PHENOLIC RESIN COUNTERTOPS CHEMICAL COMPATIBILITY TESTING RESULTS

Testing Methods:

Method A - For volatile chemicals. A cotton ball saturated with the test chemical was placed in a one ounce bottle ($10 \text{mm} \times 75 \text{mm}$ test tube or similar container). The container was inverted on the test material surface for a period of 24 hours. Temperature of test: 23° +/- 2° C (73° +/- 4° F). This method was used for the organic solvents.

Method B - For non-volatile chemicals. Five drops (1/4cc) of the test chemical were placed on the test material surface. The chemical was covered with a watch glass (25mm) for a period of 24 hours. Temperature of test: 23° +/- 2° C (73° +/- 4° F). This method was used for all chemicals listed below other than the solvents.

Resistance Definitions:

High: No detectible change in material surface.

<u>Moderate</u>: Slight detectable change in color or gloss but no change to function or life of work surface material.

<u>Light</u>: Slight surface etching or severer staining. Clearly discernable change in color or gloss but no significant impairment of surface life or function.

<u>Poor</u>: Pitting, cratering or erosion of work surface material; obvious and significant deterioration. Objectionable change in appearance due to surface discoloration.

Chemicals	Method	Resistance
Amyl Acetone	А	High
Ethyl Acetate	А	High
Acetic Acid 98%	В	High
Acetone	А	High
Acid Dichromate 5%	В	Moderate
Butyl Alcohol	А	High
Ethyl Alcohol	А	High
Methyl Alcohol	А	High
Ammonium Hydroxide, 28%	В	Moderate
Benzene	А	High
Carbon Tetrachloride	А	High
Chloroform	А	High
Chromic Acid 60%	В	Moderate
Cresol	А	Moderate
Dichloro Acetic Acid	А	Moderate
Dimethylformamide	А	High
Dioxane	А	High
Ethyl Ether	А	High
Formaldehyde 37%	А	High



Formic Acid 90%	В	Moderate
Furfural	А	High
Gasoline	А	High
Hydrochloric Acid 37%	В	High
Hydrofluoric Acid 48%	В	Moderate
Hydrogen Peroxide 28%	В	High
Tincture of lodine	В	Moderate
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	Α	Moderate
Methylene Chloride	А	High
Mono Chlorobenzene	А	Moderate
Napthalene	А	High
Nitric Acid 20%	В	High
Nitric Acid 30%	В	High
Nitric Acid 70%	В	High
Phenol 90%	А	Moderate
Phosphoric Acid 85%	В	High
Silver Nitrate, Saturated	В	High
Sodium Hydroxide 10%	В	High
Sodium Hydroxide 20%	В	High
Sodium Hydroxide 40%	В	High
Sodium Hydroxide Flake	В	High
Sodium Sulfide, Saturated	В	High
Sulfuric Acid 25%	В	High
Sulfuric Acid 85%	В	High
Sulfuric Acid 96%	В	High
Sulfuric Acid 85%, and Nitric	В	High
Acid 70%, equal parts		
Toluene	А	High
Trichlorethylene	А	High
Xylene	А	High
Zinc Chloride, Saturated	В	High

