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For the attention of Mr Niall Kavanagh

27 May 2011

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Reference: Instructions from Mr Niall Kavanagh of McKeon Stone.

1. INTRODUCTION

We were instructed to undertake testing of natural stone, advised to be Irish Blue limestone, in order to establish Polished Paver Value characteristics.

2. SAMPLES

Samples were received from Hardscape Products Ltd at Sandberg laboratories on 16 May 2011 as follows.

| Sandberg Reference | Specimen Size | Test |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| G36428 | Irish Blue limestone 4 no. 200 x 100 x 20mm ; bush-hammered surface finish | Polished Paver Value |

3. TEST METHOD AND RESULTS

3.1 Polished Paver Value

Specimens with a bush-hammered surface finish were tested in accordance with BS 7932 : 2003.

The detailed test results are given in Table 1 of this report and may be summarised as follows.

| Sandberg Reference | Pendulum Test Value before polishing | | Pendulum Test Value after polishing | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|------|
| | Range | Mean | Range | Mean |
| G36428 | 75 - 87 | 80 | 46 - 52 | 48 |

4. REMARKS

These results conclude the requested programme of testing. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of any further assistance in this matter.

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POLISHED PAVER VALUE

BS 7932 : 2003

| | | | |
|----------------------------|---|--|---------------|
| Rock Name | Irish Blue | Test by/Date | HO / 26.05.11 |
| Rock Type | Limestone | Checked by/Date | MB / 27.05.11 |
| Sandberg Sample Ref. | Pendulum Test Value before polishing | Pendulum Test Value after polishing | |
| G36428 a | 78 | 46 | |
| G36428 b | 75 | 46 | |
| G36428 c | 81 | 52 | |
| G36428 d | 87 | 48 | |
| Mean | 80 | 48 | |

Sampling plan : Not advised

Surface texture : Bush-hammered

Observations during test : None

Control stone ; mean PTV of last two stones : 54

Hardness of rubber test slider [pendulum] : A57 69 ± 3 IRHD

Test specimen preparation : Chamfered leading edge

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