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ClarkDietrich™ Building Systems
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Attention: Mr. Michael Kerner

Subject: **ClarkDietrich™ Building Systems**
Acoustical Evaluation – TRAKLOC®
VA Project Number 4557-001

Dear Mr. Kerner:

This letter presents Veneklasen Associates, Inc. (VA) review of the acoustical differences between ClarkDietrich ProSTUD® and TRAKLOC® variations.

The ClarkDietrich™ Building Systems' ProSTUD® has been acoustically tested in a laboratory environment for a variety of wall constructions. Many of these constructions and information are available on-line and within other sources to the building community. TRAKLOC® studs have yet to be tested for acoustical performance.

The TRAKLOC® studs vary from the ProSTUD® in the following manner:

1. The TRAKLOC® system allows for adjustment of the stud length in the field because of the telescoping feature in the two part stud products and interlocking stud to track connection in both the fixed length and the two part stud products.
2. The TRAKLOC® uses steel that has slightly different strength properties that the ProSTUD® products.
3. The TRAKLOC® steel thickness are equal to or slightly lower that the ProSTUD® products.

Based on the information currently available, VA's professional opinion is that the acoustical performance of the TRAKLOC® will be similar to the ProSTUD® meaning that the reported STC ratings for the ProSTUD® can be used interchangeably with the TRAKLOC®.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the information within this letter, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,
Veneklasen Associates

John LoVerde
Principal

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