

## ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

S-41-37 (ROCKY CREEK RD.) BRIDGE OVER ROCKY CREEK  
BRIDGE #417003700100 (SCOPE BRIDGE # (4170003700100)  
SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

### PREPARED FOR:



### PREPARED For:

C/O Trapp Harris  
955 Park Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

### PREPARED BY:

F&ME Consultants  
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**May 22, 2019**

☐ Yes, asbestos was found.  
☒ No, asbestos was not found.

FME Project No.: G6100.050

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This executive summary is intended as an overview for the convenience of the reader. This report should be reviewed in its entirety prior to making any decisions regarding this project.

F&ME Consultants Inc. (FME) has completed an Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM) Investigation on the S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Road) Bridge over Rocky Creek, in Saluda County, South Carolina, for the South Carolina Department of Transportation (Mr. Trapp Harris - Project Manager). The investigation was performed on May 7, 2019, and was also conducted pursuant to South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations requiring an ACM investigation prior to any demolition and/or renovation activities.

Per an agreed upon scope of work, FME has performed this investigation to identify any ACM that may be encountered during the demolition of the existing bridge, and to provide recommendations regarding proper handling and disposal of any ACM found. The investigation of the subject bridge identified one (1) suspect material: timber pile cap felt. During the field investigation, FME collected three (3) samples of the suspect material and assessed the physical condition of the material. Laboratory results indicated that **this material is non-ACM**. Therefore, at this time, no special handling or disposal requirements are required regarding ACM. However, during the course of demolition activities, previously concealed ACM may be discovered. If hidden suspect ACM is encountered, the affected contractor(s) must stop work, take appropriate actions, and notify the Owner/FME for an appropriate response action.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you in this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact our office at (803) 254-4540.

Sincerely,

FME CONSULTANTS



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## 2. INTRODUCTION

FME has completed an ACM investigation on the S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Road) Bridge over Rocky Creek, in Saluda County, South Carolina. The investigation was performed on May 7, 2019, and was conducted pursuant to SCDHEC, USEPA, NESHAP, and OSHA regulations which require an ACM investigation prior to any demolition and/or renovation activities. See Appendix A – Site Vicinity Map for the location of S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Road) Bridge over Rocky Creek, in Saluda County, South Carolina.

It is our understanding that the existing bridge structure will be demolished and replaced with a new replacement bridge. The scope of this investigation was to determine if asbestos was present on the existing bridge structure by identifying and sampling any suspect ACM, obtaining analytical results, quantifying any confirmed ACM, and assessing the physical condition of the ACM, where possible.

This report has been prepared exclusively for the South Carolina Department of Transportation and shall not be disseminated in whole or part to other parties without prior consent from the South Carolina Department of Transportation, or FME. No other environmental issues were addressed as part of this report.

## 3. EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE

The existing bridge structure (~42.0'L x 24.5'W, inside curb to inside curb), is located on S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Rd.) and crosses over Rocky Creek in Saluda County, South Carolina. The construction date of the bridge (SCDOT bridge #417003700100) (Scope bridge # 4170003700100) is unknown. The existing bridge structure is a three (3) span, two lane precast concrete bridge, with an asphalt overlay. The bridge deck rests on concrete bents that are supported by timber piles. Each end bent is supported by five (5) timber piles with soil and riprap covering the two (2) end bents. The two (2) interior bents are supported by eight (8) timber piles each. Drainage scuppers were precast holes through the concrete decking with no sleeves. Metal guardrails and wood posts are attached to the concrete curb and gutter. In addition, a PVC telecommunication conduit is mounted to the north side of the bridge deck and runs the entire length of the bridge. Refer to Appendix A – Site Vicinity Map, for the location of the structure.



*Photo 1 – S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Road) Bridge over Rocky Creek, in Saluda county, SC*



## 4. FIELD ASSESSMENT

During the inspection, all bridge components (i.e. concrete bent caps, piles, and expansion joints) were visually inspected for suspect ACM. Examples of possible suspect materials include bent and pile cap felt, bond-break pads, expansion joint material, and drainage scuppers. The bridge deck rested directly on the bent caps. Timber pile cap felt was noted during the investigation of the bridge and was the only suspect material identified during the field investigation. See Appendix B – Sample Location Plan, for detailed sample locations. Also, see Appendix G – Site Photographs, for more details.

### 4.1 Suspect Materials

The purpose of this investigation was to locate, sample and record the physical characteristics of suspect ACM associated with the subject bridge structure. Therefore, the quantities and physical condition of the suspect material was assessed, and bulk samples of this material were submitted for laboratory analysis. The following suspect material and approximate quantity was identified during this ACM Investigation:

- Timber Pile Cap Felt (<100 SF)

Random samples of the suspect timber pile cap felt were collected for laboratory analysis, and their physical characteristics were recorded. Building materials such as concrete, metal, wood, brick, etc., were not considered suspect ACM. Bulk samples of suspect materials were analyzed by Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM) in accordance with EPA 600/R-93/116. Confirmation Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) was also performed on any non-friable organically bound materials that tested negative for asbestos content as per SCDHEC regulations effective May 27, 2011. See Appendix C – Summary of Samples, for complete list of all samples taken. Proper sampling and chain-of-custody protocols were followed to ensure appropriate handling and delivery of samples to the analytical laboratory. Refer to Appendix F –Personnel Certifications, for SCDHEC qualifications of Investigation personnel, and Appendix E– Chain of Custody Forms, for documentation of proper handling and delivery of samples.



## 5. ASSESSMENT RESULTS

During the investigation, timber pile cap felt was the only suspect material observed associated with the subject bridge. Three (3) random samples of this suspect material were collected for laboratory analysis, and their physical characteristics were recorded. The remaining bridge materials (i.e. concrete, steel, etc.) were not considered suspect and were not sampled.

The samples of the suspect material were analyzed by polarized light microscopy (PLM) in accordance with EPA 600/R-93/116. A *“first positive stop”* protocol was utilized for this investigation. This protocol establishes that if the first sample of a material tested positive for asbestos content, subsequent samples were not to be analyzed, and would be considered positive as well. **The results of the analysis indicated the suspect timber pile cap felt contained no asbestos.** Results of laboratory analysis are summarized in Appendix C – Summary of Sample Results.

## 6. RECOMMENDATIONS

The results, conclusions, and recommendations of this investigation are representative of the conditions observed at the site on the date of the field inspection. FME does not assume responsibility for any changes in conditions or circumstances that may have occurred after this inspection.

It is our understanding that the existing bridge structure will be demolished. All accessible suspect materials have been sampled and analyzed by an accredited laboratory and found to contain no ACM. Therefore, there are no foreseen special handling or disposal requirements, regarding asbestos, that will be required for the demolition of this bridge.

If any concealed and/or inaccessible ACM are encountered during the demolition activities, the affected contractor(s) must stop work, take appropriate actions, and notify the Owner/asbestos Consultant for an appropriate response action. The SCDHEC must be notified if any suspect ACM is discovered.

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to be of service the South Carolina Department of Transportation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding the information presented herein, please contact our office at (803) 254-4540.



## APPENDICES

Appendix A – Site Vicinity Map

Appendix B – Sample Location Plan

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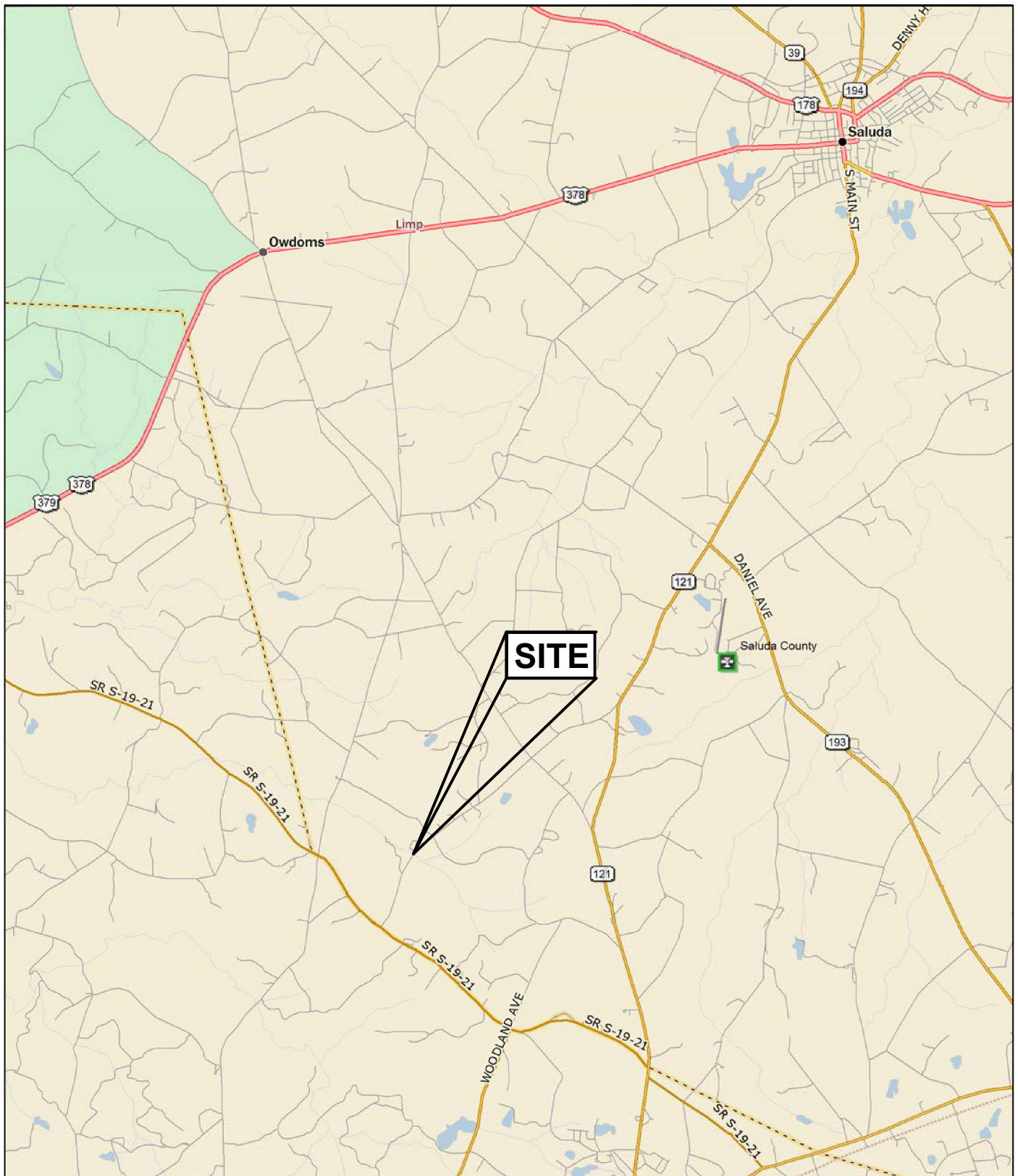
Appendix G – Site Photographs



## Appendix A

### Site Vicinity Map





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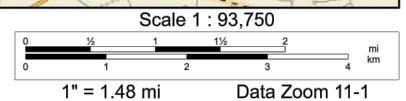


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INVESTIGATION**  
**S-41-37 (Rocky Creek Rd.) over Rocky Creek**  
Saluda County, SC  
**Site Vicinity Map**

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May 13, 2019

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## Appendix B

### Sample Location Plan

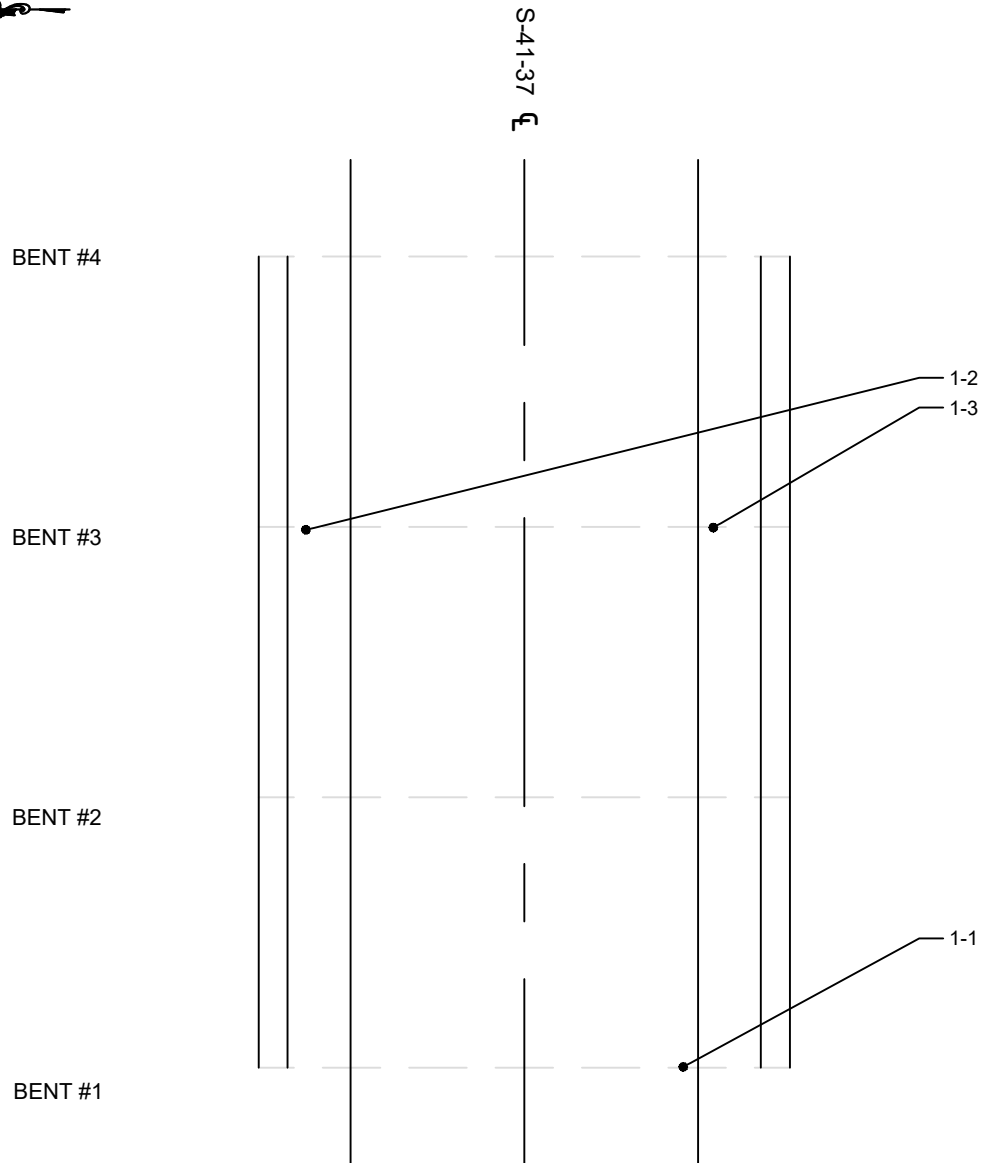


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## Appendix C

### Summary of Sample Results

## Appendix C – Summary of Sampling Results

Sample ID	Description	Appearance	Non-Asbestos % Fibrous	Non-Asbestos % Non-Fibrous	Asbestos % Type
G-6100.050-1-1	Timber Pile Cap felt	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	80% Cellulose	20% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
G-6100.050-1-1	Timber Pile Cap felt	Black Fibrous Homogeneous	70% Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
G-6100.050-1-1	Timber Pile Cap felt	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	100% Other	None	None Detected



## Appendix D

### Laboratory Analysis Reports



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EMSL Order: 021903169

Customer ID: FMEC62

Customer PO: G6400.050

Project ID:

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Analysis Date: 05/09/2019

Collected Date: 05/07/2019

Project: ACM Inv.- S-41-37 Bridge Over Rocky Creek - Saluda County, SC

## Test Report: Asbestos Analysis of Bulk Materials via EPA 600/R-93/116 Method using Polarized Light Microscopy

Sample	Description	Appearance	Non-Asbestos		Asbestos
			% Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
1-1	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	80% Cellulose	20% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
021903169-0001					
1-2	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Black Fibrous Homogeneous	70% Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
021903169-0002					

Analyst(s)

Ryan Rains (1)

Scott Combs (1)

Stephen Bennett, Laboratory Manager  
or Other Approved Signatory

EMSL maintains liability limited to cost of analysis. The above analyses were performed in general compliance with Appendix E to Subpart E of 40 CFR (previously EPA 600/M4-82-020 "Interim Method"), but augmented with procedures outlined in the 1993 ("final") version of the method. This report relates only to the samples reported above, and may not be reproduced, except in full, without written approval by EMSL. EMSL bears no responsibility for sample collection activities or analytical method limitations. Interpretation and use of test results are the responsibility of the client. All samples received in acceptable condition unless otherwise noted. This report must not be used by the client to claim product certification, approval, or endorsement by NVLAP, NIST or any agency of the federal government. EMSL recommends gravimetric reduction for all non-friable organically bound materials prior to analysis. Estimation of uncertainty is available on request.

Samples analyzed by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Kernersville, NC NVLAP Lab Code 102104-0, CA ELAP 2689, Virginia 3333-000228, West Virginia LT000321

Initial report from: 05/09/2019 15:02:47



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**Project:** ACM Inv.- S-41-37 Bridge Over Rocky Creek - Saluda County, SC

## Test Report: Asbestos Analysis of Non-Friable Organically Bound Materials by TEM via EPA/600/R-93/116 Section 2.5.5.1

Sample ID	Description	Appearance	% Matrix Material	% Non-Asbestos Fibers	Asbestos Types
1-3 021903169-0003	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	100.0 Other	None	No Asbestos Detected

Analyst(s)

Scott Combs (1)

Stephen Bennett, Laboratory Manager  
or other approved signatory

This laboratory is not responsible for % asbestos in total sample when the residue only is submitted for analysis. The above report relates only to the items tested. This report may not be reproduced, except in full, without written approval by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Samples received in good condition unless otherwise noted. Unless requested by the client, building materials manufactured with multiple layers (i.e. linoleum, wallboard, etc.) are reported as a single sample.

Samples analyzed by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Kernersville, NC

Initial report from: 05/10/2019 16:32:23



## Appendix E

### Chain of Custody Forms



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# Asbestos Chain of Custody

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Project Name/Number: ACM Inv. - S-41-377 Bridge over Rocky Creek - Saluda County SC		EMSL Project ID (Internal Use Only):	
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EMSL-Bill to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Different - If Bill to is Different note instructions in Comments** Third Party Billing requires written authorization from third party			
Turnaround Time (TAT) Options* - Please Check			
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 24 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 48 Hour <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 72 Hour <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 96 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Week <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Week			
*For TEM Air 3 hr through 6 hr, please call ahead to schedule. *There is a premium charge for 3 Hour TEM AHERA or EPA Level II TAT. You will be asked to sign an authorization form for this service. Analysis completed in accordance with EMSL's Terms and Conditions located in the Analytical Price Guide.			
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check For Positive Stop - Clearly Identify Homogenous Group		Filter Pore Size (Air Samples): <input type="checkbox"/> 0.8µm <input type="checkbox"/> 0.45µm	
Samplers Name: James T. Timmons		Samplers Signature:	
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*1-1 thru 1-3	Timber Pile Cap Felt		
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Relinquished (Client):		Date: 5/7/2019	Time: 17:00
Received (Lab):		Date: 5/8/19	Time: 9am
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## Appendix F

### Personnel Certifications

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## Asbestos ID Card

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<b>CONSULTPD</b>	<b>PD-00098</b>	<b>06/08/19</b>
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## Appendix G

### Site Photographs



## APPENDIX G - SITE PHOTOGRAPHS



**Photo 1.** Top View of Bridge.



**Photo 2.** East Side View of Bridge.



**Photo 3.** West side of Bridge View



**Photo 4.** Underside View of Bridge.



**Photo 5.** Timber Pile Cap Felt



**Photo 6.** Bridge Identification Placard

