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Polymer Rubber Gel Technology High Performance Waterproofing For Shotcrete and Blindside **Applications**

Thousand + **Square Meters** Installed and growing

Projects + Installed using Polymer Rubber Gel

Membrane Layers Defense Against Water and Vapor

Meters Deep
Polymer Rubber Gel
Successfully Applied

No. 143 Perms
System Protection
Keeping water and moisture out
Challenges of

For underground construction, shotcrete and blindside waterproofing systems play a significant role to protect from water intrusion. The challenge in this type of construction is that the waterproofing must endure the exposure to adverse environments, survive and withstand the concrete pour or shotcrete pressure. In addition, rebar must be supported, the waterproofing will have numerous penetrations from tie-backs and rebar making these areas prone to water leakage. Most importantly, it is critical that concrete or shotcrete must bond to the waterproofing after placement. This will ensure that water does not migrate between the membrane and the concrete. Inspection and monitoring during application is critical since the waterproofing will be inaccessible once concrete is in place.

Solution: **Composite** Waterproofing Self-Healing Chemical Resistant Blindside Shotcrete Waterproofing Membrane System

Polymer Rubber Gel (PRG) waterproofing systems have performed to the requirements of challenging underground waterproofing applications. Developed specifically for underground construction, Polymer Rubber Gel is composed of a polymer modified rubberized bituminous emulsion. However, unlike typical rubberized bitumen materials, PRG's polymers never completely cross-link. This retains the gel always in a semi-cured state. This innovation enables PRG to act as an exceptionally flexible, adhesive, never-cured, continuously self-healing membrane. As a proven concept in waterproofing, composite waterproofing systems utilizing a PRG component exhibit superior elongation properties, adhesion and self-healing ability. A PRG composite waterproofing system consists of a layer of polymer rubber gel at minimum thickness of 2.5 mm +/- .5 mm combined with a sheet membrane of laminate fleece reinforced HDPE. PRG with varying manufacturer-produced viscosities permits different delivery methods including (1) spray applied, (2) trowel applied, and (3) preformed waterproofing sheet applied. The flexible, non-curing, highly adhesive PRG combined with a durable, chemical resistant, hydrostatic pressure resistant HDPE sheet creates a dynamically responsive high-performance waterproofing system for demanding conditions of underground structures. Application of a PRG system is effective, efficient, and economical.

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