December 3, 2018

Mr. Levi Huffman, P.E.
DR Johnson Wood Innovations

Re: Request for Interpretation on ANSI/APA PRG 320-2018

Dear Mr. Huffman:

This letter is in response to your letter dated November 20, 2018, requesting interpretation as follows:

Is it the intent of Section 9.3 of PRG 320, or any other Section of PRG 320, that adhesive manufacturers recommendations related to temperatures and assembly time are criteria required to be met in order for the final CLT product to be considered compliant with PRG 320?

Based on the Committee Operating Procedures, the Executive Subcommittee (ExSub) of ANSI/APA PRG 320 Committee unanimously approved the following interpretation:

Section 9, Quality Assurance, of ANSI/APA PRG 320-2018 includes Section 9.3, End, Face, and Edge Joints in Laminations, which specifies the on-going quality assurance test requirements and criteria for compliance with the standard, and Section 9.2, Process Control, which requires the PRG 320-compliant products to meet the process control requirements in accordance with the in-plant manufacturing standard accepted by the approved agency, as defined in the standard. It is the opinion of the ExSub of ANSI/APA PRG 320 Committee that the temperatures and assembly time for the face, edge, and end joint bonds in CLT manufacturing shall meet the requirements specified in both Sections 9.2 and 9.3 of ANSI/APA PRG 320-2018.

I hope this interpretation addresses your inquiry.

Sincerely,

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RE: Request for Interpretation of PRG 320-2018 from ANSI committee

Dear Secretariat,

DR Johnson Wood Innovations requests the following question to be interpreted by ANSI committee -

Regarding Section 9.3 of PRG 320. This section references Table 3 of the ANSI A190.1, which then also references Sections 12.3.4 and 12.3.6 of ANSI A190.1.

Question: Is it the intent of Section 9.3 of PRG 320, or any other Section of PRG 320, that adhesive manufacturers recommendations related to temperatures and assembly time are a criteria required to be met in order for the final CLT product to be considered compliant with PRG 320?

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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