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Federal Highway Administration

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May 27, 2020

In Reply Refer To:
HSST-1/WZ-403

Mr. John Pasakarnis
Dicke Safety Products
1201Waren Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Dear Mr. Pasakarnis:

This letter is in response to your February 11, 2020 request for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to review a roadside safety device, hardware, or system for eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program. This FHWA letter of eligibility is assigned FHWA control number WZ-403 and is valid until a subsequent letter is issued by FHWA that expressly references this device.

Decision

The following device is eligible within the length-of-need, with details provided in the form which is attached as an integral part of this letter:

- Dicke Safety Products DF3000P Sign Stand with 48”x48” Vinyl Roll-up Sign

Scope of this Letter

To be found eligible for Federal-aid funding, new roadside safety devices should meet the crash test and evaluation criteria contained in the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials’(AASHTO) Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). However, the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, and the United States Government do not regulate the manufacture of roadside safety devices. Eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program does not establish approval, certification or endorsement of the device for any particular purpose or use.

This letter is not a determination by the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, or the United States Government that a vehicle crash involving the device will result in any particular outcome, nor is it a guarantee of the in-service performance of this device. Proper manufacturing, installation, and maintenance are required in order for this device to function as tested.

This finding of eligibility is limited to the crashworthiness of the system and does not cover other structural features, nor conformity with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Eligibility for Reimbursement

Based solely on a review of crash test results and certifications submitted by the manufacturer, and the crash test laboratory, FHWA agrees that the device described herein meets the crash test and evaluation criteria of the AASHTO's MASH. Therefore, the device is eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program if installed under the range of tested conditions.

Name of system: Dicke Safety Products D3000P Sign Stand with 48"x48" Vinyl Roll-up Sign
Type of system: Work Zone
Test Level: MASH Test Level 3 (TL3)
Testing conducted by: Applus IDIADA KARCO Engineering, LLC.
Date of request: February 11, 2020

FHWA concurs with the recommendation of the accredited crash testing laboratory on the attached form.

Full Description of the Eligible Device

The device and supporting documentation, including reports of the crash tests or other testing done, videos of any crash testing, and/or drawings of the device, are described in the attached form.

Notice

This eligibility letter is issued for the subject device as tested. Modifications made to the device are not covered by this letter. Any modifications to this device should be submitted to the user (i.e., state DOT) as per their requirements.

You are expected to supply potential users with sufficient information on design, installation and maintenance requirements to ensure proper performance.

You are expected to certify to potential users that the hardware furnished has the same chemistry, mechanical properties, and geometry as that submitted for review, and that it will meet the test and evaluation criteria of AASHTO's MASH.

Issuance of this letter does not convey property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege. This letter is based on the premise that information and reports submitted by you are accurate and correct. We reserve the right to modify or revoke this letter if: (1) there are any inaccuracies in the information submitted in support of your request for this letter, (2) the qualification testing was flawed, (3) in-service performance or other information reveals safety problems, (4) the system is significantly different from the version that was crash tested, or (5) any other information indicates that the letter was issued in error or otherwise does not reflect full and complete information about the crashworthiness of the system.

Standard Provisions

- To prevent misunderstanding by others, this letter of eligibility designated as FHWA control number WZ-403 shall not be reproduced except in full. This letter and the test documentation upon which it is based are public information. All such letters and documentation may be reviewed upon request.

- This letter shall not be construed as authorization or consent by the FHWA to use, manufacture, or sell any patented system for which the applicant is not the patent holder.

- This FHWA eligibility letter is not an expression of any Agency view, position, or determination of validity, scope, or ownership of any intellectual property rights to a specific device or design. Further, this letter does not impute any distribution or licensing rights to the requester. This FHWA eligibility letter determination is made based solely on the crash-testing information submitted by the requester. The FHWA reserves the right to review and revoke an earlier eligibility determination after receipt of subsequent information related to crash testing.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Griffith

Michael S. Griffith
Director, Office of Safety Technologies
Office of Safety

Enclosures

Request for Federal Aid Reimbursement Eligibility of Highway Safety Hardware

Submitter	Date of Request:	February 11, 2020	◉ New ○ Resubmission
	Name:	Dicke Safety Products, c/o John M. Pasakarnis	
	Company:	Dicke Safety products	
	Address:	1201 Warren Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515	
	Country:	United States of America	
	To:	Michael S. Griffith, Director FHWA, Office of Safety Technologies	

I request the following devices be considered eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program.

Device & Testing Criterion - Enter from right to left starting with Test Level ! - ! - !

System Type	Submission Type	Device Name / Variant	Testing Criterion	Test Level
'WZ': Crash Worthy Work Zon	◉ Physical Crash Testing ○ Engineering Analysis	DF3000P Sign Stand with 48" x 48" Vinyl Roll-Up Sign	AASHTO MASH	TL3

By submitting this request for review and evaluation by the Federal Highway Administration, I certify that the product(s) was (were) tested in conformity with the AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware and that the evaluation results meet the appropriate evaluation criteria in the MASH.

Individual or Organization responsible for the product:

Contact Name:	Dicke Safety Products, c/o John M. Pasakarnis	Same as Submitter ☒
Company Name:	Dicke Safety products	Same as Submitter ☒
Address:	1201 Warren Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515	Same as Submitter ☒
Country:	United States of America	Same as Submitter ☒

Enter below all disclosures of financial interests as required by the FHWA `Federal-Aid Reimbursement Eligibility Process for Safety Hardware Devices' document.

DICKE Safety Products is the manufacturer and marketer of device.

Applus IDIADA KARCO Engineering, LLC (IDIADA KARCO) is an independent research and testing laboratory having no affiliation with any other entity. IDIADA KARCO is actively Involved In data acquisition and compliance/certification testing for a variety of government agencies and equipment manufacturers. The principals and staff of IDIADA KARCO have no past or present financial, contractual or organizational interest in any company or entity directly or indirectly related to the products that KARCO tests. If any financial interest should arise, other than receiving fees for testing, reporting, etc., with respect to any project, the company will provide, In writing, a full and immediate disclosure to the FHWA.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

(●) New Hardware or Significant Modification ( ) Modification to Existing Hardware

The DICKESafety Products DF3000Psign stand isa work-zone traffic control device. The as-tested device consisted of one (1) 48.0 in. (1.2 m) square vinyl roll up sign, one (1) fiberglass cross brace assembly, one (1) steel tube upright, and one (1) base assembly. The as-tested device weighed approximately 25.0 lbs (11.3 kg). The device had a height of 85.5 in. (2.2 m) measured to the top of the sign. The DF3000Psign stand was tested with four (4) 25.0 lb. (11.3 kg) sand bags; one (1) for each of its legs.

The square vinyl roll-up sign wasattached to a fiberglass cross brace and wasset at a mounting height of 18.5 in. (470 mm) measured to the bottom corner. The 34.0 in. (864 mm) long by 1.0 in. (25 mm) square steel tube upright was fastened to the vertical cross brace and mounted the sign to the base assembly.

The base assembly consisted of one (1) post adapter tube, one (1) spring assembly, and four (4) telescoping legs. The post adapter tube held the steel tube upright and pivoted about the spring assembly. The spring was constructed of asteel double torsion system. The legs consisted of two (2) portions: one (1) 1.25 in. (32 mm) aluminum square tube piece and one (1) 1.0 in. (25 mm) aluminum square extension tube piece. In its deployed state, the base assembly had a footprint measuring 45.0 in. (1.1 m) by 71.0 in. (1.8 m).

CRASH TESTING

By signature below, the Engineer affiliated with the testing laboratory, agrees in support of this submission that all of the critical and relevant crash tests for this device listed above were conducted to meet the MASH test criteria. The Engineer has determined that no other crash testsare necessary to determine the device meets the MASH criteria.

Engineer Name:	Bruno Haesbaert	
Engineer Signature:	Bruno Haesbaert Digitally signed by Bruno Haesbaert Date: 2020.02.11 08:54:54 -08'00'	
Address:	9270 Holly Rd, Adelanto, CA 92301	Same as Submitter ☒
Country:	United States of America	Same as Submitter ☒

A brief description of each crash test and its result:

Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
3-70 (1100C)	Designed to evaluate the ability of asmall vehicle to activate any breakaway, fracture, or yielding mechanism. Is considered optional for work-zone traffic control devices weighing less than 220 lb (100 kg). The DF3000Psign stand weighed approximately 25.0 lbs (11.3 kg) and therefore the test was non-relevant and not conducted.	Non-Relevant Test, not conducted

Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
3-71 (1100C)	Two (2) DF3000P sign stands were impacted on the same test run. The devices were spaced 60.0 ft. (18.3 m) apart and set at two (2) critical impact angles (CIA), 0° and 90°. The 1100C small car used for this test was a 2010 Kia Rio 4-door sedan with a test inertial weight of 2,428.4 lbs (1,101.5 kg). The test vehicle impacted the 0° test sign at a speed of 62.90 mph (101.22 km/h) and proceeded to impacted the 90° test sign at a speed of 61.02 mph (98.20 km/h). Upon impact, both DF3000P's vinyl signs broke away from its upright assembly. The occupant compartment was not penetrated and the deformation limits were not exceeded. The DF3000P sign stand broke away in a predictable manner. Debris from the test articles did not cause a hazard to the driver's vision. The vehicle remained stable and upright throughout the test. The DF3000P sign stand met all the requirements for MASH Test 3-71.	PASS
3-72 (2270P)	Two (2) DF3000P sign stands were impacted on the same test run. The devices were spaced 60.0 ft. (18.3 m) apart and set at two (2) critical impact angles (CIA), 0° and 90°. The 2270P vehicle used for this test was a 2014 RAM 1500 4-door pick-up truck with a test inertial weight of 5,052.9 lbs (2,292.0 kg). The test vehicle impacted the 0° test sign at a speed of 63.45 mph (102.11 km/h) and proceeded to impacted the 90° test sign at a speed of 62.57 mph (100.70 km/h). Upon impact, both DF3000P's vinyl signs broke away from its upright assembly. The occupant compartment was not penetrated and the deformation limits were not exceeded. The DF3000P sign stand broke away in a predictable manner. Debris from the test articles did not cause a hazard to the driver's vision. The vehicle remained stable and upright throughout the test. The DF3000P sign stand met all the requirements for MASH Test 3-72.	PASS

Full Scale Crash Testing was done in compliance with MASH by the following accredited crash test laboratory (cite the laboratory's accreditation status as noted in the crash test reports.):

Laboratory Name:	Applus IDIADA KARCO Engineering, LLC.	
Laboratory Signature:	Bruno Haesbaert — Digitally signed by Bruno Haesbaert Date: 2020.02.11 08:53:48 -08'00'	
Address:	9270 Holly Rd, Adelanto, CA 92301	Same as Submitter ☒
Country:	United States of America	Same as Submitter ☒
Accreditation Certificate Number and Dates of current Accreditation period :	TL371: July 1, 2019 - July 1, 2022	

Submitter Signature*: John M_ Pasakarnis — Digitally signed by John M_ Pasakarnis DN: C=US, O=Dicke Safety Products, CN=John M_ Pasakarnis, E=john@dicketool.com Reason: I have reviewed this document Location: your signing location here Date: 2020-02-12 08:53:18 Foxit Reader Version: 9.5.0

Submit Form

ATTACHMENTS

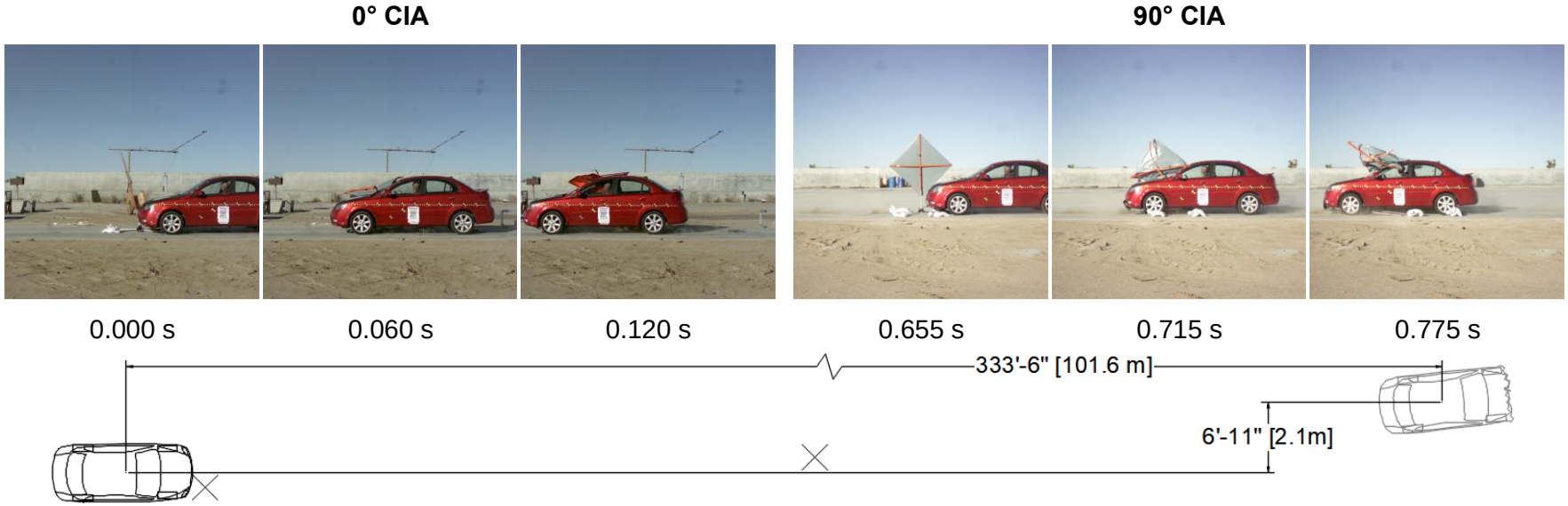
Attach to this form:

1) Additional disclosures of related financial interest as indicated above.
2) A copy of the full test report, video, and a Test Data Summary Sheet for each test conducted in support of this request.
3) A drawing or drawings of the device(s) that conform to the Task Force-13 Drawing Specifications [Hardware Guide Drawing Standards]. For proprietary products, a single isometric line drawing is usually acceptable to illustrate the product, with detailed specifications, intended use, and contact information provided on the reverse. Additional drawings (not in TF-13 format) showing details that are relevant to understanding the dimensions and performance of the device should also be submitted to facilitate our review.

FHWA Official Business Only:

Eligibility Letter		
Number	Date	Key Words

MASH 2016 Test 3-71 Summary



GENERAL INFORMATION

Test Agency	Applus IDIADA KARCO
Test No.	P39343-01
Test Designation	3-71
Test Date	12/16/19

TEST ARTICLE

Name / Model	DF3000P Sign Stand
Type	Work-Zone Device
Device Height	85.5 ft. (26.1 m)
Key Elements	Metal, fiberglass, vinyl
Road Surface	Smooth, clean concrete

TEST VEHICLE

Type / Designation	1100C
Year, Make, and Model	2010 Kia Rio
Curb Mass	2,436.1 lbs (1,105.0 kg)
Test Inertial Mass	2,428.4 lbs (1,101.5 kg)
Gross Static Mass	2,592.6 lbs (1,176.0 kg)

Impact Conditions

Impact Velocity Device 1	62.90 mph (101.22 km/h)
Impact Velocity Device 2	61.02 mph (98.20 km/h)
Device 1 Angle	0.0°
Device 2 Angle	90.0°
Device 1 Kinetic Energy	321.1 kip-ft (435.4 kJ)
Device 2 Kinetic Energy	302.2 kip-ft (409.8 kJ)

Exit Conditions

Device 1 Exit Velocity	61.8 mph (99.4 km/h)
Device 2 Exit Velocity	60.4 mph (97.2 km/h)
Vehicle Resting Position	333.5 ft. (101.6 m) Downstream 6.9 ft. (2.1 m) Left
Vehicle Stability	Satisfactory
Maximum Roll Angle	N/A*
Maximum Pitch Angle	N/A*
Maximum Yaw Angle	N/A*

* Not Applicable, device weighs less than 220 lbs (100 kg)

Occupant Risk

Longitudinal OIV	N/A*
Lateral OIV	N/A*
Longitudinal RA	N/A*
Lateral RA	N/A*
THIV	N/A*
PHD	N/A*
ASI	N/A*

Test Article Deflections

0° Sign Debris Field (longitudinal)	19.7 ft. (6.0 m)
0° Sign Debris Field (lateral)	34.0 ft. (10.4 m)
90° Sign Debris Field (longitudinal)	179.3 ft. (54.7 m)
90° Sign Debris Field (lateral)	4.8 ft. (1.4 m)

Vehicle Damage

Vehicle Damage Scale	12-FD-1
CDC	12FDAW1
Maximum Deformation	0.3 in. (8 mm) at windshield

Figure 2. Summary of Test 3-71

MASH 2016 Test 3-72 Summary

0° CIA **90° CIA**

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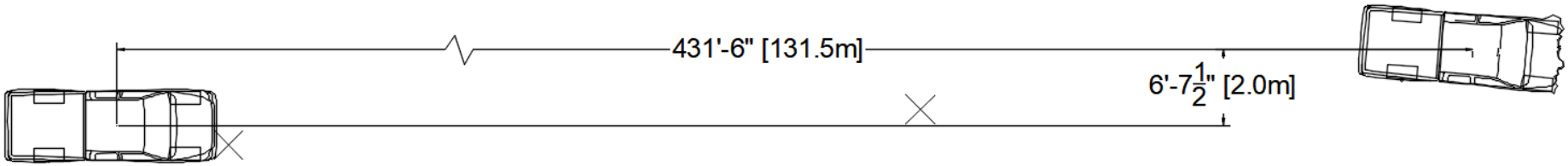


GENERAL INFORMATION

Test Agency	Applus IDIADA KARCO
Test No	P39344-01
Test Designation	3-72
Test Date	12/16/19

TEST ARTICLE

Name / Model	DF3000P Sign Stand
Type	Work-Zone Device
Device Height	85.5 ft. (26.1 m)
Key Elements	Metal, fiberglass, vinyl
Road Surface	Smooth, clean concrete

TEST VEHICLE

Type / Designation	2270P
Year, Make, and Model	2014 RAM 1500
Curb Mass	5,029.8 lbs (2,281.5 kg)
Test Inertial Mass	5,052.9 lbs (2,292.0 kg)
Gross Static Mass	5,052.9 lbs (2,292.0 kg)

Impact Conditions

Impact Velocity Device 1	63.45 mph (102.11 km/h)
Impact Velocity Device 2	62.57 mph (100.70 km/h)
Device 1 Angle	0.0°
Device 2 Angle	90.0°
Device 1 Kinetic Energy	680.0 kip-ft (922.0 kJ)
Device 2 Kinetic Energy	661.3 kip-ft (896.7 kJ)

Exit Conditions

Device 1 Exit Velocity	62.9 mph (101.2 km/h)
Device 2 Exit Velocity	62.0 mph (99.8 km/h)
Vehicle Resting Position	431.5 ft. (131.5 m) Downstream 6.6 ft. (2 m) Left
Vehicle Stability	Satisfactory
Maximum Roll Angle	N/A*
Maximum Pitch Angle	N/A*
Maximum Yaw Angle	N/A*

* Not Applicable, device weighs less than 220 lbs (100 kg)

Occupant Risk

Longitudinal OIV	N/A*
Lateral OIV	N/A*
Longitudinal RA	N/A*
Lateral RA	N/A*
THIV	N/A*
PHD	N/A*
ASI	N/A*

Test Article Deflections

0° Sign Debris Field (longitudinal)	123.0 ft. (37.5 m)
0° Sign Debris Field (lateral)	17.3 ft. (5.3 m)
90° Sign Debris Field (longitudinal)	154.8 ft. (47.2 m)
90° Sign Debris Field (lateral)	7.0 ft. (2.1 m)

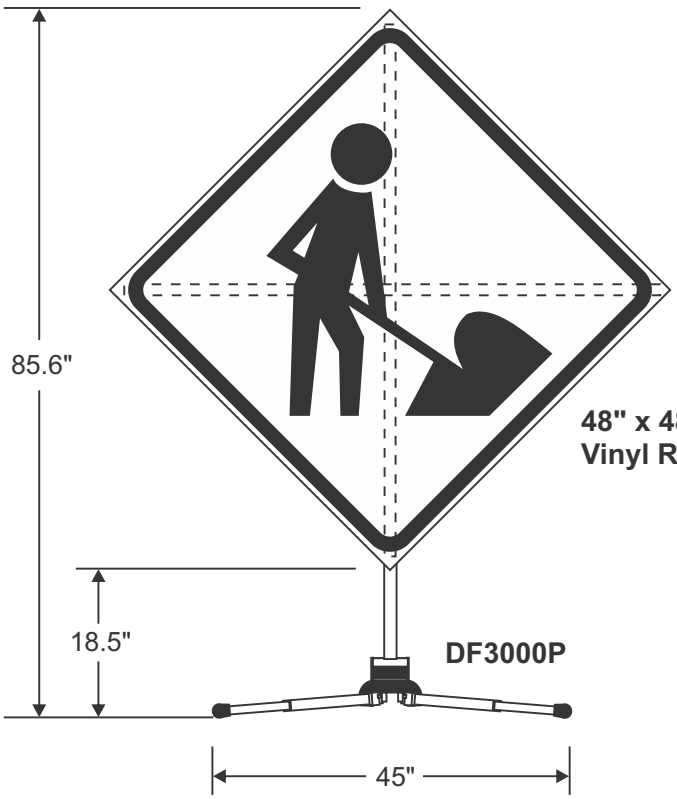
Vehicle Damage

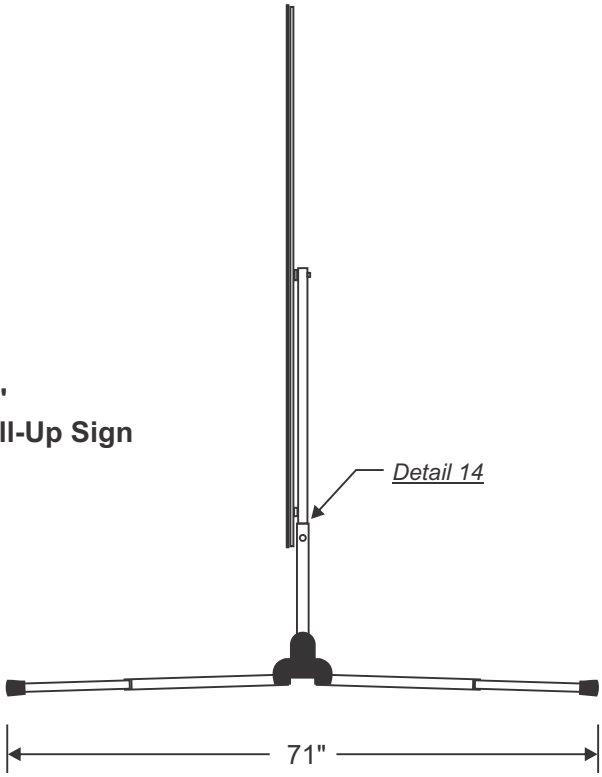
*Vehicle Damage Scale	12-FD-3
CDC	12FDEW1
*Maximum Deformation	1.3 in. (33 mm) at floorpan

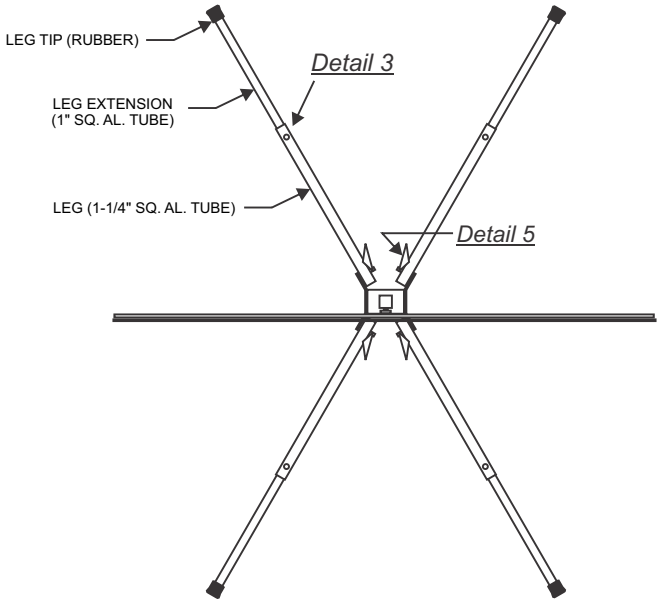
*Due to secondary impact with dirt mound

Figure 2. Summary of Test 3-72

DF3000P







DF3000P STAND

- Base - Steel with double torsion spring system
- Legs - Telescopic 1-1/4" and 1" sq. alum. tubing.

VINYL ROLL-UP SIGN

- Panel - vinyl, 48" x 48"
- Crossbrace - Vertical member: 1-1/4" wide x 66" long fiberglass bar with 1" sq. x 34" long steel tube
- Crossbrace - Horizontal member: 1-1/4" wide x 66" long fiberglass bar

Weight: DF3000P

Sign (w/Crossbrace)	8 lbs.
Sign Stand	17 lbs.
Total	25 lbs.

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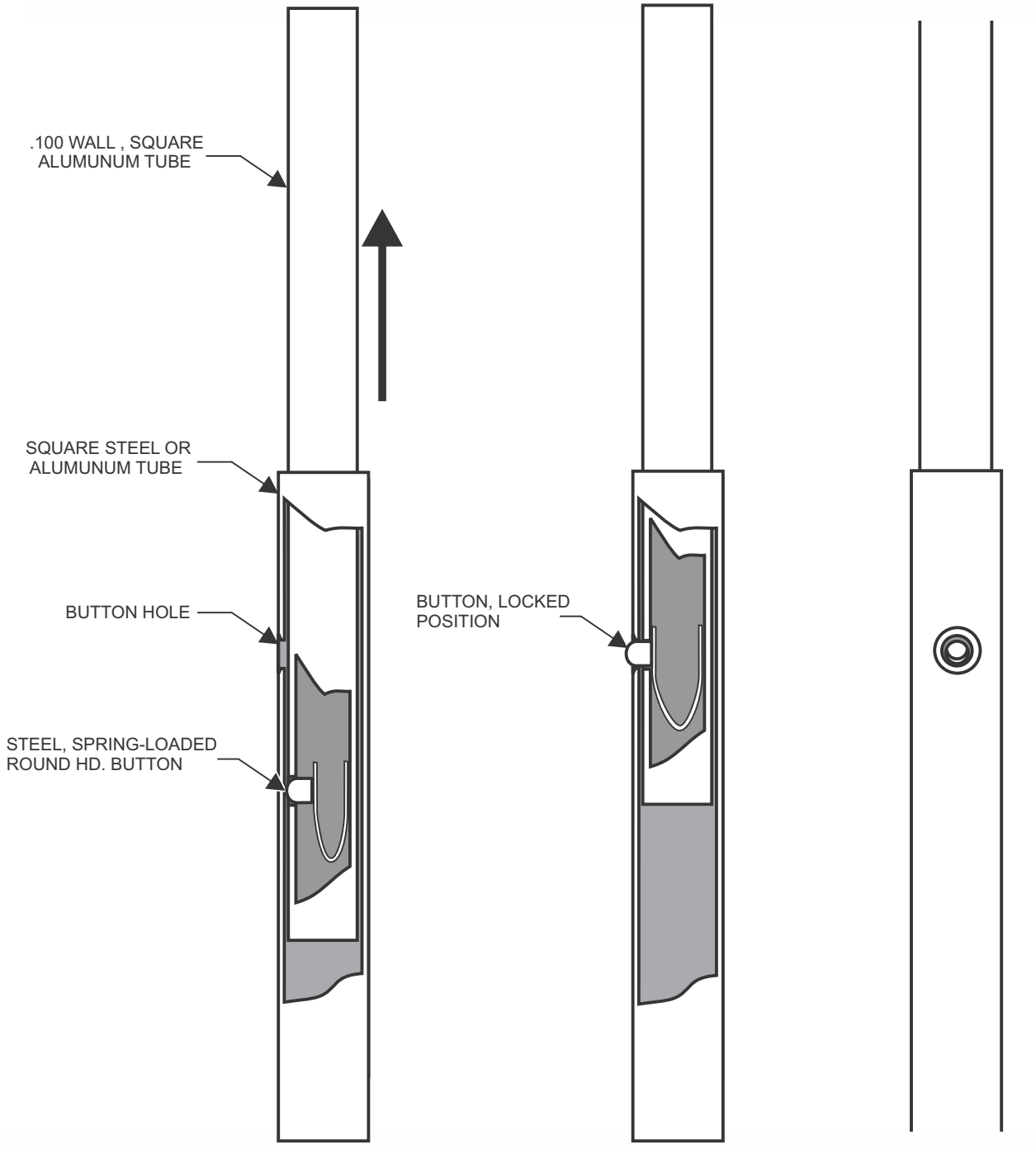
ATTACHMENT METHODS

REF: DETAIL 3 (TELESCOPING TUBES)



SIDE VIEW A **SIDE VIEW B** **FRONT VIEW**

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ATTACHMENT METHODS

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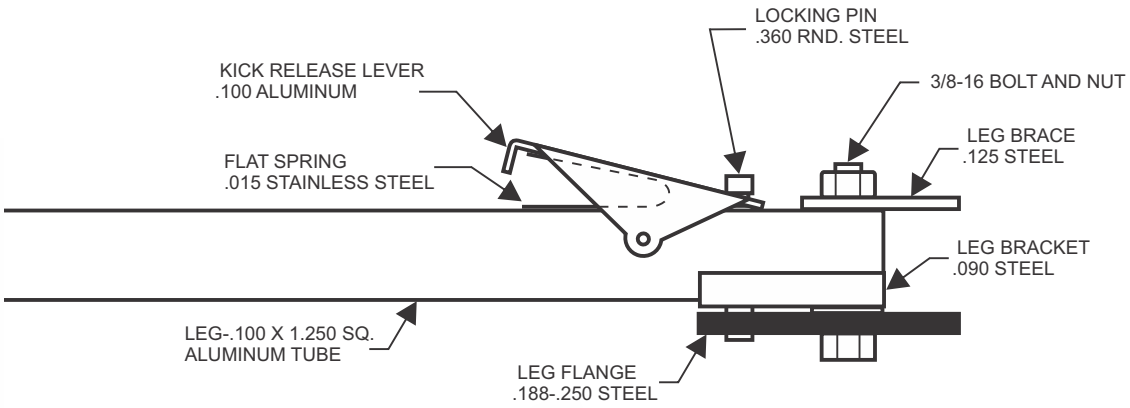

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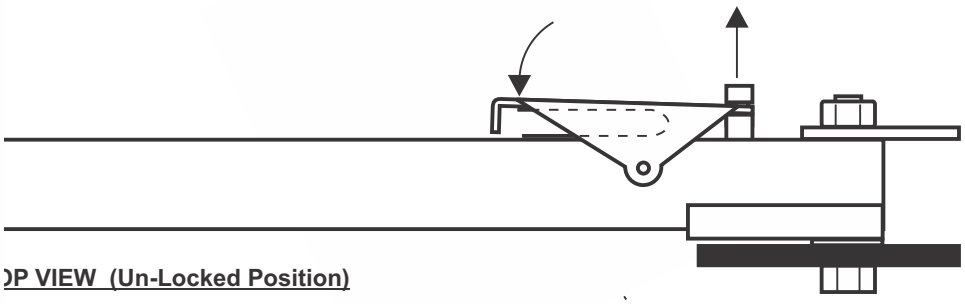

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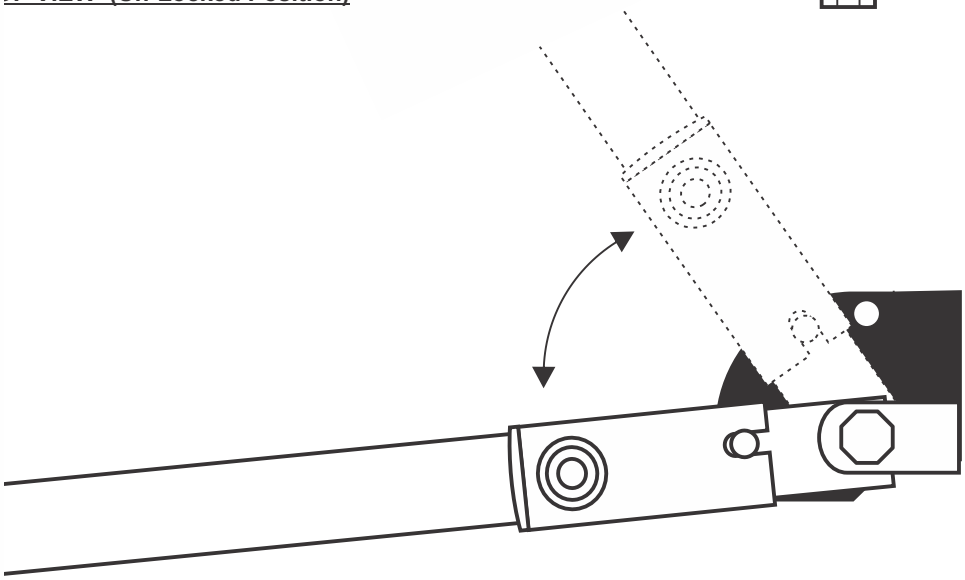

SIDE VIEW

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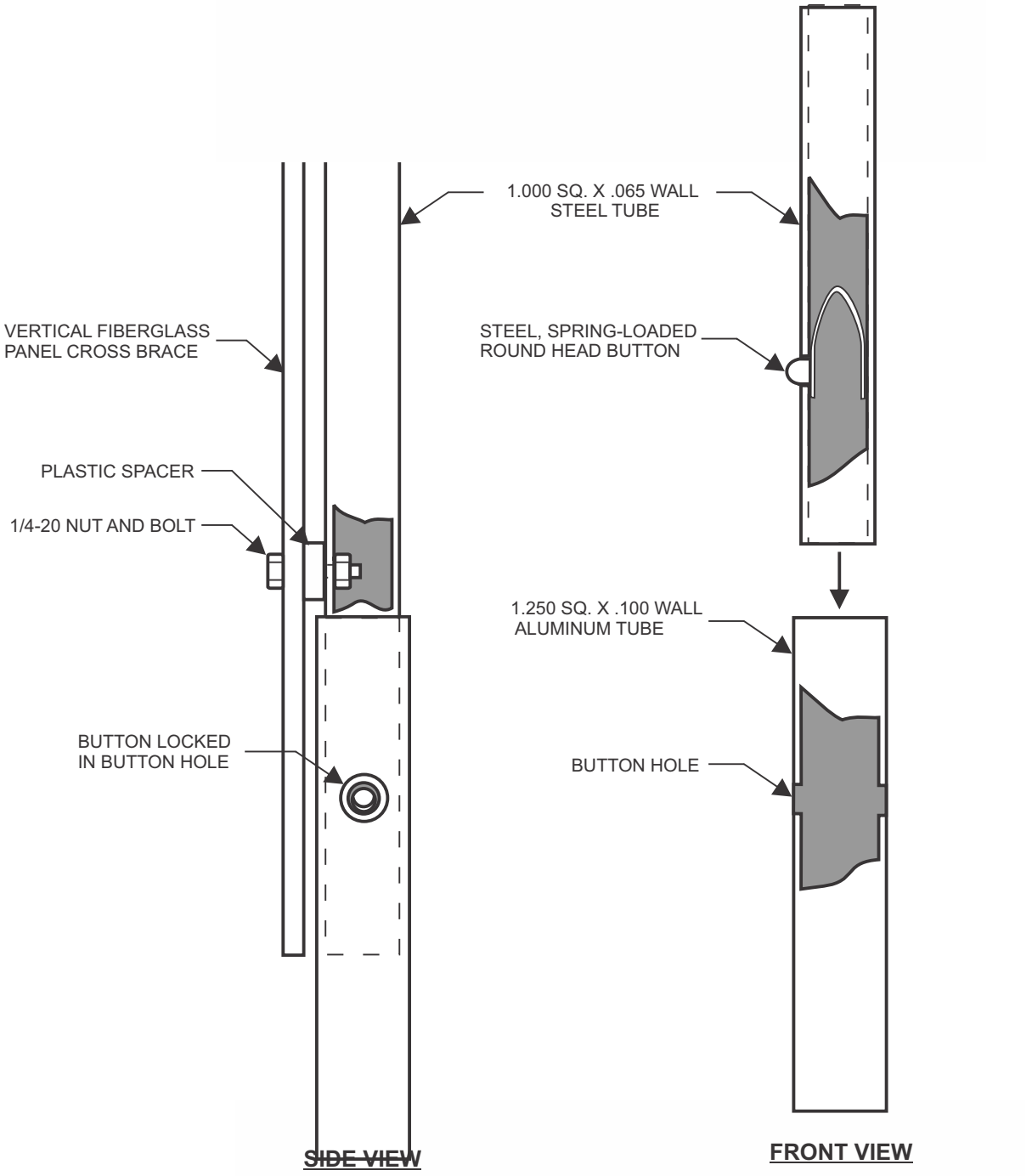
REF: DETAIL 14 (STEEL TUBE TO ALUMINUM TUBE)



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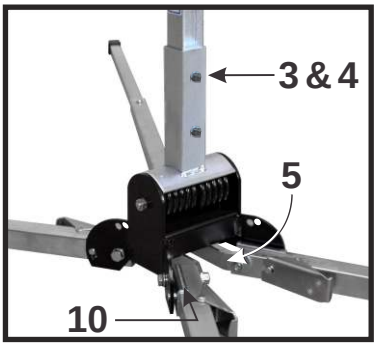
DF3000P Sign Stand

PARTS LIST



	Description (Quantity per Stand.)	Part Number
1	Post Adapter Tube (1)	31-089-02
2	Base Complete (No Sign Holder) (1)	DF3000R-BAS
3	Bolt (2)	91-007
4	Nut (2)	92-021
5	Leg Brace (2)	20-003-03
	Leg Bolt (4)	91-012
	Lock Nut (4)	92-006
	Flat Washer (4)	92-041
	Split Washer (4)	92-036
6	Left Kick Release (2)	34-001-02
	Kick Release Pin (4)	12-004-01
	Kick Release Rivet (4)	95-007
	Kick Release Spring (4)	18-001-01
7	Right Kick Release (2)	34-001-01
8	Left Leg w/Kick Release Assembly (2)	ULL-22
9	Right Leg w/Kick Release Assembly (2)	ULR-22
10	Leg Bracket (4)	20-001-01
11	Extension Leg w/Button and Leg Tip (4)	UEL-19
12	Leg Tip Only (4)	43-019

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