METHOD STATEMENT

Project	Charles Street, Manchester.
Operation	Installation of SFS & Y Wall Sheathing Board
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PFL MANAGEMENT TEAM:	Operations Director – Stephen Dermott – 07841 477815 Contracts Manager – TBC Commercial Manager – Grant Ridler- 07498 054763 SHEQT Manager – Sophie Burgess – 07736 987 908 Project Manager – TBC Site Manager – TBC Quantity Surveyor – TBC
CONTROL MEASURES:	This document, along with all relevant risk assessments, other method statements, addendums and any site rules will be communicated to all operatives prior to them commencing works. Records of the communication, of this document (and associated documentation) will be kept in the form of a completed SHF-04 Risk Assessment & Method Statement Sign off Sheet. In addition to those control measures identified in the risk assessments; all site rules, as required by the Principal Contractor and detailed in the Pre-Construction Health and Safety Information Pack and the Construction Phase Health & Safety Plan are to be adhered to. The Precision Facades Ltd. Project & Site Managers are to continually monitor the work area throughout the delivery of the work phases to ensure the control measures are suitable for the work operation and work area. The control measures are not to obstruct any services or accesses. Close liaison with PFL site operatives and Principal Contractor will be required to ensure co-ordination of site activities.
DURATION:	Approximately 40 weeks.
SEQUENCE OF WORKS:	<u>Induction</u> 1. Site induction to be carried out by Watkin Jones Plc. 2. Site induction to be carried out by PFL site management which will include reading and understanding the RAMS for all operatives prior to them starting on site. 3. An on-site training matrix will be utilised to record inductions and ensure competency cards and training remain in date. 4. Daily briefings (DABs) will be carried out prior to any works commencing and co-ordination meetings will be carried out daily with site supervisors. 5. Precision Facades Project Manager / Site Supervisor will check that the work areas are safe to work prior to any works commencing. 6. Weekly toolbox talks to be held, relevant to site operations. <u>Prior to Commencing</u> 7. Grid lines and datums to be issued by Watkin Jones as agreed.

8. Current revision of the approved construction drawings to be used by the installation team. The most recent revisions of drawings will always be readily available on-site.
9. A thorough Quality Assurance process will be developed and undertaken whilst undertaking the works, this will include photos, advisories, acceptance or refusal of substrates and completed works.
10. When loading or unloading materials from or onto vehicles a trained banksman will be in attendance at all times, controlling the flow of materials, vehicles, the public and site operatives in close vicinity.

Access Via Podium Steps

11. Installing head track will be completed with operatives accessing the work face from podium steps.
12. Edge protection will be in place by Watkin Jones.
13. The podium steps will be erected by competent persons and inspected prior to each use by a competent person.
14. A recorded inspection will be carried out at least weekly using for SHF-52.
15. Operatives to refer to RA A 02.

Access Via Mast Climbers

16. Mast Climbers to be provided by Watkin Jones Plc. including any required pre-use/checklist documentation.
17. The area under the mast climber will be fenced off creating an exclusion zone by Watkin Jones Plc.
18. Mast climbers are to be inspected each morning and before every use by the user.
19. The mast climbers are to be signed out with Watkin Jones Manager.
20. Operatives must have received familiarisation training prior to using the mast climbers by Precision Facades.

Installation of SFS

21. Precision facades will set up a cutting exclusion zone on floors the operatives are working on, using barriers and signage.
22. When cutting the SFS material, the use of a chop saw fitted with a tungsten carbide-tipped (TCT) blade will be required.
23. Within this exclusion zone Precision Facades operatives will wear full site PPE plus impact goggles and hearing protection.
24. Install the base track to the concrete slab at each floor level using tap cons as per construction-issued drawings using the given grid lines and datums
25. Install the head track to the underside of the concrete slab at each floor level using tap cons as per drawings using the given grid lines and datums. This will be a two-man operation as the length of SFS can be up to 3000mm, and operatives will use podium steps.
26. Cut the SFS studs to the correct length as per construction drawings, using a chop saw with TCT blade (HAVS assessment required from Precision Facades)
27. Install studs as per drawings, using 25mm pancake head self-drilling screws which will be fixed at both base and head track in the required location.

28. Please refer back to SFS drawings for installation details.

<u>Installation of Y Wall board</u>

29. Precision Facades will set up cutting exclusion zones on floors the operatives are working on, using barriers and signage.
30. When cutting the Y Wall boards, the use of a circular saw will be required.
31. Within the exclusion zone Precision Facades operatives will wear full site PPE plus impact goggles, hearing protection, use local exhaust ventilation (LEV) and/or respiratory protective equipment (RPE)
32. SFS frame dimensions will be site measured, the Y Wall will be cut to size.
33. The mast climber will be positioned level with the floor slab to act as temporary leading-edge protection.
34. One section of the CombiSafe edge protection system will be removed by the exterior team on the mast climber and then passed to the internal team.
35. The internal team will be wearing a harness which will be secured to an inertia reel. Harnesses will be issued using form SHF 28 and inspected at regular intervals by a competent person using form SHF 08.
36. The inertia reel is to be hired from a reputable hire company and have testing certification.
37. The CombiSafe edge protection system will be installed immediately internally, spanning the openings in the building's façade (areas not boarded).
38. The internal team will secure the CombiSafe edge protection system to the SFS using small sections of SFS. The tread of the bi-metal wing drill timber tek screw will pass through a piece of SFS waste, through the mesh of the CombiSafe edge protection system and into the secured SFS stud, securing all items to the internal face of the SFS.
39. When the CombiSafe edge protection system is reinstated in the new location, the CombiSafe upright and supporting bracket will be removed by the mast climber team.
40. The bolts are to be stored in a bucket or box on the mast climber to reduce the risk of bolts falling from height.
41. The Y Wall board will be passed from the internal floor slab team to the mast climber team then located as required on the external face of the SFS.
42. The Y Wall board will then be secured back to SFS studs using bi-metal wing drill timber tek screws.
43. This is a three-man operation from mast climber, two men holding the board and one man securing.
44. A full Y Wall board (1.2m x 2.4m) will require a minimum of 4 fixings at corner locations, prior to the two supporting men releasing, then completing the fixing requirements (fixings at 600mm centres).
45. All joints will be sealed with CORTEX board jointing tape by the external team located on the mast climber.
46. Operatives must always refer back to Construction issued drawings and specification.
47. All work area's to be kept clean, tidy and free from waste materials.

48. Waste materials will be removed and placed into skips at the end of each shift or as required, any materials not belonging to Precision Facades will be brought to the attention of Watkin Jones Plc.
49. Skips to be provided by Precision Facades Ltd., locations to be agreed with Watkin Jones Plc.

Application of EPDM

50. EPDM to be applied sealing the newly installed Y Wall to; top face of slab, columns, underside of slab using Cortex 0771FR Class B paste adhesive with Cortex 0500FR Class B membrane.
51. Apply Cortex Paste Adhesive to both the Y Wall and the concrete substructure using a paste adhesive gun.
52. Spread out the adhesive using a spreader or pallet knife.
53. Bond the Cortex EPDM Membrane to the Y Wall first, then bond back to the concrete substrate, ensuring the membrane is applied flat.
54. Roll firmly with a seam roller on the Y Wall and concrete substrate.
55. Tool off excess paste adhesive with a spreader to ensure no open edges.

Quality Assurance Process of the Weather Seal of New Façade

56. Once all required sealing works are complete all required information's/evidences are documented and recorded on 4P.

Waste material

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Logistics

60. All SFS, Y Wall, EPDM and associated materials will be delivered to site in line with the projects programme.
61. All SFS, Y Wall, EPDM and associated materials will be 'booked in' with the Watkin Jones logistic manager give as much notice as possible.
62. The Precision Facades site manager will be notified of all delivered materials.
63. The materials delivered via articulated vehicles will be off loaded with the use of the telehandler together with a banksman or the tower crane together with a slinger/signaller.
64. The materials will be loaded directly onto the slab as co-ordinated and agreed with Watkin Jones.
65. Material distribution vertically by Watkin Jones.
66. Material distribution horizontally by Precision Facades.
67. Precision Facades operatives will unload the materials from the hoist or CantiDeck with a pallet truck and distribute to the work area.
68. The slab will be marked by Watkin Jones showing Precision Facades where materials can be stored, being mindful of slab point loading and other trades.

	69. No materials to be stored in locations which will impede access/egress or fire escape routes.

OPERATIVES:

Number of Operatives anticipated:

It is anticipated that there will be 10 – 40 Operatives undertaking work on this development at any one time

Minimum Competencies of Operatives:

Every Operative undertaking work on this development will be in possession of a valid, in date CSCS red card. These operatives will only be permitted to apply or install any part of the system under the Supervision of an Operative in possession of a valid, in date CSCS Blue Card.

There will be a minimum of 1 competent, qualified installer of the system holding a valid, in date CSCS Competent Operative card on each property or section where the system is being applied. There will be at least 1 CSCS Competent operative Card Operative to every 4 Trainee Operative cards on each property or section.

Labourers and non-technical personnel (i.e. those not directly applying or installing the agreed system) will be in possession of a valid and in date CSCS Operatives Card.

The competency of each individual conducting works on this project is contained in the inductions section of the Site Project File.

DOCUMENTATION:

The following documentation will be managed and undertaken and distributed weekly during this project:

1. Drop Line on Target Programme
2. Progress Report

Health, Safety & Environment

1. Induction (on first arrival and prior to commencement of work of every Operative)
2. Toolbox Talk (a minimum of one per week)
3. Weekly Site Checks/ Inspections (one per week)
4. Work Permits
5. Plant Register (weekly, entry per item of plant or equipment used by Precision Facades for the works undertaken).
6. Plant Daily Inspections
7. Risk assessments, COSHH Assessments, HAV's, Noise and Manual Handling Assessments

Quality and Verification

1. Quality Assurance document and register. A live document throughout installation.
2. Practical Completion Certificate to be written and handed to the client or customer at completion of the works (Copy to be retained by Precision Facades).

Commercial

1. Request for Information (RFI) document
2. Confirmation of Verbal Instruction (CVI) Document

Customer & Satisfaction

All compliments and complaints will be reviewed and document appropriately

PERMITS REQUIRED: There is no permit-to-work system instigated by Precision Facades however this may be a requirement of the Client. If this is the case, we will adopt these procedures.

SECURITY: It is a requirement for the Client to provide a safe and secure the site. Security measures will be communicated during induction. Their arrangements will not be undermined by the activities of Precision Facades operatives in any way.

STORAGE: Precision Facades will store all materials and plant in a position detailed by the Client communicated either prior to works beginning or during induction to site. Precision Facades will not abuse this facility.

General storage means:

- Materials to be kept in locked containers; Fixings, Tapes, EPDM and Adhesives
- Materials to be kept in a secure compound; Metsec SFS and Y Wall
- Flammable/ explosive materials (and specific storage arrangements); -
- Materials to be kept from rain/ sun/ heat/ cold; -
- Other storage requirements; -

RESOURCES:

Access Equipment
- Podium Towers
- Mast Climbers

Equipment:
- Hammer drill
- Tec gun
- Impact drill
- Combi drill
- Reciprocating Saw
- Jig saw
- Circular saw
- Chop saw

Materials:
- Fixings
- Metsec SFS
- Y Wall boards
- Jointing tape
- EPDM
- Adhesive paste

Welfare: Welfare facilities will be provided by the Client, these have been provided for the use of operatives, visitors, and management during delivery of this project.

PPE: All operatives will wear as minimum:
- safety footwear
- hard hats
- high visibility vests
- Multi-purpose gloves

Other personal protective equipment will be available to workers to wear if they prefer or as deemed through risk assessment.

- Safety glasses
- Impact goggles
- FFP3 Mask
- Half mask with P3 filters

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

Site Evacuation:	Information of site procedures and muster points provided during site induction which every person on site must attend. Site evacuation procedures will be in accordance with Watkin Jones Plc. current strategy for this site.
First-aid:	Any injury sustained by a worker of Precision Facades will be reported to Precision management who will then inform the Precision Facades Health and Safety Manager at head office. First aid assistance will be sort through those identified at induction as competent.
AMENDMENTS:	To be completed in RED, the amendments are to be read and understood. The method statement is to be resigned as amended/reviewed.
Any change in the operation or deviation from the above method and system of work found by personnel on site is to be discussed with the site manager. Amendments are to be confirmed by them and distributed as below. Individuals MUST sign the accompanying RAMS sign off sheet to show they have read and understood the requirements.	

INFORMATION SUPPLIED TO:

Sign to confirm that the contents of this Method Statement revision No.: 01 and attached documents have been read and understood.

Please ensure that if this document is amended or reviewed the document must be re-circulated to the people listed below.

	Print Name	Sign	Date
Client:	_____	_____	_____
Precision Facades Manager:	_____	_____	_____
Precision Facades Supervisor:	_____	_____	_____

This Method Statement has been prepared in accordance to the requirements of the specification document PAS 2030:2012 improving the energy efficiency of existing buildings. Specification for installation process, process management and service provision.

The works have been undertaken under the management and supervision of Precision Facades Limited.