



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Contractors and Distributors
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RE: Outdated Product

All our products have a batch number which corresponds to the manufacturing date. Each product has a specified shelf life and this information can be found on the individual product data sheet.

If a product is approaching the expiration date or has surpassed the expiration date, the material is not necessarily bad, or unable to be used. Typically products stored in a cool, dry location will last well beyond the standard shelf life.

Typically, our products fall into three categories:

1. Powdered / Cement Products
2. Water Based Products
3. Solvent Based Products

Powdered / Cement based products are the most vulnerable to environmental conditions and therefore, the standard shelf life is very important. However, if the material has not become hard, and can be sifted easily, it will perform as designed.

The water based products are not as vulnerable as the powdered products but are affected by high or low temperatures. Material exposed to prolonged high temperatures, or freezing, will begin to gel. This is quite apparent upon opening the pail as the material will look like cottage cheese, or possibly even a solid mass. If the material is able to be mixed easily, and blends without any lumps, then the product will perform as designed.

Our solvent based products are the least vulnerable product. Pails stored at temperatures as low as freezing and as high as 90°F, will remain in good condition significantly beyond the expiration date. The solids and liquids typically separate easily with solvent material. Therefore, it will be necessary to mix the material well before using. If the material is in good condition, it will mix and blend easily without any lumps. The material will perform as designed.