#### SUMMARY PLUMBING

This Summary outlines potentially significant issues from a cost or safety standpoint. This section is provided as a courtesy and cannot be considered a substitute for reading the entire report. Please read the complete document. Priority Maintenance Items

## Plumbing

#### SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water supply piping in building

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We have seen no failures of the Kitec System in the greater Toronto area with the exception of a couple of isolated unusual installations. No problems were identified during the inspection.

**Implication(s)**: Chance of water damage to structure, finishes and contents | Reduced water pressure and volume **Task**: Monitor as described in the Kitec article in the Appendix of this report.

Time: Ongoing

This concludes the Summary section.

The remainder of the report describes each of the home's systems and also details any recommendations we have for improvements. Limitations that restricted our inspection are included as well.

The suggested time frames for completing recommendations are based on the limited information available during a pre-purchase home inspection. These may have to be adjusted based on the findings of specialists.

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# PLUMBING

KITEC PIPING IN PLUMBING (Toronto), Toronto, ON March 30, 2022

SUMMARY PLUMBING

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## Recommendations

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## Limitations

General: • The extent of the Kitec piping was not determined.

## END OF REPORT