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## ACOUSTIC LABORATORIES

<b>REPORT NUMBER</b>	NOAL 22-0945
<b>TEST METHOD</b>	ASTM C423-22: <i>Standard Test Method for Sound Absorption and Sound Absorption Coefficients by the Reverberation Room Method</i>
<b>TEST SPONSOR</b>	PolySorb, 4813 8th Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98107
<b>ISSUED TO</b>	PolySorb, 4813 8th Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98107
<b>TEST SPECIMEN</b>	2" PolySorb acoustic panels with 2" airspace
<b>RESULT SUMMARY</b>	NRC 1.15 SAA 1.12
<b>TEST DATE</b>	September 29, 2022
<b>REPORT DATE</b>	November 14, 2022
<b>TEST SITE</b>	North Orbit Acoustic Laboratory Facility, 917 Rice Street, St. Paul, MN 55117
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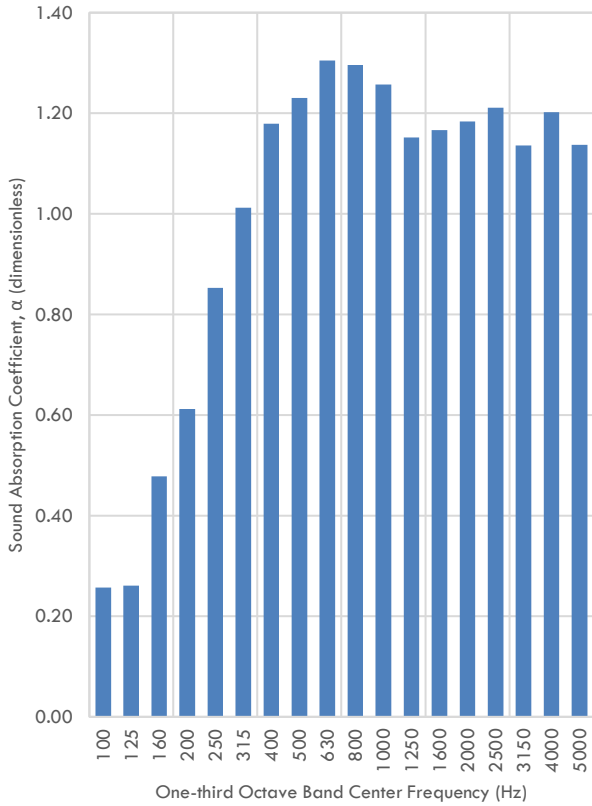
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**SECTION A – DATA SUMMARY**

**NRC 1.15, SAA 1.12**



FREQUENCY Hz	ABSORPTION COEF. dimensionless
100	0.26
125	0.26
160	0.48
200	0.61
250	0.85
315	1.01
400	1.18
500	1.23
630	1.31
800	1.30
1,000	1.26
1,250	1.15
1,600	1.17
2,000	1.18
2,500	1.21
3,150	1.14
4,000	1.20
5,000	1.14

**SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION**

2" PolySorb acoustic panels with 2" airspace

**SPECIMEN MOUNTING**

Type F50 Mounting - Test specimen mounted with an airspace behind it.

See Section C on page 4 and 5 for a full specimen description.



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## SECTION B – APPROACH

### INSTALLATION

The specimen was installed for testing at the Saint Paul, MN acoustic laboratory facility. The specimen description can be found in Section C on page 4 of this report. Some details of the specimen design are proprietary and have been withheld at the request of the test sponsor.

Qualified representatives from North Orbit Acoustic Laboratories observed or performed the installation and inspected all major elements when completed and prior to testing.

Upon completion of the test, the specimen materials were disposed of.

### TEST METHODS

North Orbit Acoustic Laboratory (NOAL) is accredited through A2LA certificate number 4240.01 for this test method.

Test methods follow the published standards listed below.

**ASTM C423-22: Standard Test Method for Sound Absorption and Sound Absorption Coefficients by the Reverberation Room Method**

**ASTM E795-16: Standard Practices for Mounting Test Specimens During Sound Absorption Tests**

All results reported herein were derived from tests performed in full accordance with test method ASTM C423-22. The laboratory and measurement systems fully meet all requirements of the test standard and the requirements of ASTM C423-22 Annex A3: **Tests to Qualify the Reverberation Room**. Measurement procedures and reverberation room descriptions and qualification documents are available upon request.

### TEST REPORTS

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**SECTION C – SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION**

The specimens are acoustical absorber panels manufactured by PolySorb. The materials were 2" thick PET (polyethylene terephthalate) with a nominal density of 4.5 PCF. The specimen was constructed from eight panels arranged to form the rectangular test specimen.

The specimen was installed according to Type F Mounting as specified in ASTM E795-16. For Type F mounting, the test specimen is mounted with an air space between the specimen and the test surface. In this case the test surface was the bare concrete floor of the test chamber. The panels were held in position by thirty 2" x 3.5" x 3" wood blocks spaced 24" OC. No treatment was applied to the seams or the panel edges. According to the test sponsor, the panel edges are exposed in typical installations.

**SPECIMEN DETAIL**

Mounting Condition	Type F50 Mount (ASTM E795)		
Specimen Face Dimensions	2.66 m	[104.7"] x 3.05 m	[120.1"]
Specimen Face Surface Area	8.11 m <sup>2</sup>	[87.3 SF]	
Specimen Thickness	0.05 m	[2.0"]	
Overall Mass	29.9 kg	[66.0 lb]	

For determining the absorption coefficient, the face surface area is the divisor below the total measured absorption of the specimen.



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**SECTION D – MEASUREMENT SET-UP**

TEST ENVIRONMENT	
Chamber Temperature	22.9 °C [73.2 °F]
Chamber Relative Humidity	49.9%
Atmospheric Pressure	99.60 kPa [29.41" Hg]
Chamber Volume	348.62 m <sup>3</sup> [12,312 CF]

**INSTRUMENTATION**

DESCRIPTION	BRAND	MODEL	SERIAL
Analyzer	Sinus	Apollo	75110
Software	Sinus	Samurai	ver. 2.8.3
Microphone	Brüel & Kjær	4166	1727058
Preamplifier	Brüel & Kjær	2669C	2300986
Calibrator	Brüel & Kjær	4231	2416109
Thermohygrometer	Kestrel	5200	2311344



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**SECTION E – TEST RESULTS**

FREQUENCY BAND	TOTAL ABSORPTION OF TEST SPECIMEN		ABSORPTION COEFFICIENT
Hz	m <sup>2</sup>	[SF]	dimensionless
100	2.09	[22.4]	0.26
125	2.12	[22.8]	0.26
160	3.88	[41.7]	0.48
200	4.97	[53.5]	0.61
250	6.92	[74.5]	0.85
315	8.21	[88.4]	1.01
400	9.57	[103.0]	1.18
500	9.98	[107.5]	1.23
630	10.59	[114.0]	1.31
800	10.51	[113.2]	1.30
1,000	10.20	[109.8]	1.26
1,250	9.35	[100.6]	1.15
1,600	9.46	[101.9]	1.17
2,000	9.60	[103.4]	1.18
2,500	9.83	[105.8]	1.21
3,150	9.22	[99.2]	1.14
4,000	9.75	[105.0]	1.20
5,000	9.23	[99.3]	1.14
<b>SAA (SOUND ABSORPTION AVERAGE)</b>			<b>1.12</b>
<b>NRC (NOISE REDUCTION COEFFICIENT)</b>			<b>1.15</b>

