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Chinese Drywall - Summit Notes, News and Information



Note from the sender:

Greetings,
I hope everyone managing well. I promised some of you that I would send notes out from the IRSC/ESARC hosted Chinese drywall summit from this past January and it's already March so I apologize for the delay. Some of you are also on Karen's list but I wanted to make sure to reach everyone. Karen Scott did a great job organizing the event and did excellent write up. It is 17 pages of well laid out information that is a great read. The text to the right is from Karen's email. Here is the link to the notes: [Summit Notes](#).
Thanks Karen!

After 1,000 inspections I am still seeing new things. My top 2 currently are:

- 1) 5/8" BNBM Dragon Brand that is mostly non-reactive but sometimes the coils have a fuzzy brown coating. Other times it is mixed in a home with other reactive drywall.
 - 2) I lab tested a sample of drywall from a wall with pristine copper that had high strontium (Sr) levels (2,400- 4,800). The markings were size only that doesn't match any on the MDL 2047 Index List. Head space analysis came back with no emissions. This tells me you can have non-reactive drywall with high strontium. I suspect it is non-defective Chinese drywall. One of the condo's I represent seems to also have this type. It has all 3 varieties within 10 feet of each other:
 - 1) Non-reactive with low Sr
 - 2) Reactive with high Sr
 - 3) Non-reactive with high Sr.
- One thing that I haven't seen and would be shocked to see is reactive drywall with low Sr.

Below are some of my recent Tweets if you missed them. You can always access all of them at the bottom of our home page.

Suspect trend with milder brown corrosion with BNBM Dragon Brand 5/8" UL Fire rated [#chinesedrywall](#) in ceilings - Link or

Karen's e-mail:

Attached is a link to obtain notes from the Chinese or "Tainted" Drywall Conference held in coordination with the Corporate & Community Training Institute at Indian River State College and the Environmental Sustainability Alliance of the Research Coast

We had a great turnout from a wide variety of professionals at the Chinese Drywall Symposium on January the 29th. These professionals are either currently assisting homeowners or interested in doing so. The speakers and panelists were informative and the wrap up discussion was lively and interesting.

One thing we all agreed upon is that Chinese drywall still remains a puzzling problem.

Adding to the concern and confusion over this problem are the following current issues:

- Reports of remediation costs coming in from test homes in Virginia being monitored by the MDL Courts at considerably higher prices than contractors were expecting.
- Rumors of failing remediation on homes already done.
- Reports of sulfur eating bacteria in the drywall gaining credibility.
- Homeowners continuing to struggle to get state and federal attention.
- Lenders not responding to requests for forbearance.
- Bloggers having a field day with scare stories.
- Reports of commercial properties impacted by defective drywall.
- Manufacturers continuing to promote "solutions" without the public having a full understanding on what is causing the off gassing.

For a full copy of the [Chinese or "Defective" Drywall" Symposium](#) follow this [link](#).

Let us hear from you!

I would love to know how all our clients are doing so don't hesitate to keep me posted! Also, don't be shy to ask for help. We'd be happy to assist with any questions or concerns you may be faced with. Also, we are providing Preservation of Evidence services along with remediation consulting/oversight so we can help there, too.

Sincerely,

coincidence?less than 5 seconds ago via web

[#chinesedrywall](#) evidence presents dilemma for Lennar Corp. <http://tinyurl.com/yk9woxd> about 18 hours ago via web
1,200sf condo has mix of non-reactive NGC with low Sr, reactive [#chinesedrywall](#) with high Sr and non-reactive drywall with high Sr.11:40 AM
Mar 3rd via web

Clarification: Fallon rejects alternate remediation, plaintiffs argue gut all for [#chinesedrywall](#) <http://tinyurl.com/yz2il9v>10:15 AM
Feb 27th via web

Reminder to preserve your evidence per Fallon's Pretrial Order 1B if you remediate [#chinesedrywall](#). <http://tinyurl.com/yd64hx>
47:10 PM Feb 26th via web

Remediation costs for [#chinesedrywall](#) come in at \$86/sf to gut to studs <http://tinyurl.com/yajuuh2>7:05 PM Feb 26th via web

Knauf drops out of Taishan trial set for tomorrow -www.chinesedrywall.com- [#chinesedrywall](#)

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