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Despite exposure to Florida's tropical sun, rain, heat and hurricanes for more than 25 years, Bank of Naples' roof is holding up perfectly

In 1985, Florida National Bank selected FiberTite® to replace an old built-up roof on its office building located in downtown Naples. It was a pretty risky investment at the time. FiberTite had just been introduced to the market in 1979 and the roof of the bank's four-story office facility had full exposure to Southwest Florida's unforgiving climate.

More than 25 years later, that risky investment is still paying dividends. The Bank of Naples now owns the facility which functions as the main site for this locally-owned hometown bank and also houses commercial offices. Despite years of facing Florida's tropical sun, rain, heat and winds, the FiberTite roof endures.

"The membrane is holding up just fine," commented Terrill Brake, General Manager of Sutter Roofing in Naples, Fla., the contractor now in charge of maintaining the roof.

Both Hurricane Charley and Hurricane Wilma, two of the fiercest storms ever to travel the Atlantic Basin, wreaked havoc throughout Naples during the record-breaking back-to-back hurricane seasons of 2004 and 2005. But they barely left a mark on the FiberTite roof over the Bank of Naples Center.

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"These storms caused minor damage to the drains and the roof's perimeter; but the membrane itself has held up perfectly." said Brake. "The beauty of the FiberTite product is that it remains weldable to the surface – even after 25 years. No other roofing system will do that. It is unheard of that you can weld to a roof's surface after 25 years of performance. Other systems require great measures to repair them to make the repairs last."

In 2010, the Bank of Naples received a FiberTite Silver Roof Award in recognition of the Bank's support in pioneering FiberTite's reputation for durability and long life.



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