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**SUPPLEMENTAL GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION  
PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION  
5873 PERTH STREET  
OTTAWA (VILLAGE OF RICHMOND), ONTARIO**

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This technical memorandum presents the results of a supplemental geotechnical investigation for a proposed residential subdivision to be located at 5873 Perth Street in Ottawa (Village of Richmond), Ontario.

This supplemental geotechnical investigation included an assessment of the general subsurface conditions in the area of the proposed development by means of two additional boreholes advanced at the site by Golder Associates and subsurface information previously collected by others. Based on an interpretation of the factual information obtained, a general description of the subsurface conditions is presented. These interpreted subsurface conditions and available project details were used to carry out a geotechnical assessment of the grade raise restrictions for the site.

The reader is referred to the "Important Information and Limitations of This Report" which follows the text but forms an integral part of this document.

**Description of Project and Site**

Plans are currently being prepared for the construction of a new residential subdivision to be located on the east side of Shea Road and north of Perth Street in Ottawa, Ontario. The following information is known about the site and the proposed development:

- The site is roughly rectangular in shape and measures about 130 metres by 445 metres in plan area;
- The property is currently unused farmland;
- The ground surface is relatively flat;
- The residential lots will be serviced with individual on-site water wells; and,
- The development will be serviced with storm and sanitary sewers.

SPL Consultants (SPL) carried out a preliminary geotechnical investigation for the development in 2013/2014. The results of the previous investigation were provided in a report titled "Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation, Proposed Subdivision at 5831 to 5837 Perth Street and 2770 Eagleson Road, Ottawa, Ontario", dated February 2014. The previous investigation included two boreholes (numbered 13-5 and 13-6) on the west-side portion of the property (i.e., within the current study area). The approximate locations of the previous boreholes are shown on the attached Site Plan (Figure 1). The previous boreholes indicate that the subsurface conditions on this site consist of a 7 to 11 metre thick deposit of sensitive silty clay overlying glacial till.



## Investigation Procedure

The fieldwork for the supplemental investigation was carried out on August 13, 2015. At that time, two boreholes (numbered 15-1 and 15-2) were advanced to about 12.3 and 10.9 metres depth, respectively, at the approximate locations shown on the attached Site Plan (Figure 1). The boreholes were advanced using a truck-mounted hollow-stem auger drill rig supplied and operated by Marathon Drilling of Ottawa, Ontario.

Standard penetration tests were carried out within the boreholes at regular intervals of depth and soil samples were recovered using split-spoon sampling equipment. In situ vane testing was carried out, where possible, in the silty clay to determine the undrained shear strength of this soil unit. In addition, a total of three 73 millimetre diameter thin-walled Shelby tube samples of the “softer” silty clay were obtained using a fixed piston sampler.

Monitoring wells were sealed into boreholes 15-1 and 15-2 to allow for subsequent measurement of the groundwater levels. The groundwater levels were measured in the monitoring wells on August 24, 2015.

The fieldwork was supervised by experienced personnel from our geotechnical staff who directed the drilling and in situ testing operations, logged the boreholes and samples, and took custody of the samples retrieved. On completion of the drilling operations, soil samples obtained from the boreholes were transported to our laboratory for examination by the project engineer and for laboratory testing, including natural water content, Atterberg limits, a Swedish fall cone test, and an oedometer consolidation test.

The boreholes were selected, marked in the field, and subsequently surveyed by Golder Associates personnel. The borehole coordinates and ground surface elevations were determined using a Trimble R8 GPS survey unit. The geodetic reference system used for the survey is the North American datum of 1983 (NAD83). The borehole coordinates are based on the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM Zone 18) coordinate system. The elevations are referenced to Geodetic datum (CGVD28).

## Subsurface Conditions

Information on the subsurface conditions is presented as follows:

- Record of Borehole Sheets from the current investigation are provided in Attachment A.
- Borehole logs and consolidation test results from the previous investigation by SPL are provided in Attachment B.
- Results of the Swedish fall cone test from the current investigation are provided in Attachment C.
- Results of in situ vane testing (undrained shear strength versus elevation) are provided on the Record of Borehole Sheets and are summarized on Figure 2.
- Results of the laboratory oedometer consolidation testing from the current investigation are provided on Figure 3.
- Results of the laboratory natural water content and Atterberg limits testing carried out for the current investigation are provided on the Record of Borehole Sheets.

In general, the subsurface conditions on this site consist of topsoil overlying a thick deposit of sensitive silty clay that extends to about 7 to 12 metres depth. The deposit is described as varying from silty clay to clay and is interbedded with clayey silt near the base of the deposit (hereafter the deposit is collectively referred to as silty clay).

The upper portion of the deposit has been weathered to a grey brown crust that extends to about 3.1 to 3.9 metres depth. Standard penetration tests carried out within the weathered crust gave N values of 3 to 13 blows per 0.3 metres of penetration. The results of in situ vane testing carried out in the lower portions of the

weathered crust gave undrained shear strengths of about 55 and 70 kilopascals. The results of this in situ testing indicate a stiff to very stiff consistency for the weathered crust. The measured water content of the weathered crust ranges from about 25 to 40 percent.

Beneath the depth of weathering, the silty clay is grey in colour. The results of in situ vane testing in the grey silty clay generally gave undrained shear strengths ranging from about 23 to 65 kilopascals, indicating a soft to stiff (but typically firm) consistency. A plot of undrained shear strength versus elevation is provided on Figure 2.

The results of Atterberg limit testing carried out on samples of the grey silty clay gave plasticity index values ranging from about 18 to 38 percent and liquid limit values ranging from 38 to 62 percent, indicating intermediate to high plasticity soil. The measured water content of the grey silty clay ranges from about 30 to 70 percent, which is generally higher than the measured liquid limits.

As part of the current investigation, laboratory oedometer consolidation testing was carried out on one thin-walled Shelby tube sample of the grey silty clay. The results of that testing are provided on Figure 3. One consolidation test was also carried out as part of the previous investigation by SPL, the results of which are provided in Attachment B. The consolidation test results from both the current and previous investigation are summarized in the table below.

Borehole/Sample Number	Sample Depth/Elevation (m)	Unit Weight (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	$\sigma'_p$ (kPa)	$\sigma'_{vo}$ (kPa)	$C_c$	$C_r$	$e_0$	OCR
15-1 / 6	8.1 / 85.6	15.6	110	80	1.03	0.027	1.98	1.4
13-5 / 6	4.6 / 88.9	-	125	67	1.0	0.02	1.56	1.9

$\sigma'_p$  - Apparent preconsolidation pressure       $\sigma'_{vo}$  - Computed existing vertical effective stress  
 $C_c$  - Compression index       $C_r$  - Recompression index  
 $e_0$  - Initial void ratio      OCR - Overconsolidation ratio

In addition to the oedometer consolidation testing, a Swedish fall cone test was carried out on a sample of the grey silty clay. The results of that testing are provided in Attachment C.

The deposit of silty clay is underlain by glacial till. The glacial till consists of a heterogeneous mixture of gravel, cobbles, and boulders in a matrix of silty sand. Practical refusal to sampler advancement was encountered at about 12.3 and 10.9 metres in boreholes 15-1 and 15-2, respectively. Sampler refusal could represent the bedrock surface, or it could represent cobbles or boulders within the glacial till.

The groundwater levels measured during the current and previous investigation are summarized in the following table:

Borehole	Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Groundwater Depth (m)	Groundwater Elevation (m)	Date of Measurement
15-1	93.72	2.33	91.39	August 24, 2015
15-2	93.57	1.84	91.73	August 24, 2015
13-6	93.7	1.1 1.6	92.6 92.1	January 17, 2014 August 28, 2013

Groundwater levels are expected to fluctuate seasonally. Higher groundwater levels are expected during wet periods of the year, such as spring.

## Discussion

The site is underlain by a relatively thick deposit of generally firm unweathered grey silty clay. The silty clay beneath this site has a limited capacity to support additional stress, such as could be imposed by:

- The foundation loads of buildings/houses;
- The weight of grade raise fill placed on the site; and,
- The effects of groundwater level lowering (which reduces the buoyant forces that act between the soil particles), which could result from servicing and development of the site.

An increase in stress, if excessive (i.e., increasing the magnitude of stress above, or even close to, the silty clay's preconsolidation pressure), could lead to significant consolidation settlement. Due to the low hydraulic conductivity of the silty clay and the need to expel water for settlement to occur, the settlement would be long-term in nature, possibly taking many months or years to complete. Grade raises on areas underlain by compressible silty clay will therefore need to be restricted, based on leaving sufficient remaining capacity for the silty clay to also support foundation loads and the effects of groundwater level lowering, without being overstressed. If the grade is raised excessively, then significant consolidation settlement will occur.

Based on the subsurface conditions encountered, the site has been divided into two assessment areas, Area A and Area B, as shown on the attached Site Plan (Figure 1).

Based on a geotechnical assessment carried out using data from the current and previous investigations, the maximum permissible grade raise for this site, assuming conventional backfill materials (i.e., clay or sand with a maximum unit weight of 19.5 kilonewtons per cubic metres), is 0.9 and 2.0 metres for Area A and Area B, respectively. This limitation has been assessed based on leaving sufficient remaining capacity in the silty clay deposit such that strip footings up to 0.6 metres in width can be designed using a maximum allowable bearing pressure of 75 kilopascals, consistent with design in accordance with Part 9 of the Ontario Building Code.

If the grading restrictions cannot be accommodated, it is anticipated that the most feasible methods of increasing the permissible grade raise will be to use lighter backfill materials within the garage, such as clear stone or Geofoam lightweight fill. The permissible grade raise for each type of backfill material is provided in the following table:

Type of Backfill within Garage	Permissible Grade Raise	
	Area A	Area B
Sand (max. 19.5 kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.9	2.0
Clear Stone (max. 17.5 kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.1	2.3
Geofoam lightweight fill	1.5	2.8

In terms of increasing the permissible grade raise, the following options could also be considered:

- Preloading the site with fill to above the required site grading, and allowing settlement to occur prior to construction;
- Using Geofoam lightweight fill to backfill around the foundations of the entire house; or,
- Deep foundations (i.e., driven piles).

Further guidance with respect to the options listed above can be provided, if requested.

## Closure

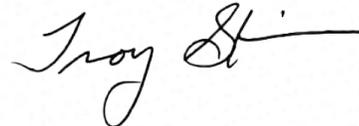
We trust that this memo provides sufficient information for your present requirements. If you have any questions concerning this memo, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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- Attachments:
- Important Information and Limitations of This Report
  - Figure 1 – Site Plan
  - Figure 2 – Summary of Undrained Field Vane Shear Strengths vs. Elevation
  - Figure 3 – Consolidation Test Results – Current Investigation
  - Attachment A – List of Abbreviations and Symbols
  - Record of Borehole Sheets – Current Investigation
  - Attachment B – Borehole Logs and Consolidation Test Results – Previous Investigation
  - Attachment C – Results of Swedish Fall Cone Testing

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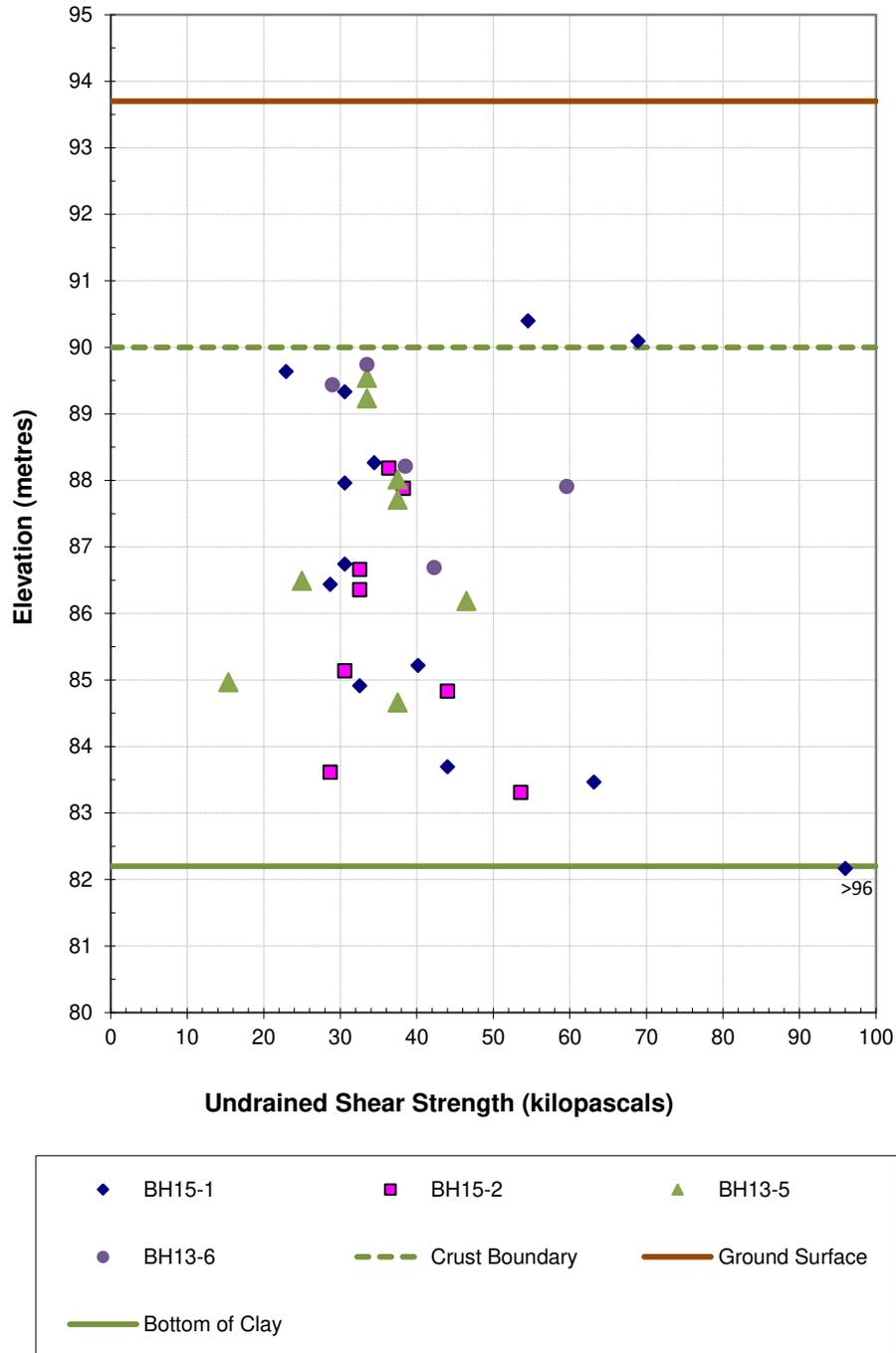
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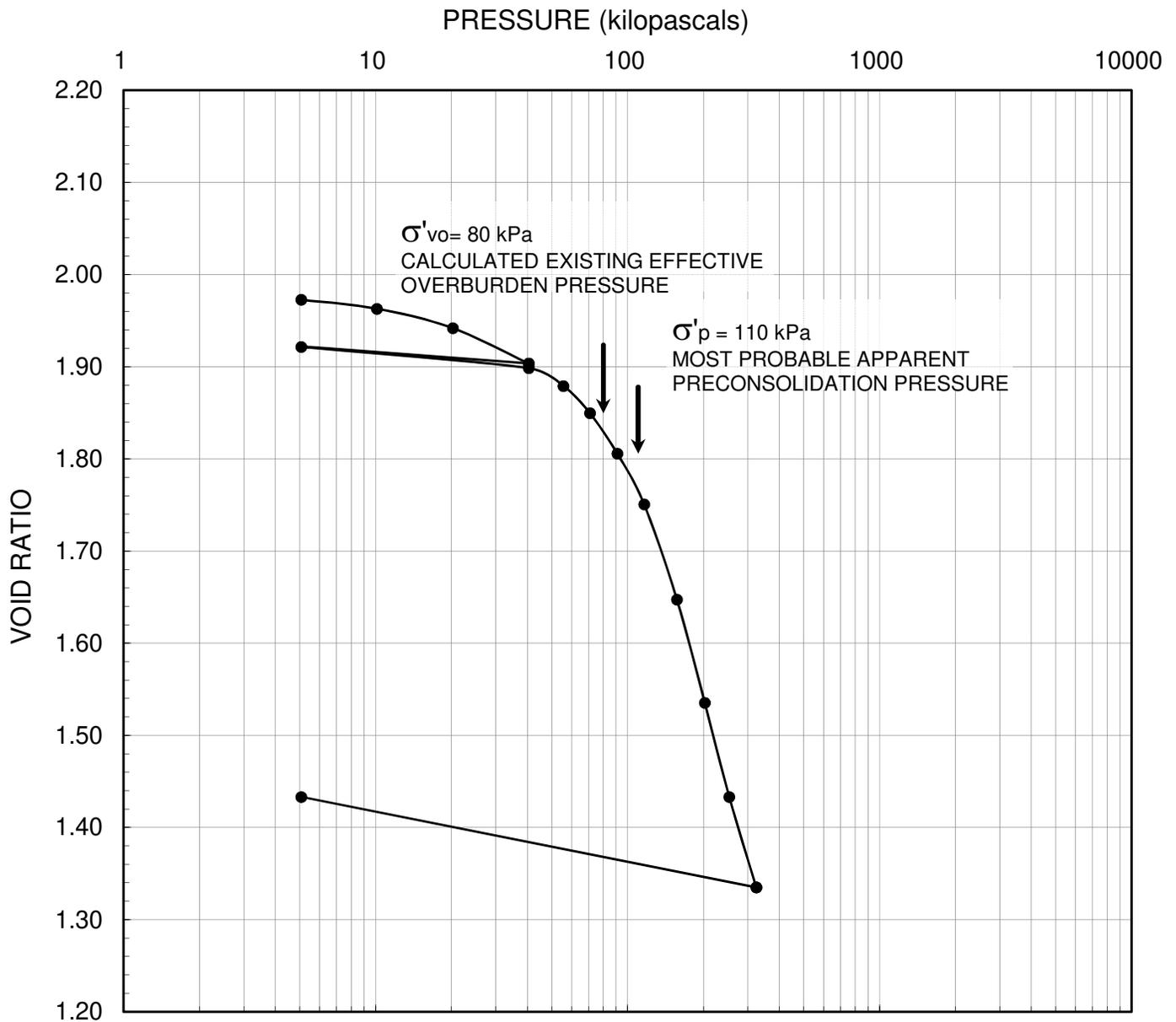
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# SUMMARY OF UNDRAINED FIELD VANE SHEAR STRENGTHS VS. ELEVATION

## FIGURE 2





**LEGEND**

Borehole: 15-1	$w_i = 70\%$	$S_o = 98\%$	$\gamma = 15.6 \text{ kN/m}^3$
Sample: 6	$w_f = 50\%$	$e_o = 1.98$	$G_s = 2.80$
Depth (m): 8.1	$w_l = 48\%$	$C_c = 1.03$	
Elevation (m): 85.6 m	$w_p = 22\%$	$C_r = 0.027$	



SCALE	AS SHOWN
DATE	09/30/15
CADD	N/A
ENTERED	MI
CHECK	CNM
REVIEW	SD

TITLE	<b>CONSOLIDATION TEST RESULTS</b>
FIGURE	

FILE No.	Consolidation summary	
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# Attachment A

**List of Abbreviations and Symbols**  
**Record of Borehole Sheets – Current Investigation**



# ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS USED ON RECORDS OF BOREHOLES AND TEST PITS

## PARTICLE SIZES OF CONSTITUENTS

Soil Constituent	Particle Size Description	Millimetres	Inches (US Std. Sieve Size)
BOULDERS	Not Applicable	>300	>12
COBBLES	Not Applicable	75 to 300	3 to 12
GRAVEL	Coarse Fine	19 to 75 4.75 to 19	0.75 to 3 (4) to 0.75
SAND	Coarse Medium Fine	2.00 to 4.75 0.425 to 2.00 0.075 to 0.425	(10) to (4) (40) to (10) (200) to (40)
SILT/CLAY	Classified by plasticity	<0.075	< (200)

## MODIFIERS FOR SECONDARY AND MINOR CONSTITUENTS

Percentage by Mass	Modifier
>35	Use 'and' to combine major constituents (i.e., SAND and GRAVEL, SAND and CLAY)
> 12 to 35	Primary soil name prefixed with "gravelly, sandy, SILTY, CLAYEY" as applicable
> 5 to 12	some
≤ 5	trace

## PENETRATION RESISTANCE

### Standard Penetration Resistance (SPT), N:

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg (140 lb) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) required to drive a 50 mm (2 in.) split-spoon sampler for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.).

### Cone Penetration Test (CPT)

An electronic cone penetrometer with a 60° conical tip and a project end area of 10 cm<sup>2</sup> pushed through ground at a penetration rate of 2 cm/s. Measurements of tip resistance (q<sub>t</sub>), porewater pressure (u) and sleeve frictions are recorded electronically at 25 mm penetration intervals.

### Dynamic Cone Penetration Resistance (DCPT); N<sub>d</sub>:

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg (140 lb) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) to drive uncased a 50 mm (2 in.) diameter, 60° cone attached to "A" size drill rods for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.).

- PH:** Sampler advanced by hydraulic pressure  
**PM:** Sampler advanced by manual pressure  
**WH:** Sampler advanced by static weight of hammer  
**WR:** Sampler advanced by weight of sampler and rod

## SAMPLES

AS	Auger sample
BS	Block sample
CS	Chunk sample
DO or DP	Seamless open ended, driven or pushed tube sampler – note size
DS	Denison type sample
FS	Foil sample
RC	Rock core
SC	Soil core
SS	Split spoon sampler – note size
ST	Slotted tube
TO	Thin-walled, open – note size
TP	Thin-walled, piston – note size
WS	Wash sample

## SOIL TESTS

w	water content
PL, w <sub>p</sub>	plastic limit
LL, w <sub>L</sub>	liquid limit
C	consolidation (oedometer) test
CHEM	chemical analysis (refer to text)
CID	consolidated isotropically drained triaxial test <sup>1</sup>
CIU	consolidated isotropically undrained triaxial test with porewater pressure measurement <sup>1</sup>
D <sub>R</sub>	relative density (specific gravity, G <sub>s</sub> )
DS	direct shear test
GS	specific gravity
M	sieve analysis for particle size
MH	combined sieve and hydrometer (H) analysis
MPC	Modified Proctor compaction test
SPC	Standard Proctor compaction test
OC	organic content test
SO <sub>4</sub>	concentration of water-soluble sulphates
UC	unconfined compression test
UU	unconsolidated undrained triaxial test
V (FV)	field vane (LV-laboratory vane test)
γ	unit weight

1. Tests which are anisotropically consolidated prior to shear are shown as CAD, CAU.

## NON-COHESIVE (COHESIONLESS) SOILS

### Compactness<sup>2</sup>

Term	SPT 'N' (blows/0.3m) <sup>1</sup>
Very Loose	0 - 4
Loose	4 to 10
Compact	10 to 30
Dense	30 to 50
Very Dense	>50

1. SPT 'N' in accordance with ASTM D1586, uncorrected for overburden pressure effects.  
 2. Definition of compactness descriptions based on SPT 'N' ranges from Terzaghi and Peck (1967) and correspond to typical average N<sub>60</sub> values.

### Field Moisture Condition

Term	Description
Dry	Soil flows freely through fingers.
Moist	Soils are darker than in the dry condition and may feel cool.
Wet	As moist, but with free water forming on hands when handled.

## COHESIVE SOILS

### Consistency

Term	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)	SPT 'N' <sup>1</sup> (blows/0.3m)
Very Soft	<12	0 to 2
Soft	12 to 25	2 to 4
Firm	25 to 50	4 to 8
Stiff	50 to 100	8 to 15
Very Stiff	100 to 200	15 to 30
Hard	>200	>30

1. SPT 'N' in accordance with ASTM D1586, uncorrected for overburden pressure effects; approximate only.

### Water Content

Term	Description
w < PL	Material is estimated to be drier than the Plastic Limit.
w ~ PL	Material is estimated to be close to the Plastic Limit.
w > PL	Material is estimated to be wetter than the Plastic Limit.



## LIST OF SYMBOLS

Unless otherwise stated, the symbols employed in the report are as follows:

### I. GENERAL

$\pi$	3.1416
$\ln x$	natural logarithm of x
$\log_{10} x$	x or log x, logarithm of x to base 10
g	acceleration due to gravity
t	time

### II. STRESS AND STRAIN

$\gamma$	shear strain
$\Delta$	change in, e.g. in stress: $\Delta \sigma$
$\varepsilon$	linear strain
$\varepsilon_v$	volumetric strain
$\eta$	coefficient of viscosity
$\nu$	Poisson's ratio
$\sigma$	total stress
$\sigma'$	effective stress ( $\sigma' = \sigma - u$ )
$\sigma'_{vo}$	initial effective overburden stress
$\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$	principal stress (major, intermediate, minor)
$\sigma_{oct}$	mean stress or octahedral stress = $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)/3$
$\tau$	shear stress
u	porewater pressure
E	modulus of deformation
G	shear modulus of deformation
K	bulk modulus of compressibility

### III. SOIL PROPERTIES

#### (a) Index Properties

$\rho(\gamma)$	bulk density (bulk unit weight)*
$\rho_d(\gamma_d)$	dry density (dry unit weight)
$\rho_w(\gamma_w)$	density (unit weight) of water
$\rho_s(\gamma_s)$	density (unit weight) of solid particles
$\gamma'$	unit weight of submerged soil ( $\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w$ )
$D_R$	relative density (specific gravity) of solid particles ( $D_R = \rho_s / \rho_w$ ) (formerly $G_s$ )
e	void ratio
n	porosity
S	degree of saturation

#### (a) Index Properties (continued)

w	water content
$w_l$ or LL	liquid limit
$w_p$ or PL	plastic limit
$I_p$ or PI	plasticity index = $(w_l - w_p)$
$w_s$	shrinkage limit
$I_L$	liquidity index = $(w - w_p) / I_p$
$I_C$	consistency index = $(w_l - w) / I_p$
$e_{max}$	void ratio in loosest state
$e_{min}$	void ratio in densest state
$I_D$	density index = $(e_{max} - e) / (e_{max} - e_{min})$ (formerly relative density)

#### (b) Hydraulic Properties

h	hydraulic head or potential
q	rate of flow
v	velocity of flow
i	hydraulic gradient
k	hydraulic conductivity (coefficient of permeability)
j	seepage force per unit volume

#### (c) Consolidation (one-dimensional)

$C_c$	compression index (normally consolidated range)
$C_r$	recompression index (over-consolidated range)
$C_s$	swelling index
$C_\alpha$	secondary compression index
$m_v$	coefficient of volume change
$C_v$	coefficient of consolidation (vertical direction)
$C_h$	coefficient of consolidation (horizontal direction)
$T_v$	time factor (vertical direction)
U	degree of consolidation
$\sigma'_p$	pre-consolidation stress
OCR	over-consolidation ratio = $\sigma'_p / \sigma'_{vo}$

#### (d) Shear Strength

$\tau_p, \tau_r$	peak and residual shear strength
$\phi'$	effective angle of internal friction
$\delta$	angle of interface friction
$\mu$	coefficient of friction = $\tan \delta$
$c'$	effective cohesion
$c_u, s_u$	undrained shear strength ( $\phi = 0$ analysis)
p	mean total stress $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)/2$
$p'$	mean effective stress $(\sigma'_1 + \sigma'_3)/2$
q	$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)/2$ or $(\sigma'_1 - \sigma'_3)/2$
$q_u$	compressive strength $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)$
$S_t$	sensitivity

\* Density symbol is  $\rho$ . Unit weight symbol is  $\gamma$  where  $\gamma = \rho g$  (i.e. mass density multiplied by acceleration due to gravity)

Notes: 1  
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$$\tau = c' + \sigma' \tan \phi'$$

$$\text{shear strength} = (\text{compressive strength})/2$$

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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE: 15-1

SHEET 1 OF 1

LOCATION: N 5006081.4 ; E 434541.2

BORING DATE: August 13, 2015

DATUM: CGVD28

SAMPLER HAMMER, 64kg; DROP, 760mm

PENETRATION TEST HAMMER, 64kg; DROP, 760mm

DEPTH SCALE METRES	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES		DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE, BLOWS/0.3m				HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY, k, cm/s				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	PIEZOMETER OR STANDPIPE INSTALLATION		
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (m)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.30m	SHEAR STRENGTH Cu, kPa				WATER CONTENT PERCENT					
								20	40	60	80	nat V. +	rem V. ⊕			Q - ●	U - ○
0		GROUND SURFACE		93.72													
0.05		TOPSOIL															
1		(CI/CH) SILTY CLAY to CLAY, trace sand; grey brown, highly fissured, (Weathered Crust); cohesive, w>PL, very stiff to stiff			1	SS	10										
2					2	SS	6										
3					3	SS	5										
4		(CI/CH) SILTY CLAY to CLAY; grey with black mottling; cohesive, w>PL, soft to firm		89.84													
4.388					4	SS	1										
5																	
6	Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem)																
7					5	SS	WH										
8					6	TP	PH										
9					7	TP	PH										
10																	
11		(CI and ML) SILTY CLAY and CLAYEY SILT; grey, laminated to thinly bedded; cohesive, w>PL		83.43													
11.1029					8	SS	WH										
12		(SM) SILTY SAND, some gravel; grey, (GLACIAL TILL); non-cohesive, wet		82.14													
12.1158																	
13		End of Borehole Sampler Refusal		81.43													
13.1229					9	SS	>50										
14																	
15																	

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DEPTH SCALE

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LOGGED: HEC

CHECKED: SD

PROJECT: 1418381

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE: 15-2

SHEET 1 OF 1

LOCATION: N 5005998.2 ; E 434616.1

BORING DATE: August 13, 2015

DATUM: CGVD28

SAMPLER HAMMER, 64kg; DROP, 760mm

PENETRATION TEST HAMMER, 64kg; DROP, 760mm

DEPTH SCALE METRES	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES		DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE, BLOWS/0.3m				HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY, k, cm/s				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	PIEZOMETER OR STANDPIPE INSTALLATION		
		DESCRIPTION	STRAATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (m)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.30m	SHEAR STRENGTH				WATER CONTENT PERCENT					
								20 40 60 80		nat V. + Q - rem V. ⊕ U - ● ○		10 <sup>-6</sup> 10 <sup>-5</sup> 10 <sup>-4</sup> 10 <sup>-3</sup>				Wp  -----  W  -----  WI	
0		GROUND SURFACE		93.57													
0.05		TOPSOIL (CI/CH) SILTY CLAY to CLAY, trace sand; grey brown, highly fissured, (Weathered Crust); cohesive, w>PL, very stiff															
1					1	SS	13										
2					2	SS	7										
3					3	SS	4										
4					4	SS	3										
3.73		(CI/CH) SILTY CLAY; grey with black mottling; cohesive, w>PL, firm		89.84													
5					5	TP	PH										
6					6	SS	WH										
7					7	SS	WH										
8					8	SS	WH										
9					9	SS	WR										
9.14		(CI and ML) SILTY CLAY and CLAYEY SILT; grey, laminated to thinly bedded; cohesive, w>PL, firm to stiff		84.43													
10					10	SS	>50										
10.67		(SM) SILTY SAND, some gravel; grey, (GLACIAL TILL); non-cohesive, wet		82.90													
10.87		End of Borehole Sampler Refusal		10.87													

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DEPTH SCALE  
1 : 75



LOGGED: HEC  
CHECKED: SD

# Attachment B

**Borehole Logs and Consolidation Test Results – Previous Investigation**

PROJECT: Geotechnical Investigation - 5831/5873 Perth St. & 2770 Eagleson Rd. **DRILLING DATA**  
 CLIENT: Cardel Homes Method: Hollow Stem Augers  
 PROJECT LOCATION: 5831/ 5873 Perth St. and 2770 Eagleson Rd., Ottawa Diameter: 203mm REF. NO.: 1776-710  
 DATUM: Geodetic Date: Aug/06/2013 ENCL NO.:  
 BH LOCATION: See Borehole Location Plan N 5006070 E 434540

SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT		PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT w	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	POCKET PEN. (C <sub>u</sub> ) (kPa)	NATURAL UNIT WT (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	REMARKS AND GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)
(m) ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE	"N" BLOWS 0.3 m			SHEAR STRENGTH (kPa)							
93.5	<b>Topsoil</b> 225 mm		1	SS	9		93								
93.0	<b>Silty Clay</b> brown, moist, firm to stiff, (weathered crust)		2	SS	4		92								
			3	SS	5		91								
			4	SS	3		90								
90.4			<b>Silty Clay</b> grey, wet, firm, medium plasticity		5	TW			89	+	+				
3.1							88	+	+						
							87								
							86								
							85								
							84								
							83								
							82								
81.9	<b>Till</b> (Infered from DCPT)														
11.6															
11.9	<b>END OF BOREHOLE</b>														

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GROUNDWATER ELEVATIONS

Shallow/ Single Installation ▽ ▽ ▽ Deep/Dual Installation ▽ ▽ ▽

GRAPH NOTES

+ 3, × 3: Numbers refer to Sensitivity ○ ε=3% Strain at Failure

PROJECT: Geotechnical Investigation - 5831/5873 Perth St. & 2770 Eagleson Rd. **DRILLING DATA**  
 CLIENT: Cardel Homes Method: Hollow Stem Augers  
 PROJECT LOCATION: 5831/ 5873 Perth St. and 2770 Eagleson Rd., Ottawa Diameter: 203mm REF. NO.: 1776-710  
 DATUM: Geodetic Date: Aug/06/2013 ENCL NO.:  
 BH LOCATION: See Borehole Location Plan N 5005854 E 434736

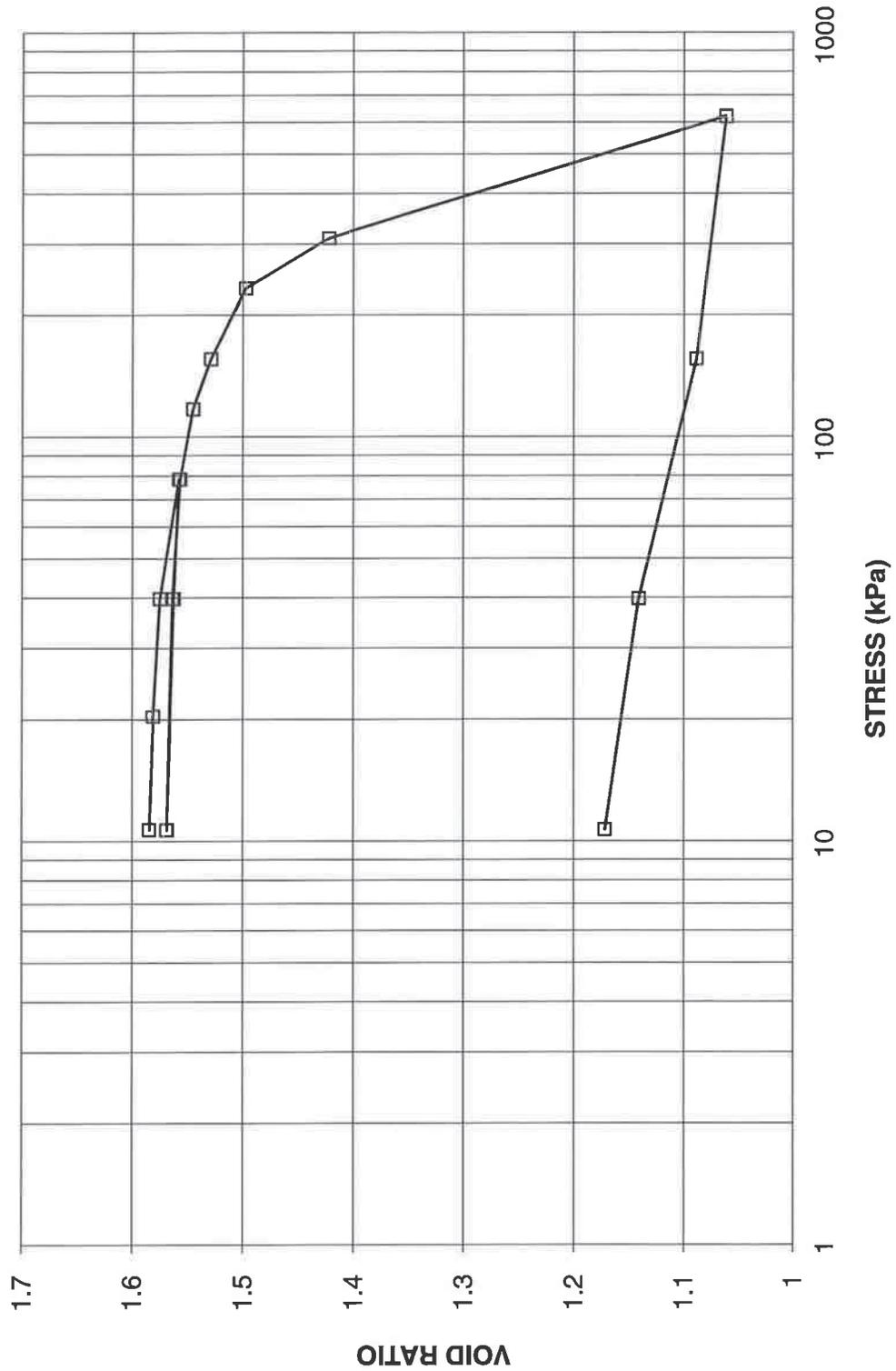
SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT		PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT w	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	POCKET PEN. (C <sub>u</sub> ) (kPa)	NATURAL UNIT WT (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	REMARKS AND GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)
(m) ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" BLOWS 0.3 m	SHEAR STRENGTH (kPa)						
93.7							20 40 60 80 100							
93.6	Topsoil 200 mm		1	SS	9									
0.2	Silty Clay, brown, moist, firm to stiff, (weathered crust)		2	SS	5								17.9	
			3	SS	3									
			4	SS	3									
90.7			5	TW										
3.1	Silty Clay grey, wet, firm			VANE										
				VANE										
			6	SS	WH								16.9	
				VANE										
				VANE										
			7	SS	3									
				VANE										
86.6			8											
7.1	Sand and Gravel trace silt, grey, wet, very dense												37 56 (8)	
86.3														
7.4	END OF BOREHOLE													
	Notes: 1) Upon completion, standing water level 3.6 m BSL 2) DCPT refusal at 7.4 m 3) Auger refusal at 7.4 m 4) 19mm dia. piezometer was installed in the borehole upon completion 5) Depth of Water Date Depth 28/08/2013 1.6 m 17/01/2014 1.1 m													

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CONSOLIDATION TEST  
VOID RATIO VS LOG STRESS

FIGURE

CONSOLIDATION TEST  
VOID RATIO vs STRESS  
BH 4 SA 5



# Attachment C

## Results of Swedish Fall Cone Testing

**SUMMARY OF SWEDISH FALL CONE TEST RESULTS**

*(CAN/BNQ 2501-110)*

PROJECT NUMBER		1418381 /4000							
PROJECT NAME		Cardel / Hydrogeology / Richmond							
DATE TESTED		17-Aug-15							
Borehole No.	Sample No.	Depth (m)	Fall Cone Penetration		Water Content (%)	Shear Strength			Estimated Pre-Consolidation Pressure - P' <sub>c</sub> <sup>(3)</sup> (kPa)
			P <sub>100</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> (mm)	P <sub>60</sub> <sup>(2)</sup> (mm)		Intact (kPa)	Remoulded (kPa)	Sensitivity	
15-2	5	3.81-4.37	6.9	12.3	57.4%	20.3	1.17	17	84

**Notes:**

<sup>(1)</sup> = Or equivalent if 400g cone used ( $\frac{1}{2}P_{400}$ ).

<sup>(2)</sup> = Or equivalent if 10g cone used ( $P_{10}*\text{sqrt}(6)$ ).

<sup>(3)</sup> = Pre-consolidation pressures were estimated from the Swedish Fall Cone as outlined in the paper " Estimation of some properties of Champlain clays with the Swedish fall cone", by R. Garneau and J. P. LeBihan, Can. Geotech. Journal, Vol. 14, 1977.