

DATE: October 14, 1997

Lab #: 97-479

The Saftron Corporation 12932 S.W. 130 Street Miami, FL 33186

RE: Report on Safety Rail Load Test Observations

The Saftron Corporation

Series P-340 Pool Rail, a Pool Safety Handrail (2' 11" Height)

ATC Project #: 90931.0064

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the request and authorization of The Saftron Corporation, on October 8, 1997 a representative of ATC Associates Inc. observed the safety rail load test of the Saftron Series P-340 Pool Rail, a 2 feet 11 inch tall pool safety handrail, at Saftron's Miami facility.

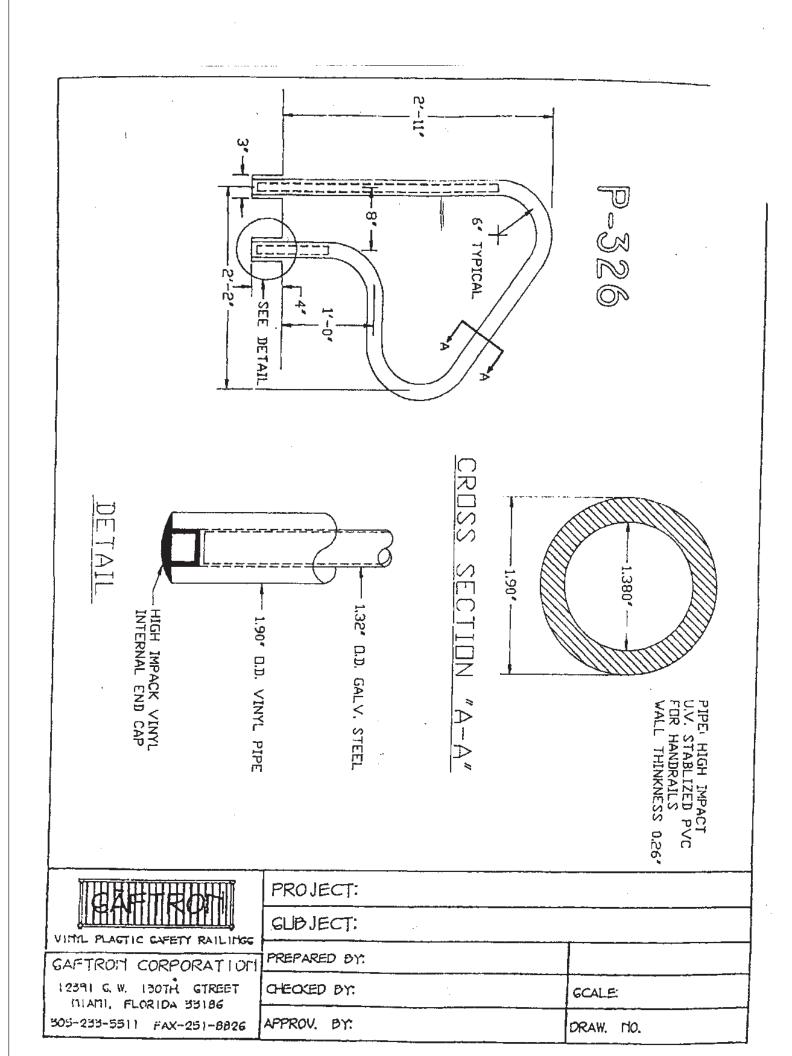
TESTING

The handrail load test was conducted on October 8, 1997 at about 8:40 AM at Saftron's Miami, Florida facility. The test was conducted by Robert Weiss of The Saftron Corporation and witnessed by Mr. Laughn M. Drouillard of ATC Associates Inc. Also present was Mr. Marshall Hickman of The Saftron Corporation.

TESTING PROCEDURE

The test sample was a typical series P-340 Figure Four Handrail produced by Saftron. The tested handrail was constructed of polyvinyl chloride, PVC a non-conductive material. The physical demensions of the PVC pipe was 1.90" OD, 1.38" ID, and a wall thickness of 0.26". The handrail was installed in a concrete slab as noted on the included detail sheet. The test loads were measured using a calibrated electronic dynamometer with a 1,000 pounds (lbs.) electronic transducer load cell. The load was applied to the sample by means of a steel chain attached to the sample rail on one end and to the load cell on the other end, then a 5,000 lbs. tension crank, (come-along) was attached to the other side of the load cell which was then attached to the reaction load, a fork lift by another steel chain.

Loads were applied to the sample at the peak of the handrail for testing. For this test an initial measurement was taken from the center of the top rail at the loading point to a reference point



established by a steel post located behind the sample rail. A load of 250 lbs, was then applied to the test sample and a deflection measurement was taken. The load was held at 250 lbs, for 5 minutes at which time another deflection measurement was taken. The load was then removed and a final deflection measurement was taken to determine the rebound.

Included are diagrams showing the rail system and anchoring detail supplied by The Saftron Corporation. Following is the data observed at the time of testing:

LOAD TEST FOR SERIES P-326 FIGURE FOUR HANDRAIL			
LOAD (lbs.)	DEFLECTION (in.)	NOTES	
	load applied at peak of handra	il	
0	0	no load applied	
250	3/8	@ full load	
250	3/8	@ full load after 5 min	
0	0	rebound	
	load applied at peak of handra	il	
0	0	no load applied	
400	2 1/8	@ full load	
400	2 1/8	full load after 5 min.	
0	7/8	rebound	

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service. Please call should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

ATC Associates Inc.

Laughn M. Drouillard

Operations Supervisor

Peter G. Read, P.E Division Manager

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The Saftron Corporation 12932 S.W. 130 Street Miami, FL 33186

RE: Report on Safety Rail Load Test Observations

The Saftron Corporation

Series P-326 Figure Four Handrail, Pool Safety Rail (35" Height)

ATC Project #: 90931.0064

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the request and authorization of The Saftron Corporation, on October 8, 1997 a representative of ATC Associates Inc. observed the safety rail load test of the Saftron Series P-326 Figure Four Handrail, a 35 inch tall pool safety rail, at Saftron's Miami facility.

TESTING

The handrail load test was conducted on October 8, 1997 at about 8:00 AM at Saftron's Miami, Florida facility. The test was conducted by Robert Weiss of The Saftron Corporation and witnessed by Mr. Laughn M. Drouillard of ATC Associates Inc. Also present was Mr. Marshall Hickman of The Saftron Corporation.

TESTING PROCEDURE

The test sample was a typical series P-326 Figure Four Handrail produced by Saftron. The tested handrail was constructed of polyvinyl chloride, PVC a non-conductive material. The physical demensions of the PVC pipe was 1.90" OD, 1.38" ID, and a wall thickness of 0.26". The handrail was installed in a concrete slab as noted on the included detail sheet. The test loads were measured using a calibrated electronic dynamometer with a 1,000 pounds (lbs.) electronic transducer load cell. The load was applied to the sample by means of a steel chain attached to the sample rail on one end and to the load cell on the other end, then a 5,000 lbs. tension crank, (come-along) was attached to the other side of the load cell which was then attached to the reaction load, a fork lift by another steel chain.

Loads were applied to the sample at the peak of the handrail for testing. For this test an initial measurement was taken from the center of the top rail at the loading point to a reference point

established by a steel post located behind the sample rail. A load of 250 lbs. was then applied to the test sample and a deflection measurement was taken. The load was held at 250 lbs. for 5 minutes at which time another deflection measurement was taken. The load was then removed and a final deflection measurement was taken to determine the rebound.

Included are diagrams showing the rail system and anchoring detail supplied by The Saftron Corporation. Following is the data observed at the time of testing:

LOAD TEST FOR SERIES P-340 POOL RAIL			
LOAD (lbs.)	DEFLECTION (in.)	NOTES	
	load applied at peak of handra	il	
0	0	no load applied	
250	7/8	@ full load	
250	7/8	@ full load after 5 min.	
0	0	rebound	
	load applied at peak of handra	il	
0	0	no load applied	
400	3 3/8	@ full load	
400	3 3/8	full load after 5 min.	
0	2	rebound	

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service. Please call should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted, ATC Associates Inc.

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