

DIVISION: 06 00 00—WOOD, PLASTICS AND COMPOSITES
Section: 06 17 13—Laminated Veneer Lumber

REPORT HOLDER:

GLOBAL LVL, INC.

EVALUATION SUBJECT:

GLOBAL™ LAMINATED VENEER LUMBER

1.0 EVALUATION SCOPE

1.1 Compliance with the following codes:

- 2012, 2009 and 2006 *International Building Code*® (IBC)
- 2012, 2009 and 2006 *International Residential Code*® (IRC)
- 2013 *Abu Dhabi International Building Code* (ADIBC)†

†The ADIBC is based on the 2009 IBC. 2009 IBC code sections referenced in this report are the same sections in the ADIBC.

Properties evaluated:

Structural

1.2 Evaluation to the following green code(s) and/or standards:

- 2019 California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen), Title 24, Part 11
- 2020, 2015, 2012 and 2008 ICC 700 *National Green Building Standard*™ (ICC 700-2020, ICC 700-2015, ICC 700-2012 and ICC 700-2008)

Attributes verified:

See Section 3.0

2.0 USES

Global™ Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL) is intended for structural applications such as beams, headers, joists, rafters and columns. It is also used as components in built-up structural members such as flanges for I-joists, chords for trusses and laminations for glue laminated members.

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Global™ LVL is a structural composite lumber consisting of aspen or a combination of birch and aspen veneers laminated with the grain of the veneers parallel to the length of the member. An exterior-type phenol-formaldehyde adhesive, complying with the durability requirements of ASTM D2559, is used in the manufacturing of the LVL to bond veneers in the layup pattern specified in the quality control manual. Veneer

thickness, width, and length are as specified in the quality control manual. Joints of veneers are scarf or lapped joints. Global™ LVL members are available in thicknesses from 1.19 inches to 1¾ inches (30 to 44 mm), depths of 1¾ to 72 inches (45 to 1829 mm) and lengths up to 60 feet (18.3 m).

The attributes of the LVLs have been verified as conforming to the provisions of (i) CALGreen Section A4.404.3 for efficient framing techniques; (ii) ICC 700-2020, Sections 608.1(2), 11.608.1(2) and 13.104.3.1(4) and ICC 700-2015 and ICC 700-2012 Section 608.1(2), 11.608.1(2) and 12(A).608.1 for resource-efficient materials; and (iii) ICC 700-2008 Section 607.1(2) for resource-efficient materials. Note that decisions on compliance for those areas rest with the user of this report. The user is advised of the project-specific provisions that may be contingent upon meeting specific conditions, and the verification of those conditions is outside the scope of this report. These codes or standards often provide supplemental information as guidance.

4.0 DESIGN AND INSTALLATION

4.1 General:

Application and installation of Global™ LVL must comply with this report and the applicable code. Drawings, and/or manufacturer's published installation instructions for the erection and installation on each job, must be available on the jobsite at all times during installation.

4.2 Design and Allowable Stresses:

Allowable unit stresses are given in Table 1 for designs based on Allowable Stress Design (ASD). The tabulated stresses are for loads of normal duration and for LVL installed in covered, dry locations where the maximum moisture content of the LVL will not exceed 16 percent. The structural design provisions for sawn lumber in the American Forest and Paper Association's National Design Specification for Wood Construction (NDS) is applicable to Global™ LVL, except where noted otherwise in this report.

For member depths other than 12 inches (305 mm), tabulated bending stresses must be adjusted by the applicable depth effect factor, C_v , given in Table 2. The allowable design stresses noted in Table 1 may be adjusted for duration of load as provided by the NDS, with the exception of compression perpendicular-to-grain and modulus of elasticity. The allowable bending stresses may be increased 4 percent where members qualify as repetitive members, as defined by the NDS.

4.3 Connections:

4.3.1 Nails:

4.3.1.1 Nail Reference Design Values: For purposes of

TABLE 2—GLOBAL™ LVL DEPTH EFFECT FACTORS^{1,2}

VENEER SPECIES	LVL GRADE	DEPTH EFFECT FACTOR				
		Beam Depth, d (in.)				
		3 1/2	9 1/2	12	14	18
Aspen	2800F _b -1.7E	1.35	1.06	1.00	0.96	0.90
	2850F _b -1.9E	1.35	1.06	1.00	0.96	0.90
Birch / Aspen	3025F _b -1.7E	1.20	1.04	1.00	0.98	0.94
	3300F _b -2.0E	1.20	1.04	1.00	0.98	0.94

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

¹The maximum depth effect factor permitted 1.35 for 2800f-1.7E and 2850f-1.9E grade LVL and 1.20 for 3025f-1.9E and 3300f-2.0E grade LVL. Where members qualify as repetitive members as defined by the NDS, a repetitive member factor, C_r, of 1.04 may be applied to the tabulated bending stress (F_b) design values. The depth effect factor (C_v) is cumulative with the duration of load (C_D) and the repetitive member C_r adjustment factors as provided by the NDS.

²For depths other than those shown but greater than 3 1/2 inches (89 mm), the depth factor is calculated as follows:

$$C_v = (12/d)^{0.25} \text{ for } 2800f-1.9E \text{ and } 2850f-1.9E.$$

$$C_v = (12/d)^{0.15} \text{ for } 3025f-1.9E \text{ and } 3300f-2.0E.$$

TABLE 3—GLOBAL™ LVL EQUIVALENT SPECIFIC GRAVITY FOR FASTENER DESIGN

VENEER SPECIES	LVL GRADE	NAILS				BOLTS
		Lateral		Withdrawal		
		Narrow Face	Wide Face	Narrow Face	Wide Face	Lateral Wide Face
Aspen	2800F _b -1.7E	0.42	0.43	0.46	0.46	0.38
	2850F _b -1.9E	0.43	0.43	0.46	0.46	0.43
Birch / aspen	3025F _b -1.7E	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
	3300F _b -2.0E	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50

TABLE 4—GLOBAL™ LVL ALLOWABLE NAIL SPACING¹

NAIL TYPE	NAILS INSTALLED IN NARROW FACE ²
	SPACING (in.)
8d box and common	3
10d box and common	4
16d sinker (12d common)	4
16d common ³	8

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

¹Nails installed in the wide face, perpendicular to the glue-lines, are permitted to have the spacing as allowed by the NDS for sawn lumber.

²Unless noted otherwise, where nails are installed in the narrow face, parallel to the glue-lines, the LVL must be at least 3/4 inch thick and 3 1/2 inches wide.

³Where nails are installed in the narrow face, parallel to the glue-lines, the LVL must be at least 1 1/2 inches thick and 3 1/2 inches wide.

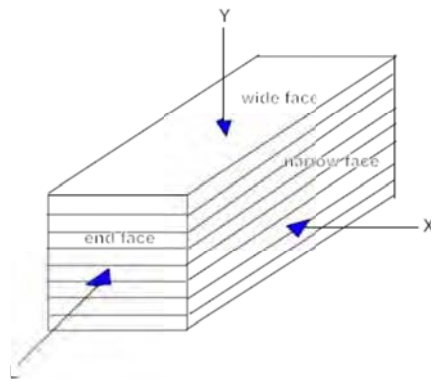


FIGURE 1