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## LATICRETE Achieves UL Certification for Self-Leveling Underlayments

Benchmark Fire Rating Supports Safer Multifamily, Construction Projects

March 18, 2025, Bethany, Conn. – LATICRETE, a manufacturer of globally proven construction solutions for the building industry, has achieved UL certification for fire resistance (R38963) for several of its trusted, cement-based self-leveling underlayments. NXT® Level, NXT Level Flow, SUPERCAP® SC500, and SUPERCAP SC500-PLUS are now certified in accordance with ANSI/UL 263 and ASTM E84 standards for up to two hours in 15 of the most common fire-rated floor-to-ceiling assemblies. This certifies that the products meet rigorous safety standards that help architects, specifiers, contractors, and installers comply with fire codes and enhance building safety. It also adds an essential layer of fire protection in multi-story buildings and high-occupancy spaces where safety and code compliance are critical.

"This achievement underscores the kind of continuous improvement that makes LATICRETE a leader," said Joseph Rizzo, director of sales for concrete and substrate preparation at LATICRETE. "Pushing the envelope on product safety and versatility is how we've set the standard for decades. This UL designation joins other accomplishments for these products, including UL GREENGUARD® certifications and environmental product declarations for select materials. Certifying the fire resistance of these underlayments reaffirms that going with LATICRETE continues to be a prudent choice for projects large and small."

NXT Level, NXT Level Flow, SUPERCAP SC500, and SUPERCAP SC500-PLUS are high-strength, cement-based self-leveling underlayments that are ideal for projects where superior floor flatness is essential. Such underlayments outperform traditional gypsum underlayments with faster cure times, enhanced durability, superior water resistance, and direct compatibility with flooring adhesives.

As with other LATICRETE products, these offerings are formulated with the needs of contractors and installers in mind. Speed and efficiency are held paramount, which is why these LATICRETE underlayments are walkable within one to four hours and allow for flooring installation in as little as 16 to 24 hours. The pumpable and pourable formulations ensure smooth, level surfaces over a range of substrates with no sealer required.

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.laticrete.com">https://www.laticrete.com</a>.

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LATICRETE is a leading manufacturer of globally proven construction solutions for the building industry. LATICRETE offers a broad range of products and systems covering tile & stone installation and care, masonry installation and care, resinous and decorative floor finishes, concrete construction chemicals, and concrete restoration and care including the SUPERCAP® System. For over 65 years, LATICRETE has been committed to research and development of innovative installation products, building a reputation for superior quality, performance and customer service. LATICRETE methods, materials, and technology have been field and laboratory proven by Architects, Engineers, Contractors and Owners. Offering an array of low VOC and sustainable products, LATICRETE® products contribute to LEED certification, exceed commercial/residential VOC building requirements, and are backed by the most comprehensive warranties in the industry. For more information, visit <u>laticrete.com</u>.