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Teks Select™ is Now ICC-ES Evaluated (See ESR#3223)

Itasca, IL, January 12, 2012 – ITW Buildex®, a leading manufacturer of specialty fastening systems for the commercial construction market, recently received an evaluation report (ESR#3223) from ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES), targeting the ITW Buildex Teks Select Self-Drilling Structural Fasteners are now approved to meet international building code requirements. Specifying engineers, architects, contractors, designers, and other building officials that utilize ICC-ES Evaluation Reports to evaluate fasteners now have a selectively hardened fastener available to specify.

These structural fasteners are proprietary self-drilling and tapping fasteners which have two different hardness zones. The load-bearing hardness zone retains characteristics similar to those of a Grade 5 Bolt (per SAE J429 and ASTM A449) while the higher hardness zone is designed for drilling metals. Teks Select fasteners are also coated with a corrosion resistant coating identified as Climaseal ACR™ and tested per ASTM B117.

ICC-ES thoroughly examined ITW Buildex product information, test reports, calculations, quality control methods, and other factors to ensure the product is code-compliant. Regular audits are performed of manufacturing and quality control methods at ITW Buildex.

ICC-ES President Mark Johnson explains why ICC-ES Evaluation Reports are so important. *“ITW Buildex can now reference the evaluation report to ensure building officials and the building industry that the product meets I-Code requirements,”* Johnson said. *“Building departments have a long history of using evaluation reports, and ICC-ES operates as a technical resource for the building department. Final approval of building products is always in the hands of the local regulatory agency.”*

ITW Buildex is a world-class provider of fastening solutions. The company manufactures self-drilling screws, anchors, toggles, and other fastening systems for attachment to metal and wood, under the Teks®, TruGrip™, Sammys®, Dec-King®, E-Z Ancor®, and Rock-On™ brands. For additional information, visit us at www.itwbuildex.com.

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States’ leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. ICC-ES Evaluation Reports (ESRs) and PMG Listings provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements of codes and technical standards. ICC-ES also issues environmental reports verifying that products meet specific sustainability targets defined by today’s codes, standards, green rating systems and ICC-ES guidelines. ICC-ES is a subsidiary of the International Code Council® (ICC®). For more information, please visit www.icc-es.org.

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