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EXTECH[®] TAKES GLASS BLOCK TO ANOTHER LEVEL OF STRENGTH AND SECURITY.

EXTECH[®]/Exterior Technologies, Inc. of Pittsburgh, PA has filed for another U.S. Patent. This design is for a structural glass block wall, floor or skylight system. A provisional patent was filed earlier. The glass blocks, which can be 3" or 4" thick and can be of any available size, are suspended within a structural aluminum grid system.

They are sealed inside and out with silicone sealant (there is no mortar used in the system). Steel rods pass through the aluminum grid to provide a true security/impact wall. The siliconed joints are (optionally) covered by elastomeric strips, which snap onto the edges of the aluminum grid members to provide perfect joints. Those joint covers are also treated with an anti-graffiti coating. Paint will not stick to them. Because the joints are formed by these elastomeric covers, if blocks are to be replaced in future years, the new joints will not be obvious (as it is with mortared systems). This system also lends itself to being erected by semi-skilled personnel, since the grids are custom made and completely fabricated at the factory. Although the blocks are normally field installed, fully factory assembled units are available.

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