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# WORLD CLASS OPERABLE WALLS



### **Company profile**

Engaging in the design, manufacture, installation and service of operable walls for over 50-years, Advanced Equipment Corporation is the most senior Company Currently producing this product in the USA.

Advanced Equipment has designed and built special purpose equipment that allows it to produce welded steel panels of large size and with exceptional precision and quality.

AEC utilizes physical testing to confirm design performance and produces operable walls with the strength to resist forces generated by earthquakes thus insuring the Public's Safety.

The all welded, all steel construction enables AEC to offer a 10-year limited warranty for the ALPHA® panel. This panel provides superior, fieldtested, sound stopping performance, incombustible construction and durability in a wall that is easy to operate.

AEC ALPHA<sup>®</sup> panels are designed to last the life of your building with minimal maintenance cost.

### Perfil de la empresa

Dedicada al diseño, manufactura, instalación y servicio de muros operables por más de 50 años, Advanced Equipment Corporation es la empresa con más experiencia actualmente, fabricando este producto en los Estados Unidos.

Advanced Equipment diseña y desarrolla maquinaria especial con el propósito de producir páneles de acero soldados de gran tamaño y con excepcional presición y calidad.

AEC utiliza pruebas físicas que confirman la eficiencia del diseño de nuestros productos y produce muros operables con la fortaleza de resistir fuerzas generadas por terremotos, por lo tanto, cubre la seguridad pública.

La construcción totalmente de acero soldado, permite a Advanced Equipment ofrecer una garantía de 10 años para el panel Alpha®, el cual ofrece superioridad, pruebas de acústica en campo, construcción incombustible y durabilidad en un muro que es de sencilla operación..

AEC ALPHA<sup>®</sup> son diseñados para la vida útil de su edificio, con el mínimo costo de mantenimiento.

#### **Front Cover Photo: 12 Technologies, Inc.** Dallas, TX

ALPHA® panel, curved, electrically operated wall with groups of panels joined to create three wall elements. Wall elements are stacked when stored. Architect: The Lauck Group











#### Conventions Centers / Centros de Convenciones



#### Los Angeles Convention Center

Los Angeles, California. USA ALPHA, welded steel construction "P", 14 Gauge perforate steel faces, panels 36 feet high, absorptive, NRC 0.65 field sound tested NIC 44. Approximate height is 11 m. Installed: June, 1994 Architect: Gruen Associates



# Versatility / Versatilidad





Conventions Centers / Centros de Convenciones



#### **Moscone Convention Center**

San Francisco, California. USA ALPHA, welded steel panel construction type "U". 14 gauge face sheets robotically fusion welded to 14 gauge frame members, field sound tested, minimum 42 NIC. Installed: September 2002 Architects: Gensler, Michael Willis, Kwan Henmi



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Colorado Convention Center Denver, Colorado. USA

#### Exhibit Hall:

14-gauge (1.9 mm) thick panel faces 100 mm bottom seal travel paint finish. Pass Doors equipped with "Von Duprin" hardware, concealed door closers and self-illuminated Exit Sign. Longest wall in Exhibit Hall is 244 meters.

Ballroom wall: Same as Exhibit Hall except that finish is fabric.

> Installed: March 2005 Architect: Fentress Bradburn





# Elegance / Elegancia



Hotels /Hoteles



Imperial Ballroom at Sheraton Hotel Seattle, Washington. USA ALPHA welded steel panels with fabric finish and power coated trim. Installed 2006 Architect: Callison Architecture



#### San Gabriel Hilton

San Gabriel, California. USA ALPHA, welded steel, panel construction guaranteed to achieve minimum 42 NIC; #1A SUPERTRACK, bronze anodized panel trim, standard wall carpet finish. Installed: January 2004 Architect: JWDA Architects

Hotels /Hoteles





#### **Riverwalk Marriott**

San Antonio, Texas. USA ALPHA, welded steel construction, type "S" panel, 53 STC. Panel trim is AEC standard clear satin anodized. Panel finish is fabric supplied by others to AEC for fabric application. Chair rail installed in field to insure alignment with rail on adjacent room walls. Storage pocket doors by AEC. Panels furnished with 10-year limited warranty.

Installed: November, 2003 Architect: Mitchell Carlson Stone

## Functional / Funcional



Schools & Colleges / Escuelas y Universidades



#### Yelm High School Auditorium, Outside

Yelm, Washington. USA Alpha welded steel panel, type "S". Electrical operation. Finishes outside red carpet and inside vinyl with porcelain/steel liquid marker boards permanently affixed to the panels Installed: 2006. Architect: Erickson, Mc Govern





Yelm High School Auditorium, Inside Yelm, Washington USA



Medina Elementary School Medina, Washington. USA Alpha welded steel panel, type "S". Electrical operation. Installed: 2006 Architect: McGranahan Architects

**Rosa Parks Elementary School** Redmond, Washington. USA Alpha welded steel panel, type "S". Manual operation

Alpha welded steel panel, type "S". Manual operation Installed: 2006 Architect: Mahlum Architects



# Dynamic / Dinámico



#### **Calty Automotive Design Group**

Newport Beach, California. USA Six element VISION®, factory applied fabric finish. Fabric finish over tackable surface. Installed: January, 1991. Architect: Rosgetti Associates

Special Projects / Proyectos Especiales



G.E. Capitol, University of Connecticut Connecticut, Connecticut. USA Electrically Operated, Curved Panels and Track. Perforated panel faces, inset pass door with light also by AEC. Installed: November 2000. Architect: CPG Architects & Planners







Banks / Bancos





#### Wachovia Bank Charlotte, North Carolina. USA Electrically operated, curved, welded tubular steel frames with lumber finish, curved aluminum track. Water jet cut aluminum grill with custom power coat finish. Installed: December, 1999. Architects: Fishero, McGuire, Krueger Architects



### Esthetic / Estético









#### Nixon Library

Yorba Linda, California. USA ALPHA, welded steel panel construction, type "U". Panels are nominally 2.4 meter wide. Special track work and closure panel allows operable wall to seal acoustically with adjacent room walls without unsightly closure panel or expandable jamb element. Millwork field applied by others. Opposite side of the wall has fabric finish. One set of pass doors is active while the others are not. Track is AEC #8 SUPERTRACK. Installed: August, 2003. Architects: Langdon Wilson.

Special Projects / Proyectos Especiales







#### **Osram Sylvannia** North American Headquarters Lighting Studio Danvers, Massachusetts. USA Curved ALPHA panels, curved extruded

aluminum track, electric operation, power coated panel trim and track. Installed 08/31/1994 Architects: Design Plus



### WORLD CLASS<sup>®</sup> - ALPHA<sup>®</sup> SERIES

All welded, all steel panels designed to last the life of your building.



Aprox. thickness. inches and milimeters (nts)

Thicker steel used by AEC produces superior panel strength

#### Discover Advanced Equipment's Measurable Performance

- ♦ 42 NIC guaranteed when SPECIFIED (ASTM E 336-97)
- One hand operation on 12" (305mm) radius turn tracks
- Proof load testing of panel construction (ASTM E-72)
- Proof load testing of trolley plate anchorage
- 10 year limited warranty that does not exclude "normal wear and tear"
- $\diamond$  Low maintenance cost, no replacement cost

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#### Compare ALPHA's features with its competitors:

- 1. 14 ga. (0.075" 1.9mm) steel top rail
- 2. Minimum 16 ga. (0.060" 1.52mm) steel frame members
- **3.** 16 ga. (0.060" 1.52mm) or 14 ga. (0.075" 1.9mm) steel FACE SHEETS WELDED TO FRAME MEMBERS with max. weld spacing of 8" (203mm)
- **4.** 16 ga. (0.060" 1.52mm) steel stiffeners welded to interior surface of panel faces (no gypsum board)
- **5.** 1/2 in. (12.7mm) or 3/4 in. (19mm) thick trolley plates welded into top rail. Anchorage withstands 10,000 pound (4545 kg) tensile load applied via pendant bolt.
- **6.** 1 in. (25.4mm) thick absorptive sound baffle inside of frame members
- 7. Fiberglass absorptive fill
- **8.** Mechanical, retractable bottom seals with travel range from 2 inches (51mm) standard to 6 in. (152mm)
- 9. Built-in handle for bottom seal activation\*
- **10.**Protective, tongue and groove, extruded aluminum edge trim\*\* with acoustical seals.
- **11.**Optional edge trim-finish wraps around vertical edge and is secured under edge trim\*\* that does not overlap panel face
- 12. Multi-fin, fixed top seals

\*Individual panel operation

\*\*Anodized or powder coated



While gypsum board has many uses, it is not a structural material. Buyers may unintentionally be investing in products that have an inherently short life span when accepting wall panels that utilize composite face sheets of thin sheet metal glued to gypsum board and then assembled to welded steel frames. The strength of these

panels relies on the strength of the glue-bond between the paper skin and the core of the gypsum board. Contrast the impact resistance and short service life of these panels with ALPHA®, all steel, all welded panels whose life is to be measured in Decades.

# Be it ELECTRIC or MANUAL operation, AEC offers a wide range of panel constructions and tracks designed to fit your specific need and budget. For life-of-the-building durability select one of the ALPHA® panel constructions.



	Panel Type	Weight #/SQ. FT	Weight KG/M2	S.T.C	N.I.C.*	N.R.C.	Panel Thickness	Maximum Width	Maximum Height	Panel Face Sheet
	S	8.5	41.6	53	42	-	3.5″ (89mm)	60" (1.52M)	35FT (10.7M)	16-Ga. Steel or optional 14-Ga.
Alpha	Т	9.1	44.5	54	42	-	3.5" (89mm)	60" (1.52M)	35FT (10.7M)	Minimum 16-Ga. Steel
	U	9.7	47.5	53	42	-	4" (102mm)	60" (1.52M)	60FT (18.3M)	14-Ga. Steel
	Р	12	58.7	49	42	0.65	4" (102mm)	60" (1.52M)	60FT (18.3M)	14-Ga. Perforated Steel
	Х	10	48.9	53	42	-	3.5" (89mm)	60" (1.52M)	35FT (10.7M)	14 or 16-Ga. Steel (1-Hr fire)
	А	5.9	28.9	49	40	-	3.5″ (89mm)	54" (1.37M)	24FT (7.3M)	Minimum 20-Ga. Steel
Sigma	В	6.4	31.3	50	41	-	3.5" (89mm)	54" (1.37M)	24FT (7.3M)	Minimum 20-Ga. Steel
Sig	С	6.9	33.8	51	41	-	3.5" (89mm)	54" (1.37M)	35FT (10.7M)	Minimum 18-Ga. Steel
•••	D	7.4	36.2	52	42	-	3.5" (89mm)	54" (1.37M)	35FT (10.7M)	Minimum 18-Ga. Steel
N.I.C.* when tested in accordance with ASTM E 336-97; Deduct 2 points when using ASTM E 336-05										
	With the exception of "X" (fire rated), all ALPHA and SIGMA panels are suitable for electric operation									
	With the exception of "X" (fire rated), all ALPHA and SIGMA panel constructions are available as curved panels									
	ALPHA & SIGMA panels are one-piece steel weldments with face sheets welded to frame									
	Maximum heights are for individual panel operation and may be less for hinged groups or electric operation									

Advanced Equipment's family of extended warranty tracks produce easy, reliable, long term service with virtually no maintenance. These tracks are furnished with a 5 or 10-year warranty period that does not exclude normal wear and tear. Specify tracks #1a, #8 or #8b.

### **SUPERTRACK®**



**#1a 900-pound trolley capacity** Composite track: Aluminum case with CR steel bar running surface. Maunual or electric operation. **5-YEAR WARRANTY** 





soffit trim. Manual or e 1-YEAR WARRANTY

### **DWspec**™

#8 1700-pound trolley capacity Composite track: Aluminum case with CR steel bar running surface. Manual or electric operation. 10-YEAR WARRANTY



Composite track: Aluminum case with steel running surface. Manual operation. 2-YEAR WARRANTY



#8b 1500-pound trolley capacity Composite track: Aluminum case with CR steel bar running surface. Manual or electric operation. 10-YEAR WARRANTY



**#4 1.500-pound trolley capacity** Curve wall manual or electric. **5-YEAR WARRANTY** 

DWspec<sup>™</sup> provides Architects and Specification Developers with a fully interactive tool for developing operable wall specifications. As a Web-based application, DWspec requires no special software or downloads. DWspec produces one specification for your project even if your project has several walls each with differing characteristics. The user need not be familiar with Advanced Equipment products or their individual characteristics in order to produce a valid, error-free specification.

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