

AN ACOUSTICAL FINISH CASE STUDY FROM INTERNATIONAL CELLULOSE



PROJECT	Radisson Blu Aqua Chicago, IL
DETAILS	SonaKrete Arctic White 12,041 Sq. Ft. @ 3/4" (NRC .75)
ARCHITECT	Lowenberg Architects Chicago, IL
ACOUSTICAL ENGINEERS	Shiner+Associates, Inc. Chicago, IL

Coming straight from Europe, the first US Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel is right in the heart of the Windy City as the newly risen star of Chicago. To describe it as opulent is an understatement. The original consideration was to use one of those very smooth European fiberglass panel/acoustic plaster systems to control the reverberation in the extraordinary 12,041 sq. ft. Atlantic Ballroom with floor-to-ceiling windows that look out over Lake Michigan and the magnificent Chicago skyline. That was until the exorbitant cost estimates came in. Shiner+Associates, Inc. recommended 3/4" of trowel-finished Arctic White SonaKrete as an or equal product with an NRC of .75, at a fraction of the cost, and with absolutely no compromise in aesthetics.

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