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July 15, 2019

David Von Derau Chief Administrative Officer McGuire Development Co 455 Cayuga Road, Suite 100 Buffalo, New York 14225

Re: Pilgrim Village Limited Site Characterization Report

Dear Mr. Von Derau:

The McGuire Group has requested C&S Engineers, Inc. (C&S) to complete a Limited Site Characterization Report through sampling of the urban fill soils at the current Pilgrim Village Apartments (Site). **Figure 1** shows the location of the Site. The parcel is being considered for potential redevelopment and, based on the known presence of urban fill at the Site, the project is considering making application for inclusion in the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC's) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). C&S understands this sampling is being conducted to screen soils and determine if an environmental impairment exists.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Limited Site Characterization was conducted on the entire Pilgrim Village Site, excluding the BCP area. Urban fill was encountered throughout the Site from the surface to six to ten feet below ground surface (bgs). Despite petroleum-like odors in two locations, volatile organic compounds (VOC) and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOC) concentrations were below the Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) in those locations.

The analytical results indicate that the urban fill contains concentrations of metals above NYSDEC SCOs, specifically above those appropriate for the intended reuse of the Site (the Restricted Residential SCOs). All three areas of the Site produced generally the same types of analytical results, with elevated concentrations of lead, mercury, and/or zinc. Soil remediation would be required to meet the Restricted Residential Use SCOs. Therefore, the Site appears to be eligible for the NYSDECs Brownfield Cleanup Program.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

The Pilgrim Village Apartment complex is located on the block bounded by Best Street, Michigan Avenue, East North Street and Ellicott Street (with the exception of the parcel that is in the Brownfield Cleanup Program and the Cornerstone Manor) in Buffalo, New York, as shown in **Figure 1**. The entire Site has a total area of approximately 7.9 acres and is split into the following three separate areas for analysis, as shown on **Figure 2**:

- "Area 1" is approximately 1.4 acres
- "Area 2" is approximately 4.0 acres
- "Area 3" is approximately 2.5 acres

The Site is currently occupied by twelve apartment buildings that were constructed sometime prior to 1981. However, the Site was once occupied by approximately 75 single family homes that were demolished prior to the construction of the apartment buildings. The Site had also housed at least two gasoline filling stations.

A portion of the block was parceled off and is now identified at the Campus Square Site in New York State's BCP due to the presence of urban fill with elevated concentrations of SVOCs and metals. The urban fill is believed to have been placed, at least in part, during the demolition of the single family homes and the backfilling of the basements and other low-lying areas in order to accommodate the construction of the apartment buildings.

Because the Site and the Campus Square BCP Site show similar histories with respect to demolition and backfilling activities, urban fill with elevated contaminant concentrations is expected to exist across the Site.

# **METHODOLOGY**

The fieldwork completed as part of this Limited Site Characterization included the completion of a direct- push Geoprobe<sup>®</sup> 54LT soil boring program to assess subsurface conditions in the three separate areas within the Pilgrim Village Site.

Prior to drilling, a subsurface utility stakeout was arranged with the Underground Facilities Protection Organization (UFPO) to locate any underground public subsurface utilities servicing the Site.

Twenty-four soil borings (designated SB-01 through SB-24) were completed by TREC Environmental of Spencerport, New York under C&S observation. The borings were advanced to depths ranging from approximately 8 to 12 feet bgs using a Geoprobe<sup>®</sup> direct-push sampling system. The locations of the soil borings were selected at random, evenly spaced throughout the entire Site and are shown on **Figure 3**.

The Geoprobe® unit utilizes a four-foot-long macro-core sampler with disposable polyethylene sleeves. Soil cores are retrieved in four-foot sections that can be cut from the polyethylene sleeves for observation, field screening, and sampling. The macro-core sampler was decontaminated between samples and borings using an Alconox and water solution.

The soil from the borings was screened for evidence of contamination (visual and olfactory observations) and these observations as well as lithologic and other pertinent information were recorded on boring logs. The soil boring logs prepared by C&S are included in **Attachment 1**.



Based on the screening results, 24 samples were collected for analysis.

#### SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

This report describes the results of 24 soil samples, separated into 3 areas, collected within the Site boundaries. The investigation consisted of soil borings to evaluate layers of urban fill that were encountered during the boring program conducted on June 6 and 7, 2019. The borings were performed by TREC Environmental from ground surface to approximately eight to twelve feet bgs, or until the top of the native soil material was encountered.

Soil borings were sampled off visual observation. The area within the soil boring in which appeared to show the highest amount of abnormalities in fill was the depth in which we sampled. This was generally around 1 to 2 feet bgs. Precise depth of sample retrieval are shown in the soil boring logs and in results tables located in the appendix.

Soil cores were collected for each vertical 4 foot interval. Soil from each core was visually described and recorded. Soil boring logs are included in **Attachment 1**. A map of boring locations is presented as **Figure 3**.

Tables 1, 2, and 3 summarize the samples collected from each boring. Table 1 shows the analytical results for Area 1 along East North Street which includes soil borings SB-01 through SB-08. Table 2 shows the analytical results for Area 2 along Michigan Avenue and Best Street which includes soil borings SB-09 through SB-16. Table 3 shows the analytical results for Area 3 along Best Street and Ellicott Street which includes soil borings SB-17 through SB-24. Each soil sample was analyzed for SVOCs using EPA Method 8270C and metals using EPA Method 6010. At two of the boring locations (SB-04 and SB-21), VOCs were also analyzed using EPA Method 8260B due to observed petroleum-like odors in those borings.

#### **FINDINGS**

A total of 24 samples were collected for analysis within the full Site boundary. Eight samples were taken within each Area. The tables included in the appendix presents soil sample results compared to 5 New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 375 SCOs. For the intended use of the Site, the primary discussion relates the results to the Restricted Residential Use SCOs. The complete analytical results report are included in **Attachment 2** at the end of this document.

No discrete contamination layer was observed. Urban fill was generally encountered from the surface to approximately six to ten feet bgs. Native soil encountered beneath the fill consisted of Silty Clay – organic clays of medium to high plasticity and variable silt content with a reddish brown clay appearance.



For the purposes of this report the generic term "fill" is defined as anthropogenic sources of any one, or mixture, of the material re-worked to build a Site to a defined grade. This material can include:

Crushed Rock
Sand
Ash/Cinders
Silt
Ceramics
Clay
Plastics
Metal

Construction Debris

Urban fill in most borings appeared to be a heterogeneous mixture consisting of predominantly sand, silt, crushed rock, asphalt fragments, and brick. Past this point, native brown silty clay is evident throughout the Site. Water was not encountered in any of the boring locations. For reporting purposes, it was assumed that urban fill extends down to 8 feet bgs in every area of the Site. With a total area of 1.4 acres, Area 1 contains approximately 18,000 cubic yards (cyd) of urban fill; Area 2, with an area of 4.0 acres, contains approximately 51,600 cyd of urban fill; and the 2.5 acre Area 3 contains approximately 32,300 cyd of urban fill.

# Area 1:

Due to a slight petroleum odor, the sampled collected from SB-04 was analyzed for VOCs. No VOCs were detected at concentrations above the SCOs.

No SVOCs were detected in the soil samples collected in Area 1 above the SCOs.

Metals were detected in six of the eight soil boring locations in Area 1 above the Unrestricted Use SCOs for lead, mercury, and/or zinc. Three of these samples also contained concentrations of metals that exceeded the Restricted Residential Use SCOs.

# Area 2:

No samples were analyzed for VOC in Area 2 because no petroleum odors or elevated PID measurements were detected.

No SVOCs were detected in the soil samples collected in Area 2 at concentrations above the SCOs.

Metals were detected in seven of the eight soil samples collected in Area 2 at concentrations above the Unrestricted Use SCOs for lead, mercury, and/or zinc. Four of these samples also contained concentrations of metals that exceeded the Restricted Residential Use SCOs.



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Area 3:

Due to a slight petroleum odor, the sampled collected from SB-21 was analyzed for VOCs. No VOCs were detected at concentrations above the SCOs.

No SVOCs were detected in the soil samples collected in Area 3 above the SCOs.

Metals were detected in seven of the eight soil boring locations in Area 3 above the Unrestricted Use SCOs for lead, mercury, and/or zinc. Five of these samples also contained concentrations of metals that exceeded the Restricted Residential Use SCOs.

#### CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Sincerely yours,

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Department Manager - Environmental Services

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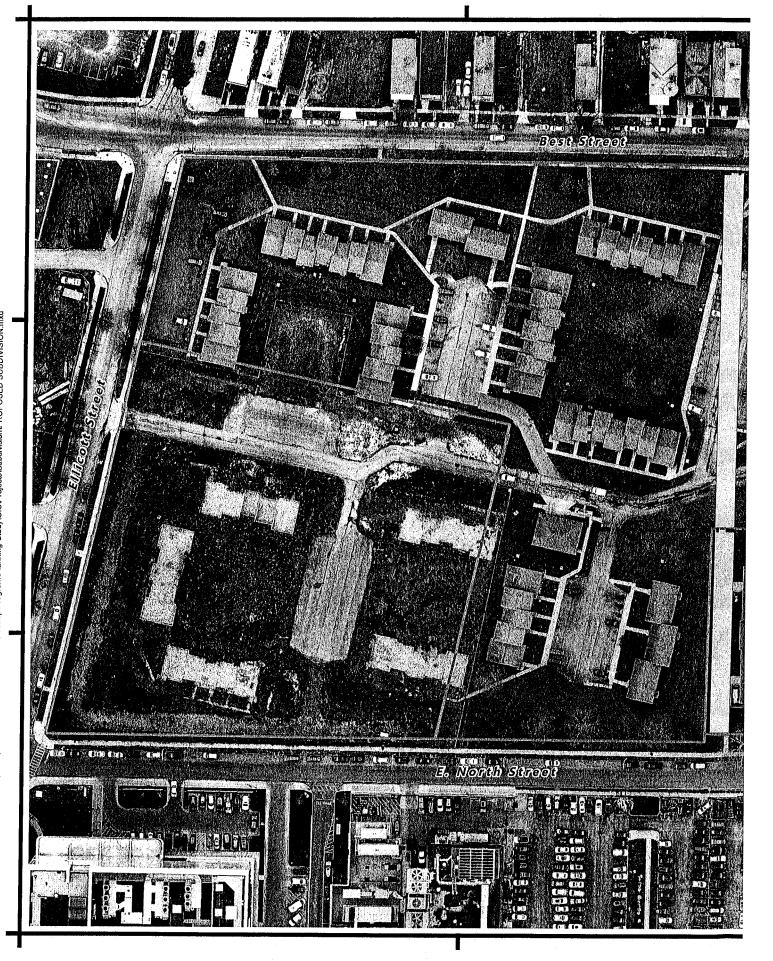
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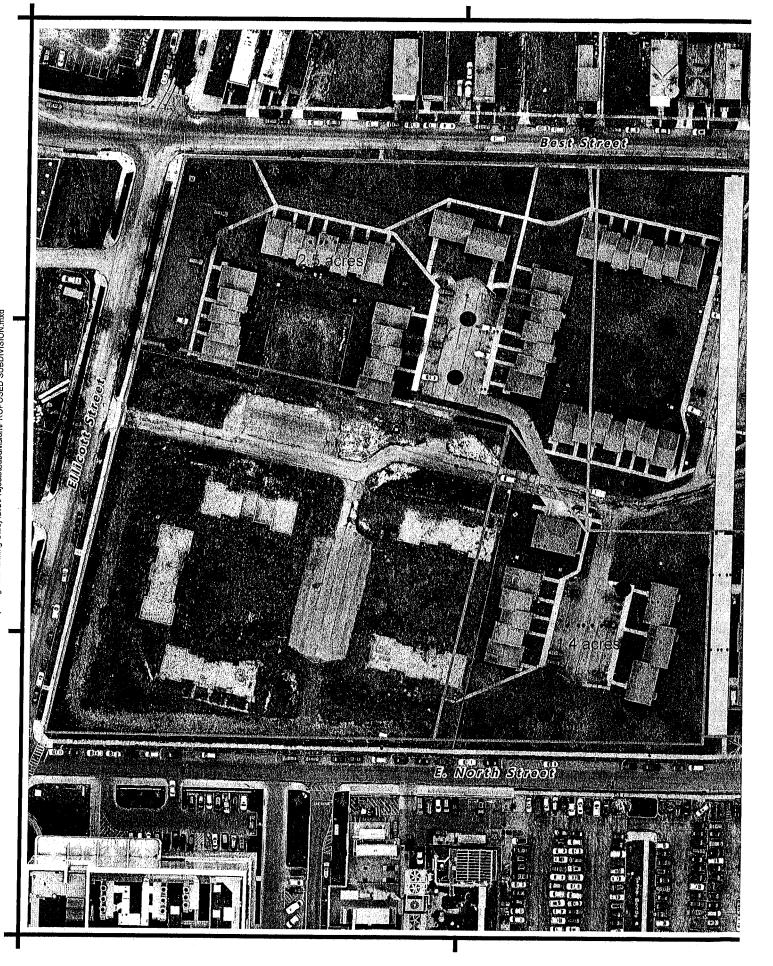
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Figure 2: Tax Parcels

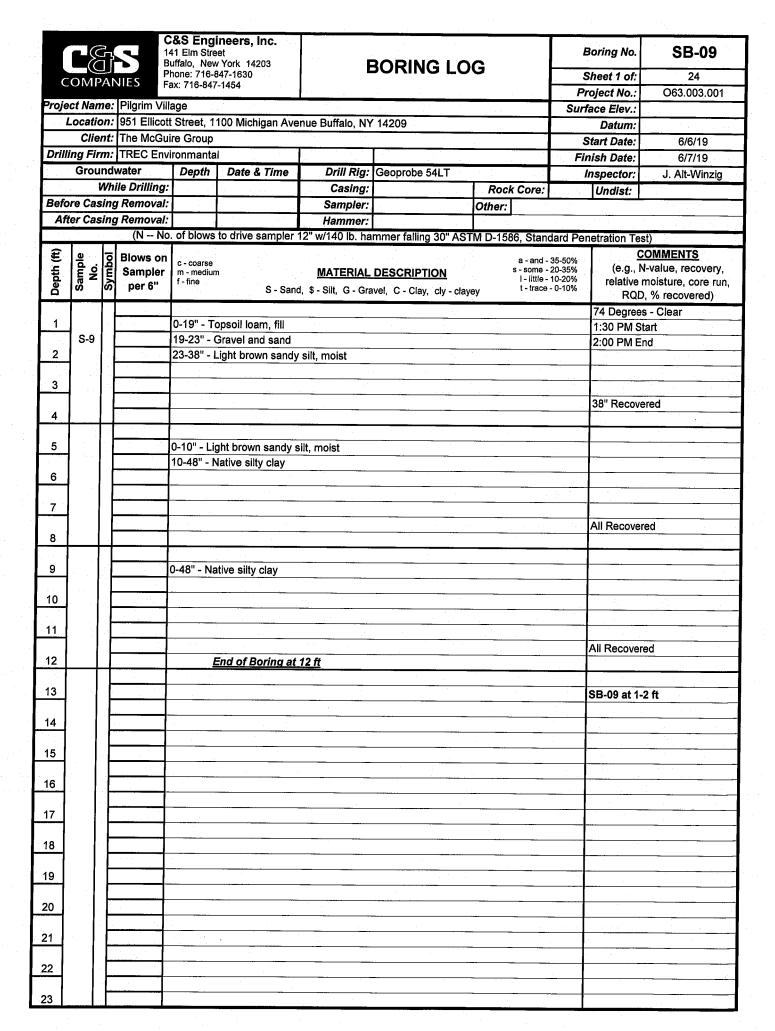
Figure 3: Soil Boring Locations

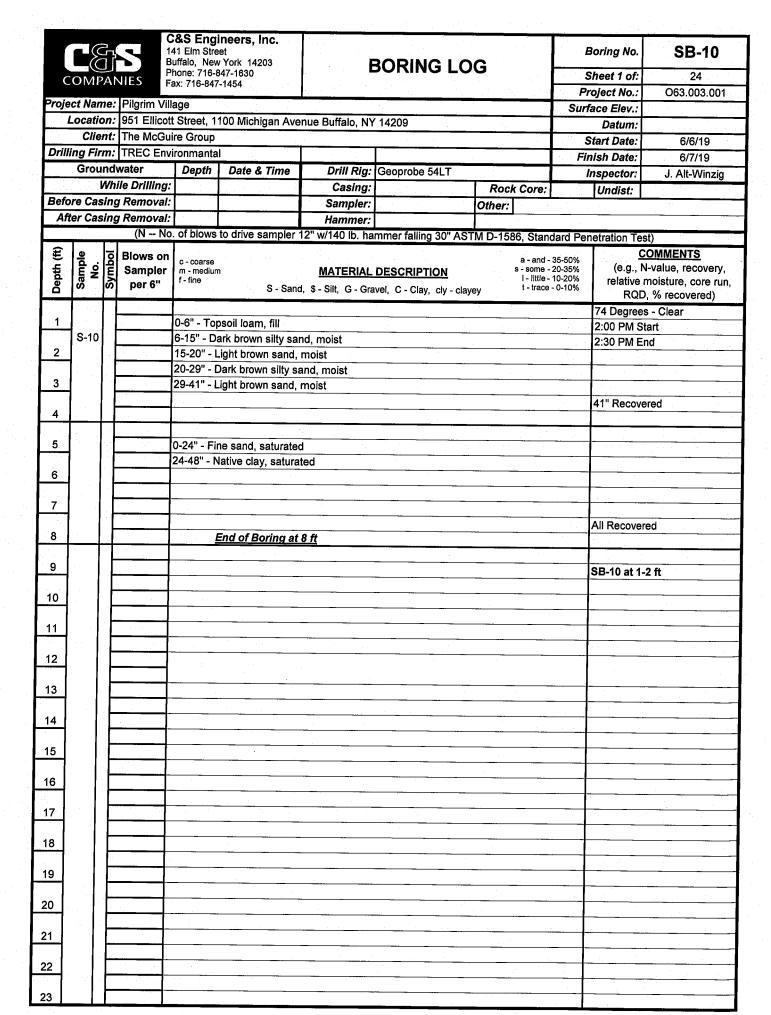
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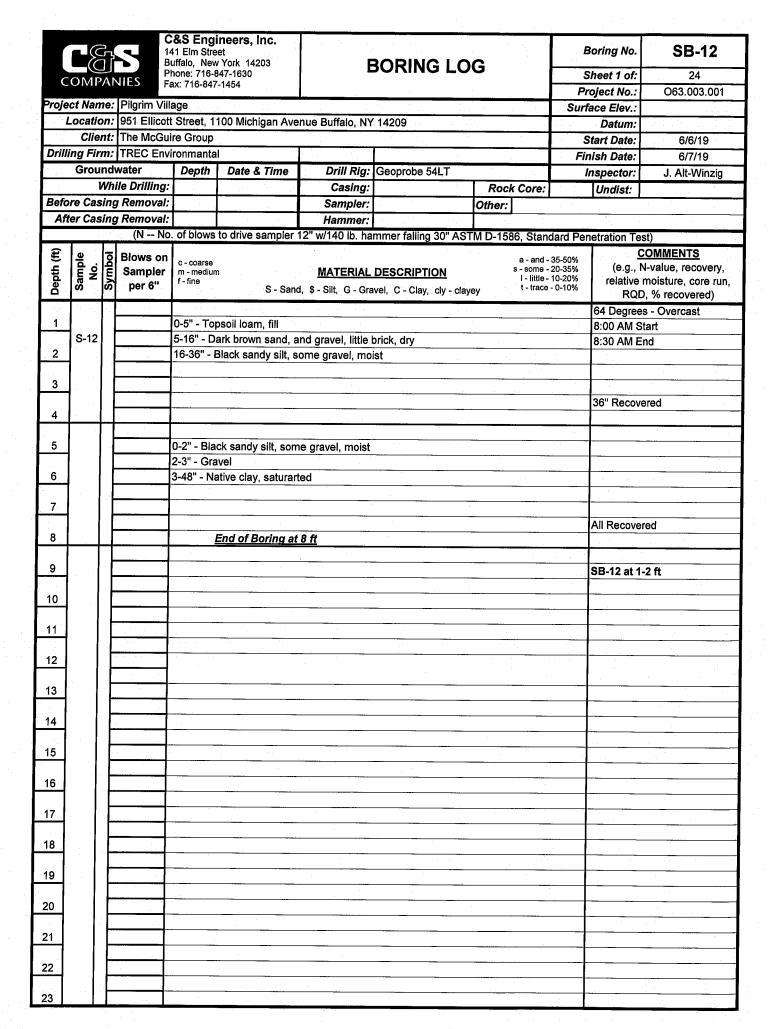


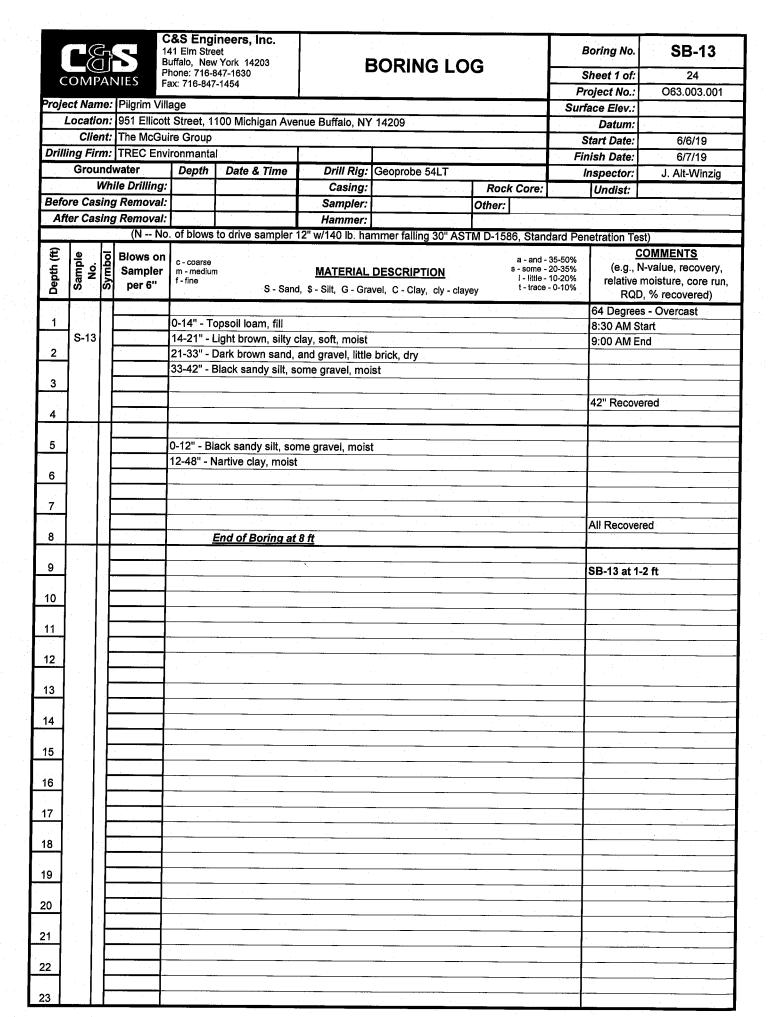
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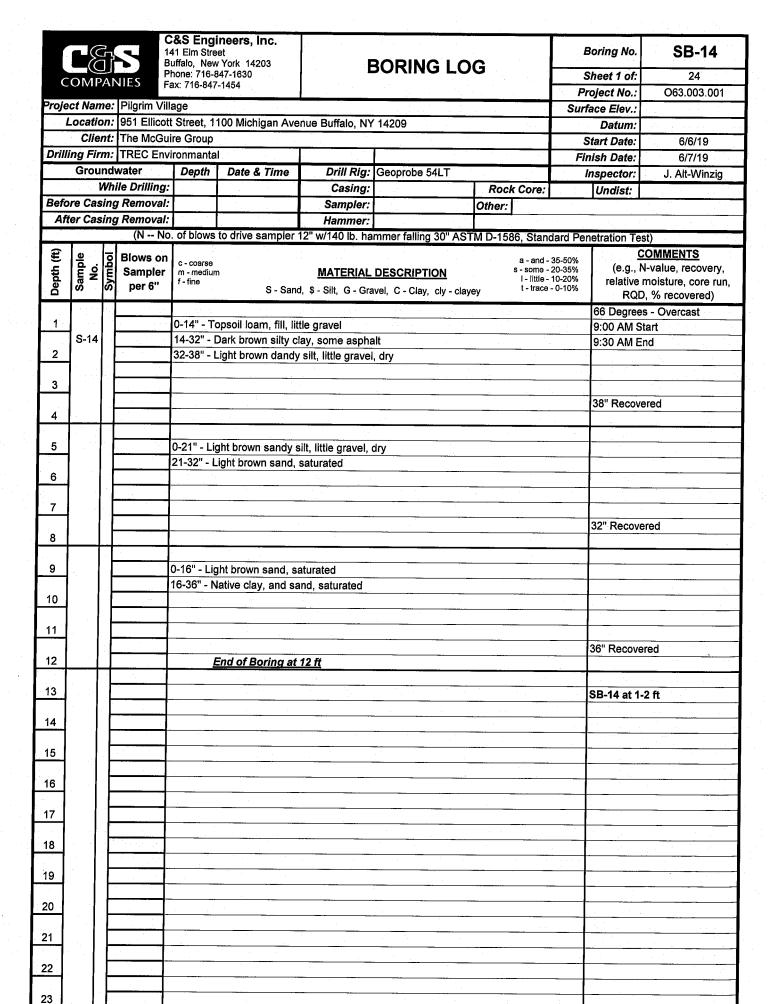


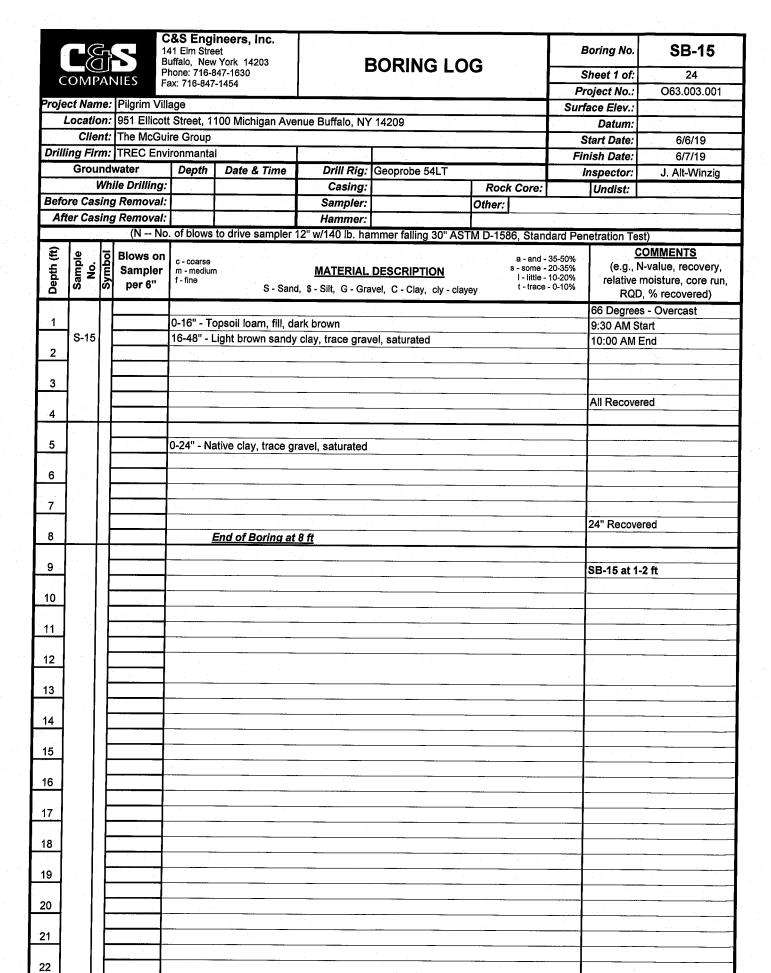


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