CONSTRUCTION METHODOLOGY FOR LIGHT GAUGE STEEL FRAME SYSTEM

Steel Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd A Division of A P Scott Trinidad Ltd

The design review and structural inspection of these structures were undertaken by an independent **Registered Engineer**, **Mr. Vaughn Lezama** (**Reg. # 04-110**).

Structural System

The structural framings and skeleton of the prototype structures consist of cold formed steel elements in accordance with Australian Standard AS1365. The following profile sections are used in the design of All Pre-Engineered Structures: -

- 1. All vertical, horizontal and diagonal bracing members 16G steel with C9015 profile
- 2. Wall panels are anchored to concrete foundation slab with Mechanical Wedges at 24" O.C
- 3. Flooring system to two-level structures 16G with C20015 profile
- 4. Upper wall panels to two-level structures 18G and 20G steel with C9010 profile.

Building Codes and Standards

The cold formed steel structure Code used for the design is **AS/NZS 4600:1996: "Cold Formed Steel Structures"** which is a joint Australian/New Zealand Standard. The cold formed materials used in the construction of the structures are supplied out of Australian and as such the AS/NZS Codes have been used by the developer as the applicable Code for the design of the cold formed steel system used for construction of the residential structures.

Inspection Procedure

The Inspection and structural review procedures adopted for all structures are as follows:

Review of the approved building plans and construction details

Review of the applicable design Codes and Standards for cold form steel structures

> Desk Top research of cold formed steel construction design and practice as obtained in jurisdictions which use Codes and Standards that have been adopted and/or approved by the Design Branch of the Ministry of Works and Infrastructure.

 \triangleright Detailed visual inspection of the shapes, thickness, arrangement and fixing of the various structural elements and connection details including vertical and horizontal studs, lateral braces, fasteners,

floor bolts, straps, hurricane ties, screws and hangers of structures under construction

Evaluation of Structural Integrity

A close visual inspection of structures in varying stages of completion allowed for an evaluation of the arrangement and fixing of the materials which comprise the structural system, the quality of the workmanship in the construction of the system and the consistency of construction best practice which altogether attest to the integrity or lack thereof of the structures under review.

In general, the structures are constructed consistently in keeping with code requirements and the design and intent of the design drawings. Furthermore, the quality of the workmanship and materials are of a standard which equates with the best expectation of low rise cold formed steel structures construction practice. This applies to the arrangement and fixing of the cold formed steel structural elements which were visually examined.

<u>CERTIFICA</u> <u>TION</u>

Based on the inspection and structural evaluation undertaken and in my considered professional engineering judgment I hereby certify that the design and construction of the cold form steel building structures as detailed on the attached drawings to which I have affixed my stamp and signature are in keeping with the reference Codes and best industry practice for residential cold formed steel structure construction.

The residential structures as constructed will therefore meet and exceed all current statutory requirements as far as structural integrity is concerned and are therefore fit for use for the intended purpose as residential dwelling structures.

Yours Respectfully Consulting Engineers Associates 2005 Ltd

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TYPICAL PROPERTY RANGES (FOR NORMAL SUPPLY PRODUCT)

Thickness		Yield Strength & Tensile Strength MPa																							
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FABRICATING PERFORMANCE		TYPICAL CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF STEEL BASE					
Method	Rating		%				
Bending	1	Carbon (C)	0.035 - 0.070				
Drawing	NR	Phosphorus (P)	0.00 - 0.02				
Pressing	NR	Manganese (Mn)	0.20 - 0.30				
Roll-Forming	3	Sulphur (S)	0.00 - 0.02				
Welding (design must allow for some		Silicon (Si)	0.00 - 0.02				
strength reduction near welds)	4	Aluminium (Al)	0.02 - 0.07				
Painting [Pretreatment]	5	Nitrogen (N)	0.000 - 0.008				

where 1 = limited to 5 = excellent, or NR = not recommended

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Typical Mechanical Properties are based on typical product dispatched to customers. Note that ductility will decline through a natural aging process during storage and/or paint stoving cycle.

The Skin-Passing of ZINCALUME® G550S steel will generally give a marginally higher yield strength and marginally reduced % elongation.

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System Engineer Steel Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd Don Miguel Extension Road El Socorro

Attention: Mr. Randy Persad

Dear Sir,

Conceptual Approval for Steel Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd Building System

In reference to the above, please be advised that the Steel Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd Building System is approved for the construction of buildings in Trinidad up to two storeys in height.

It should be noted that final structural approval for any project will be subject to the normal approval process, and submission of final design details and structural calculations for the buildings on an individual basis will be required.

Bruce Farley Chief Designs Engineer Permanent Secretary (Works)

xc Director of Construction

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STEEL WALL FRAMING - Erection

Prefabricated steel wall framing can be used with all types of floor construction. Although framing varies in detail between manufacturers, the general principles are the same for all systems. Steel wall framing is erected in the same sequence as pre-fabricated timber, ensuring squareness and vertical alignment of individual frames.



TYPICAL STEEL FRAMED SINGLE STOREY STRUCTURE – FULL SKELETAL FRAME



TYPICAL COMPLETED SINGLE STOREY STRUCTURE – WITH PLYCEM EXTERNAL SIDING



TYPICAL STEEL FRAMED TWO STOREY STRUCTURE – FULL SKELETAL FRAME



<u>TYPICAL STEEL FRAMED TWO STOREY STRUCTURE – FULL SKELETAL FRAME</u> STAGE SHOTS OF DIY MODEL HOUSE BEING ERECTED



SQUARING AND PLUMBING OF FRAMES



PLYCEM FIBER CEMENT CLADDING BEING INSTALLED ONTO STEEL FRAMES





ROOF SHEETING BEING INSTALLED

COMPLETED DIY MODEL HOUSE AT EL SOCORRO FACILITY



A General Installation Guideline Is Shown Below:

- a. Architectural Plans Received and Reviewed
- b. Plans are converted into Light Gauge Steel Framing using specialist Engineering software
- c. Production and Assembly of Frames are done and QA/ QC checked according to Design specifications
- d. Frames along with Installation Drawings and respective construction materials are shipped to clients site for installation
- e. Once Floor Slab has been prepared according the specifications, the installation process begins with members of SFESL 's trained personnel
- f. Slab is swept out and clear of all debris and dust.
- g. The wall layout is marked on the floor using straight lines or chalk line. In some cases, spray paint may be used.
- h. Squareness is checked by accurately measuring diagonals in large areas of the house first, then individual rooms.
- i. Internal wall frames are stacked inside the boundaries and external walls around the foundations, with the first frame on top.
- j. External frames are placed around the perimeter with their bottom plates adjacent to their final positions.
- k. Starting at any convenient external corner stand and plumb a wall frame panel in its exact position or as instructed by SFESL'S trained personnel
- Before any wall panel is installed onto concrete slab < a bead of vulkem 116 sealant is placed onto the slab to prevent any moisture from penetrating from the outside once the skirting boards are installed.
- m. Stand and plumb the adjoining frame to make a self-supporting corner.

- Clamp the frames together and check again that both frames are in their exact locations and standing vertical. Always refer to installation drawings for accuracy
- o. Connect the frames using manufacturers recommended method generally nails, screws or rivets. In SFESL's case, either a 3/8" x 3 ³/₄" wedge anchor is used to anchor wall panels to concrete slab. These are placed at 24" OC through the entire run of the building for all wall framing.
- p. Proceed with the erection of the frames around the house, standing internal and external frames as they occur.
- q. Provide adequate temporary bracing during wall frame erection. The line of top plates in a run of walling should be checked with a string or nylon line.
- r. Once the framing is properly installed according to the installation drawings provided, a QA/QC check is done to ensure that the system is fixed and anchored.
- s. A similar procedure is adopted for the roof trusses and these are strapped and anchored using a combination of Simpson Strong Tie Hurricane brackets and other specialty connectors as recommended by company's Engineer.
- t. Structural Battens are then installed onto the Roof trusses followed by the installation of the Roof sheeting. Depending on the type of sheeting being used, the batten spacing may need to be adjusted.
- u. Since this system is fully Metal, it is important that the entire building should be grounded off by a certified electrician to prevent the risk of shock or electrocution.
- v. A vapour barrier is then installed onto the entire steel framed structure to prevent any risk of corrosion.

- w. Next the Plycem Fibre cement siding panels are installed onto the exterior of the building according to specifications and guidance provided by SFESL's personnel.
- x. Once this is done, the electrical and plumbing works can commence on the internal part of the building prior to closing off the exposed steel framed structure with either gypsum, Plycem or any other material of client's choice. Special note should be taken as to certain cladding substrates as this may cause mould to start developing.
- y. After this, all finishes can be done in building. This would include windows, doors, tiling, cupboards, sanitary ware, painting etc.

SFESL'S CONNECTION DETAILS











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Screw Quantity	Initle	Two U	nitles	Three	Unitles	Four Unitles						
per Face	10-16×16	12-14×20	10-16×16	12-14×20	10-16×16	12-14×20	10-16×16	12-14x20				
2	2,35	2,52	4,70	5,04	7.06	7,55	9.41	10,07				
3	3.53	3.78	7.06	7.55	10.58	11.33	14.11	15.11				
4	4.70	5.04	9.41	10.07	14.11	15.11	18.82	20.14				





FLOOR SYSTEM

Our Flooring Systems are detailed by CAD and fully supported by our Design Manuals which references critical design information in both the design and application of our Flooring System. Steel-Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd. Wall Panels can be supplied in any size between 150mm to 200mm and Designed to international Standards.

Below shows a typical example of the Floor system that can be done using our system. It can be either a solid C Section Floor Joist or a web joist. Each has its benefits which our Engineer can discuss further if needed.



WALL PANELS

Wall Panels are designed by computer analysis by our highly trained team of experts and fully supported by our Design Manual which references critical design information in both the design and application of our Wall Panels.

Steel-Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd. Wall Panels can be supplied in any size between 90 mm to 200mm and Designed to international Standards.

SFESL's wall panels range from 20 G structural panels to 16G structural panels or the equivalent of 1.0mm to 1.5mm G550 Structural Grade Galvalume



ROOF TRUSSES

Our Roof Trusses and Rafters are designed by computer analysis using state of the art Steel Framing Engineering software by our highly qualified and trained staff and fully supported by our Design Manuals which references critical design information in both the design and application of our Roof Trusses. Steel-Framed Engineered Solutions Ltd. can supply a variety of Roof Truss styles, from basic Plate and Cee Trusses to the high performing UCord and TCord Truss Systems, designed and tested to meet international Standards.





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STEP 4

STEP 5

Place the first piece of Overlapped Siding from left to right. Then, continue this way with the rest of the pieces on the first line.



Overlapped Siding

Place the following pieces of siding on the second line and on the following lines. This should always be done from left to right, from , alternating the joint (fastened).







First, to place the corner, the Siding pieces should be placed on both sides of one corner. Then, place the corner from bottom to top. See details 1 and 2.

WINDOW AND DOOR EDGE

A.1. Metal corner on vertical edge



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PLAN OF PROPOSED STRUCTURE FOR ENGINEERING ANALYSIS





We are proud to offer the most versatile integrated Steel Framing System in the Caribbean. State of the art roll formers, fully integrated software interfaces and experience has made us a key player in residential, commercial and light industrial solutions.

Experience, expertise, quality, customer satisfaction and on time delivery are the watchwords upon SFESL has done business. Our Team of experts have been involved in steel framed construction for over 13 years locally and have adopted Training / Engineering / Software and Machinery from leaders in the steel framing construction industry.

SFESL can adapt designs to suit your budget. We use a fully integrated system that is capable of producing wall panels, floor systems, roof trusses and customised sections to suit your needs. All materials used in design and manufacture conform to the highest international standards and codes. All materials used in production is G550 Tensile Strength Steel and may be adapted with hot rolled sections for additional supports or Hybrid construction.

Each section is produced under strict quality control according to set tolerances ensuring conformity / perfection at all times. The cost saving to you is speed of erection, getting you into your home earlier; no warping, so finished walls and ceilings are a lot truer; stronger in construction than alternative usual methods.

Our frames are designed in-house with the aid of the latest in computer CAD systems. Quality control is such that we can precision roll, cut and factory assemble to the highest standards that are expected. Because of this, there is little or no waste.