This specification covers InhibiChem CR-FGR-L Chemical-Resistant Fiberglass Reinforced Lining System. This system consists of a vinyl ester primer, followed by vinyl ester troweled basecoat, and a fiberglass mat reinforcement saturated with vinyl ester resin. The system is then top-coated with a mica flake-filled vinyl ester coating, or various other vinyl ester topcoats dictated by environment. This system exhibits excellent chemical, wear, impact and abrasion resistance.

1.00 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES
   A. Preparation of cast-in-place concrete slab or steel substrate.
   B. Apply vinyl ester primer
   C. Trowel apply chemical-resistant vinyl ester basecoat with powder additive
   D. Apply chopped strand mat saturated with vinyl ester
   E. Apply one or two coats of flake-filled chemical-resistant vinyl ester

Specifier Notes: Edit the following list as required by the project. List other sections with work directly related to the floor coating.

1.02 RELATED SECTIONS
   A. Section 03 30 00 – Cast-In-Place Concrete: [existing or] new slab.
   B. Section 03 35 00 – Concrete Finishing: specific chemicals on slab.
   C. Section 03 39 00 - Concrete Curing
   D. Section 03 01 00 – Concrete Rehabilitation

1.04 REFERENCES STANDARDS
   A. For reference standards tests & results refer to Manufactures Product Data Sheets

1.05 ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS
   A. Pre installation meeting call if needed.
   B. Involve: Owner, Contractor, Consultant(s), sub-contractors effected

1.06 SUBMITTALS
   A. Samples: forward 4- 4” x 4” color samples representative of finish product for review.
   B. Manufactures’ Instructions: submit to Consultant for review.
   C. Sustainable Design Submittals: as required by other sections.

1.07 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS
   A. Applicable testing/performance data certification(s)
   B. Certification(s) of compliance with owner's performance spec, if required
   C. Cleaning, care and maintenance instructions
   D. Material warranty information
1.08 QUALITY ASSURANCE
   A. Regulatory Agency Sustainability Approvals
   B. Applicator: Use applicator experienced in application of specified materials for a minimum of [5] [Five] years on projects of similar size and complexity. Provide list of completed projects including project name and location, name of architect, name of material manufacturer, and approximate quantity of materials applied.
   C. Applicator's Personnel: Employ only persons trained for application of specified materials.

1.09 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING
   A. Delivery: Deliver materials to site in manufacturer's original, unopened containers and packaging, with labels clearly identifying product name, manufacturer, batch or lot number, and date of manufacture. Do not store in direct sunlight or high heat conditions.
   B. Packaging Waste Management
   C. Storage:
      1. Store materials in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.
      2. Keep containers sealed until ready for use.
      3. Do not subject material to excessive heat or freezing; do not apply material that has been subjected to excessive heat or freezing. Material subjected to excessive heat or freezing shall be separated from inventory and destroyed by mixing all three components. The solid reacted product shall be disposed of in environmentally sound and regulatory compliant manner.
      4. Shelf life: 3 months after date of manufacture, in unopened containers, under normal conditions.
   D. Handling: Protect materials during handling and application to prevent damage or contamination.
   E. Condition materials for use to 65°F – 85°F for 24 hours prior to application.

1.10 SITE CONDITIONS
   A. Ambient Conditions
      1. Do not apply materials if floor or air temperature is below 65°F (18°C).
      2. Do not apply materials if relative humidity is above 85 percent or within 5º of dew point at time of application.
   B. Existing Conditions
      1. Utilities, including electric, water, heat and finished lighting to be supplied by General Contractor.
      2. Maintain room temperature between 65°F – 85°F for 48 hours before, during and 48 hours after installation, or until cured.
      3. At the time of application ensure the minimum substrate temperature is above 60°F (15°C) and the substrate temperature is 5°F (3°C) above the measured dew point at the time of application.
4. Erect suitable barriers and post legible signs at points of entry to prevent traffic and trades from entering the work area during application and cure period of the floor.

5. Protection of finished floor from damage by subsequent trades shall be the responsibility of the General Contractor.

1.12. MANUFACTURER WARRANTY
A. Provide warranty covering materials for a period of [1] [one] year after date of installation
B. Installer to provide suitable warranty covering workmanship

2.00 PRODUCTS

2.01 MANUFACTURER
A. Protective Industrial Polymers www.protectpoly.com (440) 327-0015
B. 7875 Bliss Parkway North Ridgeville Ohio 44039

2.02 MATERIALS
A. Protect VE-CR or Protect VE-PR Flex Vinyl Ester Primer
B. Protect VE-CR Basecoat with VE-Powder
C. 1-1/2 oz. Chopped Stand Mat Saturated with Protect VE-CR Vinyl Ester
D. One or Two Coats Protect VE-CR 40 Flake Vinyl Ester System

2.03 QUALITY CONTROL
A. Tests and Inspections: as required by Manufacturer.
B. Non-Conforming Work: remove immediately and dispose off site.
C. Coordination of Other Tests and Inspections

3.00 EXECUTION

3.01 APPLICATOR
A. Must be a recognized contractor of Protective Industrial Polymers

3.02 EXAMINATION
A. Substrate:
   1. Free of curing membranes, silicate surface hardener, paint, or sealer and be structurally sound.
   2. If you suspect concrete has been treated or sealed, proceed with complete removal process.
   3. Consult your PIP representative for further instruction if silicate hardeners or membranes have been utilized.

B. Moisture:
1. Use only if the concrete has an internal relative humidity of 75% using ASTM F2170.

C. Vapour / Contamination:
   1. Testing for MVT does not guarantee against future problems.
   2. If there is no known vapor barrier or the vapor barrier is inadequate, there is an elevated risk of bond failure.
   3. Other factors including the migration of oils, chemicals, excessive salts, or Alkali Silica Reaction (ASR) from the concrete from may also elevate the risk of adhesion difficulties.
   4. Consult your PIP representative for approved mitigation treatments.

D. Temperature:
   1. During the application and cure of the coating, the substrate temperature, material temperature and room conditions must be maintained between 55°F and 85°F.

E. Humidity:
   1. Relative Humidity (RH) should be limited to 30-80%.
   2. DO NOT apply coatings unless the surface temperature is more than five degree over the dew point.

3.03 PREPARATION
A. Remove surface dirt, grease, oil, and contaminants by detergent scrubbing and rinse with clean (clear) water.
B. Mechanical Preparation: Blasting or grinding the surface is the preferred method of preparation.
C. The success of industrial diamond grinding as a concrete preparation method will vary depending on technique and the hardness of the concrete.

3.04 JOINTS
A. All non moving joints (control joints) may be filled with a semi-rigid joint compound such as Protect JF-Epoxy or Protect JF-Polyurea.
B. Construction joints may need to be re-built and re-cut depending on conditions.
C. Broadcast Silica sand into the wet joint material to provide an anchor for the vinyl ester system.

3.05 MIXING
A. Mix material as directed in the product's corresponding Technical Data Sheet.

3.06 APPLICATION EQUIPMENT
A. Protective equipment and clothing as called for in the MSDS
B. Jiffy® Mixer Blade model ES
C. Clean container for mixing material
D. Low speed high torque drill motor
E. High quality short nap roller covers - ¼ - 3/8 inch nap
F. Application squeegee
G. Spray Application
   1. Air Spray System (Binks Equipment)
      a) 2 gallon pressure pot or low ratio material pump (4:1).
      b) 1/2” Fluid Material Hose 25-50 foot length
      c) 5/16” air hose 25-50 foot length
      d) Binks #18 or #62 Spray Gun
      e) Binks #68 Spray Tips
   2. Airless Spray System (Grayco Equipment)
      a) 30-1 ratio Grayco Bull Airless Pump.
      b) 5/16” airless material hose
      c) Airless Vari-Tip (preferred).
      d) Twist clean material nozzle 0.021-0.031 tip

3.05 APPLICATION
A. Protect VE-CR VE-PR Flex Primer
   1. Apply the properly mixed material to the substrate using a notched or flat
      squeegee and level uniformly with a non shed 3/8” roller.

B. Protect VE-CR Trowelled Basecoat
   2. Mix 25 lbs VE-Trowel Powder into 1 gallon of mixed VE-SR. Mix until
      smooth consistency. Trowel apply at approximately 60 mils (27
      SF/Gal).

C. Mat Reinforcement
   1. Immediately lay fiberglass mat into wet trowelled basecoat. Do not displace
      any basecoat. Situate mat so there are no air voids.
   2. After mat is placed, immediately saturate with VE-CR. Saturation requires a
      minimum consumption of 50 mils. (32 SF/Gal.).
   3. Roll with steel ribbed roller to completely saturate mat with resin leaving no air
      voids or dry spots.

D. Protect VE-CR 40 Flake Topcoat.
   1. Squeegee and roller apply VE-CR 40 at 20 mils per coat.
   2. An optional additional 20 mils top coat may be applied.

E. Tolerances:
   1. InhibiChem CR-FGR-L: 90-125 mils

NOTE: If any layer is allowed to cure overnight, it should be wiped with clean rags to remove
contaminants immediately before the next layer is applied. (Wiping a primary surface with a rag
wetted with a solvent, such as styrene or acetone, is often the cause of poor secondary bond
formation. A solvent wetted rag may contain contaminants that will act as mold release agents. If
wiping with a clean rag does not remove the contaminants, they must be removed by grinding, sandblasting, etc.) If the surface becomes tacky with a wet wipe of styrene, it may be re-coated. If the surface does not become tacky with a wet wipe of styrene, then it must be sanded or ground for re-coating. Since the temperature of the resin and the type of resin in a glass flake mixture affects the rate of cure, it is a good practice to apply a test patch to check the ability of the surface to adhere to a secondary layer. The more complete the cure of a base, the less adhesion characteristic the glass flake mixture has without surface preparation.

**3.07 CURING**
A. Allow the coating to cure (dry) for a minimum 24 hours after application at 24°C (75°F) and 50% RH before opening the floor to light traffic, allow more time for low temperatures and higher humidity or for heavier traffic.
B. Full coating properties may take up to 48 hours to develop.

**3.08 REPAIR**
A. Repair gouges, chip outs, and scratches as soon as possible to prevent moisture and chemical under cutting and permanent damage to the floor coating.

**3.09 RECOAT**
A. Refer to appropriate product's Technical Data Sheet for recoat timetables and allowable recoat parameters as presented by the manufacturer.
B. If the re-coat window has expired, the prior cured coating surface must be sanded with 100 grit sand paper or sanding screen installed on a swing-type floor buffer.
C. Sand to a uniform dulled surface.
D. Remove all sanding debris with a vacuum and damp mop.
E. Scrub with detergent and rinse with clean (clear) water.
F. Surface must be dry before recoating.

**3.10 SITE QUALITY CONTROL**
A. Site Tests and Inspections: per manufacturer's guidelines
B. Non-Conforming Work: remove immediately and dispose off site

**3.11 ADJUSTING**
A. Permitted only upon manufacturer's approval in writing

**3.12 CLEANING**
A. Remove masking, draping, and other protection from adjacent surfaces.
B. Remove remaining materials and debris from job site and dispose of them according with local rules and regulations. Leave area in clean condition free of debris.

**3.13 CLOSEOUT ACTIVITIES**
A. Notify manufacturer of completion of installation
B. Forward operation and maintenance data to owner/owner's rep
C. Forward effective warranty date and information to owner/owner's rep
3.14 PROTECTION
   A. Pointed items or heavy items dropped on the floor may cause chipping or concrete pop out damage.
   B. Plasticizer migration from rubber tires can permanently stain the floor coating.
   C. If a rubber tire is planned to set on the floor for a long period of time, place a piece of acrylic sheet between the tire and the floor to prevent tire staining.
   D. Rubber burns from quick stops and starts from lift trucks can heat the coating to its softening point causing permanent damage and marking.

3.15 MAINTENANCE
   A. Allow floor coating to cure at least one week before cleaning by mechanical means (IE: sweeper, scrubber, disc buffer).
   B. Increased life of the floor will be seen with proper maintenance and will help maintain a fresh appearance of your new Protective Industrial Polymers floor.
   C. Regularly sweep to avoid ground in dirt and grit which can quickly dull the finish, decreasing the life of the coating.
   D. Spills should be removed quickly as certain chemicals may stain and can permanently damage the finish.
   E. Only soft nylon brushes or white pads should be used on your new floor coating. Premature loss of gloss can be caused by hard abrasive bristle Polypropylene (Tynex®) brushes.
   F. Heavy objects dragged across the surface will scratch all floor coatings. Avoid gouging or scratching the surface.

END OF SECTION
See additional legal information below

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