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Mr. Bernard P. Orlan
Director, Environmental Health & Safety
New York City Board of Education
28-11 Queens Plaza North
Long Island City, NY 11101

Re: Settled dust sampling for asbestos at P.S. 89M

Dear Mr. Orlan:

At your request, ATC Associates, Inc. representatives Mr. Yiannis Efstathiou (NYC-DEP asbestos investigator #82244 & NYS-DOL asbestos inspector certificate #AH 96-10905) and Mr. Jimmy Choy (NYS-DOL asbestos inspector certificate #AH 95-17116) visited P.S. 89M located at 201 Warren Street, New York, NY 10282 on November 2nd, 2001. The purpose of the site visit was to perform settled dust and soil sampling to be analyzed for asbestos content inside and outside the school building. A NYC-BOE representative on site indicated the locations and materials to be sampled to ATC.

As per your request, a total of thirty-nine (39) settled dust samples, thirty-three (33) bulk and six (6) soil, were collected from inside and outside the school building. All collected settled dust samples were analyzed utilizing Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM).

Furthermore, twenty-nine (29) settled dust samples, utilizing the Scotch Magic Tape – An Aid to the Microscopist for Dust Examination method by Gary Nichols, were collected from areas inside the school building where the collection of a bulk sample was not possible. These dust samples were also analyzed utilizing Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM). This method produces qualitative results only.

The purposed of the dust sampling is to determine if settled dust inside and outside the school building and on soil outside the school building contains asbestos.

All sixty-eight (68) settled dust samples collected were analyzed utilizing Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM).

Analytical results indicated the presence of asbestos in the amount greater than 1% within the bulk sample collected from the following material:

- Settled dust on soil

All other collected settled dust samples were found to contain either none or less than 1% asbestos.

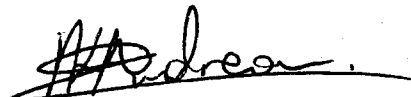
The provided settled dust sample laboratory results are representative of the materials collected during ATC's site visit only. These laboratory results should not be used to represent "similar" materials collected during other time periods.

Attached please find the following:

- Settled dust bulk sample chain of custody and laboratory results
- Settled dust on soil bulk sample chain of custody and laboratory results
- Settled dust with Scotch Magic Tape sample chain of custody and laboratory results
- Laboratory and personnel certificates

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this limited asbestos debris and soil bulk sampling, please do not hesitate to contact me at (212) 353-8280 extension #261.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andreas", with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

Andreas C. Andreou
Senior Project Manager