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Section 406 Air Infiltration

Question:

Is it the intent of Section 406 to require a whole building air leakage performance test?

Answer

No, the building does not go through the test. The individual products used to comprise the air barrier would have to meet the test standard and be installed according to the listing of the said products.

Commentary:

Acoustical tiles and T-bar grid systems do not constitute an air barrier to separate conditioned and unconditioned spaces.

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