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October 18, 2018

Buddy Hix Western Utility Contractors, Inc. 2565 Palmer Ave. University Park, IL 60466

RE: 535 – 621 E. Grand Ave Thorium Monitoring 10/16/18

CDOT Permit # 1014761

Dear Mr. Hix:

Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc (SAHCI) was hired by your firm to provide radiation monitoring of an excavation and repair of a utility handhole at 535-621 E. Grand Avenue in Chicago, Illinois. The monitoring was performed by Brian Schmidt, SAHCI Health Physics Technician, on October 16, 2018.

<u>Instrumentation</u>

Surface gamma scans were performed using a Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter (serial no. 132844) with attached Ludlum Model 44-10 2"x2" Nal probe (w/ 6" collimated lead shield). The instrument was calibrated on August 8, 2018. The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) action level of 7.1 picocuries per gram (pCi/g) total thorium for this instrument is 7,391 counts per minute (cpm).

The average background count rate for this location was determined to be 2,680 cpm.

Soil Gamma Scans

Gamma surface scans were performed using the Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter described above. Survey data was collected by monitoring the excavated soil around the repaired handhole. Soil was not disposed of since the existing handhole which had sunken into the ground was only raised up to the ground surface.

The maximum gamma count rate for the 18" lift was recorded on the attached Radiation Survey Form. The count rates of the excavation ranged from 2,400 cpm to 3,100 cpm. No count rates were found at any time that exceeded the instrument specific threshold limits of 7,391 cpm.

Additional Monitoring

Since no count rates were identified above the 7.1 pCi/gram threshold limit, no additional soil sampling, air monitoring, or personnel monitoring were performed.

Regulatory Notification of Survey Completion

I will be providing a copy of this report to both the City of Chicago Department of Public Health and USEPA, as required.

Thank you for your assistance with this project. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (815) 485-6161.

Sincerely,

Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc.

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Radiation Survey Form Date: 10/16/2018 Technician: BRIAN SCYMITT Inst Model: Lunum - 222 Serial No.: _132 844 Lift Elevation: 0 -/8 Probe Type: 1"x1" Nal / 2"x2" Nal StileIded) / Not Shielded Action Level: 7391 Background_ Write grid designations in circles. Record highest counts for grid in cpm. Record 30 second counts at grid intersections (if required). Shade areas of elevated counts and record max cpm. scale B-10 GRAPO AUE B-1 = 2680 CPM (BACUGAU DO INID COUPT)