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**New Glass Technical Resource Jointly Published**

Newest edition reflects advances in glass and glazing

Vienna, VA (June 12, 2023) – The National Glass Association (NGA) and the Fenestration and Glazing Industry Alliance (FGIA) are proud to announce the joint publication of a new technical resource, *Compatibility Testing of Insulating Glass PIB Primary Sealant with Respect to Glazing Materials*.

This four-page document discusses methods of compatibility testing of glazing components with respect to Polyisobutylene (PIB) primary sealant in an insulating glass (IG) unit. It recommends the use of the *ift Rosenheim* test method, outlines the effects of incompatible glazing materials and addresses other factors that may affect compatibility.

“It is easy for people to assume that, because a process is considered industry standard, that a standard actually exists for testing a product; that isn’t always the case,” explains Robert Carlson, Tristar Glass Products and NGA’s task group co-chair. “The research and collaboration behind this technical resource has been ongoing over the past eight years. We’re excited to be publishing a document long-needed within the industry to formalize our approach to compatibility testing.”

The resource further expands on the validation of *ift Rosenheim* and provides additional guidelines addressing test methods for direct and indirect material contact, as well as the effects of migrating components.

“It has long been a question of where to get unbiased test results when certain incompatibility conditions occur with insulating glass primary sealant and surrounding glazing components,” said David Cooper, Fenestration Consultant, Inc. and FGIA’s task group co-chair. “This new guideline provides information that offers a testing solution using an independent lab to provide results on glazing material compatibility. Member sealant manufacturers contributed time and testing resources in order to validate the chosen test method for compatibility of IG primary sealant with adjacent glazing materials.”

NGA and FGIA thank the task group members who developed this resource for the industry.

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