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PRODUCER'S STATEMENT
Covering
PRODUCT PERFORMANCE & WARRANTIES
On
INDEX MEMBRANES

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INDEX modified reinforced bituminous membranes are manufactured by **INDEX CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS SPA of Italy** under stringent quality control and marketed to over 115 countries worldwide. **INDEX** membranes have been appraised by leading testing authorities throughout the world and certified as suitable waterproof membrane for the building and construction industry, as such meets the New Zealand Building Code E2 and B2 requirements.

HITCHINS NEW ZEALAND LIMITED with an established history of marketing innovative and quality products is the distributing and promotional company for **INDEX** membranes throughout New Zealand and the Pacific Islands.

Installation of **INDEX** membranes is through approved Hitchins' Gunac applicator firms with experienced and trained personnel working within the recommended application procedures set down by **INDEX** and Hitchins New Zealand Limited, in keeping with good trade practices.

INDEX membranes installed over sound clean and primed substrates, built to the Revised New Zealand Building Code and in keeping within the guidelines of Hitchins' Quality Control Sheet and substrate recommendations.

HITCHINS NEW ZEALAND LIMITED will provide a written Product Performance Warranty as follows:-

- * **Twenty (20) Years**
 - ** Protea Duo P 4mm triple reinforced single layer membrane finished in a Mineral Chip or Plain (Texflamina surface) over-coated with an approved Hitchins' coating.
 - ** A double layer fully bonded **INDEX** membrane system (6 to 7½mm) finished in a Mineral Chip or over-coated with an approved Hitchins' coating.
- * **Fifteen (15) Years**
 - ** A single layer **INDEX** Plain membrane 4.5Kg (4.5mm) finished in Mineral Chip.
 - ** A single layer **INDEX** Plain membrane (3mm to 4mm) finished in an approved Hitchins' coating.
- * **Ten (10) Years**
 - ** Single layer **INDEX** Plain membrane (3mm to 4mm) left uncoated.
 - ** Single layer **INDEX** Plain membrane (3mm to 4mm) re-sheathed over an existing membrane.

Within the above Product Performance Warranty, design, expansion joints, venting, adequate falls, outlets and flashing requirements must be to a high standard, including the installation work. Regular and adequate cleaning maintenance (moss or mould treatment if and when required) must be carried out including reinstatement of the protective coating every 5 years approximately. Maintenance requirement is covered under the Hitchins' Product Performance Warranty and Process Maintenance Advice documents.

Hitchins New Zealand Limited Product Performance Warranty must be accompanied by the applicator workmanship warranty, thus providing the client with a comprehensive overall performance warranty.

For and on behalf of
Hitchins New Zealand Limited



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