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Subject

Testing of 'AECO Rubber Expansion Joint' for use in contact with water intended for human consumption. The sample submitted by

Asiatic Engineering Pte Ltd on 24/03/2020 and testing commenced

on 06/04/2020.

**Tested For** 

Asiatic Engineering Pte Ltd

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Test Method

SS 375: 2015 - Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard

to their effect on the quality of the water.

1) Part 1 : Specification 2) Part 2:1 : Samples for testing

3) Part 2:2:1 : Odour and flavour of water

4) Part 2:3 : Appearance of water 5) Part 2:4 : Growth of aquatic micro-organisms

6) Part 2:5 : The extraction of substances that may be

of concern to public health

7) Part 2:6 : The extraction of metals 8) Part 3 : High temperature tests

**Sample Description** 

Rubber sample said to be used for "AECO" Rubber Expansion

Joint, (photo attached). The sample was tested as per surface area

basis per litre.



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#### Results

# 1) Odour and Flavour of Water

Temperature of Extraction: 40°C. One sample was tested.

No discernible odour was detected in the first chlorine-free and chlorinated extracts. No flavour was detected in the first dilution of both first chlorine-free and chlorinated extracts. The first extract shall be defined as the final extract.

The results obtained show that the sample **complies** with the requirements of SS 375:2015Part 1, Clause 4 for the odour and flavour of water test.

### 2) Appearance of Water

Temperature of Extraction: 40°C One sample was tested.

Test	Sample	Requirements of SS375: Part 1: Specification (Maximum Admissible Level)	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Extract		
Colour (Hazen Units)	<2.5	5	
Turbidity (FNU)	< 0.01	0.5	

The results obtained show that the sample **complies** with the requirements of SS375:2015 Part 1, Clause 5 for the appearance of water test.

## 3) Growth of Aquatic Microorganisms

Test Temperature: 30°C One sample was tested.

MDOD (Mean Dissolved Oxygen Difference)

Determination	MDOD (mg/L)	Requirements of SS375: Part 1: Specification (MDOD, mg/L)
Positive Reference	7.9	$7.5 \pm 2.5$
Negative Reference	0.1	$0.0 \pm 0.6$
Test Sample	1.09	≤1.69

**MDOC (Mean Dissolved Oxygen Concentration)** 

Determination	MDOC (mg/L)	Requirements of SS375: Part 1: Specification (MDOC, mg/L)	
Control	9.7	$8.5 \pm 2.5$	

The results obtained show that the sample **complies** with the requirements of SS375:2015 Part 1, Clause 6 for the growth of aquatic micro-organisms test.



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## 4) The extraction of substances that may be of concern to public health

Temperature of Extraction: 40°C

One sample was tested.

Presence of confluent cell layer was observed in the test extract in contact with Vero cells. This observation indicates a non-cytotoxic response of the test extract to the cells.

The results obtained show that the sample **complies** with the requirements of SS375:2015 Part 1, Clause 7 for the cytotoxicity test.

#### 5) The extraction of metals

Temperature of Extraction: 40°C

Two samples were tested.

Analysis was performed using ICP/AAS and ICPMS.

Determination	Results of Metal Content in Final Extract (μg/L)		Max Allowable Concentration
	1 <sup>st</sup> E	1st Extract	
	Sample 1	Sample 2	(μ g/L)
Aluminium as A1	<20	<20	200
Antimony as Sb	<0.5	<0.5	5
Arsenic as As	<1	<1	10
Boron as B	<200	<200	2400
Barium as Ba	<100	<100	700
Cadmium as Cd	<0.5	<0.5	3
Chromium as Cr	<5	<5	50
Iron as Fe	<20	<20	200
Lead as Pb	<1	<1	10
Manganese as Mn	<5	<5	50
Mercury as Hg	<0.1	<0.1	1
Nickel as Ni	<2	<2	20
Selenium as Se	<1	<1	10
Silver as Ag	<10	<10	100

The results obtained show that the sample **complies** with the requirements of SS375:2015 Part 1, Clause 8 (Table 1) for the extraction of metals test.

#### Conclusion:

Based on the results obtained, the sample is **suitable** for use in contact with water intended for human consumption in accordance with SS375:2015.

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