

ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

US-15 RBO INDIAN FIELD SWAMP
BRIDGE #1820001501100
DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

PREPARED FOR:



PREPARED For:

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

PREPARED BY:

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October 17, 2019

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

FME Project No.: G6100.120

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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 US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp, in Dorchester County, South Carolina, for the South Carolina Department of Transportation (Mr. Trapp Harris - Project Manager). The investigation was performed on October 9, 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 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: expansion joint board. 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 US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp, in Dorchester County, South Carolina. The investigation was performed on October 9, 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 US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp.

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 South Carolina Department of Transportation and shall not be disseminated in whole or part to other parties without prior consent from 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 (~67.9'L x 32.2'W, inside curb to inside curb), is located on US-15 and crosses over Indian Field Swamp in Dorchester County, South Carolina. The original date of construction of the bridge (SCDOT bridge # 182000150100) was in 1929. Based upon a National Bridge Inventory report, the original bridge was expanded approximately six (6) feet in 1938. The existing bridge structure is a two (2) span, two lane poured-in-place concrete bridge, with an asphalt overlay. The bridge deck rests on concrete bents that are supported by three (3) concrete piers on the center bent and concrete wing-walls on each end bent. Drainage scuppers consist of precast holes through the concrete decking with metal sleeves. The bridge was constructed with concrete guardrails, concrete curb and gutter. Two (2) utility conduits were attached to the east side of the bridge deck and one (1) utility conduit was attached on the west side of the bridge deck. Refer to Appendix A – Site Vicinity Map, for the location of the structure.



Photo 1 – US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp in Dorchester 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. Expansion joint board 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 materials was assessed, and bulk samples of these materials were submitted for laboratory analysis. The following suspect materials and approximate quantities were identified during this ACM Investigation:

- Expansion Joint Board (<100 SF)

Random samples of the expansion joint board were collected for laboratory analysis, and its 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, the expansion joint board 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 its 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. Of the three (3) samples taken during this investigation, two (2) samples were analyzed by PLM and one (1) sample was TEM-confirmed. The results **of the analysis indicated the suspect expansion joint board 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.

Please note that SCDHEC considers a building material to be positive if the material contains >1% of asbestos. However, OSHA considers a material positive if any asbestos is detected through laboratory analysis. Therefore, for the purposes of this report, the expansion joint board (<0.1% Chrysotile) is considered negative for asbestos. However, for the demolition activities that will impact these materials, the contractor should be informed and OSHA regulations regarding worker protection should be followed.

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 to 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

Appendix C – Summary of Sample Results

Appendix D – Laboratory Analysis Reports

Appendix E – Chain of Custody Forms

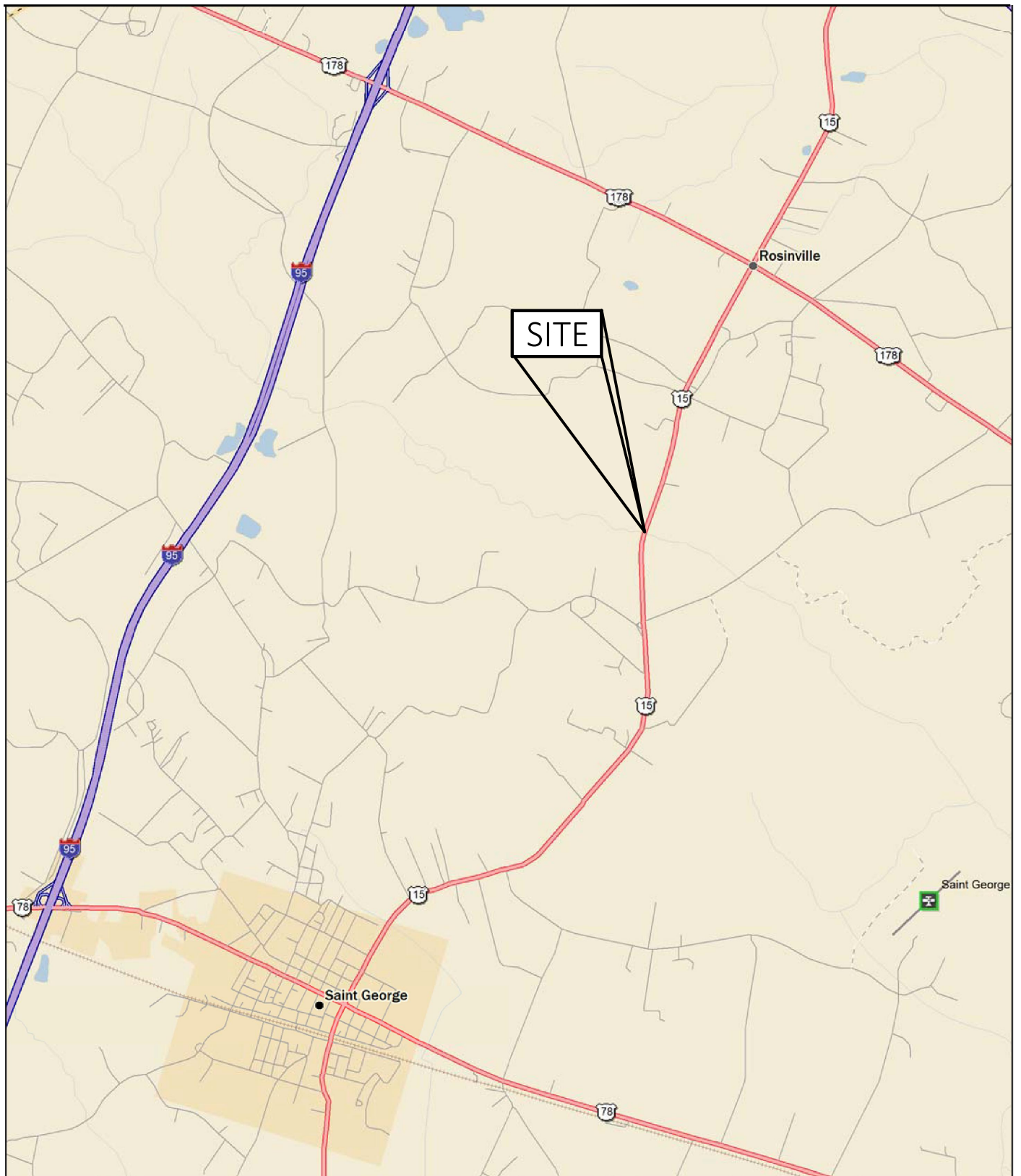
Appendix F – Personnel Certifications

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Appendix A

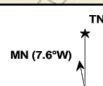
Site Vicinity Map



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Scale 1 : 56,250



1" = 4,687.5 ft

Data Zoom 11-7

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US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp

Dorchester County, SC

Site Vicinity Map

Prepared for: S.C. Department of Transportation

955 Park Street

Columbia, SC 29201



2825 BLANDING STREET
COLUMBIA, SC 29201

ORIGINAL:
October 10, 2019

REVISIONS:

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NOTES:

Appendix B

Sample Location Plan

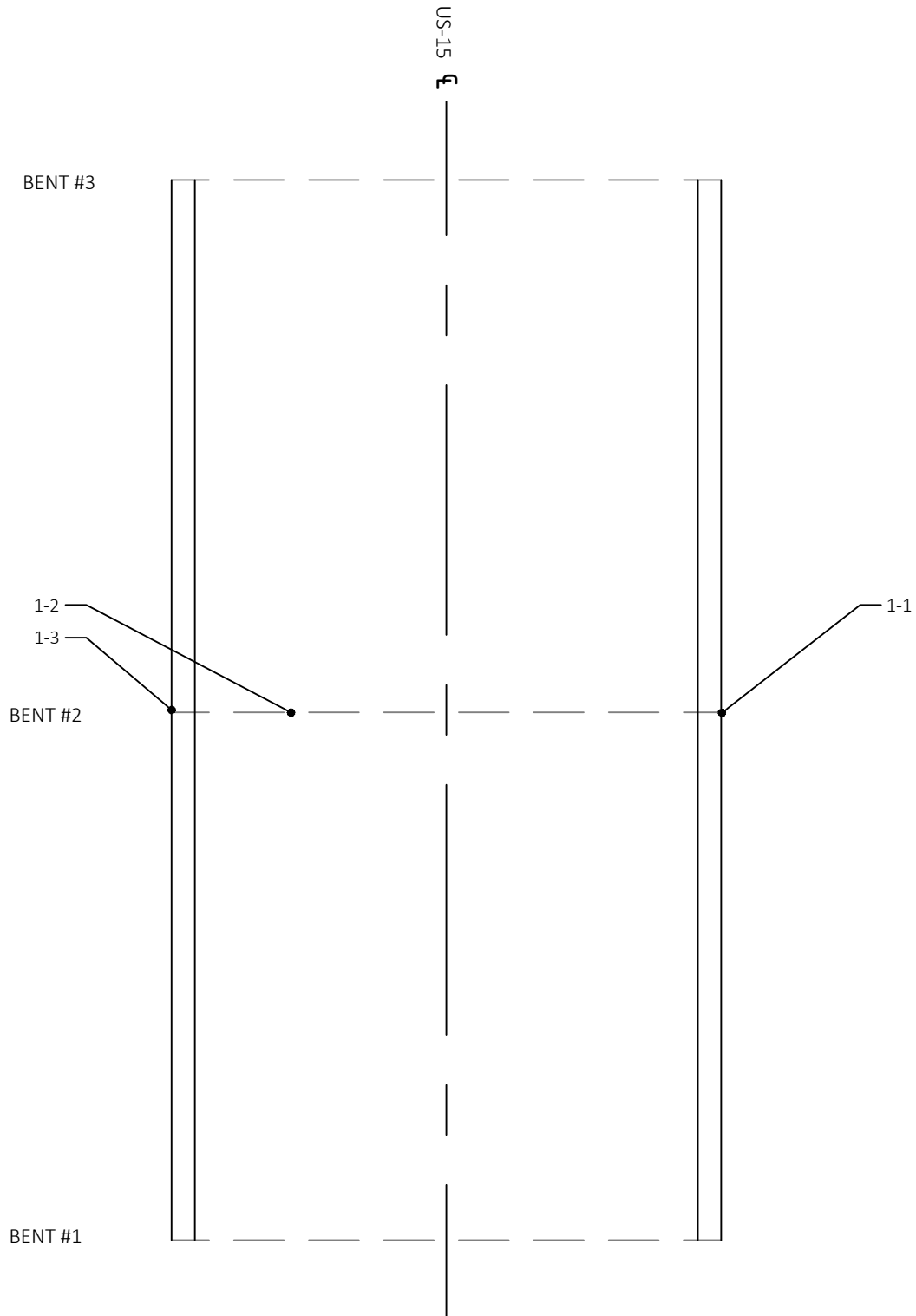


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Appendix C

Summary of Sample Results

Appendix C – Summary of Sampling Results

Sample ID	Description	Appearance	Non-Asbestos % Fibrous	Non-Asbestos % Non-Fibrous	Asbestos % Type
1-1	Expansion Joint Board	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	15% Cellulose	85% Non-Fibrous (Other)	None Detected
1-2	Expansion Joint Board	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	5% Cellulose <1% Synthetic	95% Non-Fibrous (Other)	None Detected
1-3	Expansion Joint Board	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	100.0 Other	None	None Detected



Appendix D

Laboratory Analysis Reports



EMSL Analytical, Inc.

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<http://www.EMSL.com/greensborolab@emsl.com>

EMSL Order: 021907026

Customer ID: FMEC62

Customer PO: G6100.120

Project ID:

Attention: Glynn M. Ellen
F & ME Consultants
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Phone: (803) 254-4540

Fax: (803) 254-4542

Received Date: 10/10/2019 10:00 AM

Analysis Date: 10/11/2019

Collected Date: 10/09/2019

Project: ACM Inv.- US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp

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 021907026-0001	Expansion Joint Board	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	15% Cellulose	85% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
1-2 021907026-0002	Expansion Joint Board	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	5% Cellulose <1% Synthetic	95% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected

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: 10/11/2019 16:23:55



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Analysis Date: 10/15/2019

Collected Date: 10/09/2019

Project: ACM Inv.- US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp

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 021907026-0003	Expansion Joint Board	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	100.0 Other	None	<0.1% Chrysotile

Analyst(s)

Stephen Bennett (1)

Stephen Bennett, Laboratory Manager
or other approved signatory

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Samples analyzed by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Kernersville, NC

Initial report from: 10/15/2019 11:10:04

Appendix E

Chain of Custody Forms

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Asbestos Chain of Custody

EMSL Order Number (Lab Use Only)

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Street: 3112 Devine Street		City: Columbia	State/Province: SC
Zip/Postal Code: 29205	Country: USA	Telephone #: 803-254-4540	Fax #: 803-254-4542
Report To (Name): Glynn Ellen		Please Provide Results: <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email	
Email Address: gellen@fmeconsultants.com, mmincey@fmeconsultants.com		Purchase Order: G6100.120	
Project Name/Number: ACM Inv. - US-15 RBO Indian Field Swamp		EMSL Project ID (Internal Use Only):	
U.S. State Samples Taken: SC		CT Samples: <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Taxable <input type="checkbox"/> Residential/Tax Exempt	
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			
<small>*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.</small>			
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Samplers Name: Mike Mincey <i>Mike Mincey</i>		Samplers Signature:	
Sample #	Sample Description	Volume/Area (Air) HA # (Bulk)	Date/Time Sampled
*1-1 thru 1-3	Expansion Joint Board		
Client Sample # (s): 1-1 - 1-3		Total # of Samples: 3	
Relinquished (Client): <i>Mike Mincey</i>		Date: 10/9/2019	Time: 17:00
Received (Lab): <i>AM</i>		Date: 10/10/19	Time: 10 AM
Comments/Special Instructions: Samples marked with astrick (*) 3 rd sample TEM <div style="text-align: right; font-size: 1.2em;">@EFX 790996822406</div>			

Appendix F

Personnel Certifications

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Asbestos ID Card

Glynn M Ellen



SUPERAHERA	SA-00455	01/22/20
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Michael Mincey



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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. Underside View of Bridge



Photo 4. Expansion Joint Board



Photo 5. Date Stamp on Bridge



Photo 6. Bridge Identification Placard

