


SAMPLE AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY FORM

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Location:		Fairfield West					Sample Preserved in Esky on Ice												
Sampler:		ME					Tests Required												
Date Sampled	Lab Ref:	Sample Number	Depth (m)	Sample Container	PID	Sample Description	Combo 6a	Combo 3a	8 Metals	CEC	Aggressivity: Sulfate, Chloride, pH, EC, Resistivity	ECe (texture)	8 Metals						
25/05/2017	1	BH1	0-0.1	G, A	6	Fill	X												
	2	↓	0.1-0.8	G		Silty Clay													
	3	BH2	0-0.1	G, A		Fill		X											
	4	↓	0.1-0.5	↓		Clayey silt													
	5	↓	1.1-1.2	G	↓	Silty Clay													
	6	BH3	0.1-0.2	G, A	0.1	Fill	X												
	7	↓	0.9-1.0	G	0	Silty Clay													
	8	BH4	0-0.1	G, A		Fill		X											
	9	↓	0.9-1	G		Silty Clay													
	10	BH5	0-0.1	G, A		Fill	X												
	11	↓	0.4-0.5	↓		Clayey silt													
	12	↓	0.8-0.9	G		Silty Clay													
	13	BH6	0-0.1	G, A		Fill		X											
	14	↓	0.9-1	↓		↓													
	15	↓	1.7-1.95	G	↓	Silty gradually clay													
	16	DUPMIE	-	G	-	-													
	17	BH1	0.1-0.2	P		-				X	X	X							
	18	↓	0.9-1								X	X							
	19	↓	1.8-2																
	20	BH2	0.1-0.2																
	21	↓	0.9-1								X	X							
	22	↓	1.5-1.95								X	X							
	23	BH5	0.1-0.2																
	24		0.5-0.6							X	X	X							
	25		1.5-1.95	↓	↓	↓					X	X							



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Date Received: 29.5.17

Time Received: 15:30

Received by: J.E.

Temp: Cool/Ambient 10.1°C

Cooling: Ice/Isopack

Security: Intact/Broken/None

Remarks (comments/detection limits required):		Sample Containers: G - 250mg Glass Jar A - Ziplock Asbestos Bag P - Plastic Bag	
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Appendix E: Report Explanatory Notes

STANDARD SAMPLING PROCEDURE (SSP)

These protocols specify the basic procedures to be used when sampling soils or groundwater for environmental site assessments undertaken by EIS. The purpose of these protocols is to provide standard methods for: sampling, decontamination procedures for sampling equipment, sample preservation, sample storage and sample handling. Deviations from these procedures must be recorded.

Soil Sampling

- Prepare a borehole/test pit log or made a note of the sample description for stockpiles.
- Layout sampling equipment on clean plastic sheeting to prevent direct contact with ground surface. The work area should be at a distance from the drill rig/excavator such that the machine can operate in a safe manner.
- Ensure all sampling equipment has been decontaminated prior to use.
- Remove any surface debris from the immediate area of the sampling location.
- Collect samples and place in glass jar with a Teflon seal. This should be undertaken as quickly as possible to prevent the loss of any volatiles. If possible, fill the glass jars completely.
- Collect samples for asbestos analysis and place in a zip-lock plastic bag.
- Label the sampling containers with the EIS job number, sample location (eg. BH1), sampling depth interval and date. If more than one sample container is used, this should also be indicated (eg. 2 = Sample jar 1 of 2 jars).
- Photoionisation detector (PID) screening of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) should be undertaken on samples using the soil sample headspace method. Headspace measurements are taken following equilibration of the headspace gasses in partly filled zip-lock plastic bags. PID headspace data is recorded on the borehole/test pit log and the chain of custody forms.
- Record the lithology of the sample and sample depth on the borehole/test pit log generally in accordance with AS1726-1993¹⁴.
- Store the sample in a sample container cooled with ice or chill packs. On completion of the sampling the sample container should be delivered to the lab immediately or stored in the refrigerator prior to delivery to the lab. All samples are preserved in accordance with the standards outlined in the report.
- Check for the presence of groundwater after completion of each borehole using an electronic dip metre or water whistle. Boreholes should be left open until the end of fieldwork. All groundwater levels in the boreholes should be rechecked on the completion of the fieldwork.
- Backfill the boreholes/test pits with the excavation cuttings or clean sand prior to leaving the site.

Decontamination Procedures for Soil Sampling Equipment

- All sampling equipment should be decontaminated between every sampling location. This excludes single use PVC tubing used for push tubes etc. Equipment and materials required for the decontamination include:
 - Phosphate free detergent (Decon 90);
 - Potable water;
 - Stiff brushes; and
 - Plastic sheets.
- Ensure the decontamination materials are clean prior to proceeding with the decontamination.
- Fill both buckets with clean potable water and add phosphate free detergent to one bucket.

¹⁴ Standards Australia, (1993), *Geotechnical Site Investigations*. (AS1726-1993)

- In the bucket containing the detergent, scrub the sampling equipment until all the material attached to the equipment has been removed.
- Rinse sampling equipment in the bucket containing potable water.
- Place cleaned equipment on clean plastic sheets.

If all materials are not removed by this procedure, high-pressure water cleaning is recommended. If any equipment is not completely decontaminated by both these processes, then the equipment should not be used until it has been thoroughly cleaned.

Groundwater Sampling

Groundwater samples are more sensitive to contamination than soil samples and therefore adhesion to this protocol is particularly important to obtain reliable, reproducible results. The recommendations detailed in AS/NZS 5667.1:1998 are considered to form a minimum standard.

The basis of this protocol is to maintain the security of the borehole and obtain accurate and representative groundwater samples. The following procedure should be used for collection of groundwater samples from previously installed groundwater monitoring wells.

- After monitoring well installation, at least three bore volumes should be pumped from the monitoring wells (well development) to remove any water introduced during the drilling process and/or the water that is disturbed during installation of the monitoring well. This should be completed prior to purging and sampling.
- Groundwater monitoring wells should then be left to recharge for at least three days before purging and sampling. Prior to purging or sampling, the condition of each well should be observed and any anomalies recorded on the field data sheets. The following information should be noted: the condition of the well, noting any signs of damage, tampering or complete destruction; the condition and operation of the well lock; the condition of the protective casing and the cement footing (raised or cracked); and, the presence of water between protective casing and well.
- Take the groundwater level from the collar of the piezometer/monitoring well using an electronic dip meter. The collar level should be taken (if required) during the site visit using a dumpy level and staff.
- Purging and sampling of piezometers/monitoring wells is done on the same site visit when using micro-purge (or other low flow) techniques.
- Layout and organize all equipment associated with groundwater sampling in a location where they will not interfere with the sampling procedure and will not pose a risk of contaminating samples. Equipment generally required includes:
 - Stericup single-use filters (for heavy metals samples);
 - Bucket with volume increments;
 - Sample containers: teflon bottles with 1 ml nitric acid, 75mL glass vials with 1 mL hydrochloric acid, 1 L amber glass bottles;
 - Bucket with volume increments;
 - Flow cell;
 - pH/EC/Eh/Temperature meters;
 - Plastic drums used for transportation of purged water;
 - Esky and ice;
 - Nitrile gloves;
 - Distilled water (for cleaning);
 - Electronic dip meter;
 - Low flow peristaltic pump and associated tubing; and
 - Groundwater sampling forms.

- Ensure all non-disposable sampling equipment is decontaminated or that new disposable equipment is available prior to any work commencing at a new location. The procedure for decontamination of groundwater equipment is outlined at the end of this section.
- Disposable gloves should be used whenever samples are taken to protect the sampler and to assist in avoidance of contamination.
- Groundwater samples are obtained from the monitoring wells using low flow sampling equipment to reduce the disturbance of the water column and loss of volatiles.
- During pumping to purge the well, the pH, temperature, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, redox potential and groundwater levels are monitored (where possible) using calibrated field instruments to assess the development of steady state conditions. Steady state conditions are generally considered to have been achieved when the difference in the pH measurements was less than 0.2 units and the difference in conductivity was less than 10%.
- All measurements are recorded on specific data sheets.
- Once steady state conditions are considered to have been achieved, groundwater samples are obtained directly from the pump tubing and placed in appropriate glass bottles, BTEX vials or plastic bottles.
- All samples are preserved in accordance with water sampling requirements specified by the laboratory and placed in an insulated container with ice. Groundwater samples are preserved by immediate storage in an insulated sample container with ice.
- At the end of each water sampling complete a chain of custody form for samples being sent to the laboratory.

Decontamination Procedures for Groundwater Sampling Equipment

- All equipment associated with the groundwater sampling procedure (other than single-use items) should be decontaminated between every sampling location.
- The following equipment and materials are required for the decontamination procedure:
 - Phosphate free detergent;
 - Potable water;
 - Distilled water; and
 - Plastic Sheets or bulk bags (plastic bags).
- Fill one bucket with clean potable water and phosphate free detergent, and one bucket with distilled water.
- Flush potable water and detergent through pump head. Wash sampling equipment and pump head using brushes in the bucket containing detergent until all materials attached to the equipment are removed.
- Flush pump head with distilled water.
- Change water and detergent solution after each sampling location.
- Rinse sampling equipment in the bucket containing distilled water.
- Place cleaned equipment on clean plastic sheets.
- If all materials are not removed by this procedure that equipment should not be used until it has been thoroughly cleaned

QA/QC DEFINITIONS

The QA/QC terms used in this report are defined below. The definitions are in accordance with US EPA publication SW-846, entitled *Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods* (1994)¹⁵ methods and those described in *Environmental Sampling and Analysis, A Practical Guide*, (1991)¹⁶.

Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL), Limit of Reporting (LOR) & Estimated Quantitation Limit (EQL)

These terms all refer to the concentration above which results can be expressed with a minimum 95% confidence level. The laboratory reporting limits are generally set at ten times the standard deviation for the Method Detection Limit for each specific analyte. For the purposes of this report the LOR, PQL, and EQL are considered to be equivalent.

When assessing laboratory data it should be borne in mind that values at or near the PQL have two important limitations: *“The uncertainty of the measurement value can approach, and even equal, the reported value. Secondly, confirmation of the analytes reported is virtually impossible unless identification uses highly selective methods. These issues diminish when reliably measurable amounts of analytes are present. Accordingly, legal and regulatory actions should be limited to data at or above the reliable detection limit”* (Keith, 1991).

Precision

The degree to which data generated from repeated measurements differ from one another due to random errors. Precision is measured using the standard deviation or Relative Percent Difference (RPD).

Accuracy

Accuracy is a measure of the agreement between an experimental result and the true value of the parameter being measured (i.e. the proximity of an averaged result to the true value, where all random errors have been statistically removed). The assessment of accuracy for an analysis can be achieved through the analysis of known reference materials or assessed by the analysis of surrogates, field blanks, trip spikes and matrix spikes. Accuracy is typically reported as percent recovery.

Representativeness

Representativeness expresses the degree to which sample data accurately and precisely represents a characteristic of a population, parameter variations at a sampling point, or an environmental condition. Representativeness is primarily dependent upon the design and implementation of the sampling program. Representativeness of the data is partially ensured by the avoidance of contamination, adherence to sample handling and analysis protocols and use of proper chain-of-custody and documentation procedures.

Completeness

Completeness is a measure of the number of valid measurements in a data set compared to the total number of measurements made and overall performance against DQIs. The following information is assessed for completeness:

- Chain-of-custody forms;
- Sample receipt form;
- All sample results reported;

¹⁵ US EPA, (1994). *SW-846: Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods*. (US EPA SW-846)

¹⁶ Keith., H, (1991). *Environmental Sampling and Analysis, A Practical Guide*.

- All blank data reported;
- All laboratory duplicate and RPDs calculated;
- All surrogate spike data reported;
- All matrix spike and lab control spike (LCS) data reported and RPDs calculated;
- Spike recovery acceptable limits reported; and
- NATA stamp on reports.

Comparability

Comparability is the evaluation of the similarity of conditions (e.g. sample depth, sample homogeneity) under which separate sets of data are produced. Data comparability checks include a bias assessment that may arise from the following sources:

- Collection and analysis of samples by different personnel; Use of different techniques;
- Collection and analysis by the same personnel using the same methods but at different times; and
- Spatial and temporal changes (due to environmental dynamics).

Blanks

The purpose of laboratory and field blanks is to check for artefacts and interferences that may arise during sampling, transport and analysis.

Matrix Spikes

Samples are spiked with laboratory grade standards to detect interactive effects between the sample matrix and the analytes being measured. Matrix Spikes are reported as a percent recovery and are prepared for 1 in every 20 samples. Sample batches that contain less than 20 samples may be reported with a Matrix Spike from another batch. The percent recovery is calculated using the formula below. Acceptable recovery limits are 70% to 130%.

$$\frac{(\text{Spike Sample Result} - \text{Sample Result}) \times 100}{\text{Concentration of Spike Added}}$$

Surrogate Spikes

Samples are spiked with a known concentration of compounds that are chemically related to the analyte being investigated but unlikely to be detected in the environment. The purpose of the Surrogate Spikes is to check the accuracy of the analytical technique. Surrogate Spikes are reported as percent recovery.

Duplicates

Laboratory duplicates measure precision, expressed as Relative Percent Difference. Duplicates are prepared from a single field sample and analysed as two separate extraction procedures in the laboratory. The RPD is calculated using the formula where D1 is the sample concentration and D2 is the duplicate sample concentration:

$$\frac{(D1 - D2) \times 100}{\{(D1 + D2)/2\}}$$

SCREENING CRITERIA DEFINITIONS

The following definitions have been adopted based on Schedule B(1) of NEPM (2013) and are relevant to Tier 1 screening criteria adopted for contamination assessments.

Health investigation levels (HILs) have been developed for a broad range of metals and organic substances. The HILs are applicable for assessing human health risk via all relevant pathways of exposure. The HILs are generic to all soil types and apply generally to a depth of 3 m below the surface for residential use. Site-specific conditions should determine the depth to which HILs apply for other land uses.

Health screening levels (HSLs) have been developed for selected petroleum compounds and fractions and are applicable to assessing human health risk via the inhalation and direct contact pathways. The HSLs depend on specific soil physicochemical properties, land use scenarios, and the characteristics of building structures. They apply to different soil types, and depths below surface to >4 m.

Ecological investigation levels (EILs) have been developed for selected metals and organic substances and are applicable for assessing risk to terrestrial ecosystems. EILs depend on specific soil physicochemical properties and land use scenarios and generally apply to the top 2 m of soil.

Ecological screening levels (ESLs) have been developed for selected petroleum hydrocarbon compounds and total petroleum/recoverable hydrocarbon (TPH/TRH) fractions and are applicable for assessing risk to terrestrial ecosystems. ESLs broadly apply to coarse- and fine-grained soils and various land uses. They are generally applicable to the top 2 m of soil.

Groundwater investigation levels (GILs) are the concentrations of a contaminant in groundwater above which further investigation (point of extraction) or a response (point of use) is required. GILs are based on Australian water quality guidelines and drinking water guidelines and are applicable for assessing human health risk and ecological risk from direct contact (including consumption) with groundwater.

Management Limits for Petroleum hydrocarbons are applicable to petroleum hydrocarbon compounds only. They are applicable as screening levels following evaluation of human health and ecological risks and risks to groundwater resources. They are relevant for operating sites where significant sub-surface leakage of petroleum compounds has occurred and when decommissioning industrial and commercial sites.

Interim soil vapour health investigation levels (interim HILs) have been developed for selected volatile organic chlorinated compounds (VOCCs) and are applicable to assessing human health risk by the inhalational pathway. They have interim status pending further scientific work on volatile gas modelling from the sub-surface to building interiors for chlorinated compounds.

Appendix F: Data (QA/QC) Evaluation

DATA (QA/QC) EVALUATION

INTRODUCTION

This Data (QA/QC) Evaluation forms part of the validation process for the DQOs documented in Section 6.1 of this report. Checks were made to assess the data in terms of precision, accuracy, representativeness, comparability and completeness. These 'PARCC' parameters are referred to collectively as DQIs and are defined in the Report Explanatory Notes attached in the report appendices.

Field and Laboratory Considerations

The quality of the analytical data produced for this project has been considered in relation to the following:

- Sample collection, storage, transport and analysis;
- Laboratory PQLs;
- Field QA/QC results; and
- Laboratory QA/QC results.

Field QA/QC Samples and Analysis

A summary of the field QA/QC samples collected and analysed for this assessment is provided in the following table:

Sample Type	Sample Identification	Frequency (of Sample Type)	Analysis Performed
Intra-laboratory duplicate (soil)	DUPME (primary sample BH1, 0-0.1m)	Approximately 17% of primary samples	Heavy metals

The results for the field QA/QC samples are detailed in the laboratory summary Table D attached to the assessment report and are discussed in the subsequent sections of this Data (QA/QC) Evaluation report.

Data Assessment Criteria

EIS adopted the following criteria for assessing the field and laboratory QA/QC analytical results:

Field Duplicates

Acceptable targets for precision of field duplicates in this report will be less than 50% RPD for concentrations greater than 10 times the PQL, less than 75% RPD for concentrations between five and 10 times the PQL and less than 100% RPD for concentrations that are less than five times the PQL. RPD failures will be considered qualitatively on a case-by-case basis taking into account factors such as the sample type, collection methods and the specific analyte where the RPD exceedance was reported.

Laboratory QA/QC

The suitability of the laboratory data is assessed against the laboratory QA/QC criteria which is outlined in the laboratory reports. These criteria were developed and implemented in accordance with the laboratory's NATA accreditation and align with the acceptable limits for QA/QC samples as outlined in NEPM (2013) and other relevant guidelines.

A summary of the acceptable limits adopted by the primary laboratory (Envirolab) is provided below:

RPDs

- Results that are <5 times the PQL, any RPD is acceptable; and
- Results >5 times the PQL, RPDs between 0-50% are acceptable.

Laboratory Control Samples (LCS) and Matrix Spikes

- 70-130% recovery acceptable for metals and inorganics;
- 60-140% recovery acceptable for organics; and
- 10-140% recovery acceptable for VOCs.

Surrogate Spikes

- 60-140% recovery acceptable for general organics; and
- 10-140% recovery acceptable for VOCs.

Method Blanks

- All results less than PQL.

DATA EVALUATION

Sample Collection, Storage, Transport and Analysis

Samples were collected by trained field staff in accordance with the EIS SSP. The SSP was developed to be consistent with relevant guidelines, including NEPM (2013) and other guidelines made under the CLM Act 1997. Appropriate sample preservation, handling and storage procedures were adopted. Laboratory analysis was undertaken within specified holding times in accordance with Schedule B(3) of NEPM (2013) and the laboratory NATA accredited methodologies.

Review of the project data also indicated that:

- COC documentation was adequately maintained;
- Sample receipt advice documentation was provided for all sample batches;
- All analytical results were reported; and
- Consistent units were used to report the analysis results.

Laboratory PQLs

Appropriate PQLs were adopted for the analysis. All PQLs were above the SAC to enable a direct assessment against the Tier 1 criteria.

Field QA/QC Sample Results

Field Duplicates

The results indicated that field precision was acceptable. All RPDs were within the acceptable range.

Laboratory QA/QC

The analytical methods implemented by the laboratory were performed in accordance with their NATA accreditation and were consistent with Schedule B(3) of NEPM (2013). The frequency of data reported for the laboratory QA/QC (i.e. duplicates, spikes, blanks, LCS) and the results were considered to be acceptable for the purpose of this assessment. There were no non-conformances reported for the contamination data.

DATA QUALITY SUMMARY

EIS are of the opinion that the data are adequately precise, accurate, representative, comparable and complete to serve as a basis for interpretation to achieve the assessment objectives.

Appendix G: Guidelines and Reference Documents

CRC Care, (2011). Technical Report No. 10 – Health screening levels for hydrocarbons in soil and groundwater Part 1: Technical development document

CRC Care, (2017). Technical Report No. 39 – Risk-based management and guidance for benzo(a)pyrene

Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 (NSW)

NSW EPA / Department of Urban Affairs and Planning, (1998). Managing Land Contamination, Planning Guidelines SEPP55 – Remediation of Land

NSW EPA, (2006). Guidelines for the NSW Site Auditor Scheme, 2nd Edition

National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure 1999 as amended (2013)

Olszowy, H., Torr, P., and Imray, P., (1995). Trace Element Concentrations in Soils from Rural and Urban Areas of Australia. Contaminated Sites Monograph Series No. 4. Department of Human Services and Health, Environment Protection Agency, and South Australian Health Commission

Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (NSW)

State Environmental Planning Policy No.55 – Remediation of Land 1998 (NSW)