

— TEST NO. TP08—

I. Scope

This test procedure is used to determine the weathering characteristics of the paint/polymer system, used in the Texture Plus® system.

II. Materials and Equipment

a. Q type UV Tester called QUV with an A340 light wave bulb. The test involves a cycle of 8 hours of UV at 70 degrees Celsius; 4 hours of darkness, humidity and at 50 degrees Celsius. This

cycle is constantly repeated for the length of the test.

b. Texture Plus® production coated parts with barrier coat and top coat. The parts are cut 12"

- by 3" and 1/4" thick in order to properly fit the QUV equipment.
- **c.** Color Difference Tester (Hunter)

d. Gloss meter.

III. Procedure

a. Age finished parts for 1 week at room temperature (77 degrees F)

b. Test one part for 240 hours of QUV.

c. Test one part for 504 hours of QUV.

IV. Report

a. Take the reading of CIE L*a*b* values before and after the test, record these values.

b. Take reading of Gloss value before and after the test, record these values.

c. Compare test results to Texture Plus® standard parts.

V. Results

a. The parts tested passed. There was no change in CIE*a*b* or Gloss values on the Texture Plus® samples tested.

