

# GRACE

## Construction Products

### 1. Product Name

Preprufe® 300R and 160R Waterproofing Systems

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### 3. Product Description

#### BASIC USE

Preprufe® 300R and Preprufe 160R membranes are used in blind side waterproofing applications where positive side waterproofing is desired but the positive side of the structure is not accessible once the concrete is poured.

Preprufe 300R Membrane is used primarily in under slab and below-grade split slab applications. Preprufe 300R Membrane is applied over properly prepared earth, stone or concrete. Concrete is cast against the adhesive side of the membrane. Preprufe 300R Membrane incorporates an exceptionally tough HDPE film and is designed to allow foot traffic directly on the membrane during construction.

Preprufe 160R Membrane is used in vertical applications. It is applied to properly prepared soil retention systems and concrete is cast against the membrane.

#### COMPOSITION & MATERIALS

Preprufe 300R and Preprufe 160R membranes are multilayered composite sheets consisting of an exceptionally tough HDPE film, a specially formulated synthetic pressure sensitive adhesive and a protective coating.

#### ACCESSORY COMPONENTS

- Preprufe Tape
- Preprufe Tieback Cover
- Bituthene® Liquid Membrane
- Preprufe CJ Tape

### 4. Technical Data

#### APPLICABLE STANDARDS

##### ASTM International

- ASTM C836 Standard Specification for High Solids Content, Cold Liquid-Applied Elastomeric Waterproofing Membrane for Use with Separate Wearing Course
- ASTM D412 Standard Test Methods for Vulcanized Rubber and Thermoplastic Rubbers and Thermoplastic Elastomers-Tension
- ASTM D570 Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Plastics
- ASTM D882 Standard Test Method for Tensile Properties of Thin Plastic Sheeting
- ASTM D903 Standard Test Method for Peel or Stripping Strength of Adhesive Bonds
- ASTM D1876 Standard Test Method for Peel Resistance of Adhesives (T-Peel Test)
- ASTM D1970 Standard Specification for Self-Adhering Polymer Modified Bituminous Sheet Materials Used as Steep Roofing Underlayment for Ice Dam Protection
- ASTM D3767 Standard Practice for Rubber-Measurement of Dimensions
- ASTM D5385 Standard Test Method for Hydrostatic Pressure Resistance of Waterproofing Membranes
- ASTM E96 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials
- ASTM E154 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Earth Under Concrete Slabs, on Walls, or as Ground Cover

#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

For detailed information on the physical properties of Preprufe 300R and Preprufe 160R Membranes, see Table 1.

### 5. Installation

Apply membranes when ambient temperatures are 25 degrees F (-4 degrees C) or above. Substrates must be smooth and sound with no gaps or voids in excess of 1/2" (13 mm).

#### FORMING SYSTEMS

It is very important to specify a forming system that is compatible with the Preprufe system. One-sided wall forming systems are clearly the best choice since there are no form ties used in this system. Therefore, there are no penetrations to the waterproofing layer. Other compatible systems include gang forms with load gathering form ties. These systems minimize the number of penetrations.

Hand set forming systems or, more specifically, use of form ties with ultimate load

capabilities of less than 10,000 lb (44,500 N) per tie are not recommended. These systems have many form ties that penetrate the waterproofing.

#### Formwork

On vertical applications, use one-sided wall forming systems to minimize punctures in the membrane after the membrane is installed. Review Technical Letter "Forming Systems for use with Preprufe 160R Membrane."

#### APPLICATION

##### Vertical Applications

Apply the membrane with the thick white HDPE film side facing the prepared substrate and the protective coating side facing the concrete to be poured. The membrane may be installed in any convenient length vertically. For lengths of membrane greater than 8' (2.4 m), mechanically fasten the membrane at 2' (0.6 m) intervals centered in the self-adhesive seldge prior to making the side lap, using small head nails or staples.

Using the lap line as a guide, apply subsequent sheets overlapping the in-place sheet 3" (75 mm) along the self-adhesive seldge of the membrane. Avoid overlapping membrane beyond the guideline to prevent fishmouths. Should they occur, apply Preprufe Tape centered over the fishmouth, roll firmly to form a tight seal and remove release liner.

It is important that all nail heads be covered with the overlapping sheets of membrane. Side laps must be immediately rolled firmly to ensure a tight seal. A metal seam roller is recommended. To maximize adhesion in colder temperatures or in damp conditions, apply gentle heat to the lap area using a hot air gun (see Technical Letters). Overlap the ends of the membrane a minimum of 3" (75 mm). Remove and discard the release liner from both sheets. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the end lap and edges of membrane not sealed by seldge. Roll firmly to form a tight seal. Remove release liner from tape and discard.

For additional protection, Hydroduct® Tape may be applied between the sheets in the end lap area prior to application of the Preprufe Tape. Secure the top termination of the membrane with a termination bar and fasteners.

If the top termination is to be covered by the concrete pour, a strip of Preprufe CJ Tape must be placed over the termination bar and fasteners. Place the termination bar 2" (50 mm) below the top edge of the membrane. If the membrane will tie into subsequent sheets of Preprufe,

Bituthene Membrane or other waterproofing, leave an additional 12" (300 mm) length of Preprufe 160R membrane. Protect this length from damage and do not remove the release liner. This length of clean membrane will be used to complete the appropriate waterproofing details after the concrete or lift is poured.

**Horizontal Applications**

Roll out the membrane with the thick white HDPE film side facing the prepared substrate and the protective coating side facing the concrete to be poured. Remove the clear release liner at the time of installation. Using the lap line as a guide, align and roll out subsequent sheets overlapping the in-place sheet 3" (75 mm) along the self-adhesive selvage of the membrane. Side laps must be immediately rolled firmly to ensure a tight seal. A heavy metal seam roller is recommended.

Avoid overlapping membrane beyond the guideline to prevent fishmouths. Should this occur, apply Preprufe Tape centered over the fishmouth, roll firmly to form a tight seal and remove release liner. To maximize adhesion in cooler temperatures or in damp conditions, apply gentle heat to the lap area using a hot air gun (see Technical Letters section of website). The membrane may be installed in any convenient length. Overlap the ends of the membrane 3" (75 mm) and remove and dis-

card the release liner from both sheets. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the end lap and edges of membrane not sealed by selvage. Roll firmly to form a tight seal. Remove release liner from tape and discard.

For additional protection, Hydroduct Tape may be applied between the sheets in the end lap area prior to application of the Preprufe Tape.

**Internal & External Corners**

Install the Preprufe Membrane according to standard application instructions detailed for vertical and horizontal applications above. Internal and external corners should be formed as shown in the Detail Drawings returning the membrane a minimum of 4" (100 mm).

**Internal Corners**

Fold the membrane as indicated in Figure 1. Crease the fold with nominal hand pressure to ensure a close fit to the substrate profile and avoid hollows. With the white coating facing toward the concrete, ensure that the apex of the corner is covered and sealed with Preprufe Tape. Remove release liner and roll firmly.

**External Corners**

Fold the membrane as indicated in Figure 1. Crease the fold with nominal hand pressure to ensure a close fit to the substrate profile and avoid hollows. Cut the Preprufe membrane in order to wrap around corner. With the white

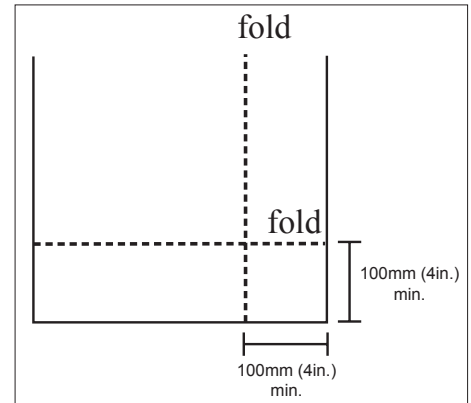


Figure 1

coating facing toward the concrete, ensure that the apex of the corner is covered and sealed with Preprufe Tape. Remove release liner and roll firmly.

**Round Penetrations**

For Service Pipes, Lighting Conduit, Piles, etc. - Follow these steps to seal around penetrations:

1. All penetrations must be firmly secured and stable. Grout around all penetrations that are not stable. Clean loose dust or dirt from the penetration surface using a clean, dry cloth or brush. Remove rust, if applicable, with a wire brush and wipe clean.

| TABLE 1 PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF PREPRUFE 160R AND PREPRUFE 300R MEMBRANES   |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Property & test method   | Typical values                                 |  |
|  | Preprufe 160R Membrane                         | Preprufe 300R Membrane                         |
| Color  | White  | White  |
| Thickness, ASTM D3767, Method A  | 0.032" (0.8 mm) nominal                        | 0.046" (12 mm) nominal                         |
| Low temperature flexibility, ASTM D1970                                    | Unaffected at -10°F (-23°C)                    | Unaffected at -10°F (-23°C)                    |
| Resistance to hydrostatic head, minimum, ASTM D5385, Modified <sup>1</sup> | 23' (70 m)                                     | 23' (70 m)                                     |
| Elongation, minimum, ASTM D412, Modified <sup>2</sup>                      | 300%   | 300%   |
| Tensile strength, film, minimum, ASTM D882                                 | 4000 psi (27.6 MPa)                            | 4000 psi (27.6 MPa)                            |
| Crack cycling, at -10°F (-23°C), 100 cycles, ASTM C836                     | Unaffected                                     | Unaffected                                     |
| Puncture resistance, minimum, ASTM E154                                    | 100 lb (445 N)                                 | 221 lb (990 N)                                 |
| Peel adhesion to concrete, minimum, ASTM D903, Modified <sup>3</sup>       | 5.0 lb/in width (880 N/m)                      | 5.0 lb/in width (880 N/m)                      |
| Lap peel adhesion, ASTM D1876, Modified <sup>4</sup>                       | 2.5 lb/in width (440 N/m)                      | 2.5 lb/in width (440 N/m)                      |
| Permeance to water vapor transmission, maximum, ASTM D96, Method B         | 0.01 perms (0.6 ng/(Pa × s × m <sup>2</sup> )) | 0.01 perms (0.6 ng/(Pa × s × m <sup>2</sup> )) |
| Water absorption, maximum, ASTM D570                                       | 0.5%   | 0.5%   |

<sup>1</sup> Hydrostatic head tests of Preprufe Membranes are performed by casting concrete against the membrane with a lap. Before the concrete cures, a 0.125" (3 mm) spacer is inserted perpendicular to the membrane to create a gap. The cured block is placed in a chamber where water is introduced to the membrane surface up to the head indicated.

<sup>2</sup> Elongation of membrane is run at a rate of 2" (51 mm) per minute.

<sup>3</sup> Concrete is cast against the protective coating surface of the membrane and allowed to properly dry (7 days minimum). Peel adhesion of membrane to concrete is measured at a rate of 2" (51 mm) per minute at room temperature.

<sup>4</sup> The test is conducted 15 minutes after the lap is formed (per Grace published recommendations) and run at a rate of 2" (51 mm) per minute at 25°F (-4°C).



2. Cut the field membrane tight to the penetration and remove release liner. If membrane is not within 1/2" (12 mm) of penetration and not more than 2" (50 mm) from penetration, apply Preprufe Tape to cover the gap. Roll firmly into place and remove release liner. If the membrane is greater than 2" (51 mm) from penetration, install more Preprufe Membrane to cover the gap, repeating these instructions until Preprufe Membrane/Tape is within 1/2" (12 mm).
3. Mix and apply Bituthene Liquid Membrane around the penetration. Liquid Membrane should be placed to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet between the Preprufe Membrane/Tape and the base of the penetration.
4. Cut a patch of Preprufe Membrane that is a minimum of 12" (300 mm) larger than the diameter or width of the penetration so that the patch extends 6" (150 mm) beyond the penetration in all directions. Remove the release liner and center the patch over penetration and trace/draw the penetration profile onto the patch. Using sheers or a utility knife, make relief cuts through the

membrane. Triangles formed by making a relief cut are not to exceed 2" (50 mm) in height when placed over penetration. In other words, penetration diameters greater than 4" (100 mm) need to be trimmed. Remove and discard release liner.

5. Slide the patch over penetration and press into the partially cured Liquid Membrane. Ensure that the patch is pressed firmly into the Liquid Membrane and is positioned directly onto the Preprufe Field Membrane/Tape below. Using a trowel, smooth out any Liquid Membrane that has flowed out of the relief cut.
6. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the edges of the patch and roll firmly to form a tight seal. Remove release liner from tape and discard.

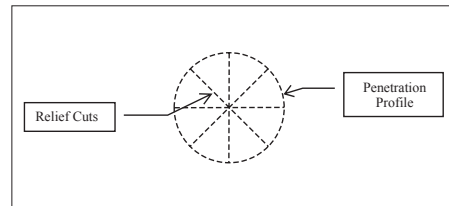


Figure 2

7. Wrap the penetration with Preprufe Tape, positioning the tape at the base of the patch. Remove enough release liner to overlap Tape onto itself and roll/press firmly into place. Remove remaining release liner and discard.

**Straight Edge Penetrations**

For square piles, steel columns, walers, rakers, etc. - Follow these steps to seal around penetrations:

1. All penetrations must be firmly secured and stable. Grout around all penetrations that are not stable. Clean loose dust or dirt from the penetration surface using a clean, dry cloth or brush. Remove rust, if applicable, with a wire brush and wipe clean.
2. Cut the field membrane tight to the penetration and remove release liner. If membrane is not within 1/2" (12 mm) of penetration and not more than 2" (51 mm) from penetration, apply Preprufe Tape to cover the gap. Roll firmly into place and remove release liner. If the membrane is greater than 2" (51 mm) from penetration, install more Preprufe Membrane to cover the gap repeating these instructions until Preprufe Membrane/Tape is within 1/2" (12 mm).

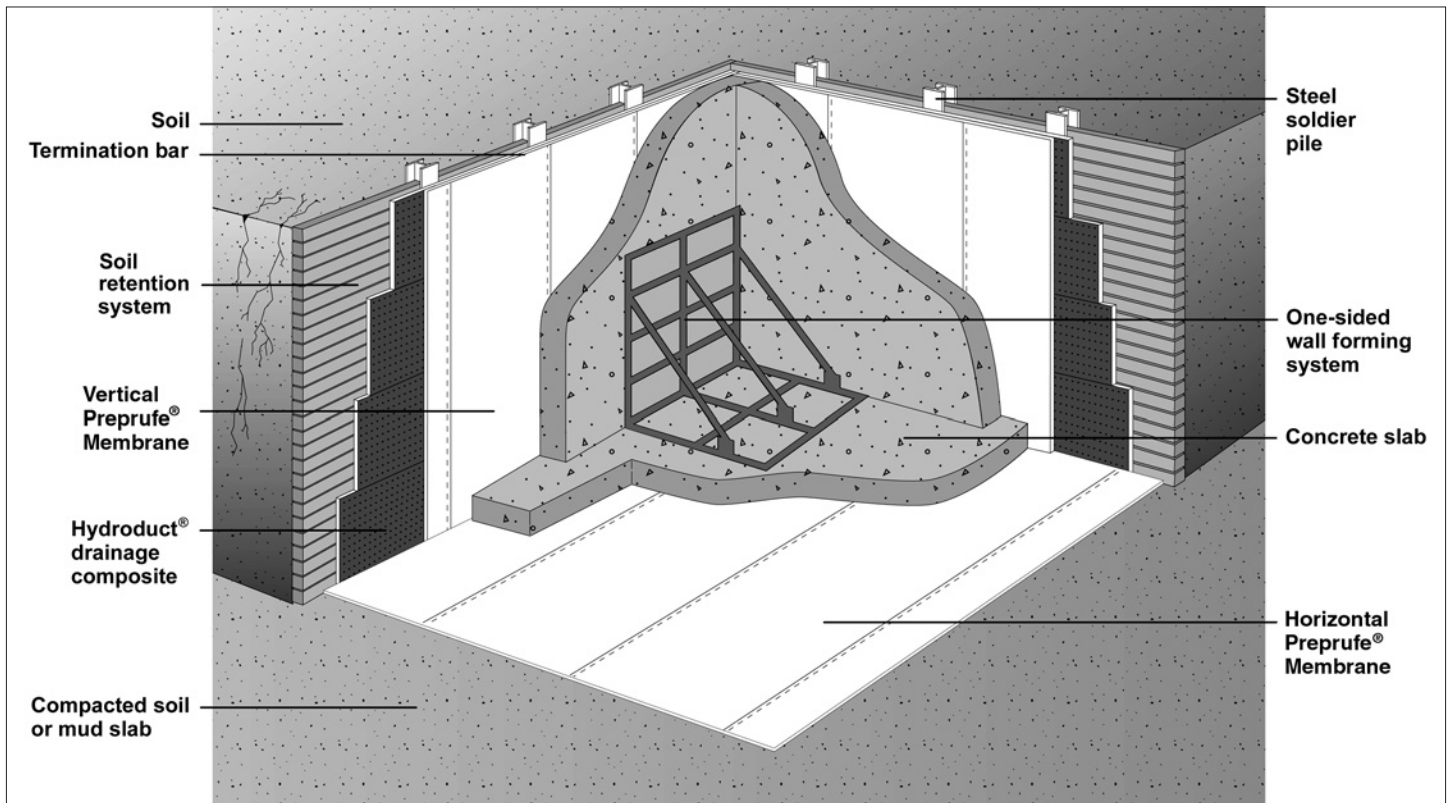


Figure 3 Preprufe® Waterproofing Systems

3. Mix and apply Bituthene Liquid Membrane around the penetration. Liquid Membrane should be placed to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet between the Preprufe Membrane/Tape and the base of the penetration. Apply a 90 mil (2.2 mm) continuous coating overlapping a minimum of 3" (75 mm) onto the surface of the Preprufe Membrane and the penetration.
4. Install a minimum 12" (300 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane centered over the Preprufe Membrane and the penetration intersection.
5. Install Preprufe Tape to cover the strip of Bituthene Membrane by overlapping a minimum of 1" (25.4 mm) until a minimum of 2" (51 mm) overlap onto the Preprufe Membrane is achieved.
6. Terminate the top edge of the strip of Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe Tape along the penetration with a bead of Bituthene Liquid Membrane.

**Wall Penetrations**

For Rebar, All-Thread, Metal Dowels, etc. - Follow these steps to seal around penetrations:

1. Clean loose dust or dirt from the penetration and the surrounding substrate surface using a clean, dry cloth or brush. Remove rust, if applicable, with a wire brush and wipe clean.
2. Mix and apply Bituthene Liquid Membrane around the penetration. Liquid Membrane should be placed to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet between the substrate and the base of the penetration.
3. Cut the field membrane tight to the penetration and remove release liner. If membrane is not within 1/2" (12 mm) of penetration and not more than 2" (51 mm) from penetration, apply Preprufe Tape to cover the gap. Roll firmly into place and remove release. If the membrane is greater than 2" (51 mm) from penetration, install more Preprufe Membrane to cover the gap repeating these instructions until Preprufe Membrane/Tape is within 1/2" (12 mm).
4. Position the field membrane snug to the penetration so that it is a maximum of 1/2" (12 mm) from the base of the penetration and press firmly into the partially cured Liquid Membrane.
5. Apply Liquid Membrane to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet between the Preprufe Membrane and the base of the penetration. Extend a 90 mil (2.2 mm) continuous coating of Liquid Membrane overlapping a minimum of 3" (75 mm) onto the surface of the Preprufe Membrane and 6" (150 mm) onto the penetration.

6. Wrap the penetration with Preprufe Tape, positioning the tape at the base of the penetration. Remove enough release liner to overlap tape onto itself and roll/press firmly into place. Remove remaining release liner and discard.

**Tiebacks**

The Preprufe Tieback Cover is a specially designed, two-part cover used to maintain waterproofing integrity at soil retention tieback heads. The Preprufe Tieback Cover consists of a rigid ABS plastic base and prefabricated Preprufe membrane cover.

1. Install Preprufe Membrane within 2" of tieback as per standard installation instructions.
2. Center the base over tieback head and secure base to soil retention system using appropriate fasteners. Fasteners should have a low profile head.
3. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the edge of the base flange and roll firmly to form a tight seal. Remove release liner and discard.
4. Position the membrane cover over the base taking care to ensure the cover flange sits flat onto the Preprufe Membrane.
5. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the edge of the cover flange and roll firmly to form a tight seal. Remove release liner and discard.

Note: All Preprufe Tape should overlap onto surfaces of tape, membrane, base, cover, etc., a minimum of 50 mm (2").

**Columns**

There are 2 common methods to create a waterproof seal under columns.

- Column Option 1 - Preprufe Membrane is placed over the column footing and directly under the column. Tie-in penetrations such as rebar and threaded rod that penetrate the membrane should be sealed with Bituthene Liquid Membrane. Cut the membrane tight to the penetration. If membrane is not within 1/2" (12 mm) of penetration, apply Preprufe Tape to cover the gap. Mix and apply Bituthene Liquid Membrane around the penetration. Bituthene Liquid Membrane should be placed to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet around the penetration at the point of penetration. Bituthene Liquid Membrane should be applied as a 90 mil (2.2 mm) continuous coating overlapping a minimum of 3" (75 mm) onto the surface of the Preprufe membrane.
- Column Option 2 - Preprufe Membrane is placed below the column footing before it is poured. The membrane is installed following

the vertical and horizontal application instructions described earlier in this section. When placing the membrane, it is important to leave sufficient length of Preprufe 300R beyond the footing to allow for tie-in to the Preprufe Membrane that will be laid to waterproof the general slab area. The release liner must not be removed from this extra length, and it should be protected from damage until the tie-in details are completed.

**Grade Beam Pile Caps**

The preferred methods to waterproof pile caps are to either "tank" or "cover" the pile cap.

- Pile Cap Option 1 (Tanking Option) - Install Preprufe Membrane over the prepared substrate as instructed in horizontal applications above. Preprufe Membrane is placed in the area formed for the pile cap before the concrete is poured. When placing the membrane, it is important to leave sufficient length of Preprufe beyond the pile cap area to allow for tie-in to the Preprufe Membrane that will be laid to waterproof the general slab area. Cut membrane tight to each pile and complete detail around each pile as instructed earlier in this section for a Penetration Detail.
- Pile Cap Option 2 (Covering Option) - For mud slabs, clean loose dust or dirt from the pile cap and mud slab surface using a clean, dry cloth or brush. Apply a continuous 90 mil (2.2 mm) coating of Bituthene Liquid Membrane or Procor over the top of the pile cap. Place a 1" (25.4 mm) bead of Liquid Membrane or Procor around all penetrations at the point of penetration through the pile cap. Prime along the edge of the mud slab a minimum of 6" (150 mm) from the edge of pile cap with a Bituthene Primer and allow to dry. Align a 9" (225 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane centered over the edge of the pile cap. Remove release liner and roll firmly onto the Liquid Membrane and primed mud slab. Install Preprufe Membrane over the prepared substrate and terminate it 2" (51 mm) onto the pile cap. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the Preprufe Membrane termination. Remove the release liner and roll firmly. Seal Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe Tape edge with a termination bead of Liquid Membrane.

**Pile Cap Option 2 for Compacted Earth**

Apply a continuous 90 mil (2.2 mm) coating of Bituthene Liquid Membrane or Procor over the top of the pile cap. Place a 1" (25.4 mm) bead of Liquid Membrane or Procor around all pen-



etrations at the point of penetration through the pile cap. Remove compacted earth away from the sides of pile cap. Clean loose dust or dirt from the pile cap surface using a clean, dry cloth or brush.

Prime the sides of the pile cap a minimum of 6" (150 mm) from the top of pile cap with a Bituthene Primer and allow to dry. Align a 9" (225 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane centered over the outside edge (outside corner) of the pile cap. Remove release liner and roll firmly onto the Liquid Membrane and primed sides of pile cap. Align a 12" (300 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane centered over the outside edge (outside corner) of the pile cap. Remove half of release liner by scoring release liner along the center of the strip.

Roll firmly onto the sides of pile cap with the 9" (225 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane and the remaining primed pile cap. Leave the other half of the 12" (300 mm) strip with the release liner still intact in order to receive the Preprufe Membrane. Replace earth/fill and compact per standard back-filling instructions being careful not to damage the Bituthene strip including the non-bonded portion. Invert the Bituthene strip, and remove the remaining release liner to expose the adhesive portion of the Bituthene.

Install Preprufe Membrane over the prepared substrate and terminate it 2" (51 mm) onto the pile cap. Roll firmly onto the inverted Bituthene strip. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the Preprufe Membrane termination. Remove the release liner and roll firmly. Seal Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe Tape edge with a termination bead of Liquid Membrane.

**Pile Cap Option 2 for Non-Continuous Covering**  
If the Structural Engineer or the design does not allow for the waterproofing to "cover" the pile cap, there must be a minimum 6" (150 mm) continuous shoulder along the perimeter of the pile cap to allow for a proper termination. Apply a continuous 90 mil (2.2 mm) coating of Bituthene Liquid Membrane or Procor onto the top of the pile cap along the outside edge.

Apply a 6" (150 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane onto the Bituthene Liquid Membrane or Procor along the edge of the pile cap. Install Preprufe Membrane over the prepared substrate and terminate it 2" (51 mm) onto the pile cap. Apply Preprufe Tape centered over the Preprufe Membrane termination. Remove the release liner and roll firmly. Seal Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe

Tape edge with a termination bead of Liquid Membrane.

**Construction Joints**

Install the Preprufe membrane according to standard horizontal and vertical application instructions detailed above. Preprufe CJ Tape should be applied to the surface of the Preprufe membrane and centered along the line of all concrete joints. Remove release liner and roll firmly.

**Tie-Ins**

Preprufe 160R to Preprufe 300R Sub Slab Waterproofing - Install Preprufe 300R Membrane over the prepared substrate as detailed in horizontal and vertical applications above. Continue onto the vertical surface of the prepared soil retention system a minimum of 18" (450 mm) above the finished elevation of the structural floor slab.

Secure the top of the membrane to temporarily hold it in place on the vertical substrate. Care should be taken to prevent damage to this exposed membrane from concrete back-splash as well as slag from rebar welding in wall forms. The exposed membrane on the vertical surface can be protected with protection board, plywood or other materials.

Following the vertical application instructions detailed above, install Preprufe 160R Membrane over the prepared vertical soil retention system. Unfasten the vertical length of the Preprufe 300R Membrane and tuck the Preprufe 160R behind the 18" (450 mm) length of Preprufe 300R, ensuring a minimum 3" (75 mm) lap. Complete the detail by installing Preprufe Tape centered over the lap being careful to seal any holes from fasteners. Roll firmly and remove the release liner.

Preprufe 300R to Post-Applied Wall Waterproofing - There are 2 options available to tie Preprufe 300R Membrane into wall waterproofing. In Option 1, the Preprufe 300R Membrane is installed under the concrete slab and the footing. Option 2 is intended for applications where the Preprufe 300R Membrane and wall waterproofing are connected through the wall and footing junction.

- Option 1 - Install Preprufe 300R Membrane over the prepared horizontal substrate and extend it up the vertical surface of the slab formwork. Terminate the membrane 6" (150 mm) above the top elevation of the structural floor slab or wall footing. Once the slab or footing is poured and cured for 7 days, remove the forms and trim the excess membrane above the slab (see

Technical Letters). Install the wall membrane according to standard application procedures of the post-applied waterproofing manufacturer. Ensure that the wall membrane overlaps onto the surface of the Preprufe 300R by a minimum of 6" (150 mm).

- Option 2 - Prior to the pouring of the wall, apply a 90 mil (2.2 mm) coating of Bituthene Liquid Membrane on top of the footing area using standard application procedures. Extend the Bituthene Liquid Membrane 3" (75 mm) beyond the proposed wall width in each direction. Install the wall membrane according to standard application procedures of the post-applied waterproofing manufacturer. Ensure that the wall membrane overlaps onto the surface of the Preprufe 300R by a minimum of 6" (150 mm). On the inside of the wall, install a minimum 9" (225 mm) strip of Bituthene sheet membrane over the Bituthene Liquid Membrane that extends beyond the footing area. Install Bituthene Membrane by removing the release liner and firmly rolling the product in place. Install Preprufe 300R Membrane over the prepared substrate and terminate it at the center of the Bituthene sheet membrane strip. Apply Preprufe CJ Tape centered over the Preprufe 300R Membrane termination. Remove the release liner and roll firmly.

Preprufe 160R to Plaza Deck Waterproofing - Install Preprufe 160R over the prepared vertical surface following the standard vertical application instructions above. Terminate the Preprufe 160R Membrane 6" (150 mm) above the proposed height of the finished wall. Once the wall is poured and properly cured, remove temporary forming and trim the excess Preprufe 160R remaining above the wall. Install the plaza deck waterproofing according to the manufacturer's standard installation procedures. Ensure that the plaza deck waterproofing overlaps the 160R membrane a minimum of 9" (225 mm) and terminate it onto the Preprufe 160R using a bead of Bituthene Liquid Membrane.

Preprufe 160R to Post-Applied Wall Waterproofing - Install Preprufe 160R over the prepared vertical surface following the standard vertical application instructions above. Extend the Preprufe 160R Membrane 12" (300 mm) beyond the end of the blind-side wall. As the foundation wall formwork is installed, fold the 12" (300 mm) piece of Preprufe 160R Membrane to form a sharp corner. Secure it to the inside face of the exterior form panel. Once the wall is poured and cured for seven days, remove the form-



work and install the post-applied waterproofing according to the manufacturer's standard installation procedures.

**Preprufe 300R Membrane Wall Termination**

- Option 1 (Liquid Membrane Detail) - Install Preprufe 300R Membrane over a mud slab as detailed in horizontal applications above. For compacted earth, contact a local Grace representative. Install Preprufe 300R Membrane tight to all vertical and horizontal intersections. At the termination of the membrane, place a 1" (25.4 mm) fillet of Bituthene liquid membrane and trowel a 90 mil (2.2 mm) coating a minimum of 3" (75 mm) onto vertical and horizontal surfaces. Remove the release liner and install a minimum 12" (300 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane centered over the horizontal termination. Install Preprufe Tape to cover the strip of Bituthene Membrane by overlapping a minimum of 1" (25.4 mm) until a minimum of 2" (51 mm) overlap onto the Preprufe Membrane is achieved. Terminate the top edge of the strip of Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe Tape along the wall with a bead of Bituthene Liquid Membrane.
- Option 2 (Sheet Membrane Detail) - Install Preprufe 300R Membrane over the prepared substrate as detailed in horizontal applications above. Install Preprufe 300R Membrane tight to all vertical and horizontal intersections. Install a minimum 6" (150 mm) strip of Bituthene Membrane on the vertical surface along the joint. Mix and apply Bituthene Liquid Membrane to form a minimum 1" (25.4 mm) continuous fillet between the Preprufe Membrane and the wall. Install Preprufe CJ Tape 6" (150 mm) from the edge of the wall onto the Preprufe Membrane and terminate 2" (51 mm) onto the strip of Bituthene Membrane. Install Preprufe CJ Tape onto the strip of Bituthene Membrane and overlap onto the previous Preprufe CJ Tape a minimum of 2" (51 mm). Terminate the top edge of the strip of Bituthene Membrane and Preprufe Tape along the wall with a bead of Bituthene Liquid Membrane.

**Membrane Repair**

Inspect the membrane for damage before placement of reinforcing steel, formwork and concrete. Repair small punctures 1/2" (12 mm), or less, and slices by applying Preprufe Tape centered over the damaged area and roll firmly. Remove the release liner from the tape. Repair holes and large punctures by applying a patch of Preprufe membrane, which extends 6"

(150 mm) beyond the damaged area. Seal all edges of the patch with Preprufe Tape, remove the release liner from the tape and roll firmly.

**CONCRETE PLACEMENT**

Lightly soiled membrane should be cleaned with air blower and heavily soiled membrane should be cleaned with a power-washer. Cast concrete within 56 days (42 days in hot climates) of application of the membrane. Concrete must be placed carefully to avoid damage to the membrane. Never use a sharp object to consolidate concrete.

**REMOVAL OF FORMWORK**

Preprufe Membranes can be applied to removable formwork, such as slab perimeters, elevator and lift pits, etc. Once the concrete is poured, the formwork must remain in place until the concrete has gained sufficient compressive strength to develop the surface bond. Preprufe Membranes are not recommended for conventional twin-sided wall forming systems.

A minimum concrete compressive strength of 1500 psi (10 N/mm<sup>2</sup>) is recommended prior to stripping formwork supporting Preprufe Membranes. Premature stripping may result in displacement of the membrane and/or spalling of the concrete.

As a guide, to reach the minimum compressive strength stated above, a structural concrete mix with an ultimate strength of 6000 psi (40 N/mm<sup>2</sup>) will typically require a cure time of approximately 6 days at an average ambient temperature of 25 degrees F (-4 degrees C) or 2 days at 70 degrees F (21 degrees C).

**6. Availability & Cost**

**AVAILABILITY**

A network of distributors carries Preprufe and Bituthene products for prompt delivery to project sites.

**COST**

For specific information, contact a local distributor or a Grace Construction Products representative.

**7. Warranty**

A 5 year material warranty for Preprufe and Bituthene membrane products is available from the manufacturer upon request.

**8. Maintenance**

Preprufe 300R and Preprufe 160R membranes will not require maintenance when installed in accordance with Grace's recommendations.

**9. Technical Services**

Support is provided by full-time, technically trained Grace field sales representatives and technical service personnel, backed by a central research and development staff.

**10. Filing Systems**

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