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DIVISION: 03 00 00— CONCRETE Section: 03 11 19— Insulating Concrete Forming	EVALUATION SUBJECT: NUDURA [®] INSULATING CONCRETE FORM (ICF) SYSTEM	
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1.0 EVALUATION SCOPE

1.1 Compliance with the following codes:

- 2021, 2018, 2015, 2012, and 2009 *International Building Code*® (IBC)
- 2021, 2018, 2015, 2012, and 2009 International Residential Code® (IRC)
- 2006 International Building Code® (2006 IBC)*
- 2006 International Residential Code® (2006 IRC)*

*Codes indicated with an asterisk are addressed in Section 8.0.

Properties evaluated:

- Structural
- Surface-burning characteristics
- Attic and crawl-space installation
- Fire-resistance-rated construction
- Types I through IV (noncombustible) construction
- 1.2 Evaluation to the following green code:
- 2022 California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen), Title 24, Part 11

Attributes verified:

■ See Section 3.1.

2.0 USES

Nudura Insulating Concrete Forms (ICFs) are used as stay-in-place formwork for containing structural concrete for formation of load-bearing and non load-bearing, below-grade and above-grade walls. The forms are used in construction of plain and reinforced concrete beams, lintels, exterior and interior walls, and foundation and retaining walls. The forms remain in place after the concrete cures and must be covered by an approved interior and exterior wall-finish material, as described in Sections 4.2.2 and 4.2.3, respectively. The forms may be used in fire-resistance-rated construction, provided installation is in accordance with Section 4.3. The forms may be used in Type V construction. For use in buildings of Types I, II, III or IV (noncombustible) construction, installation must be in accordance with Section 4.4.



3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 General:

Nudura ICFs consist of expanded-polystyrene (EPS) foam-plastic panels connected with plastic cross-ties. The forms are classified as a flat ICF wall system in accordance with ASTM E2634 as specified in the 2021, 2018 and 2015 IBC Section 1903.4 (2012 IBC Section 1903.3) and 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3.3.6.1 and R608.4.4, [2012 IRC Sections R404.1.2.3.6.1 and R611.4.4 (2009 IRC Section R611.3.1)].

The attribute of the Nudura ICFs have been verified as conforming to the provision of CALGreen

Section A4.404.3.3 for premanufactured building systems. Note that decisions on compliance for those areas rest with the user of this report. The user is advised of the project-specific provisions that may be contingent upon meeting specific conditions, and the verification of those conditions is outside the scope of this report. These codes or standards often provide supplemental information as guidance.

3.2 Nudura Insulating Concrete Forms (ICFs):

Nudura ICFs are available in a standard length of 96 inches (2438 mm) and a standard height of 18 inches (457 mm). Nudura ICFs are available in widths of $9^{1}/_{4}$, $11^{1}/_{4}$, $13^{1}/_{4}$, $15^{1}/_{4}$ and $17^{1}/_{4}$ inches (235, 286, 337, 388 and 438 mm) to enable formation, respectively, of 4-, 6-, 8-, 10- and 12-inch-thick (102, 152, 203, 254 and 305 mm), flat, monolithic concrete walls.

Forty-five-degree and 90-degree angle form units, brick ledge forms, brick ledge extensions, height adjusters (with fastening ties) and end caps are also available for each thickness of form unit offered. The corner units are used to construct wall intersections. The brick ledge forms and brick ledge extensions are used to construct concrete corbels for support of brick or stone veneer exterior finishes or for supporting interior floor construction.

The 3-inch (76 mm) height adjuster panels are fitted on their interior surface with shorter length polystyrene fastening strips that are designed in the same manner as the full-height form unit polystyrene fastening strips. In turn, these can be interconnected across the form cavity using a series of 3-inch-high (76 mm) "slide-in" polypropylene ties that have been designed for use with the height adjuster forms, using the same integrally molded "slide-in" pin design as is featured in the corner form insert web. As with the full-height insert webs, the height adjuster ties are supplied in 4-, 6-, 8-, 10- and 12-inch (102, 152, 203, 254 and 305 mm) cavity widths.

3.3 Materials:

3.3.1 Foam Plastic: The forms consist of two uniform-thickness EPS foam-plastic panels manufactured to a nominal EPS foam density of 1.35 pcf (21.6 kg/m³). The EPS foam plastic complies with ASTM C578. The EPS foam plastic has a flame-spread index of 25 or less and a smoke-developed index of 450 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM E84.

3.3.2 Plastic Cross-Ties: The EPS panels are connected together with cross-ties consisting of either integrally molded, foldable, high-density polypropylene, hinged web/fastening strips (flanges) or injection-molded, high-impact polystyrene fastening strips (flanges) interlinked with high-density, polypropylene insert webs, depending upon the web location and required function.

The web/fastening strips run the full height of the form panels and are embedded within the EPS at a horizontal spacing of 8-inch (203 mm) intervals, are recessed ${}^{5}\!/_{8}$ inch (15.9 mm) from the EPS surface, and provide a fastening flange that measures $1^{1}\!/_{2}$ inches (38 mm) in width. The webs connected to the flanges also have openings to permit concrete to pass through, and feature a variety of seat options for support and to lock the horizontal steel reinforcing bars in place. Either configuration of cross-ties serves to separate the EPS panels at a prescribed uniform core distance and provide an anchorage location for attachment of interior and exterior finishes.

The EPS panels and cross-ties are molded with preformed reversible interlock and vertical clip-locking mechanisms on their top and bottom edges to facilitate stacking and vertical interlocking of the form units.

3.3.3 Concrete: Concrete must be normal-weight concrete complying with the applicable code, having a maximum aggregate size of ½ inch (12.7 mm) for use with 4- and 6-inch (102 and 152 mm) cavity width ICFs; and ³/₄ inch (19.1 mm) for use with 8-inch (203 mm) and larger cavity width ICFs. The concrete must have a minimum compressive strength of 2,500 psi (17 MPa) at 28 days, except for fire-resistance-rated construction, as noted in Section 4.3. Under the IRC, concrete must comply with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1 and R608.5.1 (2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R404.1 and R611.5.1), as applicable.

3.3.4 Reinforcement: Deformed steel reinforcement bars must have a minimum specified yield stress of either 40 ksi (275 kPa) or 60 ksi (413 kPa), depending on the structural design, and under the IBC, must comply with 20.2.1.3 of ACI 318-19 or -14 under the 2021, 2018 and 2015 IBC (and Section 3.5.3.1 of ACI 318-11 or -08 under the 2012 and 2009 IBC) and IBC Section 1903; under the IRC, reinforcement must comply with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3.3.7 and R608.5.2 (2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R404.1.2.3.7 and R611.5.2).

3.3.5 Other Components: Wood members in contact with concrete for plates or windows and door framing must be treated with an approved wood preservative or be of a naturally durable species, and must be attached with hot-dipped galvanized steel fasteners complying with 2021 IBC Section 2304.10.6 [2018 and 2015 IBC Section 2304.10.5 (2012 and 2009 IBC Section 2304.9.5)] or IRC Section R317.3, as applicable. Materials other than wood, such as vinyl, are permitted for window and door framing, if approved by the code official.

4.0 DESIGN AND INSTALLATION

4.1 Design:

4.1.1 IBC Design, Including Alternative IBC Wind Design in Accordance with ICC 600: Concrete walls formed using Nudura ICFs must be designed and constructed in accordance with IBC Chapters 16 and 19, as applicable. Footings and foundations must be designed and constructed in accordance with IBC Chapter 18.

Solid concrete walls formed using Nudura ICFs may be designed and constructed in accordance with the prescriptive provisions of Section 404 of the ICC Standard for Residential Construction in High Wind Regions (ICC 600-2020) under the 2021 IBC, Section 409 of the ICC Standard for Residential Construction in High Wind Regions (ICC 600-14) under the 2018 and 2015 IBC, or Section 209 of the ICC Standard for Residential Construction in High Wind Regions (ICC 600-2008) under the 2012 and 2009 IBC, as applicable, subject to the limitations found in Exception 1 of IBC Sections 1609.1.1 and IBC Section 1609.1.1.1. Design and construction under the provisions of ICC 600-20, 14 or -08 are limited to resistance to wind forces.

4.1.2 IRC Method: Insulating concrete walls formed using Nudura ICFs must be designed and constructed in accordance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3 and R608 (2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R404.1.2 and R611), as applicable, for flat wall systems. ICFs not complying with the dimensional requirements found in 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Table R608.3 and Figure R608.3(1) (2012 and 2009 IRC Table R611.3) [i.e., solid concrete walls thicker than 10 inches (254 mm)], as applicable, must be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.1.1 of this report.

Use of Nudura ICFs for foundation walls is limited to the 6-, 8- and 10-inch-thick (152, 203 and 254 mm) core-width ICFs, in accordance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R404.1.3 (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R404.1.2). Use of the ICFs for above-grade construction is limited to the 4-, 6-, 8- and 10-inch-thick (102-, 152-, 203- and 254-mm) core-width ICFs, in accordance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R608 (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R608) (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R608) (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R611).

4.1.3 Alternate IRC Method: When Nudura ICFs are used to construct buildings that do not conform to the applicability limits in 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3 and R608.2 (2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R404.1.2 and R611.2), construction must be in accordance with the prescriptive provisions of the 2017 Prescriptive Design of Exterior Concrete Walls for One-and Two-family Dwellings (PCA 100-17) under the 2021 IRC; (PCA 100-12 for the 2018 and 2015 IRC, PCA 100-10 for the 2012 IRC or PCA 100-07 for the 2009 IRC, as applicable), or the structural analysis and design of the concrete must be in accordance with ACI 318 and IBC Chapters 16, 18 and 19.

4.2 Installation:

4.2.1 General: Nudura ICFs must be installed in accordance with the NUDURA[®] published installation instructions, this report and the applicable code. The published installation instructions and this report must be strictly adhered to, and a copy of the instructions must be available at all times on the jobsite during installation.

The Nudura ICFs and resulting concrete walls must be supported on concrete footings complying with IBC Chapters 18 and 19 or IRC Chapter 4, as applicable. Vertical reinforcement bars embedded in footings must extend into the base of the wall system the minimum development length, and into concrete walls with a minimum lap splice length conforming to Chapter 25 of ACI 318-19 or -14 under the 2021, 2018 and 2015 IBC, Chapter 12 of ACI 318-11 or -08 under the 2012 and 2009 IBC or 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R608.5.4 or 2012 and 2009 IRC Section R611.5.4, as applicable. Additional reinforcement around doors and windows must be described in the approved construction documents. Concrete quality, mixing and placement must comply with IBC Chapter 19 or 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3.3 and R608.5.1(2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R404.1.2.3 and R611.5.1), as applicable. Window and door openings must be built into the forms,

with frames of the same dimensions as the "rough stud opening" specified by the window or door manufacturer, prior to the placement of concrete. Connections of concrete walls to footings, floors, ceilings and roofs must be in accordance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R608.9 (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R611.9), as applicable, or be engineered in accordance with the IBC, whichever code is applicable. Anchor bolts used to connect wood ledgers and plates to the concrete must be cast in place, with the bolts sized and spaced as required by design and the applicable code. Details must be prepared to accommodate the specific job situation, in accordance with the applicable code, subject to the approval of the code official.

4.2.2 Interior Finish:

4.2.2.1 General: The installation details in this section (Section 4.2.2) address compliance with the thermal barrier and interior finish requirements of the codes, except as described in Section 4.2.2.2. Nudura ICFs exposed to the interior of the building must be finished with an approved thermal barrier, such as minimum $^{1}/_{2}$ -inch-thick (12.7 mm) regular gypsum wallboard complying with ASTM C36 or ASTM C1396. The gypsum wallboard may be installed vertically or horizontally and must be attached to cross-tie flanges with minimum $^{15}/_{8}$ -inch-long (41 mm), No. 6, coarse-thread (Type W) gypsum wallboard screws, spaced 16 inches (406 mm) on center horizontally and vertically. The screws must comply with ASTM C954 or ASTM C1002. The screws must penetrate through the flange a minimum of $^{1}/_{4}$ inch (6.4 mm). Gypsum wallboard joints and screw heads must be taped and filled with joint compound in accordance with ASTM C840 or GA 216.

4.2.2.2 Attic and Crawl Space Installation: When Nudura ICFs are used as walls of attic and crawl spaces and no ignition barrier is applied to the interior space side of the foam plastic, all of the following conditions must be met:

- Entry to the attic or crawl space is only to service utilities, and no storage is permitted.
- There are no interconnected attic or basement areas.
- Air in the attic or crawl space is not circulated to other parts of the building.
- Attic ventilation is provided when required by 2021 and 2018 IBC Section 1202.2 (2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1203.2) or IRC Section R806, as applicable.
- Under-floor (crawl space) ventilation is provided when required by 2021 and 2018 IBC Section 1202.4 [2015 IBC Section 1203.4 (2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1203.3)] or IRC Section R408.1, as applicable.
- Combustion air is provided in accordance with IMC (International Mechanical Code®) Section 701.
- 4.2.3 Exterior Finish:

4.2.3.1 Above Grade: The forms must be covered on the exterior with an approved wall covering in accordance with the applicable code or a current ICC-ES evaluation report. Under the IRC, walls must be flashed in accordance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R703.4 (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R703.8).

The approved wall covering must be fastened to the flanges of the cross-ties with the fasteners listed in <u>Table 1</u>. The screws must be corrosion-resistant and must have sufficient length to penetrate the flanges of the plastic bridge inserts a minimum of 1/4 inch (6.4 mm). The fasteners have the allowable withdrawal and lateral capacity shown in <u>Table 1</u>. The fastener spacing must be designed to support the gravity loads of the wall covering and to resist the negative wind pressures. Negative wind pressure capacity of the exterior wall covering must be the same as that recognized in the applicable code for a generic wall covering or in a current ICC-ES evaluation report for proprietary materials.

4.2.3.2 Below Grade: Materials used to dampproof or waterproof basement walls must be specified by TREMCO CPG; must comply with the applicable code or a current ICC-ES evaluation report; and must be compatible with the foam plastic forms. Dampproofing and waterproofing must comply with IBC Section 1805 or IRC Section R406. Drainage must comply with IBC Section 1805.4 or IRC Section R405.1. No backfill is permitted to be applied against the wall until the complete floor system is in place, unless the wall is designed as a freestanding wall that does not rely on the floor system for structural support.

4.2.4 Foundation Walls: Foundation stem walls constructed from the ICFs that support wood-framed or concrete construction must be supported on concrete footings complying with the applicable code. Design and installation of the ICFs as foundation stem walls must comply with IBC Section 1807.1.5, IRC Section R404 or 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Section R404.1.3 (2012 and 2009 IRC Section R404.1.2), as applicable. For concrete foundation walls under the IBC, vertical reinforcement size and spacing must be in accordance with IBC Section 1807.1.6.2. For concrete foundation walls under the IRC, vertical reinforcement size and spacing must be in accordance with IRC Tables R404.1.2(2), R404.1.2(3), R404.1.2.(4) and R404.1.2(8). Under the IRC, alternate design and construction may be in accordance with ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100.

4.2.5 Retaining Walls: The ICFs may be used to construct a retaining wall, provided the retaining wall is designed in accordance with accepted engineering principles, Section 4.1 and the applicable code.

4.2.6 Protection Against Termites: Where the probability of termite infestation is defined as "very heavy" by the code official, the foam plastic must be installed in accordance with 2021, 2018, 2015 and 2009 IBC Section 2603.8 (2012 IBC Section 2603.9) or IRC Section R318.4, as applicable. Areas of very heavy termite infestation must be determined in accordance with 2021, 2018, 2015 and 2009 IBC Figure 2603.8 (2012 IRC Figure R301.2(4) and R301.2(3) (2018, 2015, 2012 and 2009 IRC Figure R301.2(6)), as applicable.

4.3 Fire-resistance-rated Construction:

Nudura ICF used to construct fire-resistance-rated wall assemblies shall be as follows:

4.3.1 General: The normal-weight concrete of a sand–limestone mix must have a minimum density of 145 pcf +/- 5 pcf (2300 kg/m³ +/- 50 kg/m³) with a minimum compressive strength of 2,900 psi (20 MPa). The minimum reinforcement must be No. 4 (10M) reinforcing bars. Reinforcing bars must be placed vertically in the center of the wall and spaced 16 inches (405 mm) on center. Horizontal reinforcing bars must be spaced 18 inches (457 mm) on center and be staggered on either side of the vertical bars, from course to course of the forms. For the ICFs with 4-inch-thick (102 mm) concrete walls the maximum superimposed axial compression load must be limited to 7 percent of the capacity determined in accordance with IBC Chapter 19. For ICFs with 6-inch (152 mm) or thicker concrete walls the maximum superimposed axial compression load must be limited to 41.8 kips per foot (610 kN/m). The load limitations are based on testing of 10-foot (3.05 m) high walls.

4.3.2 Two- and Four-hour Fire-resistance-rated Wall Assemblies: The fire-resistance ratings are as follows for the assemblies noted in Sections 4.3.1, 4.3.2.1 and 4.3.2.2:

- Four-inch-thick (102 mm) concrete wall assembly has a fire-resistance rating of two hours
- Six-inch (152 mm) and greater thickness concrete wall assemblies have a fire-resistance rating of four hours.

4.3.2.1 Exterior Wall Assembly: The interior face of the forms is covered with minimum ¹/₂-inch-thick (12.7 mm) gypsum wallboard complying with ASTM C36 or ASTM C1396. The wallboard must be attached to the cross-tie flanges with 2-inch-long (51 mm), No. 6, coarse-thread (Type W) gypsum wallboard screws, spaced 16 inches (406 mm) on center vertically and 8 inches (203 mm) on center horizontally. When ICF is used as an exterior wall for fire-resistance rating from both sides, the gypsum wallboard on the exterior face may be substituted with minimum 1-inch (25.4 mm) thick concrete or masonry mechanically attached to supporting ICF concrete wall. When ICF is only fire-resistance rated from the interior, the exterior face of the ICFs must be covered with an exterior finish as described in Section 4.2.3.

4.3.2.2 Interior Wall Assembly: Both faces of the ICFs must be covered with minimum ¹/₂-inch-thick (12.7 mm) gypsum wallboard complying with ASTM C36 or ASTM C1396. The wallboard must be attached to the cross-tie flanges with 2-inch-long (51 mm), No. 6, coarse-thread (Type W) gypsum wallboard screws, spaced 16 inches (406 mm) on center vertically and 8 inches (203 mm) on center horizontally.

4.4 Installation in Buildings Required to Be of Types I, II, III or IV Construction:

4.4.1 General: Exterior walls constructed with Nudura ICFs for use in buildings required to be Types I, II, III or IV construction must comply with the applicable conditions cited in Sections 4.4.2 through 4.4.6.

4.4.2 Interior Finish:

4.4.2.1 Buildings of Any Height: The forms must be separated from the interior of the building in accordance with Section 4.2.2.1.

4.4.2.2 Alternate Interior Finish for One-story Buildings: For one-story buildings, the interior finish may be in accordance with IBC Section 2603.4.1.4, provided all the conditions in that section are met.

4.4.3 EIFS and One-coat Stucco-Exterior Finish: The following EIFS or one-coat stucco lamina must be installed over the exterior of the forms using the reinforcing fabric or lath, base coat and finish coat materials described in the respective ICC-ES evaluation reports:

- Tremco CPG Inc., Dryvit Outsualtion EIFS as described in ESR-1232.
- Sto Corp. StoTherm[®] ci or StoTherm[®] ci with Sto Primer/Adhesive Base Coats EIFS as described in <u>ESR-1748</u>.
- Sto Corp. StoTherm Essence EIFS as described in <u>ESR-1720</u>.

4.4.4 Exterior Finish—Brick Veneer: Anchored brick veneer must be attached to the flanges of the crossties with fasteners as described in Section 4.2.3.1. The brick veneer must comply with the IBC and must be installed with a minimum 1-inch (25.4 mm) air gap between the face of the exterior EPS formwork and the brick. The brick must be installed with a steel shelf angle that is fire caulked to the face of a minimum 1½-inch (38 mm) thick concrete reveal protection cap of the exterior foam plastic panel of the ICF form, extending the full width of the top of each window and door opening (See <u>Figure 17</u>). In multi-story construction, above 1 story in height, steel shelf angles supporting brick veneer must be installed for structural support in accordance with the code.

4.4.5 Exterior Finish—Exterior Plaster: Metal lath and exterior plaster must comply with the applicable code, and the exterior plaster must be a minimum of 7/8 inch (22 mm) thick. The lath must be attached to the flange of the cross-ties with fasteners as described in Section 4.2.3.1.

4.4.6 Fireblocking: Floor-to-wall intersections must be fireblocked in accordance with the IBC to prevent the passage of flame, smoke and hot gasses from one floor to another. Foam plastic on the interior side of exterior walls and on both sides of interior walls must be discontinuous from one story to another at floor lines. See <u>Figure 18</u>.

4.5 Special Inspection:

4.5.1 IBC: Special inspection is required, in accordance with 2021, 2018, 2015 and 2012 IBC Section 1705 (2009 IBC Section 1704), for concrete construction, including placement of reinforcing steel and concrete, and for concrete cylinder testing. When an EIFS wall covering is applied, special inspection in accordance with 2021 IBC Section 1704.2 and 1705.17 {2018 and 2015 IBC Sections 1704.2 and 1705.16 [2012 IBC Sections 1704.2 and 1705.15 (2009 IBC Sections 1704.1 and 1704.14)]}, as applicable, is required, and the duties of the special inspector include verifying field preparation of materials, expiration dates, installation of components, curing of components, treatment of joints and application of sealants.

4.5.2 IRC: For walls designed in accordance with Section 4.1.2, or designed in accordance with PCA 100 as described in Section 4.1.3, special inspection is not required. Under the IRC, when walls are designed in accordance with the IBC, as described in Sections 4.1.2 and 4.1.3, special inspection in accordance with Section 4.5.1 of this report is required.

5.0 CONDITIONS OF USE:

The Nudura Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) Wall System described in this report complies with, or is a suitable alternative to what is specified in, those codes listed in Section 1.0 of this report, subject to the following conditions:

- **5.1** The ICFs are manufactured, identified, and installed in accordance with this report and the Nudura published installation instructions. If there is a conflict between the Nudura published installation instructions and this report, this report governs.
- **5.2** Plastic cross-ties must be stored away from direct sunlight.
- **5.3** The ICFs must be separated from the interior of the building as described in Section 4.2.2.1 of this report, except for attic and crawl space construction as described in Section 4.2.2.2.
- **5.4** When used in attics and crawl space construction as described in Section 4.2.2.2, the ICFs must have at least one label as described in Section 7.0 visible in every 160 square feet (15 m2) of exposed interior wall area.
- 5.5 When used as part of a fire-resistance-rated assembly, construction must be as described in Section 4.3.
- **5.6** When use is in buildings required to be of Type I, II, III or IV construction, as described in Section 4.4, the ICFs must have at least one label as described in Section 7.0 visible in every 160 square feet (15 m2) of wall area, prior to the application of the wall covering.
- **5.7** When required by the code official, calculations showing compliance with the design requirements of Section 4.1.1 of this report must be submitted to the code official for approval, except that calculations are not required when the building design is based on the prescriptive methods noted in Sections 4.1.2 and 4.1.3. The calculations and details must be prepared by a registered design professional where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed.
- **5.8** When required by code official, calculations showing compliance with 2021, 2018 and 2015 IRC Sections R404.1.3.3.6 and R608.5.3 (2012 and 2009 IRC Sections R611.5.3 and R404.1.2.3.6) must be

submitted to the code official for approval. The calculations and details, establishing that the ICFs provide sufficient strength to contain concrete during placement and that the cross-ties are capable of resisting the forces created by fluid pressure of fresh concrete, must be prepared by a registered design professional where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed.

- **5.9** In areas where the probability of termite infestation is defined as "very heavy" and when ICFs are used with wood construction, the foam plastic must be installed in accordance with Section 4.2.6.
- 5.10 Concrete quality, mixing and placement must comply with Section 4.2.1 of this report.
- 5.11 Special inspection must be provided in accordance with Section 4.5 of this report.
- **5.12**The forms are produced in Columbus, Georgia, USA, and Granby, Quebec, Canada, under a quality control program with inspections by ICC-ES.

6.0 EVIDENCE SUBMITTED

- 6.1 For the 2021, 2018, 2015 and 2012 IBC and IRC: Data in accordance with the ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria for Stay-in-place, Foam Plastic Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) Systems for Solid Concrete Walls (AC353), dated October 2012 (Editorially revised November 2021).
- 6.2 For recognition under the 2009 IBC and IRC: Data in accordance with AC353 dated October 2010.

7.0 IDENTIFICATION

- 7.1 The ICC-ES mark of electronic labeling, or the evaluation report number (ICC-ES ESR-2092) along with the name, registered trademark, or registered logo of the report holder must be included in the product label.
- **7.2** In addition, one face of each Nudura ICF is labeled with the product name (NUDURA) and the evaluation report number (ESR-2092). Each package of ICFs must be labeled with the company name (TREMCO CPG Inc.), address and telephone number; manufacturing location; manufacturing date; lot number; the evaluation report number (ESR-2092), and the phrase, "Acceptable for use in attic and crawl spaces".

Cross-ties that are shipped separately from the ICFs are provided in boxes that are marked with the manufacturing date and lot number. Cross-ties are molded with the word "Nudura" to identify them as a component of the wall system.

When use is in buildings required to be of Type I, II, III or IV construction, as described in Section 4.4, or when use is in an attic or crawl space without an ignition barrier, as described in Section 4.2.2.2, one label as described in this section must be visible in every 160 square feet (14.7 m²) of the wall area.

7.3 The report holder's contact information is the following:

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8.0 OTHER CODES

8.1 Evaluation Scope:

The products described in this report were also evaluated for compliance with the requirements of the following codes:

- 2006 International Building Code[®] (2006 IBC)
- 2006 International Residential Code[®] (2006 IRC)

The products comply with the above-noted codes as follows:

8.2 Uses:

See Section 2.0.

8.3 Description:

See Section 3.0, except for the following revisions:

- Revise Section 3.1 to say the Nudura ICFs are classified as a flat ICF wall system in accordance with 2006 IRC Section R611.3.
- Revise Section 3.2.3 to say that concrete must comply with 2006 IRC Sections R404.4 and R611.6.1, as applicable.
- Revise Section 3.2.4 to say that steel reinforcement must comply with 2006 IRC Sections R404.4.6 and R611.6.2, as applicable.
- Revise Section 3.2.5 to say that attachment of wood members in contact with concrete must comply with 2006 IRC Section R319.3.

8.4 Design and Installation:

8.4.1 Design:

8.4.1.1 IBC Method: Concrete walls formed with Nudura ICFs must be designed and constructed in accordance with 2006 IBC Chapters 16 and 19, as applicable. Footings and foundations must be designed and constructed in accordance with 2006 IBC Chapter 18.

8.4.1.2 IRC Method: Concrete walls formed with Nudura ICFs must be designed and constructed in accordance with 2006 IRC Sections R404.4 and R611 for flat ICF wall systems. Footings and foundations must be designed and constructed in accordance with 2006 IRC Chapter 4.

8.4.1.3 Alternate IRC Method: When buildings constructed under the 2006 IRC provisions do not conform to the applicability limits of 2006 IRC Sections R404.4.1 and R611.2, the structural analysis and design of the concrete must be in accordance with ACI 318 and 2006 IBC Chapter 19. The empirical design approach specified in ACI 318 Section 14.5 is applicable to the design of concrete walls formed by the Nudura ICFs.

8.4.2 Installation: Same as Section 4.2, except for the following revisions:

- Revise Section 4.2.1 to say that concrete quality, mixing and placement must comply with 2006 IBC Section 1905 or 2006 IRC Section R611.6.1, as applicable. Anchorage of wood ledger boards supporting bearing ends of joists or trusses to flat ICF walls must be in accordance with 2006 IRC Section R611.8.2, or must be engineered in accordance with the IBC, whichever code is applicable.
- Revise Section 4.2.2.2 to say that combustion air is provided in accordance with 2006 IMC Sections 701 and 703.
- Revise Section 4.2.3.2 to say that compliance is required with drainage requirements in 2006 IBC Section 1807.4 or 2006 IRC Section R405.1, as applicable.
- Revise Section 4.2.4 to say that design and installation of foundation stem walls must comply with 2006 IBC Section 1805.5 or 2006 IRC Sections R404 and R404.1.2, as applicable.
- Revise Section 4.2.6 to say that where the probability of termite infestation is defined as "very heavy" by the code official, the foam plastic must be installed in accordance with 2006 IBC Section 2603.8 or 2006 IRC Section R320.5, as applicable.

8.4.3 Fire-resistance-rated Construction: See Section 4.3.

8.4.4 Types I, II, III or IV Construction: See Section 4.4.

8.4.5 Special Inspection:

8.4.5.1 IBC: Special inspection is required as noted in 2006 IBC Section 1704 for concrete construction, including placement of reinforcing steel and concrete, and for concrete cylinder testing. Special inspection, in accordance with 2006 IBC Sections 1704.1 and 1704.12, is required when an EIFS wall covering is applied. Duties of the special inspector include verifying field preparation of materials, expiration dates, installation of components, curing of components, and installation of joints and sealants.

8.4.5.2 IRC: For walls designed and constructed in accordance with Section 8.4.1.2, special inspection is not required. For walls designed for use under the IRC, in accordance with Section 8.4.1.3, special inspection in accordance with Section 8.4.5.1 is required.

8.5 Conditions of Use:

Same as Section 5.0, except for the following revisions:

Revise Section 5.6 to say that calculations are not required when the building design is based on the prescriptive method noted in Section 8.4.1.2 or 8.4.1.3. The calculations and details must be prepared by a

registered design professional where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed.

- Revise Section 5.8 to say that in areas where the probability of termite infestation is defined as "very heavy" and when ICFs are used with wood construction, the foam plastic must be installed in accordance with Section 8.4.2.1
- Revise Section 5.9 to say that concrete quality, mixing and placement must comply with 2006 IBC Section 1905 or 2006 IRC Section R611.6.1, as applicable.
- Revise Section 5.10 to say that special inspection must be in accordance with Section 8.4.5.1 or 8.4.5.2, as applicable.
- Section 5.8 is not applicable.

8.6 Evidence Submitted:

Data in accordance with the ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria for Stay-in-place, Foam Plastic Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) Systems for Solid Concrete Walls (AC353), dated October 2000 (editorially revised April 2008).

8.7 Identification:

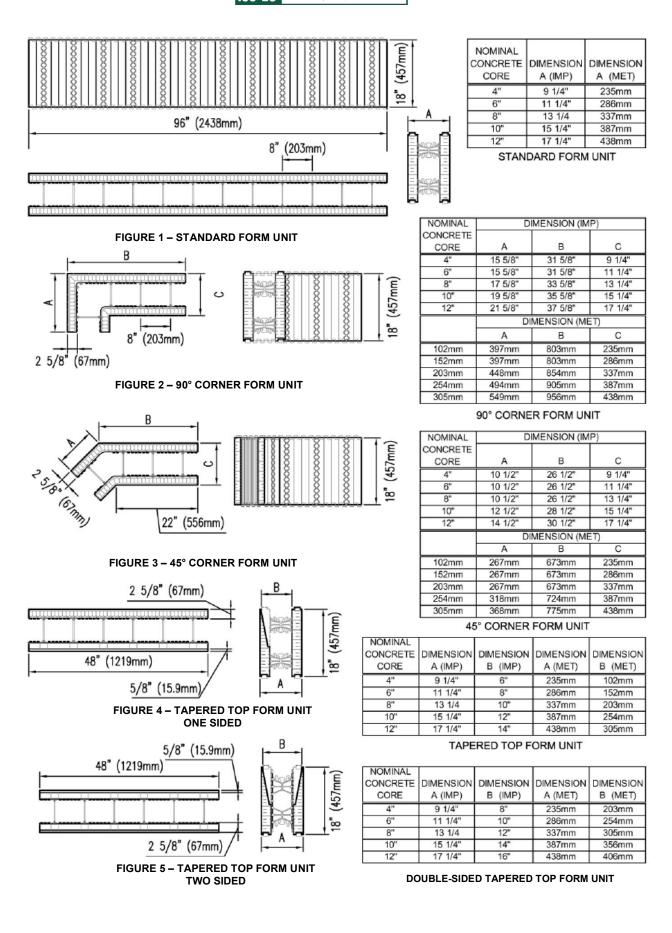
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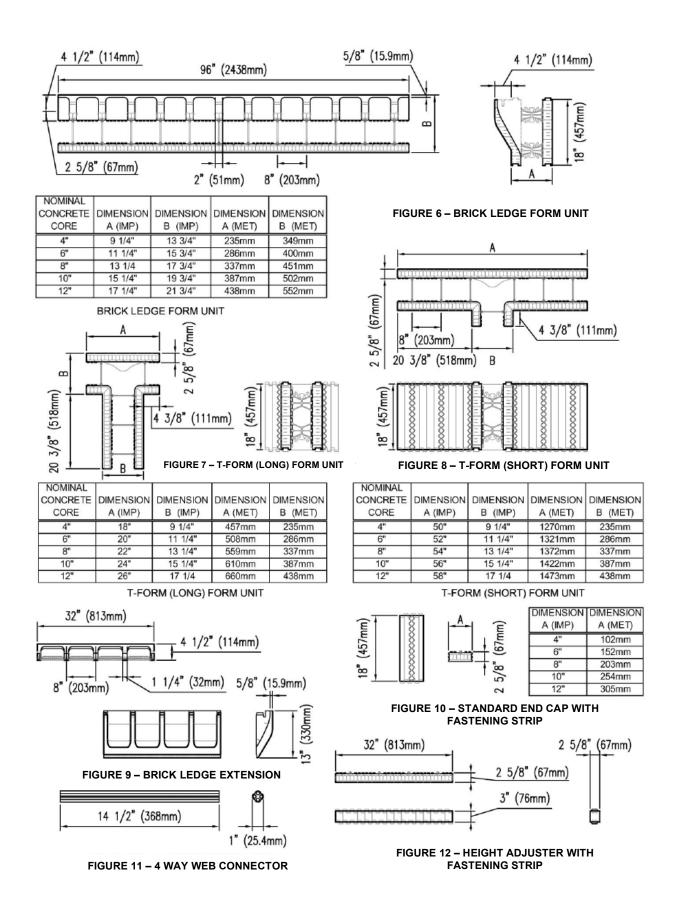
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	Lateral	Withdrawal
No. 6 Type W coarse thread screw by 2 inches	65	40
No. 8 metal screws by 2 inches	55	44
No. 8 cement board screws by 1 ³ / ₄ inches	83	47
No. 10 metal screw by 2 inches	76	47
No. 10 wood screw by 2 inches	89	51
No. 10 hex head with washer, coarse thread self-tapping screw by 2 inches	109	51
No. 12 metal screw by 2 inches	89	49
No. 14 ZA SMS screw by 2 inches	73	55
$^{1}/_{4}$ – 14 AB screw by $1^{3}/_{4}$ inches	103	50

TABLE 1—ALLOWABLE CAPACITIES OF FASTENERS IN CROSS-TIE FLANGES¹

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm; 1 lbf = 4.45 N.

¹Fasteners must by corrosion-resistant and have sufficient length to penetrate the flanges of the cross-ties at least ¹/₄-inch.





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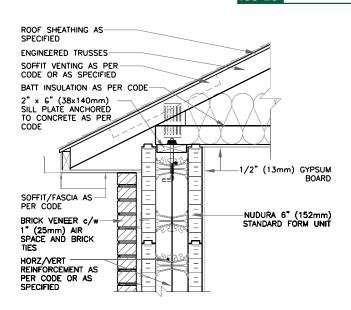
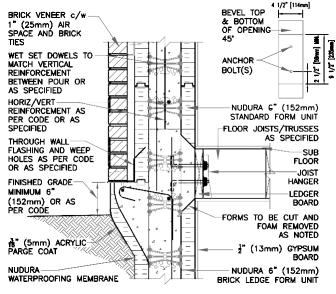
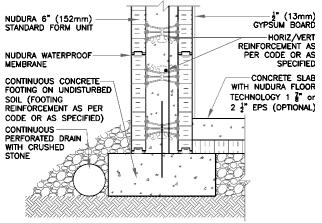


FIGURE 13—TYPICAL ROOF TRUSS CONNECTION DETAIL







NOTE: FOR CRAWL SPACES THERMAL BARRIER MAY BE ELIMINATED SUBJECT TO SECTION 4.2.4 OF THIS REPORT

FIGURE 15—STANDARD STRIP FOOTING (INSULATION OPTIONAL)

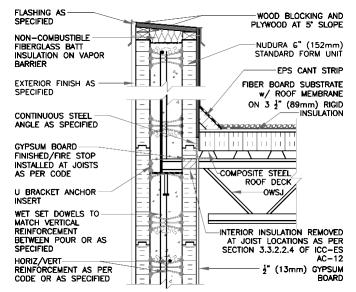


FIGURE 16—TYPICAL FLAT ROOF CONNECTION DETAIL

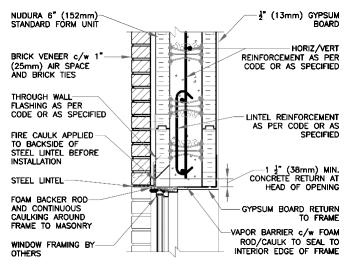


FIGURE 17-WINDOW HEAD CONDITION FOR BICK INSTALLATION—TYPE 1 – IV CONSTRUCTION

	1 2" (13mm) GYPSUM BOARD
NUDURA 6" (152mm) STANDARD FORM UNIT	FINISHED CONCRETE
WET SET DOWELS TO MATCH VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BETWEEN POUR OR AS SPECIFIED	INTERIOR INSULATION TO BE DISCONTINUOUS AT FLOOR LINES AS PER SECTION
V-CLIP WALL PANEL	
EXTERIOR FINISH AS	HOLLOW CORE PRECAST SLAB
FORM PANELS C/W	FINISH AS SPECIFIED
SUIT FLOOR CONNECTION-ADDITIONAL	MASONITE BEARING PAD
FORM SUPPORT AS REQUIRED HORIZ/VERT	DOWELS FIELD BENT AND GROUTED INTO SHEAR KEY JOINT BETWEEN PANELS
REINFÓRCEMENT AS PER CODE OR AS	AS SPECIFIED
SPECIFIED	2" (13mm) GYPSUM BOARD

FIGURE 18—INTERMEDIATE FLOOR CONNECTION LOAD BEARING HOLLOW CORE / STRUCTURAL SLAB



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1.0 REPORT PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Purpose:

The purpose of this evaluation report supplement is to indicate that Nudura Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) system, described in ICC-ES evaluation report ESR-2092, has also been evaluated for compliance with the code(*s*) noted below.

Applicable code editions:

■ 2022 California Building Code (CBC)

For evaluation of applicable chapters adopted by the California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) AKA: California Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) and the Division of State Architect (DSA), see Sections 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 below.

■ 2022 California Residential Code (CRC)

2.0 CONCLUSIONS

2.1. CBC:

The Nudura Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) system described in Sections 2.0 through 7.0 of the evaluation report ESR-2092 complies with CBC Chapters 19 and 26, provided the design and installation are in accordance with the 2021 *International Building Code*[®] (IBC) provisions noted in the evaluation report and additional requirements of CBC Chapters 16, 17, 18, 19 and 26, as applicable.

2.1.1. OSHPD:

The applicable OSHPD Sections of the CBC are beyond the scope of this supplement.

2.1.2. DSA:

The applicable DSA Sections of the CBC are beyond the scope of this supplement .

2.2. CRC:

The Nudura Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) system described in Sections 2.0 through 7.0 of the evaluation report ESR-2092 complies with CRC Chapters 3, 4 and 6, provided the design and installation are in accordance with the 2021 *International Residential Code*[®] (IRC) provisions noted in the evaluation report.

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Applicable code edition:

■ 2019 Chicago Building Code (Title 14B)

2.0 CONCLUSIONS

The Nudura[®] ICF system, described in Sections 2.0 through 7.0 of the evaluation report ESR-2092, complies with Chapters 19 and 26 of Title 14B, and is subject to the conditions of use described in this supplement.

3.0 CONDITIONS OF USE

The Nudura[®] ICF system, described in this evaluation report supplement must comply with all of the following conditions:

- All applicable sections in the evaluation report ESR-2092.
- The design, installation, conditions of use and identification of the Nudura[®] ICF system are in accordance with the 2018 *International Building Code*[®] (IBC) provisions noted in the evaluation report ESR-2092.
- The exterior walls of Nudura ICF system installed in Type V construction must be covered by exterior finishes described in Sections 4.4.3, 4.4.4 and 4.4.5 of ESR-2092 or as indicated in the Exception of Section 2603.5.7.
- The design, installation and inspection are in accordance with additional requirements of Chapters 7, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 26 of Title 14B, as applicable.

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Applicable code editions:

- 2023 Florida Building Code—Residential
- 2023 Florida Building Code—Building

2.0 CONCLUSIONS

The Nudura Insulating Concrete Form (ICFs) system described in Sections 2.0 through 7.0 of the evaluation report ESR-2092, complies with the *Florida Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Residential*, as applicable. The design requirements must be determined in accordance with the *Florida Building Code—Building or the Florida Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Building Code—Residential*, as applicable. The installation requirements noted in ICC-ES evaluation report ESR-2092 for the 2021 *International Building Code®* (IBC) meet the requirements of the *Florida Building Code—Building or the Florida Building Code—Residential*, as applicable, with the following conditions:

- In Section 4.1 of the evaluation report, for applications subject to the *Florida Building Code—Building*, Chapters 16, 18, and 19 of the *Florida Building Code—Building* are used in lieu of Chapters 16, 18, and 19 of the 2021 IBC, as applicable. For applications subject to Section R608 of the *Florida Building Code—Residential* is used in lieu of Section R608 of the 2021 IRC, as applicable.
- In Section 4.2 of the evaluation report, for applications subject to Chapters 12, 18, Chapter 19, and Section 2603.8 of the *Florida Building Code—Building* are used in lieu of Chapters 12, 18 and 19, and Section 2603.8 of the 2021 IBC, as applicable. For applications subject to Section R318, Chapter 4, Section R608, R703.8, and R806 of the *Florida Building Code—Residential* are used in lieu of Chapter 4, Section R608, R703.4, and R806 of the 2021 IRC, as applicable.
- In Section 4.4.3 of the evaluation report ESR-2092, only the Sto Corp. StoTherm[®] ci and StoTherm[®] ci with Sto Primer/Adhesive Base Coats EIFS as described in (<u>ESR-1748</u>), Sto Corp. StoTherm Essence EIFS as described in (<u>ESR-1720</u>) and Tremco CPG Inc., Dryvit Outsulation EIFS as described in (<u>ESR-1232</u>) are included in this supplement.

Use of the Nudura (ICFs) system has also been found to be in compliance with the High-Velocity Hurricane Zone provisions of the *Florida Building Code*—*Building* and the *Florida Building Code*—*Residential*.

For products falling under Florida Rule 61G20-3, verification that the report holder's quality assurance program is audited by a quality assurance entity approved by the Florida Building Commission for the type of inspections being conducted is the responsibility of an approved validation entity (or the code official, when the report holder does not possess an approval by the Commission).

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