordance with BS EN 13823:2010+A1:2014.

Generic Description	Product reference	Thickness	Weight per unit area or density	
Black foil faced thermoset phenolic insulation board (silver foil on reverse)	"Kooltherm K15"	120mm	Confidential	
Individual components used to	manufacture composite:			
Aluminium foil black in colour (test face)	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	
Foam	"K15"	120mm	Confidential	
Aluminium foil	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	
Substrate	"Promat – Brandschultzbauplatten; Promatect-H"	12mm	870kg/m³	

Test Sponsor Kingspan Insulation Limited, Pembridge, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 9LA

Test Results (average):

FIGRA	۱ (w/s)	THR 600s (MJ)	SMOGRA (m²/s²)	TSP 600s (m²)
(0.2MJ)	(0.4MJ)	4.00	Recalculated	Recalculated
407.35	184.90	4.68	91.23	82.17

Lateral Flame Spread to End of Specimen? None Fall of Flaming Drop/Particle? None Flaming of Fallen Particle Exceeding 10s? None

Date of Test: 28th October 2015

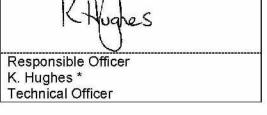
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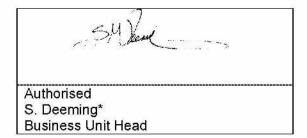
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### **Test Details**

### Purpose of test

To provide data which, in conjunction with data from other test methods, will enable building products excluding floorings, to be classified in accordance with the Classification requirements specified in BS EN 13501-1:2007+A1:2009. The test was performed in accordance with the procedure specified in BS EN 13823:2010+A1:2014 and this report should be read in conjunction with that standard.

#### Scope of test

To determine the reaction-to-fire performance of construction products, excluding floorings and excluding products which are indicated in the EC Decision 2000/147/EC, when exposed to thermal attack by a single burning item (SBI) utilising the test procedures defined in BS EN 13823:2010+A1:2014.

# Fire test study group/EGOLF

Certain aspects of some fire test specifications are open to different interpretations. The Fire Test Study Group and EGOLF have identified a number of such areas and have agreed Resolutions which define common agreement of interpretations between fire test laboratories which are members of the Groups. Where such Resolutions are applicable to this test they have been followed.

#### Instruction to test

The test was conducted on the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at the request of Kingspan Insulation Ltd, the sponsor of the test.

# Provision of test specimens

The specimens were supplied by the sponsor of the test. **Exova Warringtonfire** was not involved in any selection or sampling procedure.

### Conditioning of specimens

The specimens were received on the  $13^{th}$  October 2015 and were conditioned to constant mass at a temperature of  $23 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C and a relative humidity of  $50 \pm 5\%$  prior to testing.

# Intended application

Thermal insulation.

### **Test facility**

The Single Burning Item (SBI) test facility at **Exova Warringtonfire** is constructed in accordance with the specifications detailed in BS EN 13823: 2010+A1:2014.

## Deviations from the test standard

None.

#### **Exposed face**

The black foil face of the specimens was exposed to the heating conditions of the test when the specimens were mounted in the test position.

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### **Description of Test Specimens**

### **Test specimens**

The description of the specimens given below has been prepared from information provided by the sponsor of the test. All values quoted are nominal, unless tolerances are given.

The test specimen comprised two walls (or wings) mounted into an aperture in a specimen trolley such that they formed a vertical 90° corner. The dimensions of the walls were as follows:

Short wall -  $495 \pm 5$  mm long x  $1500 \pm 5$  mm high Long wall -  $1000 \pm 5$  mm long x  $1500 \pm 5$  mm high

Each wall (or wing) consisted of the following product:

General description	n	Black foil faced thermoset phenolic insulation board (silver foil on reverse)			
Name of manufacto	ırer	Kingspan Insulation Ltd.			
Trade name		"Kooltherm K15"			
Batch reference		"8100167621-1000"			
Date of manufactur	re .	03/08/2015			
Overall weight per	unit area	See Note 1 below			
Thickness		120mm (stated by sponsor) 120mm (determined by Exova Warringtonfire)			
Product configuration		Black foil facer - perforated     Phenolic foam     Foil facer - perforated			
	Product reference	See Note 1 below			
	Generic type	Composite foil			
Aluminium foil	Name of manufacturer	See Note 1 below			
Black in colour	Weight per unit area	See Note 1 below			
(test face)	Thickness	See Note 1 below			
	Colour	"Black Foil"			
	Flame retardant details	See Note 2 below			
	Product reference	"K15"			
	Generic type	Phenolic foam			
	Name of manufacturer	Kingspan Insulation Ltd.			
Foam	Thickness	120mm			
	Density	See Note 1 below			
	Colour reference	"Pinkish"			
	Flame retardant details	See Note 2 below			
	Product reference	See Note 1 below			
	Generic type	Composite foil			
18880 NO 12 AND 15	Name of manufacturer	See Note 1 below			
Aluminium foil	Thickness	See Note 1 below			
	Density	See Note 1 below			
	Colour reference	"Silver foil"			
	Flame retardant details	See Note 2 below			

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	Product reference	"Promat – Brandschultzbauplatten; Promatect-H"		
	Generic type	Calcium Silicate based board		
Substrate	Name of manufacturer	Promat		
Substiate	Thickness	12mm		
	Density	870kg/m²		
	Flame retardant details	The substrate is inherently flame retardant		
Mounting and fixing	g details	Fixed using screws and washers		
Joint details		Long wing: one horizontal at 500mm of specime height, vertical 200mm in from comer line - Sho wing one horizontal joint at 500mm height. As per EN 13823 5.2.2		
Brief description of	manufacturing process	Facings auto adhesively bonded to phenolic core during the manufacturing process.		

Note 1: The sponsor of the test has provided this information but at the specific request of the sponsor, these details have been omitted from the report and are instead held on the confidential file relating to this investigation.

Note 2: The sponsor of the test has confirmed that no flame retardant additives were utilised in the production of the component.

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The specimen walls (or wings) were placed in the trolley in accordance with the requirements of section 5.3 of the Standard.

Photographs of the installed product are appended as Plates 1 and 2 in Appendix 1 of this report.

Each wing was retained in the trolley using mechanical clamps which pushed the wing against a lip at the top and bottom of the aperture in the trolley.

The trolley incorporated a triangular propane sand burner of side length 250mm, which was positioned in the base of the corner formed by the two wings of the test specimen, with a horizontal separation of 40mm between the edge of the burner and the lower edges of the wings. The burner is referred to as the primary burner and has an output of 30kW. A secondary propane sand burner was attached to the fixed frame, beneath the hood but at the furthest possible distance from the specimen when the trolley was in place. The purpose of this burner is to obtain base line data without affecting the assembled specimen. The trolley incorporated a grill in its base and this was the sole source of ventilation for the test enclosure whilst the test was in progress.

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### **Test Results**

## Results and observations

The test results relate to the behaviour of the test specimens of a product under the particular conditions of the test; they are not intended to be the sole criterion for assessing the potential fire hazard of the product in use.

The test results relate only to the specimens of the product in the form in which they were tested. Small differences in the composition or thickness of the product may significantly affect the performance during the test and may therefore invalidate the test results. Care should be taken to ensure that any product which is supplied or used is fully represented by the specimens which were tested.

A total of three specimens were tested. The results obtained, relevant to the 'Euroclassification' of Building Products are given in Table 1.

Observations made during the test and comments on any difficulties encountered during the test are given in Table 2.

Table 1

	Result			
Parameter	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	Specimen 3	Mean
FIGRA (W/s) (THR(t) threshold of 0.2MJ)	397.64	457.14	367.26	407.35
FIGRA (W/S) (THR(t) threshold of 0.4MJ)	172.70	237.69	144.31	184.90
THR 600s (MJ)	5.83	4.05	4.17	4.68
SMOGRA (m²/s²) (Recalculated results)	64.58	165.16	43.96	91.23
TSP 600s (m²) (Recalculated results)	83.09	93.25	70.16	82.17
Lateral Flame Spread to End of Specimen?	None	None	None	=
Fall of Flaming Drop/Particle?	None	None	None	3=0
Flaming of Fallen Particle Exceeding 10s?	None	None	None	<u> </u>

Curves of time averaged rate of heat release contribution of the specimen (HRRav(t)), cumulative heat release (THR(t)), and Fire Growth Rate (FIGRA) are appended as Figures 1 to 3. Curves of time averaged rate of smoke production (SPRav(t)), cumulative smoke production (TSP(t)) and smoke growth rate (SMOGRA) are appended as Figures 4 to 6 in appendix 2 of this report.

Interpretation of the test results given above in the context of Euroclassification of building products should be carried out using BS EN 13501–1:2007+A1:2009.

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