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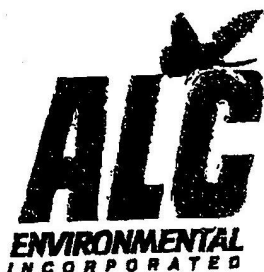
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September 26, 2001

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Re: Report of TEM Analysis

Dear Mr.

Following are the results of transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis of eleven PCM air samples from our Group No. 5556:

Client: Mid-State
Project Name: 345 and 355 Southend Avenue
Location: Hallways and Apartments, Buildings 100 and 200
Samples received in TEM Lab: 09/26/01

These results will confirm and document the data transmitted to you today. The analyses were performed in strict conformance with the methodology of the NIOSH method 7402, Issue 2, August 15, 1994.

Forty grid openings from each of the samples were examined at relatively low magnifications (approximately 1,000X and 10,000X) for structures greater than 5um in length and widths between 0.25um and 3um, and having a length-to-width ratio greater than 3:1. These structures would be large enough to be observed by PCM analysis. Asbestos and non-asbestos structures were detected in the samples in the following proportions:

sample number	chrysotile	gypsum	cellulose	fiber glass	F/CC as Asbestos
3	0.0%	93.8%	0.0%	6.2%	0.0
4	22.2%	77.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.005
5	0.0%	76.9%	0.0%	23.1%	0.0
6	0.0%	55.0%	0.0%	45.0%	0.0
8	0.0%	76.2%	9.5%	14.3%	0.0
13	0.0%	77.3%	9.1%	13.6%	0.0
14	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
17	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.001
18	3.6%	68.7%	0.0%	27.7%	0.0
19	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0
20	0.0%	42.0%	0.0%	58.0%	0.0

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As a consequence, no sample exceeds 0.01 F/CC as asbestos.

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Asbestos Air Sampling Data Form

Client:

Sampled By:

Work Area:

Date:

Relometer #:

Project #:

Ca's Settle: Seven #912

Sample # Lab #	Sample Location	Code	Time		Total Minutes	Flow Rate		Total Volume	# Fibers /100 Fields	Results (U/cc)
			Start	Stop		Start	Stop			
9	2nd Fl. Hallway - South Side	4	1302	1402	60	10.0	10.0	600	6/100	<0.003
10	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1415	1515	60	10.0	10.0	600	3/100	<0.003
11	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1416	1516	60	10.0	10.0	600	12/100	1.010
12	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1417	1517	60	10.0	10.0	600	5/100	<0.003
13	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1420	1520	60	10.0	10.0	600	24/100	0.020
14	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1421	1521	60	10.0	10.0	600	13/100	0.011
15	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1422	1522	60	10.0	10.0	600	3/100	<0.003
16	Bldg. 200, Apt # Living Rm.	4	1530	1630	60	10.0	10.0	600	2/100	<0.003

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September 26, 2001

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Re: Report of TEM Analysis

Dear Mr. .

Following are the results of transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis of thirteen PCM air samples from our Group No. 5557:

Client: Mid-State
Project Name: 355 and 365 Southend Avenue
Location: Hallways, Buildings 200 and 300
Samples received in TEM Lab: 09/26/01

These results will confirm and document the data transmitted to you today. The analyses were performed in strict conformance with the methodology of the NIOSH method 7402, Issue 2, August 15, 1994.

Forty grid openings from each of the samples were examined at relatively low magnifications (approximately 1,000X and 10,000X) for structures greater than 5um in length and widths between 0.25um and 3um, and having a length-to-width ratio greater than 3:1. These structures would be large enough to be observed by PCM analysis. Asbestos and non-asbestos structures were detected in the samples in the following proportions:

sample number	chrysotile	gypsum	cellulose	F/CC as Asbestos
1	14.3%	85.7%	0.0%	0.002
3	8.8%	55.9%	35.3%	0.001
5	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0
6	0.0%	61.1%	38.9%	0.0
8	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0
9	5.8%	94.2%	0.0%	0.001
10	0.0%	30.4%	69.6%	0.0
11	0.0%	83.3%	16.7%	0.0
12	0.0%	37.5%	62.5%	0.0
13	11.8%	60.8%	27.4%	0.002
14	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0
16	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0
18	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%	0.0

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As a consequence, no sample exceeds 0.01 F/CC as asbestos.

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Please contact me regarding any questions relating to these materials.

Very truly yours,

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Asbestos Air Sampling Data Form

Client:

Sampled By:

Work Area:

Mid-State

At 600 Galtier St.

365 South 3rd Ave. Bldg. 300 - Hallways

Date:

#2

Project #:

9-23-01

Rotometer #:

300 - Hallways

Sample # Lab #	Sample Location	Code	Time		Total Minutes	Flow Rate		Total Volume	# Filters / 100 Fields	Results (U/c)
			Start	Stop		Start	Stop			
9	Bldg. 300, Hallway - South, 3rd fl.	4	1308	1408	60	0.0	10.0	600	13/100	0.011
10	Bldg. 300, Hallway - North, 5th fl.	4	1430	1530	60	0.0	10.0	600	14/100	0.011
11	Bldg. 300, Hallway - Middle, 5th fl.	4	1431	1531	60	0.0	10.0	600	20/100	0.016
12	Bldg. 300, Hallway - South, 5th fl.	4	1438	1538	60	0.0	10.0	600	14/100	0.011
13	Bldg. 300, Hallway - North, 2nd fl.	4	1600	1700	60	0.0	10.0	600	21/100	0.017
14	Bldg. 300, Hallway - Middle, 2nd fl.	4	1601	1701	60	0.0	10.0	600	31/100	0.025
15	Bldg. 300, Hallway - South, 2nd fl.	4	1608	1708	60	0.0	10.0	600	11/100	0.009
16	Bldg. 300, Hallway - North, 2nd fl.	4	1730	1830	60	0.0	10.0	600	18/100	0.015

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GATEWAY PLAZA MANAGEMENT CORP.
375 SOUTH END AVENUE
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10280

(212) 321-2000

October 2, 2001

Date: _____

To: All tenants

From: Gateway Plaza Management

Emergency Phone # 718-575-4881

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- Call the emergency phone number given above for the latest information.

Please register a phone number where you can be reached.

- When you go up to your apartment, remember

Keep all windows closed

Keep all faucets closed

Do not leave pets behind

We recommend you take valuables (jewelry, passports, etc.)

Do Not Lock your top Lock! Even if you appear to have gas service,

Please assist us in our efforts to complete final testing of the system
by **not locking your top lock!** If you secure that top lock, we may be
required to force entry by removing the lock.

- Perishable garbage:

Remove all perishable garbage from the apartment and place them in
the compactor chute and pour liquids down the drain.

- We have started a clean up of damaged apartments, in the hopes of aiding
in your prompt return to Gateway Plaza.

We appreciate your understanding in these difficult times

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Memorandum

To: Richard Lefrak
CC: Charles Mehlman
From: Joshua Sarett
Date: 10/18/2001 Via Email
Re: Gateway Plaza Project

Gentlemen:

At your request on Thursday October 18, 2001 I met with the representative of the tenants association, Tammy Meltzer and their environmental consultant Mark Rutstein of Environmental Management Solutions of NY, Inc. In addition Rick Lane and Gary Flamenbaum from Gateway Management were present along with myself and Americo Rodriguez from my office.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the results of our findings in building 200 and our general methodology for sampling and clean-up protocol at the Gateway Plaza Project in all the buildings.

Mr. Rutstein has requested the following:

- 1.) List of apartments inspected and what amount of dust that was found by our inspectors in each apartment.
- 2.) The opportunity to inspect various apartments himself.
- 3.) Perform aggressive air sampling, utilizing leaf blowers and containment procedures in the apartments where certified asbestos contractors were used in building 200 and 400 (7 apartments total)
- 4.) Perform aggressive air sampling in all apartments where significant dust was found by our inspectors at the time of the visual assessment and bulk sampling once the cleaning is completed.
- 5.) Perform aggressive air sampling in all common areas and hallways.
- 6.) Lower the criteria necessary for re-occupancy to 40 mm2 from 70mm2 which is the haz-mat level.
- 7.) Develop a written air monitoring protocol.
- 8.) Develop a written protocol for the clean up of the dust and debris by the clean up crews presently being utilized.

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Mr. Rutstein was very clear that he wants additional sampling done utilizing aggressive procedures. He believes this will give him the confidence to tell the tenants they can return to the building. Additionally, Ms. Meltzer was very clear that this is what she felt was needed as well.

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Mr. Rutstein believes that the dust and debris present at the site is contaminated with asbestos and should be treated as such. Although he is not presently advocating the use of licensed asbestos abatement contractors, he wants aggressive air sampling, and clearance performed where significant dust was found.

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NYC DEP
Mr. Krish Radhakrishnan, P.E.
Director
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Corona, NY 11368-5107

Via Facsimile

Subject: Final Air Clearance Sampling: Gateway Plaza 355 Southend Avenue Building 200; Apartments-23F, 22F, 34D, 19H, 17B, 16F

Dear Mr. Radhakrishnan, P.E.

Please find enclosed the third party air monitoring report performed at selected locations of the above referenced location. Upon completion of the asbestos clean up procedures, a visual inspection was conducted in the work areas located in the in the specific apartments of the 200 building of the Gateway Plaza. Since no visible asbestos containing material (acm) or debris was seen, final air clearance sampling was then conducted.

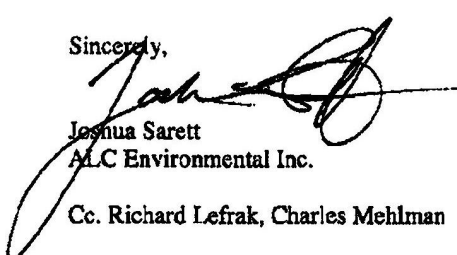
The air sampling and analysis were done utilizing applicable Federal, State and City Regulations pertaining to asbestos to include Federal OSHA (29 CFR 1926.58) EPA NESHAPS (40 CFR PART 61), AND TSCA TITLE II AHERA/ASHARA (40 CFR PART 763) Asbestos Regulations; the New York State Department of Labor Industrial Code Rule 56 and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection Title 15 Asbestos Regulations.

The air samples were collected by Alvin B. Blake a licensed sampling technician (AH#01-03528) under the supervision of Americo Rodriguez Jr., a licensed project monitor (AH# 89-07160)

ATC Associates (ELAP #10879) analyzed the samples using the Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) Methodology. The results indicated that the work areas achieved the acceptance criteria of at or below <0.01 fibers per cubic centimeters set by the above regulations.

If you have any questions and/or comments please contact us directly at 212 279-1001.

Sincerely,



Joshua Sarett
ALC Environmental Inc.

Cc. Richard Lefrak, Charles Mehlman

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Attn: Mr. Joshua Sarett

Re: Report of TEM Analysis

Dear Mr. Sarett:

Following are the results of transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis of air samples from our Group No. 5601.

Client: Gateway Plaza Mall
Project Name: 355 South End Avenue
Location: Various Apartments
Samples received: 10/04/01

These results will confirm and document the data transmitted today to you. The analyses were performed in strict conformance with the methodology of the AHERA Final Rule (CFR October 30, 1987) for clearance of abatement sites. As indicated on the attached Summary Results sheet, less than 70 asbestos structures per mm² was detected in all of the twelve final samples submitted from the site.

Results reported as Struct/cc are a function of air volume collected in the field and are, as such, not verifiable by this laboratory. This report may be reproduced only in its entirety and not without prior permission of this laboratory. If the post-abatement inside samples pass, the response action may be considered to have been completed. The analyses were supervised by Dr. Michael A. Gorycki, Director of Electron Microscopy.

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Summary of TEM Results

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Mr. Joshua Jarrett

DATE 10/04/01

Project/Site Identification: Gateway Plaza Mall, 355 South End Ave.
Various Apartments

CONCLUSION:

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

1) Inside Samples

TEM#	Project #	Volume (l)	Asbestos Concentration		
			S/mm ²	S/cc	ngm/m ³
5601- 59987	1	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59988	2	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59989	3	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59990	4	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59991	5	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59992	6	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59993	7	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59994	8	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59995	9	1800	22.2	0.0048	
5601- 59996	10	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59997	11	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
5601- 59998	12	1800	0.0	0.0048 *	
Average=			1.5	0.0048	13

2) Outside Samples

TEM#	Project #	Volume (l)	Asbestos Concentration		
			S/mm ²	S/cc	ngm/m ³
Average=			N/A	N/A	N/A

3) Blanks

TEM#	Project #	Asbestos Concentration		
		S/mm ²	S/cc	ngm/m ³
5601- 59999	13	Not Analyzed		
5601- 60000	14	Not Analyzed		
Average=			N/A	N/A

4) Value of T - Statistic : N/A

* None detected; concentration equivalent to analytical sensitivity assigned.

This test report relates only to the specific items cited in the analysis.

The analysis was carried out according to the approved TEM method. The laboratory is in compliance with the quality specified for the method.

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Analyzed by:
Marek Peysakhov

Michael A. Gorycki
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June,

Pls. tell Rich that Richard

is coming Friday night.

It is something from a
Tenants Assoc. in NY.

Pls. have him call Richard
back and refer him to the N.Y.
Times article that basically
kills some of the theory
made by H.P. Environmental.

Pls. tell him I asked you
to call and assist him.

[Signature]

Bob A.

From: Tammy Meltzer <Tammrudy@onebox.com>
To: rlefrak@lefrak.com <rlefrak@lefrak.com>
Date: Friday, October 12, 2001 4:49 PM
Subject: notes from last night

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I went to the Emergency Forum on Potential Health Hazards from Toxins at the World Trade Center Disaster Site held last night at Pace University. Here are some excerpts from my notes. If anyone else was there, perhaps you wouldn't mind commenting on what you remember or sharing your notes as well as I can not claim to have gotten everything that was said. I do think I got some, and at the very least, I definitely got an overall feeling of trepidation about the haste with which the cleanup & move-back-in process has been handled. The panelists, which included Dr. George Thurston of the NYU School of Medicine (who was quoted in yesterday's NY Times article), repeatedly emphasized the necessity of more stringent testing and cleaning methods, and many of them stated: "We recommend that landlord hire licensed professionals to do this."

Here are some other statements I noted, spoken by various members of the panel:

Dr. Stephen Levin, Selikoff Center for Occupational Safety & Health at Mount Sinai Medical Center:

- 1 "Much of the settled dust does contain asbestos. It must be removed by a professional. You must treat the dust as if it does contain asbestos."
- 2 "Asthmatics are most at risk. The worse their previous condition, the worse their current risks."
- 3 "There has been an ongoing release of irritants. There will be an ongoing release of irritants until those fires are out."
- 4 "The risk is small, but it should be avoided."

David Neumann, Representative of NYCOSH, NY Committee of Occupational Safety & Hygiene:

che { All buildings in the hot & warm zones [includes all of BPC] should be tested indoors for asbestos, fiberglass and silica. Indoors means inside every room where dust is present or was present if cleaned up prior to testing. Require this of your landlord. If the results are positive for any of these, the landlord **MUST** engage a cleanup effort by licensed technical vendors. Even if the tests are all negative, there are still contaminants that should be cleaned professionally and the landlord should be responsible. A specific description of safe testing and cleaning methods is available on their website, at www.nycosh.org.

Dr. George Thurston, NYU School of Medicine:
 "If you can avoid exposure, do so."

A Union Representative of Local 78, (people who are 'licensed to handle and contain Asbestos, Lead & other Hazardous Materials for removal'):
 "Proper containment and proper cleanup is imperative and it is not being done."
 "The residential buildings must be treated the same as the schools; we must not pretend something is safe when it is not."

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"The importance of HP Environmental's results is the discovery of the microscopic size of the particles. The EPA's tests are now irrelevant."

"The building owners are responsible for this."

"The trucks of debris being carted to the barge at Pier 26 should be wetted down and covered and we can all see that is not always happening."

"Lead contamination is definitely a concern. There is no safe level."

Joel Kupferman, Attorney with the NY Environmental Law & Justice Project:

"The World Trade Center was built without the guidance of these types of health and safety laws."

Dr. Chang, Professor of Environmental Medicine from NYU, reporting on testing done by a team of scientists in the areas of Inhalation Toxicology, Neurotoxicology, Pulmonary & Critical Care, Epidemiology & Air Pollution.

Please note: This data was extremely technical and difficult to comprehend in layman's terms. Dr. Chang was reluctant to translate this data in a way that might reveal his personal opinion about any of it, though he did say more than once, 'we just don't know'. Here's the best I could do at deciphering it.

Dust samples taken from the ground at various locations in the area of Ground Zero are comprised of mostly large particles: "Only a very small fraction of the dust contains the most dangerous, microscopic particles."

Samples showed:

-- A very high pH factor, which is an irritant to the nose & upper respiratory tract. This causes discomfort but does not present danger.

-- A large concentration of lead, occasionally surpassing the EPA's safety standards

-- A large concentration of carbon, often surpassing the EPA's safety standards

Dr. Chang also said his team and a similar team of scientists at Rutgers University hope they will have the funding necessary to continue monitoring these levels for the duration of the WTC cleanup process.

There was an additional panelist, whose name & organisation I did not catch.

She was a Specialist in the area of Radioactive Contamination.

Addressing the question of whether or not there is radioactive contamination of the air, soil and water, she said: "...the probability is extremely remote." This issue is monitored by both the Radiation Control Office of the Department of Health and private, independent agencies.

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