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Dear Ms. Lozewski,

On behalf of the General Electric Company (GE), attached for your review is a Final Supplemental Soil & Groundwater Investigation Work Plan (Work Plan) for the Von Roll Isola USA, Inc. property (formerly GE Riverview Plant) in Rotterdam, New York (New York State Department of Environmental Conservation [NYSDEC] Site No. 447005). The Work Plan has been revised to address the NYSDEC's comments in their conditional approval letter dated August 7, 2024. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (518) 514-8932, or Mr. Niel Walker from GE at [niel.walker@ge.com](mailto:niel.walker@ge.com).

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# 1 Introduction

The General Electric Company (GE) entered into an Order on Consent with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) in December 2013 to investigate and remediate portions of the Von Roll Isola USA, Inc. site (the Riverview Site, or Site) located in Rotterdam, Schenectady County, New York (NYSDEC vs. GE, 2013). The Riverview Site is identified as a portion of Block 2 and Lot 2 on the Rotterdam, NY Tax Map ID #48.-2-8.2. The Site encompasses a 22.12-acre area bounded by a steep embankment and the Delaware and Hudson (D&H) Railroad to the north, Campbell Road and the Town of Rotterdam publicly owned treatment works (POTW) and Campbell Plastics to the south, residential areas to the east, and the D&H Railroad and Rotterdam Square Mall to the west. A Site Location Map is presented as **Figure 1**. A Site Plan is presented as **Figure 2**.

In February 2014, a Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA) Work Plan detailing the implementation of the remedial alternative for the Site was finalized (Conestoga Rovers & Associates [CRA] 2014). The selected remedy included the following components: in-situ chemical oxidation (ISCO) involving injections of sodium persulfate to treat volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the soil and groundwater, post-injection groundwater monitoring to assess the performance of the injections, execution and recording of an Environmental Easement to restrict groundwater use and prevent future exposure to remaining impacts at the Site, and the development and implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP). The first of two rounds of ISCO injections were completed in August 2014, and the second round was completed in April 2015, as detailed in the Draft Final Engineering Report (CB&I 2015). The SMP, which details the protocols for management of remaining Site impacts, is currently under review by NYSDEC (Arcadis 2017).

The groundwater sampling event conducted in 2019 constituted the final monitoring event specified under the NYSDEC-approved RD/RA Work Plan (CRA 2014). However, in the 2019 Annual Groundwater Sampling Report (Arcadis 2019), GE recommended continuation of the annual groundwater monitoring program to include a round of water level gauging at all accessible site wells and sampling at a subset of nine wells (injection wells IW-3 and IW-6, and monitoring wells VRI-1, VRI-3, VRI-4, VRI-9, GT-9R, GT-14, GT-16). Accordingly, groundwater monitoring was completed at the Site in 2020 and 2021 per the recommendations presented in the 2019 report.

On September 13, 2022, GE received a letter from NYSDEC indicating their concurrence with the recommendation to continue the groundwater monitoring program and requesting that the sampling frequency be reduced to every fifth quarter to assess the potential for seasonal fluctuations in contaminant concentrations. The NYSDEC letter also stated that “...groundwater in the vicinity of VRI-1 (specifically IW-6) is not approaching groundwater standards, which may indicate additional source material at depth”. The NYSDEC requested that GE submit a work plan with the next groundwater monitoring results, to address the groundwater contamination remaining in the vicinity of the VRI-1 (NYSDEC 2022).

On November 15, 2023, GE submitted the 2022 Groundwater Sampling Report (Report; Arcadis 2023) to NYSDEC. The Report presented the results of the groundwater sampling conducted at the Site in December 2022 (as well as a summary of the historical groundwater data for the Site) and also described the proposed additional soil and groundwater investigation activities in the vicinity of VRI-1 to further assess the extent of the groundwater impacts and inform the scope of future remediation activities (NYSDEC 2023). On June 13, 2024, GE received comments from NYSDEC on the Report. A Revised 2022 Groundwater Sampling Report (Arcadis 2024) was submitted to NYSDEC on July 10, 2024 to address the NYSDEC’s comments on the original November 2023 submittal.

As requested by NYSDEC in their June 2024 comment letter, a stand-alone Supplemental Soil & Groundwater Investigation Work Plan (Work Plan) was submitted to NYSDEC by Arcadis, on behalf of GE, on July 19, 2024. The Work Plan described the scope of the proposed additional investigation activities in the vicinity of VRI-1 to better define the horizontal and vertical extent of impacts and inform the scope of potential future remediation activities in that area. The NYSDEC provided conditional approval of the Work Plan in a letter to GE dated August 7, 2024. This Final Supplemental Soil & Groundwater Investigation Work Plan addresses and incorporates the NYSDEC's comments that were presented in their August 7, 2024 conditional approval letter .

## 2 Supplemental Soil and Groundwater Investigation

In addition to the continuation of the routine groundwater monitoring program at the Site, GE is recommending that additional soil and groundwater investigation be performed in the vicinity of VRI-1 to better define the horizontal and vertical extent of impacts and inform the scope of potential future remediation activities to address the residual groundwater impacts remaining in the vicinity of VRI-1. Specifically, up to eight soil borings (six upgradient of VRI-1 and two downgradient of VRI-1; see **Figure 3**) are planned to be advanced to an anticipated depth of approximately 70 feet below ground surface (bgs), with continuous soil samples collected from each boring. The actual boring locations will be determined in the field based on field observations and drill rig accessibility.

In an effort to delineate the upgradient extent of impacts, upgradient soil borings SSB-1 through SSB-3 will be completed first. If no impacts (photoionization detector (PID) readings, visual impacts, or odors) are noted in those three soil borings, then soil borings SSB-4 through SSB-6 will be placed between VRI-1 and borings SSB-1 through SSB-3. If impacts are observed in SSB-1 through SSB-3, then soil borings SSB-4 through SSB-6 will be installed as "step-out" sample locations at a distance of approximately 20 feet outward from SSB-1 through SSB-3 (see **Figure 3**). All soil boring locations will be documented using survey-grade Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment. Air monitoring will be conducted by Arcadis during intrusive activities in accordance with the guidelines presented in the NYSDEC's generic community air monitoring plan (CAMP) included as Appendix 1A to DER-10. The NYSDEC generic CAMP is also provided as **Attachment A** to this Final Work Plan for reference. Soil collected from each boring will be classified following Arcadis technical guidance and procedures, and the presence of odors and/or visual impacts will be noted; the soils will also be screened with a PID. Samples will be collected for laboratory analysis of VOCs from select depth intervals identified by the field geologist based on observed visual impacts, elevated PID readings, and/or the presence of odors; samples will also be collected from one or more depth intervals immediately above first encountered water.

Based on field observations, up to eight 2-inch-diameter groundwater monitoring wells will be installed at the locations of the completed soil borings to facilitate groundwater sampling and potential future groundwater treatment activities. Each well will be installed using direct push drilling techniques and constructed using schedule 40 polyvinyl chloride (PVC) riser. Each well will have 10 foot long 10 slot screens set approximately seven feet into the water table. A sand pack will be placed around each well screen using #00 morie sand to one foot above the well screen. A two-foot-thick hydrated bentonite seal will then be placed above the sand pack and the remainder of the well annulus will be backfilled to the surface with a portland cement/powdered bentonite mixture introduced via tremie pipe.

The newly installed wells will be developed by surging and purging to reduce the amount of suspended sediment and to improve the hydraulic communication between the well and the adjacent formation. Purge water parameters of turbidity, pH, specific conductance, oxidation-reduction potential, dissolved oxygen, and temperature will be periodically monitored during development. Development will be discontinued upon stabilization of parameters or

removal of 3 to 5 times the volume of the water column in the well, whichever occurs first. The well development water will be containerized in 55-gallon drums for subsequent off-site transportation and disposal.

Non-disposable drilling equipment will be decontaminated using Alconox or equivalent between drill runs and all drill steel will be decontaminated between borings using a steam washer and Alconox rinse combination. Decontamination fluids and residuals will be containerized in 55-gallon drums for off-site transportation and disposal. Soil cuttings generated during drilling will also be containerized in 55-gallon drums for subsequent off-site transportation and disposal.

Composite samples will be collected from generated drums for waste characterization analyses. Drums will be stored on site in an area to be designated by Von Roll while awaiting off-Site transportation and disposal.

Groundwater samples will be collected from the newly installed wells at least two weeks following development using low-flow sampling procedures outlined in Arcadis' technical guidance (**Attachment B**). As requested by NYSDEC in their June 13, 2024 letter to GE, groundwater monitoring well VR1-10 will also be sampled in conjunction with the sampling of the newly installed monitoring wells<sup>1</sup>. As part of groundwater sample collection, field parameters will be recorded on a well sampling log, including turbidity, pH, specific conductance, oxidation-reduction potential, dissolved oxygen, temperature, and total dissolved solids. QA/QC samples will be collected at a rate of one per 20 samples including a matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) pair and blind field duplicate. A trip blank will accompany all samples from the time of collection to their receipt at the laboratory. The groundwater samples will be packed in coolers on ice and shipped to Eurofins for laboratory analysis of VOCs in accordance with USEPA Method SW-846 8260c.

### 3 Data Validation and Reporting

The laboratory analytical data will be reviewed and validated in accordance with USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Organic Superfund Methods Data Review, EPA 540-R-20-005, November 2020 (with reference to the historical USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Organic Data Review, OSWER 9240.1-05A-P, October 1999, as appropriate; method criteria; laboratory control limits; and professional judgment. A data usability summary report (DUSR) will be generated for each data package.

A Data Summary Report will be prepared and submitted to NYSDEC following completion of the work. The following will be included in the Data Summary Report:

- A description of sampling activities including any deviations from this proposed sampling plan;
- A figure showing the final surveyed well locations;
- Soil boring logs;
- A summary table with soil borings and sample descriptions, including information regarding visual and olfactory observations and PID readings;

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<sup>1</sup> NYSDEC initially suggested that GT-13 be sampled along with VR1-10. Note that the Revised 2022 Groundwater Sampling Report reconfirmed that GT-13 is not able to be located and is presumed to have been destroyed at some point in the past.

- Data summary table for soil sampling results compared to 6 NYCRR 375-6.8(a) Industrial Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs);
- Data summary table for groundwater sampling results compared to existing New York State Groundwater Quality Standards (NYSGWQS);
- A discussion of the soil and groundwater sampling results and recommendations regarding the need for additional investigation or monitoring;
- Groundwater sampling logs;
- Laboratory analytical reports; and
- Data Usability Summary Report(s) (DUSRs [i.e., data validation reports]).

## 4 Schedule

GE will implement the additional soil and groundwater investigation field work described herein following NYSDEC review and approval of the scope and approach, subject to weather/field conditions and subcontractor availability. After the conclusion of field activities, a report summarizing the investigation findings will be completed and submitted to NYSDEC. The summary report is anticipated to be completed and submitted to NYSDEC within 90 days of receipt of the laboratory analytical data.

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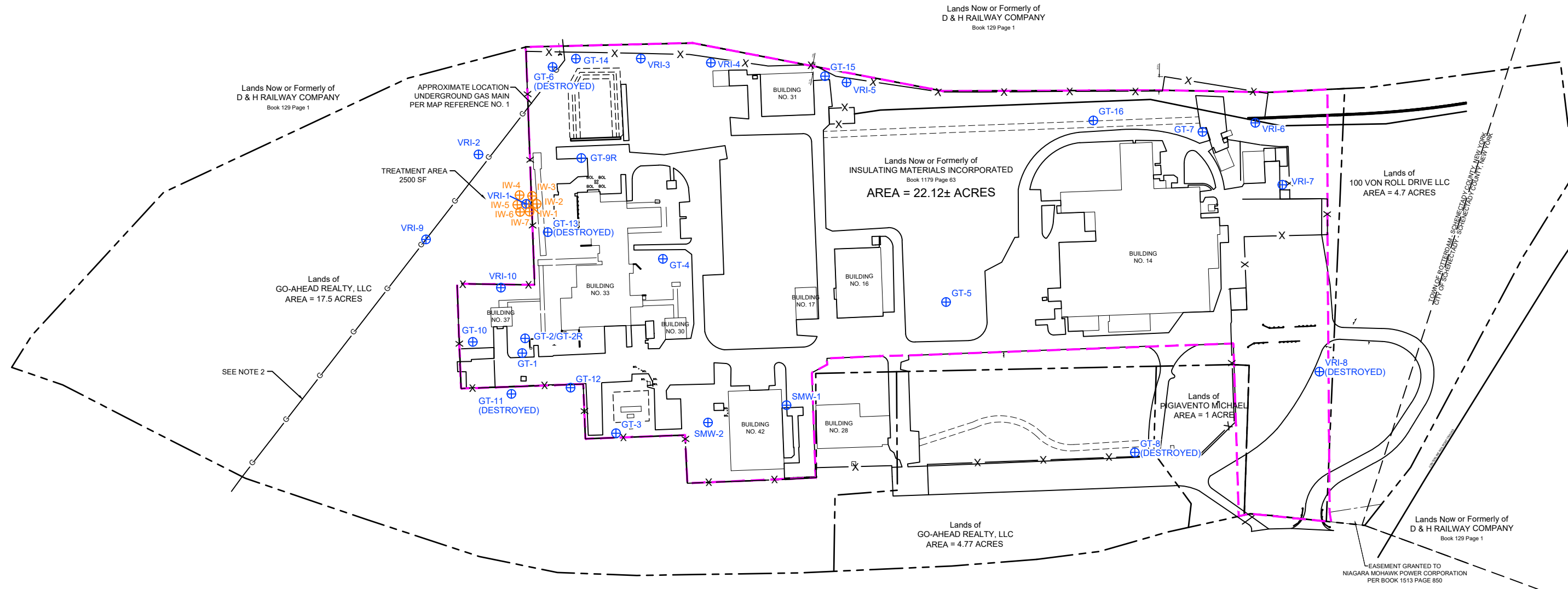


GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY  
VON ROLL ISOLA USA, INC. PROPERTY (RIVERVIEW SITE)  
ROTTERDAM, NEW YORK

## SITE LOCATION MAP







**NOTES:**

1. ALL PROPERTY BOUNDARIES SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE.
2. GAS LINE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY OR COMPLETELY REMOVED. STATUS CURRENTLY UNCLEAR.

**LEGEND:**

- APPROXIMATE VON ROLL ISOLA USA, INC. PROPERTY BOUNDARY
- - - PROPERTY BOUNDARY LINE
- X- CHAIN LINK FENCE
- BUILDING
- G— GAS
- ⊕ GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL
- ⊕ ISCO INJECTION WELL



GRAPHIC SCALE

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY  
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**SITE PLAN**











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APPROXIMATE LOCATION  
UNDERGROUND GAS MAIN  
PER MAP REFERENCE NO. 1

Lands of  
GO-AHEAD REALTY, LLC  
AREA = 17.5 ACRES

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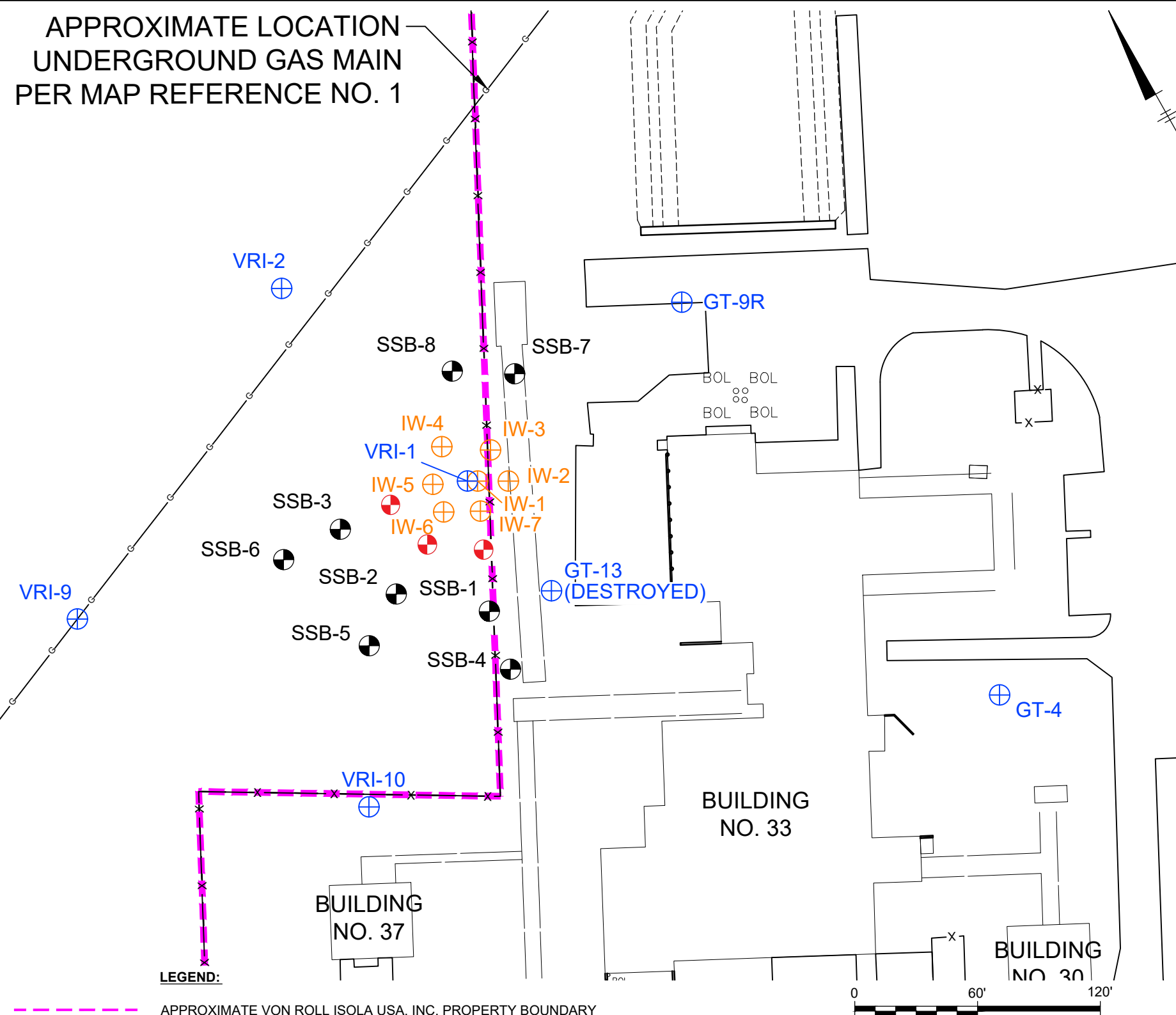
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	PROPOSED BORING/MONITORING WELL LOCATION

### POTENTIAL ALTERNATE LOCATIONS FOR SSB-4, SSB-5, SSB-6

## PROPOSED SOIL BORING AND POTENTIAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL LOCATIONS



FIGURE  
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# Attachment A

## **NYSDEC DER-10 Generic Community Air Monitoring Plan**

## Appendix 1A

### New York State Department of Health Generic Community Air Monitoring Plan

#### Overview

A Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) requires real-time monitoring for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and particulates (i.e., dust) at the downwind perimeter of each designated work area when certain activities are in progress at contaminated sites. The CAMP is not intended for use in establishing action levels for worker respiratory protection. Rather, its intent is to provide a measure of protection for the downwind community (i.e., off-site receptors including residences and businesses and on-site workers not directly involved with the subject work activities) from potential airborne contaminant releases as a direct result of investigative and remedial work activities. The action levels specified herein require increased monitoring, corrective actions to abate emissions, and/or work shutdown. Additionally, the CAMP helps to confirm that work activities did not spread contamination off-site through the air.

The generic CAMP presented below will be sufficient to cover many, if not most, sites. Specific requirements should be reviewed for each situation in consultation with NYSDOH to ensure proper applicability. In some cases, a separate site-specific CAMP or supplement may be required. Depending upon the nature of contamination, chemical- specific monitoring with appropriately-sensitive methods may be required. Depending upon the proximity of potentially exposed individuals, more stringent monitoring or response levels than those presented below may be required. Special requirements will be necessary for work within 20 feet of potentially exposed individuals or structures and for indoor work with co-located residences or facilities. These requirements should be determined in consultation with NYSDOH.

Reliance on the CAMP should not preclude simple, common-sense measures to keep VOCs, dust, and odors at a minimum around the work areas.

#### Community Air Monitoring Plan

Depending upon the nature of known or potential contaminants at each site, real-time air monitoring for VOCs and/or particulate levels at the perimeter of the exclusion zone or work area will be necessary. Most sites will involve VOC and particulate monitoring; sites known to be contaminated with heavy metals alone may only require particulate monitoring. If radiological contamination is a concern, additional monitoring requirements may be necessary per consultation with appropriate DEC/NYSDOH staff.

**Continuous monitoring** will be required for all ground intrusive activities and during the demolition of contaminated or potentially contaminated structures. Ground intrusive activities include, but are not limited to, soil/waste excavation and handling, test pitting or trenching, and the installation of soil borings or monitoring wells.

**Periodic monitoring** for VOCs will be required during non-intrusive activities such as the collection of soil and sediment samples or the collection of groundwater samples from existing monitoring wells. "Periodic" monitoring during sample collection might reasonably consist of taking a reading upon arrival at a sample location, monitoring while opening a well cap or

overturning soil, monitoring during well baling/purging, and taking a reading prior to leaving a sample location. In some instances, depending upon the proximity of potentially exposed individuals, continuous monitoring may be required during sampling activities. Examples of such situations include groundwater sampling at wells on the curb of a busy urban street, in the midst of a public park, or adjacent to a school or residence.

#### VOC Monitoring, Response Levels, and Actions

Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) must be monitored at the downwind perimeter of the immediate work area (i.e., the exclusion zone) on a continuous basis or as otherwise specified. Upwind concentrations should be measured at the start of each workday and periodically thereafter to establish background conditions, particularly if wind direction changes. The monitoring work should be performed using equipment appropriate to measure the types of contaminants known or suspected to be present. The equipment should be calibrated at least daily for the contaminant(s) of concern or for an appropriate surrogate. The equipment should be capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations, which will be compared to the levels specified below.

1. If the ambient air concentration of total organic vapors at the downwind perimeter of the work area or exclusion zone exceeds 5 parts per million (ppm) above background for the 15-minute average, work activities must be temporarily halted and monitoring continued. If the total organic vapor level readily decreases (per instantaneous readings) below 5 ppm over background, work activities can resume with continued monitoring.
2. If total organic vapor levels at the downwind perimeter of the work area or exclusion zone persist at levels in excess of 5 ppm over background but less than 25 ppm, work activities must be halted, the source of vapors identified, corrective actions taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. After these steps, work activities can resume provided that the total organic vapor level 200 feet downwind of the exclusion zone or half the distance to the nearest potential receptor or residential/commercial structure, whichever is less - but in no case less than 20 feet, is below 5 ppm over background for the 15-minute average.
3. If the organic vapor level is above 25 ppm at the perimeter of the work area, activities must be shutdown.
4. All 15-minute readings must be recorded and be available for State (DEC and NYSDOH) personnel to review. Instantaneous readings, if any, used for decision purposes should also be recorded.

#### Particulate Monitoring, Response Levels, and Actions

Particulate concentrations should be monitored continuously at the upwind and downwind perimeters of the exclusion zone at temporary particulate monitoring stations. The particulate monitoring should be performed using real-time monitoring equipment capable of measuring particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in size (PM-10) and capable of integrating over a period of 15 minutes (or less) for comparison to the airborne particulate action level. The equipment must be equipped with an audible alarm to indicate exceedance of the action level. In addition, fugitive dust migration should be visually assessed during all work activities.



1. If the downwind PM-10 particulate level is 100 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\text{mcg}/\text{m}^3$ ) greater than background (upwind perimeter) for the 15-minute period or if airborne dust is observed leaving the work area, then dust suppression techniques must be employed. Work may continue with dust suppression techniques provided that downwind PM-10 particulate levels do not exceed  $150 \text{ mcg}/\text{m}^3$  above the upwind level and provided that no visible dust is migrating from the work area.

2. If, after implementation of dust suppression techniques, downwind PM-10 particulate levels are greater than  $150 \text{ mcg}/\text{m}^3$  above the upwind level, work must be stopped and a re-evaluation of activities initiated. Work can resume provided that dust suppression measures and other controls are successful in reducing the downwind PM-10 particulate concentration to within  $150 \text{ mcg}/\text{m}^3$  of the upwind level and in preventing visible dust migration.

3. All readings must be recorded and be available for State (DEC and NYSDOH) and County Health personnel to review.

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# Attachment B

## **TGI - Low-Flow Groundwater Purging and Sampling**

# **TGI – Low-Flow Groundwater Purging and Sampling Procedures for Monitoring Wells**

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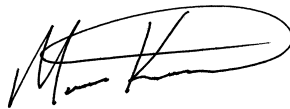
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## 1 Introduction

Groundwater samples are collected from monitoring wells to evaluate groundwater quality. The protocol presented in this Technical Guidance Instruction (TGI) describes the procedures to purge monitoring wells and collect groundwater samples using the low flow purging/sampling methodology. This protocol has been developed in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region I *Low Stress (Low Flow) Purging and Sampling Procedures for the Collection of Groundwater Samples from Monitoring Wells* (EQASOP-GW4; September 19, 2017).

## 2 Intended Use and Responsibilities

This document describes general and/or specific procedures, methods, actions, steps, and considerations to be used and observed by Arcadis staff when performing work, tasks, or actions under the scope and relevancy of this document. This document may describe expectations, requirements, guidance, recommendations, and/or instructions pertinent to the service, work task, or activity it covers.

It is the responsibility of the Arcadis Certified Project Manager (CPM) to provide this document to the persons conducting services that fall under the scope and purpose of this procedure, instruction, and/or guidance. The Arcadis CPM will also ensure that the persons conducting the work falling under this document are appropriately trained and familiar with its content. The persons conducting the work under this document are required to meet the minimum competency requirements outlined herein, and inquire to the CPM regarding any questions, misunderstanding, or discrepancy related to the work under this document.

This document is not considered to be all inclusive nor does it apply to all projects. It is the CPM's responsibility to determine the proper scope and personnel required for each project. There may be project- and/or client- and/or state-specific requirements that may be more or less stringent than what is described herein. The CPM is responsible for informing Arcadis and/or Subcontractor personnel of omissions and/or deviations from this document that may be required for the project. In turn, project staff are required to inform the CPM if or when there is a deviation or omission from work performed as compared to what is described herein.

In following this document to execute the scope of work for a project, it may be necessary for staff to make professional judgment decisions to meet the project's scope of work based upon site conditions, staffing expertise, regulation-specific requirements, health and safety concerns, etc. Staff are required to consult with the CPM when or if a deviation or omission from this document is required that has not already been previously approved by the CPM. Upon approval by the CPM, the staff can perform the deviation or omission as confirmed by the CPM.

## 3 Scope and Application

Both filtered and unfiltered groundwater samples may be collected using this low-flow sampling method. Filtered samples will be obtained using a 0.45-micron disposable filter. Project teams will evaluate the last time the monitoring wells were developed and determine if additional development might be necessary. Water samples will not be taken immediately following well development. Sufficient time will be allowed for the groundwater flow regime in the vicinity of the monitoring well to stabilize and to approach chemical equilibrium with the well

construction materials. This lag time will depend on site conditions and methods of installation but often exceeds one week.

## 4 Personnel Qualifications

Arcadis field sampling personnel will have completed or are in the process of completing site-specific training as well as having current health and safety training as required by Arcadis, client, or regulations, such as 40-hour HAZWOPER training and/or OSHA HAZWOPER site supervisor training. Arcadis personnel will also have current training as identified in the site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) which may include first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP) as needed. The HASP will also identify any access control requirements.

Prior to mobilizing to the field, the groundwater sampling team will review and be thoroughly familiar with relevant site-specific documents including but not limited to the task-specific work plan or field implementation plan (FIP)/field sampling plan, Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), HASP, historical information, and other relevant site documents.

Arcadis field sampling personnel will be knowledgeable in the relevant processes, procedures, and TGIs and possess the demonstrated required skills and experience necessary to successfully complete the desired field work. Additionally, the groundwater sampling team will review and be thoroughly familiar with documentation provided by equipment manufacturers and become familiar with the operation of (i.e., hands-on experience) all equipment that will be used in the field prior to mobilization.

## 5 Equipment List

Specific to this activity, the following materials (or equivalent) will be used:

- Site-specific HASP and health and safety documents identified in the HASP
- Field Implementation Plan (FIP) that includes site map, well construction records, sampling plan (sample analyses, sample volume required, and sample holding time), and prior groundwater sampling records (if available)
- Field notebook and/or smart device (phone or tablet)
- Low-flow sampling field forms (**Attachment A**)
- Appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g., latex or nitrile gloves, safety glasses, etc.) as specified in the HASP
- Well keys and other tools to remove manhole covers (manual torque wrench with 9/16" socket and flat head screwdriver typical)
- Photoionization detector (PID) or Flame ionization detector (FID) (as appropriate, depending on site-specific constituents of concern)
- Electronic water-level indicator (e.g., Solinst Model 101) or oil/water interface probe with 0.01- foot accuracy (oil/water as appropriate, note that sampling will not be performed when sheen or light non-aqueous phase liquid [LNAPL] is present)
- Down-hole multi-parameter water-quality sonde (temperature/pH/specific conductivity/oxidation reduction [ORP]/turbidity/dissolved oxygen) meter coupled with flow-through-cell for measurements, for example:

- YSI 6-Series Multi-Parameter Instrument
- Horiba U-22 Multi-Parameter Instrument.
- Hydrolab Series 3 or Series 4a Multiprobe and Display.

*NOTE: Transparent, small volume flow-through-cells (e.g., 250 milliliters or less) are preferred as they allow for easy detection of air bubbles and sediment buildup in the cell, which can interfere with the monitoring instrument probes. A small volume cell also allows for quick turnover of water in the cell between measurements of the indicator field parameters. It is recommended to use a flow-through-cell and monitoring probes from the same manufacturer and model to avoid incompatibility between the probes and flow-through-cell.*

- Plastic sheeting (e.g., Weatherall Visqueen) to protect all down-hole sampling equipment from contact with potential sources of contamination.
- Decontamination equipment
  - Non-phosphate laboratory soap (Alconox or equivalent), brushes, and clean buckets, and/or clean wash tubs—new buckets or tubs will be purchased if it cannot be determined if the present items are clean
  - Distilled or de-ionized water for equipment decontamination
- Indelible ink pen
- 150-foot measuring tape (or sufficient length for the maximum site depth requirement)
- Sampling pump, which may consist of one or more of the following:
  - Submersible pump (e.g., Grundfos Redi-Flo 2)
  - Peristaltic pump (e.g., ISCO Model 150)
  - Bladder pump (e.g., Marschalk System 1, QED Micropurge, Geotech)
- Appropriate controller and power source for pump:
  - Submersible and peristaltic pumps require electric power from either a generator or a deep cell battery
  - Submersible pumps such as Grundfos require a pump controller to run the pump
  - Bladder pumps require a pump controller and a gas source (e.g., air compressor or compressed N<sub>2</sub> or CO<sub>2</sub> gas cylinders)
- Teflon® tubing or Teflon®-lined polyethylene tubing of an appropriate size for the pump being used
  - For peristaltic pumps, dedicated Tygon® tubing (or other type as specified by the manufacturer) will be used through the pump apparatus
  - Teflon® will not be used when sampling for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
- Graduated cylinder and stopwatch or other device to measure time to determine pumping rate
- Appropriate water sample containers (supplied by the laboratory)
- Appropriate blanks (trip blank supplied by the laboratory)
- Sample labels and Chain-of-Custody forms (COC)
- 0.45-micron disposable filters (if field filtering is required)



- A supplemental turbidity meter (e.g., Horiba U-10, Hach 2100P, LaMotte 2020) may be required for specific projects and will be specified in the project FIP/ work plan and the kick-off notes.
  - If used, in-line 'T' and valve allows for collection of water for turbidity measurements before the pump discharge enters the flow-through cell

*NOTE: The maintenance requirements for the above equipment generally involve decontamination or periodic cleaning, battery charging, and proper storage, as specified by the manufacturer. For operational difficulties, the equipment will be serviced by a qualified technician.*

## 6 Cautions

*Different USEPA regions and/or state regulatory agencies may stipulate deviations from this document. It is the responsibility of the Project Team (Project Manager and Technical Lead) to be fully aware of the requirements from the applicable regulatory framework.*

### Weather

- If heavy precipitation occurs, and no cover over the sampling area and monitoring well can be erected, sampling may be discontinued until adequate cover is provided. Rainwater could compromise groundwater samples.
- Avoid extreme weather situations. Be aware that thermal currents and vertical mixing of cold and warm water inside the well casing could create a convection cell within the well and compromise data collection (e.g., biological mechanisms).
  - Direct sunlight and hot ambient temperatures may cause the groundwater in the tubing or flow-through-cell to heat up and de-gas. This may result in the loss of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and dissolved gases. Shade the equipment from direct sunlight, keep the tubing as short as possible and avoid the hottest times of the day.
  - Sampling during freezing conditions may adversely impact the data quality objectives. USEPA recommends low-flow sampling be conducted at air temperatures above 32°F (0°C) or taking special precautions to prevent groundwater from freezing in the equipment.

### Cross-Contamination

- To mitigate potential cross-contamination, groundwater samples are to be collected in a pre-determined order from least impacted to impacted based on previous analytical data. If no analytical data are available, collect samples in order of up-gradient, then furthest down-gradient to source area locations.
- Note that permanent markers could introduce volatile constituents into the samples; *therefore, indelible ink is recommended* to be used for labels on sample containers or sample coolers.
- When using a gasoline generator, this power source will be set-up at least 30 feet downwind from the well to avoid exhaust fumes to contaminate samples.

### Pumps

- Preferred methods of extracting groundwater are adjustable rate, submersible pumps - such as centrifugal pumps or bladder pumps – constructed of stainless steel or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, i.e., Teflon®). However, *PTFE will not be used when sampling for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). PTFE could contain PFAS.*

- When using a bladder pump for collecting VOCs and dissolved gases, “best practice” is to set-up the pump to deliver sufficient water to fill a 40 mL VOC vial.
- The use of peristaltic pumps will be based on the type of data to be collected. *Because the use of a peristaltic pump can result in de-gassing of VOC and / or dissolved gases from groundwater, a different type of pump will be considered if these compounds are of concern.*
- *Manual or motor driven inertial pumping devices are not recommended because they cause greater disturbance during purging and pumping than regular pumps and are less easily controlled. This could cause a higher degree of data variability.*

### **Tubing**

- When sampling for VOCs, SVOCs, pesticides, PCBs and inorganics, use of PTFE (Teflon®) or PTFE-lined tubing is preferred. However, PTFE tubing will not be used when sampling for PFAS.
- PVC, polypropylene or polyethylene tubing may be used when sampling for metals or other inorganics.
- Tubing with inside diameters of 1/4 or 3/8 inch is recommended because this will help ensure tubing remains water filled when operating at very low pumping rates.

### **General Precautions**

- Store and/or stage empty and full sample containers and coolers out of direct sunlight.
- It may be necessary to field filter the groundwater for some parameters (e.g., metals) during collection, depending on preservation, analytical method, and project quality objectives. The task-kick-off notes and the FIP/work plan will list the samples that require field filtering.
- Be careful not to overtighten lids with Teflon® liners or septa (e.g., 40 mL vials). Over-tightening can cause the glass to shatter or impair the integrity of the Teflon® seal.

## **7 Health and Safety Considerations**

The HASP will be followed, as appropriate, to ensure the safety of field personnel.

Appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) will be always worn in line with the task and the site-specific HASP.

Review all site-specific and procedural hazards as they are provided in the HASP, and review Job Safety Analysis (JSA) documents in the field each day prior to beginning work.

Access to wells may expose field personnel to hazardous materials such as contaminated groundwater or non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) (e.g., oil). Other potential hazards include pressurized wells, stinging insects that may inhabit well heads, other biologic hazards (e.g. ticks in long grass/weeds around well head), and potentially the use of sharp cutting tools (scissors, knife)—open well caps slowly and keep face and body away to allow to vent any built-up pressure; only use non-toxic peppermint oil spray for stinging insect nests; review client-specific health and safety requirements, which may preclude the use of fixed/folding-blade knives, and use appropriate hand protection.

Generators and cord and plug equipment will employ an overcurrent protection device such as an integrated ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) cord. Grundfos pump controllers will not run properly with a GFCI, so the power source will be equipped with other overcurrent protection means.

Overtightening of lids with Teflon® liners can cause the glass to shatter and create a risk for hand injuries.

## 8 Procedure

Field personnel will set up and perform low-flow sampling in accordance with the following procedures.

1. Review FIP and groundwater sampling records from previous sampling events (if available) prior to mobilization to estimate the optimum pumping rate and anticipated drawdown for each well to perform sampling as efficiently as possible (i.e., reach a stabilized pumping condition).
2. Calibrate field instruments according to manufacturer procedures for calibration and record calibration procedure and results in field log.
3. All equipment will either be new or decontaminated in accordance with appropriate guidance document (*TGI – Groundwater and Soil Sampling Equipment Decontamination*) prior to use.
4. Visually inspect the well to ensure that it is undamaged, properly labeled and secured
  - a. Damage or other conditions that may affect the integrity of the well will be recorded in the Field Activity Daily Log and brought to the attention of the designated Field Manager and/or Project Manager
  - b. Record well construction and conditions on the Low-Flow Sampling Field Form (**Attachment A**).
5. Place clean plastic sheeting on the ground near the well to keep monitoring and sampling equipment off the surface unless the equipment is elevated above the ground (e.g., on a table).
6. Open the well cover while standing upwind of the well. Remove the well cap and place it on the plastic sheeting. If appropriate or required for site-specific conditions, insert the photoionization detector (PID) probe approximately 4 to 6 inches into the casing or the well headspace and cover it with a gloved hand. Record the PID reading in the field log. Perform air monitoring in the breathing zone according to the HASP and/or JSA.
7. Measure and record the initial depth to groundwater prior to placing the pumps.
8. Prepare and install the pump in the well.

*NOTE: Groundwater will be purged from the wells using an appropriate pump. If the depth to water is below the sampling range of a peristaltic pump (approximately 25 feet below ground surface), a submersible or bladder pump will be used, provided that the well is constructed with a casing diameter of at least two (2) inches (the minimum well diameter capable of accommodating such pumps). For smaller diameter wells, where the depth to water is below the sampling range of a peristaltic pump, alternative sampling methods (i.e., bailing or small diameter bladder pumps) will be used to purge and sample the groundwater. Bladder pumps are preferred over peristaltic and submersible pumps to prevent volatilization if sampling of VOCs and/or dissolved gasses is required. Purge water will be collected and containerized according to the direction of the project team.*

- a. For submersible and non-dedicated bladder pumps, decontaminate the pump according to site decontamination procedures. Non-dedicated bladder pumps will require a new bladder and attachment of an air-line, sample discharge line, and safety cable prior to placement in the well. Attach the air-line tubing to the air-port on the top of the bladder pump. Attach the sample discharge tubing to the water port on the top of the bladder pump. Take care not to reverse the air and discharge tubing lines during bladder pump setup, as this could result in bladder failure or rupture. Attach and secure a safety cable to the eyebolt on the top of pump (if present, depending on pump model used). Slowly lower the pump, safety cable, tubing, and electrical lines into the well to a depth corresponding to the approximate center of the saturated screen section of the well. Avoid twisting

and tangling of safety cable, tubing, and electrical lines while lowering the pump into the well; twisted and tangled lines could result in the pump becoming stuck in the well casing. Also, make sure to keep tubing and lines from touching the ground or other surfaces while introducing them into the well, as this could lead to unintended contamination.

- b. If using a bladder pump, connect the air-line to the pump controller output port. The pump controller will be connected to a supply line from an air compressor or compressed gas cylinder using an appropriate regulator and air hose. Tighten the regulator connector onto the gas cylinder (if used) to prevent leaks. Teflon® tape may be used on the threads of the cylinder to provide a tighter seal. Once the air compressor or gas cylinder is connected to the pump controller, turn on the compressor or open the valve on the cylinder to begin the gas flow. Turn on the pump controller power (if an on/off switch is present) and verify that all batteries are charged and fully functioning before starting the pump.
  - c. If a peristaltic pump is being used, slowly lower the sampling tubing into the well to a depth corresponding to the approximate center of the saturated screen section of the well. The pump intake or sampling tube must be kept at least two (2) feet above the bottom of the well to prevent mobilization of any sediment present in the bottom of the well.
  - d. If using an in-line 'T' and valve, install between pump discharge water line and the bottom inlet port of the flow-through cell. Attach a short piece of tubing to the outlet. This set-up will be used to collect samples for turbidity readings.
9. Connect the pump discharge water line to the bottom inlet port on the flow-through cell connected to the multi-parameter water-quality sonde and make sure to record equipment/instrument identification (manufacturer and model number).
  10. Before starting the pump, ensure that the water level inside the well has stabilized (i.e., measure the water level multiple times after deploying the pump in the well).
  11. Start pumping the well at 200 to 500 milliliters (mL) per minute (or at lower site-specific rate if specified) and adjust the pumping rate to cause little or no water level drawdown in the well (less than 0.3 feet below the initial static depth to water measurement): the water level should stabilize, however, this is not always possible.
  12. If the well diameter is of sufficient size, measure the water level every 3 to 5 minutes (or as appropriate, lower flow rates may require longer time between readings) during pumping.
  13. Maintain a steady flow rate to the extent practicable and do not break pump suction or cause entrainment of air in the sample.
  14. Record pumping rate adjustments and depths to water.

If necessary, reduce pumping rates to the minimum capabilities of the pump to avoid pumping the well dry and/or to stabilize indicator parameters; if the recharge rate of the well is very low, use alternative purging techniques, which will vary based on the well construction and screen position.

For wells screened across the water table, the well may be pumped dry, and sampling can commence as soon as the volume in the well has recovered sufficiently to permit collection of samples.

For wells screened entirely below the water table, the well can be pumped until a stabilized level (which may be greater than the maximum displacement goal of 0.3 feet) is maintained and monitoring for stabilization of field indicator parameters can commence; if a lower stabilization level cannot be

maintained, the well may be pumped until the drawdown is at a level slightly higher than top of the well screen.

15. After water levels have stabilized and a sufficient volume has been purged (see note below), continue pumping and begin monitoring field indicator parameters using a multi-parameter water-quality sonde coupled with a flow-through-cell.

*NOTE: The final purge volume must be greater than the stabilized drawdown volume plus the pump's tubing volume. If the drawdown has exceeded 0.3 feet and stabilizes, calculate the volume of water between the initial water level and the stabilized water level. Add the volume of the water which occupies the pump's tubing to this calculation. This combined volume of water needs to be purged from the well after the water level has stabilized before samples are collected.*

16. Use the flow to measure all indicator field parameters, except for turbidity, every 3 to 5 minutes (or after each volume of the flow-through cell has been purged or other appropriate interval); turbidity samples will be collected before the flow-through-cell using the T-valve and a clean container such as a glass beaker.
17. Record field indicator parameters on the groundwater sampling log.
18. The well is considered stabilized and ready for sample collection when three consecutive readings are within the following limits:
- **Turbidity** within  $\pm 10\%$  for values greater than 5 nephelometric turbidity units [NTUs] or if three turbidity values are less than 5 NTUs, consider the values stabilized
  - **Dissolved Oxygen (DO)** within  $\pm 10\%$  for values greater than 0.5 mg/L or if three DO values are less than 0.5 mg/L, consider the values stabilized
  - **Specific Conductance** within  $\pm 3\%$
  - **Temperature** within  $\pm 3\%$
  - **pH** within  $\pm 0.1$  unit
  - **Oxidation/Reduction Potential (ORP)** within  $\pm 10$  millivolts (mV)

*NOTE: Alternate stabilization goals may exist in different geographic regions, consult the site-specific FIP/work plan for stabilization criteria).*

*NOTE: While achieving turbidity levels less than 5 NTU and a stable drawdown of less than 0.3 feet is desirable, sample collection may still take place provided the indicator field parameter criteria in this procedure are met.*

19. If the parameters have stabilized but turbidity remains relatively high (e.g., greater than 50 NTUs), the pump flow rate may be decreased to a minimum rate of 100 mL/min to reduce turbidity levels as low as possible. If groundwater turbidity has been minimized (i.e., consecutive readings within  $\pm 10\%$ ) and the values for all other parameters have stabilized, the well may be sampled; however, consult specifications in the FIP/work plan and/or the project technical lead prior to sampling.
20. If after one (1) hour of purging indicator field parameters have not stabilized, consult specifications in the FIP/work plan and/or the project technical lead prior to sampling.
- In general, three potential options are available if stabilization criteria are not met:
- a. Continue purging until stabilization is achieved.
  - b. Discontinue purging, do not collect any samples, and record in field logbook/on the sampling form that stabilization could not be achieved (documentation must describe attempts to achieve stabilization).

- c. Discontinue purging, collect samples, and provide full explanation of attempts to achieve stabilization. There is a risk that the analytical data obtained under these conditions, particularly metals and hydrophobic organic analytes, may reflect a sampling bias and, as a result, the data may not meet the data quality objectives of the sampling event.

*NOTE: DO is extremely susceptible to various external influences (including temperature or the presence of bubbles on the DO meter); therefore, great care will be taken to minimize the agitation or other disturbance of water within the flow-through cell while collecting these measurements. If air bubbles are present on the DO probe or in the discharge tubing, remove them before taking a measurement. If DO values are not within acceptable range for the temperature of groundwater, again check for and remove air bubbles on the probe before re-measuring. The table below may be used as a general guide for DO values under various temperatures; however, understand that the table corresponds to freshwater solubility and groundwater contaminants may affect oxygen solubility. If DO value is 0.00 or less, then the meter will be serviced and re-calibrated. If DO values are above possible results, then the meter will be serviced and re-calibrated.*

*NOTE: During extreme weather conditions, stabilization of field indicator parameters may be difficult to attain. Modifications to the sampling procedures to alleviate these conditions (e.g., measuring the water temperature in the well adjacent to the pump intake) will be documented in the field logbook/on the sampling form.*

*NOTE: If other field conditions are suspected of preventing stabilization of certain parameters, detailed observations will be documented in the field logbook/on the sampling form.*



Oxygen Solubility in Fresh Water

Temperature (degrees C)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
0	14.6
1	14.19
2	13.81
3	13.44
4	13.09
5	12.75
6	12.43
7	12.12
8	11.83
9	11.55
10	11.27
11	11.01
12	10.76
13	10.52
14	10.29
15	10.07
16	9.85
17	9.65
18	9.45
19	9.26
20	9.07
21	8.9
22	8.72
23	8.56
24	8.4
25	8.24
26	8.09
27	7.95
28	7.81
29	7.67
30	7.54
31	7.41
32	7.28
33	7.16
34	7.05
35	6.93

*Reference: Vesilind, P.A., Introduction to  
Environmental Engineering, PWS Publishing  
Company, Boston, 468 pages (1996)*

21. Complete the sample label(s) and cover the label(s) with clear packing tape to secure the label onto the container.
22. After the indicator parameters have stabilized, collect groundwater samples by diverting flow out of the unfiltered discharge tubing into the appropriate labeled sample container.
  - a. If a flow-through analytical cell is being used to measure field parameters, the flow-through cell will be disconnected after stabilization of the field indicator parameters and prior to groundwater sample collection.
  - b. Under no circumstances will analytical samples be collected from the discharge of the flow- through cell.
  - c. If an in-line 'T' and valve are used, the valve needs to be removed as well.

- d. Samples will be collected in the following order: VOCs, total organic carbon (TOC), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals and cyanide, and others (or other order as defined in the site-specific FIP/work plan).
  - e. When the container is full, tightly screw on the cap.
23. If sampling for total and filtered metals and/or polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), a filtered and unfiltered sample will be collected.
- a. Install an in-line, disposable 0.45-micron particle filter on the discharge tubing after the appropriate unfiltered groundwater sample has been collected.
  - b. Continue to run the pump until an initial volume of “flush” water has been run through the filter in accordance with the manufacturer’s directions (generally 100 to 300 mL).
  - c. Collect the filtered groundwater sample by diverting flow out of the filter into the appropriately labeled sample container.
  - d. When the container is full, tightly screw on the cap.
24. Secure with packing material and store the samples on ice in an insulated transport container provided by the laboratory and include a temperature blank in each container to be shipped.
25. Record on the Low-Flow Sampling Field Form (and bound field logbook) the time at which sampling procedures were completed, any pertinent observations of the sample (e.g., physical appearance and the presence or lack of odors or sheens), and the values of the stabilized field indicator parameters as measured during the final reading during purging (**see Attachment A**).
26. Turn off the pump and air compressor or close the gas cylinder valve if using a bladder pump setup.
27. Slowly remove the pump, tubing, lines, and safety cable from the well.
- a. If using dedicated tubing, do not allow the tubing or lines to touch the ground or any other surfaces which could contaminate them.
  - b. If using dedicated tubing, it will be folded - without pinching it - to a length that will allow the well to be capped and also facilitate retrieval of the tubing during later sampling events.
  - c. Use a length of rope or string to tie the tubing to the well cap.
  - d. Alternatively, if tubing and safety line are to be saved and reused for sampling the well at a later date, coil the tubing neatly and placed in a clean plastic bag that is clearly labeled with the well ID ensuring the bag is tightly sealed before placing it in storage.
28. Secure the well and properly dispose of personal protective equipment (PPE) and disposable equipment.
29. Complete the procedures for packaging, shipping, and handling with the associated Chain-of-Custody.
30. Complete decontamination for flow-through analytical cell and submersible or bladder pump, as appropriate (*TGI – Groundwater and Soil Sampling Equipment Decontamination*).
31. At the end of each day of the sampling event, perform calibration check of field instruments and record procedure and results in field log.

## 9 Waste Management

Materials generated during groundwater sampling activities, including disposable equipment and excess purge water, will be stored on site in appropriately labeled containers and disposed of properly. Waste will be managed in accordance with the *TGI – Investigation-Derived Waste Handling and Storage*, the procedures identified in the



FIP or QAPP as well as state-, federal- or client-specific requirements. Be certain that waste containers are properly labeled and documented in the field logbook.

## 10 Data Recording and Management

Digital data collection is the Arcadis standard using available FieldNow® applications that enable real-time, paperless data collection, entry, and automated reporting. Paper forms should only be used as backup to FieldNow® digital data collection and/or as necessary to collect data not captured by available FieldNow® applications. The Field Now® digital form applications follow a standardized approach, correlate to most TGIs and are available to all projects accessible with a PC or capable mobile device. Once the digital forms are saved within FieldNow®, the data is instantly available for review on a web interface. This facilitates review by project management team members and SMEs enabling error or anomalous data detection for correction while the staff are still in the field. Continual improvements of FieldNow® applications are ongoing, and revisions are made as necessary in response to feedback from users and subject matter experts.

Management of the original documents from the field will be completed in accordance with the site- specific QAPP.

In general, forms (e.g., Low-Flow Sampling Field Forms), logs/notes (including daily field and calibration logs), digital records, and Chain-of-Custody records will be maintained by the field team lead.

Field logs and Chain-of-Custody records will be transmitted to the Arcadis Project Manager and/or Task Manager, as appropriate, at the end of each day unless otherwise directed. Electronic data files will be sent to the project team and uploaded to the electronic project folder daily.

Records generated as a result of this TGI will be controlled and maintained in the project record files in accordance with project requirements.

## 11 Quality Assurance

Quality assurance procedures shall be conducted in accordance with the Arcadis Quality Management System or the site-specific QAPP.

Unless described otherwise in the project-specific FIP/work plan, QAPP, or Sampling and Analysis Plan, quality assurance/quality control samples will be collected as follows:

- One duplicate for every 10 samples
- One laboratory matrix/matrix spike sample for every 20 samples
- In addition to the quality control samples to be collected in accordance with this TGI, the following quality control procedures will be observed in the field:
- Collect samples from monitoring wells, in order of increasing concentration, to the extent known based on review of historical site information if available
- Equipment blanks will include the pump and tubing (if using disposable tubing) or the pump only (if using tubing dedicated to each well)
- Collect equipment blanks after wells with higher concentrations (if known) have been sampled

- Operate all monitoring instrumentation in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and calibration procedures—calibrate instruments at the beginning of each day, verify the calibration at the end of each day, and record all calibration activities in the field notebook
- Clean all groundwater sampling equipment prior to use in the first well and after each subsequent well following the procedure for equipment decontamination

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## 13 Attachments

Attachment A – Low Flow Sampling Field Form

# Attachment A

## Low-Flow Sampling Field Form

GROUNDWATER SAMPLING FORM



Project No. \_\_\_\_\_ Well ID \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Project Name/Location \_\_\_\_\_ Weather \_\_\_\_\_

Measuring Pt. Description \_\_\_\_\_ Screen Setting (ft-bmp) \_\_\_\_\_ Casing Diameter (in.) \_\_\_\_\_ Well Material \_\_\_\_\_ PVC \_\_\_\_\_ SS

Static Water Level (ft-bmp) \_\_\_\_\_ Total Depth (ft-bmp) \_\_\_\_\_ Water Column (ft) \_\_\_\_\_ Gallons in Well \_\_\_\_\_

MP Elevation \_\_\_\_\_ Pump Intake (ft-bmp) \_\_\_\_\_ Purge Method: \_\_\_\_\_ Centrifugal \_\_\_\_\_ Submersible \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Sample Method \_\_\_\_\_

Pump On/Off \_\_\_\_\_ Sample Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Volume Purged \_\_\_\_\_ Purge Start \_\_\_\_\_ Gallons Purged \_\_\_\_\_ Sample ID \_\_\_\_\_ Sampled by \_\_\_\_\_ Purge End \_\_\_\_\_ Replicate/Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

Time	Minutes Elapsed	Rate (gpm)/(mL/min) 200mL/min +	Depth to Water (ft) -0.3	Gallons Purged	pH ± 0.1	Cond. (µMhos)/(mS/cm) ± 3%	Turbidity (NTU) ± 10%	DO (mg/L) ± 10%	Temp. (°C)/(°F) ± 3%	Redox (mV) ± 10mV	Appearance	
											Color	Odor
Stabilization Calculations (±)												
Stabilization Criteria					± 0.1 s.u.	±3%	± 10% or within 1 NTU <sup>(1)</sup>	± 10%	±3%	±10 mV		

(1) Turbidity < 50 NTU and ±10% or within 1 NTU of a previous reading when <10 NTU

Constituents Sampled	Container	Number	Preservative

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Well Casing Volumes					
Gallons/Foot	1" = 0.04	1.5" = 0.09	2.5" = 0.26	3.5" = 0.50	6" = 1.47
	1.25" = 0.06	2" = 0.16	3" = 0.37	4" = 0.65	

Well Information

Well Location:	_____	Well Locked at Arrival:	Yes / No
Condition of Well:	_____	Well Locked at Departure:	Yes / No
Well Completion:	Flush Mount / Stick Up	Key Number To Well:	_____

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