Advisory Note

Building Commission

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Interpretation of Part 3.8.1 of BCA Volume 2

To clarify that the details shown in Figures 3.8.1.5 and 3.8.1.8 of the BCA 2010 Volume 2 are indicative only and that functionally similar details can be approved as deemed-to-satisfy solutions.

Figure 3.8.1.5 shows the extent of waterproofing required to comply with Table 3.8.1.1. Clause 3.8.1.7 requires that baths and spas must be supported to prevent distortion and cracking and if a bath or spa is recessed into the wall the integrity of the structure must be maintained. Figure 3.8.1.8 provides typical details of bath to wall junctions that comply with clause 3.8.1.7.

The Building Commission has received the attached bath-wall junction detail and considers that it achieves the intent of clause 3.8.1.8 and can be approved as a deemed-to-satisfy solution.

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BATH-WALL JUNCTION (NO SHOWER) COMMON PRACTICE SOLUTION

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APPLICATION LIMIT:

A BATH OR SPA WITH NO SHOWER OVER INSTALLED AGAINST A MASONRY WALL AND ON A CONCRETE FLOOR

