SECTION 071326

Self-adhering sheet waterproofing

BITUTHENE® System 4000 Membrane

PART 1 — GENERAL

1.01 SUMMARY

A. The work of this section includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Rubberized asphalt sheet membrane waterproofing system

2. Prefabricated drainage composite

3. Protection board

B. Related Sections: Other specification sections which directly relate to the work of this section include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Section 033000 – Cast-In-Place Concrete

2. Section 042000 – Unit Masonry

3. Section 071100 – Dampproofing

4. Section 076000 – Flashing and Sheet Metal

5. Section 079200 – Joint Sealants

6. Section 079500 – Expansion Control

7. Section 334600 – Subdrainage

1.02 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data: Submit manufacturer’s product data, installation instructions, use limitations and recommendations. Include certification of data indicating VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) content of all components of waterproofing system.

B. Samples: Submit representative samples of the following for approval:

1. Sheet membrane

2. Protection board

3. Prefabricated drainage composite

1.03 REFERENCE STANDARDS

A. The following standards and publications are applicable to the extent referenced in the text.

B. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

C 836 Standard Specification for High Solids, Cold Liquid-Applied Elastomeric Waterproofing Membrane for Use with Separate Wearing Course

D 412 Standard Test Methods for Rubber Properties in Tension

D 570 Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Plastics

D 882 Standard Test Methods for Tensile Properties of Thin Plastic Sheeting

D 903 Standard Test Method for Peel or Stripping Strength of Adhesive Bonds

D 1876 Standard Test Method for Peel Release of Adhesives (T-Peel)

D 1970 Standard Specification for Self-Adhering Polymer Modified Bituminous Sheet Materials Used as Steep Roofing Underlayment for Ice Dam Protection

D 3767 Standard Practice for Rubber - Measurements of Dimensions

D 5385 Standard Test Method for Hydrostatic Pressure Resistance of Waterproofing Membranes

E 96 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials

E 154 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Earth Under Concrete Slabs, on Walls, or as Ground Cover

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Manufacturer: Sheet membrane waterproofing system shall be manufactured and marketed by a firm with a minimum of 20 years experience in the production and sales of self-adhesive sheet membrane waterproofing. Manufacturers proposed for use but not named in these specifications shall submit evidence of ability to meet all requirements specified, and include a list of projects of similar design and complexity completed within the past 5 years.

B. Installer: A firm which has at least 3 years experience in work of the type required by this section.

C. Materials: For each type of material required for the work of this section, provide primary materials which are the products of one manufacturer.

D. Pre-Installation Conference: A pre-installation conference shall be held prior to commencement of field operations to establish procedures to maintain optimum working conditions and to coordinate this work with related and adjacent work. Agenda for meeting shall include review of special details and flashing.

1.05 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

A. Deliver materials and products in labeled packages. Store and handle in strict compliance with manufacturer’s instructions, recommendations and material safety data sheets. Protect from damage from sunlight, weather, excessive temperatures and construction operations. Remove damaged material from the site and dispose of in accordance with applicable regulations.

1. Do not double-stack pallets of membrane on the job site. Provide cover on top and all sides, allowing for adequate ventilation.

2. Protect surface conditioner from freezing.

B. Sequence deliveries to avoid delays, but minimize on-site storage.

C. Safety and Handling  
 Users must read and understand the product label and Safety Data Sheets (SDS’s) for each system component before use. All users must acquaint themselves with this information prior to working with the material. Carefully read detailed precaution statements on the product labels and SDS’s before use.

1.06 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Perform work only when existing and forecasted weather conditions are within the limits established by the manufacturer of the materials and products used.

B. Proceed with installation only when substrate construction and preparation work is complete and in condition to receive sheet membrane waterproofing.

1.07 WARRANTY

A. Sheet Membrane Waterproofing: Provide written 5 year material warranty issued by the membrane manufacturer upon completion of the work.

PART 2 — PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

A. Sheet Membrane Waterproofing System: BITUTHENE**®** System 4000 Membrane as manufactured by GCP Applied Technologies; a self-adhesive, cold-applied composite sheet consisting of a thickness of 1.4 mm (0.056 in.) of rubberized asphalt and 0.1 mm (0.004 in.) of cross-laminated, high density polyethylene film specially formulated for use with water-based surface conditioner. Provide rubberized asphalt membrane covered with a release sheet, which is removed during installation and no special adhesive or heat shall be required to form laps. Provide membrane with the following physical properties:

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES FOR BITUTHENE® SYSTEM 4000 MEMBRANE:

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| Property | Test Method | Typical Value |
| Color |  | Dark gray-black |
| Thickness | ASTM D 3767 Method A | 60 mils (1.5 mm) nominal |
| Flexibility, 180° bend over  25 mm (1 in.) mandrel at  -32°C (-25°F) | ASTM D 1970 | Unaffected |
| Tensile Strength, Membrane  Die C | ASTM D 4121 | 2240 kPa (325 psi) minimum |
| Tensile Strength, Film | ASTM D 8821 | 34.5 MPa (5,000 psi) minimum |
| Elongation, Ultimate Failure of Rubberized Asphalt | ASTM D 4121 | 300% minimum |
| Crack Cycling at -32°C (-25°F), 100 Cycles | ASTM C 836 | Unaffected |
| Lap Shear | ASTM D 10022 | 89 N (20 lbs.) minimum |
| Peel Strength | ASTM D 903 | 1926 N/m (11 lbs/in.) minimum |
| Puncture Resistance, Membrane | ASTM E 154 | 222 N (50 lbs.) minimum |
| Resistance to Hydrostatic Head | ASTM D 5385 | >70 m (>230 ft) of water |
| Permeance | ASTM E 96,  Section 12 – Water Method | <0.1 perms |
| Water Absorption | ASTM D 570 | 0.1% (maximum) |

**Footnotes:**

1. The test is run at a rate of 50 mm (2 in.) per minute.

2. The test is run at a rate of 100 mm (4 in.) per minute

2.02 Ancillary Products – (reference gcpat.com for complete technical details)

1. Prefabricated Drainage Composite: HYDRODUCT® 220 and/or HYDRODUCT® 660 Drainage Composite as manufactured by GCP Applied Technologies to promote positive drainage while serving as a protection course.

NOTE TO SPECIFIER: The following are product selection guidelines for HYDRODUCT® Drainage Composites. Consult the “Product Summary” and “System Components” section of the Waterproofing Systems Manual North American Edition for complete information. HYDRODUCT® 220 drainage composite: All vertical applications. HYDRODUCT®660: All horizontal applications. THE APPROPRIATE HYDRODUCT® DRAINAGE COMPOSITE MAY ALSO SERVE AS PROTECTION FOR ALL BITUTHENE® MEMBRANES.

1. Protection Board:
   1. Expanded Polystyrene Protection Board: 25 mm (1 in.) thick for vertical applications with the following characteristics. Adhere to waterproofing membrane with BITUTHENE® Protection Board Adhesive.
      1. Normal Density: 16 kg/m3 (1.0 lb/ft3)
      2. Thermal Conductivity, K factor: 0.24 at 5°C (40°F), 0.26 at 24°C (75°F)
      3. Thermal Resistance, R-Value: 4 per 25 mm (1 in.) of thickness.
   2. Asphalt Hardboard: A premolded semi-rigid protection board consisting of bitumen, mineral core and reinforcement. Provide 3 mm (0.125 in.) thick hardboard on horizontal surfaces not receiving steel reinforced slab. Where steel reinforcing bars are to be used, apply two layers of 3 mm (0.125 in.) thick hardboard or one layer of 6 mm (0.25 in.) thick hardboard.
2. Waterstop: AdcorTM hydrophilic waterstop as manufactured by GCP Applied Technologies for non-moving concrete construction joints.
3. Miscellaneous Materials: Surface conditioner, mastic, liquid membrane, tape and accessories specified or acceptable to manufacturer of sheet membrane waterproofing.

PART 3 — EXECUTION

3.01 EXAMINATION

A. The installer shall examine conditions of substrates and other conditions under which this work is to be performed and notify the contractor, in writing, of circumstances detrimental to the proper completion of the work. Do not proceed with work until unsatisfactory conditions are corrected.

3.02 SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

A. Refer to manufacturer’s literature for requirements for preparation of substrates. Surfaces shall be structurally sound and free of voids, spalled areas, loose aggregate and sharp protrusions. Remove contaminants such as grease, oil and wax from exposed surfaces. Remove dust, dirt, loose stone and debris. Use repair materials and methods which are acceptable to manufacturer of sheet membrane waterproofing.

B. Cast-In-Place Concrete Substrates:

1. Do not proceed with installation until concrete has properly cured and dried   
(minimum 7 days for normal structural concrete and minimum 14 days for lightweight structural concrete).

2. Fill form tie rod holes with concrete and finish flush with surrounding surface.

3. Repair bugholes over 13 mm (0.5 in.) in length and 6 mm (0.25 in.) deep and finish flush with surrounding surface.

4. Remove scaling to sound, unaffected concrete and repair exposed area.

5. Grind irregular construction joints to suitable flush surface.

C. Masonry Substrates: Apply waterproofing over concrete block and brick with smooth trowel-cut mortar joints or parge coat.

D. Wood Substrates: Apply waterproofing membrane over securely fastened sound surface. All joints and fasteners shall be flush to create a smooth surface.

E. Related Materials: Treat joints and install flashing as recommended by waterproofing manufacturer.

3.03 INSTALLATION

A. Refer to manufacturer’s literature for recommendations on installation, including but not limited to, the following:

1. Apply surface conditioner at rate recommended by manufacturer. Recoat areas not waterproofed if contaminated by dust. Mask and protect adjoining exposed finish surfaces to protect those surfaces from excessive application of surface conditioner.

2. Delay application of membrane until surface conditioner is completely dry. Dry time will vary with weather conditions.

3. Seal daily terminations with troweled bead of mastic.

4. Apply protection board and related materials in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.

3.04 CLEANING AND PROTECTION

1. Protect completed membrane waterproofing from subsequent construction activities as recommended by manufacturer.
2. Inspect for damage just prior to installation of subsequent construction activities and make repairs in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendation.