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Health Physics and Radiation Safety Services

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March 26, 2021

Mike Lanenga SET Environmental 450 Sumac Road Wheeling, Illinois 60090

RE: Thorium Monitoring – City of Chicago Department of Water Management

CDOT Permit: 1422280 - 259 E. Erie St.

Dear Mr. Lanenga:

Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc (SAHCI) was hired by your firm to provide radiation monitoring during the excavation for repair of a manhole at 259 E. Erie Street in Chicago, Illinois. The monitoring was performed by Brian Schmidt, SAHCI Health Physics Technician, on March 19, 2021. All activities were conducted under the guidance of document SET General Procedure for Thorium Monitoring.

## Instrumentation

Surface gamma scans were performed using a Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter (serial no. 132844) with attached Ludlum Model 44-10 2"x2" Nal Detector (w/ 6" collimated lead shield). The instrument was calibrated on July 28, 2020. The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) action level of 7.1 picocuries per gram (pCi/g) total thorium for this instrument is 7,592 counts per minute (cpm).

The average background count rate for these locations was measured at 1,687 cpm.

## Soil Gamma Scans

Gamma surface scans were performed using the Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter described above. Survey data was collected by entering the excavation surrounding the manhole and recording the highest count rate for the floor and walls to a maximum depth of 36 inches below ground surface. All asphalt, concrete, and soil were loaded directly into a truck for disposal.

The maximum gamma count rate for each lift was recorded on the attached Radiation Survey Form. The count rates in the excavations ranged from 1,200 cpm to 3,500 cpm. No count rates were found at any time that exceeded the threshold limit of 7,592 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.

I will be providing a copy of this report to both the City of Chicago Department of Public Health and US Environmental Protection Agency, 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.

Glenn Huber, CHP President

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Radiation Survey Form Date: 3/19/2021 Technician: Brian Schmot Inst Model: Lunum - 7221 Serial No. : 138844 Lift Elevation: 0-36" Probe Type: 1"x1" Nal / 2"x2" Nal
Shielded / Not Shielded Action Level: 7592 627 cpm 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. N scale ENTE St. STREET CURB EXCAUTION TO