

**PERIODIC REVIEW REPORT (PRR)**

**INACTIVE LANDFILL AREA**

**SAINT GOBAIN ABRASIVES, INC.**

**St. Gobain Abrasives Division**

**Site No. 932007**

**6600 Walmore Road**

**Wheatfield NY 14304**

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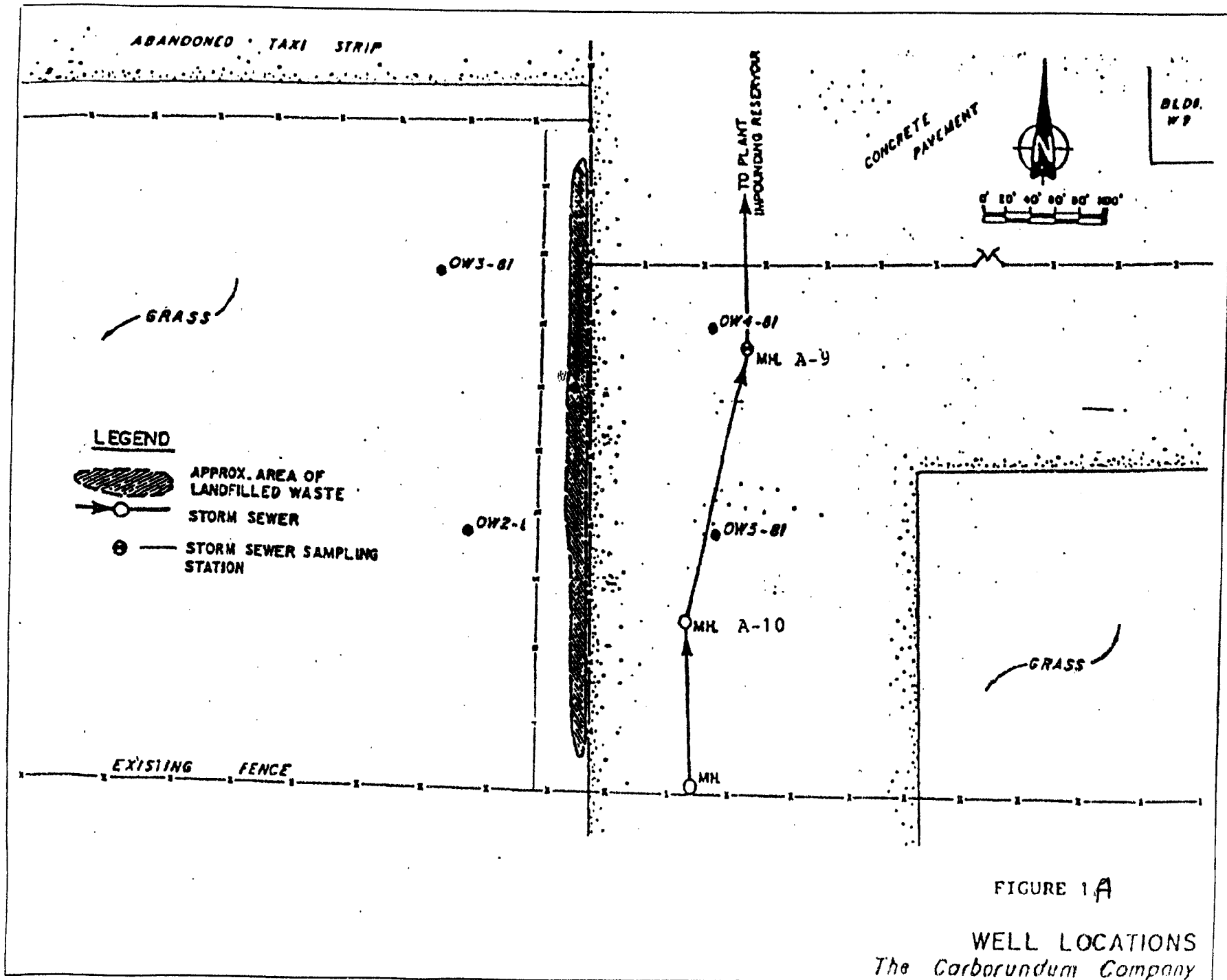
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## INTRODUCTION

In response to the requirements of NYSDEC (6 NYCRR 375-1.2), Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc. has requested that Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. complete documentation of site activities and site characteristics of the former Carborundum Abrasives Inactive Landfill Site (932007). This site was capped in 1981 and since that time inspections and groundwater sampling and analysis for the landfill area located on the southwest corner of the property in Wheatfield, NY have been completed. Figure 1 is a *sketch* of the landfill area showing the location of the monitoring wells which were installed in 1981 and the location of the "A" storm sewer line (West Branch) (see NFTA security fence installed in 2004). Figure 1 A is an *aerial photo* of the area with the fence installed. Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. has completed much of the monitoring and site activities since that time, and has periodically submitted inspection and monitoring reports to the NYSDEC documenting these activities. FTA had prepared technical reports describing sampling and analytical results for 1991. The NYSDEC subsequently reduced monitoring parameters for 1992. For 1993, the NYSDEC deleted the requirement for analysis of unfiltered groundwater for metals, and for 1994, all metals requirements were deleted and turbidity was added for informational purposes. After the 1997 monitoring episode, SGC requested and received approval to monitor these wells every two years. FTA has been inspecting the wells quarterly and expects to continue to do so until the next regularly scheduled bi-annual sampling event in 2013.

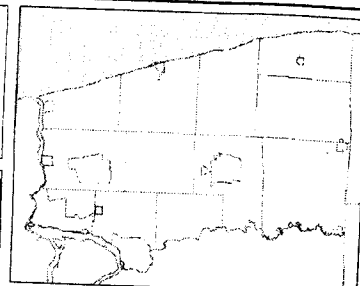
Since 1982, the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basin were sampled for pH and total phenolics (4AAP). In the period 1982-1988, there were no detectable levels of phenolics in monitoring wells OW2-81 through OW5-81. However, in 1989, perhaps as the result of unusual spring and summer precipitation events, low levels of phenolics (4AAP) were detected in the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basins. Again in 1990, low levels of total phenolics were detected using the same method. This resulted in the NYSDEC's desire to obtain additional data for evaluation beginning in 1991. Based upon the 1991 results, Well OW1-81 was decommissioned because it had fallen into disrepair and was no longer functioning to monitor the *interior* of the landfill. The request was approved by the NYSDEC and implemented on September 27, 1991. The phenolic compound analytical methodology was also changed to the more accurate and specific EPA Method 8270. The former method (4AAP) is subject to interferences (colorimetric method) typically yielding false positive results. It was deemed inappropriate for monitoring at this site.

This report outlines the approach used to fulfill the NYSDEC requirements for 2012 in connection with the Site Management Periodic Review request. This report covers the period from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.





# Figure 1B. SCG Landfill Locations



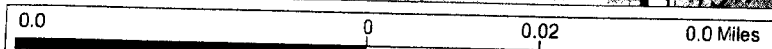
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The most recent biannual sampling and monitoring effort took place in 2011 and included sampling of all four groundwater monitoring wells and one catch basin which drains the surface runoff and subsurface drainage from the landfill area . In accordance with the Site Sampling Plan, the samples collected were all analyzed for pH, specific conductance, temperature, turbidity and phenolic compounds by EPA Method 8270.

## **GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY**

The area in the immediate vicinity of the SGA, Inc. (formerly Carborundum Abrasives) plant is underlain by approximately 10-15 feet of clayey to sandy silt, glacial-lacustrine deposits and glacial till. These deposits thicken southward across the site toward the Niagara River. The hydraulic conductivity of these materials is relatively low, perhaps reaching the range of  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-8}$  cm/sec.

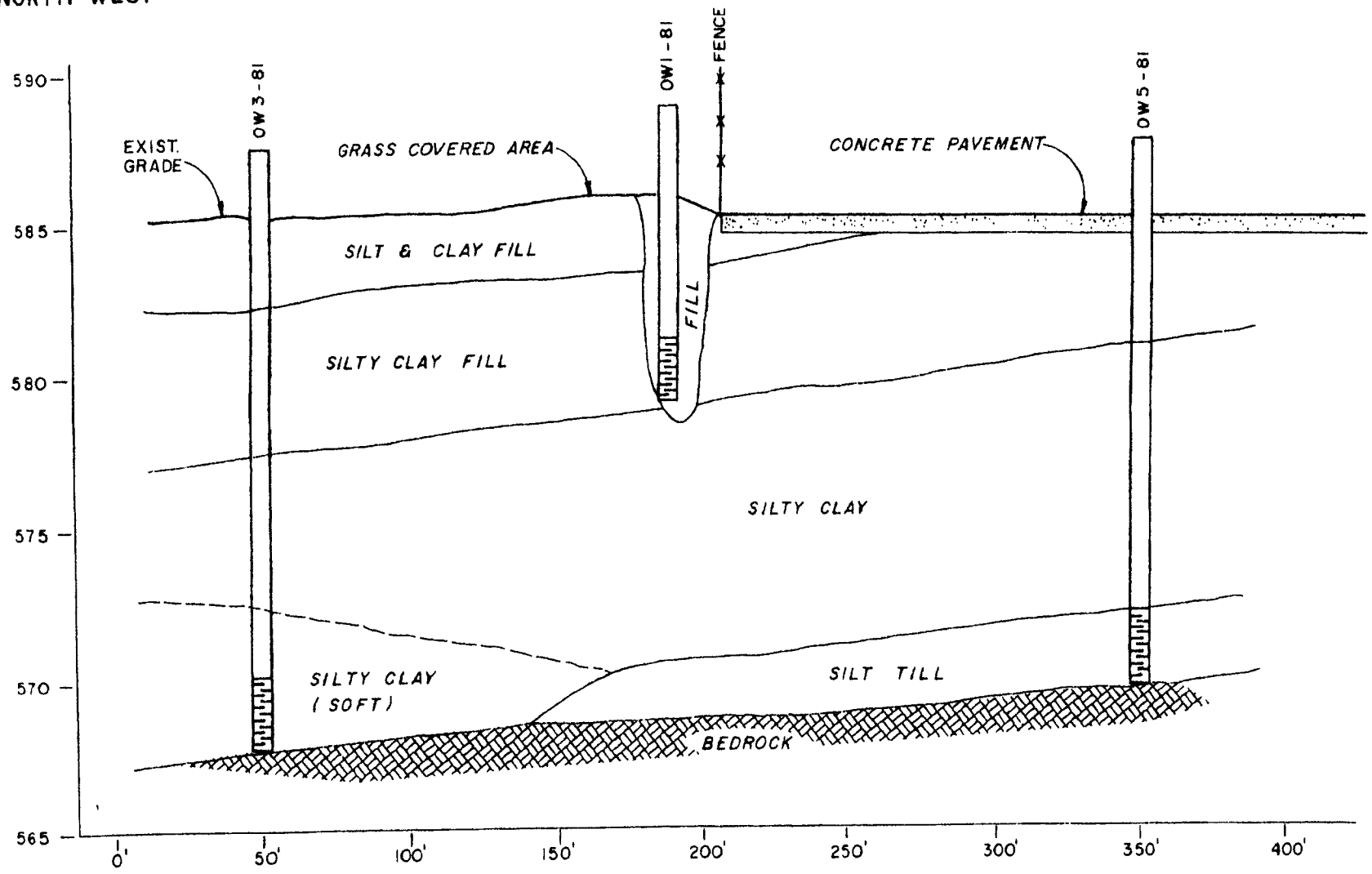
The bedrock underlying the site consists of approximately 160 feet of dolomite of the Lockport Formation. The upper zone of the Lockport Formation is generally highly weathered, medium gray dolomite with extensive vertical fractures. It is generally striated on the surface, has extensive partings which are argillaceous or gypsum-coated. Water produced from this upper zone in the Bergholtz area of Wheatfield is generally of very poor quality, with a characteristic odor. The water generally is not suitable for drinking but occasionally is used for watering livestock or agricultural purposes. The Town of Wheatfield has extended its water lines throughout the area and recent information indicates that there are few wells in use throughout the area. Those that were used occasionally along Walmore Rd to the south were closed as part of a groundwater remediation effort conducted by the former Bell Aerospace-Textron in the late 1980's and early 1990's. This groundwater withdrawal and treatment on-site continues to the present.

The upper portion of the dolomite sequence consists of 10 to 20 feet of bedrock consisting of thinly bedded dolomite which may produce well yields of 10-20 gpm. Hydraulic conductivities of 0.1 to 0.01 cm/sec may be encountered in this unit. For purposes of this current study, it is not thought that any of the wells penetrate significantly into the bedrock and were either drilled to refusal or into the uppermost few feet of the weathered bedrock. The bedrock surface is generally encountered at elevations between 560 feet to 570 feet MSL and is gently dipping to the south.

The wells monitored in this project were drilled to refusal as indicated in a report by Conestoga-Rovers Associates, who installed the wells in 1981 after placement of a clay cap by Secured Landfill Contractors, Inc. (SLC Contractors). Figure 2 illustrates a typical surficial geologic cross section in the landfill area.

A  
NORTH WEST

A'  
SOUTH EAST



**Figure 2**  
GEOLOGIC CROSS SECTION A - A'  
The Carborundum Company

## **FORMER USE OF THE LANDFILL**

The former Carborundum Abrasives Company landfill site in Wheatfield was identified in a report by the Inter-Agency Task Force on Hazardous Wastes in the report entitled "Draft Report on Hazardous Waste Disposal in Erie and Niagara County, New York, March 1979." The site was used during the period 1968 to 1976 to dispose of plant-generated wastes described in the Draft Report as follows:

**"...partially solidified and solidified resins, floor sweepings, wastes (sic) fillers including calcium carbonate, clays and animal glue (est. 400 tons total) with free phenols (resins) (est. 800 to 1600 lbs total)."**

The method used to dispose of the waste materials involved the excavation of a long, narrow trench. The dimensions of the trench were estimated to be 20 feet in width, 450 feet in length, and 12 feet in depth. As waste materials were deposited into the trench, a soil cover utilizing the excavated soil (glacial-lacustrine clays) was placed over the waste.

## **MONITORING WELLS**

From January 20-22, 1981, Empire Soils Investigations, Inc. installed a total of five groundwater monitoring wells in the landfill area. Four were located at the perimeter of the site and the fifth well was installed through the center of the landfilled waste in order to identify landfill characteristics. This included waste types, depth of disposal, soil cover, and moisture conditions.

All four of the perimeter wells extended to the bedrock-overburden interface or penetrated them slightly. The monitoring well installed in the landfilled waste extended only to the bottom of the landfilled materials. This well was damaged over time and ceased to function properly and was subsequently removed in 1991 (see locations in Figure 1). The wells were constructed of two inch diameter black steel pipe attached to a two foot, Johnson SS well point. All joints were welded during installation. Each well has a protective outer casing with a lockable cap. A typical installation is shown in Figure 3.

## **STRATIGRAPHY**

The landfill area had a typical overburden which included an upper mixed layer of silt and clay fill which supported a grass cover. Two of the wells were installed through the concrete pavement which was approximately six to eight inches in thickness. Beneath these materials was a medium to stiff silty clay material. Traces of vegetative matter could be observed and these materials appeared to be graded and compacted prior to installation of

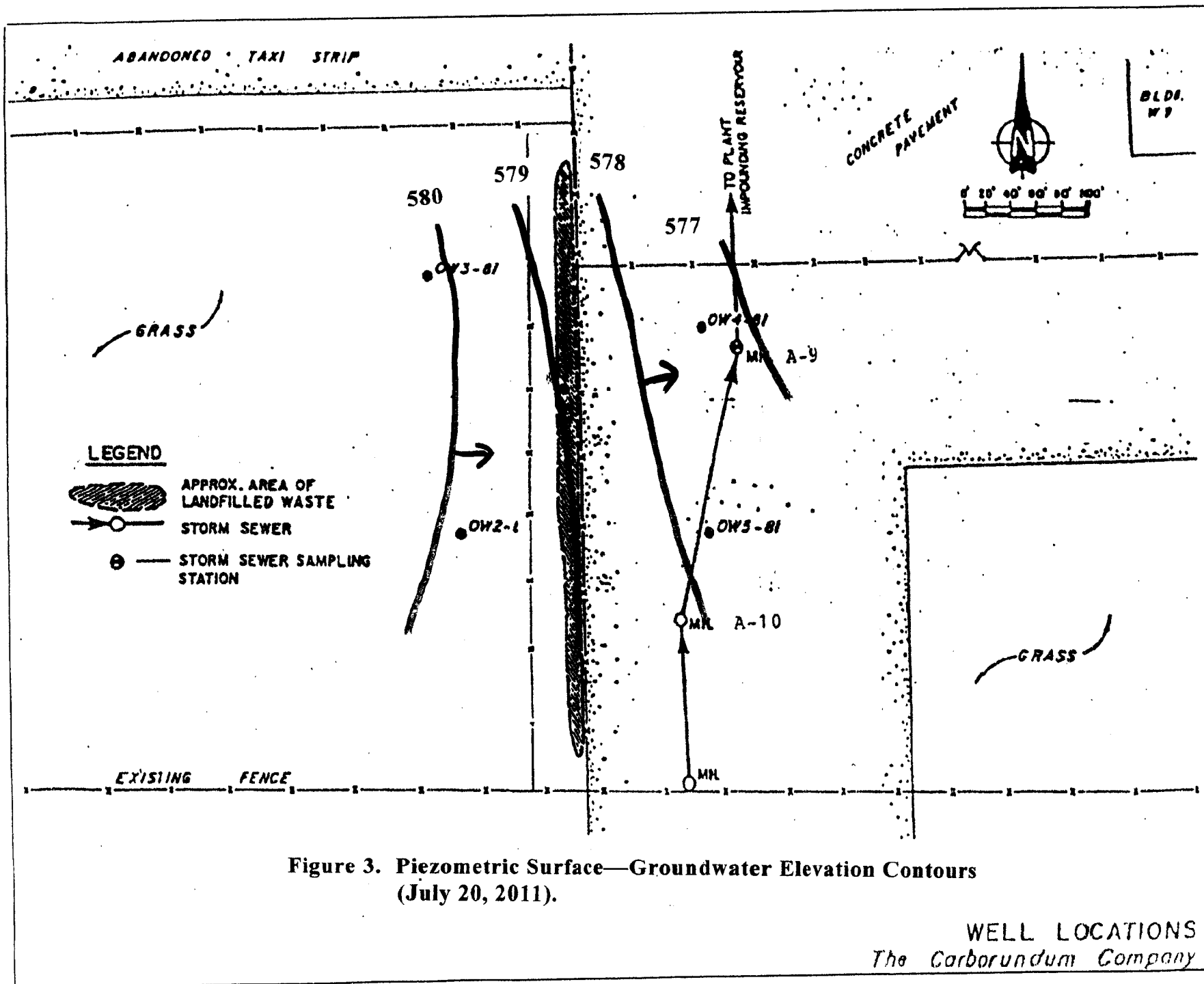


Figure 3. Piezometric Surface—Groundwater Elevation Contours (July 20, 2011).



the concrete pad which, from old photographs of the site, appeared to be either a taxiway or parking area for aircraft manufactured at Bell Aircraft Co. during WW II. Beneath the silty clay fill is a silty clay layer which in the area is reddish brown in color. Some mottling can be observed with gray clay. Beneath these layers is a reddish-brown silt to clayey silt till. The thickness of the materials overlying the bedrock at this site may reach 15 feet based upon other excavations. Most of the perimeter boreholes reached a maximum depth of approximately 17 feet. Bedrock slopes in the area are approximately 0.25 to 0.5 degrees to the south.

Materials encountered in the central borehole included wood, silt, sand, screen materials, paper and the backing cloth used for sandpaper manufacturing. Most of the materials contained in the landfill were general plant trash and off spec materials and damaged goods from the manufacturing process.

## **GROUNDWATER**

The primary presence of groundwater at the landfill site and surrounding area is in a silty till material immediately overlying the bedrock. This layer ranges in thickness from absent at some site locations to approximately 8-12 inches in thickness at others. At the time of the initial investigation in 1981, perched groundwater was observed in the landfill monitoring well. Installation of a landfill cap with appropriate slopes coupled with the low permeability surrounding soils subsequent to the initial investigation in 1981, indicated that the landfill water itself was contained in the landfill. The source was precipitation infiltration. The terrain is relatively flat except for the capped landfill itself. To the west of the landfill, soils remain moist throughout most of the summer due to runoff from the airport runways and taxiways in the area and low permeability of the soils.

The initial piezometric surface observed differs little from 1981 to the present time. The direction of groundwater flow is from the southwest to northeast and has remained constant through the series of investigations carried on over the last 20 years of monitoring by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. In addition, based up the analysis of the groundwater, the landfill cap has remained intact, and the quality of the groundwater has not been impaired. The landfill is functioning to contain the waste materials present. In addition, it would appear that the waste resins either were polymerized or became polymerized and thus very resistant to breakdown. No phenolic compounds are present in the catch basin draining the immediate area during recent sampling episodes in the last ten years. .

## **SITE MONITORING AND ANALYTICAL PLAN**

### **Sampling Objectives**

The results of analysis of samples collected and analyzed in accordance with the approval of the NYSDEC are being used to:

1. Assess the groundwater flow direction and chemistry.
2. Define the nature and extent of pollutant migration, if any.
3. Meet the NYSDEC requirements for data submission.

### **Sampling Personnel**

Sampling personnel must be trained and experienced in the procedures used for data collection, sampling procedures and analytical methodology in the field. They must demonstrate their competence in accordance with NYDOH-ELAP certification program. Personnel must be specifically trained in the analytical procedure and pass demonstrations of capability in accordance with the NYSDOH-ELAP requirements and FTA SOPs implementing the Laboratory Procedures Manual.

The project manager is currently David M. Harty, P.E., BCEE. Mr. Harty has been involved with this site since 1981.

### **Sampling Locations**

As indicated previously, Figure 1A and 1B illustrate the sample locations. Four wells are sampled together with one catch basin (MH-9 located on the "A" Storm Line). Table 1 presents the sample locations and USEPA or Standard Methods analytical methods used for samples from each location. All methods used conformed to the USEPA Methods of

**Table 1. Sample Locations and Parameters Analyzed**

<b>Well Designation</b>	<b>Well Depth (ft)*</b>	<b>Analytical Parameters**</b>
OW2-81	18.20	pH, Specific conductivity, Temperature, Turbidity, Phenols (8270)
OW3-81	19.66	pH, Specific conductivity, Temperature, Turbidity, Phenols (8270)
OW4-81	19.38	pH, Specific conductivity, Temperature, Turbidity, Phenols (8270)
OW5-81	18.23	pH, Specific conductivity, Temperature, Turbidity, Phenols (8270)
MH A-9	-----	pH, Specific conductivity, Temperature, Turbidity, Phenols (8270)

\* Based upon measurement by FTA in 1998; rechecked in 2000 and 2003; measured from top of riser pipe.

\*\* Field measurement of pH made within NYELAP guidelines (15 minutes); Turbidity measured using a nephelometer in the field.

Phenols = Phenol Compounds as measured by EPA Method 8270.

**Table 2**  
**Summary of Parameters, Methods,**  
**Preservation Methods and Holding Times**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>EPA Method</b>	<b>Preservation</b>	<b>Holding Time</b>
pH	SM18-21: 4500 H B	None	Analyze Immediately- 15 Minutes (Field)
Specific Conductance	120.1 (rev 1982)	4° C	6 Hours (or Field)
Temperature	SM 18:21 2550B	---	Immediately (Field)
Turbidity	180.1 (Rev 2.0)	4° C	Immediately (Field)
Phenol Compounds	8270	4° C	5 days to extract 28 days to analyze

pH, Specific Conductance, turbidity, and temperature were measured immediately in the field. Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. is a NYELAP-Certified Laboratory (10475).

Analysis for Water and Wastewater (40 CFR Part 136) or SW-846 (as revised). Table 2 is a summary of the parameters, methods used, preservation methods, and holding times required.

### **Sampling Equipment and Procedures**

The procedures outlined here were developed to minimize contamination of water sampling equipment and analyses, minimize concentration changes prior to testing, and standardize procedures to minimize analytical differences.

The procedures below outline the purging, sampling, and preservation methods used during this sampling program in accordance with the approved sampling plan submitted and approved in 1991 and revised in 1999: This plan was revised in November 2012 per the NYS DEC.

1. Quarterly inspection of the well noting any unusual conditions .
2. The water level indicating device and the bottom foot or more of cable was triple rinsed with distilled water.
3. The depth to the water surface from the top of the riser pipe was measured and recorded on the Sample Collection Form. Depth to the bottom of each well was also measured.
4. The volume of water in each well is calculated. Each well is purged by removing three times this volume, or if the well yield is low, water is removed until the well is considered “dry” (within 1-2 inches of the bottom).
5. A peristaltic pump is used to purge these shallow wells. All tubing coming into contact with the well water consists of food-grade polyethylene tubing dedicated to the well. This dedicated tubing is intended to eliminate cross-contamination between the wells. The tubing was gradually lowered into the well as pumping continued. The volume required, volume obtained, water level before purging, and the start and stop times are to be recorded.
6. All purge water is to be placed in a container specifically used for that well and for measuring purge volume. If the well contained very little volume, this water was reserved for pH, specific conductance and turbidity determination. After a time has elapsed for sufficient recovery, sampling was completed. In one instance several days are occasionally necessary to obtain a sufficient volume for phenol compound analysis. Based upon results of the analyses performed over the past decade, the water, contains no parameters which might be incompatible with the treatment process or SGA’s sanitary sewage permit, and is acceptable to the NCSD #1 and meets their criteria. The water is then disposed of in the sanitary sewer.
7. For the wells which generally recover slowly, the wells are sampled within 24 to 48 hours of purging. Sample size, containers and amount of sample obtained are contained in Table 3. In 2007 for example, it took nine days to recharge to an adequate volume for sampling from one well after checking it daily.
8. Groundwater samples are obtained by dedicated tubing. No equipment is to be used for more than one well location.

9. Usually, the first sample is taken for analysis of pH, temperature, specific conductance and turbidity. Probes are triple rinsed with distilled water after use. A standard reporting form with all field data is provided for each well and sample location (See Appendix).
10. Temperature, specific conductance, turbidity and pH were reported on the form along with the equipment used, weather conditions, field observations, and sampling times.
11. Sample container labels are affixed to the sample container and the samples placed in an insulated container where they were kept cool with ice if temperatures were above 4° C.
12. In a similar fashion, samples were obtained for phenolic compounds as required for each sample location (EPA 8270). Each sample label was completed including the date, time, location, analysis required, and sampler's initials.
13. All samples are packed in an insulated cooler with sufficient ice to maintain a temperature of 4° to 6° C during storage and transport to the laboratory.
14. Analyses are to be completed within the specified holding times. The laboratory is notified by the sampling team prior to sampling and upon shipping to assist in scheduling analyses to meet all specified holding times.

## **SAMPLE CUSTODY**

Field sampling data and purging was documented on a Well Monitoring Field Form. The following information was included:

1. Site name (Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.), sample number, etc;
2. Date, time, and elapsed time from purge start to finish;
3. Information regarding the well groundwater level, purge volume required, and actual purge volume;
4. Field test results including pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance;
5. Sampling method used; the materials of construction of special equipment (in margin);
6. Type of sample and information which appears significant;
7. Field observations/sampling conditions (e.g. weather)
8. Appearance of sample such as color, sediment, oil on surface, obvious odor, etc.
9. Sampler's identity and signature.

In order to maintain integrity of the groundwater samples, strict chain-of-custody procedures are to be followed. From the time the sample was collected until the sample was in the custody of the analytical laboratory, the samples were:

1. In the sampler's possession;
2. In the sampler's view, after being in his/her possession;
3. In the sampler's possession and then locked in a designated, secure area to prevent tampering; or in a sample cooler sealed with a tamper proof chain-of-custody seal.

A written Chain-of-Custody Record of the transfer of samples is maintained with a copy in the Appendix of the Sampling and analytical report.

The Chain-of-Custody Record is transported with the sample container at the time the sample is collected. When transferring the possession of the samples, the person making the transfer signs and records the date and time on the record. The number of custodians in the chain of possession are as few as possible.

## **SAFETY**

Personnel performing the sampling adhered to all safety requirements for contractors and/or visitors of the facility. Personnel performing the sampling wear suitable personal protective equipment.

## **ANALYTICAL LABORATORIES**

The pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance are measured in the field by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc., NYELAP # 10475, Katherine A. Wager, Laboratory Director. FTA is a certified NYSDOH-ELAP laboratory. All field analyses for appropriate parameters under the NYELAP program are performed within prescribed holding times (15 minutes for pH for example, in the field.) The phenol compound analyses (EPA 8270) is performed by Columbia Analytical Services, Inc. (now part of ALS), NYELAP # 10145. Each laboratory is certified for the parameters for which data are provided.

## **FIELD SAMPLING PERSONNEL**

All field sampling and field measurements were performed by personnel who are specifically trained in the analytical procedure and who pass demonstrations of capability in accordance with the NYSDOH-ELAP requirements and FTA SOPs implementing the Laboratory Procedures Manual.

## **RESULTS OF RECENT SAMPLING AND INSPECTIONS**

### **Phenol Compounds**

Table 3 is a summary of the analysis for phenol compounds for 2011 (Complete data are contained in Appendix II). EPA Method 8270 was used for analysis of these compounds. There were no detectable concentrations of phenol above minimum detection or quantitation limits in all samples analyzed including the duplicate sample obtained at Well OW4-81. Surrogate recovery data indicated acceptable recoveries of spiked compounds. The data are consistent with the data collected over the last 20 years, and there is no reason to believe with the low detection limits reported here, that phenol compounds are migrating from the landfill. Tables 4 and 5 summarize the 2012 field data collected and analyzed.



**Table 3**  
**Results for Phenol Compound (EPA Method 8270) Analysis**  
**at Saint Gobain Abrasives Inc.**  
**(July 20, 2011)**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Concentration (mg/l)</u> <u>All Phenol Compounds*</u>
OW2-81	ND
OW3-81	ND
OW4-81	ND
OW4-1(Dup)	ND
OW5-81	ND
MH A-9	ND
Method Blank	ND

ND = None of the 14 phenolic compounds detected by this method were present above laboratory quantitation levels for each sample (See Analytical Report).


MS/MSD Recovery: All acceptable

**Table 4**  
**Groundwater Elevations at**  
**Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.**  
**(July 23, 2012)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Well No.</b>	<b>Top of Pipe Elevation</b>	<b>Depth to Water Surface</b>	<b>Groundwater Elevation</b>
07/23/12	OW2-81	588.50	9.64	578.86
07/23/12	OW3-81	587.59	9.96	577.63
07/23/12	OW4-81	587.74	10.88	576.86
07/23/12	OW5-81	587.52	10.34	577.18

\* Groundwater level measurements obtained on July 19, 2011 by Ronald B. Blinston of Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. under the supervision of David M. Harty, PE, BCEE.

**The groundwater elevation data presented above were obtained under my supervision and represent, to the best of my knowledge, accurate measurements for the date listed.**

  
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 David M. Harty  
 PE, BCEE

**Table 5**  
**Field Monitoring Data**  
**at Saint Gobain Abrasives Inc.**  
**(July 23, 2012)**

<b>Well No.</b>	<b>pH (SU)</b>	<b>Specific Conductance (umhos/cm)</b>	<b>Turbidity (NTU)</b>
OW2-81	10.92 (10.93)	2795	162
OW3-81	7.45	3660	243
OW4-81	11.50	2153	130
OW5-81	6.38	6105	361
MH A-9	7.09	830	4.10

**Notes:**

pH, specific conductance and turbidity analyses performed by Ronald B. Blinston immediately upon sampling. Duplicate analysis is in “( )”.

The recoveries of spiked surrogate compounds in the set of samples analyzed from the site were very similar. Duplicate analysis performed on OW4 indicated consistent results with the separate sample. Laboratory Control Sample (LCS) recoveries were also within QC limits and indicated agreement with surrogate recoveries. The monitoring wells appear to have a dark, biological particulate material. These waters when stored in the laboratory support rapid biological growth. The method blank also had no detectable phenol at MDLs or MRLs.

It should be noted that historically only “phenol” resins were used in the resins and materials disposed in the landfill. The other compounds, particularly chlorinated phenols, were not used and have never been detected.

### **Quality Assurance/Quality Control**

As part of the QA/QC activities associated with the 2011 sampling episode, a field duplicate was obtained at Well OW4-81, surrogate recoveries were reported, and a method blank was analyzed for this batch. A matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate was also performed on Well OW4-81. Analysis for all these samples was by EPA Method 8270. pH, temperature, specific conductance and turbidity were run in quadruplicate and the average value of the measurements was reported. However, there was little to no little variation noted in the data.

### **Physical Appearance**

New concrete pads installed in 1999 at Wells OW2-81 and OW3-81 by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. has remained intact. The riser for Well OW4-81 was replaced and repaired in 2004 due to a vehicle collision. Some cracking may be present in the well pads but this does not impede their function. Quarterly inspections of the landfill area continue under the supervision of Saint Gobain Abrasives Co. and are conducted by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. Copies of the quarterly inspection reports have been provided to Mr. Michael Hinton, P.E. and Brian Sadowski of the NYSDEC Region 9.

### **COMMENTS ON HISTORICAL DATA**

Groundwater associated with the Lockport Dolomite is highly mineralized as evidenced by the specific conductance values measured at the wells which indicates the concentration of dissolved solids present. This has been consistent with previous data from this site and data available for wells in the immediate vicinity.

As a result of evaluation of the data recovered, the following is concluded:

1. Sampling of the four existing monitoring wells and catch basin in 2011 and quantification of the phenolic compounds again showed no detectable levels of any of the phenol compounds above detectable or quantitation limits.
2. Groundwater data indicate no migration of materials from the former landfill. This confirms after 28 years of monitoring that the containment and cap is effective.
3. Any future monitoring for phenols should continue to use EPA Method 8270.
4. There are no data developed within the past several years that would indicate any need to alter the current monitoring frequency (every two years).
5. pH measurements during this episode indicate elevated pH values at Well OW4-81. Repair and replacement of the riser for this well was completed during the Fall of 2004. It is believed that the bentonite-cement grout and water migrating along the casing contributed to the rise in pH at this location.
6. Well OW5-81 has the highest value of specific conductance and the presence of black particles has always been noted. There was no change otherwise.

## **OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN**

This operation and maintenance plan was modified from the original plan developed in 1999 and taken from the following document with appropriate timely minor modifications:

**“Operations and Maintenance Plan, Landfill Area St. Gobain  
Abrasives Company, Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. Report  
ET-99-703-02.”**

Originally five wells were installed in the landfill area, one in the landfill itself and four on the perimeter of the landfill. In 1991, one well was removed because it was no longer functioning properly and soil shifts between the cap materials and landfill materials themselves had occurred, most likely due to settling. The request was approved and implemented on September 27, 1991. The phenolics analytical methodology was changed from the 4AAP method to EPA Method 8270 to develop more specific and accurate data.

## **Site Inspection**

The physical attributes of the site will be inspected annually. This inspection may be conducted by Saint Gobain Abrasives personnel or Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. personnel. The inspections will be conducted in July.

For each monitoring point, the following items will be included: well locks, well casings, covers, concrete pads, bailers and ropes (if any), general conditions and tubing. If any of these items are missing, deteriorated or in disrepair, they will be replaced as or repaired as appropriate. This action will be undertaken immediately or prior to the next quarterly inspection as appropriate. A written inspection report (usually a form) will be prepared and completed and maintained on file at Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.

A monitoring point assessment form to be used for the annual inspection is attached in the Appendix. A copy of the completed forms will be forwarded to the NYSDEC Project Manager.

## **Physical Conditions and Grass Cutting**

During the annual inspection, observations of the landfill cap will be made to assess whether any soil slumping is present, rodent burrows present, growth of any large rooted vegetation, etc. Brush and bushes will be trimmed and the area will be kept free of debris or trash which might blow onto the site.

Grass cutting will be performed as needed, however it is expected that it will be cut at least once annually after August 15<sup>th</sup> as a habitat objective.

## Annual Inspection

Once each year, the wells will be purged and depths checked. If depth data indicates infilling of sand or sediment to a depth of 25% of the screen length, the wells will be developed in order to remove the sediment. Sampling and purging will be conducted in accordance with the following schedule:

1999	Purging, Sampling	2007	Purging, Sampling
2000	Purging	2008	Purging
2001	Purging, Sampling	2009	Purging, Sampling
2002	Purging	2010	Purging
2003	Purging, Sampling	2011	Purging, Sampling
2004	Purging	2012	Purging
2005	Purging, Sampling	2013	Purging, Sampling
2006	Purging	2014	Purging

During even years, field measurements are taken after completion of purging during the annual inspection. However, biannual sampling for phenols occurs only in odd years.

The annual inspection (even years) will include the following in addition to purging:

1. Analysis of well samples for field parameters, pH, turbidity, specific conductance and temperature.
2. The depth/elevation to the water surface. The total depth of each well will be checked against previous measurements. If infilling is noted, well development will be scheduled.
3. Each well will be purged to remove suspended sediment and biological growth, if present.
4. A peristaltic pump or bailer may be used to purge these shallow wells. All tubing or bailers are dedicated to ensure that no cross-contamination occurs.
5. In years ending with odd numbers, sampling will be conducted in accordance with the sampling and analytical plan and schedule above.

## **Safety**

Personnel performing the sampling will adhere to all safety requirements for contractors and visitors to the SGC facility. In addition, since two of the wells are within the security fence erected by the NFTA and the USAF, appropriate arrangements with the NFTA Police and an escort is required to inspect and conduct operations at those well locations. Personnel performing the sampling or purging will wear suitable field boots, and protective gloves and safety glasses or goggles.

## **EVALUATION OF REMEDY PERFORMANCE, EFFECTIVENESS, AND PROTECTIVENESS**

As can be seen from the information presented above and elsewhere in this document, the landfill cap is functioning as intended, the lacustrine clay surrounding the fill has prevented any escape of phenols and phenol-containing resins, and the polymerization of these materials, appears to have taken place. There has been no detection of phenol containing materials or alteration of the groundwater quality though out the last twelve year monitoring period (1999-2011). Therefore, no change in the current status of the landfill or the monitoring plan is appropriate.

## **IC/EC PLAN COMPLIANCE REPORT**

The clay cap, periodic inspections and biannual sampling of the monitoring wells and catch basin have been proven effective in prevention of seepage of leachate from the landfill. In addition the site appears to be relatively dry from a groundwater standpoint. Recharge of three of the wells is generally slow. The site monitoring plan is appropriate for the type of site and little maintenance appears to be warranted provided inspections are conducted on a regularly scheduled basis.

**The plans were updated in November 2012 per the NYS DEC.**

## **OVERALL PRR CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Site analytical plan is adequate for the site and the monitoring frequency is appropriate. No detection of phenol-containing groundwater has occurred in the last ten years.
2. Biannual sampling, annual well development and field sample analysis, including annual inspection provides an adequate level of protection for the facility and remedy.



3. The O & M plan, in conjunction with the quarterly inspections, have been adequate to detect any changes in the landfill cap or site conditions. Inspections have been reduced to annually beginning in 2013.
4. The changes in this facility have been minimal during the past thirty years, there is no reason to believe that this may change. At some point in the future, monitoring wells may have to be replaced, but at this point they are functioning properly and in good repair. Annual inspections will be sufficient to detect any needed repair needed.

**APPENDIX**

**2012 Quarterly Reports**

**Sampling and Analytical Plan**

**Operations and Maintenance Plan**

**2011 Analytical Data Laboratory Report**



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

**Quarterly Inspection Reports  
Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.  
Site No. 932007**

**(Conducted January 24, 2012)**

**January 31, 2012**

**Prepared For:**

**Mr. Doug Wright  
Saint Gobain Grains & Powders, Inc.  
P.O. Box 301  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304**

**and**

**Mr. Brian Sadowski/Mr. Michael Hinton  
NYS DEC  
270 Michigan Ave.  
Buffalo, NY 14203**

**Prepared By:**

**Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.  
9120 Main Street  
Clarence, NY 14031**

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## **Introduction**

Attached are the *quarterly* inspection reports for the Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc. landfill located at 6600 Walmore Road, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 (Site 932007; formerly Carborundum Abrasives Co.) This inactive landfill is inspected quarterly and annually (see comment on biannual sampling below). During the annual inspections, the wells are purged, samples are analyzed for pH, Temperature, and Specific Conductance and water elevation. The last annual inspection was conducted in 2011. During July 2011, a Bi-Annual sampling, testing and inspection was completed. During that inspection and sampling event, analysis of phenol concentrations by EPA Method 8270 was also completed. During July 2013, the biannual inspection and well sampling is expected to be repeated in accordance with the Site Analytical Plan.

## **Quarterly Reports**

There is one quarterly event documented in the attachments to this report. This quarterly inspection occurred on January 24, 2012.

## **Annual Report**

For 2011, we completed the annual inspection requirements along with the inspection biannual and sampling for 2011.

## **Bi-Annual Sampling Event**

Every two years (odd), all wells at the landfill are also sampled for the presence of phenol compounds by EPA Method 8270. Although only "phenol" has been detected in the past since 1980, this method can detect other phenolic compounds as well. This last event last took place in 2011 in compliance with the SGA Approved Sampling and Analytical Plan and was reported separately. The next Bi-Annual sampling is expected to occur in July 2013.

## **Results**

Review of all data and inspection reports indicates that the landfill characteristics and monitoring wells did not exhibit any changes over the monitoring period. In addition, visual observation of the site indicates that the grounds have been maintained since the last inspection and no damage to the wells is apparent except for OW-3 where the protective casing is crooked and the concrete pad is wobbly. Damage occurred to Well OW-4 in 2004 and the well riser was reinstalled properly. We have encountered elevated pH at this well in the past due to the use and leakage of grout at that location. Additional purging is conducted from time to time during quarterly inspections in an attempt to alleviate that condition.

## **Appendix**

### **Quarterly Inspection Reports**



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

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**Monitoring Point Assessment Form  
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill**

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Monitoring Point: OW-Z

Date: 1/24/12


Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSSON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
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Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Debris in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



**Monitoring Point Assessment Form  
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill**

Monitoring Point: OW-3

Date: 1/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

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Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Protective Casing OK:	* <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Debris in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

\* CASING IS CROOKED

Inspector's Signature: 





**Monitoring Point Assessment Form  
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill**

Monitoring Point: OW-4

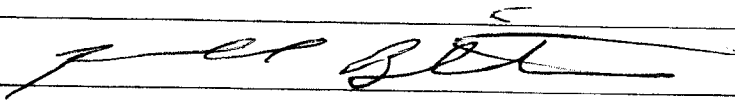
Date: 1/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

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Well Constricted:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
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Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



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Monitoring Point: OW-5


Date: 1/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



# FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.

May 1, 2012  
ET-703

Mr. Doug Wright  
Saint Gobain Abrasives Co.  
P.O. Box 301  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Re: Inspection of Site 932007

Dear Mr. Wright:


In accordance with SGA requirements, we have completed the Second Quarter inspection of the monitoring wells located at the former landfill (Site 932007) in the southwest portion of the facility on the following date: April 24, 2012. This inspection was completed in fulfillment of NYSDEC requirements and the SGA Sampling and Analytical Plan and the requirements of SGA P.O. 4700003698.

The April 24, 2012 inspection was a quarterly inspection. Well OW-2 and OW-3 are accessible only through the NFTA-NFIA security escort because of the installation of a security fence (with no access) in 2004. These two wells were inspected with a security escort and are not accessible any other way. The inspection forms are attached for each well location.

In response to Mr. Michael Hinton's letter of August 22, 2002, we have also noted again that the riser on well OW-3 is not completely vertical. This condition has existed since the late 1980's with no obstruction in the well. The riser on OW-4 was replaced in late 2004 due to a vehicle accident. No obstructions or problems were encountered during our inspection. As of this inspection, all well casings were intact, and except for the riser for OW-3 being slightly out of vertical, everything appeared to be normal. The concrete pads for Well OW-2 & 3 showed some slight heaving as noted in the past.

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Sincerely,

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Kathy Wager  
Vice President

KAW: 12-197

cc w/attach: Ms. Sue Bartlett (SGA-Watervliet)



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

**Quarterly Inspection Reports  
Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.  
Site No. 932007**

**(Conducted April 24, 2012)**

**May 1, 2012**

**Prepared For:**

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# **Appendix**

## **Quarterly Inspection Reports**





Monitoring Point Assessment Form
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill

Monitoring Point: OW-2

Date: 4/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Table with 4 columns: Question, Yes, No, NA. Rows include: Well Locked (Yes), Lock Functioning (Yes), Bailer and Rope OK (Yes, No, NA), Tubing OK (Yes), Protective Casing OK (Yes), Concrete Pad in Good Condition (Yes), Heaving of Well or Casing (Yes, No, NA), Well Sand in Purge Water (Yes, No, NA), Well Constricted (Yes, No, NA), Debris in Well (Yes, No, NA), Insects in Well (Yes, No, NA).

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above:

Horizontal lines for additional notes.

Inspector's Signature: [Handwritten Signature]



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Monitoring Point: OW-3

Date: 4/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

X CASING IS CROOKED.

Inspector's Signature:



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**Monitoring Point Assessment Form  
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill**

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Monitoring Point: OW-4

Date: 4/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
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Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature:



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Monitoring Point: OW-5

Date: 4/24/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
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Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



# FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.

July 27, 2012  
ET-703

Mr. Doug Wright  
Saint Gobain Abrasives Co.  
P.O. Box 301  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Re: Inspection of Site 932007

Dear Mr. Wright:

In accordance with SGA requirements, we have completed the Third Quarter inspection of the monitoring wells located at the former landfill (Site 932007) in the southwest portion of the facility on the following date: July 23, 2012. This inspection was completed in fulfillment of NYSDEC requirements and the SGA Sampling and Analytical Plan and the requirements of SGA P.O. 4700003698.

The July 23, 2012 inspection was an annual inspection. Well OW-2 and OW-3 are accessible only through the NFTA-NFIA security escort because of the installation of a security fence (with no access) in 2004. These two wells were inspected with a security escort and are not accessible any other way. The inspection forms are attached for each well location.

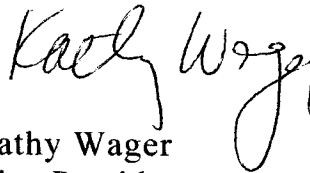
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Mr. Doug Wright  
July 27, 2012  
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If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Wager". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "W" and "A".

Kathy Wager  
Vice President

KAW: 12-336

cc w/attach: Ms. Sue Bartlett (SGA-Watervliet)



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## Monitoring Point Assessment Form at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill

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Monitoring Point: OW-2

Date: 7/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

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Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature:



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Monitoring Point: OW-3

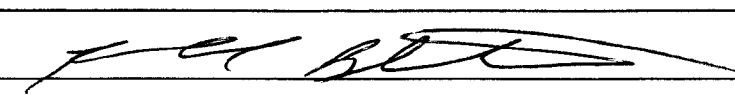
Date: 7/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

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Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

\* CASING IS CROOKED, CONCRETE PAD IS WOBBLY AND CHIPPED.

Inspector's Signature: 





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Monitoring Point: OW-4

Date: 7/23/12


Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSON

Well Locked:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<u>NA</u>
Tubing OK:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



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Monitoring Point: OW-5


Date: 7/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<u>NA</u>
Tubing OK:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<u>Yes</u>	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<u>No</u>	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-2 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 18.20 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 9.64 ft.

Depth of Water Column: 8.56 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.5 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 12:59

End of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 1:06

Total Volume Purge: 1.5 gallons Well Purged Dry?: Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION**

Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/23/12 Sample Time: 1:07 Depth to Water Surface 4.82 ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

ALL FIELD PARAMETERS TAKEN IN ACCORDANCE TO THE GROUND WATER SAMPLING PLAN.

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS	10.92	(10.93)
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM	2795	
Temperature	Uei 550	°F	58	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	162	

Weather: SUNNY, 89°F

Notes: pH 9:10 4.05\* 7.02 10.03 24°C \*CHECK ONLY

SPEC. COND. 1000 STD READING 1000 µMHOS/CM

TURB. METER - A 5.92 STD READING 5.96 NTU.

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**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-3 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 19.66 ft. 2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 9.96 ft.

Depth of Water Column: 9.70 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.65 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 1:31

End of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 1:40

Total Volume Purge: 1.7 gallons Well Purged Dry? Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/23/12 Sample Time: 1:41 Depth to Water Surface DRY ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS	7.45	
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM	3660	
Temperature	Uei 550	°F	60	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	243	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

*RON BLINSTON*



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**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-4 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 19.38 ft. 2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 10.88 ft.

Depth of Water Column: 8.50 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.5 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 2:12

End of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 2:16

Total Volume Purge: 1.5 gallons Well Purged Dry? Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/23/12 Sample Time: 2:17 Depth to Water Surface DRY ft.

Sample Appearance: SLIGHTLY TURBID TO TURBID

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS	11.50	
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM	2153	
Temperature	Uei 550	°F	64	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	130	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

*Ron Blinston*



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**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-5 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, (Peristaltic Pump)

Depth to Bottom of Well: 18.23 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 10.34 ft.

Depth of Water Column: 7.89 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.4 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 2:25

End of Purge: Date: 7/23/12 Time: 2:28

Total Volume Purge: 1.4 gallons Well Purged Dry?: (Yes) No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, (Extremely Slow)

**SAMPLING INFORMATION**

Sample Method: Bailer, (Peristaltic Pump) Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/23/12 Sample Time: 2:29 Depth to Water Surface DRY ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID BLACK

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated (Yes) No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS	<u>6.38</u>	
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM	<u>6105</u>	
Temperature	Uei 550	°F	<u>66</u>	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	<u>361</u>	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: MH-9 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer Peristaltic Pump Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/23/12 Sample Time: 12:00 Depth to Water Surface — ft.

Sample Appearance: CLEAR

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS	7.08	
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM	830	
Temperature	Uei 550	°F	78	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	4.10	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

*Ron Blinston*



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

October 29, 2012  
ET-703-39

Mr. Brian Sadowski/Mr. Michael Hinton  
NY Dept. Environmental Conservation  
Division of Environmental Remediation  
270 Michigan Ave.  
Buffalo, NY 14203

Re: Inspection of Site No. 932007 (4th Qtr-2012)

Dear Mr. Sadowski/Mr. Michael Hinton:

Enclosed is the annual report for inspections conducted at the former St. Gobain Abrasives Landfill, 6600 Walmore Road, Wheatfield, NY. This submission covers the fourth quarter of 2012 in accordance with the SAP and Saint Gobain Abrasives order. The bi-annual phenol sampling was completed in July 2011 in accordance with the approved Site Analytical Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kathy Wager'.

Kathy Wager  
Vice President

KAW: 12-479

Enclosures

cc w/encl. Doug Wright, Sue Bartlett





# FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.

October 29, 2012  
ET-703

Mr. Doug Wright  
Saint Gobain Abrasives Co.  
P.O. Box 301  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Re: Inspection of Site 932007

Dear Mr. Wright:

In accordance with SGA requirements, we have completed the Third Quarter inspection of the monitoring wells located at the former landfill (Site 932007) in the southwest portion of the facility on the following date: October 23, 2012. This inspection was completed in fulfillment of NYSDEC requirements and the SGA Sampling and Analytical Plan and the requirements of SGA P.O. 4700003698.

The October 23, 2012 inspection was a quarterly inspection. Well OW-2 and OW-3 are accessible only through the NFTA-NFIA security escort because of the installation of a security fence (with no access) in 2004. These two wells were inspected with a security escort and are not accessible any other way. The inspection forms are attached for each well location.

In response to Mr. Michael Hinton's letter of August 22, 2002, we have also noted again that the riser on well OW-3 is not completely vertical. This condition has existed since the late 1980's with no obstruction in the well. The riser on OW-4 was replaced in late 2004 due to a vehicle accident. No obstructions or problems were encountered during our inspection. As of this inspection, all well casings were intact, and except for the riser for OW-3 being slightly out of vertical, everything appeared to be normal. The concrete pads for Well OW-2 & 3 showed some slight heaving as noted in the past.



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Monitoring Point: OW-2


Date: 10/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Protective Casing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Debris in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



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Monitoring Point: OW-3

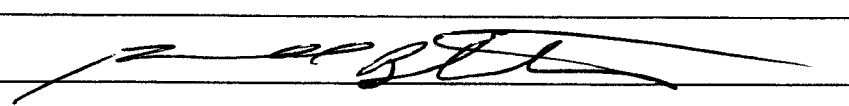
Date: 10/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	* <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

\*CASING IS CROOKED.

Inspector's Signature: 



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Monitoring Point: OW-4


Date: 10/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



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Monitoring Point: OW-5


Date: 10/23/12

Inspector's Name (Print): RON BLINSTON

Well Locked:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Lock Functioning:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Tubing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Protective Casing OK:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NA
Well Constricted:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Debris in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA
Insects in Well:	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inspector's Signature: 



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

**GROUNDWATER SAMPLING & ANALYSIS PLAN**

**LANDFILL AREA**

**St. Gobain Abrasives, Inc.**

**NYSDEC Site 932007**

**FTA Report ET-703-GWP2**

**November 19, 2012**

**Prepared For:**

**Mr. Douglas Wright  
St. Gobain Abrasives, Inc.  
6600 Walmore Road  
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304**

**Prepared By:**

**Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.  
8675 Main Street  
Williamsville, NY 14221**

The sample and analysis plan provided herein was developed for St. Gobain Abrasives Company management use only and, except for required regulatory compliance submission, is not intended for any other purpose.

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## Introduction

In response to the requirements of NYSDEC Region 9, St. Gobain Abrasives Inc. has been requested to supply this revised groundwater sampling and analysis plan for the landfill area located on the southwest corner of the property in Wheatfield, New York. Figure 1 is a sketch of the landfill area showing the location of the monitoring wells which were installed in 1981 and the location of the "A" storm sewer line (West Branch), Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. has prepared this plan for St. Gobain's submission to the NYSDEC. This revised plan is amended from the plan submitted and approved in 1999.

Previously, technical reports were prepared which described the results of the priority pollutant sampling and analysis in 1990 and 1991. This included sample splits and full QA/QC. As a result of the findings, the NYSDEC subsequently reduced monitoring parameters for 1992. For 1993, the NYDEC deleted the requirement for analysis of filtered and unfiltered groundwater samples for metals including zinc. In 1994, all metals requirements were deleted and turbidity was added for informational purposes. This report presents the current requirements for monitoring at the landfill and discusses maintenance activities which have been performed in connection with the wells since 1994. In addition, a new section on Operations and Maintenance of the monitoring wells has been added.

## Chronology

Since 1982, the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basins were sampled for pH and total phenolics (4AAP). In the period 1982-1988 there were no detectable levels of phenolics (4AAP) in monitoring wells OW2-81 through OW5-81. However, in 1989, perhaps as the result of unusual spring and summer precipitation events, low levels of phenolics were detected in the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basins. Again in 1990, low levels of total phenolics were detected. This resulted in the NYSDEC's desire to obtain additional data for evaluation beginning in 1991 as discussed above. Based upon the 1991 results, Carborundum Abrasives requested the decommissioning of one well (OW1-81) which had fallen into disrepair and was no longer functioning. The request was approved and subsequently implemented on September 27, 1991. The phenolics analytical methodology was also changed to the more accurate and specific SW846 Method 8270 and approved by the NYSDEC.

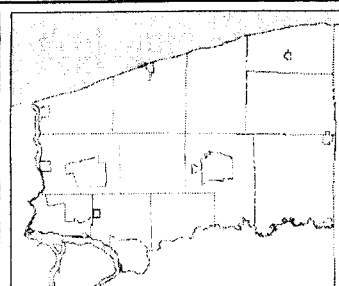
On May 20, 1994, new locking caps were installed on Well OW2-81 and OW4-81 by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. New concrete pads were also installed by FTA around Well OW2-81 and OW3-81 on June 26, 1997.

As the result of review of the well depths presented in the 1997 sampling report, Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. undertook the redevelopment of all four wells in the monitoring network. On October 16 and 22, 1998, each well was purged and flushed two times on each day. A well development report dated January 28, 1999 was prepared and forwarded to the NYSDEC (Mr. Michael Hinton) for review. As a result of the review, this revised and updated Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) has been prepared. This report outlines the approach used to fulfill the NYSDEC requirements for updating and revising the SAP to reflect current practice and requested and approved changes to the previous plans.





Figure 1 SCG Landfill Locations



**Legend**

**Streets and Highways**

- Interstate
- Primary State Road
- Secondary State Road
- County Road
- Local Road

Parcels

**1Ft Color Aerials**

- Red: Band\_1
- Green: Band\_2
- Blue: Band\_3

**2Ft Color Aerials**

- Red: Band\_1
- Green: Band\_2
- Blue: Band\_3

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**Notes**  
Enter Map Description

0.0 0 0.02 0.0 Miles

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## Geology and Hydrogeology

The area in the immediate vicinity of the St. Gobain plant is underlain by approximately 10 to 15 feet of clayey to sandy silt, glacial-lacustrine deposits and till. These deposits thicken southward across the site toward the Niagara River. The hydraulic conductivity of these materials is relatively low perhaps reaching the range of  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/sec.

The bedrock underlying the site consists of approximately 160 feet of dolomite of the Lockport Formation. The upper zone of the Lockport Formation is generally highly weathered, medium-gray dolomite with extensive vertical fractures. The dolomite has partings which are argillaceous or gypsum-coated. Water produced from this upper zone in the Bergholtz area of Wheatfield is generally of very poor quality, with a characteristic odor. The water generally is not suitable for drinking but is used for watering livestock or agricultural purposes. The Town of Wheatfield has extended its water lines throughout the area and recent information indicates that there are few wells in use throughout the area. On the adjacent property formerly operated by Textron Defense Systems, groundwater remediation is being conducted. The bottom of the St. Gobain landfill is up dip in the Lockport Dolomite. This appears to have had little effect on the St. Gobain landfill site as evidenced by historical groundwater elevation data.

The upper portion of the dolomite sequence consists of 10 to 20 feet of bedrock consisting of thinly bedded dolomite which may produce well yields of 10 to 20 gpm. Hydraulic conductivities of 0.1 to 0.01 cm/sec may be encountered in this unit. For purposes of this current plan, it is not thought that any of the wells penetrate significantly into the bedrock and were either drilled to refusal or into the uppermost few feet of the weathered bedrock. The bedrock surface is generally encountered at elevations between 560 feet to 570 feet MSL and gently dips to the south. The wells monitored in this project were drilled to refusal as indicated in a report by Conestoga-Rovers Associates, who installed the wells in 1981 after placement of a clay cap by Secured Landfill Contractors, Inc.

## Sampling and Analytical Methods

### Sampling Objectives

The results of samples collected and analyzed in accordance with the approval of the NYDEC are to be used to:

1. Assess the groundwater flow direction and chemistry.
2. Define the nature and extent of pollutant migration, if any.
3. Meet the NYDEC requirements for data submission.

### Sampling Locations

Figure 1 illustrates the sample locations. Four wells are to be sampled together with one catch basin (A-9). Table 1 presents the sample locations and the analytical parameters for each location. All methods used conformed to the Standard Methods for Examination of Water/Wastewater, EPA Methods of Analysis for Water and Wastewater (40 CFR 136) or SW-846. Table 2 is a summary of the parameters, methods used, preservation methods, and holding times required for this site.

## Sample Designation

All samples obtained at the St. Gobain site shall have sample numbers which are unique to the well or sampling location. For example, the numbering scheme below will be used:

OW-2	OW-5
OW-3	MH A-9
OW-4	

Any trip blanks, field blanks, equipment blanks, matrix spikes, and matrix spike duplicates shall have identifying sample numbers which are unique. Any and all split samples made available for NYSDEC duplicate analysis will be marked and labeled as above.

**Table 1 Sample Locations and Well Depths**

Well Designation	Well Depth (feet)*
OW2-81	18.20
OW3-81	19.66
OW4-81	19.38
OW5-81	18.23
MH A-9	---

\* Based upon measurement by FTA in 1998 after well development; measured from top of riser pipe.

\*\* Field measurement of pH made within NYELAP guidelines (15 min). Turbidity measured using a nephelometer in the field.

All samples are analyzed biannually for pH, specific conductivity, temperature, turbidity and phenol by Method 8270

**Table 2**  
**Summary of Parameters, Methods,**  
**Preservation Methods and Holding Times**

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Preservation Method/ Sample Container</b>	<b>Holding Time*</b>
pH	SM4500 HB	None/plastic or glass	Analyze immediately in the field
Specific Conductivity	EPA 120.1	None/plastic or glass	Analyze immediately in the field
Temperature	SM2550B	None/plastic or glass	Analyze immediately in the field
Turbidity	EPA 180.1	None/plastic or glass	Analyze immediately in the field
Phenol	SW846 8270	4°C; glass	7 days to extraction; 40 days for analysis

\* pH, specific conductivity, temperature, turbidity measured in the field. Frontier Technical Associates is a NYELAP-Certified Laboratory (10475).

#### Sampling Equipment and Procedures

The procedures outlined here were developed to minimize contamination of water sampling, minimize concentration change prior to testing, and standardize procedures to minimize analytical differences.

The following procedures outline the purging, sampling, and preservation methods used during this sampling program in accordance with the approved sampling plan submitted in 1991 and used to the present time:

1. Inspection of the well noting any unusual conditions.
2. The electronic water level meter probe will be triple rinsed with distilled water.
3. The depth to the water surface from the top of the riser pipe will be measured and recorded on the Well Monitoring Field Form. The total depth of each well is to be checked against previous measurements made by the sample team since the 1998 well redevelopment.
4. Calculate the volume of water in each well. Purge each well by removing three times the volume, or if the well yield is low, remove water until the well is "dry." (within 1-2 inches of bottom).

5. A low-flow peristaltic pump will be used to purge these shallow wells. All tubing coming into contact with the well water shall consist of food-grade polyethylene tubing dedicated to the well or catch basin. This dedicated tubing is stored in its respective well. The dedicated tubing is necessary to prevent cross-contamination between the wells. The tubing will be gradually lowered to the bottom of the well. The volume required, the volume purged, water level before purging, and the start and stop times will also be recorded on the Well Monitoring Field Form.
6. All purge water will be placed in a container specifically used for that purpose and for measuring purge volume. Based upon the results of the analyses previously conducted, the water contains no pollutants incompatible with the treatment process or St. Gobain's sanitary sewage permit, and has been acceptable to the NCSO and meets their criteria. The water will be disposed of in the sanitary sewer.
7. Because most of the wells recover slowly, the wells will be sampled within 24 hours of purging. Sample size, containers, and amount of sample obtained are listed in Table 3. If any delays are encountered, proper documentation must be provided.
8. Groundwater samples will be obtained by dedicated tubing. No equipment will be used for more than one well.
9. Usually, the first sample is taken for analysis of pH, specific conductance, temperature and turbidity. All field analysis equipment is triple rinsed with distilled water prior to and after use.
10. Temperature, specific conductance, turbidity and pH are reported on the Well Monitoring Field Form along with equipment used, weather conditions, field observations, and sampling times.
11. Sample container labels will be affixed to the sample container and the samples placed in an insulated container where they will be kept cool with ice.
12. In a similar fashion, samples will be obtained for phenolic compounds as required for each sample location. Each sample label will be completed including the date, time, location, analysis required, and sampler's initials.
13. All samples are to be packed in an insulated cooler with sufficient ice to ensure a temperature of 4°C during storage and transport to the laboratory.
14. If analyzed locally, all samples will be transported to the laboratory on the same day acquired. If a laboratory outside of the immediate area is chosen, the samples will be shipped by overnight service.
15. Analyses will be completed within the specified holding times (see above). The laboratory will be notified by the sampling team prior to sampling and upon shipping to assist in scheduling analyses to meet all specified holding times.

**Table 3 Sample Containers and Required Sample Volume**

Analysis	Container	Sample Volume
pH, Specific Conductance, Temperature	Plastic or glass	500 ml
Turbidity*	Glass vial	25 ml
Phenol	Glass	1000 ml

Well Monitoring Field Form will be used to record the following data/information:

1. Site name (St. Gobain), sample number, etc.
2. Date, time, and elapsed time from sample start to sample finish (if applicable);
3. Information regarding purging the well prior to sampling including initial groundwater level, purge volume required, and actual purge volume;
4. Field test results including pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance;
5. Sampling method used; the construction material of equipment;
6. Type of sample and information which appeared significant;
7. Field observations/sampling conditions (e.g., weather);
8. Appearance of sample, such as color, sediment, oil on surface, obvious odor, etc.;
9. Sampler's identity and signature.

### Sample Custody

In order to maintain integrity of the groundwater samples, strict chain-of-custody procedures will be followed. From the time the sample is collected until the sample is in the custody of the analytical laboratory, the samples are required to be:

1. In the sampler's possession;
2. In the sampler's view, after being in his possession;
3. In the sampler's possession and then locked in a designated, secure area to prevent tampering; or
4. In a sample cooler sealed with a tamper-proof chain-of--custody seal.

A written Chain-of-Custody Record of the transfer of samples must be maintained. An example can be found in the Appendix of this report.

When transferring the possession of samples, the person making the transfer signs and records the date and time on the record. The number of custodians in the chain of possession should be as few as possible.

## Landfill Operations and Maintenance

A landfill area operations and maintenance plan has been developed to address the requirements to inspect and maintain the landfill area proper as well as the monitoring wells. In connection with this plan, an inspection schedule, grass cutting requirements, and required items to be performed have been outlined in detail. A copy of the site O & M Plan is included as an Appendix to this SAP.

## Safety

Personnel performing the sampling must adhere to all safety requirements for contractors and/or visitors to the St. Gobain facility. Personnel performing the sampling must wear suitable field boots and protective gloves and goggles or safety glasses. Since no detectable levels of priority or hazardous pollutants have been present in the past, additional safety clothing may be used but is not required.

## Analytical Laboratories

The pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance are to be measured in the field by Frontier Technical Associates, NYELAP #10475. All other analyses must be performed by a NYELAP-certified laboratory. Each laboratory must be certified for the parameters for which data are provided. No other laboratory may perform any analyses related to the effort reported here without demonstrating that they have and maintain the required NYELAP certification for the required parameters.

## Field Sampling Personnel

All field sampling and field measurements must be performed by qualified personnel. Personnel performing the work must be identified in the sampling report, and if requested, must present their certifications, licenses and/or professional qualifications for inspection by the St. Gobain Environmental Engineer.

Samples must be in the custody of the above personnel at all times or be sealed in a container with a tamper-proof seal attached. A summary of weather conditions during the sampling period must be recorded on field sampling forms.

## Reporting

Daily field sampling reporting forms including all sample collection forms, inspection reports, purging data, weather conditions and chain-of-custody forms shall be maintained. Within approximately 15 business days of receipt of laboratory data, three copies of the sampling and analytical report shall be delivered to the St. Gobain Environmental Engineer. In turn, after review and approval, St. Gobain will transmit one copy to the NYSDEC Project Monitor (Mr.

Brian Sadowski and Mr. Michael Hinton). In the event of discovery of a significant concentration of phenol in the wells, a determination will be made as to the cause or source and a decision to resample only those wells, if necessary, will be made to reconfirm the analysis. This will be done in consultation with the St. Gobain and NYSDEC, as appropriate.

As a minimum, the following data shall be provided in any sampling report provided in accordance with this SAP:

1. Groundwater Elevations; these data shall be certified by a Professional Engineer.
2. Piezometric Surface Map of groundwater elevations and inferred groundwater flow direction.
3. A summary of pH, Turbidity, and Specific Conductance sampling and analytical results.
4. pH, Turbidity, Specific Conductance and Phenol concentration of water sampled from MH A-9 if there is any flow present (A-9 is frequently dry unless rainfall or snowmelt is occurring).
5. A summary of the phenol analytical results (8270) including all QA/QC data.
6. A discussion of the findings including any quality assurance/quality control data.
7. Results of the field duplicate and surrogate recovery, method blank and matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate, if analyzed, must be presented.
8. Conclusions and Recommendations for future action including any O & M required.
9. Appendix to include field data and notes, groundwater elevations, observations, well inspection reports, laboratory report(s), and chain-of-custody forms.



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**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Consultant: **Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.**

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Depth of Water Column: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons

Start of Purge: Date:  / /  Time:  :

End of Purge: Date:  / /  Time:  :

Total Volume Purge: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons Well Purged Dry?: Yes No

# of Volumes Purged \_\_\_\_\_ Purging Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow**

**SAMPLING INFORMATION**

Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date:  / /  Sample Time:  :  Depth to Water Surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Sample Appearance: \_\_\_\_\_

Samples Preserved: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Hanna HI9023	STD. UNITS		
Spec. Conductance	Oakton Con6	µMHOS/CM		
Temperature	Oakton Con6	C		
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU		

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Monitoring Point Assessment Form at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill

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Monitoring Point: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector's Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Well Locked:	Yes	No	NA
Lock Functioning:	Yes	No	NA
Bailer and Rope OK:	Yes	No	NA
Tubing OK:	Yes	No	NA
Protective Casing OK:	Yes	No	NA
Concrete Pad in Good Condition:	Yes	No	NA
Heaving of Well or Casing:	Yes	No	NA
Well Sand in Purge Water:	Yes	No	NA
Well Constricted:	Yes	No	NA
Debris in Well:	Yes	No	NA
Insects in Well:	Yes	No	NA

Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Inspector's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

LANDFILL AREA

ST. GOBAIN ABRASIVES INC.

(Addendum to Sampling and Analytical Plan)

Report ET-703-02

November 19, 2012

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Prepared by:

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Williamsville, NY 14221

The O & M Plan contained herein is intended for the use of St. Gobain Abrasives Inc. for evaluation and implementation purposes and submission to regulatory authorities as required. The contents may not be released to other parties without the written permission of St. Gobain Abrasives Inc.

## **INTRODUCTION**

In response to the requirements of NYSDEC Region 9, St. Gobain Abrasives Inc. has been monitoring groundwater and performing sampling and analysis for the landfill area located on the southwest corner of the property in Wheatfield, New York since 1981. Figure 1 is a map of the landfill area showing the location of the monitoring wells which were installed in 1981 and the location of the "A" storm sewer line (West Branch). Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. has been performing monitoring and inspection on behalf of St. Gobain Abrasives Inc. and has prepared this supplemental report for St. Gobain's submission to the NYSDEC. Previously, technical reports were prepared which described the results of the sampling and analysis for each year and a formal monitoring or sampling and analytical plan has been on file since 1991. The NYSDEC subsequently reduced monitoring parameters for 1992. For 1993, the NYSDEC deleted the requirement for analysis of unfiltered groundwater samples for metals, and for 1994, all metals requirements were deleted and turbidity was added for informational purposes. In 1998, the NYSDEC approved a modification of the monitoring frequency to once every two years.

Originally, five wells were installed in the landfill area--one in the landfill itself and four on the perimeter of the landfill. In 1991, one well (OW1-81), was decommissioned because it had fallen into disrepair because of ground movement in the landfill cap and was no longer functioning. The request was approved and subsequently implemented on September 27, 1991. The phenolics analytical methodology was also changed to the more accurate and specific SW 846 Method 8270.

This report outlines the approach used to fulfill the NYSDEC requirements for operations and maintenance as requested by way of Mr. Sadowski's letter dated October 30, 2012. The purpose of this report is to present the St. Gobain's Operations and Maintenance Plan for the monitoring wells and inspection of the landfill area. We are prepared to implement this plan immediately.

## **SITE INSPECTION**

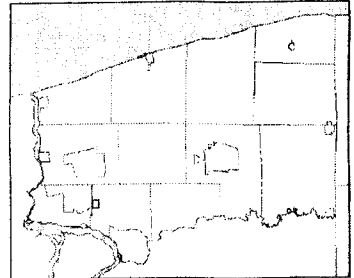
The physical attributes of the site will be inspected annually. This inspection may be conducted by St. Gobain Abrasives Inc. or Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. personnel. The inspection will be conducted in July.

For each monitoring point, the following items will be included: well locks, well casings, covers, concrete pads, bailers and ropes, general conditions and tubing. If any of these items has deteriorated or is in disrepair, they will be replaced or repaired as appropriate. This action will be undertaken as soon as practicable and prior to the next annual inspection. A written report will be prepared and maintained on file at St. Gobain Abrasives Inc.

A monitoring point assessment form to be used for the annual inspection is presented as Figure 2. A copy of this form will be retained for review during NYSDEC inspections.



Figure 1 SCG Landfill Locations



**Legend**

**Streets and Highways**

- Interstate
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**Parcels**

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**Monitoring Point Assessment Form  
at Saint-Gobain Abrasives Landfill**

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**Monitoring Point:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Inspector's Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Well Locked:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Lock Functioning:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Bailer and Rope OK:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Tubing OK:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Protective Casing OK:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Concrete Pad in Good Condition:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Heaving of Well or Casing:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Well Sand in Purge Water:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Well Constricted:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Debris in Well:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Insects in Well:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>NA</b>

**Other Observations or Details on Conditions Above:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Inspector's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Figure 2**



## PHYSICAL CONDITION AND GRASS CUTTING

During the annual inspection, observations of the landfill cap will be made to assess whether any soil slumping is present, rodent burrows present, growth of any large rooted vegetation, etc. Brush and bushes will be trimmed and the area will be kept clear of debris or trash which might blow onto the site, etc.

The Department has and continues to encourage all Responsible Parties to cut the grass on their landfills once per year after August 15<sup>th</sup>. The reason for this is for habitat objectives.

## ANNUAL INSPECTION

Once each year, the wells will be purged and depths checked. If depth data indicates infilling of sand or sediment to a depth of 25% of the screen length, the wells will be developed in order to remove the sediment. The wells were last developed in October 1998. Sampling and purging will be conducted in accordance with the following schedule:

Year	Activity
2011	Purging, Sampling
2012	Purging
2013	Purging, Sampling
2014	Purging
2015	Purging, Sampling
2016	Purging
2017	Purging, Sampling
2018	Purging
2019	Purging, Sampling
2020	Purging
2021	Purging, Sampling
2022	Purging

The annual inspection will include the following in addition to purging:

1. Inspection of the well noting any unusual conditions.
2. The depth to the water surface from the top of the riser pipe. The total depth of each well will be checked against previous measurements. If infilling is noted, well development will be scheduled.
3. Each well will be purged to remove suspended sediment and biological growth if present.
4. A peristaltic pump or bailer may be used to purge these shallow wells. All tubing or bailers are dedicated to ensure that no cross-contamination occurs.
5. In years ending with odd numbers, sampling will be conducted in accordance with the sampling and analytical plan and schedule above.

## **REPORTING**

All observations and results made during the annual inspections(s) of the landfill and physical integrity/physical parameters of the monitoring points along with the bi-annual chemistry sampling shall be reported to the Department in one annual report (Periodic Review Report) as it pertains for that year.

## **SAFETY**

Personnel performing the sampling will adhere to all safety requirements for contractors and/or visitors of the St. Gobain facility. Personnel performing the sampling or purging will wear suitable field boots and protective gloves and safety glasses or goggles.



# CHAIN OF CUSTODY/LABORATORY ANALYSIS REQUEST FORM 3385

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Project Manager		Report CC														
Company/Address																
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Client Sample ID		DATE									SAMPLING TIME MATRIX					
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY LAB ID																
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4 messages

**Brian Sadowski** <bpsadows@gw.dec.state.ny.us> Tue, Oct 30, 2012 at 11:16 AM  
To: George.o.Davis@saint-gobain.com  
Cc: Kathy.Wager@frontiertechical.com, Michael Hinton <mjhinton@gw.dec.state.ny.us>

Dear Mr. Davis,

The above subject Plan (attached) for your site needs to be updated as it was written on November 17, 1999. At the minimum the following changes shall be made which are under the O&M Plan Landfill Area (addendum to the Sampling Plan).

Site Inspection

"The physical attributes of the site will be inspected quarterly." Change quarterly to annually. This includes the monitoring points.

Physical Condition and Grass Cutting

"During the quarterly inspection....." Change quarterly to annually.

"Grass cutting will be performed as needed, however it is expected that it will be cut at least three times during the growing season (expected in May, July and September) or more frequently if inspection indicates it is necessary".

The Department has and continues to encourage all Responsible Parties to cut their landfills once per year after August 15th. The reason for this is for habitat objectives.

Annual Inspection

"Once each year, the wells will be purged and depths checked. If depth data indicates infilling of sand or sediment to a depth of 25% of the screen length, the wells will be developed in order to remove sediment. The wells were last developed in October 1998. Sampling and purging will be conducted in accordance with the following schedule":

The last year of this schedule was 2010. Continue the schedule in year(s) and relative activity for that year.

All observations and results during the annual inspection(s) of the landfill and physical integrity and physical parameters of the monitoring points along with bi-annual chemistry sampling shall be reported to the Department in one annual report (Periodic Review Report) as it pertains for that year.

As mentioned earlier, these changes are the minimum. Please have your consultant thoroughly review the "Plan(s)" and make changes as needed. Once the changes are made, submit the updated Groundwater Sampling & Analysis Plan, Landfill Area with the O&M Plan to the Department for review.

Should you have questions, please contact me at 716-851-7220 or email at bpsadows@gw.dec.state.ny.us

Regards,

Brian Sadowski



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES INC.**

**GROUNDWATER SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS**

**LANDFILL AREA**

**SAINT GOBAIN ABRASIVES, INC.**

**FTA Report ET-703-711**

**August 5, 2011**

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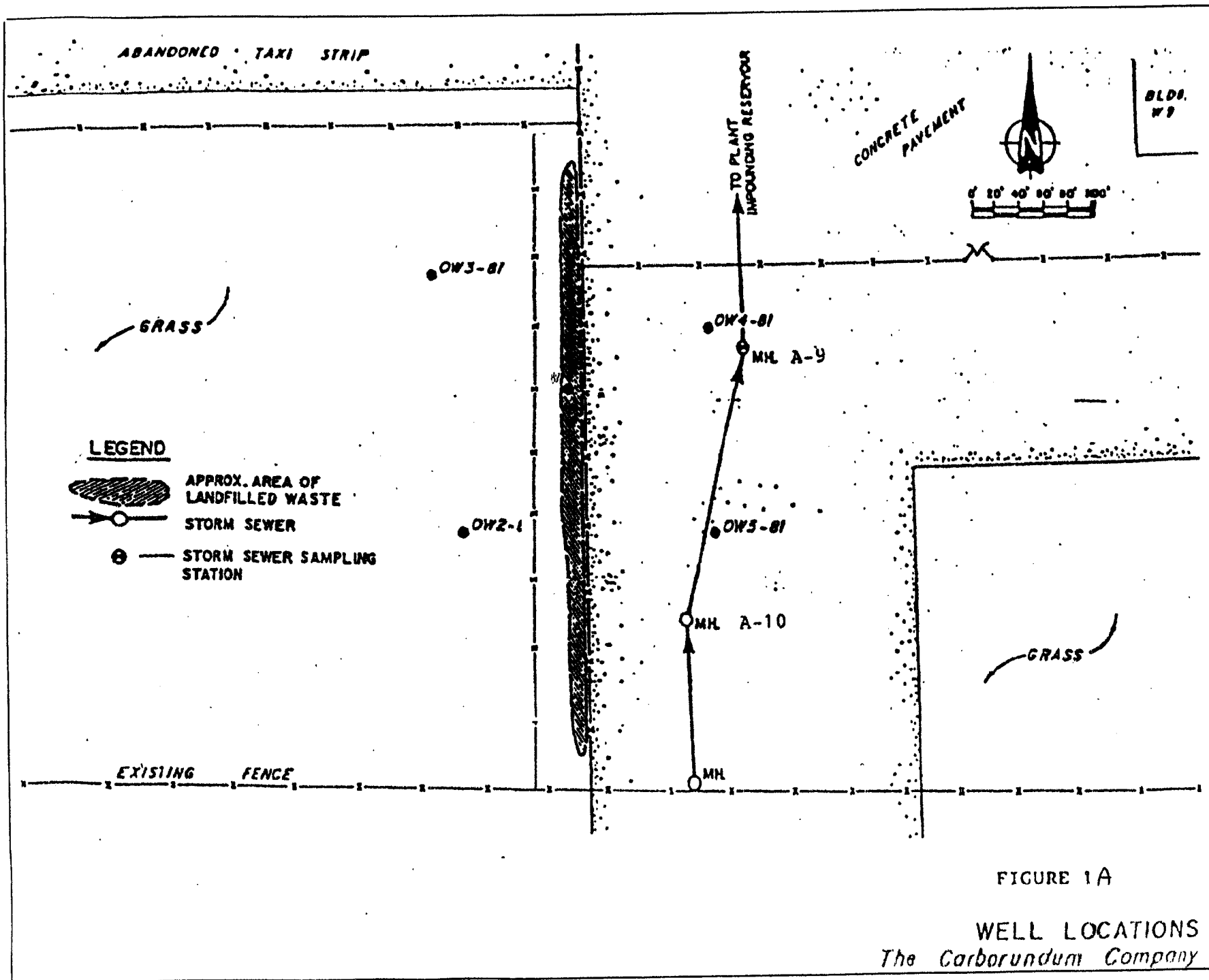
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## INTRODUCTION

In response to the requirements of NYSDEC Region 9, Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc. has completed groundwater sampling and analysis for the landfill area located on the southwest corner of the property in Wheatfield, NY. Figure 1A is *a sketch* of the landfill area showing the location of the monitoring wells which were installed in 1981 and the location of the “A” storm sewer line (West Branch) (see fence installed in 2004). Figure 1 B is an *aerial photo* of the area with the fence installed. Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. completed the monitoring and field analysis and prepared this report for SGA’s submission to the NYSDEC. Previously, FTA had prepared technical reports which described the results of the sampling and analysis for 1991. The NYSDEC subsequently reduced monitoring parameters for 1992. For 1993, the NYSDEC deleted the requirement for analysis of unfiltered groundwater for metals, and for 1994, all metals requirements were deleted and turbidity was added for informational purposes. After the 1997 monitoring episode, SGC requested and received approval to monitor these wells every two years (1999-2009 were subsequently submitted). This report presents the results for the monitoring episode conducted for 2011. FTA has been inspecting the wells quarterly and expects to continue to do so until the next regularly scheduled bi-annual sampling event in 2013.

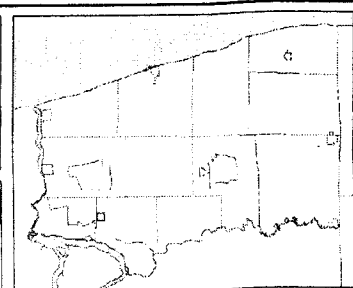
Since 1982, the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basin were sampled for pH and total phenolics (4AAP). In the period 1982-1988 there were no detectable levels of phenolics in monitoring wells OW2-81 through OW5-81. However, in 1989, perhaps as the result of unusual spring and summer precipitation events, low levels of phenolics were detected in the monitoring wells and adjacent catch basins. Again in 1990, low levels of total phenolics were detected. This resulted in the NYSDEC’s desire to obtain additional data for evaluation beginning in 1991. Based upon the 1991 results, Well OW1-81 was decommissioned because it had fallen into disrepair and was no longer functioning to monitor the interior of the landfill. The request was approved by the NYSDEC and implemented on September 27, 1991. The phenolic compound analytical methodology was also changed to the more accurate and specific EPA Method 8270.

This report outlines the approach used to fulfill the NYSDEC requirements for 2011. The effort included sampling of four groundwater monitoring wells and one catch basin. The samples collected were all analyzed for pH, specific conductance, temperature, turbidity and phenolic compounds by EPA Method 8270.





# Figure 1B. SCG Landfill Locations



### Legend

#### Streets and Highways

- Interstate
- Primary State Road
- Secondary State Road
- County Road
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#### Parcels

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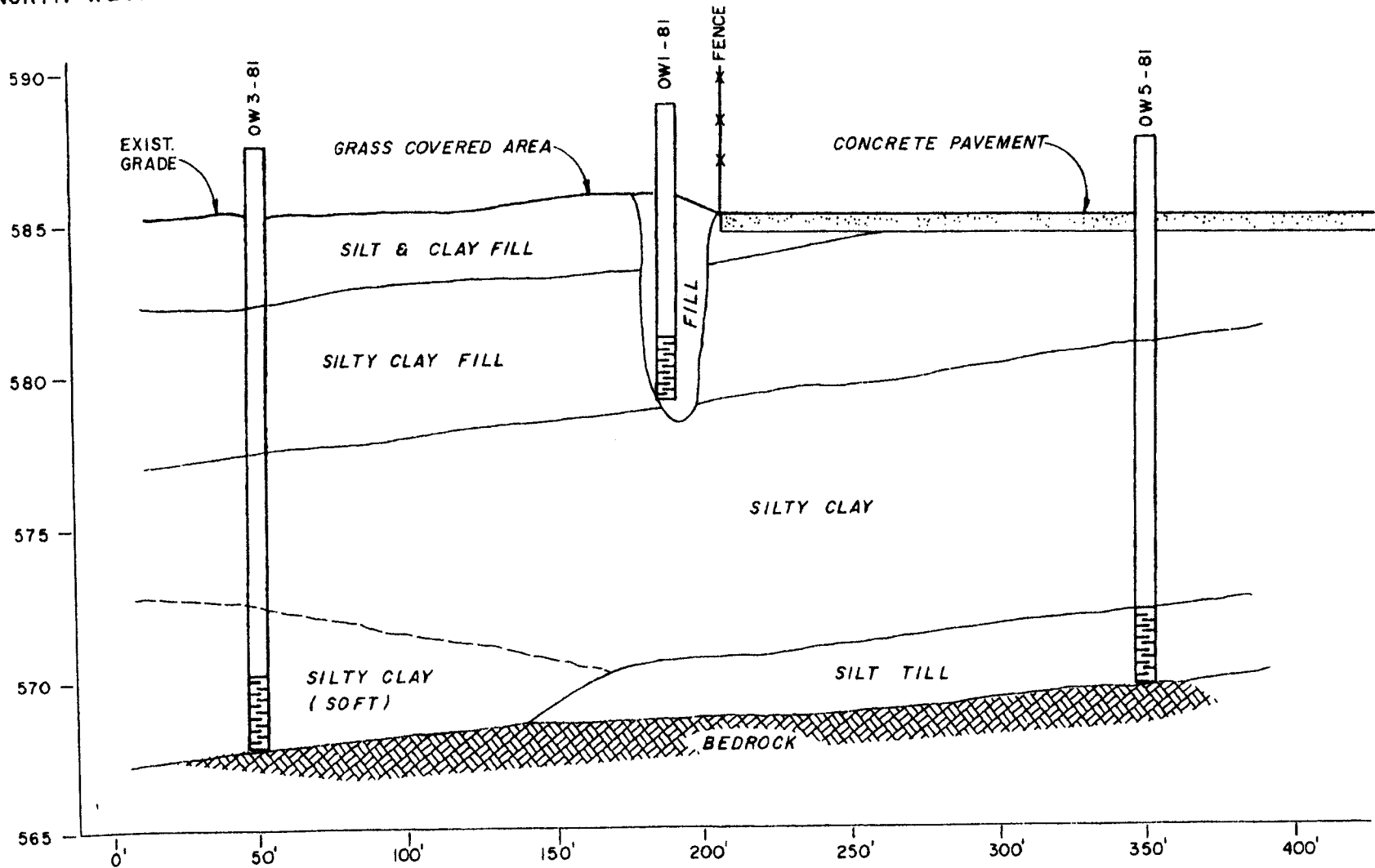
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A  
NORTH WEST

A'  
SOUTH EAST



**Figure 2**

GEOLOGIC CROSS SECTION A - A'  
The Carborundum Company

## **RESULTS OF GROUNDWATER ANALYSIS**

### **Groundwater Elevations**

Groundwater elevations were measured at the arrival at each well and recorded. These data were initially used to determine the required purge volume since the well depths are known. The data are summarized in Table 4 and Figure 3. The data obtained here support the previous observations that, historically, the movement of groundwater is generally from the southwest to the northeast in the landfill vicinity. Typically, well OW2-81 exhibits the highest groundwater elevations from year-to-year compared to the other wells while OW4-81 generally exhibits the lowest elevation. Thus, groundwater generally is moving from southwest to northeast. For this monitoring period, the movement is generally southwest to east-northeast (Figure 3).

### **pH, Turbidity and Specific Conductance**

Analysis for pH and specific conductance were completed within 15 minutes of sampling in the field. Turbidity analyses were completed within EPA-prescribed holding times. The field data sheets documenting the analyses are included in the Appendix. Table 5 summarizes all pH, turbidity, and specific conductance data obtained on the sample date. Field sheets with the measurements are presented in Appendix I. Turbidity values were measured directly or, if necessitated by high values, were performed using dilutions. The pH measurements were within the typical range expected and previously encountered for waters in this area. The specific conductance values for the wells were similar to past data and to other wells drilled to refusal or to the upper few feet of bedrock in this area. These waters are often highly mineralized. The catch basin also yielded values which were characteristic of rain water accumulation.

### **Phenol Compounds**

Table 6 is a summary of the analysis for phenol compounds (Complete data are contained in Appendix II). EPA Method 8270 was used for analysis of these compounds. There were no detectable concentrations of phenol, the primary parameter analyzed, above minimum detection or quantitation limits in all samples analyzed including the duplicate sample obtained at Well OW4-81. Surrogate recovery data indicated acceptable recoveries of spiked compounds.

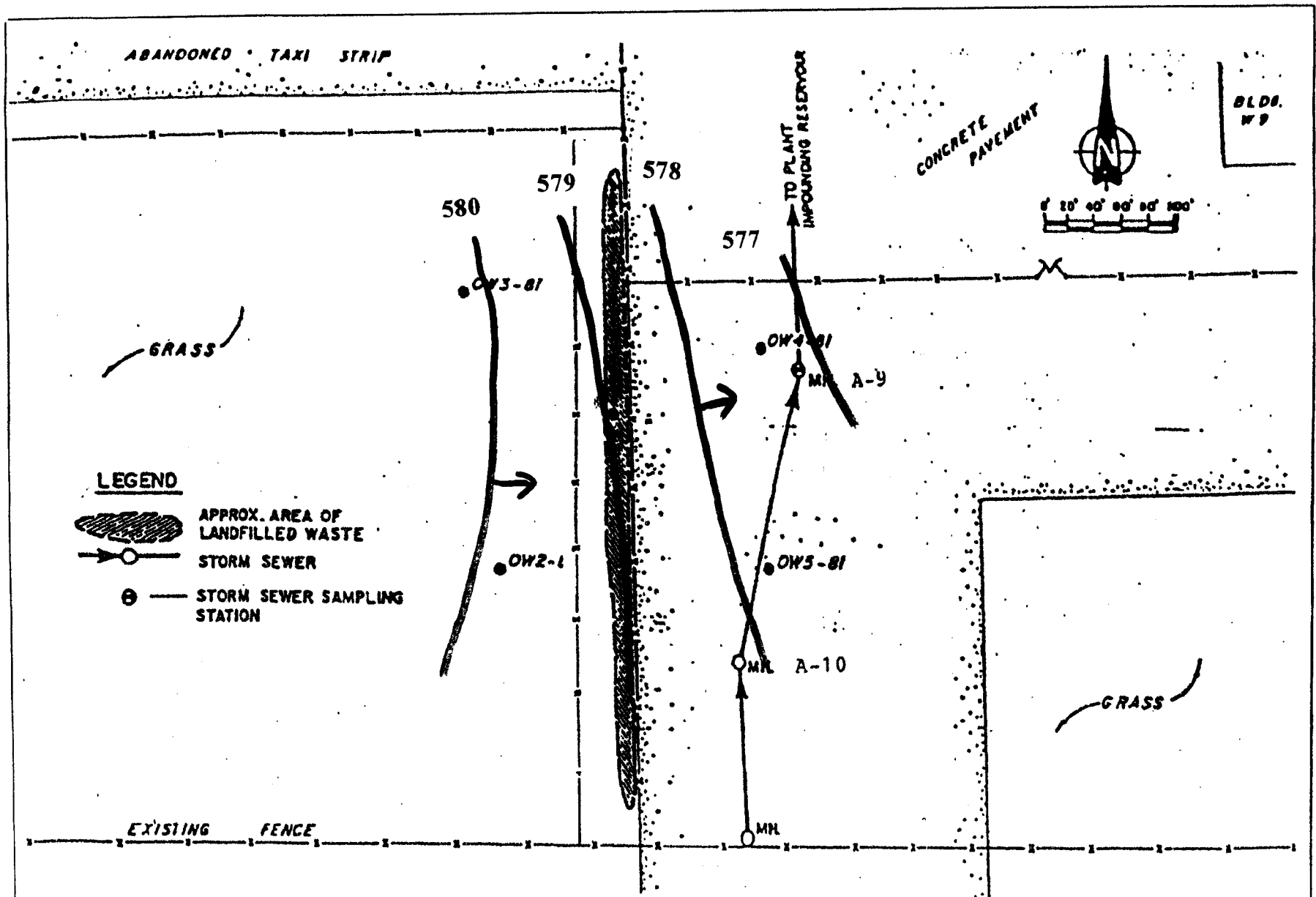


Figure 3. Piezometric Surface—Groundwater Elevation Contours (July 20, 2011).

WELL LOCATIONS  
The Carborundum Company

Field analysis was completed within 15 minutes of sampling. Because of slow recharge for some of the wells, they were purged on July 19, 2011. Field data included pH, temperature, specific conductance and turbidity. These data, as well as well purging reports and groundwater elevation data, are also included in this report.

## **GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY**

The area in the immediate vicinity of the SGA, Inc. plant is underlain by approximately 10-15 feet of clayey to sandy silt, glacial-lacustrine deposits and till. These deposits thicken southward across the site toward the Niagara River. The hydraulic conductivity of these materials is relatively low, perhaps reaching the range of  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-8}$  cm/sec.

The bedrock underlying the site consists of approximately 160 feet of dolomite of the Lockport Formation. The upper zone of the Lockport Formation is generally highly weathered, medium gray dolomite with extensive vertical fractures. It is generally striated on the surface, has extensive partings which are argillaceous or gypsum-coated. Water produced from this upper zone in the Bergholtz area of Wheatfield is generally of very poor quality, with a characteristic odor. The water generally is not suitable for drinking but occasionally is used for watering livestock or agricultural purposes. The Town of Wheatfield has extended its water lines throughout the area and recent information indicates that there are few wells in use throughout the area.

The upper portion of the dolomite sequence consists of 10 to 20 feet of bedrock consisting of thinly bedded dolomite which may produce well yields of 10-20 gpm. Hydraulic conductivities of 0.1 to 0.01 cm/sec may be encountered in this unit. For purposes of this current study, it is not thought that any of the wells penetrate significantly into the bedrock and were either drilled to refusal or into the uppermost few feet of the weathered bedrock. The bedrock surface is generally encountered at elevations between 560 feet to 570 feet MSL and is gently dipping to the south.

The wells monitored in this project were drilled to refusal as indicated in a report by Conestoga-Rovers Associates, who installed the wells in 1981 after placement of a clay cap by Secured Landfill Contractors, Inc. (SLC Contractors). Figure 2 illustrates a typical surficial geologic cross section in the landfill area.

## **SAMPLING OBJECTIVES**

The results of analysis of samples collected and analyzed in accordance with the approval of the NYSDEC are to be used to:

1. Assess the groundwater flow direction and chemistry.
2. Define the nature and extent of pollutant migration, if any.
3. Meet the NYSDEC requirements for data submission.

## **SAMPLING LOCATIONS**

As indicated previously, Figure 1A and 1B illustrate the sample locations. Four wells were sampled together with one catch basin (MH-9 located on the "A" Storm Line). Table 1 presents the sample locations and USEPA analytical methods used for samples from each location. All methods used conformed to the USEPA Methods of Analysis for Water and Wastewater (40 CFR Part 136) or SW-846 (as revised). Table 2 is a summary of the parameters, methods used, preservation methods, and holding times required.

## **SAMPLING EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES**

The procedures outlined here were developed to minimize contamination of water sampling equipment and analyses, minimize concentration changes prior to testing, and standardize procedures to minimize analytical differences.

The procedures below outline the purging, sampling, and preservation methods used during this sampling program in accordance with the approved sampling plan submitted and approved in 1991 and revised in 1999:

1. Inspection of the well noting any unusual conditions (this is also performed quarterly).
2. The water level indicating device and the bottom foot or more of cable was triple rinsed with distilled water.
3. The depth to the water surface from the top of the riser pipe was measured and recorded on the Sample Collection Form. Depth to the bottom of each well was also measured.

**Table 1. Sample Locations and Parameters Analyzed.**

<b>Well Designation</b>	<b>Well Depth (ft)*</b>	<b>Analytical Parameters**</b>
OW2-81	18.20	pH, SC, Phenols (625) Temp., Turbidity
OW3-81	19.66	pH, SC, Phenols (625) Temp., Turbidity
OW4-81	19.38	pH, SC, Phenols (625) Temp., Turbidity
OW5-81	18.23	pH, SC, Phenols (625) Temp., Turbidity
MH A-9	-----	pH, SC, Phenols (625) Temp., Turbidity

\* Based upon measurement by FTA in 1998; rechecked in 2000 and 2003; measured from top of riser pipe.

\*\* Field measurement of pH made within NYELAP guidelines (15 minutes);  
Turbidity measured using a nephelometer in the field.

SC = Specific Conductance

Phenols = Phenol Compounds as measured by EPA Method 8270/625.

Temp. = Temperature

**Table 2. Summary of Parameters, Methods, Preservation Methods and Holding Times.**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>EPA Method</b>	<b>Preservation</b>	<b>Holding Time</b>
pH*	SM 4500 H B	4°C	15 Minutes (Field)
Specific Conductance	120.1	4°C	6 Hours (Field)
Temperature*	SM2550B	---	Immediately (Field)
Turbidity	180.1	4°C	48 Hours
Phenol Compounds	8270	4°C	5 days to extract 21 days to analyze

\* pH, Specific Conductance, and temperature were measured immediately in the field. Temperature measurements were used with cell constant correction to correct specific conductance measurements to 25°C. Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. is a NYELAP-Certified Laboratory (10475).

4. The volume of water in each well was calculated. Each well was purged by removing three times this volume, or if the well yield was low, water was removed until the well was “dry” (within 1-2 inches of the bottom).
5. A peristaltic pump was used to purge these shallow wells. All tubing coming into contact with the well water consisted of food-grade polyethylene tubing dedicated to the well. This dedicated tubing is intended to eliminate cross-contamination between the wells. The tubing was gradually lowered into the well as pumping continued. The volume required, volume obtained, water level before purging, and the start and stop times were also recorded.
6. All purge water was placed in a container specifically used for that well and for measuring purge volume. If the well contained very little volume, this water was reserved for pH, specific conductance and turbidity determination. After a time had elapsed for sufficient recovery, sampling was completed. Based upon results of the analyses performed over the past decade, the water contains no parameters which might be incompatible with the treatment process or SGA’s sanitary sewage permit, and is acceptable to the NCS D #1 and meets their criteria. The water was then disposed of in the sanitary sewer.
7. Because the wells recover slowly, the wells are generally sampled within 24 to 48 hours of purging. Sample size, containers and amount of sample obtained are contained in Table 3. In 2007, it took nine days to recharge to an adequate volume for sampling.
8. Groundwater samples were obtained by dedicated tubing. No equipment was used for more than one well location.
9. Usually, the first sample was taken for analysis of pH, temperature, specific conductance and turbidity. Probes were triple rinsed with distilled water after use. The temperature measurement was used to correct specific conductance to 25°C together with a determination of cell constant compared to a reference standard. A standard reporting form with all field data is provided for each well and sample location (See Appendix).
10. Temperature, specific conductance, turbidity and pH were reported on the form along with the equipment used, weather conditions, field observations, and sampling times.



**Table 3. Sample Containers and Required Sample Volume.**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Sample Volume</b>	<b>No. of Containers</b>
pH, Specific Conductance	1,000 ml	1
Phenols	1,000 ml	1
Turbidity*	25 ml	1

\* Subsample of pH and Specific Conductance sample.

11. Sample container labels were affixed to the sample container and the samples placed in an insulated container where they were kept cool with ice if temperatures were above 4°C.
12. In a similar fashion, samples were obtained for phenolic compounds as required for each sample location. Each sample label was completed including the date, time, location, analysis required, and sampler's initials.
13. All samples were packed in an insulated cooler with sufficient ice to ensure a temperature of 4°C during storage and transport to the laboratory.
15. Analyses were completed within the specified holding times. The laboratory was notified by the sampling team prior to sampling and upon shipping to assist in scheduling analyses to meet all specified holding times.

#### **SAMPLE CUSTODY**

Field sampling data and purging was documented on a Well Monitoring Field Form. The following information was included:

1. Site name (Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.), sample number, etc;
2. Date, time, and elapsed time from purge start to finish;
3. Information regarding the well groundwater level, purge volume required, and actual purge volume;
4. Field test results including pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance;
5. Sampling method used; the materials of construction of special equipment (in margin);
6. Type of sample and information which appears significant;
7. Field observations/sampling conditions (e.g. weather)
8. Appearance of sample such as color, sediment, oil on surface, obvious odor, etc.
9. Sampler's identity and signature.

In order to maintain integrity of the groundwater samples, strict chain-of-custody procedures were followed. From the time the sample was collected until the sample was in the custody of the analytical laboratory, the samples were:

1. In the sampler's possession;
2. In the sampler's view, after being in his possession;
3. In the sampler's possession and then locked in a designated, secure area to prevent tampering; or in a sample cooler sealed with a tamper proof chain-of-custody seal.

A written Chain-of-Custody Record of the transfer of samples was maintained with a copy in the Appendix to this report.

The Chain-of-Custody Record was transported with the sample container at the time the sample was collected. When transferring the possession of the samples, the person making the transfer signed and recorded the date and time on the record. The number of custodians in the chain of possession were as few as possible.

## **SAFETY**

Personnel performing the sampling adhered to all safety requirements for contractors and/or visitors of the facility. Personnel performing the sampling wore suitable personal protective equipment.

## **ANALYTICAL LABORATORIES**

The pH, temperature, turbidity and specific conductance were measured in the field by Ronald B. Blinston of Frontier Technical Associates, Inc., NYELAP # 10475, Kathy Wager, Laboratory Director. The phenol compound analyses (EPA 8270) were performed by Columbia Analytical Services, Inc., NYELAP # 10145. Each laboratory was certified for the parameters for which data were provided.

## **FIELD SAMPLING PERSONNEL**

All field sampling and field measurements were performed by the following:

Ronald B. Blinston

**Table 4. Groundwater Elevations at Saint Gobain Abrasives, Inc.  
(July 19, 2011).**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Well No.</b>	<b>Top of Pipe Elevation</b>	<b>Depth to Water Surface</b>	<b>Groundwater Elevation</b>
07/19/11	OW2-81	588.50	8.52	579.98
07/19/11	OW3-81	587.59	7.43	580.16
07/19/11	OW4-81	587.74	10.62	577.12
07/19/11	OW5-81	587.52	9.57	577.95

**The groundwater elevation data presented above were obtained under my supervision and represent, to the best of my knowledge, accurate measurements for the date listed.**

  
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David M. Harty PE, BCEE

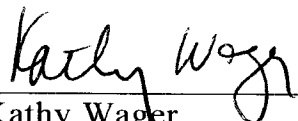
**Table 5. Field Monitoring Data at Saint Gobain Abrasives Inc.  
(July 20, 2011).**

<b>Well No.</b>	<b>pH (SU)</b>	<b>Spec. Conductance (umho/cm)</b>	<b>Turbidity (NTU)</b>
OW2-81	7.84	3852	157
OW3-81	6.92	3160	1064
OW4-81	11.2	2360	47.0
OW5-81	6.13	5632	over range
MH A-9	8.10	622	2.11

**Notes:**

1. pH, specific conductance and turbidity analyses performed by Ronald B. Blinston immediately upon sampling.

( ) = pH, Specific Conductance, and Turbidity represent an average of four readings each..

  
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Kathy Wager  
Laboratory Director  
NYELAP # 10475

**Table 6. Results for Phenol Compound Analysis at SGA, Inc.  
(EPA Method 8270).**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Concentration (mg/l) All Phenol Compounds*</u>
OW2-81	ND
OW3-81	ND
OW4-81	ND
OW4-81(Dupl)	ND
OW5-81	ND
MH A-9	ND
Method Blank	ND

ND = None of the 14 phenolic compounds detected by this method were present above laboratory quantitation levels for each sample (See Analytical Report).

MS/MSD Recovery: All acceptable and nearly identical.  
(See Analytical Rept. Pg. 11)

Method Blank: ND for all compounds (See Analytical Report Pg. 10).

MRL = Minimum Reporting Level

MDL = Minimum Detection Level

Note: Values detected above the MDL but below the MRL are reported as "J" concentrations. There were no phenol compounds detected in this range.

The data are consistent with the data collected over the last 21+ years, and there is no reason to believe with the low detection limits reported here, that phenol compounds are migrating from the landfill.

The recoveries of spiked surrogate compounds in the set of samples analyzed from the site were very similar. Duplicate analysis performed on OW4-81 indicated consistent results with the separate sample. Blank spike recoveries were also within QC limits and indicated agreement with surrogate recoveries. The monitoring wells appear to have a dark, biological particulate material. These waters when stored in the laboratory support rapid biological growth. The method blank also had no detectable phenol.

Based upon analysis of phenol compounds and use of the previous method (4AAP), it is believed that EPA Method 8270, which is not subject to the same interferences of the former method, accurately reflects the concentrations of the phenolic compounds of concern. It should be noted that historically only "phenol" resins were used in the resins and materials disposed in the landfill. The other compounds, particularly chlorinated phenols, were not used and have never been detected. Other substances present in groundwater including biological materials may produce false positive detections by the 4AAP test as seen in previous analysis by both methods at this site. Colorimetric methods such as the 4AAP method are subject to many interferences, and thus are not recommended nor used for monitoring at this site.

### **Quality Assurance/Quality Control**

As part of the QA/QC activities associated with the 2011 sampling episode, a field duplicate was obtained at Well OW4-81, surrogate recoveries were reported, and a method blank was analyzed for this batch. A matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate was performed on laboratory control sample water. Analysis for all these samples was by EPA Method 8270. pH, Temperature, specific conductance and turbidity were run in quadruplicate and the average value of the measurements was reported. However, there was little to no little variation noted in the data.

Appendix II, Analytical Data, presents the results of the analyses performed by the laboratory including the field duplicate, surrogate recoveries, method blank, etc. Duplicate samples were taken at Well OW4-81 with identical results.

## SUMMARY

The well and catch basin samples obtained during this sampling program did not exhibit levels above the quantitation limits of any of the phenol compounds as measured by EPA Method 8270 (see Appendix—Lab Report).

The four wells surrounding the former landfill did not contain detectable levels of phenol or any of the phenol compounds analyzed. Method blank, matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate results were within EPA acceptance criteria. The results are identical to monitoring data for 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2009. MH 9 also did not exhibit detectable levels of phenol compounds. Based upon these data, together with the last six monitoring episodes covering eleven years, we conclude that the containment of the landfilled phenolic materials in the low permeability, silty-clay subsoil must be effective. The cap appears to be functioning as designed and shows no evidence of settling or dessication cracking. There is no significant vegetation present with long tap roots. Continued grass cutting has kept vegetation under control.

New concrete pads installed ten years ago (1999) at Wells OW2-81 and OW3-81 by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. have remained intact. The riser for Well OW4-81 was replaced and repaired in 2004 due to a vehicle collision. Some cracking may be present in the well pads. Quarterly inspections of the landfill area continue under the supervision of Saint Gobain Abrasives Co. and are conducted by Frontier Technical Associates, Inc. Copies of the quarterly inspection reports have been provided to Mr. Michael Hinton, P.E., of the NYSDEC.

Groundwater associated with the Lockport Dolomite is highly mineralized as evidenced by the specific conductance values measured which indicates the concentration of dissolved solids present. This is consistent with previous data from this site and data available for wells in the immediate vicinity.

As a result of evaluation of the data recovered, the following is concluded:

1. Sampling of the four existing monitoring wells in 2011 and quantification of the phenolic compounds again showed no detectable levels of any of the compounds above detectable or quantitation limits.



2. Groundwater data indicate no migration of materials from the former landfill. This confirms after 28 years of monitoring that the containment and cap is effective.
3. Any future monitoring for phenols should continue to use EPA Method 625/8270.
4. There are no data developed within the past several years that would indicate a need to alter the current monitoring frequency (every two years).
5. pH measurements during this episode indicate elevated pH values at Well OW4-81. Repair and replacement of the riser for this well was completed during the Fall of 2004. It is believed that the bentonite-cement grout and water migrating along the casing contributed to the rise in pH at this location.

## **APPENDIX**

### **Groundwater Elevation Summary**

### **Well Purging Reports, Field Forms and Notes**

### **Laboratory Report and Chain of Custody Forms**



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: SG ABRASIVES LANDFILL Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-2-81 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 18.20 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 8.52 ft.

4" well = 0.66 gals/ft.

Depth of Water Column: 9.68 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.65 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 12:20

End of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 12:25

Total Volume Purge: 1.5 gallons Well Purged Dry?: Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid Slow Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/29/11 Sample Time: 12:11 Depth to Water Surface 19.65 ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID

Samples Preserved Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Oakton 300	STD. UNITS	7.89, 7.85, 7.81, 7.79	
Spec. Conductance	Hach 44600-00	$\times 1000$ $\mu$ MHOS/CM	3.84, 3.85, 3.84, 3.86	
Temperature	Hach 44600-00	C	21.6, 21.4, 21.2, 21.2	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	44 <sup>kw</sup> , 116, 157, 157, 153	
REDOX	Oakton ORPTestr	mV	-78, -67, -61, 56	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: SG ABRASIVES LANDFILL Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-3-81 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 19.66 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 7.43 ft.

4" well = 0.66 gals/ft.

Depth of Water Column: 12.23 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 2.1 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 12:33

End of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 12:38

Total Volume Purge: 1.9 gallons Well Purged Dry? Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/20/11 Sample Time: 12:21 Depth to Water Surface 5.7 ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Oakton 300	STD. UNITS	7.02, 6.94,	6.90, 6.84
Spec. Conductance	Hach 44600-00	<sup>x1000</sup> µMHOS/CM	3.14, 3.16,	3.17, 3.17
Temperature	Hach 44600-00	C	19, 19, 19,	19
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	289, 283,	261, 231
REDOX	Oakton ORPTestr	mV	-39, -34, -32	-31

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: SG ABRASIVES LANDFILL Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-4-81 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 19.38 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 10.62 ft.

4" well = 0.66 gals/ft.

Depth of Water Column: 8.76 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.5 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 11:10

End of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 11:20

Total Volume Purge: 1.4 gallons Well Purged Dry?: Yes No

8.29 # of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/20/11 Sample Time: 11:30 Depth to Water Surface 16.92 ft.

Sample Appearance: SLIGHTLY TURBID

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Oakton 300	STD. UNITS	11.24, 11.24, 11.24, 11.21	
Spec. Conductance	Hach 44600-00	<sup>X1000</sup> µMHOS/CM	2.35, 2.36, 2.36, 2.37	
Temperature	Hach 44600-00	C	20, 19, 19, 19	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	47.5, 47.5, 45.8, 44.6	
REDOX	Oakton ORPTestr	mV	-10, -8, -6, -4	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: DUP.



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: SG ABRASIVES LAND FILL Job No: ET- 703

Sample Point ID: OW-5-81 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: 18.23 ft.

2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: 9.57 ft.

4" well = 0.66 gals/ft.

Depth of Water Column: 8.66 ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: 1.5 gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 11:29

End of Purge: Date: 7/19/11 Time: 11:34

Total Volume Purge: 1.5 gallons Well Purged Dry? Yes No

# of Volumes Purged 1 Purging Personnel: RON BLINSTON

Recharge Rate: Rapid, Slow, Extremely Slow

**SAMPLING INFORMATION** Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump Bladder Pump

Sample Date: 7/19/11 Sample Time: 10:55 Depth to Water Surface DRY ft.

Sample Appearance: TURBID BLACK

Samples Preserved: Yes No Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes No

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes No

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Oakton 300	STD. UNITS	<u>6.13(6.13)(6.13)(6.13)</u>	
Spec. Conductance	Hach 44600-00	$\times 1000$ $\mu$ MHOS/CM	<u>5.64(5.63)</u>	<u>5.62, 5.64</u>
Temperature	Hach 44600-00	C	<u>22.00 22,</u>	<u>22, 22</u>
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	<u>OR, OR,</u>	<u>OR, OR</u>
REDOX	Oakton ORPTestr	mV	<u>-7, -9,</u>	<u>10, -19</u>

Weather: SUNNY, 80 - F

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



**FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**WELL MONITORING FIELD FORM**

Site Location: SG ABRASIVES LANDFILL Job No: ET-\_\_\_\_\_

Sample Point ID: M14-A-9 Consultant: Frontier Technical Associates, Inc.

**PURGE INFORMATION**

Purge Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump

Depth to Bottom of Well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. 2" Well = 0.17 gals/ft.

Depth to Water Surface: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. 4" well = 0.66 gals/ft.

Depth of Water Column: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Volume of Standing Water in Well: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons

Start of Purge: Date: 1/1 Time: \_\_\_\_\_

End of Purge: Date: 1/1 Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Volume Purge: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons Well Purged Dry?: Yes ~~No~~

# of Volumes Purged \_\_\_\_\_ Purging Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Recharge Rate: Rapid, ~~Slow~~, ~~Extremely Slow~~

**SAMPLING INFORMATION**

Sample Method: Bailer, Peristaltic Pump, ~~Bladder Pump~~

Sample Date: 7/29/11 Sample Time: 11:10 Depth to Water Surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Sample Appearance: CLEAR

Samples Preserved Yes ~~No~~ Dissolved Metals Field Filtered: Yes ~~No~~

Sampling Personnel: RON BLINSTON

**FIELD MEASUREMENTS**

Meters Calibrated Yes ~~No~~

PARAMETER	METER NUMBER	UNITS	MEASUREMENT	NOTES
pH	Oakton 300	STD. UNITS	8.10, 8.11, 8.11, 8.09	
Spec. Conductance	Hach 44600-00	<sup>x1000</sup> µMHOS/CM	0.63, 0.62, 0.62, 0.62	
Temperature	Hach 44600-00	C	26, 26, 26, <del>26</del> 26	
Turbidity	Hach 2100P	NTU	2.20, 2.10, 2.06, 2.09	
REDOX	Oakton ORPTestr	mV	-77, -62, -47, -38	

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

July 29, 2011

Service Request No: R1104088

Ms. Kathy Wager  
Frontier Technical Associates  
9120 Main Street  
Clarence, NY 14031

**Laboratory Results for: Plant C Landfill/ET-703**

Dear Ms. Wager:

Enclosed are the results of the sample(s) submitted to our laboratory on July 21, 2011. For your reference, these analyses have been assigned our service request number **R1104088**.

All analyses were performed according to our laboratory's quality assurance program. The test results meet requirements of the NELAP standards except as noted in the case narrative report. All results are intended to be considered in their entirety, and Columbia Analytical Services, Inc. (CAS) is not responsible for use of less than the complete report. Results apply only to the items submitted to the laboratory for analysis and individual items (samples) analyzed, as listed in the report. The measurement uncertainty of the results included in this report is within that expected when using the prescribed method(s) for analysis of these samples, and represented by Laboratory Control Sample control limits. Any events, such as QC failures, which may add to the uncertainty are explained in the report narrative.

Please contact me if you have any questions. My extension is 7473. You may also contact me via email at [DPatton@caslab.com](mailto:DPatton@caslab.com).

Respectfully submitted,

**Columbia Analytical Services, Inc.**



Deb Patton  
Project Manager



## CASE NARRATIVE

This report contains analytical results for the following samples:  
Service Request Number: R1104088

<u>Lab ID</u>	<u>Client ID</u>
R1104088-001	OW-2
R1104088-002	OW-3
R1104088-003	OW-4
R1104088-004	OW-5
R1104088-005	DUP
R1104088-006	MH-A-9

All samples were received in good condition unless otherwise noted on the cooler receipt and preservation check form located at the end of this report.

All samples were preserved in accordance with approved analytical methods.

All samples have been analyzed by the approved methods cited on the analytical results pages.

All holding times and associated QC were within limits.

No analytical or QC problems were encountered.

All sampling activities performed by CAS personnel have been in accordance with "CAS Field Procedures and Measurements Manual" or by client specifications.

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## REPORT QUALIFIERS

- U Analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample quantitation limit has been corrected for dilution and for percent moisture, unless otherwise noted in the case narrative.
- J Estimated value due to either being a Tentatively Identified Compound (TIC) or that the concentration is between the MRL and the MDL. Concentrations are not verified within the linear range of the calibration. For DoD: concentration >40% difference between two GC columns (pesticides/Aroclors).
- B Analyte was also detected in the associated method blank at a concentration that may have contributed to the sample result.
- E Inorganics- Concentration is estimated due to the serial dilution was outside control limits.
- E Organics- Concentration has exceeded the calibration range for that specific analysis.
- D Concentration is a result of a dilution, typically a secondary analysis of the sample due to exceeding the calibration range or that a surrogate has been diluted out of the sample and cannot be assessed.
- \* Indicates that a quality control parameter has exceeded laboratory limits. Under the "Notes" column of the Form I, this qualifier denotes analysis was performed out of Holding Time.
- H Analysis was performed out of hold time for tests that have an "immediate" hold time criteria.
- # Spike was diluted out.
- + Correlation coefficient for MSA is <0.995.
- N Inorganics- Matrix spike recovery was outside laboratory limits.
- N Organics- Presumptive evidence of a compound (reported as a TIC) based on the MS library search.
- S Concentration has been determined using Method of Standard Additions (MSA).
- W Post-Digestion Spike recovery is outside control limits and the sample absorbance is <50% of the spike absorbance.
- P Concentration >40% (25% for CLP) difference between the two GC columns.
- C Confirmed by GC/MS
- Q DoD reports: indicates a pesticide/Aroclor is not confirmed (≥100% Difference between two GC columns).
- X See Case Narrative for discussion.



### CAS/Rochester Lab ID # for State Certifications<sup>1</sup>

NELAP Accredited	Nebraska Accredited
Connecticut ID # PH0556	Nevada ID # NY-00032
Delaware Accredited	New Jersey ID # NY004
DoD ELAP #65817	New York ID # 10145
Florida ID # E87674	New Hampshire ID # 294100 A/B
Illinois ID #200047	Pennsylvania ID# 68-786
Maine ID #NY0032	Rhode Island ID # 158

<sup>1</sup> Analyses were performed according to our laboratory's NELAP-approved quality assurance program and any applicable state requirements. The test results meet requirements of the current NELAP standards or state requirements, where applicable, except as noted in the laboratory case narrative provided. For a specific list of accredited analytes, refer to the certifications section at [www.caslab.com](http://www.caslab.com).

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

Analytical Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water  
**Sample Name:** OW-2  
**Lab Code:** R1104088-001

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** 7/20/11 12:11  
**Date Received:** 7/21/11  
**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Analysis Lot:** 255089  
**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Result	Q	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Extraction Lot	Analysis Lot	Note
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2-Chlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2-Methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
2-Nitrophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
4-Nitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	
Phenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 13:22	138283	255089	

Surrogate Name	%Rec	Control Limits	Date Analyzed	Q
2,4,6-Tribromophenol	84	28-157	7/27/11 13:22	
2-Fluorophenol	44	10-105	7/27/11 13:22	
Phenol-d6	33	10-107	7/27/11 13:22	

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

Analytical Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water  
**Sample Name:** OW-3  
**Lab Code:** R1104088-002

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** 7/20/11 1221  
**Date Received:** 7/21/11  
**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Analysis Lot:** 255089  
**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Result	Q	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Extraction Lot	Analysis Lot	Note
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2-Chlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2-Methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
2-Nitrophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
4-Nitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	
Phenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 14:02	138283	255089	

Surrogate Name	%Rec	Control Limits	Date Analyzed	Q
2,4,6-Tribromophenol	81	28-157	7/27/11 14:02	
2-Fluorophenol	39	10-105	7/27/11 14:02	
Phenol-d6	25	10-107	7/27/11 14:02	

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

Analytical Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water  
**Sample Name:** OW-5  
**Lab Code:** R1104088-004

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** 7/20/11 1055  
**Date Received:** 7/21/11  
**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Analysis Lot:** 255089  
**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Result	Q	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Extraction Lot	Analysis Lot	Note
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2-Chlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2-Methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
2-Nitrophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
4-Nitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	
Phenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 16:42	138283	255089	

Surrogate Name	%Rec	Control Limits	Date Analyzed	Q
2,4,6-Tribromophenol	81	28-157	7/27/11 16:42	
2-Fluorophenol	43	10-105	7/27/11 16:42	
Phenol-d6	28	10-107	7/27/11 16:42	

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

Analytical Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water  
**Sample Name:** MH-A-9  
**Lab Code:** R1104088-006

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** 7/20/11 1110  
**Date Received:** 7/21/11  
**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Analysis Lot:** 255089  
**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Result	Q	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Extraction Lot	Analysis Lot	Note
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2-Chlorophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2-Methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
2-Nitrophenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
4-Nitrophenol	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	U	47	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	
Phenol	ND	U	9.4	1	7/25/11	7/27/11 18:01	138283	255089	

Surrogate Name	%Rec	Control Limits	Date Analyzed	Q
2,4,6-Tribromophenol	74	28-157	7/27/11 18:01	
2-Fluorophenol	38	10-105	7/27/11 18:01	
Phenol-d6	24	10-107	7/27/11 18:01	

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

Analytical Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water  
**Sample Name:** Method Blank  
**Lab Code:** RQ1107035-01

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** NA  
**Date Received:** NA

**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Analysis Lot:** 254991  
**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Result	Q	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Extraction Lot	Analysis Lot	Note
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	U	50	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2-Chlorophenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2-Methylphenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
2-Nitrophenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	U	50	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
4-Nitrophenol	ND	U	50	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	U	50	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	
Phenol	ND	U	10	1	7/25/11	7/26/11 18:22	138283	254991	

Surrogate Name	%Rec	Control Limits	Date Analyzed	Q
2,4,6-Tribromophenol	89	28-157	7/26/11 18:22	
2-Fluorophenol	47	10-105	7/26/11 18:22	
Phenol-d6	29	10-107	7/26/11 18:22	

**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

QA/QC Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Collected:** 7/20/11  
**Date Received:** 7/21/11  
**Date Analyzed:** 7/27/11

**Matrix Spike Summary**  
**Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Sample Name:** OW-4  
**Lab Code:** R1104088-003

**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

Analyte Name	Sample Result	OW-4MS Matrix Spike RQ1107035-04			OW-4DMS Duplicate Matrix Spike RQ1107035-05			% Rec Limits	RPD	RPD Limit
		Result	Spike Amount	% Rec	Result	Spike Amount	% Rec			
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	ND	76.7	94.3	81	84.7	94.3	90	62 - 117	10	30
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	ND	76.6	94.3	81	85.2	94.3	90	62 - 115	11	30
2,4-Dichlorophenol	ND	72.8	94.3	77	78.1	94.3	83	62 - 109	7	30
2,4-Dimethylphenol	ND	67.6	94.3	72	74.6	94.3	79	36 - 106	10	30
2,4-Dinitrophenol	ND	58.9	94.3	62	74.1	94.3	79	55 - 153	23	30
2-Chlorophenol	ND	66.9	94.3	71	69.3	94.3	73	37 - 112	4	30
2-Methylphenol	ND	64.1	94.3	68	67.1	94.3	71	51 - 95	5	30
2-Nitrophenol	ND	73.9	94.3	78	79.9	94.3	85	60 - 113	8	30
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	ND	120	189	64	126	189	67	49 - 89	5	30
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	ND	71.3	94.3	76	84.1	94.3	89	60 - 135	16	30
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	ND	77.3	94.3	82	83.7	94.3	89	22 - 136	8	30
4-Nitrophenol	ND	32.9	94.3	35	39.9	94.3	42	23 - 67	19	30
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ND	70.7	94.3	75	86.8	94.3	92	64 - 147	20	30
Phenol	ND	31.9	94.3	34	33.0	94.3	35	20 - 52	3	30

Results flagged with an asterisk (\*) indicate values outside control criteria.

Results flagged with a pound (#) indicate the control criteria is not applicable.

Percent recoveries and relative percent differences (RPD) are determined by the software using values in the calculation which have not been rounded.



**COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.**

QA/QC Report

**Client:** Frontier Technical Associates  
**Project:** Plant C Landfill/ET-703  
**Sample Matrix:** Water

**Service Request:** R1104088  
**Date Analyzed:** 7/26/11

**Lab Control Sample Summary  
 Semivolatile Organic Compounds by GC/MS**

**Analytical Method:** 8270D  
**Prep Method:** EPA 3510C

**Units:** µg/L  
**Basis:** NA

**Extraction Lot:** 138283

Analyte Name	Lab Control Sample RQ1107035-02			Duplicate Lab Control Sample RQ1107035-03			% Rec Limits	RPD	RPD Limit
	Result	Spike Amount	% Rec	Result	Spike Amount	% Rec			
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	97.0	100	97	100	100	100	62 - 117	3	30
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	97.9	100	98	99.0	100	99	62 - 115	1	30
2,4-Dichlorophenol	91.4	100	91	90.4	100	90	62 - 109	1	30
2,4-Dimethylphenol	89.5	100	90	86.9	100	87	28 - 100	3	30
2,4-Dinitrophenol	92.5	100	93	94.6	100	95	40 - 156	2	30
2-Chlorophenol	83.5	100	83	82.4	100	82	42 - 112	1	30
2-Methylphenol	77.8	100	78	78.9	100	79	51 - 95	1	30
2-Nitrophenol	93.5	100	93	93.5	100	94	60 - 113	<1	30
3- and 4-Methylphenol Coelution	150	200	75	150	200	75	49 - 89	<1	30
4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol	99.3	100	99	98.3	100	98	65 - 141	1	30
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	97.9	100	98	96.7	100	97	42 - 124	1	30
4-Nitrophenol	43.0	100	43	44.6	100	45	10 - 126	4	30
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	102	100	102	103	100	103	56 - 146	<1	30
Phenol	39.8	100	40	40.1	100	40	10 - 113	<1	30

Results flagged with an asterisk (\*) indicate values outside control criteria.


Percent recoveries and relative percent differences (RPD) are determined by the software using values in the calculation which have not been rounded.

Project Name <b>PLANT-C LANDFILL</b>		Project Number <b>ET-703</b>		ANALYSIS REQUESTED (Include Method Number and Container Preservative)																	
Project Manager <b>KATHY WAGER</b>		Report CC		PRESERVATIVE																	
Company Address <b>FRONTIER TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, INC. 9120 MAIN ST CLARENCE, NY 14031</b>				NUMBER OF CONTAINERS	GC/MS VOAs □ 8260 □ 624 □ CLP	GC/MS SVOAs □ 8270 □ 625 □ CLP	GC VOAs □ 8021 □ 601/602	PESTICIDES □ 8081 □ 608 □ CLP	PCBs □ 8082 □ 608 □ CLP	METALS, TOTAL (List in comments below)	METALS, DISSOLVED (List in comments below)	PHENOLS BY EPA 8270	8	Preservative Key 0. NONE 1. HCL 2. HNO <sub>3</sub> 3. H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> 4. NaOH 5. Zn. Acetate 6. MeOH 7. NaHSO <sub>4</sub> 8. Other <u>hac</u>							
Phone <b>(716) 634-2293</b>		FAX#												REMARKS/ ALTERNATE DESCRIPTION							
Sampler's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>		Sampler's Printed Name <b>RON BLINSON</b>																			

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/COMMENTS Metals <b>(ALL PITENOL COMPOUNDS) PHENOLS BY EPA 8270 BATCH QAQC</b>				TURNAROUND REQUIREMENTS RUSH (SURCHARGES APPLY) 24 hr 48 hr 5 day <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STANDARD				REPORT REQUIREMENTS I. Results Only II. Results + QC Summaries (LCS, DUP, MS/MSD as required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> III. Results + QC and Calibration Summaries IV. Data Validation Report with Raw Data V. Specialized Forms / Custom Report				INVOICE INFORMATION PO# BILL TO: <b>QUOTE 4548</b>			
See QAPP <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SEE DEB PATTON</b>				REQUESTED FAX DATE <b>ASAP</b>				REQUESTED REPORT DATE				Edata <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>			

SAMPLE RECEIPT: CONDITION/COOLER TEMP: _____ CUSTODY SEALS: Y N				RECEIVED BY				RECEIVED BY				RECEIVED BY			
RELINQUISHED BY				RECEIVED BY				RELINQUISHED BY				RECEIVED BY			
Signature <i>[Signature]</i>				Signature <i>[Signature]</i>				Signature <i>[Signature]</i>				Signature <i>[Signature]</i>			
Printed Name <b>RON BLINSON</b>				Printed Name <b>DEB PATTON</b>				Printed Name <b>RON BLINSON</b>				Printed Name <b>DEB PATTON</b>			
Firm <b>FTA</b>				Firm <b>FTA</b>				Firm <b>CAS</b>				Firm <b>CAS</b>			
Date/Time <b>7-21-11 12:45</b>				Date/Time <b>7-21-11 12:45</b>				Date/Time <b>7-21-11 14:55</b>				Date/Time <b>7-21-11 14:55</b>			

**R1104088**  
Frontier Technical Associates  
Plant C Landfill



**Cooler Receipt And Preservation Check Form**

Project/Client FTA Folder Number R11-4088

Cooler received on 7/21/11 by: DP COURIER: ~~CAS~~ UPS FEDEX VELOCITY CLIENT

1. Were custody seals on outside of cooler? YES ~~NO~~
2. Were custody papers properly filled out (ink, signed, etc.)? ~~YES~~ NO
3. Did all bottles arrive in good condition (unbroken)? ~~YES~~ NO
4. Did VOA vials, Alkalinity, or Sulfide have significant\* air bubbles? YES NO ~~N/A~~
5. Were ~~Ice~~ or Ice packs present? ~~YES~~ NO
6. Where did the bottles originate? ~~CAS/ROC~~, CLIENT
7. Temperature of cooler(s) upon receipt: 2.0° 3.5°

Is the temperature within 0° - 6° C?: Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

If No, Explain Below No No No No No

Date/Time Temperatures Taken: 7/21/11/1502

Thermometer ID: IR GUN#3 / IR ~~GLIN#4~~ Reading From: Temp Blank / ~~Sample Bottle~~

If out of Temperature, note packing/ice condition, Client Approval to Run Samples: \_\_\_\_\_

PC Secondary Review: DP

Cooler Breakdown: Date: 7/21/11 Time: 1635 by: BD

1. Were all bottle labels complete (i.e. analysis, preservation, etc.)? ~~YES~~ NO
2. Did all bottle labels and tags agree with custody papers? ~~YES~~ NO
3. Were correct containers used for the tests indicated? ~~YES~~ NO
4. Air Samples: Cassettes / Tubes Intact Canisters Pressurized Tedlar® Bags Inflated ~~N/A~~

Explain any discrepancies: \_\_\_\_\_

pH	Reagent	YES NO		Lot Received	Exp	Sample ID	Vol. Added	Lot Added	Final pH
		YES	NO						
≥12	NaOH								
≤2	HNO <sub>3</sub>								
≤2	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>								
Residual Chlorine (-)	For TCN and Phenol			If present, contact PM to add ascorbic acid					
	Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	-	-						
	Zn Aceta	-	-						
	HCl	*	*						

Yes = All samples OK  
No = Samples were preserved at lab as listed  
PM OK to Adjust:

\*Not to be tested before analysis - pH tested and recorded by VOAs or GenChem on a separate worksheet

Bottle lot numbers: 050911-1S, 090610-1JJ

Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary Review: DP

\*significant air bubbles: VOA > 5-6 mm ; WC > 1 in. diameter