



Mr. Benjamin McPherson, P.E.  
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New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
270 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14203  
August 21, 2018

**Re: Letter – Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan  
Call Out # 134781 - 664 - 690 Northland Avenue – NYSDEC Site #915329  
New York State Department of Conservation (NYSDEC)  
Standby Investigation and Remediation Services Contract (C100061)**

Dear Mr. McPherson,

LiRo Engineers, Inc. (LiRo) has prepared this *Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan* in support of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) remedial investigation at the 664 - 690 Northland Avenue (Site) (see Figure 1) in response to Call Out #134781.

For the soil vapor investigation, LiRo proposes completing the following tasks:

- 1) Obtain and deploy six Summa Canisters for sub-slab sampling at the Site as per the Sample Location Plan (see Figure 2).
  - a. Each sampling location will be constructed as a temporary sampling point and will be backfilled after sampling with asphalt patch.
  - b. Each sampling location will have an approximate 1-inch diameter sample hole drilled up to 24-inches below ground surface through surface concrete/asphalt, sub-base, overburden and, to the extent possible, into bedrock.
  - c. Stainless steel tubing will be placed in each hole and sealed using aluminum foil and beeswax at ground surface.
  - d. Shortly after the installation of tubing, one to three implant volumes (i.e., the volume of the sample tube) will be purged prior to collecting the samples using a hand-held photo-ionization detector (PID) acting as a low volume pump to minimize outdoor air infiltration during sampling. PID readings will be recorded for each location. A temporary cap will be affixed to the top end of the sampling tube after purging.
  - e. Sampling canisters will be deployed and connected to sample tubing and canister valves will be set to collect soil vapor and left in-place for 4-hours. Time of deployment, canister pounds per square inch (PSI) reading prior to sampling and start of sample collection will be noted for each location.
  - f. After 4-hours of sample collection, canister valves will be closed and samples will be submitted to the analytical laboratory for analysis of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using USEPA Method TO-15. Time of valve closure, PSI reading at time of closure and canister status will be noted for each location.



- 2) Obtain and deploy one Summa Canister as an Outdoor Air/Ambient Background sample location. The sample location shown on Figure 2 is for illustration only. The actual sample location will be determined in the field.
  - a. The up-gradient (i.e. based on local wind patterns at the time of sampling) ambient background air sample will be set to collect air for 4-hours simultaneous with the sub-slab vapor samples.
  - b. After 4-hours the canister valve will be closed and samples will be submitted to the analytical laboratory for analysis of VOCs using USEPA Method TO-15.
  - c. Time of deployment, start of sample collection, PSI readings before and after sampling, time of valve closure and status of the canister will be noted for the background air sample.
- 3) All areas disturbed by sampling will be restored to pre-sampling conditions.
- 4) Latitude and longitude coordinates of each sampling location will be determined using a hand-held global positioning system (GPS) unit.
- 5) All sampling will be conducted in accordance with New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) *Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York*, October 2006.
- 6) Within 60-days after receipt of the laboratory analytical reports, LiRo will submit a draft letter report summarizing the sampling results, field recorded data and will include sample location data in a NYSDEC approved coordinate system, weather conditions immediately prior to and during sample collection, soil vapor probe construction logs and before-and-after photo documentation for each sampling location. After receipt of comments from the NYSDEC, LiRo will submit a final letter report.
- 7) After submittal of final report, LiRo will process lab supplied electronic data deliverables (EDDs) for upload into the NYSDEC EQUIS database.
- 8) LiRo understands that a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) will not be required for this project.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me anytime at 716-882-5476 ext. 417.

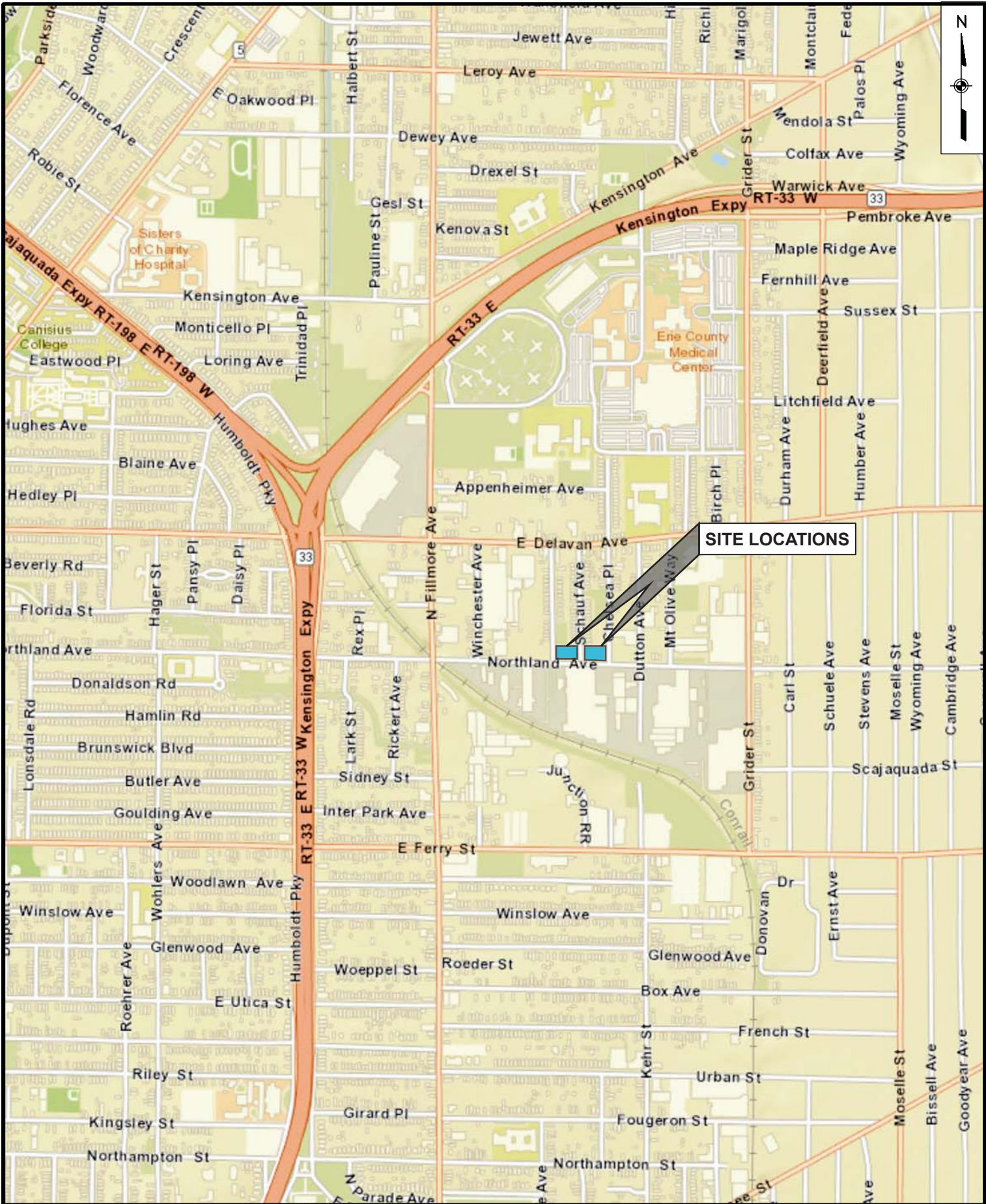
Sincerely,

**LiRo Engineers, Inc.**

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Craig Taylor  
Project Manager

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# 664-690 NORTHLAND AVENUE SITE LOCATION MAP

FIGURE NO.

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**LEGEND:**

-  SITE BOUNDARY
-  AREA OF INVESTIGATION
-  AMBIENT AIR SAMPLE LOCATION  
(LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED IN THE FIELD)
-  SUB-SLAB AIR SAMPLE LOCATION



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JOB TITLE AND LOCATION:  
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BUFFALO, NEW YORK  
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