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[54] **LOW SHRINKAGE TAPE JOINT COMPOSITION CONTAINING ATTAPULGITE**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

The shrinkage of tape joint compounds, which normally comprise water, filler, and binding resin, is significantly reduced by minimizing the amount of water-absorbing materials such as attapulgite and hydroxyethyl cellulose. Comparable improvements can be made to spachtling compounds.

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