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comply with Clause E2 External Moisture, Clause E3 Internal Moisture and Clause B2 Durability of the Building Code. There is no evidence of dispute about any other matters related to the proposed house, and this determination is therefore limited to the vapour-control membrane. Building Code requirements related to the proposed membrane are provided in the Appendix.

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