

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Parex Assemblies over Huber ZIP System[®] Sheathing

Parex WaterMaster LCR (Light Commercial Residential) EIFS cladding systems are acceptable to be used over Huber ZIP System[®] sheathing made by Huber Engineered Wood. The ZIP System[®] sheathing is made of OSB with a built-in water-resistive barrier that keeps bulk water out during and after construction. The ZIP System[®] panels are installed, and the joints/seams are taped to create a code-recognized structural panels, water-resistive barrier and air barrier. The use of liquid air barriers over the Huber ZIP Sheathing may void the Huber ZIP System sheathing warranty. For more information visit <https://www.huberwood.com/technical-library/eifs-over-zip-system-sheathing>.

Parex LCR EIFS systems are mechanically attached over the ZIP System into framing members and no additional WRB (Water Resistive Barrier) is needed as would normally be required for weather protection of wood-based sheathing. However, a means of drainage is required and can be accomplished with grooved insulation board, drainage mat, or water resistive barrier with drainage capabilities such as SikaWall Drainage Mat or Tyvek Stucco Wrap.

Parex EIFS System allowable over Huber ZIP System[®] Sheathing

- Parex WaterMaster LCR*
 - Parex WaterMaster LCR DM*
 - Parex WaterMaster PIR*
- * Combustible Construction Only

Parex Stucco Assemblies allowable of Huber ZIP Sheathing

All Parex stucco wall cladding system should have one additional layer of protection (i.e. Drainage Mat, Grade D building paper or an approved house wrap) applied to the Huber ZIP System sheathing. Typically, Parex and building codes require two layers of water resistive barrier protection on wood-based sheathing for stucco claddings but in this case the Huber ZIP System takes the place of one of the layers of Grade D paper or other WRB when installed per manufacturing recommendations.

For additional information, please visit usa.sika.com/parex or contact the Sika Facades Technical Department 800-226-2424.