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PRODUCT EVALUATED: Century Aluminum Railings 8 ft. Aluminum  
Component Picket Railing System  
EVALUATION PROPERTY: Load Requirements

**Report of 8 ft. Aluminum Component Picket Railing System for  
compliance with the applicable requirements of the following:**

- **2015 International Residential Code (IRC), Section R301.5  
Live Load**

# TEST REPORT

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## 2 Introduction

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Intertek Testing Services NA Ltd. (Intertek) has conducted a test program for Cendek Railings Ltd. on Century Aluminum Railings aluminum railing system. The evaluation was carried out to determine whether the railing system would resist the loads specified in the following:

- 2015 International Residential Code (IRC), Section R301.5 *Live Load*

This evaluation was conducted in the month of May 2016.

## 3 Test Samples

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### 3.1. SAMPLE SELECTION

The client submitted one (1) aluminum railing system to the Evaluation Center on May 9, 2016 (Coquitlam ID# VAN1605241528-001). Samples were not independently selected for testing.

### 3.2. SAMPLE AND ASSEMBLY DESCRIPTION

The sample was identified as the following:

<b>Railing</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>Post Spacing</b>	<b>Mounting Plate</b>	<b>Rails</b>	<b>Picket/Panel Insert</b>
Aluminum Component Picket – Deck Mount	2-1/2" x 2-1/2"	99"	4" x 4" x 1/4"	42" high	5/8" x 5/8"

For detailed drawings of the test sample and components, refer to Appendix B.

Note: The installation of the guardrail to the deck was not within the scope of this report, and is subject to evaluation and approval by the building official. Four 3/8 in. grade 5 bolts and washers on each post were used to install the specimen for testing.

## 4 Testing and Evaluation Methods

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The test specimens were loaded at a rate to achieve the specified loads between 10 seconds and 5 minutes. The specified test loads were held for one minute before the load was released. The following tests were conducted:

### 4.1. 2015 IRC: SECTION R301.5 LIVE LOAD

- 1) Handrails and guards shall be designed to resist a concentrated load of 200 pounds (0.89 kN), applied in any direction at any point on the handrail or top rail and to transfer the load through the supports to the structure to produce the maximum load effect on the element being considered.
- 2) Intermediate rails (all those except the handrail), balusters and panel fillers shall be designed to withstand a horizontally applied normal load of 50 pounds (0.22 kN) on an area not to exceed 12 in. by 12 in. (305 mm by 305 mm) including openings and space between rails and located so as to produce the maximum load effect.

Notes:

1. A live load factor of 2.5 was applied to the above loads.

#### **4.2. IN-FILL LOAD TEST**

A load of 125 lbs was applied using a 1 square foot block normal to the in-fill. After release of the load, the system was evaluated for failure, any evidence of disengagements of any component and/or visible cracking from any component.

#### **4.3. CONCENTRATED LOAD TEST**

The top rail of the guardrail system was subjected to three separate tests where a concentrated load of 500 lbs was applied:

- horizontally at the mid-span of the top rail,
- horizontally at the top rail adjacent to the post connection to verify the connection capacity, and
- horizontally at the top of post.

## 5 Testing and Evaluation Results

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### 5.1. RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS

The product test results are shown in Table 2 below and a full set of test data is located in Appendix A.

Table 2. Test Results		
System Description	Test	Compliance
Century Aluminum Railings 8 ft. Aluminum Component Picket Railing System – Deck Mount	In-fill Load	Pass
	Mid-span Concentrated Load	Pass
	Adjacent to Post Connection Concentrated Load	Pass
	Top of Post Concentrated Load	Pass

## 6 Conclusion


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The Cendek Railings Ltd. aluminum railing system identified in this test report has complied with the requirements of the following:

- 2015 International Residential Code (IRC), Section R301.5 *Live Load*

The product test results are presented in Section 5 of this report.

### INTERTEK TESTING SERVICES NA LTD.

Reported by:   
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Reviewed by:   
Riccardo DeSantis  
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## **APPENDIX A: Test Data (2 pages)**

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Company	Cendek Railings Ltd.	Technician(s)	Chris Chang / Frank Gadea-Lopez
Project No.	G102560897	Reviewer	Riccardo DeSantis
Models	Aluminum Picket Guardrail System	Start/End Date	May 25, 2016
Product Name	Same as above	Sample ID	VAN1605241528-001
Standard	<b>2015 International Residential Code (IRC)</b>		

**Test Data Package**

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Picket Railing System - Loads on Guards	2



**Test: Loads on Guards**  
**Date: 25-May-16**  
**Client: Cendek Railings Ltd.**  
**Product: Aluminum Picket Guardrail System**  
**Post Spacing: 8.250 ft 2.51 m**  
**Height of Guard: 42 in 1067 mm**  
**Opening in Guard: 3.875 in 98 mm**  
**Method: 2015 International Residential Code (IRC)**  
**Safety Factor: 2.50**  
**Equipment: Artech 5000 lbf Load Cell (Intertek ID# P60691, cal due November 2016)**  
**Vaisala Temp/RH Indicator (Intertek ID# 9-0176, cal due December 2016)**  
**Stopwatch (Intertek ID# P60624, cal due July 2016)**  
**Time/Temp/RH: 8:30AM / 23.0°C / 50.0%**

**Project: G102560897**  
**Eng/Tech: Chris Chang**  
**Frank Gadea-Lopez**  
**Reviewer: Riccardo DeSantis**

Direction	Test	Design Load (Inward/Outward) (lbf)	Factored Load	Calculated Moment (lbf-ft)	Equivalent Quarter-Point Load (lbf)	Required Proof Load (lbf)	Pass/Fail
Outward	Individual Elements (over 12 in. x 12 in.) (most critical location)	50	125	-	-	125	Pass
	Midspan Horizontal Concentrated Load	200	500	-	-	500	Pass
	Top Rail Adjacent to Connection Concentrated Load	200	500	-	-	500	Pass
	Top of Post	200	500	-	-	500	Pass

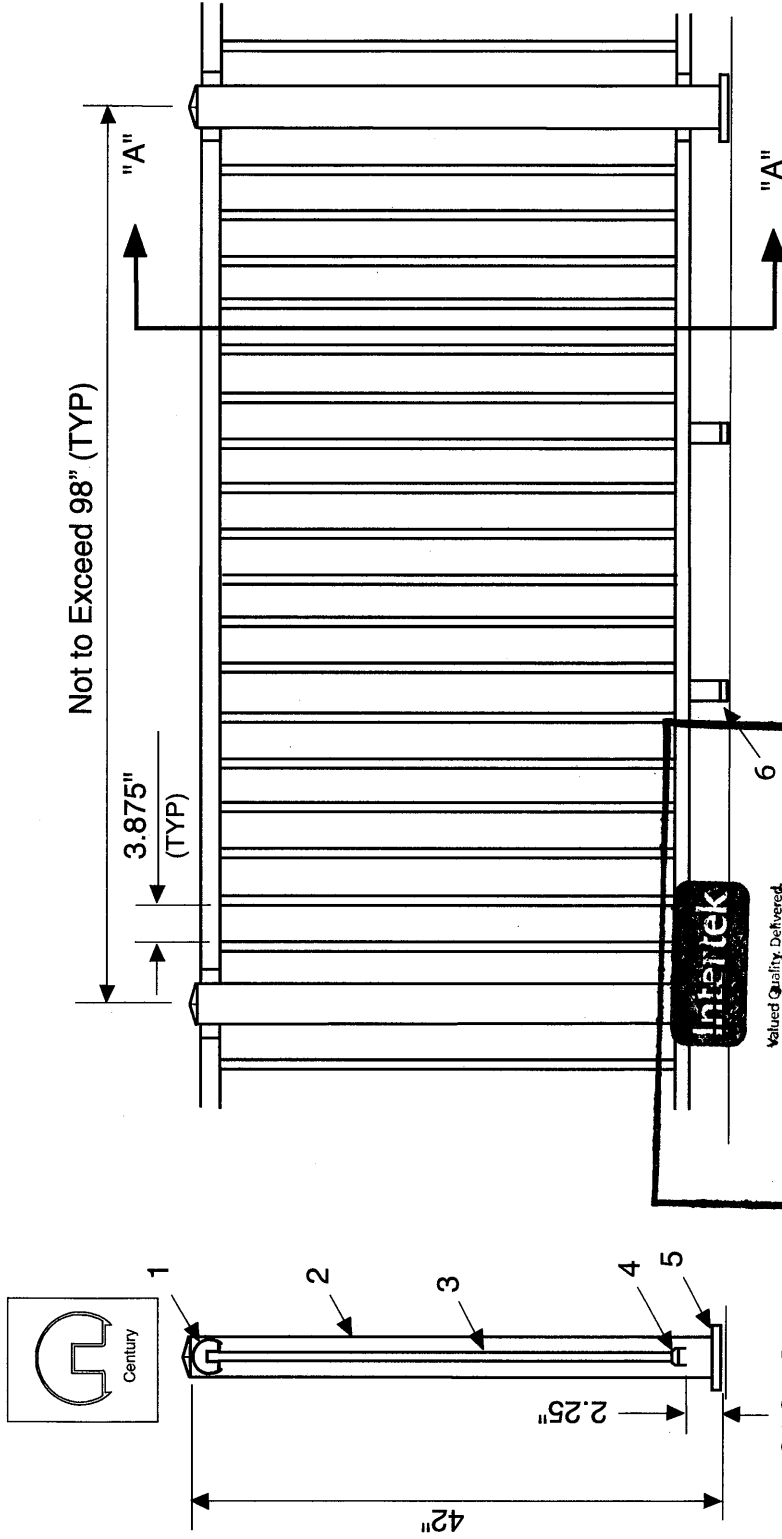
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Outward	Individual Elements (over 305 mm in. x 305 mm) (most critical location)	0.22	0.56	-	-	0.56	Pass
	Midspan Horizontal Concentrated Load	0.89	2.22	-	-	2.22	Pass
	Top Rail Adjacent to Connection Concentrated Load	0.89	2.22	-	-	2.22	Pass
	Top of Post	0.89	2.22	-	-	2.22	Pass



## **APPENDIX B: Drawings (6 pages)**

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# 5/8" x 5/8" x 8' Component Picket Railing - Surface Mount



**SECTION "A-A"**  
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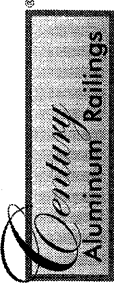
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NOTE: THE STRUCTURES INCLUDED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS DRAWING HAVE BEEN DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE 2015 IRC.

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**VARIATION OF BALCONY RAILING**  
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	Material - Aluminum	Thickness	Alloy
1	Top Rail - Century 2.35" x 1.89	.083	6063-T54
2	Post - 2.50" x 2.50"	.075	6063-T54
3	Picket - .625" x .625"	.050	6063-T54
4	Bottom Rail - 1.06" x 1.41"	.070	6063-T54
5	Baseplate - 4" x 4"	.250	6005A-T6
6	Support Leg	.125	6063-T54



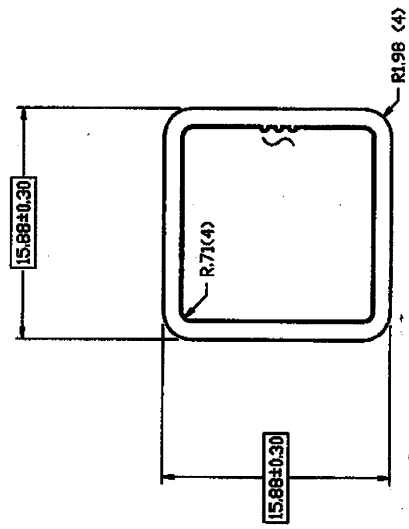
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Customer Name: Deksmart Railings  
 Part Description: 5/8" Picket  
 Note: Standard Aluminum Association Tolerances to Apply Unless Otherwise Noted

Apex Die Number: 2175  
 Customer No.:

Area=sq.mm	71.286
Weight=kg/m	0.197
Perimeter=mm	112.262
Outer Perimeter=mm	60.121
C.C.D.=mm	20.817
Factor:	33
Ratio:	55
Cavities:	8
Press No.:	1
Scale:	AS NOTED
Alloy:	6063 T5
Date:	3/20/2015
Drawn by:	dc



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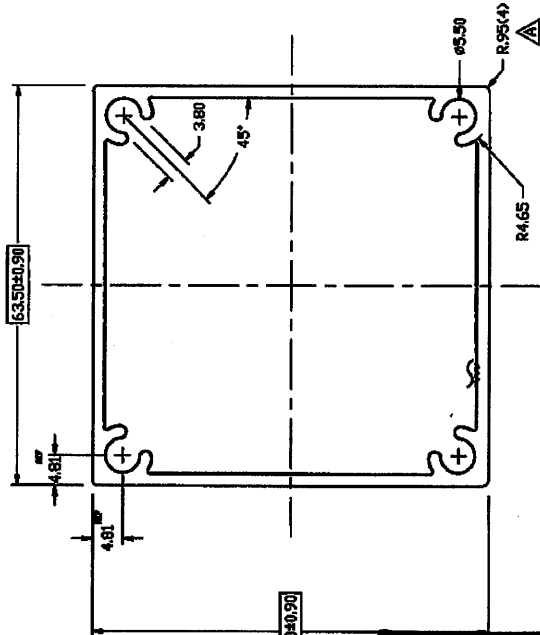
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Apex Die Number:  
 2179

Customer No.:

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Outer Perimeter=mm	253.313
C.C.D.=mm	89.471
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Cavities:	1
Press No.:	1
Scale:	AS NOTED
Alloy:	6063 T5
Date:	3/20/2015
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SAL-304-1	5/10/2012
TYP WALL U.O.S.	1.90±0.25
Denotes Apex ID Mark	.25x80° V GROOVE (3X)
All unmarked radii	.95R unless otherwise noted
Break all corners	.40R unless otherwise noted



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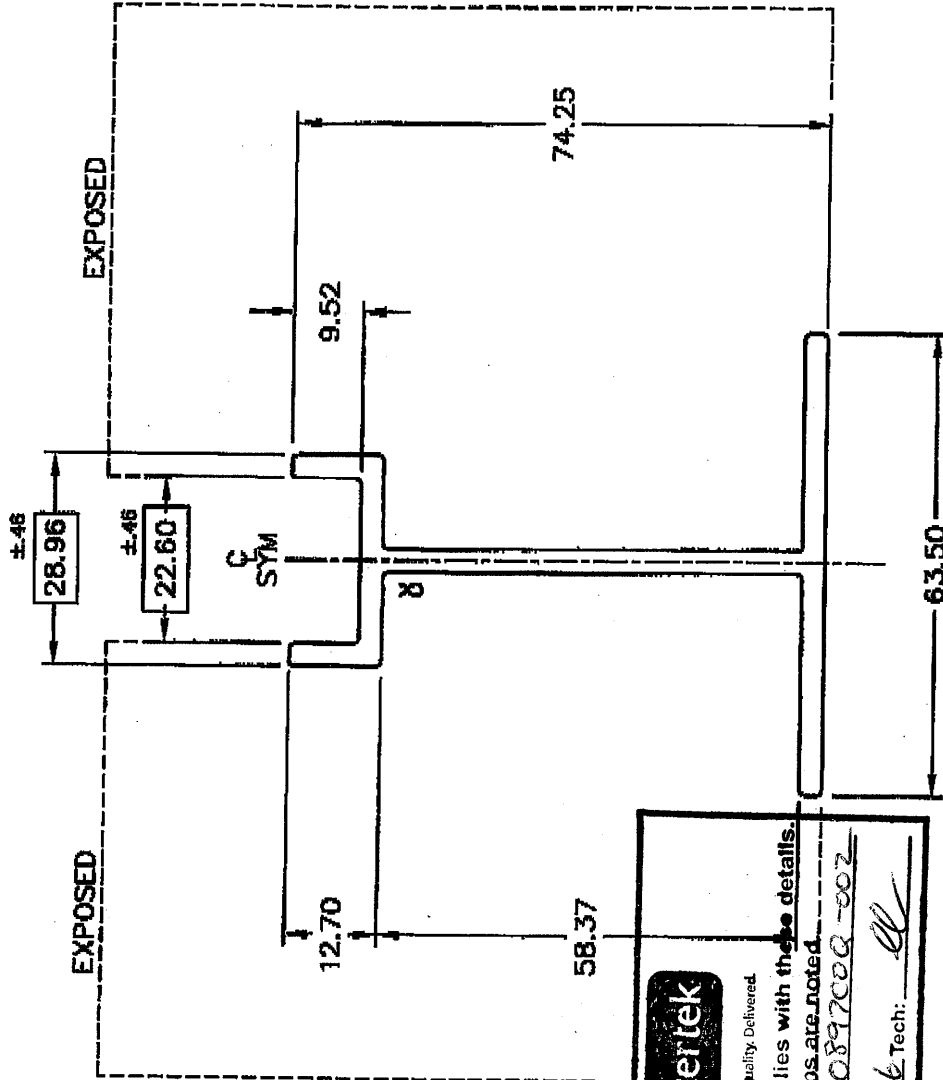
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NOTE: Commercial tolerances to apply unless otherwise stated.

Finish	ARCH
Exposed Surface	2
Arch (mm <sup>2</sup> )	540
Lineal mass	1.453
Perimeter	340.9
Outside Perimeter	
C.C.D.	89.2
Break corners	.80
Unmarked Thickness	3.18
Unmarked Rodfil	
Date	7DEC98
Drawn by	EJS
Scale	1:1
Gap Ratio	
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**628025**



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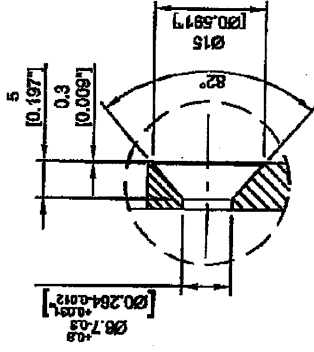
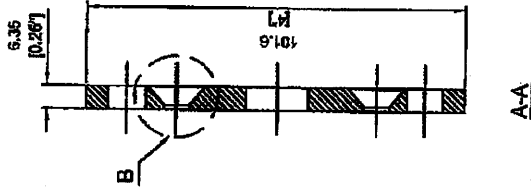
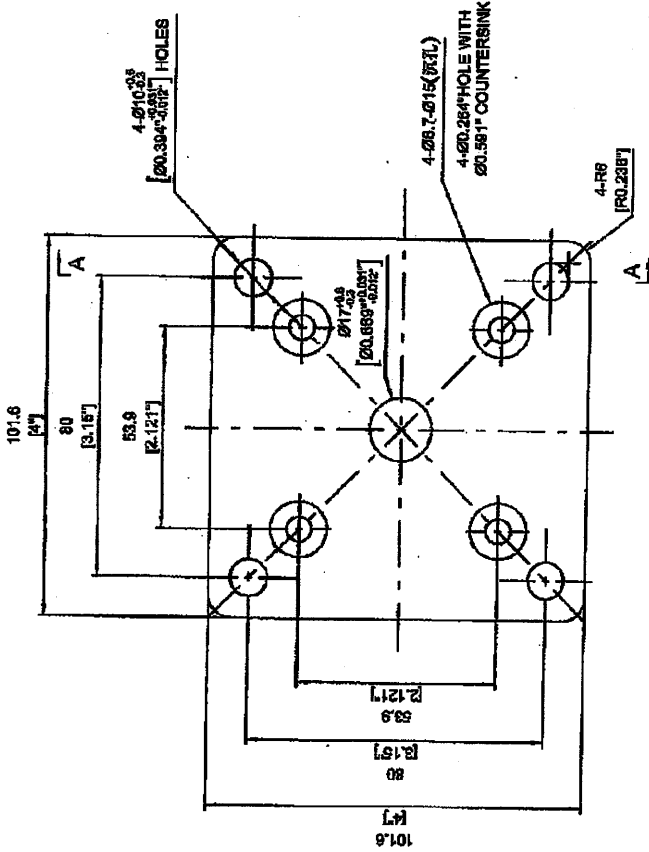
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> 500-1000	±1.0	> 10-20	±0.4
> 1000-1500	±1.5	> 20-40	±0.5
> 1500-2000	±1.5	> 40-60	±0.5
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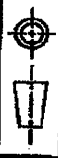
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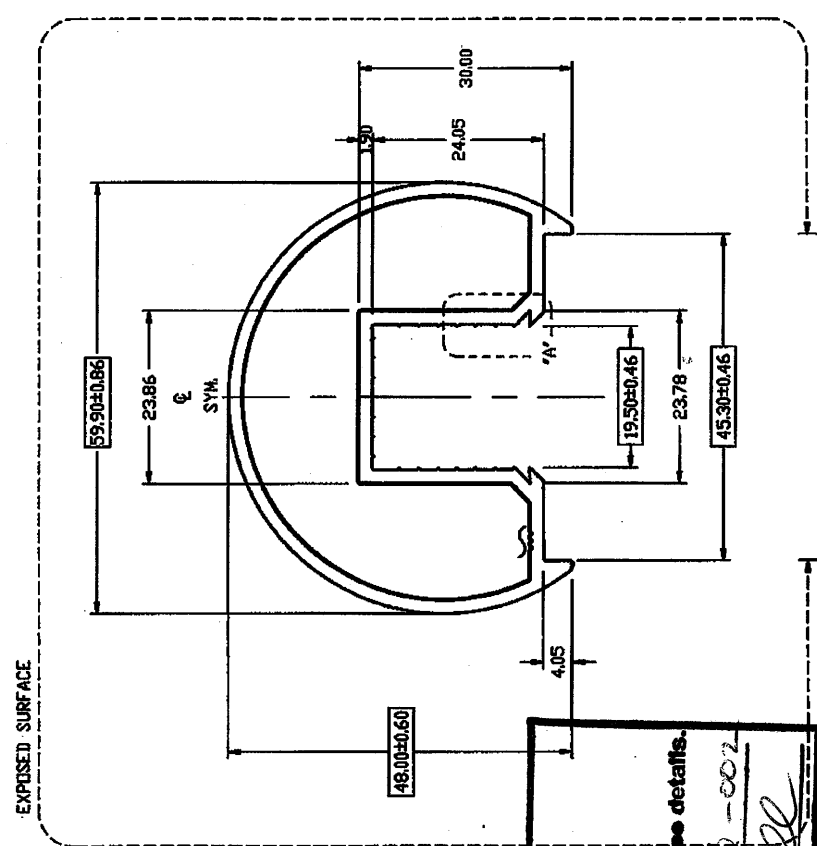
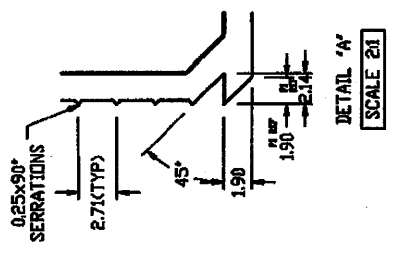
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 Part No.: 695950

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