## **CASE** STUDY

PROJECT Skylight Arrays (vs. Hurricane Frances)

**LOCATION** Orlando, Florida

CONTRACTOR Team Disney Headquarters
General Caulk and Coatings

**PRODUCT(S)** Decothane Clearglaze

## **PROBLEM**

The Team Disney Headquarters located in Orlando, Florida was having problems with their skylight array. The skylights, which were made of tempered glass, leaked during rainfall. Team Disney required a solution that could provide a highly effective waterproofing barrier that would only reduce the optical clarity of the glass by a minimum of twenty percent. Aesthetics was also of prime importance to Team Disney. The solution needed to provide a clear glass like finish so that it would not deter from the look and functionality of the skylights.



## SOLUTION

**Decothane Clearglaze**, a non-yellowing tough aliphatic polycarbonate polyurethane coating, was chosen for the solution based on its dynamic performance capabilities....and **Decothane Clearglaze's** performance certainly passed the test! In September 2004 hurricane Frances, a Category 2 storm, with winds of 105 mph, blew into Florida and caused millions of dollars worth of damage. Team Disney's headquarters suffered some of this damage. During the hurricane a large portion of the building tore off and smashed into a portion of the skylight array. The glass of the skylights completely shattered, and except for a few tiny pieces, it remained in place - completely secure and completely waterproofed thanks to **Decothane Clearglaze**, the shatter proof, waterproofing membrane.







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