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Environmental Survey and Assessment of Buildings in the Vicinity of the WTC

This proposal for sampling and assessment of building interior spaces was developed using information provided by the Indoor Air Taskforce. The taskforce has representatives from various agencies including but not limited to the USEPA, ATSDR, NYSDOH, OSHA, NYCDOH, and the NYCDEP.

This evaluation and assessment is targeted to identify substances based on current knowledge of existing contaminants after building collapses and fires, and on the review of information from sampling data to date. The Indoor Air Taskforce has identified seven preliminary contaminants that may have impacted buildings in the vicinity of the World Trade Center disaster. These contaminants include asbestos, fibrous glass, refractory ceramic fibers, silica, dioxin, lead and PAHs.

The initial phase of this building interior space evaluation will be performed at 100 buildings within a four-block radius of the WTC site. The selection of buildings will be based on the location, lack of sampling information from the building owner, requests for sampling from building occupants, and input from various agencies and/or organizations. Four units in each building will be selected for sampling and evaluation. The assessments will include environmental sampling for each of the identified contaminants.

The methodology for evaluation and assessment will vary dependent on the contaminant.

Asbestos

Asbestos air samples will be collected and analyzed by TEM analysis. Five samples collected simultaneously at each location with a minimum volume of 1200 liters. The re-occupancy standard of 70 s/mm² will be used as the basis for evaluation of the data.

Recommendations from the task force will be used to evaluate and assess the following contaminants fibrous glass, refractory ceramic fibers, silica, dioxin, lead, and PAHs.

WORK PLAN
residential cleaning study

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1. INTRODUCTION:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has been tasked to evaluate the effectiveness of various cleaning procedures that may have been utilized in cleaning residential living spaces located in the immediate vicinity of ground zero that are contaminated with dust and debris from the World Trade Center (WTC) attack. The study will involve implementing various vacuuming and cleaning techniques in separate apartments to determine their effectiveness. Comprehensive sampling for Contaminants of Potential Concern (COPC) will be conducted throughout the study to determine which method of cleaning is most effective at dust control. The building located at 110 Liberty Street has been selected for the study. The location of the building in relation to ground zero is shown on Figure 1.

1.1 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The building at 110 Liberty Street is 5 stories with 12 residential and 6 commercial spaces and has been unoccupied since 9/11. It is owned by David M. Baldwin Realty Co., Inc. The building is situated between Liberty and Cedar Streets and has a co-address of 113-117 Cedar Street. The collapse of the WTC severely impacted all spaces in the building with deposition of dust and debris. Windows of residential and commercial spaces facing the WTC were blown out as were the sky lights located in the ceilings of the three, 5th floor dwellings. The building was professionally cleaned shortly after the collapse of the WTC. The cleanup was limited to all residential spaces, the basement and the roof. None of the commercial spaces, except for unit 3A were cleaned. Two of the commercial spaces (Unit 1 and Unit 2) are presently covered with inches of dust. All of the residential rental spaces contain dust of various degrees due to redeposition of dust generated from the work effort at ground zero.

The rental spaces range in size from 1,000 to 1,300 square feet. The residential spaces are of open design and include a kitchen, bathroom and sleeping area. Commercial spaces identified as Unit 1, Unit 2 and Dwelling 3A were used as a Chiropractors office, a retail mattress showroom and offices of Baldwin Realty, respectively. Each space is heated by an individual hot water base board system. Window or roof mounted air conditioners are present in the residential space, central systems are present in the commercial space (Unit 1 and Unit 2). Rental spaces are accessible from Liberty or Cedar Streets through common hallways, floors are accessible via an elevator and stairs. The building is presently without electricity and service is not expected to be restored until mid June. Each floor has a trash compactor room and a utility room. A laundry room is located on the 2nd floor. The basement contains the building trash compactor, elevator shaft, electric meter rooms, preparation and storage areas for the Chinese restaurant, and a hair salon.

The study will be conducted on 12 residential and 3 commercial spaces. The two restaurants and hair salon are not part of the study but will be cleaned by USEPA at the completion of the study.

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2. PROPOSED PLANS and PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

USEPA will evaluate eight (8) cleaning techniques during the study. Fifteen separate units will be identified and evaluated based on the following criteria: exposure to ground zero, type of interior decorating and the location of the unit in the building. Cleaning techniques will be specific to each unit and will consist of basic vacuuming with standard household equipment to use of advanced commercial quality equipment. Wet wiping of horizontal surfaces will be performed in each unit. The use of wet vacuums for cleaning carpets will also be investigated. Comprehensive sampling for COPC will be conducted prior to, during and after the cleanup. Laboratory data will be evaluated by USEPA to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of each cleanup technique as well as possible exposures to individuals performing the task.

The Cleanup Plan details the tasks and procedures to be used during the cleaning of specific units. Tasks will be identified and protocols will be detailed for building assessments, setup of support/decontamination zones, vacuuming/washing and disposal.

The Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) presents the detailed procedures and methods for sampling and analysis of bulk, surface and airborne dusts. Sampling will be performed during all phases of the cleanup. A Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) is included in the Sampling and Analysis Plan to ensure that the sampling and analysis are conducted in conformance with EPA Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) objectives.

The Health and Safety Plan (HASP) provides the minimum safety requirements that will be implemented during the activities conducted under the Cleanup and Sampling Plans. The Health and Safety Plan satisfies the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.120.

3. CLEANUP PLAN:

This Cleanup Plan describes the procedures and protocols to be implemented for the following tasks:

- i) support areas, security
- ii) building and apartment access and assessment;
- iii) photo documentation, and inventories of existing conditions;
- iv) cleaning of common areas, building exteriors, elevator shafts and heating systems;
- v) decontamination areas;
- vi) procedures for interior cleaning;
- vii) procedures for containment and disposal of cleanup wastes.

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The sampling program to be implemented is summarized in Section 4. Specific details of sampling activities/protocols/methods performed during the Cleanup are presented in the Sampling and Analysis Plan and associated QAPP. All activities performed under the Cleanup Plan will be performed in accordance with the health and safety protocols presented in the Health and Safety Plan.

1. Support Facilities:

This project will require office space large enough to support numerous activities including public relations, public availability, technical support, communications, data collection and presentation, contractor support and USEPA management. Portable trailers cannot be used in the area due to space constraints, therefore office space in the immediate vicinity of the cleanup will be rented for the duration of the study. Security needs will be determined for support areas and the study building.

2. Building Access and Assessment:

Prior to entering the building, USEPA will obtain a signed access agreement with the building owner(s) and prior tenant(s). These documents will be prepared by USEPA attorneys and signed copies will be kept on file. Once access is obtained the entire building and each apartment will be inspected for safety concerns including: gas/oil/water leaks, perishable foods, rodent/insect infestations, individual or common heating/cooling systems, damaged floors/walls/roofs, common areas, stair ways and elevators. All safety concerns will be noted/evaluated and repaired (if necessary) prior to beginning the cleanup.

3. Photo Documentation and Inventories:

Photo documentation of all building interiors will be conducted and catalogued in an index. The building owner and tenant will be requested to accompany USEPA during this event. Inventories of personnel belongings will be developed and owners will be permitted to remove valuables. This documentation is for the benefit of all parties involved. Measurements of the apartment and details of the interior decorating (furniture/carpets etc.) will be obtained to develop a floor plan of the living space. The floor plan will be utilized to locate and document sample locations while the cleanup is progressing. Bulk samples of dust will be obtained (if possible) for laboratory analysis and subsequent evaluation.

4. Cleaning of common areas:

USEPA will clean building exterior areas (if necessary) prior to beginning interior work. The work will be performed by a subcontractor utilizing vacuum trucks equipped with HEPA filtration. All foyers, stair ways, hall ways, elevators/shafts, and common heating systems will be vacuumed using commercial quality HEPA vacuums. Cleaning of common areas will begin at the building entrance and proceed to the upper level then return down to the entrance. Plastic curtains will be installed at the interface of clean and non - clean areas to prevent re - deposition

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of dust due to drafting. If HVAC systems are present, subcontractors specializing in cleaning these units may be utilized. All ventilation ducts will be covered with plastic to minimize recontamination with dust. Wet washing of walls, and ceilings will be performed if dust cannot be removed by vacuuming. The goal of this activity is to provide a dust free area to allow level "D" entry through the common spaces and for construction of equipment storage and decontamination areas. Decontamination areas will be temporary structures built of wood and plastic sheeting to be utilized to don and doff protective equipment when entering or exiting the work areas.

5. Interior Cleaning:

USEPA will evaluate 8 cleaning techniques on fifteen rental spaces. Each cleaning technique will be tested on two rental units. The 8 cleanup techniques will vary through use of different vacuuming systems. Sampling of dust before, during, and after the cleanup will be performed to evaluate the effectiveness of each cleanup technique and worker exposure.

General Cleaning Procedures which will be employed for all units are as follows: Bulk accumulations of dust and debris (if present) will be manually removed using shovels and commercial quality HEPA vacuums. All horizontal and vertical surfaces will be vacuumed beginning with the ceilings and working down along the walls to the floor. Windows, electrical outlets, sills, heating/cooling units will be vacuumed as they are encountered. Filters will be replaced on cooling units. After cleaning, A/C units will be sealed with plastic sheeting. Central HVAC intake/discharge registers will be covered with plastic. Horizontal and vertical solid surfaces including floors, appliances, table tops, cabinets (interior/exterior) as well as flat ware, and accent items will be washed with soap and water (if appropriate). Books, files, magazine, porous accent items will be vacuumed and stored in boxes then covered with plastic bags. Items such as clothes, shoes, drapes/curtains, will be HEPA vacuumed (if necessary) and stored in plastic bags for washing/dry-cleaning by the tenant. Carpets and furniture will be dry vacuumed until visibly clean. The tenant will be invited to monitor the cleanup if desired. USEPA will furnish protective equipment to tenant(s) during the cleanup. No items will be discarded unless authorized by the tenant. If necessary, work schedules will be modified to accommodate the tenant.

Detailed cleaning procedures and sequencing of work are included as Attachment A

Four scenarios have been developed to evaluate 8 cleanup techniques. Each scenario contains two parts for testing 2 different cleaning procedures. Each scenario is discussed below:

Scenario 1:

(Selection Criteria): Accumulation of dust on horizontal surfaces should be limited to a dusting. This scenario may represent a typical apartment which was impacted but not totally encompassed in dust.

Test A (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units using basic residential quality upright vacuums and shop vacuums which are available from Hoover, Eureka, Rigid and

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Craftsman.

Test B (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units with basic vacuums as used in Test A but with the addition of a negative air machine (NAM). The NAM produces a negative pressure differential which will serve to capture dust particles through HEPA filtration that become airborne as a result of the cleaning activities.

Scenario 2:

(Selection Criteria) Same or similar to Scenario 1.

Test A (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units using HEPA filtered upright vacuums and HEPA filtered shop vacuums which are available from Hoover, Eureka, Rigid and Craftsman. The upright vacuums from Hoover and Eureka were provided to residents of lower Manhattan, by FEMA and the Red Cross for cleaning of their occupied space.

Test B (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units using the same vacuums in Test A but with the addition of a NAM.

Scenario 3:

(Selection Criteria): Same or similar to Scenario 1.

Test A (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units using commercial quality HEPA filtered vacuums. These vacuums will be purchased from Nilfisk Advance Vacuum Systems. Vacuums of this type were used by management companies for cleaning residential/commercial spaces in lower Manhattan after the WTC attack.

Test B (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in two units using the same vacuums in Test A but with the addition of a NAM.

Scenario 4:

(Selection Criteria) Units have a direct exposure to ground zero. Windows were blown out as a result of the WTC collapse. Accumulation of dust on horizontal surfaces measures in inches. This scenario represents a severely impacted space with heavy accumulations of dust and debris. The two commercial spaces (Units 1 and Unit 2) in the building fit this criteria. Both spaces have wall to wall carpeting and acoustical ceiling tiles.

Test A (Equipment Selection) Cleaning will be conducted in both units using Nilfisk HEPA filtered vacuums. Debris that cannot be vacuumed will be manually removed and disposed of. Due to the excessive amount of dust, a minimum of 2 NAM will be used to control airborne dust. Cleaning will continue until all visible dust has been removed.

Test B (Wet Wiping) Additional cleaning of wall surface areas will be conducted to remove any dust residues that may not have been removed by vacuuming. Wiping of the walls with a damp soapy cloth will be performed to remove residual dust that may have adhered to the walls from the force of the collapse.

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Test C (Carpet Shampooing) Wall to wall carpeting in both Units will be shampooed or steam cleaned using commercial duty equipment.

Scenarios 1, 2 and 3 will be each be tested on four units. Scenario 4 will be tested on the 2 commercial spaces. Additional evaluation of wet wiping methods will be conducted on the 15th (Dwelling) that has been not proposed for evaluation under the previously proposed scenarios. Samples will be collected prior to, during and after cleanup in accordance with the SAP to determine the effectiveness of the cleaning. If sample results do not attain cleanup objectives for a specific scenario, the unit will be re-cleaned using the same equipment and re-sampled. If after a second cleaning the results are unsatisfactory the unit will be cleaned using a method proven successful.

6) Disposal of cleanup generated waste:

Dust/debris, used protective equipment, clogged vacuum filters, expendables and items discarded by the tenant will be double bagged in 6ml plastic bags and deposited in a roll off container placed out side the building. The roll off container will be transported off site when full and replaced with another roll-off container. Water used for hand washing and equipment washing will be disposed into the sanitary sewer.

4. PROJECT SAMPLING:

USEPA will perform comprehensive sampling before, during and after the cleanup to evaluate the effectiveness of the work and possible worker exposure. Samples of dust collected by wipe, micro vac, and personnel pump sampling techniques will be obtained from porous and nonporous surfaces as well as from workers. Prior to the start of work, bulk samples will be collected (if possible) from each unit. If bulk samples cannot be collected, samples will be obtained using wipe or micro - vac techniques. Samples will be collected from the locations, and analyzed for the parameters shown on the tables included as Attachment B. Specific sampling protocols, methods as well as sample management, data validation and reporting are detailed in the SAP.

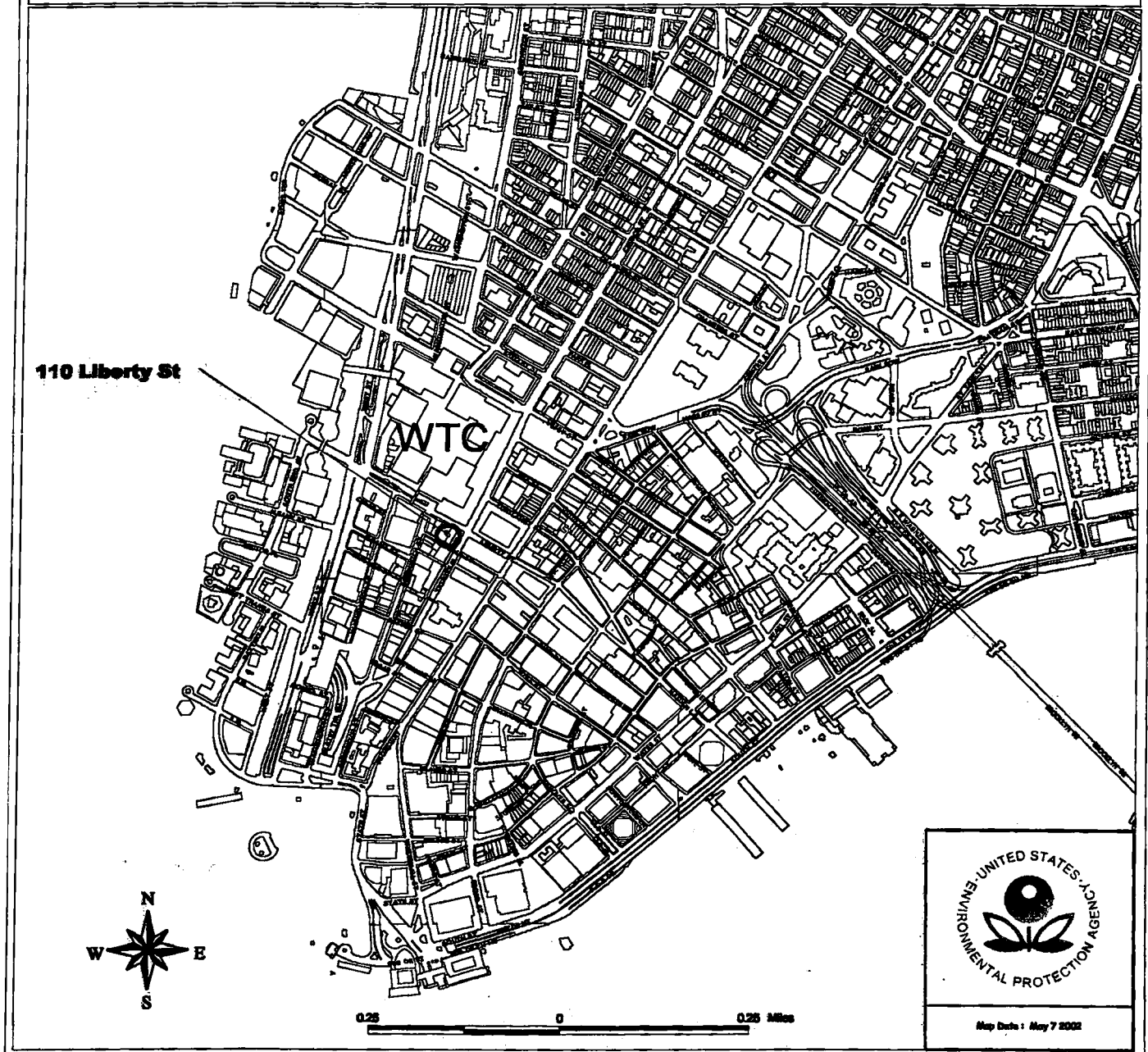
5. REPORT PREPARATION :

Upon completion of the study a summary report will be prepared discussing the work performed under each scenario. The report will present a synopsis of the work, detailing conditions of the units prior to and after the cleanup, duration of the cleanup, problems encountered during the cleanup, sample locations, laboratory data summary tables, and QA/QC documentation. This information will be presented to USEPA for evaluation and recommendation.

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Figure 1

Base Map of Lower Manhattan



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Attachment A

Indoor Cleaning Study: 110 Liberty

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Sequence of Activities and Detailed Cleaning Procedures

1. Obtain Access from Owner(s) & Tenants(s):

- i Meet with owner/tenants to explain the pilot and goals.
- ii Arrange for owner/tenants to enter rental space to identify items to be discarded or removed (clothes, rugs, furniture) This entry will be after hallways are cleaned and tenants are provided proper PPE.

2. Photo documentation of rental space:

- i EPA will video and photograph all rental and common spaces before the cleanup begins. (drawers, cabinets, and closets will be opened and areas of damage will be noted)
- ii Inventories of all belongings will be logged and entered into an EPA database.
- iii Heating and air conditioning systems will be identified and photographed..
- iv The interior space will be detailed on a scaled floor plan. Furniture, carpets, beds will be identified, sample locations will be marked.

3. Exterior Cleaning:

NYC is responsible for cleaning roof tops and building exteriors that are covered with dust. Dust will be removed by vacuum and wetted then brushed into bags.

4. Cleaning of Common Spaces:

EPA will initiate the cleanup by vacuuming all common spaces. This includes hallways, utility rooms, laundry rooms, compactor rooms, elevators and elevator shafts. Work will begin from the entrance to the top floors. Windows and screens will be cleaned first. Vacuuming will begin at the ceiling and continue down the walls to the floor. Work will continue to the next floor via stair ways. Utility rooms, compactor rooms and laundry rooms, will be vacuumed as encountered starting from the ceiling working down to the floor. Appliances will be moved to permit complete cleaning. Dryer vents and filters will be replaced or cleaned. When the top hallway is completed vacuuming will continue floor by floor to the building entrance following the same procedures as during the initial cleaning. Isolation barriers will be installed at the stairwell of each floor to minimized recontamination caused by drafting. This barrier will also isolate the common spaces for clearance sampling. Following receipt of acceptable clearance sample results, the floor of the common spaces (hallway) will be covered with construction paper (red rosin), and will be used as storage areas for equipment and supplies, and as passage areas for (level D) workers and visitors.

5. Cleaning of Interior (residential) Spaces:

EPA will begin cleaning interior spaces beginning at the entrance door of the rental space. Workers will vacuum the foyer areas and construct an isolation barrier to separate this area from the rest of the rental space. The contained foyer area will be considered a clean space for donning PPE. Exteriors of windows/screens will be cleaned first. Interior areas will be cleaned as encountered. Items identified by the tenant(s) for disposal will be consolidated and bagged. Personnel belongings (shoes, clothes, linens etc.) will be vacuumed then bagged for

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washing/cleaning by the tenant. Vacuuming will begin at the ceiling and continue down the walls to the floor, working toward the far end of the rental space. Window sills, electrical outlets, mouldings, baseboard heating elements and horizontal surfaces will be vacuumed as encountered. Carpets will be vacuumed 2 times using an agitator bar after removal of gross dust.. Fabric covered furniture will be vacuumed 2 times using a stiff brush attachment after removal of gross dust. Fabric window dressings will be vacuumed 2 times. Window air conditioners will be vacuumed externally then dismantled to be vacuumed internally. Central HVAC intake/discharge registers (if present) will be removed/cleaned to permit interior duct cleaning then replaced and covered with plastic. Appliances such as refrigerators and stoves will be moved to vacuum dust from floor footprint area. Spoiled food (if present in the refrigerator) will be removed at this time. Refrigerator cooling tubes will be brushed and vacuumed. Closet and dresser interiors will be vacuumed. Upon reaching the far end of the rental space vacuuming will continue by reversing the process detailed above. Vacuuming will continue to the entrance area. At this time horizontal surfaces will be wet wiped, solid floors will be mopped, flatware and solid objects, will be washed. Flatware, solid objects (electrical equipment, exercise equipment, etc) will be packaged in boxes and/or covered with plastic. Work will continue to the isolation barrier where all cleaning equipment will be vacuumed and/or washed for use on the next rental space..

6. Cleaning of (commercial) Interior Spaces:

Two commercial spaces are present in the building, both are grossly contaminated with inches of dust and debris. Both spaces are carpeted and have central air conditioning systems with the exchanger located above tiled ceilings. Entrance to the spaces is via a hallway from Cedar Street and a stairwell from Liberty Street. The heavy accumulation of dust in these spaces requires special considerations. The units will be isolated from both entrance ways by plastic barriers. Vacuum motors and canisters will operate from outside the isolation area. Vacuuming will be accomplished by snaking hoses into the contaminated areas. This procedure will minimize entraining dust into the air. Due to the accumulation of dust, negative air machines will be utilized to manage air born dust. The front windows are presently covered with plywood. Plywood will be removed and window openings will be vacuumed to remove dust and residual debris. Upon completion, plywood and plastic will be installed until the building owner installs permanent windows.

Following complete removal of accumulated dust, vacuums will be brought into the space and cleaning will proceed as detailed in the procedures for residential space.

7. Specialized Cleaning Procedures

a. Window Mounted Air Conditioners.

Vacuum exterior surfaces, remove from wall mount and relocate to isolated cleaning area. Cover A/C mount with plastic. Discard filters and open unit to expose interior mechanism. Vacuum cooling fins and interior surfaces. Replace filter, install in mount and cover interior vents with plastic.

b. Roof Mounted A/C

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Units cannot be removed there for, cleaning will be performed with the unit in place. Remove and replace filters, vacuum interior, inspect exterior exchanger, replace all cleaned parts and cover interior vents with plastic.

c. Refrigerators

Inspect refrigerator, remove and dispose of spoiled food. Move appliance to isolated cleaning area, elevate and clean dust from cooling coils using vacuums and specialized brushes. Clean floor area where appliance was located.

d. Stoves

Move appliance from location, clean floor area. Vacuum storage drawer (if present) and open top of stove to vacuum. Remove exhaust fan light and filters, replace with new. Vacuum first foot of exhaust duct if present.

e. Dishwashers

Remove toe plate and vacuum dust from under appliance.

f. Bathroom Fans

Remove protective cover and wet wipe, remove fan/motor and vacuum. Vacuum first foot of exhaust duct.

g. Hydronic Finned Radiation

Remove protective covers to expose heat elements. Finns are to be vacuumed and brushed to remove dust.

h. Electronic Equipment

Equipment is to be moved to the isolated cleaning area where dust will be removed by blowing air into the cooling slats while vacuuming.

i. Non perishable canned and bottled goods

These items are to be wet wiped and stored in boxes covered with plastic for the tenant.

j. Carpets

Carpets will be vacuumed twice or until visibly clean. Carpets in the commercial space will be shampooed after vacuuming.

Attachment B

WTC Indoor Air/Environments Monitoring - Sampling and Analytical Procedures For Background and Pilot Clean up Studies

Media	Sampling Points	Analytical Parameters	Sampling Method Proposed	Description	Analytical Method Proposed
Settled Dust Porous Soft surfaces	Carpets, fabric furniture or drapery in areas of activity (living rooms, family rooms)	Asbestos	ASTM D 5755-95	This is a micro vacuuming method. Three collocated samples will be collected from each location.	ASTM D 5755-95
		Lead	ASTM E 1973-99	This is a micro vacuuming method. Three collocated samples will be collected from each location.	SW-846 6010B
Settled Dust Non-porous Hard surfaces	Horizontal surfaces of tables or counters and bare floors, ceilings and walls in areas of activity (living rooms, family rooms)	Asbestos	ASTM D 6480-99	Wipe Samples	ASTM D 6480-99 (wipe)
		Lead	HUD Appendix 13.1	Wipe Samples	SW-846 6010B
		Dioxins	ASTM D 6661-01	Wipe Samples	ASTM 6661-01/SW-846 8290
		PAHs	ASTM D 6661-01	Wipe Samples	ASTM 6661-01/SW-846 8270C
		Total Dust	HUD Appendix 13.1**	Wipe Sample collected at one location per unit.	No Formal Method (NIOSH 7500 Modified)
		Silica, calcite, gypsum	HUD Appendix 13.1**	Wipe Samples. All parameters will be collected on one wipe.	NIOSH 7500 (XRD)
		MMVF	ASTM D 6480-99	Samples will be combined with the asbestos sampling.	EMSL MSD.0300
Indoor Air	Areas of known activity (living rooms, family rooms)	Asbestos	NIOSH 7400	Air pump operated at 10L/min for 8 hours to achieve the COPC wkgroupp detection limit	PCM NIOSH 7400 followed by TEM AHERA method.
		Lead	NIOSH 7300	Air pump operated at 10L/min for 8 hours to achieve the COPC wkgroupp detection limit	SW-846 6010B
		PAHs	NIOSH 5515	Air pump operated at 2L/min for 8 hours. Pilot Clean-up study only for worst case scenarios.	SW-846 8270 (Analytical method with be modified to achieve the COPC wkgroupp detection limit
		Dioxins	TO-9 (Modified for indoor air)	Air pump operated at 25L/min for 35 hours. This modification is not a proven method. To be conducted during the Pilot Clean-up study only for worst case scenarios.	SW-846 8290
		Silica, calcite, gypsum	NIOSH 7500	Air pump operated at 2.5L/min for 8 hours to achieve the COPC wkgroupp detection limits	NIOSH 7500 (XRD)
		MMVF	NIOSH 7400	Assumed that it behaves the same as asbestos, samples will be combined with the asbestos sampling.	EMSL MSD.0300
Bulk Dust	HVAC systems and AC units (collection of bulk dust sample from the unit air filters). Background study only.	Asbestos	Bulk Sample	Bulk samples will be collected from HVAC or AC window type unit filters, shaken into a plastic bag and transferred into the sample container.	PLM NYS 198.1 followed by TEM NYS 198.4
		Lead	Bulk Sample	(If the volume required is not attainable for all analysis, the sample will be analyzed for asbestos only.	SW-846 6010B
		PAHs	Bulk Sample	(If the volume required is not attainable for all analysis, the sample will be analyzed for asbestos only.	SW-846 8270
		Dioxins	Bulk Sample	(If the volume required is not attainable for all analysis, the sample will be analyzed for asbestos only.	SW-846 8290
		Silica, calcite, gypsum	Bulk Sample	(If the volume required is not attainable for all analysis, the sample will be analyzed for asbestos only.	NIOSH 7500 (XRD)
		MMVF	Bulk Sample	(If the volume required is not attainable for all analysis, the sample will be analyzed for asbestos only.	PLM NYS 198.1/EMSL MSD.0300

NOTE: ** Wipe samples for silica, calcite and gypsum will be collected using the HUD Appendix 13.1 method since no standardized method is available.

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WTC Indoor Air/Environment Pre-Cleanup Pilot Study Sampling Matrix

Wipe Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Ceilings	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Walls	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
Bare floor	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
Counter tops or furniture (table tops)	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Total Wipe Samples/parameter	4	3	3	3	3	1	17

Micro-vacuum Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Carpets or Drapery	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Fabric Furniture (couch or chair)	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Total Micro-vacuum Samples/parameter	6	6	0	0	0	0	12

Indoor Air Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Main Living Space(living rooms)	0	0	2	2	0	0	4

Bulk Dust Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica	pH	Total # Samples
	1	1	1	1	1	1	6

NOTES:

1 MMVF - Man Made Vitreous Fibers.

2 This table does not include the 10% Quality Control samples.

3 The total number of samples presented represents the number of samples to be collected per unit.

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Dioxins and PAH samples in indoor air will be collected from the 2 commercial spaces. Additional samples may be collected if clean up criteria is not met.

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WTC Indoor Air/Environment Cleanup Pilot Study Sampling Matrix

Indoor Air Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Monitoring for worker exposure	1	1	0	0	1	0	3

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Air samples will be collected during the clean up to monitor worker exposure.

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WTC Indoor Air/Environment Post Cleanup Pilot Study Sampling Matrix

Wipe Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Ceilings	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Walls	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
Bare floor	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
Counter tops or furniture (table tops)	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Total Wipe Samples/parameter	4	3	3	3	3	1	17

Micro-vacuum Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Carpets or Drapery	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Fabric Furniture (couch or chair)	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Total Micro-vacuum Samples/parameter	6	6	0	0	0	0	12

Indoor Air Samples	Asbestos/ MMVF	Lead	Dioxins	PAHs	Silica, Calcite, Gypsum	Total Dust	Total # Samples
Main Living Space(living rooms)	2	1	0	0	1	0	4

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CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS IN WORLD TRADE CENTER STUDY TO DETERMINE PRE-9/11 POLLUTION LEVELS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) needs your help in its continuing response to the attack on the World Trade Center (WTC). To better assess the impacts of possible contamination from WTC dust, the Agency needs to learn what levels of pollution existed prior to September 11. To do that, EPA needs to test the dust in apartments that were not directly effected by the collapse.

EPA will soon begin cleaning and testing residential dwellings in lower Manhattan that were impacted by the collapse of the World Trade Center. In order to establish pre-existing or background levels of pollution, EPA will sample 28 residential units and 14 common areas within buildings located north of 79th Street.

Your building has been identified as an ideal candidate for this study due to the building type (it typifies some of the housing stock in lower Manhattan) and its location well north of the WTC site. By volunteering to have your home sampled for pollutants, you can help fellow New Yorkers while receiving useful and interesting information about your home.

Samples will need to be taken from two units in your building and from common-use areas such as lobbies and/or stairwells. The results will be compared to impacted locations near the World Trade Center collapse. The sampling for EPA's background study will be conducted by licensed contractors with direct EPA oversight.

In order to volunteer, we need for you to:

- ✓ Be available for a one-time, one-day, eight-hour period between July 29 through August 16th, Monday through Friday (limited number of Saturdays available). EPA will schedule with you for a mutually convenient time;
- ✓ Allow three air pumps to run continuously in your dwelling for a period of eight hours, and allow EPA to wipe and vacuum some areas of your dwelling; and
- ✓ Sign an access agreement provided by EPA.

These background samples will consist of the following:

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Environmental Survey and Assessment of Buildings in the Vicinity of the WTC

This proposal for sampling and assessment of building interior spaces was developed using information provided by the Indoor Air Taskforce. The taskforce has representatives from various agencies including but not limited to the USEPA, ATSDR, NYSDOH, OSHA, NYCDOH, and the NYCDEP.

This evaluation and assessment is targeted to identify substances based on current knowledge of existing contaminants after building collapses and fires, and on the review of information from sampling data to date. The Indoor Air Taskforce has identified seven preliminary contaminants that may have impacted buildings in the vicinity of the World Trade Center disaster. These contaminants include asbestos, fibrous glass, refractory ceramic fibers, silica, dioxin, lead and PAHs.

The initial phase of this building interior space evaluation will be performed at 100 buildings within a four-block radius of the WTC site. The selection of buildings will be based on the location, lack of sampling information from the building owner, requests for sampling from building occupants, and input from various agencies and/or organizations. Four units in each building will be selected for sampling and evaluation. The assessments will include environmental sampling for each of the identified contaminants.

The methodology for evaluation and assessment will vary dependent on the contaminant.

Asbestos

Asbestos air samples will be collected and analyzed by TEM analysis. Five samples collected simultaneously at each location with a minimum volume of 1200 liters. The re-occupancy standard of 70 s/mm² will be used as the basis for evaluation of the data.

Recommendations from the task force will be used to evaluate and assess the following contaminants fibrous glass, refractory ceramic fibers, silica, dioxin, lead, and PAHs.

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As requested in the 6/27/02 IAWG meeting, attached are two documents 1) the consent agreement for access and 2) the call for participation fact sheet.

(See attached file: wtcbackgroundaccess5.wpd) (See attached file: wtc_background_sampling_facts_-final.wpd)

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INTRODUCTION

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CONSENT

Having considered the information provided on the Background Study, I am willing to volunteer to participate in the study.

I hereby consent to officers, employees and authorized representatives of EPA having access to the residence ("Residence"), identified below, and personal property in the Residence at:

Street Address:

Apartment Number:

to conduct the Background Study, as briefly summarized below.

I understand that the Background Study will be performed by contractors retained by EPA with direct oversight by EPA. The contractors performing the sampling activities are required to maintain insurance coverage for commercial general liability, workers compensation and environmental impairment liability. The contractors are required to maintain such insurance at all times that they are conducting sampling activities in the Residence.

The Background Study will require access to the Residence and the personal property which is located in various areas of the Residence, including but not limited to the living room, den, bedroom(s), bathroom(s), dining area or dining room, kitchen, and air conditioning/heating units.

Background sampling and analysis will consist of the following:

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This written permission is given voluntarily with knowledge of the right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

I certify that I am the owner or tenant of the Residence, and I am authorized to grant access for the Background Study on behalf of all the residents of the Residence.

New York, New York

Dated:

Signature

Name (PRINT)

Telephone Numbers:

Home -

Work -

Cellular Phone -



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Samples will need to be taken from two units in your building and from common-use areas such as lobbies and/or stairwells. The results will be compared to impacted locations near the World Trade Center collapse. The sampling for EPA's background study will be conducted by licensed contractors with direct EPA oversight.

In order to volunteer, we need for you to:

- ✓ Be available for a one-time, one-day, eight-hour period between July 29 through August 16th, Monday through Friday (limited number of Saturdays available). EPA will schedule with you for a mutually convenient time;
- ✓ Allow three air pumps to run continuously in your dwelling for a period of eight hours, and allow EPA to wipe and vacuum some areas of your dwelling; and
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We still have strong concerns about how lead will be addressed during the cleanup. Our re-review of testing results, some of which were provided by residents who had testing performed at their own expense, shows that lead has been found at significant levels, certainly high enough to raise concern about the health of young children. At a minimum, lead should be among the contaminants tested for in pre- and post-cleaning testing at all residences where young children currently reside, although we agree with the sentiment expressed by everyone at the meeting that all apartments potentially will house children. Thus, we continue to believe that all apartments should be so tested.

Also, while lead paint was outlawed in NYC in 1960, we feel that 1960 is a poor choice to use to distinguish between buildings with possible lead paint problems and those without based on date of construction.

There is no indication that the ban was effectively enforced in 1960, and it is more reasonable to assume that buildings erected prior to 1978

- the HUD date—may well have been painted using old stocks of lead paint.

Second, we continue to believe that all cleanups have to be treated as minor asbestos projects, and thus the DEP/DOL regulations are applicable. We note the confusion that may be created by a scope of work that says that the regulations must be complied with yet materially departs from the regulations with respect to protective gear and in other respects. While residents' concerns have to be considered, so too must the need to protect workers and to comply with regulatory requirements. We would appreciate EPA's communicating its decision regarding this point.

Third, we remain concerned about the treatment of elevator shafts, which apparently only will be cleaned when heavy accumulations of WTC dust are present. Through our review of some literature on elevator shafts and talking with residents, we note that many of the older buildings have open elevators without solid sides. In these as well as in other buildings, the elevator shafts sometimes serve as part of the air circulation pattern in the building. In a report entitled "Factors Affecting Indoor Air Quality," from the Building Owners and Management Association, the report says:

"The HVAC system is generally the predominant pathway and driving force for air movement in buildings. However, all of a building's components (walls, ceilings, floors, penetrations, HVAC equipment, and occupants) interact to affect the distribution of contaminants."

"For example, as air moves from supply registers or diffusers to return air grilles, it is diverted or obstructed by partitions, walls, and furnishings, and redirected by openings that provide pathways for air movement. On a localized basis, the movement of people has a major impact on the movement of pollutants. Some of the pathways change as doors and windows open and close."

"It is useful to think of the entire building - the rooms and the connections (e.g., chases, corridors, stairways, elevator shafts) between them - as part of the air distribution system."

http://www.boma.org/iaq/Factors_Affecting_Indoor_Air_Quality.htm

Thus, if even light dusting is found, we believe that the shafts should be cleaned.

Finally, we urge EPA to disclose its findings on mercury. We have arranged to speak with Uday Singh and Clyde Johnson next week, and may have follow-up questions for EPA after those conversations.

We look forward to receiving the materials EPA said it would send us so we can review them prior to the finalization of the scope of work.

Matheis/R2/USEPA/US@EPA
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Content Agreements

Nancy,

Please forward the attached documents to the Indoor Air Work Group.

Thank you.

Carol Lynes

(See attached file: wtcbackgroundbuilding4-access.wpd)(See attached file: wtcbackground-residentaccess9.wpd)(See attached file: wtc_background_sampling_facts_-final7.wpd)

CONSENT FOR ACCESS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLING WORLD TRADE CENTER BACKGROUND STUDY

This consent concerns access to the common areas of the building ("Building") at the following address, for purposes of participation in the World Trade Center Background Study:

Street Address:

City, State and Zip Code

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CONSENT

I have read EPA's Fact Sheet on the Background Study. Having considered the information provided to me about the Background Study, I consent to officers, employees and authorized representatives of EPA having access to the common areas in the Building, as well as to furniture and carpets that may be in the common areas in the Building. I also consent to the release of the sampling data related to the Building.

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I understand that sampling and analysis in the Background Study will be performed as follows:

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- Low suction vacuum samples may be collected from locations in the common areas;

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I understand that I, or my authorized representative, may be present during the sampling and may observe the activities being performed in the Building, and I, or my authorized representative, agree to comply with instructions provided by EPA.

This written permission is given voluntarily with knowledge of the right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

I certify that I am authorized to grant access to the common areas of the Building for the Background Study.

Signature

Date

Name and Title (PRINT)

Address

Telephone Number(s)

CONSENT FOR ACCESS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLING WORLD TRADE CENTER BACKGROUND STUDY

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Apartment Number

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- Air samples collected from small pumps running for an eight-hour time period in the Residence;
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I certify that I am the owner or tenant of the Residence, and I am authorized to grant access for the Background Study on behalf of all the occupants in the Residence.

Signature

Name and Title (PRINT)

Telephone Number(s)

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS IN WORLD TRADE CENTER STUDY TO DETERMINE PRE-9/11 POLLUTION LEVELS

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EPA will soon begin cleaning and testing residential dwellings in lower Manhattan that were impacted by the collapse of the World Trade Center. In order to establish pre-existing or background levels of pollution, EPA will sample 28 residential units and 14 common areas within buildings located north of 59th Street.

Your building has been identified as an ideal candidate for the background study due to the building type (which is typical of housing in lower Manhattan) and its location well north of the WTC site. By volunteering to have your home sampled for pollutants, you can help fellow New Yorkers while receiving useful and interesting information about your home environment.

Background samples will be taken from two residential units and from the common areas in your building, such as the lobby, hallways and/or stairwells. Background samples are defined as samples taken from apartments and common areas that compare in layout to impacted locations near the WTC collapse. The background sampling results will be compared to data from buildings near the WTC Center collapse. The sampling for EPA's background study will be conducted by licensed contractors with direct EPA oversight.

In order to participate in the background study, EPA requests that you or your authorized representative:

- ✓ Agree to participate for a one-time, one-day, one-hour period between on or about July 29 through August 16, 2002, from Monday through Friday (limited number of Saturdays available). EPA will schedule a time that is convenient;
- ✓ Allow small, low-suction air pumps to run continuously in your residential unit, or for building volunteers, in the common areas of the building, for a period of eight hours;