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TO:

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PROJECT: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

CHEMICAL ADMIXTURES

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### **TESTING OF CHEMICAL ADMIXTURES IN CONCRETE**

### **INTRODUCTION:**

This report presents the results of our laboratory testing work conducted on samples of concrete containing Kel-Crete Premium Liquid Admixture (3 oz/yd3 dosage rate). Our work was requested and authorized by Mr. Charles Green of Kel-Crete Industries on February 8 and May 22, 2008, respectively. The scope of our testing work was as follows:

- 1. Perform laboratory batching of concrete with and without chemical admixture according to ASTM C494 and ASTM C260 for
  - A. Water Content
  - B. Time of Set
  - C. Bleed Water
  - D. Compressive Strength
  - E. Flexural Strength
  - F. Freeze/Thaw Durability (Method A)
  - G. Length Change
- Prepare a written report stating the results of the areas tested in accordance with ASTM criteria.

### **SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS:**

The following is a summary of the average test results:

			Relative to
<u>Test</u>	<u>Control</u>	Test - (Admixture)	the Control
w/c Ratio	0.471	0.471	100.0%
Initial Time of Set	240 min	220 min	20 min earlier
Final Time of Set	355 min	340 min	15 min earlier
Bleed Water	0.97%	0.45%	46.3%
Compressive			*
1 Day	1,740 psi	2,010 psi	115.5%
3 Days	3,030 psi	3,180 psi	104.9%
7 Days	4,150 psi	4,240 psi	102.3%
28 Days	6,470 psi	6,680 psi	103.3%
90 Days	7,410 psi	7,460 psi	100.7%
6 Months	8,070 psi	8,320 psi	103.1%
1 Year	8,880 psi	9,180 psi	103.4%
Flexural			
3 Days	395 psi	410 psi	103.4%
7 Days	515 psi	525 psi	102.6%
28 Days	660 psi	650 psi	98.5%
Freeze/Thaw			
<b>Durability Factor</b>	68.7	99.5	144.9%
Length Change	-0.040%	-0.043%	108.3%

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### **TEST PROCEDURES:**

The testing was initiated on June 18, 2008 and subsequent dates, based on our understanding of Section 4.0, the comparative test mixes and procedures of those that are outlined in ASTM:C494 Sections 11-15. Applicable portions of these sections were used and no special manufactures mixing procedure was provided or employed. The mix design was approved by the client and is included in the Concrete Materials section of this report along with the other pertinent information. Additional ASTM procedures were also used in conjunction with the ASTM C494 Criteria. All of the samples were prepared using concrete mixtures fabricated by Stork Twin City Testing Corporation personnel at our facility located in St. Paul, Minnesota.

### **FIBER DATA:**

The client identified, selected and shipped the sample to Stork TCT, from which Stork TCT personnel selected the sample necessary to cast the various test specimens. The sample came in its original packaging which included the product label on it.

Admixture:

Kel-Crete Premium Liquid Admixture

Date Submitted:

May 29, 2008

Application/mixing:

5 minutes

### **CONCRETE MATERIALS:**

### **Concrete Trial Mixtures**

Mix Number	1	2
Mixture Type	Control	Admixture
Slump, in.	3-4	3-4
Nominal Coarse Aggregate, in.	3/8	3/8
Air Content, %	n/a	n/a
Specified Minimum		
Compressive Strength, psi	5,000	5,000

## Batch Weights, per yd<sup>3</sup>

Mix Design Number	1	2
Mixture Type	Control	Admixture
Portland Cement, lbs	705	705
Fly Ash, lbs	60	60
Admixture:		
Kel-Crete, oz		3.0
Fine Aggregate, lbs	1,735	1,735
Total Coarse Aggregate, lbs	898	898
Water, lbs	312	312

Mix design numbers 1 and 2 were used in casting of all samples.



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**CONCRETE MATERIALS: (cont.)** 

Materials - Batches 1 & 2

Cementitious

Holcim Type I Portland Cement (ASTM C

150)

Fly Ash (ASTM C 618/Class F)

Fine Aggregate

Quikrete (All-Purpose Sand meeting the

requirements of ASTM C 33 and C 494).

Coarse Aggregate

Nelson Pit (3/8" Gravel meeting the

requirements of ASTM C 33 and C 494).

Admixtures

Kel-Crete Premium Admixture

### **TEST RESULTS:**

		CONCRETE TEST DATA							
	6	Control Batch			Admixture Batcl	h			
	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C			
Date Batched	6/18/2008	6/19/2008	6/23/2008	6/18/2008	6/19/2008	6/23/2008			
Air, %	2.6	2.8	2.9	4.9	6.1	4.5			
Slump, in	2 1/4	6	1	1 3/4	4 1/2	1 1/2			
Temperature, °F	75	75	75	75	75	75			
Unit Weight, Ibs/ft³	140.4	141.2	147.2	138.4	136.0	144.0			

[	WATER CONTENT								
		Control Batch			Admixture Batch				
	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C			
Net Wt. of Water, Ibs	77.0	92.4	100.4	77.0	92.4	100.4			
Wt. of Cement, lbs	156.7	208.9	208.9	156.7	208.9	208.9			
W/C Ratio	0.491	0.442	0.481	0.491	0.442	0.481			

		TIME OF SET								
		Control Batch				Admixture Batch				
	1A 1B 1C				2A	2B	2C			
Initial Time of Set, min	245	250	220		220	230	205			
Final Time of Set, min	365	390	315		350	375	295			

		BLEED WATER								
		Control Batch			Admixture Batch					
	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C				
Net Wt. of Water, g	2,030.7	1,854.8	1,985.0	2,039.5	1,841.5	1,976.9				
Bleed Water, g	26.0	24.2	6.8	12.6	9.2	4.6				
Bleeding, %	1.28	1.30	0.34	0.62	0.50	0.23				





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TEST RESULTS: (cont.)

. 40			COMPRESSIV	E STRENGTH		
	Control Batch			Ac	dmixture Bate	ch
	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C
1 Day						
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	3.98	4.00	4.00	3.98
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.44	12.57	12.57	12.44
Days Moist Cured	0	0	0	0	0	0
Type of Fracture	5	6	3	5	5	. 5
Load at Failure, lbs.	21,380	20,110	24,060	26,190	21,480	27,980
Strength, psi	1700	1600	1930	2080	1710	2250
2 Dave					2	
3 Days Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.01	4.00	4.00	4.01
			8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Height, in	8.00	8.00				
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.63	12.57	12.57	12.63
Days Moist Cured	2	2	2	2 4	5	5
Type of Fracture	4	6	5			
Load at Failure, lbs.	35,070	36,990	42,500	39,520	37,510	43,380
Strength, psi	2790	2940	3370	3140	2980	3430
7 Days						
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57
Days Moist Cured	6	6	6	6	6	6
Type of Fracture	5	5	5	5	5	5
Load at Failure, lbs.	51,740	49,830	54,850	53,840	51,790	54,350
Strength, psi	4120	3960	4360	4280	4120	4320
28 Days						
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.57
Days Moist Cured	27	27	27	27	27	27
Type of Fracture	4	5	5	5	5	5
Load at Failure, lbs.	85,680	78,160	80,020	81,850	91,170	79,040
Strength, psi	6820	6220	6370	6510	7250	6290



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TEST RESULTS: (cont.)

		COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH						
		Control Batcl	h		Α	dmixture Bat	ch	
	1A	1B	1C		2A	2B	2C	
90 Days								
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.00		4.00	4.00	4.00	
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00		8.00	8.00	8.00	
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.57		12.57	12.57	12.57	
Days Moist Cured	89	89	89		89	89	89	
Type of Fracture	5	5	3		5	5	5	
Load at Failure, lbs.	94,280	94,780	90,370		98,360	92,650	90,360	
Strength, psi	7500	7540	7190		7820	7370	7190	
6 Months								
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.00		4.00	4.00	4.00	
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00		8.00	8.00	8.00	
Area, in <sup>2</sup>	12.57	12.57	12.57		12.57	12.57	12.57	
Days Moist Cured	182	182	182		182	182	182	
Type of Fracture	5	2	5		2	2	5	
Load at Failure, lbs.	107,930	99,090	97,410		99,110	118,060	96,610	
Strength, psi	8590	7880	7750		7880	9390	7690	
1 Year								
Diameter, in	4.00	4.00	4.00		4.00	4.00	4.00	
Height, in	8.00	8.00	8.00		8.00	8.00	8.00	
Area, in²	12.57	12.57	12.57		12.57	12.57	12.57	
Days Moist Cured	365	365	365		365	365	365	
Type of Fracture	2	2	1		2	1	5	
Load at Failure, lbs.	124,310	103,690	106,810		115,470	125,280	105,370	
Strength, psi	9890	8250	8500		9190	9970	8380	

<sup>\*</sup>Unbonded caps were used on all samples. Type of fracture numbers correlate with descriptions in ASTM:C39.





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		Control Batch				Admixture Batch	1
	1A	1B	1C		2A	2B	2C
3 Days							
Width, in	5.95	6.05	6.10		6.00	6.00	6.15
Depth, in	6.10	6.10	6.00		6.10	6.10	6.10
Span, in	18.00	18.00	18.00		18.00	18.00	18.00
Days Moist Cured	2	2	2		2	2	2
Location of Fracture	Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third		Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third
Load at Failure, lbs.	4550	5250	4820		4960	4340	6040
Modulus of Rupture, psi	370	420	395		400	350	475
	*						
7 Days							
Width, in	6.05	6.00	6.15		6.10	6.05	6.10
Depth, in	5.90	6.00	5.95		6.05	6.05	6.05
Span, in	18.00	18.00	18.00		18.00	18.00	18.00
Days Moist Cured	6	6	6		6	6	6
Location of Fracture	Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third		Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third
Load at Failure, lbs.	5730	6720	5930		6950	6030	6570
Modulus of Rupture, psi	490	560	490		560	490	530
28 Days							
Width, in	5.95	6.10	6.05		6.15	6.05	6.10
Depth, in	5.80	6.00	6.00		6.00	6.05	6.05
Span, in	18.00	18.00	18.00		18.00	18.00	18.00
Days Moist Cured	27	27	27		27	27	27
Location of Fracture	Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third		Middle Third	Middle Third	Middle Third
Load at Failure, lbs.	7450	8420	7500		7870	8370	7810
Modulus of Rupture, psi	670	690	620		640	680	630

<sup>\*</sup>Leather shims were used and equation 2 from ASTM:C78, Section 8.1 was used for the calculations.

		FREEZE/THAW DURABILITY								
		Control Batch			5	Admixture Batc	h			
	1A	1B	1C		2A	2B	2C			
Wt. Loss, %	1.48	9.28	2.81		1.22	1.98	0.93			
Initial Trans. Freq., kHz	2.20	2.14	2.17		2.20	2.03	2.14			
Final Trans. Freq., kHz	2.09	1.72	2.04		2.19	2.02	2.14			
Durability Factor	90.3	38.1	88.4		99.1	99.0	100.0			
	1A	1B	1C		2A	2B	2C			
Wt. Loss, %	2.08	5.69	1.98		0.53	1.91	0.71			
Initial Trans. Freq., kHz	2.18	2.16	2.20		2.15	2.12	2.24			
Final Trans. Freq., kHz	1.89	1.85	1.93		2.15	2.11	2.24			
Durability Factor	75.2	43.3	77.0		100.0	99.1	100.0			

Both Control samples 1B were discontinued at 177 out of the 300 cycles, due to significant weight loss.



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TEST RESULTS: (cont.)

		LENGTH CHANGE									
		Control Batch			Admixture Batch						
	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C					
Initial, %	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000					
After Cure, %	0.010	0.015	0.010	0.015	0.010	0.015					
4 Day , %	-0.015	-0.010	-0.020	-0.015	-0.015	-0.015					
7 Day , %	-0.030	-0.025	-0.025	-0.030	-0.035	-0.025					
14 Day, %	-0.040	-0.040	-0.040	-0.040	-0.050	-0.040					

### **REMARKS**:

The samples were discarded at the completion of testing.

If you have any questions concerning this report, or if we may be of further assistance, please contact me at (651) 659-7401.

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