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#### <u>1. Task</u>

The Fraunhofer-Institut für Holzforschung, Wilhelm-Klauditz-Institut (WKI), was assigned by Messrs. Eximcorp India Pvt. Ltd. in 110 041 New Delhi (India) to determine by measurements the formaldehyde emission potential of a wood based panel (see table 1 enclosed).

The determination of formaldehyde release should be carried out according to the American standard ASTM D 6007 – 02 "Determining Formaldehyde Concentration in Air from Wood Products Using a Small Scale Chamber".

#### 2. Test material and data of receipt

The sample material was selected, marked by the customer and sent to the WKI for examination. The samples arrived at WKI packed in polyethylene plastic foil on 30 September 2013, were marked with WKI-ID-No. "525/13" and stored under room conditions.

#### 3. Execution of the tests

#### Determination of formaldehyde release according to ASTM D 6007-02

Referring to chamber test according to ASTM D 6007-02 three samples with a total surface area of 0.43 m<sup>2</sup> (for particleboard or plywood) or 0.26 m<sup>2</sup> (for MDF) capable of emission were positioned vertically standing with a minimum distance of 0.15 m between each specimen in a closed chamber with a volume of 1 m<sup>3</sup>. The conditioning of the samples was done for seven days  $\pm$  3 h at a temperature of (24  $\pm$  3) °C and a relative humidity of (50  $\pm$  5) %. The air exchange rate was adjusted to 2 AC/h.

Subsequent to seven-day-conditioning period the 1 m<sup>3</sup> chamber was operated at 25  $\pm$  1 °C, a relative humidity of (50  $\pm$  4) % and an air exchange rate of (0.5  $\pm$  0.05) AC/h.

The formaldehyde concentration in the chamber was measured by taking air samples at a test period of 19 and 20 hours. To this end a gas quantity of at least 0.12 m<sup>3</sup> at a rate of approximately 2 L/min was taken from the ambient air using gas sampling equipment and led through gas washing bottles filled with absorption liquid. The absorbed formaldehyde was determined photometrically and/or fluorimetrically according to the acetyl/acetone method described in EN 717-1:2005-01.

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#### 4. Test results

In the tables enclosed to the test report the sample identification data (table 1), test and conditioning parameter (table 2) and determined formaldehyde values (table 3) of the tested sample ordered by Messrs. Eximcorp India Pvt. Ltd. in 110 041 New Delhi (India) are specified.

We draw the attention to the fact that the effected test was made as a material parameter and not as a classifying test.

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## Table 1: Sample identification according to customer

## WKI-ID-No.: 525/13

Sample name	12 MM BIRCH PLYWOOD WBP GRADE
Product code	NIL
Manufacturer	Sveza, Russia
Date stamp	N/A

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# Table 2:Test parameter of ASTM D 6007 – 02: "Determining FormaldehydeConcentration in Air from Wood Products Using a Small Scale Chamber"

Conditioning data	-				
Temperature	(24 ± 3)	[°C]	Rel. Humidity	(50 ± 5)	[%]
of conditioning:			of conditioning:		
Minimum distance	0.15	[m]	Formaldehyde	0.01	[ppm]
between samples:			background		
			concentration:		

Chamber data			
Chamber volume	1		[m³]
Temperature:	(25 ± 1)		[°C]
Rel. humidity:	(50 ± 4)		[%]
Type of wood based material:	particleboard or plywood	MDF	
Loading ratio*:	0.43	0.26	[m²/ m³]
Air exchange rate:	0.5	0.5	[h <sup>-1</sup> ]
Sample size (length x width)*:	0.5 x 0.143	0.5 x 0.085	[m]
Number of panels per chamber:	3	3	
Number of exposed surfaces:	6	6	

\* depending on the type of wood based material tested



# Table 3:Test results of ASTM D 6007 – 02 "Determining Formaldehyde Concentration in Air from<br/>Wood Products Using a Small Scale Chamber"<br/>Receipt of samples:30 September 2013<br/>16 October 2013Start of chamber test:16 October 2013

WKI-Sample-ID		525/13
Sample name	12 MM BIRCH PLYWOOD WBP GRADE – N	L – Sveza, Russia – N/A
Board producer	Eximcorp India Pvt. Ltd. in 110 041 New De	lhi (India)
Thickness (mm)	12	
Material type	Plywood, uncoated	

Sample set 1	525/13-1			
Test period	19	20	[h]	Average sample set 1
Temperature test conditions	25.3	25.4	[°C]	
Rel. Humidity test conditions	49.2	49.1	[%]	
Determined Chamber value	0.01	0.01	[ppm]	
Reported Chamber value corrected to 25°C/50%RH	0.01	0.01	[ppm]	0.01 ppm

Sample set 2	525/13-2			
Test period	19	20	[h]	Average sample set 2
Temperature test conditions	25.1	25.2	[°C]	
Rel. Humidity test conditions	48.8	48.7	[%]	
Determined Chamber value	0.01	0.01	[ppm]	
Reported Chamber value corrected to 25°C/50%RH	0.01	0.01	[ppm]	0.01 ppm

Sample set 3					525/13-3
Test period		19	20	[h]	Average sample set 3
Temperature test conditio	ns	25.0	25.1	[°C]	
Rel. Humidity test conditions		50.3	50.1	[%]	
Determined Chamber value		0.01	0.01	[ppm]	
Reported Chamber value corrected to 25°C/50%RH	1	0.01	0.01	[ppm]	0.01 ppm
Sample set 1 WKI-ID-No.: 525/13-1	Wk	nple set 2 (I-ID-No.: 25/13-2	Sample set 3 WKI-ID-No.: 525/13-3		Average value WKI-ID-No.: <b>525/13</b>
0.01 ppm	0.	01 ppm	0.01 ppm		0.01 ppm