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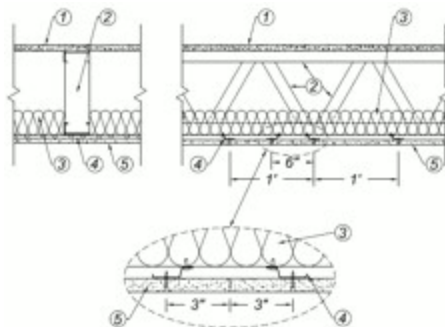
### Design No. H515

November 12, 2019

### Unrestrained Assembly Rating — 1-1/2 or 2 Hr (For 2 Hr. See Alternate Constructions)

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## 1. Flooring System —

### 1-1/2 Hr Rating

1A. **Structural Cement-Fiber Units\*** — Nom 3/4 in. thick, with long edges tongue and grooved. Long dimension of panels to be perpendicular to joists with end joints staggered a min of 2 ft and centered over the joists. Panels secured to steel joists with 1-5/8 in. long No. 8 self-drilling, self-countersinking steel screws spaced a max of 12 in. OC in the field with a screw located 1 in. and 2 in. from each edge, and 8 in. OC on the perimeter with a screw located 2 in. from each edge, located 1/2 in. from the side edges of the panel.

**UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO** — Types STRUCTO-CRETE or USGSP

2. **Structural Steel Members\*** — Pre-fabricated light gauge steel truss system consisting of cold-formed, galvanized steel cord and web sections. Trusses fabricated in various sizes, depths, and from various steel thickness. Trusses minimum 12 in. deep, spaced a max of 24 in. OC.

**DOUGLASS COLONY GROUP INC** — Type FRAMECAD

3. **Batts and Blankets\*** — 3-1/2 in. thick glass fiber batt insulation draped over the resilient channels. Any glass fiber batt insulation bearing the UL Classification Marking for Surface Burning Characteristics having a flame spread index of 25 or less and a smoke developed index of 50 or less may be used. See **Batts and Blankets** (BKNV) category in the Building Materials Directory for names of manufacturers.

4. **Resilient Channels** — Formed of No. 25 MSG galv steel, 1/2 in. deep, spaced max 12 in. OC, perpendicular to joists. Channel splices located beneath joists and overlapped 6 in. Channels secured to each joist with one 1/2 in. long Type S-12 low profile steel screw. Two channels, spaced 6 in. OC, oriented opposite each gypsum board end joint as shown on the illustration above. Additional channels shall extend min 6 in. beyond each side edge of board.

4A. **Steel Framing Members\*** — (Optional, Not Shown) — As an Alternate to Item 4 - When it is desired to drop the ceiling below the bottom plane of the structural steel members (Item 2), a suspension system may be used in lieu of the resilient channels. Main runners, cross tees, cross channels and wall angle as listed below:

a. **Main Runners** — Nom 10 or 12 ft long, 15/16 in. or 1-1/2 in. wide face, spaced 4 ft. OC. Main runners suspended by min 12 SWG galv steel hanger wires spaced 24 in. OC a min of 4 in. below bottom flange of joists, twist tied to #10 - 3/4 in. long screws installed in the web, 1/2 in. from the bottom flange of the steel joists. Hanger wires to be located adjacent to main runner/cross tee intersections.

b. **Cross Tees** — Nom 4 ft long, 1-1/2 in. wide face, installed perpendicular to the main runners, spaced 12 in. OC. Additional cross tees or cross channels used at 8 in. from each side of butted gypsum panel end joints. The cross tees or cross channels may be riveted or screw attached to the wall angle or channel to facilitate the ceiling installation.

c. **Cross Channels** — Nom 4 ft or 12 ft long, installed perpendicular to main runners, spaced 12 in. OC.

d. **Wall Angle or Channel** — — Painted or galv steel angle with 1 in. legs or channel with 1 in. legs, 1-9/16 in. deep attached to walls at perimeter of ceiling with fasteners 16 in. OC. To support steel framing member ends and for screw-attachment of the gypsum panel.

**USG INTERIORS LLC** — Type DGL or RX.

4B. **Steel Framing Members\*** — (Optional, Not Shown) — As an alternate to Item 4 — Furring channels and Steel Framing Members as described below:

a. **Furring channels** — Formed of No. 25 MSG galv steel, 2-3/8 in. wide by 7/8 in. deep, spaced 12 in. OC, perpendicular to joists. Channel secured to joists as described in Item b. Ends of adjoining channels overlapped 6 in. and tied together with double strand of No. 18 SWG galv steel wire near each end of overlap. Additional channels shall

be positioned so that the distance from the end of the board to the center of the first channel is 3 in. and from the board end to the center of the next channel is 12 in.

b. **Steel Framing Members\*** — Used to attach furring channels (Item a) to joists (Item 2). Clips spaced 48 in. OC and secured to the bottom chord of joists with min 1-5/8 in. long No. 8 self-drilling, self-tapping, bugle, flat or hex head screw through the center grommet. Furring channels are friction fitted into clips. Additional clips required to hold furring channel that supports the gypsum board butt joints.

**PLITEQ INC** — Type Genie Clip

4C. **Alternate Steel Framing Members\*** — (Optional, Not Shown) — As an alternate to Item 4, furring channels and Steel Framing Members as described below.

a. **Furring channels** — Formed of No. 25 MSG galv steel. 2-9/16 in. or 2-23/32 in. wide by 7/8 in. deep, spaced 12 in. OC, perpendicular to joists. Channels secured to joists as described in Item b. Ends of adjoining channels overlapped 6 in. and tied together with double strand of No. 18 SWG galv steel wire near each end of overlap.

b. **Steel Framing Members\*** — Used to attach furring channels (Item a) to the steel joists (Item 2). Clips spaced a max of 48 in. OC. RSIC-1 and RSIC-1 (2.75) clips secured to alternating joists with No. 8 x 2-1/2 in. coarse drywall screw through the center grommet. Furring channels are friction fitted into clips. RSIC-1 clips for use with 2-9/16 in. wide furring channels. RSIC-1 (2.75) clips for use with 2-23/32 in. wide furring channels. Adjoining channels are overlapped as described in Item a. As an alternate, ends of adjoining channels may be overlapped 6 in. and secured together with two self-tapping No. 6 framing screws, min. 7/16 in. long at the midpoint of the overlap, with one screw on each flange of the channel. Additional clips required to hold furring channel that supports the wallboard butt joints, as described in Item 6.

**PAC INTERNATIONAL L L C** — Types RSIC-1 or RSIC-1 (2.75)

4D. **Steel Framing Members\*** — — (Optional, Not Shown) — As an alternate to Item 4.

a. **Furring Channels** — Formed of No. 25 MSG galv steel, nominal 2-1/2 in. wide by 7/8 in. deep, spaced 12 in. OC, perpendicular to trusses. Channels secured to Cold Rolled Channels at every intersection with a 3/4 in. TEK screw through each furring channel leg. Ends of adjoining channels overlapped 12 in. and fastened together with two double strand No. 18 SWG galv steel wire ties, one at each end of overlap, or with two 3/4 in. TEK screws in each leg of the overlap section. Two furring channels used at end joints of gypsum board (Item 5), each extending a min of 6 in. beyond both side edges of the board.

b. **Cold Rolled Channels** — -1/2 in. by 1/2 in., formed from No. 16 ga. galv steel, positioned vertically and parallel to trusses, friction-fitted into the channel caddy on the Steel Framing Members (Item 4Dd) and secured with two 3/4 in. TEK screws. Adjoining lengths of cold rolled channels lapped min. 12 in. and secured along bottom legs with four 3/4 in. TEK screws and wire-tied together with two double strand 18 SWG galv steel wire ties, one at each end of overlap.

c. **Blocking** — Where truss design does not permit direct, full contact of the hanger bracket, a piece of nominal 3-5/8 in. x 20 ga. steel stud (blocking), min. 12 in. long to permit full contact of the hanger bracket, to be secured vertically to the side of the trusses at the top and bottom of the blocking at each Steel Framing Member (Item 4Dd) location with minimum 2-1/2 in. screws.

d. **Steel Framing Members\*** — Spaced 48 in. OC. max along truss, and secured to the truss on alternating trusses with two, No. 10-16 TEK screws through mounting holes on the hanger bracket.

**PAC INTERNATIONAL L L C** — Type RSIC-SI-CRC EZ Clip

4E. **Steel Framing Members\*** — (Optional, Not Shown) — As an alternate to Item 4.

a. **Furring Channels** — Formed of No. 25 MSG galv steel, nominal 2-1/2 in. wide by 7/8 in. deep, spaced 12 in. OC perpendicular to trusses and friction fit into Steel Framing Members (Item 4Ec). Ends of adjoining channels overlapped 6 in. and tied together with double strand of No. 18 SWG galv steel wire near each end of overlap or with two TEK

screws along each leg of the 6 in. overlap. Two furring channels used at end joints of gypsum board (Item 5). Butt joint channels held in place by strong back channels placed upside down, on top of, and running perpendicular to primary furring channels, extending 6 in. longer than length of gypsum side joint. Strong back channels spaced maximum 48 in. OC. Strong back channels secured to every intersection of primary furring channels with four 7/16 in. pan head screws, two along each of the legs at intersections. Butt joint channels run perpendicular to strong back channels and shall be minimum 6 in. longer than length of joint, secured to strong back channels with 7/16 in. pan head screws, two along each of the legs at intersection with strong back channels.

b. **Blocking** — Where truss design does not permit direct, full contact of the hanger bracket, a piece of nominal 3-5/8 in. x 20 ga. steel stud (blocking), min. 12 in. long to permit full contact of the hanger bracket, to be secured vertically to the side of the trusses at the top and bottom of the blocking at each Steel Framing Member (Item 4Ec) location with minimum 2-1/2 in. screws.

c. **Steel Framing Members\*** — Used to attach furring channels (Item 4Ea) to trusses. Clips spaced 48 in. OC and secured along truss webs at each furring channel intersection with min. 3/4 in. long self-drilling No. 10-16 TEK screws through each of the provided hole locations. Furring channels are friction fitted into clips.

**PAC INTERNATIONAL L L C** — Type RSIC-S1-1 Ultra

5. **Gypsum Board\*** — One layer of nom 5/8 in. thick by 48 in. wide gypsum panels installed with long dimension perpendicular to resilient channels or cross tees of suspension system (Item 4A). Gypsum panels secured to resilient channels or drywall suspension system with 1 in. long Type S bugle-head screws spaced 8 in. OC, with screws located minimum of 1 in. from the side joints and 3 in. from the end joints. End joints secured to both resilient channels as shown in end joint detail. When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4B or 4C) are used, the butt joints in the gypsum board shall be supported by two furring channels. The two furring channels shall be spaced approximately 3-1/2 in. OC, and be attached to underside of the joist with one RSIC-1, RSIC-1 (2.75) or Genie clip at each end of the channel.

When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4D) are used, nom 5/8 in. thick, 4 ft wide gypsum board, installed as described in Item 5. Adjacent butt joints staggered minimum 48 in. OC.

When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4E) are used, nom 5/8 in. thick, 4 ft wide gypsum board, installed as described in Item 5. Butt joints staggered minimum 24 in. OC.

**CGC INC** — Type ULIX

**UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO** — Type ULIX

6. **Finishing System - (Not Shown)** — Vinyl, dry or premixed joint compound, applied in two coats to joints and screw-heads. Nom 2 in. wide paper tape embedded in first layer of compound over all joints. As an alternate, nom 3/32 in. thick veneer plaster may be applied to the entire surface of gypsum panels.

**MODIFICATIONS TO INCREASE RATING TO 2 HR (Not Shown):**

### ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION: 2 Hr Rating

1B. **Gypsum Board\* (Not Shown)** — Two layers of min 1/4 in. thick, 4 ft by 4 ft gypsum board underlayment, Classified as to Surface Burning Characteristics. Bonded and attached to each other with a mortar applied with a 1/4 in. by 1/4 in. notched trowel, and min 1/2 in. long staples spaced max 8 in. OC in the field and 4 in. OC along the perimeter. Joints between two layers of Gypsum Board staggered a min of 12 in. in both directions.

**UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO** — Type FRX-G

1C. **Floor Mat Materials\* (Not Shown)** — Floor mat material loosely laid over Structural Cement-Fiber Units (Item 1A). Gypsum Board Item 1B loosely laid over floor mat material with joints of bottom layer of Gypsum Board staggered a minimum of 12 in. in both directions.

**KINETICS NOISE CONTROL INC** — Type Soundmatt

**PLITEQ INC** — Types GenieMat RST02, GenieMat RST05

## ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION: 2 Hr Rating

**1B. Floor Topping Mixture\*** — Min 3/4 in. thickness of floor topping mixture having a minimum compressive strength of 1800 psi installed over Structural Cement Fiber Unites (Item 1A) Refer to manufacturer's instructions accompanying the material for specific mix design.

**UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO** — Types LRK, HSLRK, CSD

**Floor Mat Materials\*** — (Optional) - Floor mat material loose laid over the subfloor. Refer to manufacturer's instructions regarding the minimum thickness of floor topping over each floor mat material.

**UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO** — Types SAM, LEVELROCK® Brand Sound Reduction Board, LEVELROCK® Brand Floor Underlayment SRM-25

## ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION: 2 Hr Rating

**5. Gypsum Board\* — Two Layers** — Nom 5/8 in. thick, 48 in. wide gypsum panels. Base layer installed with long dimension perpendicular to resilient channels, furring channels or cross tees, secured with 1-1/4 in. long Type S bugle-head screws spaced 12 in. OC, with screws located 6 in. from and on each side of the gypsum panel, in both the field and the perimeter, and 1-1/2 in. from side edges of the panels. Face layer installed with long dimension perpendicular to resilient/furring channels or cross tees with joints offset 24 in. from base layer, secured with 1-5/8 in. long Type S bugle-head screws spaced 8 in. OC in both the field and the perimeter, and 1-1/2 in. from side edges of the panel. Butt joints of face layer panels secured to base layer with 1-1/2 in. long Type G screws spaced 8 in. OC and 1-1/2 in. from side edges of the panels, with butt joints located between resilient/furring channels. Butt joints of face panels staggered a minimum of 12 in. from butt joints of base layer. When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4B or 4C) are used, the butt joints in the gypsum board shall be supported by two furring channels. The two furring channels shall be spaced approximately 3-1/2 in. OC, and be attached to underside of the joist with one RSIC-1, RSIC-1 (2.75) or Genie clip at each end of the channel.

When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4D) are used, nom 5/8 in. thick, 4 ft wide gypsum board, installed as described in Item 5. Adjacent butt joints staggered minimum 48 in. OC.

When **Steel Framing Members** (Item 4E) are used, nom 5/8 in. thick, 4 ft wide gypsum board, installed as described in Item 5. Butt joints staggered minimum 24 in. OC.

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