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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms the installation requirements for the use of Owens Corning Starter Shingles and Owens Corning Hip & Ridge shingles with Owens Corning laminated shingles including all Duration® Series, Oakridge® Shingles, and Weatherguard® HP Shingles.

Starter Shingles:

The application instructions for these Owens Corning shingles call for the use of an Owens Corning Starter Strip product. These products include Owens Corning® Starter Strip, Owens Corning® Starter Strip Plus, and Owens Corning® Starter Shingle Roll. These products are designed for use along the eave and rake edge, and when installed correctly, assure correct position of sealant and joints to protect against wind and water infiltration.

The use of waste laminate shingles upside down or a three-tab shingles upside down as a starter is not acceptable. Doing so will place the sealant bead in the wrong location, compromising wind performance at the eave.

Hip & Ridge Shingles:

The application instructions for these Owens Corning shingles calls for the use of an of an Owens Corning Hip & Ridge Shingle. Owens Corning makes a variety of matching Hip & Ridge Shingles that are designed to bend over the ridge. They are tested and warranted per the terms of the warranty for wind performance in that location.

The use of waste laminate shingles as ridge cap is not acceptable. Laminate shingles are designed for installation on a flat surface and will not bend properly over a ridge.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bert Elliott'.

Bert Elliott  
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Owens Corning