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IICL Releases Second Edition of Guide to Accelerated Laboratory Testing of Container Coating Systems

New edition introduces updated test-rating methodologies and minimum performance scores to support the evaluation of coating systems used in the container industry.

Washington - DC. — October 28 — The Institute of International Container Lessors (IICL) is pleased to announce the release of the second edition of ***Specifications for Accelerated Laboratory Testing of Container Coating Systems***, an important technical guide designed to support the assessment and comparison of coating systems used in the container industry.

Developed over approximately two years, the new edition reflects an extensive collaborative effort involving industry experts, including paint suppliers, and incorporates valuable technical input and practical experience from across the industry. Throughout the development process, multiple laboratory tests were conducted to evaluate the proposed methodologies and help ensure the guide provides a reliable and consistent framework for assessing the performance of different coating systems.

The second edition introduces significant improvements to the evaluation process, including new approaches to test ratings and the establishment of minimum required scores for individual tests. These enhancements are intended to provide greater consistency in the interpretation of test results and a clearer basis for evaluating coating-system performance.

By providing an updated and structured approach to laboratory testing, the guide aims to help container owners, leasing companies, paint manufacturers, and other industry stakeholders make better-informed assessments of coating systems and their suitability for use in the demanding operating environment of shipping containers. The release of this second edition reinforces IICL's continued commitment to developing technical resources that promote consistent evaluation practices and support the advancement of industry standards.

The *Specifications for Accelerated Laboratory Testing of Container Coating Systems, Second Edition* will be available exclusively in digital format through the **IICL Store** on the IICL website at **Digital Manuals - IICL**

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