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October 7, 2021

Marc Munroe 3 Phase Line Construction 300 Westgate Dr. Carol Stream, IL 60188

RE: Thorium Monitoring 433-459 E. Erie St.

CDOT Permit #1584223

Dear Mr. Munroe:

Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc (SAHCI) was hired by your firm to provide radiation monitoring during the excavation for installation of a utility conduit and pole at 433-459 E. Erie Street in Chicago, Illinois. The monitoring of the utility trench excavation was performed September 22 – September 30, 2021, by Brian Schmidt, SAHCI Health Physics Technician.

<u>Instrumentation</u>

Surface gamma scans were performed using Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter (serial no. 126497) with attached Ludlum Model 44-10 2"x2" Nal Detector (w/ 6" collimated lead shield). The instrument was calibrated on May 5, 2021. The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) action level of 7.1 picocuries per gram (pCi/g) total thorium for this instrument is 6,383 counts per minute (cpm)

The average background count rate for this location was measure as 1,791 cpm.

Soil Gamma Scans

Gamma surface scans were performed using the Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter described above. Survey data was collected for the utility pole boring by lowering the detector into the hole and measuring the count rate for each 18-inch lift to a depth of 9 feet below ground surface. Survey data was collected for the trench by entering the excavation and recording the highest count rate for the floor and walls to a maximum excavation depth of 3 feet 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 Forms. The count rates in the excavations ranged from 1,800 cpm to 4,700 cpm. No count rates were found at any time that exceeded the threshold limits of 6,383 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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