**Project architect responsibility:**

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**SECTION 098436 – Sound-Absorbing Ceiling Units**

**PART 1 - General**

1.1 — SUMMARY

**A. Section includes:**

Sound-absorbing ceiling units.

**B. Related work:**

The following items are not included in this Section and are specified under the designated Sections:

**Section 092100 –** PLASTER AND GYPSUM BOARD ASSEMBLIES for plaster and gypsum board walls and ceilings.

1.2 — SUBMITTALS

**A. Product data:**

Submit manufacturer’s product data including certified laboratory test reports and other data required to show compliance with these specifications.

**B. Samples:**

Submit 8 ¾ x 11 inch (for thicknesses up to 1 ½ inches) or 11 ½ x 11 ½ inch (for thicknesses larger than 1 ½ inches) samples of representative panel with factory detailed edge, and representative samples of mounting devices.

1.3 — QUALITY ASSURANCE

**A. Pre-installation conference:**

Conduct conference at Project site to comply with requirements in Division 01.

1.4 — DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

**A. Project conditions:**

Protect system components from excessive moisture in shipment, storage, and handling. Deliver in unopened bundles and store in a dry place with adequate air circulation. Do not deliver material to building until wet conditions such as concrete, plaster, paint, and adhesives have been completed and cured to a condition of equilibrium.

1.5 — LIMITED WARRANTY

**A. Limited warranty:**

Provide manufacturer’s standard limited 3-year warranty against manufacturing defects in material or workmanship.

**PART 2 - Products**

2.1 — SOUND ABSORPTIVE PANELS:

A. Basis-of-Design: Conwed Respond® IR Series Ceiling Panels.

1. **Construction:** Composite core construction of dimensionally stable rigid fiberglass, laminated with impact resistant 16-20 pcf molded glass fiber.
2. **Fiberglass Density:** 6 – 7 pcf.
3. Cores laminated with ⅛ inch layer of 16 – 20 pcf molded glass fiber.
4. **Recycled content:** For fiberglass, 52 percent pre-consumer and 5 percent post-consumer recycled content.
5. **Core thickness:** 1 ⅛ inches.
6. **Core thickness:** 1 ⅝ inches.
7. **Core thickness:** 2 ⅛ inches.
8. **Width:** Max of 48 inches and custom.
9. **Length:** Max of 96 inches and custom.
10. **Corners:** Square.
11. **Edge profile:** Square.
12. **Edge profile:** Radius.
13. **Edge profile:** Bevel.
14. **Edge profile:** Miter.
15. **Edge treatment:** Resin hardened.
16. **Edge treatment:** Aluminum.
17. **Edge treatment:** High-pressure laminate, for square edge only.
18. **Fabric finish:** Manufacturer, pattern and color as selected; applied directly over face and edges of panels to provide full finished edge, fully tailored corners.
19. **Mounting type: Acoustical anchor.**
20. **Mounting type: Rotofast**
21. **Mounting type: Resin spots.**
22. **Flammability (ASTM E 84):** Panel components shall have a Class “A” rating per ASTM E 84.
23. **Resistivity to heat or cold:** R-factor of 4.16 per inch of thickness.
24. **Acoustical performance:** Values below are for panels mounted in accordance with ASTM C 423 (Type D5 Mounting) and vary by panel thickness and finish.
25. **Noise reduction coefficient (NRC)** for 1 ⅛ thickness: 0.90.
26. **Noise reduction coefficient (NRC)** for 1 ⅝ thickness: 1.00.
27. **Noise reduction coefficient (NRC)** for 2 ⅛ thickness: 1.15.

**PART 3 - Execution**

3.1 — INSTALLATION:

A. Verify wet work such as plastering and concrete is complete and dry. Verify building is enclosed and under standard occupancy conditions (60 - 85°F and not more than 70% relative humidity) prior to start of installation. Commencement of installation constitutes Installer’s acceptance of surfaces and conditions.

B. Install products in accordance with manufacturer’s written instructions and in proper relationship with adjacent construction, including the following:

1. For adhesive installation to substrate, provide temporary support to prevent panel slippage. Note: Impaling clips are designed to help hold panels in place until adhesive dries.

C. Touch-up, repair or replace damaged units until satisfactory results are obtained.

**End of Section**