



"Blanketing Nature With Nature"

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RE: Certificate of Conformance: Excel CS-3™

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to certify that Western Excelsior manufactures the Rolled Erosion Control Product (RECP) marketed as EXCEL CS-3. Each blanket is subjected to Western Excelsior's Quality Assurance Program and is manufactured to the specifications listed in document number WE_EXCEL_CS3_SPEC. Further, Western Excelsior utilizes industry standardized test procedures to develop performance references for Excel CS-3. Document number WE_EXCEL_CS3_PERF presents the industry standardized testing and results. Installation instructions are provided in document numbers WE_EXCEL_CS3_SII and WE_EXCEL_CS3_CII for hillslope and channel installations, respectively. A copy of document number WE_EXCEL_CS3_SPEC is attached; all other documentation may be obtained by calling Western Excelsior Technical Services at 1-866-540-9810, at www.westernexcelsior.com or by email at wexcotech@westernexcelsior.com.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chad M. Lipscomb".

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Material Properties and Dimensions

Excel CS-3™



Specifications

Western Excelsior manufactures a full line of Rolled Erosion Control Products (RECPs). The Coconut/Straw Excel CS-3 extended term Erosion Control Blanket consists of 30% coconut fibers and 70% certified noxious weed free agricultural straw manufactured into a continuous matrix. The coconut/straw matrix is confined by a photodegradable, synthetic net on top and bottom, mechanically (stitch) bound on two inch centers. Excel CS-3 is intended for applications requiring up to twenty-four months of functional longevity. Actual field longevity is dependent on soil and climatic conditions.

Each roll of EXCEL CS-3 is made in the USA and manufactured under Western Excelsior's Quality Assurance Program to ensure a continuous distribution of fibers and consistent thickness. Typical manufactured properties are provided in Table 1 and product characteristics are provided in Table 2.

Table 1- Specified Expected Values

| Tested Property | Test Method | Value |
|------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Tensile Strength (MD) x (TD) | ASTM D6818 | 13.0 lb/in (2.3 kN/m) x 10.7 lb/in (1.9 kN/m) |
| Elongation (MD) x (TD) | ASTM D6818 | 31 % x 29 % |
| Mass Per Unit Area | ASTM D6475 | 8.9 oz/yd ² (302 g/m ²) |
| Thickness | ASTM D6525 | 0.34 in (9 mm) |
| Light Penetration | ASTM D6567 | 10 % open |
| Water Absorption | ASTM D1117 | 325 % |

Table 2 - Netting

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Top Net Type | Synthetic, UV Stable |
| Bottom Net Type | Synthetic, Photodegradable |
| Top Net Opening Dimensions | 0.7 in (17 mm) x 0.7 in (17 mm) |
| Bottom Net Opening Dimensions | 0.5 in (13 mm) x 0.5 in (13 mm) |

Excel CS-3 is available in multiple roll sizes ranging in width from 8.0 ft to 16.0 ft. and 112.5 ft to 600 ft in length. Standard roll sizes are 100 square yards, measuring 8.0 ft wide by 112.5 ft long. Custom roll sizes are available upon request.

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