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Boral® USA Introduces Drain-N-Dry™ Lath with Delta-Dry® Technology

Moisture management system latest in game-changing line of Boral building science innovations

ROSWELL, Georgia (October 3, 2016) – Boral® USA, a world-leading manufacturer and supplier of sustainable building products and construction materials, announced it has launched Boral™ Drain-N-Dry™ Lath with Delta-Dry® Technology, an industry leading solution for advanced moisture control. Developed with building material manufacturer Cosella-Dörken and first introduced at the 2016 International Builders' Show, Drain-N-Dry Lath™ unifies multiple critical components in a wall system into a single, high-performance product.

Drain-N-Dry Lath™ combines a reinforcing lath and a rainscreen that replaces the need for a secondary Water Resistant Barrier (WRB), enabling builders to address drainage, drying and moisture vapor control underneath stone and stucco. Extremely light and easy to handle, the product is available in 150 square-foot rolls that allow builders to cover large portions of a wall in a single step, reducing the likelihood of water infiltration through fastener penetrations in the WRB. Additionally, its built-in rainscreen allows moisture to drain and dry, minimizing risk of mold, rot and potentially expensive structural damage.

The solution also features an integral Alkali Resistant (AR) fiberglass lath, addressing concerns related to rust and corrosion associated with expanded metal lath, and potential alkaline attack associated with coated E-glass fibers. Boral's AR glass is made with zirconium, a raw material ingredient that yields an alkaline-resistant glass fiber. In a high alkaline environment such as mortar, studies have shown AR glass is preferable to coated E-glass, which can quickly dissolve due to microscopic cracks and irregularities in the coating that may increase over time.

“The building industry demanded a product providing the airspace of a rainscreen in addition to a durable, corrosion-resistant lath that would work in any environment,” said Chris Hines, Technical Leader, Boral Stone Products LLC. “Boral™ Drain-N-Dry Lath™ is a first-of-its-kind solution that can reduce installation times, protect against moisture damage and support stone or stucco.”

Drain-N-Dry Lath™ can be cut and modified with a utility knife or scissors, moved around a jobsite and installed from scaffolding. A fastener band every six inches ensures a solid connection to the

structure and easy visual inspection to verify proper fastener spacing. Its built-in self-furring feature also ensures proper mortar embedment and scratch coat thickness.

To learn more about Boral™ Drain-N-Dry™ Lath, visit <http://www.DrainNDryLath.com>. To see Boral's comprehensive portfolio of innovations in brick, stone, roofing, trim and siding options, visit <http://www.BoralAmerica.com>.

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