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1.0 EVALUATION SCOPE

1.1 Compliance with the following codes:

- 2015, 2012 and 2009 *International Building Code*® (IBC)
- 2015, 2012 and 2009 *International Residential Code*® (IRC)

Properties evaluated:

Veneer strength and durability

1.2 Evaluation to the following green code(s) and/or standards:

- 2013 California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen), Title 24, Part 11
- 2012 and 2008 ICC 700 *National Green Building Standard*™ (ICC 700-2012 and ICC 700-2008)

Attributes verified:

See Section 3.0

2.0 USES

Cast Natural Stone is used as an adhered, non-load-bearing exterior veneer on wood-framed or light gage steel stud walls, concrete walls or masonry walls.

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Cast Natural Stone is a precast concrete products made to resemble natural stone in color and in texture. The concrete is composed of cement, aggregate, water, admixtures and coloring. The veneer units are molded and cured at the plant. The average saturated weight of the installed veneer units does not exceed 15 pounds per square foot (73.2 kg/m²). Recognized veneer styles are listed in Table 1.

The attributes of the stone veneer have been verified as conforming to the requirements of (i) 2013 CALGreen Section A4.405.1.3 for prefinished building materials and Section A5.406.1.2 for reduced maintenance; (ii) ICC 700-2012 Section 602.1.6 for termite-resistant materials and Sections 601.7, 11.601.7, and 12.1(A).601.7 for site-applied finishing materials; and (iii) ICC 700-2008 Section 602.8 for termite-resistant materials and Section 601.7 for site-applied finishing materials. Note that decisions on compliance for those areas rest with the user of this report. The user is advised of the project-specific provisions that may be contingent upon meeting specific conditions, and the verification of those conditions is outside the scope of this report. These codes or standards often provide supplemental information as guidance.

4.0 INSTALLATION

4.1 General:

Installation of Cast Natural Stone must comply with this report, the manufacturer's published installation instructions, and the applicable code. The manufacturer's published installation instructions must be available at the jobsite at all times during installation. In accordance with the code, the veneer can be installed over a lath and mortar scratch coat or applied directly to concrete and masonry.

4.2 Installation Over a Lath and Mortar Scratch Coat Over Framed Walls:

The scratch coat must be installed over a water-resistive barrier complying with IBC Section 1405.10.1.1 or IRC Section R703.12.3, as applicable. Also, flashing must be installed as required by IBC Section 1405.10.1.2 or IRC Sections R703.4 and R703.12.2, as applicable, including a foundation weep screed installed at the bottom of the stone veneer. The foundation weep screed must comply with, and be installed in accordance with, the requirements for flashing at foundation shown in IBC Section 1405.10.1.2.1 or IRC Section R703.12.2, as applicable. The veneer must be installed with the clearances required by IBC Section 1405.10.1.3 or IRC Section R703.12.1, as applicable.

Lathing must comply with IBC Section 2510 (referenced from IBC Section 1405.10.1.4.1) or IRC Section R703.7.1 (referenced from IRC Section R703.12). The scratch coat must be applied in accordance with IBC Section 1405.10.1.4.2 and the veneer units must be adhered to the scratch coat in accordance with IBC Section 1405.10.1.4.3. The mortar used to adhere the veneer units to the scratch coat must comply with IBC Section 2103.2.4.

4.3 Installation over Concrete and Masonry:

Installation over concrete and masonry must comply with IBC Section 1405.10.1.5. When adhering the veneer units directly to the concrete or masonry, the supporting surfaces must be prepared in accordance with IBC Section 2510.7, and the veneer units must be adhered to the supporting surface as described in Section 4.2. When adhering the veneer units to a lath and mortar scratch coat, the lathing and scratch coat preparation must comply with Section 4.2.

5.0 CONDITIONS OF USE

The precast stone veneer described in this report complies with, or is a suitable alternative to what is specified in, those codes listed in Section 1.0 of this report, subject to the following conditions:

- 5.1 Installation must comply with this report, the manufacturer’s published installation instructions and the applicable code. In the event of a conflict between the manufacturer’s published installation instructions and this report, this report governs.
- 5.2 Expansion or control joints, used to limit the effect of differential movement of supports on the veneer system, are to be specified by the architect, designer or veneer manufacturer, in that order. Consideration must also be given to movement caused by temperature change, shrinkage, creep and deflection.
- 5.3 In jurisdictions adopting the IBC, the supporting wall must be designed to support the installed weight of

the veneer system, including stone veneer, setting bed and scratch coat, as applicable. At wall openings, the supporting members must be designed to limit deflection to $1/600$ of the span of the supporting members.

- 5.4 In jurisdictions adopting the IRC, where the seismic provisions of IRC Section R301.2.2 apply, the average weight of the wall supporting the precast stone veneer, including the weight of the veneer system, must be determined. When this weight exceeds the applicable limits of IRC Section R301.2.2.2.1, an engineered design of the wall construction must be performed in accordance with IRC Section R301.1.3.
- 5.5 Cast Natural Stone is manufactured under a quality control program with inspections by ICC-ES.

6.0 EVIDENCE SUBMITTED

Data in accordance with the ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria for Precast Stone Veneer (AC51), dated January 2016.

7.0 IDENTIFICATION

Boxes of precast stone veneer units are identified with the manufacturer’s name (Norse Building Products), the product name (Cast Natural Stone); the style name, the manufacturing date, and the evaluation report number (ESR-3566).

TABLE 1—RECOGNIZED STYLES

PRODUCT	STYLES
Cast Natural Stone	River Rock, Weatheredge, LedgeStone, Limestone, Fieldstone, Split Rock, Castle Rock, Country Stack, Canyon Stack