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SOLAR CELL ALUMINUM PASTE

2597

Cadmium-Free, Low Wafer-Distortion Back Surface Conductor

ESL 2597 is an aluminum paste designed for the back-surface metallization of thin single crystal and polycrystalline silicon solar cells. The 2597 is a fritted back electrode material containing a cadmium-free, low-lead glass to provide excellent adhesion. This material is also designed to provide less distortion when used on thinner silicon wafers.

The 2597 is not solderable, but may be co-fired with ESL 9925 Series back-surface silver materials to provide solderable pads.

The recommended materials to be used in conjunction with 2597 are 9925 Series back-surface silver and 9980 Series front-surface silver metallizations.

PASTE DATA

RHEOLOGY:	Thixotropic, screen printable paste
VISCOSITY: (Brookfield HBT, CP-51 Spindle, Shear Rate 9.6 sec ⁻¹ , 25.0±0.5°C)	40±20 Pa·s
SHELF LIFE: (25°C)	6 months

PROCESSING

SCREEN MESH/EMULSION:	150-200/15-25 µm
LEVELING TIME: (25°C)	5-10 minutes
DRYING AT 125°C:	10-15 minutes
FURNACE SET POINT:	840-910°C
TIME ABOVE 600°C:	typically 5-8 seconds
THINNER:	ESL 452

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