

Validation report

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| Client | Glas Trösch AG Silverstar Industriestr. 29 4922 Bützberg Switzerland |
| Order | Re-certification of the calculation software SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 3.00 for conformity of the calculation of luminous, solar and thermal characteristics of glazing to the specifications of the standards EN 410 and EN 673 according to the position paper of Sector Group SG09 on the basis of the validation of SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 1.53 dated 30 January 2008 |
| Subject | Calculation programme: SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 3.00 |
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1 Order

The company Glas Trösch AG Silverstar, CH-4922 Bützberg, commissioned the **ift** Rosenheim to re-certify the calculation software

SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 3.00

The validation is based on the position paper DMP-LTR-050000 of Sector Group SG 09 dated 15 February 2005 as well as the initial validation of version 1.53 dated 30 January 2008.

With the application for re-certification, the client confirmed that the calculation routines of versions 1.53 and 3.00 are identical.

Re-certification is based on a plausibility check via comparative calculations of ift reference configurations. Verification was based on **ift** software programs for calculation of thermal transmittance U_g as per EN 673 and solar characteristics as per EN 410 as well as the SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 1.53.

The **ift** was provided with an executable version of the calculation software SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 3.00. For the necessary spectral data, the database of version 1.53 was used and imported by the client into the calculation software.

Calculation of thermal transmittance U_g and solar characteristics for the specified reference configurations was carried out by the **ift**. Validation of the software program is restricted to double insulating glass units and triple insulating glass units composed of coated and uncoated basic glass and coated and uncoated LSG glass.

This validation does not cover calculation of basic data for PVB films.

2 Basis of validation

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| ift Report | 410 35089 dated 30 January 2008 |
| Manufacturer certification | Application of recertification dated 23 August 2010 |
| Position paper | Ref. No. DMP-LTR-050000 Sector group SG09 dated 15 February 2005 |
| EN 673 : 1997-11 +A1 : 2000-10 +A2 : 2002-12 | Glass in building - Determination of thermal transmittance - - Calculation method |
| EN 410 : 1998-04 | Glass in building – Determination of luminous and solar characteristics of glazing |

2.1 General approach to validate calculation of thermal transmittance U_g as per EN 673

For evaluation, comparative calculations of the reference configurations described in table 1 were carried out. The following parameters were varied to detect any effects on the accuracy of calculation:

- Configuration of the insulating glass unit, thickness of the individual glass panes
- Type, composition and gas fill rate
- Normal emissivity of the coating
- Position of coating

Table 1 Reference structure for calculations as per EN 673

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Emissivity ϵ_n | Position of coating |
|-----|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | Air | - | - |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.02 | 3 |
| 3 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.03 | 3 |
| 4 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 5 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.06 | 3 |
| 6 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.10 | 3 |
| 7 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.20 | 3 |
| 8 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 2 |
| 9 | 4/16/4 | Air | 0.04 | 3 |
| 10 | 4/16/4 | 100% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 11 | 4/16/4 | 50% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 12 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | 0.04 | 3 |
| 13 | 4/16/4 | 90% Xenon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 14 | 4/16/4 | 45% Xenon 45% Krypton | 0.04 | 3 |
| 15 | 4/16/4 | 45% Argon 45% Krypton | 0.04 | 3 |
| 16 | 4/16/4 | 33% Argon 33% Xenon 33% Krypton | 0.04 | 3 |
| 17 | 4/8/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 18 | 4/10/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 19 | 4/12/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 20 | 4/14/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 21 | 4/18/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 22 | 4/20/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 23 | 10/16/10 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 |
| 24 | 4/10/4/10/4 | 90% Argon | 0.10 | 3+4 |
| 25 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | 0.04 | 2+5 |
| 26 | 4/12/4/12/4 | Air | - | - |



2.2 General approach to validate calculation of solar characteristics as per EN 410

For validation of calculation as per EN 410 the **ift** Rosenheim specified spectral data which were used to validate the following features and components of the calculation software Glas Trösch SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 3.00:

- a) Calculation of solar properties of double and triple insulating glass units as per EN 410.
- b) Conversion of substrate thicknesses as per EN 410 Annex A
- c) Conversion of a coating on a new substrate as per EN 410 Annex A
- d) Verification of calculation of heat transport

The spectra in the wavelength range of 250 nm to 2,500 nm were generated by the **ift** Rosenheim and are retained at the **ift** Rosenheim. The client provided the ift with the spectrum of the 9mm LSG pane.

For validation the following spectra were used for transmittance and reflectance.

- Float glass of 4 mm thickness
- Float glass of 4 mm with thermal control coating
- Float glass of 6 mm with solar control coating
- Laminated safety glass of 9 mm - uncoated
- Opaque sheet steel with permanent reflectance in wavelength range of 280 nm to 2,500 nm

For validation of heat transport a configuration featuring an opaque black sheet steel panel was used. The g-value obtained is calculated exclusively on the basis of the secondary heat flow q_i .

The configurations given in the following were computed on the basis of the specified spectra as per EN 410 using the ift software and the software version Glas Trösch SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 1.53 and version 3.00. For configurations 3, 4 and 7, the uncoated 10 mm individual pane, coated 10 mm individual pane and coated 9 mm LSG single pane were calculated as per EN 410 Annex A.

Table 2 Reference structure for calculations as per EN 410

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Coating | Coating level |
|-----|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 3 | 10/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 4 | 4/16/10 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 5 | 6/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating SS | Pos. 2 |
| 6 | VSG9/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 7 | 4/16/VSG9 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 8 | SB/16/4 | Air | - | - |
| 9 | SB/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 |
| 10 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 2+5 |

WS Thermal control coating

SS Solar control coating

SB Black steel plate

VSG9 Laminated glass 8mm

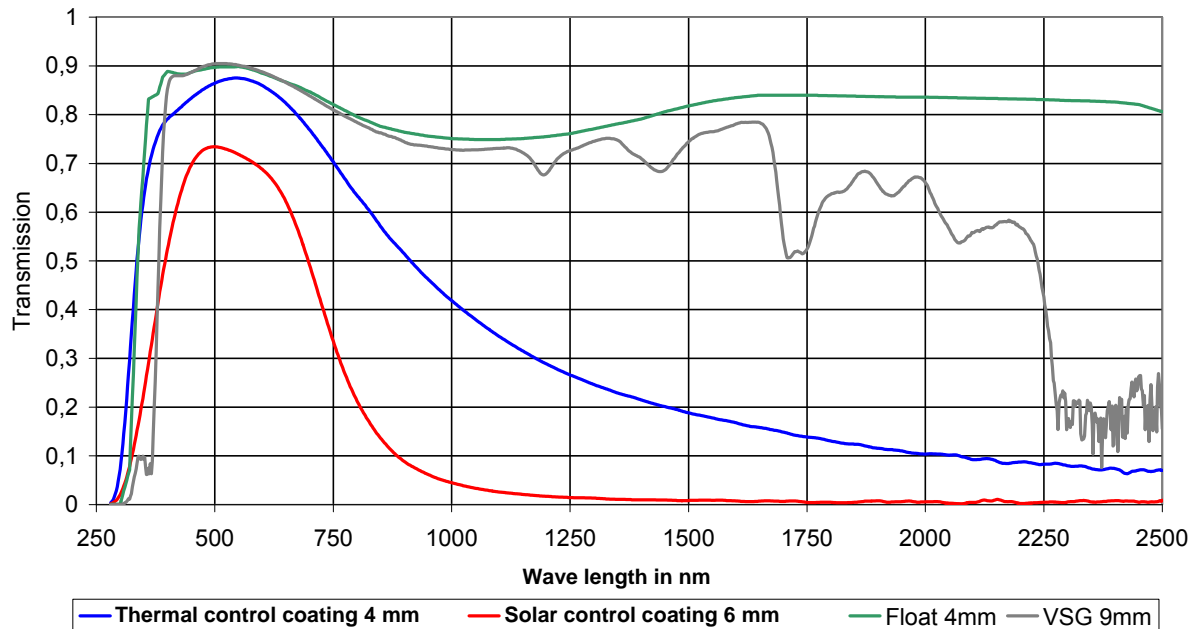


Fig. 1 Transmission of sample spectra

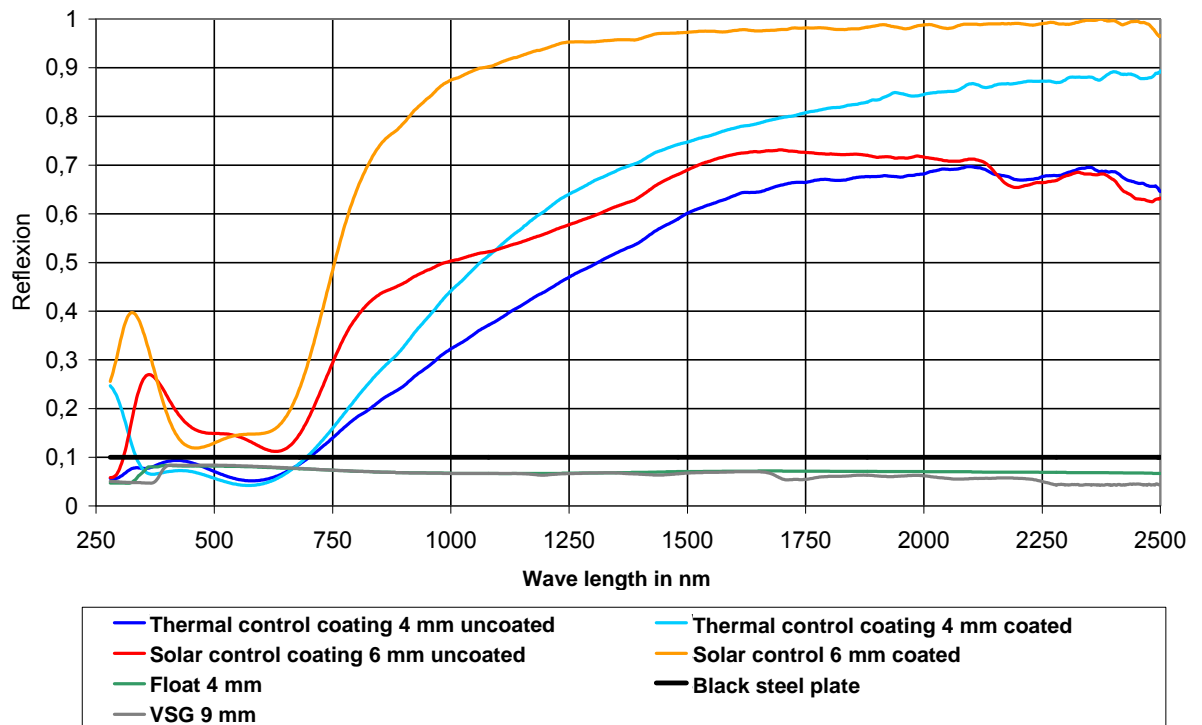


Fig. 2 Reflection of sample spectra

3 Results

3.1 Calculated thermal transmittance U_g as per EN 673

Table 3 Calculated U_g -values as per EN 673

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | ϵ_n Emissivity | Coating level | U_g Calculation ift [W/(m ² K)] | U_g Calculation glaCE 1.53 [W/(m ² K)] | U_g Calculation glaCE 3.00 [W/(m ² K)] | Deviation (V 1.53 – V 3.00) [W/(m ² K)] |
|-----|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|---|--|--|--|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | Air | | - | 2.741 | 2.742 | 2.742 | 0.000 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.02 | 3 | 1.087 | 1.089 | 1.089 | 0.000 |
| 3 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.03 | 3 | 1.126 | 1.126 | 1.126 | 0.000 |
| 4 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.163 | 1.162 | 1.162 | 0.000 |
| 5 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.06 | 3 | 1.232 | 1.23 | 1.230 | 0.000 |
| 6 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.10 | 3 | 1.361 | 1.362 | 1.362 | 0.000 |
| 7 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.20 | 3 | 1.637 | 1.637 | 1.637 | 0.000 |
| 8 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 2 | 1.163 | 1.162 | 1.162 | 0.000 |
| 9 | 4/16/4 | Air | 0.04 | 3 | 1.399 | 1.399 | 1.399 | 0.000 |
| 10 | 4/16/4 | 100% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.125 | 1.125 | 1.125 | 0.000 |
| 11 | 4/16/4 | 50% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.289 | 1.288 | -- | -- |
| 12 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | 0.04 | 3 | 1.134 | 1.134 | 1.134 | 0.000 |
| 13 | 4/16/4 | 90% Xenon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.161 | 1.161 | 1.161 | 0.000 |
| 14 | 4/16/4 | 45% Xe, 45% Kr | 0.04 | 3 | 1.174 | 1.173 | 1.173 | 0.000 |
| 15 | 4/16/4 | 45% Ar, 45% Kr | 0.04 | 3 | 1.211 | 1.211 | 1.211 | 0.000 |
| 16 | 4/16/4 | 33% Ar, 33% Xe, 33% Kr | 0.04 | 3 | 1.176 | 1.175 | -- | -- |
| 17 | 4/8/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.711 | 1.71 | 1.710 | 0.000 |
| 18 | 4/10/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.483 | 1.483 | 1.483 | 0.000 |
| 19 | 4/12/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.317 | 1.316 | 1.316 | 0.000 |
| 20 | 4/14/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.189 | 1.189 | 1.189 | 0.000 |
| 21 | 4/18/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.175 | 1.175 | | 0.000 |
| 22 | 4/20/4 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.187 | 1.186 | 1.186 | 0.000 |
| 23 | 10/16/10 | 90% Argon | 0.04 | 3 | 1.147 | 1.146 | -- | -- |
| 24 | 4/10/4/10/4 | 90% Argon | 0.10 | 3+4 | 0.966 | 0.966 | 0.966 | 0.000 |
| 25 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | 0.04 | 2+5 | 0.512 | 0.511 | 0.511 | 0.000 |
| 26 | 4/12/4/12/4 | Air | | - | 1.899 | 1.899 | 1.899 | 0.000 |

3.2 Calculated luminous and solar characteristic values as per EN 410

Table 4 Calculated luminous and solar characteristic values as per EN 410 –
ift calculation

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Coating | Coating level | τ_v | ρ_v | τ_e | ρ_e | q_i | g |
|-----|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.535 | 0.243 | 0.088 | 0.623 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.535 | 0.243 | 0.088 | 0.623 |
| 3 | 10/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.113 | 0.478 | 0.181 | 0.082 | 0.560 |
| 4 | 4/16/10 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.117 | 0.478 | 0.241 | 0.139 | 0.617 |
| 5 | 6/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating SS | Pos. 2 | 0.640 | 0.179 | 0.332 | 0.341 | 0.033 | 0.365 |
| 6 | VSG9/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.780 | 0.121 | 0.513 | 0.211 | 0.083 | 0.596 |
| 7 | 4/16/VSG9 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.780 | 0.120 | 0.513 | 0.243 | 0.108 | 0.621 |
| 8 | SB/16/4 | Air | - | - | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.108 | 0.108 |
| 9 | SB/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.044 | 0.044 |
| 10 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 2+5 | 0.676 | 0.149 | 0.407 | 0.285 | 0.096 | 0.503 |

Table 5 Calculated luminous and solar characteristic values as per EN 410 –SILVERSTAR®
glACE Version 1.53 calculation

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Coating | Coating level | τ_v | ρ_v | τ_e | ρ_e | q_i^* | g |
|-----|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.536 | 0.244 | 0.088 | 0.624 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.536 | 0.244 | 0.088 | 0.624 |
| 3 | 10/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.113 | 0.479 | 0.181 | 0.082 | 0.561 |
| 4 | 4/16/10 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.117 | 0.479 | 0.241 | 0.139 | 0.618 |
| 5 | 6/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating SS | Pos. 2 | 0.640 | 0.179 | 0.332 | 0.341 | 0.033 | 0.365 |
| 6 | VSG9/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.780 | 0.121 | 0.514 | 0.211 | 0.083 | 0.597 |
| 7 | 4/16/VSG9 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.780 | 0.120 | 0.514 | 0.243 | 0.107 | 0.621 |
| 8 | SB/16/4 | Air | - | - | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.107 | 0.107 |
| 9 | SB/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.044 | 0.044 |
| 10 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 2+5 | 0.676 | 0.149 | 0.407 | 0.285 | 0.095 | 0.502 |

Table 6 Calculated luminous and solar characteristic values as per EN 410 –SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 3.00 calculation

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Coating | Coating level | τ_v | ρ_v | τ_e | ρ_e | q_i^* | g |
|-----|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.536 | 0.244 | 0.088 | 0.624 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.776 | 0.119 | 0.536 | 0.244 | 0.088 | 0.624 |
| 3 | 10/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.113 | 0.479 | 0.181 | 0.082 | 0.561 |
| 4 | 4/16/10 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.746 | 0.117 | 0.479 | 0.241 | 0.139 | 0.618 |
| 5 | 6/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating SS | Pos. 2 | 0.640 | 0.179 | 0.332 | 0.341 | 0.033 | 0.365 |
| 6 | VSG9/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 7 | 4/16/VSG9 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 8 | SB/16/4 | Luft | - | - | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.107 | 0.107 |
| 9 | SB/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.000 | 0.100 | 0.044 | 0.044 |
| 10 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 2+5 | 0.676 | 0.149 | 0.407 | 0.285 | 0.095 | 0.502 |

Table 7 Calculated luminous and solar characteristic values as per EN 410 – Deviation between SILVERSTAR® glaCE Version 1.53 and Version 3.00 calculation

| No. | Structure | Gas filling | Coating | Coating level | τ_v | ρ_v | τ_e | ρ_e | q_i | g |
|-----|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|
| 1 | 4/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 2 | 4/16/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 3 | 10/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 4 | 4/16/10 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 5 | 6/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating SS | Pos. 2 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 6 | VSG9/12/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 7 | 4/16/VSG9 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 8 | SB/16/4 | Air | - | - | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 9 | SB/16/4 | 90% Argon | Coating WS | Pos. 3 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| 10 | 4/12/4/12/4 | 90% Krypton | Coating WS | Pos. 2+5 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |

3 Evaluation

Table 3 shows that the U_g values computed as per EN 673 by the calculation software SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 1.53 as well as version 3.00 are within the specified tolerance of

$$\Delta U_g \leq \pm 0.002 \text{ W/(m}^2\text{K)}$$

and that the glaCE versions do not deviate.

Tables 4 to 7 show that the luminous and solar values computed as per EN 410 by the calculation software SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 1.53 as well as version 3.00 are within the specified tolerance of

$$\begin{array}{ll} \Delta \tau_v \leq \pm 0.002 & \Delta \rho_v \leq \pm 0.002 \\ \Delta \tau_e \leq \pm 0.002 & \Delta \rho_e \leq \pm 0.002 \\ \Delta q_i \leq \pm 0.004 & \Delta g \leq \pm 0.004 \end{array}$$

and that the glaCE versions do not deviate.

Conformity to the standards of calculation of thermal transmittance U_g and luminous characteristics as per

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| EN 673 : 1997-11 | Glass in building - Determination of thermal transmittance – calculation method |
| EN 410 : 1998-04 | Glass in building – Determination of luminous and solar characteristics of glazing |

For double and triple insulating glass units according to the paper of Sector Group SG09 is confirmed for the software

SILVERSTAR® glaCE version 3.00.

3 Validity

This validation report covers only the calculation software described in Section 1. Validation of the calculation software covers the functions described in Section 2. The ift Guidance Sheet "Conditions and Guidance for the Use of ift Test Documents" applies.

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