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### TEST REPORT

FOR: Auralex Acoustics, Inc.

Indianapolis, IN

Sound Absorption RAL<sup>TM</sup>-A13-123

CONDUCTED: 3 May 2013

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ON: Auralex 2" SonoFlat Studiofoam, Charcoal

### **TEST METHOD**

The test method conformed explicitly with the requirements of the ASTM Standard Test Method for Sound Absorption and Sound Absorption Coefficients by the Reverberation Room Method: ASTM C423-09a and E795-05. Riverbank Acoustical Laboratories has been accredited by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) under the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) for this test procedure (NVLAP Lab Code: 100227-0). A description of the measuring procedure and room qualifications is available separately.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE SPECIMEN

The test specimen was designated by the manufacturer as Auralex 2" SonoFlat Studiofoam, Charcoal. A visual inspection by Riverbank staff verified the manufacturer's description, further disclosing a 50 mm thick foam panel with flat face. Each panel was nominally 610 mm (24 in.) by 610 mm (24 in.) with a beveled perimeter edge. The minimum thickness at each edge was 25 mm.

The specimen consisted of 20 pieces laid out as a single rectangular patch. The overall dimensions of the specimen as measured were 2.74 m (108.00 in.) wide by 2.44 m (96.00 in.) long and 50.80 mm (2.00 in.) thick. The area used in the calculations was 6.69 m<sup>2</sup> (72.00 ft<sup>2</sup>). The weight of the entire specimen as measured was 8.28 kg (18.25 lbs), an average of 1.22 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (0.25 lbs/ft<sup>2</sup>).

The specimen was tested in the laboratory's  $292.0 \text{ m}^3$  ( $10,311.0 \text{ ft}^3$ ) test chamber. The room temperature at the time of the test was  $21\pm0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $70\pm1^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and  $62\pm2\%$  relative humidity. The barometric pressure was 742 mm of mercury.



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### **MOUNTING A**

The test specimen was laid directly against the test surface. Perimeter edges were unsealed as would approximate a typical field installation.

#### TEST RESULTS

| 1/3 Octave Center<br>Frequency<br>(Hz) | Absorption<br>Coefficient | Total Absorption<br>In Sabins |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 100                                    | 0.25                      | 17.99                         |
| ** 125                                 | 0.21                      | 14.89                         |
| 160                                    | 0.25                      | 17.72                         |
| 200                                    | 0.31                      | 22.61                         |
| ** 250                                 | 0.53                      | 38.45                         |
| 315                                    | 0.75                      | 53.94                         |
| 400                                    | 0.86                      | 61.94                         |
| ** 500                                 | 1.05                      | 75.65                         |
| 630                                    | 1.09                      | 78.21                         |
| 800                                    | 1.09                      | 78.33                         |
| ** 1000                                | 1.12                      | 80.70                         |
| 1250                                   | 1.20                      | 86.60                         |
| 1600                                   | 1.18                      | 85.17                         |
| ** 2000                                | 1.15                      | 82.47                         |
| 2500                                   | 1.12                      | 80.98                         |
| 3150                                   | 1.10                      | 79.52                         |
| ** 4000                                | 1.10                      | 78.84                         |
| 5000                                   | 1.08                      | 77.48                         |
|  |                           |                               |

SAA = 0.95NRC = 0.95



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### TEST RESULTS (Continued)

The sound absorption average (SAA) is defined as a single number rating, the average, rounded to the nearest 0.01, of the sound absorption coefficient of a material for the twelve one-third octave bands from 200 through 2500 Hz, inclusive.

The noise reduction coefficient (NRC) is defined from previous versions of this same test method as the average of the coefficients at 250, 500, 1000, and 2000 Hz, expressed to the nearest integral multiple of 0.05.

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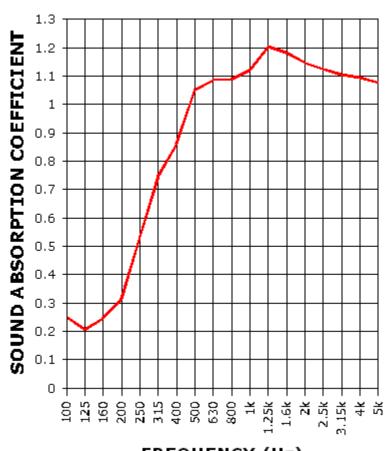
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### **SOUND ABSORPTION REPORT**

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FREQUENCY (Hz)

SAA = 0.95

NRC = 0.95



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Appendix to ASTM C423 Sound Absorption Test Extended Frequency Range Data

Product Description: Auralex 2" SonoFlat Studiofoam, Charcoal (See Full Report)

Riverbank Acoustical Laboratories is accredited to perform sound absorption coefficient measurements for the frequency range of 100Hz to 5,000Hz. However, we calculate sound absorption values at additional test frequencies as a service to our clients.

Although these measurements were made in accordance with the procedures described in ASTM C423-09a, they do not qualify as part of the standard. Since the results are representative of the test environment only, they are unofficial and intended for research and development guidelines rather than for commercial purposes. The sound absorption values at additional frequencies were as follows:

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| 1/3 Octave Center Frequency | Absorption         | <b>Total Absorption</b> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>(Hz)</u>                 | <b>Coefficient</b> | (Sabins)                |
| 40                          | 0.02               | 1.38                    |
| 50                          | 0.11               | 8.03                    |
| 63                          | 0.12               | 8.91                    |
| 80                          | 0.01               | 0.42                    |
| 6300                        | 1.12               | 80.81                   |
| 8000                        | 1.14               | 82.18                   |
| 10000                       | 1.13               | 81.67                   |

