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**Re: Former Mimi Cleaners: 58 Christie Place, Scarsdale, NY  
VP Site No. V00306-3  
Scope for Sub-Slab Vapor and Indoor Air Sampling  
East Parkway Building**

Dear Mr. Filkins:

HDR provides this scope of work to perform sub-slab vapor and indoor air sampling within the East Parkway Building as part of the off-site delineation of potential contaminated soil gas associated with the Former Mimi Cleaners (Site). Figure 1 shows an aerial photograph with the former Mimi Cleaners and the East Parkway Building highlighted. This work plan is based on the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) *Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York, October 2006*.

Sub-Slab Vapor and Indoor Air Sampling

The East Parkway Building is located to the south of the Site. The proposed sampling locations are shown on Figure 2. Access will need to be provided by the property owner(s) to conduct the proposed sampling. A total of five (5) sub-slab and three (3) indoor air samples will be collected from within the basement of the building as follows: two sub-slab samples and one indoor air sample from within the flower shop basement; one sub-slab sample within the northernmost boiler room; one sub-slab sample and one indoor air sample within the central entranceway; and one sub-slab sample and one indoor air sample in the hallway, closest to the bank. These sample locations have been selected to provide an assessment of vapor conditions within the building and were biased toward the eastern portion of the basement, closest to Harwood Court.

For the sub-slab vapor sample locations, permanent sample ports will be installed. Each sample port will be constructed of a brass tube threaded to a brass coupler. The brass tube will extend below the bottom of the slab so that the brass coupler is flush with the top of the slab. The brass coupler accepts a threaded plug to seal the port when it is not in use. To install the sample port, a one-half inch diameter hole will be drilled through the concrete floor and a one and one-eighth inch bit will be used to countersink the hole deep enough to accept the brass coupler so it is flush with the floor. The probe will then be installed in the hole; a bead of Permagum will be placed at the bottom of the coupler where it



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## Location of East Parkway Building and Mimi Cleaners

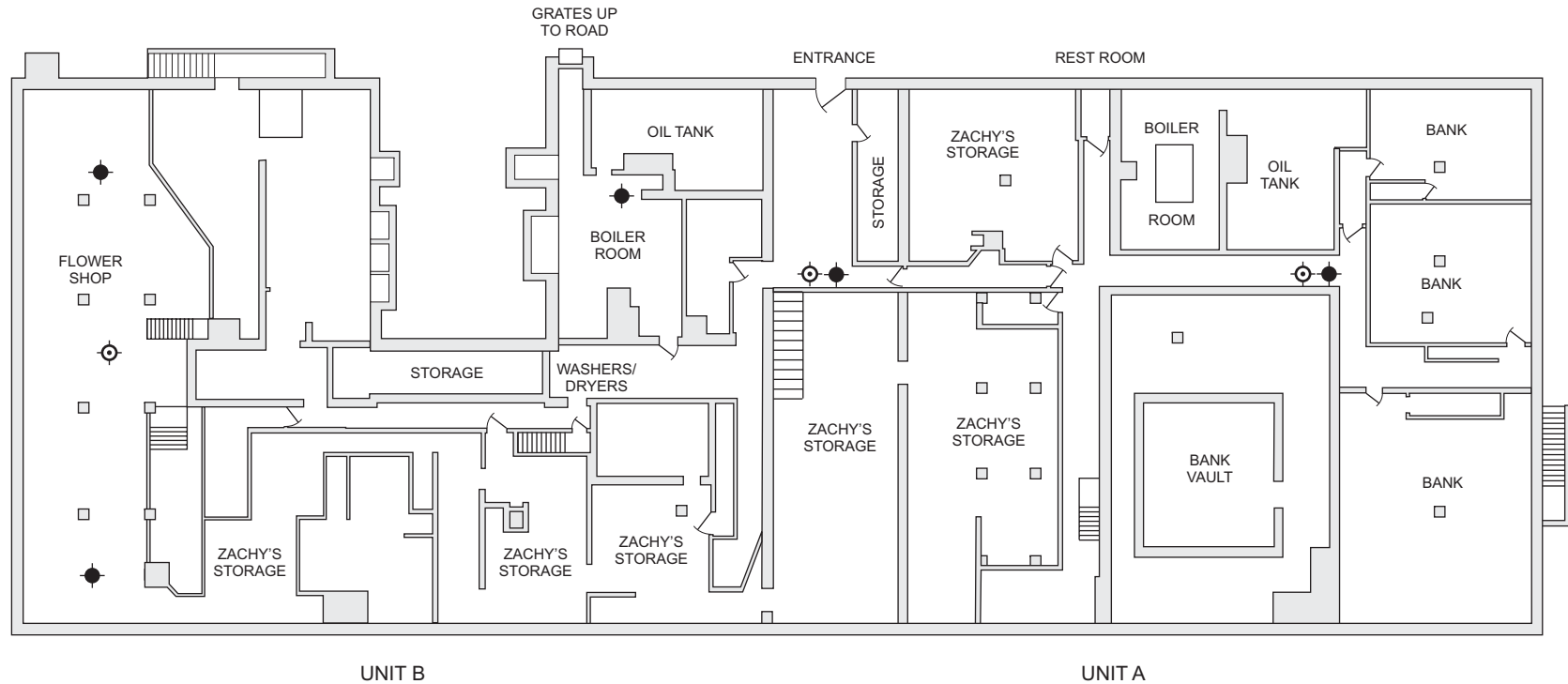
Former Mimi Dry Cleaners

Scarsdale, NY

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HARWOOD COURT



**Legend**

- Sub-slab sample (5)
- ⊙ Indoor air sample (3)

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**Sub-Slab and Indoor Air Sample Locations  
East Parkway Building Basement**

**Scarsdale, NY**

**Figure  
2**

meets the brass tube to seal the sample port in place, flush with the floor. The annular space around the brass coupler will be filled with cement to permanently seal the sample port in place. A threaded plug (removable with an Allen wrench) will be screwed into the coupler to seal and secure the sample port until the sampling event.

On the day of sampling, at each sub-slab location the threaded plug will be removed from the sub-slab vapor probes and a temporary NPT thread to compression fitting coupler will be used to connect the probe to a section of Teflon® tubing outfitted with compression fittings. The tubing and point will be purged and attached to a Summa canister. For the purging process, the tubing will be connected to a personal air sampling pump which will be run at a flowrate of  $<0.2$  L/min to purge a minimum of three volumes of air from the core hole through the floor or the soil vapor implant area. After purging, the tubing will be connected to a laboratory-supplied Summa Canister (6-L capacity). Vacuum on the canister will be recorded, and the valve on the canister will be opened to collect the sub-slab vapor. The flow control valve on the Summa canister will be set by the laboratory to collect the sample over a 4-5 hour period (22.2 ml/min).

The indoor air samples will be collected using laboratory-supplied Summa Canisters (6-L capacity) following the procedures listed in the NYSDOH October 2006 Guidance. The vacuum on each canister will be recorded, and the valve on the canister will be opened to collect the indoor air. The flow control valve on the Summa canister will be set by the laboratory to collect the sample over a 4-5 hour period (22.2 ml/min).

During the sampling, the vacuum on each canister will be periodically recorded. At the end of the targeted 4-5 hour sampling period, but before the vacuum on the canister is completely exhausted, the canister valve will be closed. The final vacuum reading will be recorded, the tubing will be disconnected, and the canister will be prepared for shipment.

The field notes and documentation for the sampling will include the following, where applicable:

- sample identification,
- date and time of sample collection,
- sampling depth,
- identity of samplers,
- sampling methods and devices,
- volume of soil vapor extracted,
- canisters vacuum before and after samples collected,
- apparent moisture content (dry, moist, saturated, etc.) of the sampling zone, and
- chain of custody protocols and records used to track samples from sampling point to analysis.

Photographs of each sample location will be taken during sampling. Samples will be shipped via overnight courier under proper chain-of-custody to a NYSDOH-certified laboratory for VOC analyses (chlorinated solvents only) by EPA T0-15. Based on a 4-5 hour sample collection the practical

quantitation limit is less than 1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . Analytical results of the sub-slab vapor and indoor air sampling investigation will be summarized and submitted to NYSDEC and NYSDOH in a data summary report.

Schedule

The work is planned to commence in June 2008.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (845) 735-8300.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bradley C. Williams for".

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