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## CLADDING MATERIAL USED IN VALENCIA NOT ALUCOBOND® PANELS

**In light of the recent fire in Valencia, the management of 3A Composites expresses sympathy and condolences to all those affected by this unimaginable tragedy.**

Unlike wrongly stated by some media, the Aluminum Composite Material (ACM) used in Valencia were not ALUCOBOND® façade panels manufactured by 3A Composites.

3A Composites as a responsible manufacturer is aware of the fundamental role, which building materials are playing with regard to safety, and therefore supports and endorses clear and stringent regulations with regard to fire protection and fire safety.

Since many years we advocate for fire-resistant, rear-ventilated façades complying with EN 13501-1 using fire retardant ALUCOBOND® PLUS (EN 13501-1 class B-s1, d0) or non-combustible ALUCOBOND® A2 (EN 13501-1 class A2-s1, d0). In addition, we strongly recommend the use of non-combustible insulation materials. This combination shows no flame propagation or critical rises in temperature.

Because building safety is of utmost importance to us, 3A Composites only sells products with fire retardant or non-combustible material cores. Both ALUCOBOND® PLUS and the even safer ALUCOBOND® A2 have passed all international tests. These solutions are suitable for renovation or new-built projects to make buildings safe. 3A Composites works alongside regulators worldwide to improve fire safety for buildings. 3A Composites offer consulting and technical advice to find the right cladding. The company also works closely with partners in areas of sub-construction and insulation and offers a comprehensive training concept for fire safe façades.

More information can also be found on our brochure and video:

[https://alucobond.com/cms/deliver/ALUCOBOND\\_Fire\\_Safety\\_EN.pdf](https://alucobond.com/cms/deliver/ALUCOBOND_Fire_Safety_EN.pdf)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZY0TKtUkNs>

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### About 3A Composites GmbH

3A Composites GmbH has developed manufactured and marketed high-quality aluminium composite panels, structural composite material, plastic sheets and lightweight foam boards for architecture, visual communication and transport & industry markets since 1969.

### About ALUCOBOND®

ALUCOBOND® is the world market leader for aluminium composite panels. Since their introduction on the market in 1969, these panels have been used above all in architecture and for corporate identity programmes, particularly for façades, wall and roof cladding. The panels are on the one hand outstanding due to their extreme evenness and rigidity, on the other hand they offer excellent formability with simple fabrication techniques. They are available in a large variety of colours, surfaces and formats as well as in various core variations such as a fire-retardant and a non-combustible version. With their comprehensive know-how, 3A Composites supports architects, designers and investors in designing and realizing building envelopes. The brand ALUCOBOND® is produced at the 3A Composites factories in Singen, Germany, Benton in USA, Shanghai in the People's Republic of China and in Pune, India.

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