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January 22, 2009

Mr. Rick Harpenau In-O-Vate Technologies 810 Saturn Street Jupiter, FL 33477

Dear Mr. Harpenau:

RE: 2006 International Codes (and earlier editions)

You requested clarification of the installation of the Dryer Box in a back-to-back arrangement in 1 hour fireresistance rated wall assemblies. This request is based on the UL testing of the Dryer Box as a through penetration membrane device, the 2006 International Building Code, and 2006 International Residential Code. This would also be applicable to the 2009 International Residential Code.

Please be advised that the Dryer Box can be installed in both sides of a 1 hour fireresistance rated wall assembly, provided the installation follows certain requirements. The Dryer Boxes cannot back up to one another in the 1 hour assembly. This means that each Dryer Box must be located in a separate wall cavity. The installation of each Dryer Box must conform to the manufacturer's installation instructions.

The installation would apply to both wood and metal stud wall assemblies that are UL listed as 1 hour fireresistance rated assemblies. The wall cavity housing each Dryer Box must be filled with fiberglass batt insulation.

I have prepared six separate drawings that identify the details of the Dryer Box installation. The details drawings are identified as Drawing Number M1 through M6. These drawings provide a depiction of the acceptable installation of Dryer Box in a back-to-back installation.

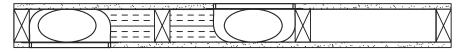
If you have any questions regarding these designs, please don't hesitate to call.

Cordially yours,

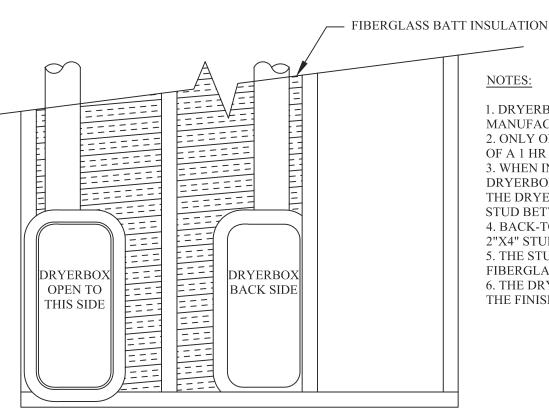
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1 HR FIRERESISTANCE RATED WALL ASSEMBLY: 2"x4" WOOD STUD 5/8" TYPE X GYPSUM WALLBOARD

#### DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE



DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE



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- 1. DRYERBOX TO BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS AND UL LISTING. 2. ONLY ONE DRYERBOX SHALL BE INSTALLED IN A CAVITY SPACE OF A 1 HR FIRERESISTANCE RATED WALL ASSEMBLY.
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- 5. THE STUD CAVITY WITH THE DRYERBOX MUST BE FILLED WITH FIBERGLASS BATT INSULATION.
- 6. THE DRYERBOX MAY BE INSTALLED AT ANY ELEVATION ABOVE THE FINISHED FLOOR.

350 DRYERBOX **BACK-TO-BACK INSTALLATION** 

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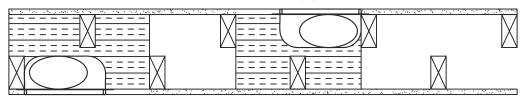
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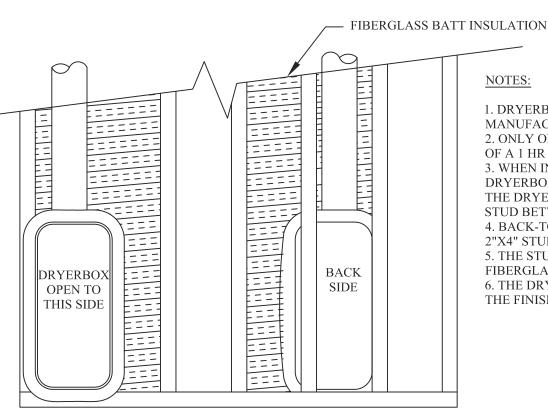
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5/8" TYPE X GYPSUM WALLBOARD

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350 DRYERBOX **OFFSET** DOUBLE WALL

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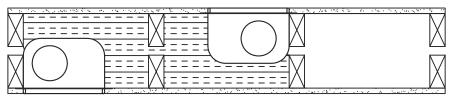
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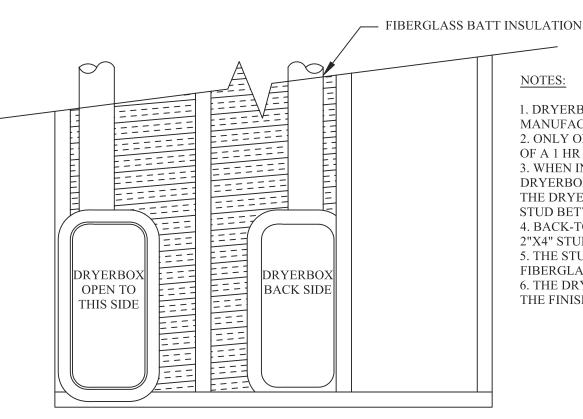
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### DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE



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1 HR FIRERESISTANCE RATED WALL ASSEMBLY: 2"x4" WOOD STUD 5/8" TYPE X GYPSUM WALLBOARD



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**425 DRYERBOX BACK-TO-BACK** DOUBLE WALL

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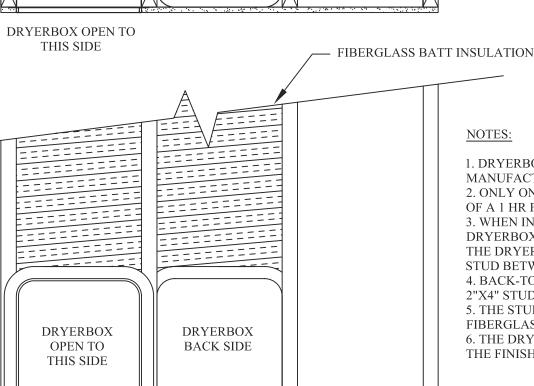
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#### DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE





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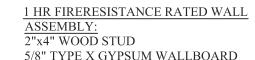
3D DRYERBOX **BACK-TO-BACK INSTALLATION** 

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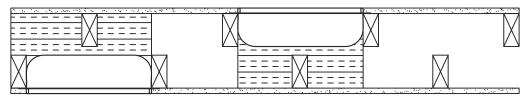
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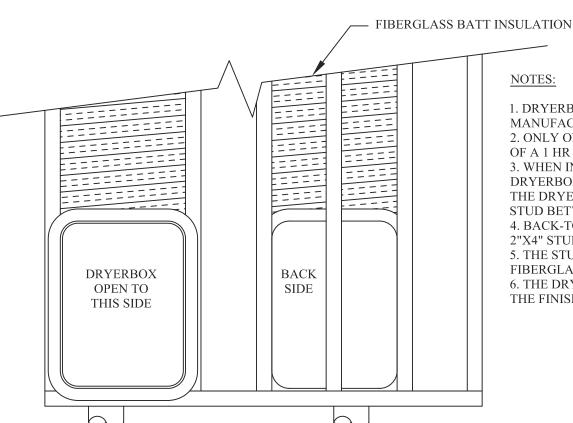
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3D DRYERBOX **OFFSET** DOUBLE WALL

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#### DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE



DRYERBOX

**BACK SIDE** 

**DRYERBOX** 

OPEN TO

THIS SIDE

1 HR FIRERESISTANCE RATED WALL ASSEMBLY:

2"x4" WOOD STUD 5/8" TYPE X GYPSUM WALLBOARD

DRYERBOX OPEN TO THIS SIDE FIBERGLASS BATT INSULATION NOTES:

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**4D DRYERBOX BACK-TO-BACK** DOUBLE WALL

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