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Mr. Bernard P. Orlan
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 28-11 Queens Plaza North
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**Re: Air Sampling for Silica
 P.S. 150M
 ATC Project No. 15-19125-0289**

Dear Mr. Orlan:

ATC Associates, Inc. (ATC) is pleased to provide this letter report of air sampling for silica-containing dust conducted on April 22 and 29, 2002, at the referenced school. The New York City Board of Education (BOE) requested this sampling at the recommendation of Environ Corp., the consultant to the parents association.

SCOPE OF WORK

On each day, ATC collected four (4) samples for respirable particulates using pre-weighed 37mm PVC filters connected to size-selective cyclones to remove the larger (non-respirable) particles prior to deposition on the filters. All four samples were collected indoors. The samples, plus one blank filter per day, were sent to PSC Analytical Services, Inc., an American Industrial Hygiene Association accredited laboratory in Reading, PA. Analysis was performed by x-ray diffraction according to OSHA Method 142. Copies of the analytical laboratory reports are attached.

Wagdi Abdelshahid and Tenzin Namgyal, Industrial Hygienists of ATC's New York City office, collected the samples consistent with accepted industrial hygiene practices. The results represent conditions found on the date the samples were collected.

RESULTS

Samples were obtained in the Main Lobby, Multipurpose Room and Classroom 403. Classroom 402 was sampled on April 22 and Classroom 401 on April 29.

Silica was *not* present above the limit of detection (<10 micrograms per sample) in any of the four samples.

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It is our pleasure to provide these indoor air consultative services to the New York City Board of Education. If you have any questions about this report, please call (212) 353-8280, extension 212.

Sincerely,
ATC Associates Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Cohn", written over a horizontal line.

James R. Cohn, CIH, CSP
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Attachment