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**P.E. EVALUATION REPORT (PEER)**

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**PEER-GAF-012.A.R8**

**FL14822-R8 (NON-HVHZ)**

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**SCOPE:**

This P.E. Evaluation Report (henceforth 'PEER') is issued under **F.A.C. Rule 61G20-3** and the applicable rules and regulations governing the use of construction materials in the State of Florida. The documentation submitted has been reviewed by Robert Nieminen, P.E. for use of the product under the Florida Building Code. The product described herein has been evaluated for compliance with the **8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) Florida Building Code** [sections noted herein](#).

**DESCRIPTION: WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles (NON-HVHZ)**

**LABELING:** Labeling shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Accredited Quality Assurance Agency noted herein and the minimum provisions of **FBC 1404.10**.

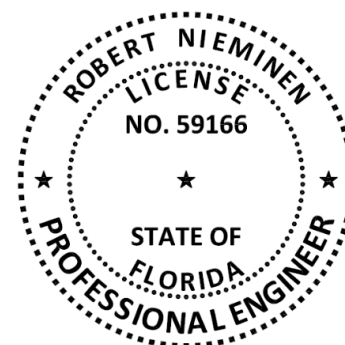
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This PEER consists of pages 1 through 3, plus a 6-page Appendix.

**Prepared by:**



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## PANEL WALLS - SIDING EVALUATION:

### 1. SCOPE:

**Product Category:** Panel Walls

**Sub-Category:** Siding

**Compliance Statement:** WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles, as produced by GAF, have demonstrated compliance with the following sections of the **8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) Florida Building Code** through testing in accordance with the following Standards. Compliance is subject to the [Installation Requirements](#) and [Limitations of Use](#) set forth herein.

### 2. STANDARDS:

SECTION	PROPERTY	STANDARD
1404.10	Material standard	ASTM C1186
1609.1	Wind resistance	ASTM E330

### 3. REFERENCES:

ENTITY	EXAMINATION	REFERENCE	DATE
ERD (TST6049)	ASTM C1186	G30200.01.10	01/08/2010
FET (TST1654)	Transverse Load (Wind)	T135-11	02/18/2011
FET (TST1654)	Transverse Load (Wind)	T169-11	04/05/2011
FET (TST1654)	Transverse Load (Wind)	T180-11	04/22/2011
FET (TST1654)	Transverse Load (Wind)	T186-11	04/29/2011
NEMO (TST6049)	ASTM C1186	4v-GAF-22-SSFBR-01	10/10/2023
UL, LLC. (TST)	ASTM E136, UL723	Year-Equivalence Declaration	06/30/2023
UL, LLC. (QUA9625)	Quality Control	Service Confirmation	07/12/2022
UL, LLC. (QUA9625)	Quality Control	Florida BCIS	current

### 4. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

This PEER covers WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles, and is limited to the specific product trade names referenced in this report subject to the [Installation Requirements](#) and [Limitations of Use](#) herein.

**TABLE 1: EVALUATED SIDING PRODUCTS**

PRODUCT	MATERIAL STANDARD	THICKNESS (IN)	DIMENSIONS (IN)	SURFACE/EDGES
WeatherSide™ Emphasis™ Shingles	ASTM C1186, Type A, Grade 1	9/32	14-5/8 x 25-5/32	wood-grain surface and thatched edge
WeatherSide™ Profile Shingles	ASTM C1186, Type A, Grade 1	11/64	9 x 32 12 x 24 14-5/8 x 32	striated surface and straight edge
WeatherSide™ Purity™ Shingles	ASTM C1186, Type A, Grade 1	11/64	12 x 24	textured surface and Straight, Thatched or Wavy edge

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- 5.2 This PEER is not for use in FBC High Velocity Hurricane Zone jurisdictions, as defined in FBC Chapter 2 (Broward and Miami-Dade Counties).
- 5.3 This PEER does not address fire-resistance-rating performance of the completed wall assemblies.

5.4 Wind Resistance (Transverse Load):

Limitations relating to design wind pressure resistance are outlined in Appendix 1.

“MDP” = Maximum Design Pressure is the result of testing for wind load resistance based on allowable wind loads. Refer to **FBC 1609** for determination of project-specific design wind pressures. The MDP for the selected installation shall meet or exceed the design wind pressure requirement for the project for each pressure zone.

5.5 WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles are not intended for racking or shear resistance.

5.6 For existing substrates, the Authority Having Jurisdiction may require fasteners be tested in the existing substrate for withdrawal resistance. A qualified design professional shall review the data for comparison to the minimum requirements for the system.

5.7 All products in the wall assembly shall have quality assurance audit in accordance with F.A.C. [Rule 61G20-3](#).

## 6. INSTALLATION:

6.1 **WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles** shall be installed in accordance with **GAF** published installation instructions, subject to the [Limitations of Use](#) noted herein.

6.2 All **WeatherSide™ Fiber-Cement Shingles** products shall be installed using white, 12 ga. x 1¾-inch long, hot-dip galvanized, ring-shank nails. Nails are supplied by **GAF** as an accessory product.

6.3 The underlying wall substrate shall include a water-resistive barrier in accordance with **FBC 1403.2**.

6.4 Minimum system attachment requirements set forth in Appendix 1 shall not be exceeded.

## 7. BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS:

As required by the Building Official or Authority Having Jurisdiction to properly evaluate the installation of this product.

## 8. MANUFACTURING PLANTS:

Wind Gap, PA

## 9. QUALITY ASSURANCE ENTITY:

[UL \(QUA9625\)](#): (360) 817-5512; [bsai.inspections@ul.com](mailto:bsai.inspections@ul.com)

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The following notes apply to the systems outlined herein:

1. The evaluation herein pertains to wall-cladding components. Framing and sheathing shall be in accordance with FBC requirements to the satisfaction of the Authority Having Jurisdiction.
2. Fasteners shall be corrosion resistant. Fastener lengths noted are minimum lengths, and shall be adjusted as necessary for minimum 1-inch embedment into wood studs (Reference: FBC 1405.16).
3. "MDP" = Maximum Design Pressure is the result of testing for wind load resistance based on allowable wind loads. Refer to FBC 1609 for determination of design wind loads. The MDP for the selected installation shall meet or exceed the design wind pressure requirement for the project for each pressure zone.

**TABLE 1: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

System No.	Framing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Sheathing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Siding	Attachment		<a href="#">MDP</a> (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
1.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Profile 9, Profile 12 or Purity™	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. three (3) nails per shingle, per Figure 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D or 1E.	-41.6

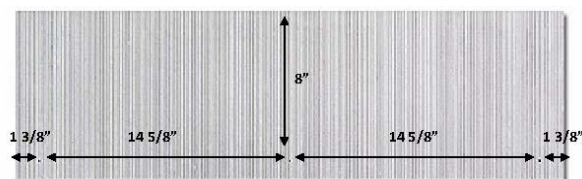


Figure 1A: Profile 9, 3-nails/shingle

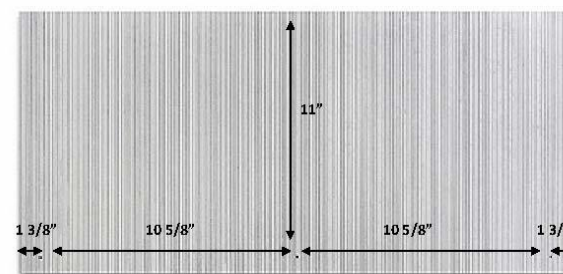


Figure 1B: Profile 12, 3-nails/shingle

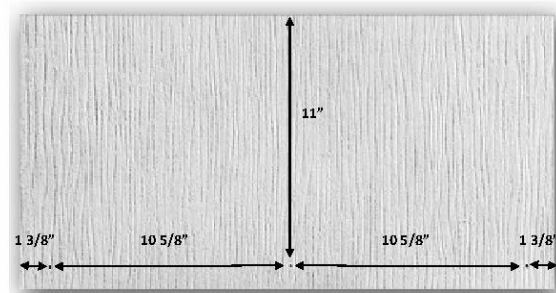


Figure 1C: Purity™ Straight, 3-nails/shingle

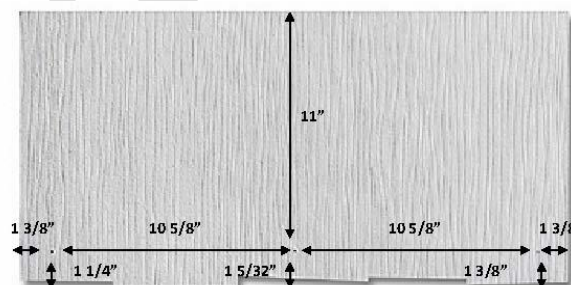


Figure 1D: Purity™ Thatched, 3-nails/shingle

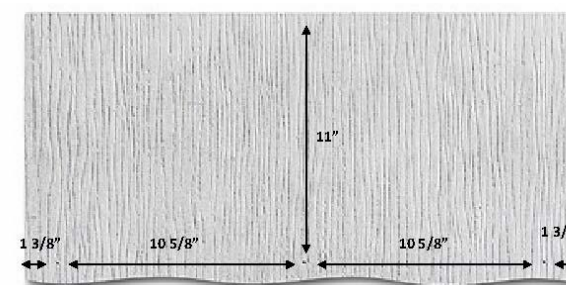
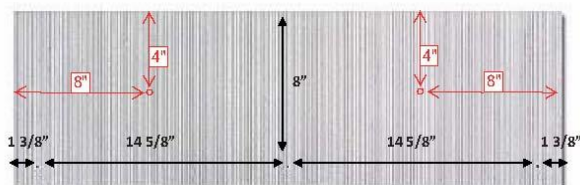


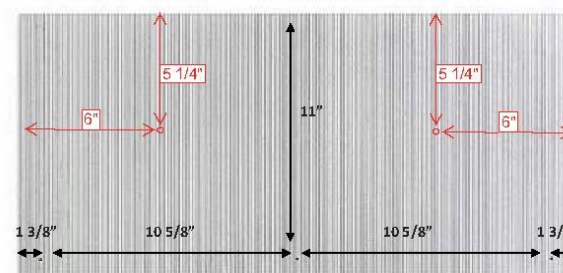
Figure 1E: Purity™ Wavy, 3-nails/shingle

**TABLE 2: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

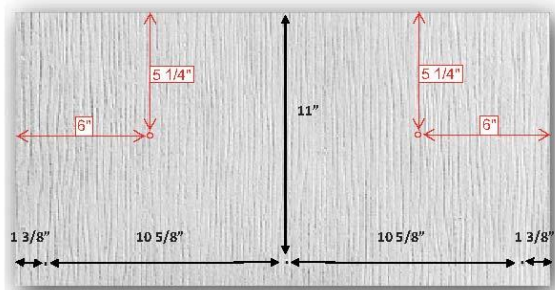
System No.	Framing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Sheathing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Siding	Attachment		MDP (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
2.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Profile 9, Profile 12 or Purity™	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. five (5) nails per shingle, per Figure 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D or 2E.	-66.3



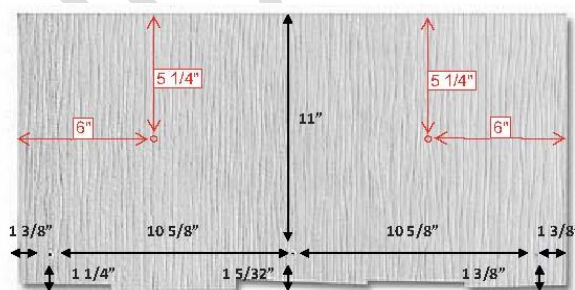
**Figure 2A: Profile 9, 5-nails/shingle**



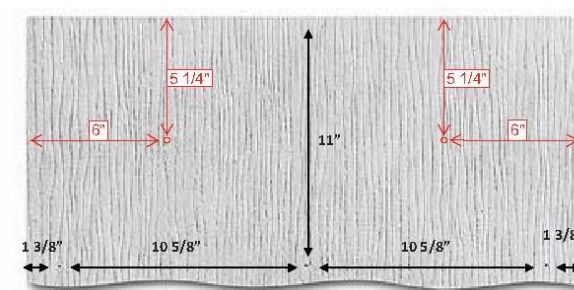
**Figure 2B: Profile 12, 5-nails/shingle**



**Figure 2C: Purity™ Straight, 5-nails/shingle**



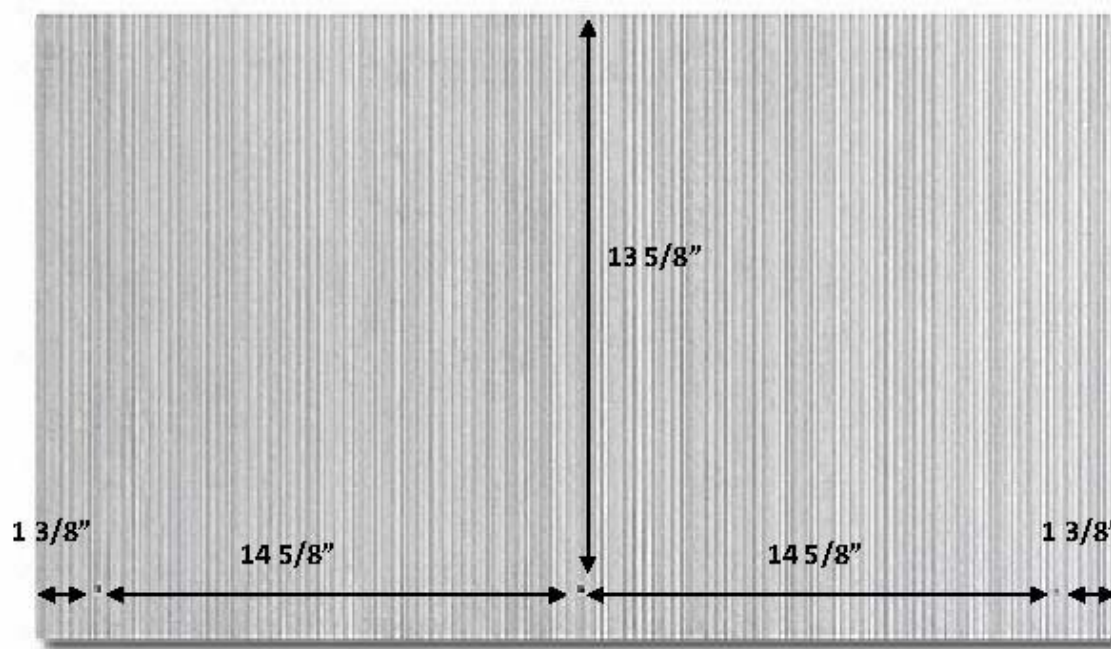
**Figure 2D: Purity™ Thatched, 5-nails/shingle**



**Figure 2E: Purity™ Wavy, 5-nails/shingle**

**TABLE 3: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

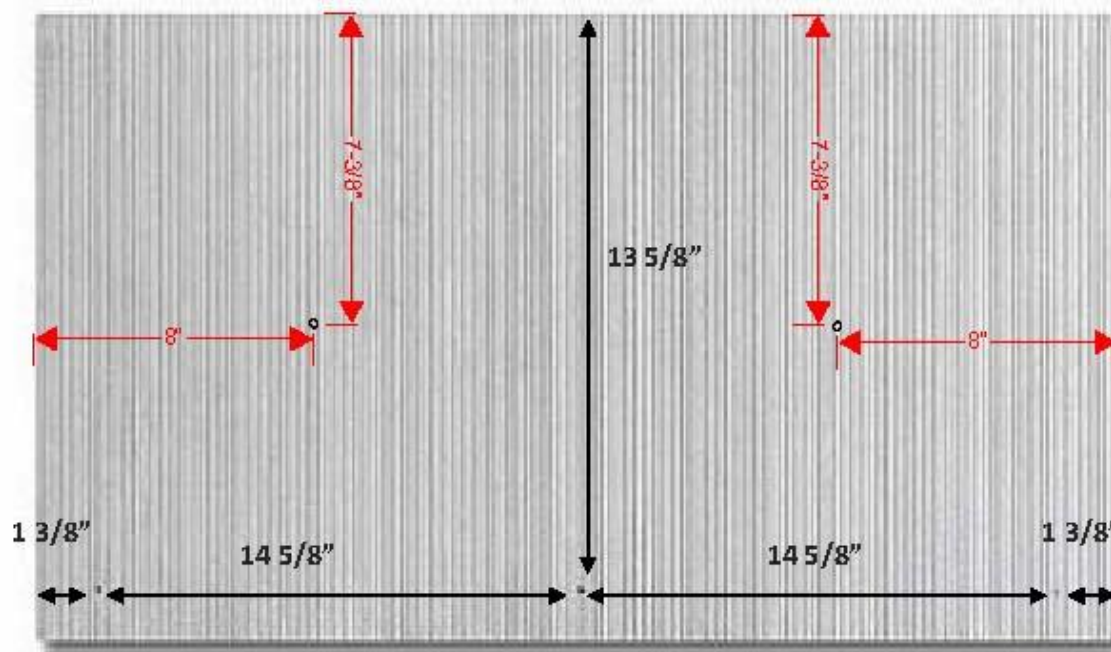
System No.	Framing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Sheathing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Siding	Attachment		<a href="#">MDP</a> (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
3.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Profile 14	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. three (3) nails per shingle per Figure 3.	-25.6



**Figure 3: Profile 14, 3-nails/shingle**

**TABLE 4: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

System No.	Framing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Sheathing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Siding	Attachment		<a href="#">MDP</a> (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
4.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Profile 14	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. five (5) nails per shingle per Figure 4.	-42.7



**Figure 4: Profile 14, 5-nails/shingle**

**TABLE 5: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

System No.	Framing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Sheathing <a href="#">(Note 1)</a>	Siding	Attachment		<a href="#">MDP</a> (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
5.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Emphasis™	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. three (3) nails per shingle per Figure 5.	-32.6

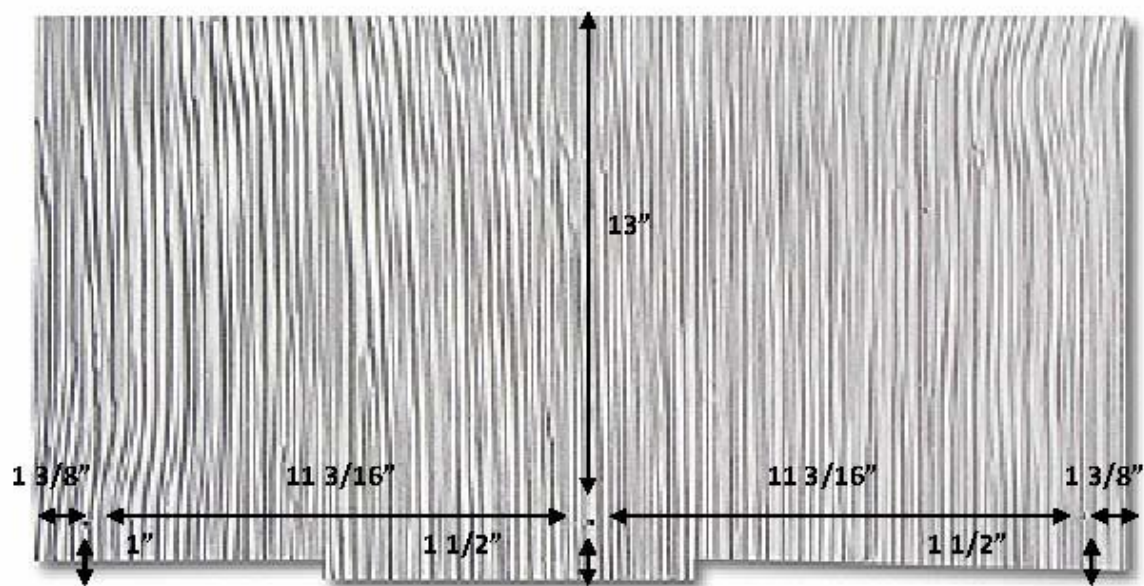


Figure 5: Emphasis™, 3-nails/shingle

**TABLE 6: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION & ALLOWABLE DESIGN PRESSURES**  
**WEATHERSIDE™**

System No.	Framing <i>(Note 1)</i>	Sheathing <i>(Note 1)</i>	Siding	Attachment		MDP (psf)
				Fasteners	Spacing / Placement	
6.	Min. nominal 2x4 #2 SPF at max. 16-inch o.c.	Min. 19/32" plywood	Emphasis™	Min. 12 ga. x min. 1.75-inch long ring shank nails	Min. five (5) nails per shingle per Figure 6.	-54.3

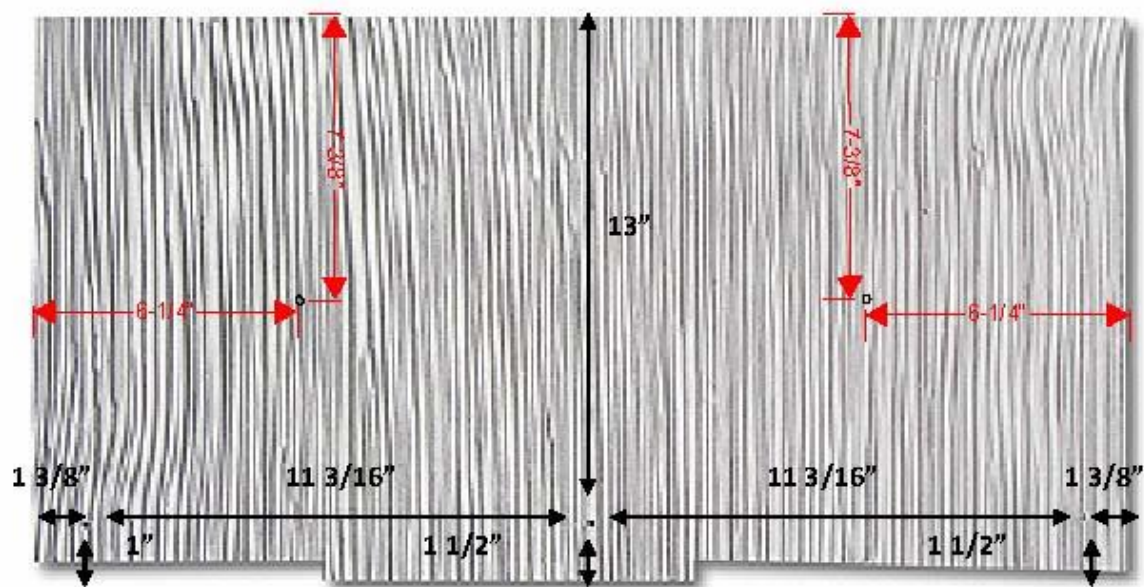


Figure 6: Emphasis™, 5-nails/shingle