



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 318.7

Question:

Is the intent in R318.7 to include porch columns and posts in the requirements of exterior wall coverings?

Answer

Yes. The intent is to prevent termite infestation and damage to the home.

Commentary:

None.

Notice:

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