

August 17, 2007

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Re:

Indoor Air Sampling Plan
Club East - BCP Site # C231048

Index # A2-0531-1105

421-433 East 13<sup>th</sup> St. & 420 East 14<sup>th</sup> St.

New York, New York

Dear Mr. MacCabe:

As per your request, CA Rich Consultants, Inc. is pleased to provide you with the attached Indoor Air Sampling Plan for the above-referenced project. The Plan has been prepared on behalf of the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Street Realty, LLC. and is intended to provide further detail regarding the indoor air sampling activities outlined in the Remedial Action Plan. It also includes details regarding the design and operation of the new building's HVAC system and a complete set of mechanical drawings for the new building. A complete electronic copy of this Indoor Air Sampling Plan is also included for your convenience. This report deliverable is being submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement executed November 15, 2005.

Upon your approval, we will commence with the specified testing as soon as the installation of the exterior windows is complete and the HVAC system is operational. We will notify NYSDEC and NYSDOH 5 business days in advance of any testing to arrange for regulatory oversight. We look forward to NYSDEC's approval of the Remedial Action Plan and Indoor Air Sampling Plan.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us, immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dawn Hettrick - NYSDOH (Hard copy and PDF Format)

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Attachments



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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The following Indoor Air Sampling Plan was prepared by CA Rich Consultants, Inc. (CA RICH) of Plainview, NY on behalf of the redeveloper 13<sup>TH</sup> & 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET REALTY, LLC for the property located at 421-433 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street & 420 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street (the "Site" or "Property") in Manhattan.

The purpose of this document is to provide further details regarding the timing and procedures pertaining to the indoor air sampling activities outlined in the Remedial Action Plan dated July 11, 2007. In addition, as requested by NYSDOH, we have included details regarding the design and operational status of the new building's HVAC System. The contaminants of concern are tetrachloroethene (also known as perchloroethylene or PCE, a common dry cleaning solvent) and PCE degradation byproducts (trichloroethene, dichloroethene, and vinyl chloride). All previous groundwater, soil and soil vapor sampling locations and analytical results have been summarized in the February 15, 2007 Revised Remedial Investigation Report.

#### 2.0 PHYSICAL SITE CHARACTERISTICS

The Site is located at 421-433 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street and 420 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street and is situated along and between the north side of East 13<sup>th</sup> Street and the south side of East 14<sup>th</sup> Street midway between First Avenue to the west and Avenue A to the east (see Figure 1). The neighborhood is referred to as the East Village in lower Manhattan, New York. This area is now a rapidly evolving commercial and residential neighborhood with the relatively large residential apartment complex known as Stuyvesant Town situated directly to the north.

The Property consists of approximately 16,827 square feet of urban land. The Site was formerly occupied by 100-year old adjoining one-story, two-story, and three-story buildings that were demolished in October 2005. After the removal of the buildings, all on-site soils were excavated and removed to a depth of approximately 15-feet below grade and 3-feet into the shallow groundwater table. The excavation successfully removed all on-site soils containing levels of the contaminants of concern above applicable NYSDEC regulations. Following the soil removal construction of the new buildings foundation began with the installation of a waterproof/vapor barrier across the entire bottom of the Site and up around the outside of the new building's foundation to street level. Construction of the new residential building commenced after installation of the foundation.



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Construction of the new building is nearing completion and post remedial indoor air sampling is planned to verify the effectiveness of the remediation. The sampling event will be scheduled as soon as the exterior windows are installed and the HVAC system is fully operational (estimated September 2007). The HVAC system consists of main units for the common areas of the building as well as smaller units in each of the individual residential spaces. A Site Plan depicting the layout of the new building's basement is included as Figure 2. A complete set of mechanical drawings is included as Appendix A in the hard copy of this Report submitted to the NYSDEC, NYSDOH and the document repository established for this Site.

#### 3.0 CHEMICAL INVENTORY

The building is undergoing construction and different industrial products such as paints and finishes are being utilized to finish the building interior. As such, a comprehensive product inventory will be developed by CA RICH with the assistance of the Construction Manager, Hudson Meridian Construction Group (Hudson). The inventory will consist of both products identified during a Site inspection and products included in construction material lists to be provided by Hudson. The chemical inventory will be performed prior to the indoor air testing to identify any items that may contain chlorinated solvents that could affect the indoor air test results.

#### 4.0 POST-REMEDIATION SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING

To confirm that the soil excavation and waterproof/vapor barrier are effective as the final remedy for this Site, indoor air and post-remedial soil vapor sampling will be conducted in accordance with NYSDOH's Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion (Ref. 1). During on-site construction activities VMP-2 and VMP-3 were destroyed. As part of the sampling program, two (2) new vapor monitoring points will be installed near the original location of VMP-2 and on the western portion of the sidewalk on East 13<sup>th</sup> Street. These new vapor monitoring points identified as VMP-2a and VMP-4 will be installed with hand-tools through the existing sidewalk or ground surface. The points will be constructed of ¼-inch diameter polyethylene tubing connected to a stainless steel sampling screen. The screen will be set to collect soil vapor from three feet below the surface. The soil vapor point locations are illustrated on Figure 3. A diagram detailing the construction of the soil vapor points is included as Figure 4.



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Approximately 48 hours after the installation of the vapor points, we plan to return to the Site to collect soil vapor samples from the two newly-installed points as well as location VMP-1 located beneath the sidewalk on the opposite side of East 13<sup>th</sup> Street. As stated above, the sampling will be performed in accordance with NYSDOH's Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion. Prior to the collection of any samples each vapor point will be purged with a low flow vacuum pump to withdraw at least three volumes of the sampling tube. The tubing will then be connected to a precleaned and pre-evacuated sample canister (i.e., 6-litre Summa canister) equipped with a "T" connection. A helium tracer gas will be introduced into a closed environment above the vapor point. A helium meter will be connected to one end of the "T" connection to confirm that the ambient air and the soil vapor below are sealed apart.

Once the seal is verified, the sample canister and regulator numbers and starting gauge pressure will be recorded for each location and the flow controller will be opened to collect the soil vapor sample. After a sample collection of period of approximately 2-hours elapses, the final gauge pressure will be recorded, the flow control valve will be closed, the regulator/gauge assembly will be removed, and the labeled sample will be shipped back to a NYS-certified laboratory for chemical analysis. Chemical analysis will include volatile organic compounds by Method T0-15. In addition, one duplicate sample will be obtained from VMP-2a.

#### 5.0 POST-REMEDIATION INDOOR AND AMBIENT AIR SAMPLING

Upon sealing of all the exterior windows and walls of the new Site building and once the HVAC system is operational, indoor air and ambient air sampling will commence. It is envisioned that both the main HVAC units for the common areas and the individual units on the floors requiring testing will be turned on at least 24-hours prior to the sampling event to simulate a natural occupied condition of the building. Indoor air samples will be collected from each of the four individual basement apartments, the retail basement on E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, on the first floor of each of the E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street and E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street buildings, and on the top floor near the main elevator for a total of eight samples. Ambient air samples will be collected from the roof, the garden area (above the former "rear yard"), and in front of the new building on E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street via 6-liter Summa Canisters. The recommended sample locations are illustrated on Figure 5. A Cellar Plan prepared by the Owner's architect depicting the layout of the lowest level is included Appendix B.



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The sample collection procedures are similar to those described for the soil vapor samples except the helium tracer gas step is not necessary since all samples will be collected within the breathing zone (4-6 feet high). One other difference is that the Summa canisters will be equipped with flow controllers set to collect samples over a 24-hour period. All indoor air and soil vapor samples will be analyzed by a NYS-certified laboratory for volatile organic compounds via EPA Method TO-15. A duplicate sample will be collected from the basement apartment closest to the former "rear yard' for quality assurance purposes.

A site-specific Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) has been prepared for the sampling and is included as Appendix B of the Remedial Action Plan. All data generated under this Indoor Air Sampling Plan will be validated by a third party and the requisite Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) will be prepared to confirm the results are accurate and precise.

#### 6.0 Reporting

Upon receipt of the DUSR, a Final Engineering Report will be prepared and signed by a Certified Professional Engineer. The Report will include a description of all work performed, including analytical results, summary tables, maps, and an "as built" drawing of the water/vapor barrier; and Final drawings of the newly-constructed building.

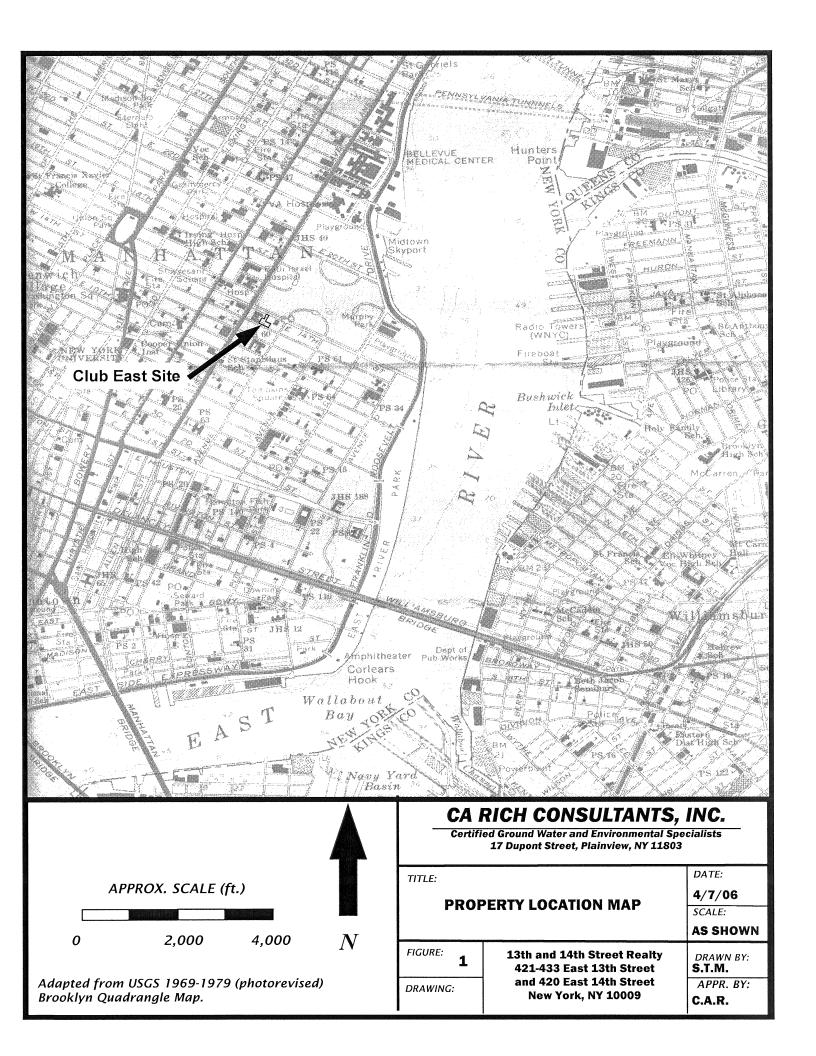
In addition to the Final Engineering Report, a Site Management Plan (SMP) will be prepared. This Plan will include an Operations, Maintenance & Monitoring (OM&M) Plan. It will also include an Institutional and Engineering Control (I&EC) Plan which will describe the institutional and engineering controls required as part of the remedy and a recommended inspection schedule, if required.

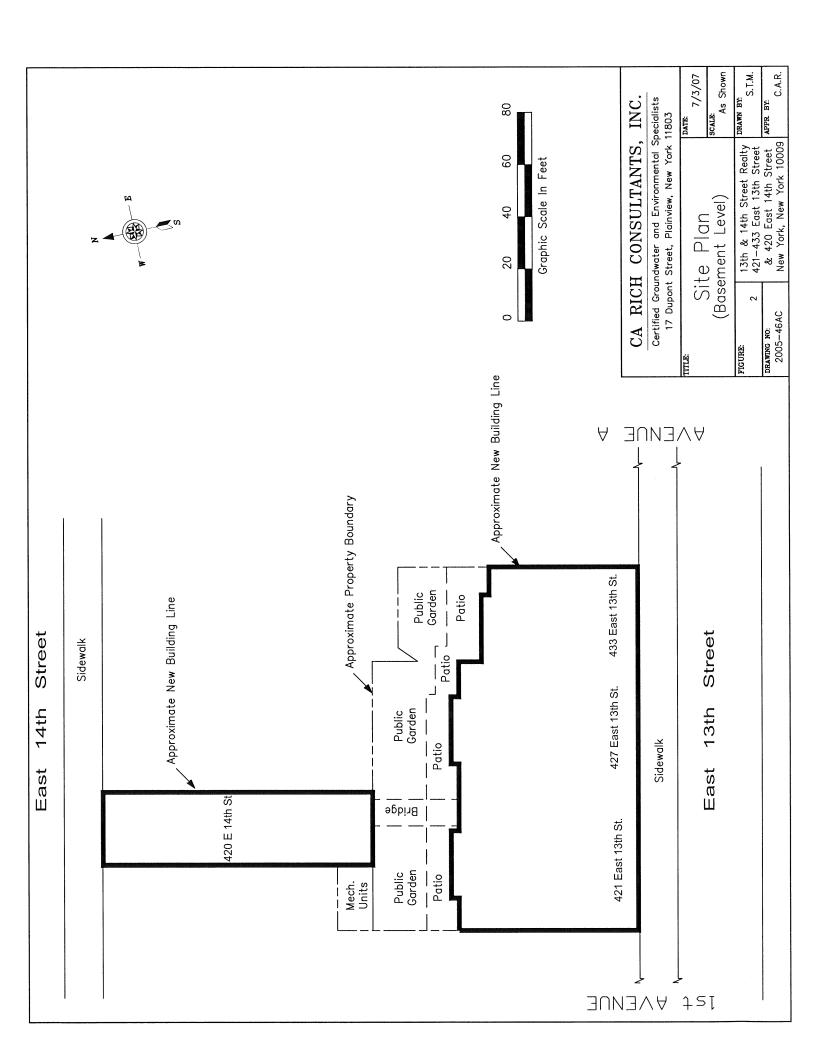
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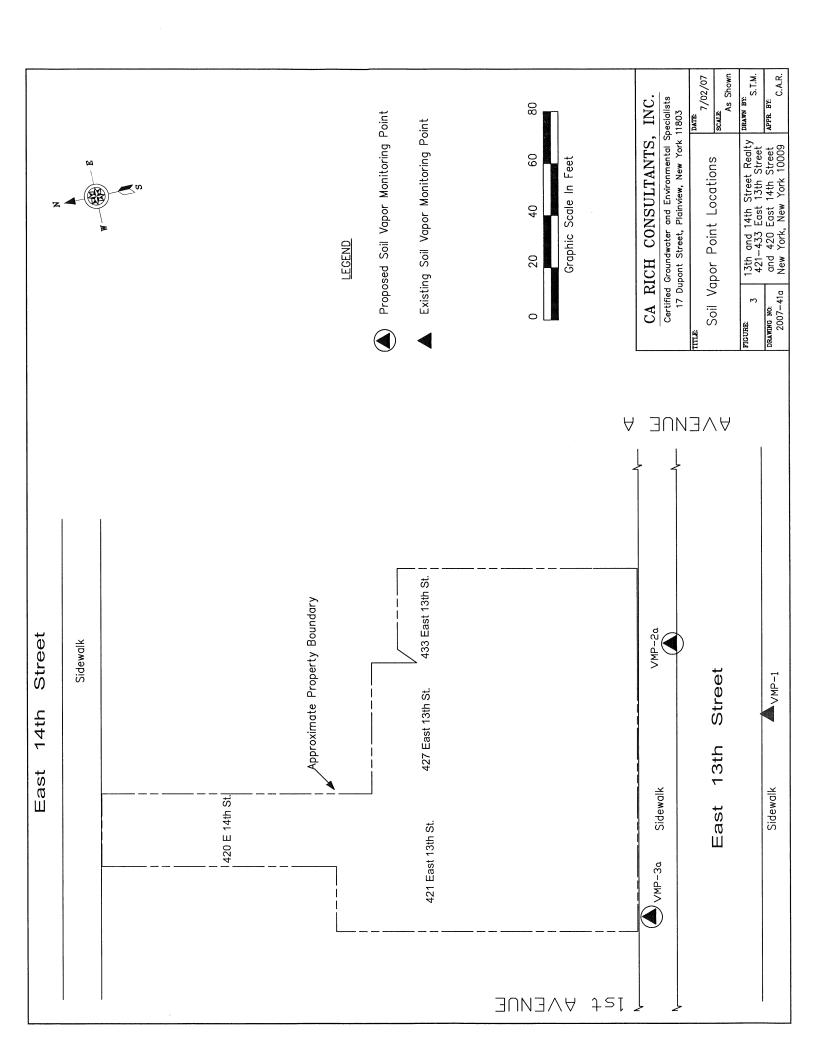
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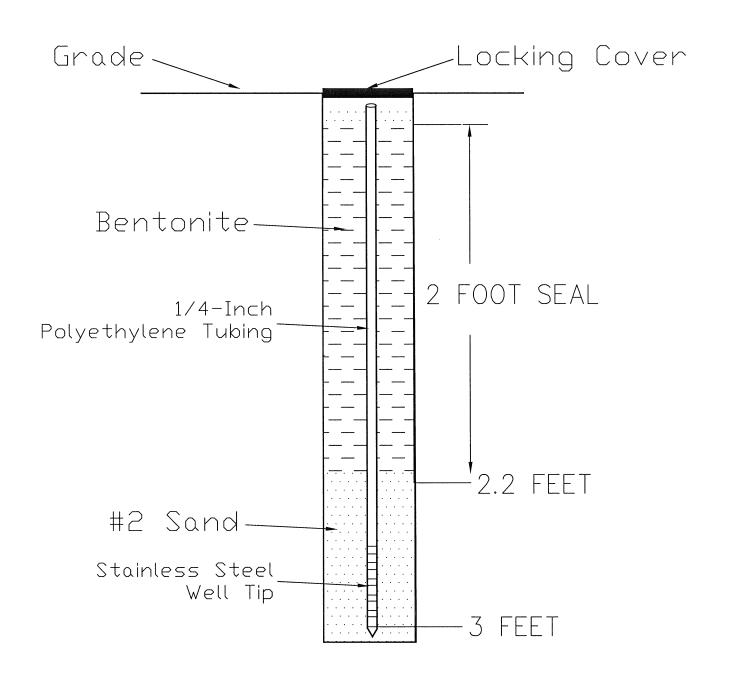
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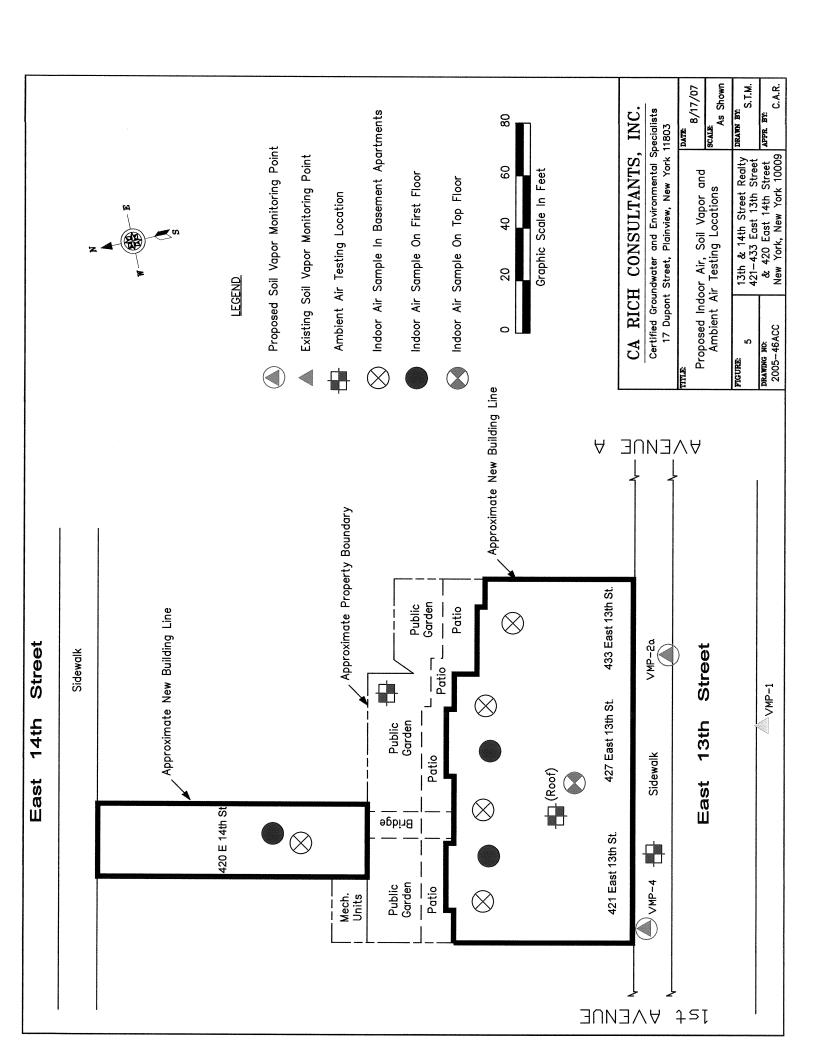
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## Appendix A

# Mechanical Drawing Set for HVAC System (Attached to Hard copy in Drawing Carrier Tube)

# Appendix B Cellar Plan