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## VOC Emission Test Certificate

**Product Name: Optima® PB #3251APB**

Product Sample Information		Certificate Information	
Manufacturer:	Armstrong World Industries	Certificate No:	121105-01
Manf. Website:	www.armstrong.com	Certified By:	
CSI Category & No.:	Acoustical Panel Ceilings (09 51 13)		Raja S. Tannous, Laboratory Director
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**Reference Standard:** California Department of Public Health CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method Version 1.1, 2010 (Emission testing method for CA Specification 01350)

### Acceptance Criteria and Results Demonstrating Compliance of Product Sample to Referenced Standard:

Exposure Scenario <sup>1</sup>	Individual VOCs of Concern <sup>2</sup>		Formaldehyde <sup>3</sup>	
	Criterion	Compliant?	Criterion	Compliant?
School Classroom	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES
Private Office	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES

1. Exposure scenarios & product quantities for classroom & office are defined in Tables 4-2 – 4-5 (CDPH Std. Mtd. V1.1-2010)
2. Maximum allowable concentrations of individual target VOCs are specified in Table 4-1 (*ibid.*)
3. Maximum allowable formaldehyde concentration is ≤9 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, effective Jan 1, 2012; previous limit was ≤16.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (*ibid.*).

### Potential Applications

- CALGreen, CA Code of Regulations Title 24, Part II, 2010, Section A5.504.4.9: Acoustical Ceilings & Wall Panels
- ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2009, Section 8.4.2.6: Ceiling & Wall Systems
- USGBC LEED for Healthcare, 2009 (Feb 2011), IEQ Credit 4: LEM, Group 2 - Wall & Ceiling Finishes
- USGBC LEED for Schools, 2009, IEQ Credit 4.6: LEM - Ceiling & Wall Systems
- Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) rating system, 2009 Criteria EQ2.2.6: Ceiling & Wall Systems
- Green Guide for Healthcare, V2.2, 2007, EQ Credit 4.2: LEM - Wall & Ceiling Finishes

**Narrative:** Armstrong World Industries selected a sample representative of its Optima® PB #3251APB product and submitted it for testing commencing on 10/11/2012. Berkeley Analytical measured and evaluated the emissions of VOCs from this sample following CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V1.1-2010. The results of the test are presented in Berkeley Analytical report, 134-201-03A-Nov0512.

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**Disclaimer:** This Certificate of Compliance affirms that: 1) the product sample was tested according to the referenced standard; 2) the measured VOC emissions were evaluated for the defined exposure scenario(s); and 3) the results meet the acceptance criteria of the referenced standard(s). Potential applications of the test and this certificate are suggested. Berkeley Analytical provides this Certificate of Compliance "as is" without warranty of any kind, either expressed or implied, including but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for any purpose.