

BARD'S CROSSING, Rosemount, MN

## IMPACT SOUND INSULATION

Retirement communities by their very nature are expected to be quiet places. So when Wensmann Homes, the builders of Bard's Crossing, planned an 83,000 sq. ft. retirement community condominium in a suburb of St. Paul, Minnesota, they designed the floor/ceiling assembly to more than meet the expectations of potential residents.

The floor/ceiling design utilized two layers of Type "X" gypsum board, resilient channel, 1" of Hacker FIRM-FILL® 2010 gypsum concrete, and a sandwich configuration of Regupol®\_QTrbm and Regupol®\_QTscu resilient soundproofing mat. Mike Vallez, project manager of design and construction for Wensmann Homes, explains the choice of sound insulation. "Regupol-QTrbm produced the highest IIC ratings of anything we've used. We were extremely satisfied with the results." The open web assembly *(see assembly drawing on reverse)* produced IIC field ratings of 64 with wood, 55 with ceramic tile, and 56 with vinyl. Vallez had worked on four previous projects with Wensmann Homes, and says the Regupol-QTrbm sound control results were by far the best. "When people are buying condos, they don't want to hear the neighbors walking all over the place. So we made an investment in sound control," says Vallez.

Scott Ryan, a licensed applicator of Hacker Industries, Inc., had similar things to say about Regupol-QTrbm. The gypsum concrete and underlayment contractor installed Regupol-QTrbm for five to ten cents less than other materials because of Regupol's ease of installation. Besides saving money on labor costs, Ryan also liked the way the product performed, noting, "Regupol-QTrbm provides better noise deadening than other sound insulation products."

John LoVerde of Veneklasen Associates, who performed the sound testing on the Bard's Crossing project, is familiar with Regupol-QT and its performance in various assemblies. John encounters Regupol-QT on nearly a fifth of the jobs he tests. LoVerde says, "Designers want the materials they spec to be reliable today, tomorrow and everyday thereafter." He prefers materials like Regupol-QT that have the flexibility to perform at a high level with a variety of assemblies, and under a full range of floor toppings.

In a small corner of Minnesota, Regupol-QT yielded big results—saving money, saving time and achieving some of the highest sound control ratings in multi-story residential housing.



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## THE NEED:

Sound control between living spaces for mid-range, senior-targeted condominiums.

## THE CHALLENGE:

Achieving acceptable sound ratings under wood and ceramic floor covering while at the same time maintaining budget constraints.

## THE SOLUTION:

6mm Regupol-QTrbm and 5mm Regupol-QTscu offered exceptional sound reduction levels under multiple surfaces, plus cost effective ease of installation.



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