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RE: Thorium Monitoring – City of Chicago Department of Transportation
CDOT Permit No. 1997308 – 161 E. Erie St.

Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc (SAHCI) was hired by your firm to provide radiological monitoring during the removal of 2 sections of sidewalk at 161 E. Erie St. in Chicago, Illinois. The monitoring was performed by Glenn Huber, SAHCI Health Physicist, on November 6, 2024. 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. 134542) with attached 2"x2" NaI probe (w/ 6" collimated lead shield). The instrument was calibrated on May 7, 2024. The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) action level of 7.1 picocuries per gram (pCi/g) total thorium for this instrument is 7,228 counts per minute (cpm).

The average background count rate for this location was determined to be 1,770 cpm.

Soil Gamma Scans

Gamma surface scans were performed using the Ludlum Model 2221 Scaler / Ratemeter described above. Survey data was collected by scanning the surface of the existing sidewalk areas before and after removal. The first sidewalk area was approximately 5 feet long by 9 feet wide and the second area was 20 feet long by 5 feet wide. Concrete and soil were loaded directly into a truck for offsite disposal.

The maximum gamma count rate for each lift was recorded on the attached Radiation Survey Form. The count rates ranged from 1,900 cpm to 3,300 cpm to a maximum depth of 8 inches below ground surface. No count rates were found at any time that exceeded the instrument specific count rate threshold of 7,228 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

Radiation Survey Form

Location/ Project ID: 161 E. Erie St. Sidewalk Replacement CDOT #1997308

Date: 11/6/24

Technician: Glenn Huber

Inst Model: Ludlum 2221

Serial No.: 134542

Probe Type: 1"x1" NaI / 2"x2" NaI
 Shielded / Not Shielded

Lift Elevation: Surface to -6"

Background 1,770 cpm

Action Level: 7,228 cpm

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.

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