



Rocket Powder Coating Achieves AAMA Certification for High-Performance Architectural Powder Coating Applications

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Rocket Powder Coating announces its AAMA 2604 and AAMA 2605 certifications for architectural aluminum powder coating, expanding high-performance finishing options for building and construction projects across Minnesota and Wisconsin. This certification underscores the company's ability to deliver long-lasting, weather-resistant finishes for architectural elements such as facades, window frames, railings, curtain walls, and structural components.

The AAMA specifications represent some of the most rigorous standards in the architectural coatings industry. AAMA 2604 and 2605 require proven performance in areas including color retention, gloss retention, chalk resistance, and corrosion resistance under accelerated weathering and salt spray testing. Rocket Powder Coating's achievement confirms that its processes and finishes meet or exceed these benchmarks, providing architects, contractors, and building owners with reliable protection for exterior applications exposed to Midwest climate extremes.

The company's facilities in Centuria, Wisconsin, and Hinckley, Minnesota, support these architectural

projects with advanced capabilities. The large-format part window measures 8 feet by 8 feet by 30 feet, accommodating oversized aluminum extrusions and assemblies. Heavy-duty material handling handles components up to 5,000 pounds. Both batch and conveyorized systems allow flexibility for custom one-off architectural elements or larger production runs typical in commercial construction.

Surface preparation involves a 5-stage washer system with monitored phosphate pretreatment to ensure optimal adhesion. Electrostatic application delivers uniform coverage, including on complex profiles and weld areas. Curing follows precise temperature profiles calculated for aluminum thickness, with infrared monitoring for consistency. Post-coat inspections measure film thickness, adhesion, gloss, and other critical metrics, with full quality documentation available upon request.

Rocket Powder Coating maintains compliance with additional standards, including JDM F17X1 and JDM F17X2 for automotive-grade performance where crossover applications apply. The company sources custom and specialty powders to achieve exact color matches, textures, and functional properties required for architectural specifications.

"Attaining AAMA 2604 and 2605 certification reflects our ongoing investment in processes that deliver measurable, long-term performance for architectural projects," said Curt Carlson, President & Owner of Rocket Powder Coating. "Builders and designers in Minnesota and Wisconsin can specify our finishes with confidence, knowing they will withstand years of exposure while maintaining appearance and structural integrity."

The certification supports the growing demand for durable, low-maintenance building materials in the region. Powder-coated aluminum offers superior resistance to fading, chalking, and corrosion compared to many liquid coatings, while the process itself produces minimal waste and no VOC emissions. These attributes align with sustainable construction practices increasingly prioritized in commercial and institutional projects.

Rocket Powder Coating combines these technical capabilities with operational advantages valued by construction teams. In-house logistics, including semi-truck and flatbed delivery with roller-tarp coverage, facilitate efficient pickup and return of finished components. Transparent quoting includes masking, packaging, and delivery with no hidden fees. Fast turnaround capabilities help meet tight project schedules without compromising quality controls.

"Architectural applications demand both performance and aesthetics," added Carlson. "Our certified processes ensure uniform, high-quality finishes that enhance building appearance while providing the protection needed for long service life."

The company's small-town values and customer-focused approach complement its big-city scale,

equipment, and engineering-grade precision. Decades of hands-on experience allow the team to address challenges common in architectural work, such as detailed masking for multi-color designs or custom racking for irregular extrusions.

Rocket Powder Coating continues to serve diverse industries while strengthening its position in architectural markets. The AAMA certification adds another layer of assurance for projects where finish performance directly impacts building warranties, maintenance costs, and overall project success.

With two regional facilities and a commitment to continuous improvement, Rocket Powder Coating stands ready to support the next generation of durable, attractive building projects throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Rocket Powder Coating operates facilities in Centuria, Wisconsin, and Hinckley, Minnesota. The company provides custom powder coating services focused on durability, precision, and reliability for industrial, commercial, and architectural clients across the Upper Midwest.

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