Final Inspections, Delays and Getting Paid



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Problem:

When polled, roofing contractors report that one of their top three frustrations in dealing with a roofing manufacturer is the manufacturer's delay in issuing the roofing system warranty. This delay, in turn, delays the closure of the project and the final payments due to the contractor.

The most common cause of this type of delay is the contractor's failure to comply with all of the manufacturer's "punch list items" during final inspection. Once the inspector identifies items for correction, the contractor must comply and reschedule a follow up inspection.

Solution:

Roofing contractors can avoid these delays. Before the manufacturer sends the inspector for the roof installation's final inspection, the contractor should conduct his own inspection. Follow these steps:

- 1. Thoroughly inspect the roof when it's complete.
- 2. Have someone other than the installing superintendant or foreman conduct the inspection.
- 3. Use the same inspection process and techniques that the roofing system manufacturer representative uses.
- 4. Correct any installation deficiencies identified on the "punch list" before the manufacturer's final inspection.

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