## CITY OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

Pursuant to Administrative Code Section 27-131, the following equipment or material has been found acceptable for use in accordance with the Report of the Material and Equipment Acceptance (MEA) Division.

Rudolph J. Rinaldi, R.A., Commissioner

MEA 223-93-M

Report of Material and Equipment Acceptance Division
Manufacturer - James Hardie Building Products, Inc., 10901 Elm Avenue,
Fontana, CA 92337.

Product - Noncombustible material in accordance with Building Code.

Pertinent Code Section - 27-232 (Definition - noncombustible).

Prescribed Test - ASTM E-136.

Laboratory - Warnock Hersey Inc.

Test Report - No.IC-1093A-90, dated June 21, 1993.

Description - Non-asbestos fiber reinforced cement board materials for noncombustible acceptance. The following products are manufactured using the same fiber cement material:

Hardiplank Lap Siding
Hardisoffit Sheets
Hardiflex Panels
Hardipanel Vertical Siding
Harditex Baseboard
Hardibacker Underlayment

The above materials are manufacturered in various widths and lengths with thicknesses of 3/16, 1,4, 5/16, 3/8 and 7/16. The material may be used where noncombustible material are required by the New York City Building Code.

Recommendations - That the above described cement board material be accepted as conforming with noncombustible requirements: A material which, in the form in which it is used in construction, will not ignite and burn when subjected to fire. However, any material which liberates flammable gas when heated to any temperature up to one thousand three hundred eighty degrees Fahrenheit for five minutes shall not be considered noncombustible. No material shall be considered noncombustible which is subject to increase in combustibility beyond the limits established above, through the effects of age, fabrication or erection techniques, moisture, or other interior or exterior atmoshpheric conditions. All shipments and deliveries of such material shall be accompanied by a label or certificate certifying that the material shipped or delivered are equivalent to those tested and acceptable for use, as provided for in Section 27-131 of the Building Code.