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FOREWORD

Section 521 of the National Housing Act directs the Secretary to adopt a uniform procedure for acceptance of materials and products to be used under HUD housing programs.

This Handbook outlines the overall Technical Suitability of Products Program and processing procedures for review and acceptance of building systems, components, products and materials.

The two major categories of acceptance are:

- 1) Structural building systems, subsystems and components.
- 2) Structural and nonstructural materials and products.

The objectives of this program are the acceptance of suitable new and innovative building materials and systems to encourage improvements in, and development of, technological advances in home building.

References:

- 1) HUD 4910.1 - Minimum Property Standards for Housing containing standards and referenced standards for:
 - Single Family Housing
 - Multifamily Housing
 - Care-Type Facilities
- 2) HUD 4950.2 - Design Criteria for Trussed Rafters
- 3) HUD 4145.1 - Architectural Processing and Inspections for Home Mortgage Insurance
- 4) HUD 4190.1 - Single Family Underwriting Reports

