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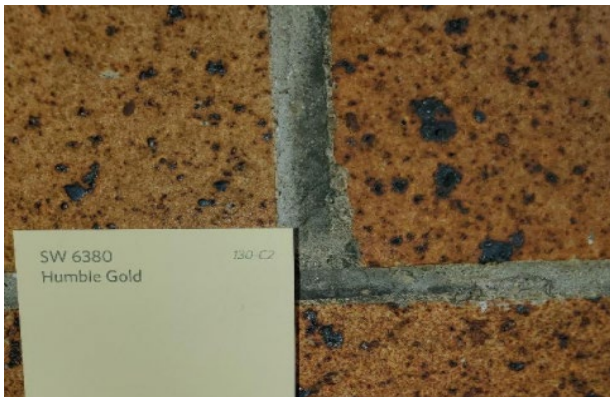
This is a follow up to our telephone conversation today, July 29, 2021. I want it to be known that I did attempt to remove the paint off the other area of the house, the area where the brick is an orange like color. The directions recommended that I test an area first, so I did. After applying the recommended paint stripper, I noticed how the stripper damaged the surface of the brick so I did not use it anymore on those areas. Here is a picture, and then a closer up picture of that same area that I applied the paint stripper to. This area is left of the three dining room windows.



Some areas of the concrete around the windows were painted black because other paint from prior paintings were there. For example, white paint along the front windows and side windows were on the brick. To have a better appearance, the concrete that had white paint were painted black to give a uniform look. Here are two pictures to demonstrate what I am describing. The first picture is a living room window on the side of the house and the second is three living room windows on the front of the house.



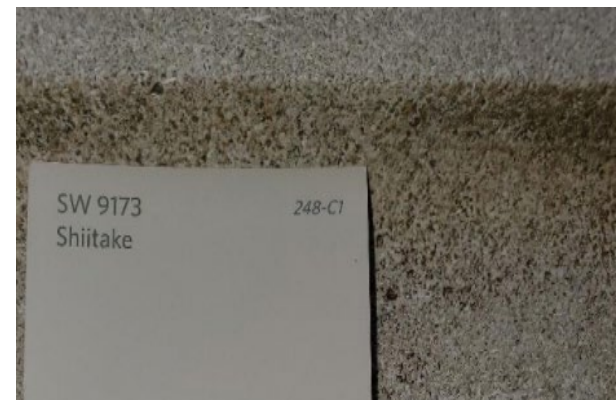
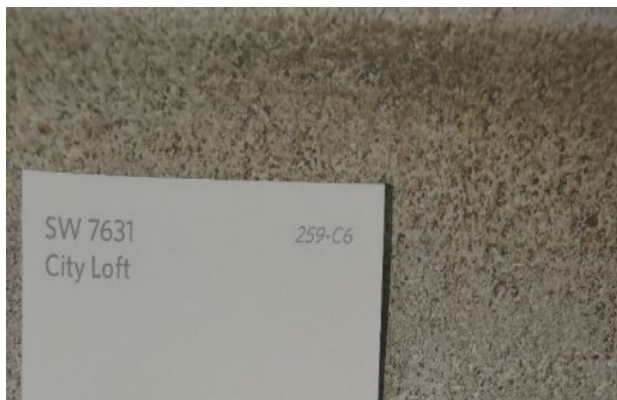
I know that the brick that is painted black, a more uniform color matching the brick is required so I did the Sherwin Williams color match online to find colors that match the brick. I went to Sherwin Williams tonight and was able to obtain eight color samples that would be available in the Loxon breathable paint for masonry/concrete. Here are pictures of those samples which I place next to the brick.

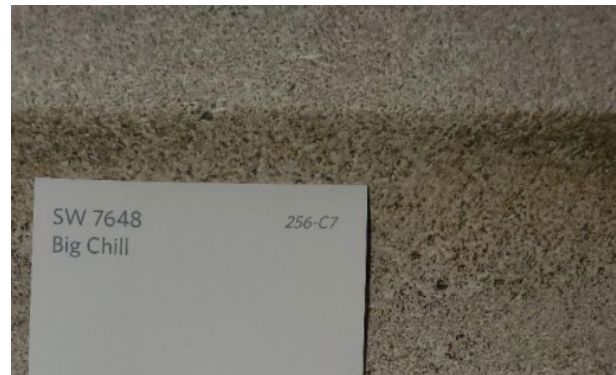
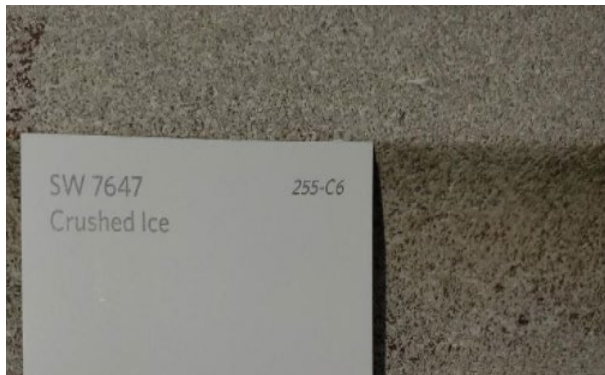
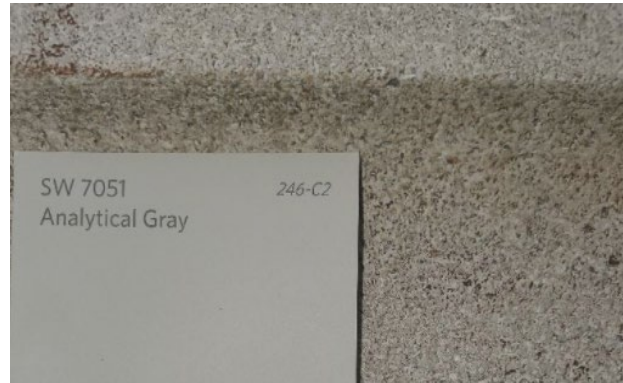
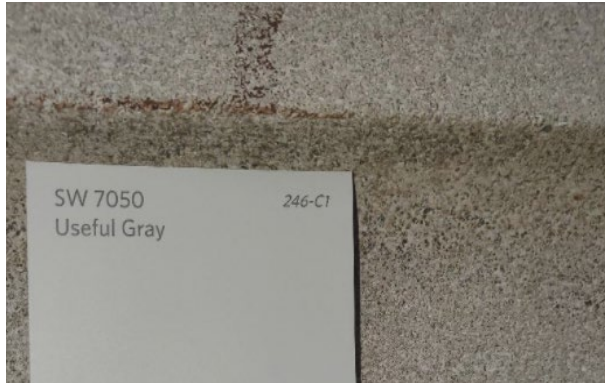






I know that you asked me to take photographs of the color samples for the masonry/concrete to be taken next to the concrete. The Sherwin Williams store had six color samples in the store that I could take. Here are the photos that I took. Also, as written in my prior letter dated 7/28/21, all of these colors are available in the Loxon breathable paint.





From our conversation I understand that all of the masonry that was painted including the capstone and window-sills have to be addressed. I attempted multiple times over a period of two months to remove the paint but was unsuccessful. In that process I suffered with my skin being literally burnt off by the paint stripper on my chest, right arm and right thigh. At this point, I am requesting to paint those areas a color that will get them as close back to their natural state. The brand that I am proposing to use is Loxon which is a brand sold by Sherwin Williams. The Loxon paint is an exterior paint for masonry/concrete which is breathable, self-cleaning, weather-resistant, and inhibits the growth of mold and mildew. The sheen is flat which helps to hide surface imperfections.

Please contact me if you need more information. Thank you.

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