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             ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
 3 FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
   OF DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
 4 a body politic and corporate
    in the County of DuPage,
 5 State of Illinois,
6
             Complainant,
                                      PCB No. 96-84
        VS
8 MINERAL LAND AND RESOURCES
   CORPORATION, a Delaware
   corporation, SOUTHWIND
   FINANCIAL, LTD., an Illinois
10 corporation, formerly known
   as ABBOTT CONTRACTORS, INC.,
11 BLUFF CITY MATERIALS, INC.,
   an Illinois corporation as
12 assignee of ABBOTT CONTRACTORS,
   INC.,
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             Respondents.
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         The following is the transcript of a hearing
17 held in the above-entitled matter, taken
18 stenographically by Kim M. Howells, CSR, a notary
19 public within and for the County of Cook and State
20 of Illinois, before Michael Wallace, Hearing
21 Officer, at 505 North County Farm Road, Wheaton,
22 Illinois, on the 25th day of September 1997, A.D.,
23 scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m., commencing at
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- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Pursuant to adjournment, I
- 2 now call docket PCB 96-84. This is the complaint of
- 3 the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County vs.
- 4 Mineral and Land Resources Corporation, Southwind
- 5 Financial Ltd., and Bluff City Materials, Inc.
- 6 All right. Let's do the appearances
- 7 again.
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: Sure. Richard Makarski and
- 9 Robert Tucker of Chapman and Cutler for the
- 10 complainant, and we also will have with us
- 11 Mr. Joseph Benedict from the Forest Preserve
- 12 District.
- 13 MR. STICK: Michael Stick and Jim Knippen for
- 14 the respondents, Southwind Financial and Bluff City
- 15 Materials, and Mr. Vondra will be joining us later
- 16 this morning.
- MS. O'CONNELL: Karin O'Connell on behalf of
- 18 Mineral and Land Resources.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.
- 20 Let the record reflect there are no other
- 21 appearances at today's hearing.
- 22 Anything preliminary, Mr. Makarski?
- MR. MAKARSKI: Nothing, your Honor.
- MR. TUCKER: No, your Honor.

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Stick?
- 2 MR. STICK: No, your Honor.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: You may proceed. Call
- 4 your first witness.
- 5 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 6 The Forest Preserve District calls
- 7 Miss Lara Walicek.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Miss Walicek,
- 9 would you please stand, raise your right hand?
- 10 (Witness sworn.)
- 11 WHEREUPON:
- 12 LARA WALICEK,
- 13 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 14 sworn, testified and saith as follows:
- 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 16 by Mr. Tucker
- 17 Q. Good morning. Thank you for being with
- 18 us today.
- 19 Could you state your name and spell it for
- 20 the record?
- 21 A. Sure. Lara Walicek, W-a-l-i-c-e-k.
- Q. And where do you live?
- 23 A. 5561 Redford Lane, Hanover Park,
- 24 Illinois.

- 1 Q. And your occupation?
- 2 A. I'm self-employed. I'm an attorney and
- 3 a CPA.
- 4 Q. Will you give us a brief sketch of your
- 5 educational background?
- 6 A. I have a bachelor's degree in
- 7 accounting from Northern Illinois University. I
- 8 have a JD also from Northern Illinois University
- 9 College of Law. I have a CPA.
- 10 Q. Where were you employed from around the
- 11 fall of 1992 to the end of 1994?
- 12 A. I was employed by a firm in Itasca when
- 13 I was initially hired. It was Schirott & Hervas,
- 14 and it later became Schirott & Leutkehans.
- 15 Q. Who --
- MR. MAKARSKI: Excuse me. Why don't you try and
- 17 spell all those, get them on the record now.
- 18 MR. TUCKER: Oh. That's a good idea.
- 19 BY THE WITNESS:
- 20 A. Okay. Schirott is S-c-h-i-r-o-t-t.
- 21 Hervas is H-e-r-v-a-s. And Leutkehans is
- 22 L-e-u-t-k-e-h-a-n-s.
- 23 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Thank you.

1 And you were employed as an attorney?

- 2 A. Yes, I was.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: Stop just a minute. Off
- 4 the record.
- 5 MR. TUCKER: Off the record.
- 6 (Discussion had off
- 7 the record.)
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- 9 You may continue, Mr. Tucker.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: Would we like the record to reflect
- 11 that Mr. --
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: No. I wanted to just
- 13 avoid any problems if he was a witness.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Oh, no.
- 15 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. And how were you employed with them?
- 17 What was your occupation for that law firm?
- 18 A. I was an attorney. I also oversaw the
- 19 accounting there.
- Q. And did you work with all the attorneys
- 21 in that office?
- 22 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Were there any attorneys you worked
- 24 primarily for, or was your work divided?

- 1 A. I worked primarily for Jim Schirott.
- 2 MR. TUCKER: Okay. Let me approach the
- 3 witness.
- 4 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 5 Q. I have here four volumes of documents
- 6 marked on the first volume is MLR Due Diligence
- 7 Study, Volume I-4, Pages 1-149.
- 8 MR. TUCKER: If we could mark this as
- 9 Complainant's Group Exhibit, and the subsequent
- 10 volumes I think we can do A, B, C and D.
- 11 Do we know what number we're on?
- 12 MR. STICK: Fifteen.
- 13 THE HEARING OFFICER: Fifteen.
- 14 MR. MAKARSKI: Fifteen.
- I will hand four volumes of these copies to
- 16 the witness.
- 17 (Complainant's Exhibit
- 18 Nos. 15-A, B, C, and D
- 19 marked for identification,
- 20 9/25/97.)
- 21 MR. TUCKER: For the record, I identified for
- 22 the witness that we referred to the first volume,
- 23 Volume I, is A, and then the subsequent volumes are
- 24 B, C, and D, Exhibit 15.

- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Could you describe these for me?
- 3 A. These are four volumes of a project
- 4 that I worked on while I was at Schirott &
- 5 Leutkehans.
- 6 Q. Did you prepare these documents?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 Q. Can you tell us how you prepared these
- 9 documents?
- 10 A. I went through the trip tickets from
- 11 Bluff City and dictated the information on those
- 12 tickets through a dictaphone, gave the cassette to a
- 13 secretary who typed up the information, and this is
- 14 what she typed up.
- 15 Q. Did you double check when you got back
- 16 the typed-up version, double check your work to see
- 17 if it was accurate or at least partially check it?
- 18 A. I did not check every single entry. I
- 19 did do spot checking.
- Q. Who asked you to prepare this document?
- 21 A. Jim Schirott.
- Q. That's an attorney with that law firm
- 23 you were employed with at that time?
- A. Correct.

1 Q. Do you know on behalf of what client

- 2 that document was prepared?
- 3 A. No. To be honest with you, at the time
- 4 I'm not sure who we were representing. My
- 5 involvement was extremely limited to just this
- 6 project.
- 7 Q. Just the trip tickets and taking the
- 8 information from the trip tickets and putting it
- 9 into those documents?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Can you tell us when you prepared that
- 12 document?
- 13 A. It took several -- several weeks or
- 14 months to do. It was over a period of time, I
- 15 believe, in the spring, early summer of 1994.
- 16 Q. Would you have any idea of the total
- 17 amount of time you spent on that?
- 18 A. A lot. I don't recall offhand exactly
- 19 how much time I spent, but it was quite -- quite
- 20 significant.
- 21 Q. To the best of your knowledge, does
- 22 that document accurately and truly reflect the
- 23 information that you gathered from what you call the
- 24 trip tickets, the trip tickets that you reviewed?

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1 A. The information I took off the trip
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- 2 tickets, yes.
- 3 MR. TUCKER: Let me approach the witness. I'm
- 4 going to have another document I'd like mark as
- 5 Complainant's Exhibit 16, and I'll hand the witness
- 6 a copy as well.
- 7 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 16
- 8 marked for identification,
- 9 9/25/97.)
- 10 MR. TUCKER: I ask the witness to look at the
- 11 document as well.
- 12 (Witness perusing
- document.)
- 14 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 15 Q. Have you had a chance to look at the
- 16 document?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. It was a document that was recently
- 19 given to us by Bluff City.
- 20 Do you recognize this document, or does it
- 21 resemble anything you've seen in the past?
- 22 A. Yes, it does. It appears to be a
- 23 photocopy of one of the trip tickets.
- Q. Is this what the trip tickets looked

- 1 like that you reviewed in general?
- 2 A. Yes. This is their format, yes.
- 3 Q. So it's safe to say you looked at
- 4 literally hundreds of these types of documents and
- 5 put it into the volumes that are before you now?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 O. Do you know what the time frame
- 8 reflected in the trip tickets were that you looked
- 9 at approximately?
- 10 A. Approximately April of '92 through -- I
- 11 believe it was March of '93.
- 12 Can I look at the exhibit to verify that?
- 13 MR. TUCKER: If the parties have no objection if
- 14 she can more substantially refresh her recollection
- 15 by looking at her prepared document.
- 16 MR. KNIPPEN: If her recollection is exhausted,
- 17 I have no objection to questioning, but I think that
- 18 a foundation question needs to be posed to the
- 19 witness prior to the time for that to occur.
- 20 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Would looking at the MLR Due Diligence
- 22 four-volume summary in front help refresh your
- 23 recollection as to the dates you prepared these
- 24 documents?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Thank you.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes, she may.
- 4 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 5 Q. You may.
- 6 A. April of '92 through March -- the end
- 7 of March of '93. So I was -- I recalled correctly.
- 8 Q. If you would, please, could you locate
- 9 where the ticket I just gave you is in the volumes
- 10 and perhaps identify it by page number, volume
- 11 number?
- 12 A. Okay. This is the very first ticket in
- 13 the exhibit which would be Volume I, Page 1, the
- 14 first entry.
- 15 Q. And I believe that would be
- 16 Exhibit 15-A.
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Let me approach the witness and
- 18 show you another document.
- 19 This we'd like marked as Complainant's
- 20 Exhibit 17.
- 21 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 17
- 22 marked for identification,
- 23 9/25/97.)
- MR. TUCKER: At this time Mr. Hearing Officer, I

1 would move to have the previous ticket, No. 16,

- 2 introduced into evidence.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: Any objection?
- 4 MR. KNIPPEN: Objection, foundation.
- 5 MR. TUCKER: You Honor, I believe she identified
- 6 it as, one, it's actually in the report that she
- 7 prepared. She identified it as a trip ticket as to
- 8 also that being similar to other trip tickets she
- 9 reviewed.
- 10 I think it's absolutely material. I think
- 11 foundation has been laid.
- 12 MR. KNIPPEN: The document, your Honor, is
- 13 hearsay. It is blatant hearsay, and there is no
- 14 evidence at this juncture that establishes this
- 15 witness's direct personal knowledge of the
- 16 generation of this document. It is hearsay.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Complainant's 16 is
- 18 admitted into evidence.
- 19 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, your Honor.
- 20 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 21 Q. This next trip ticket, for lack of a
- 22 better word, trip ticket, is that also similar to
- 23 the trip tickets that you reviewed?
- A. Yes, it's similar.

1 Q. Could you take a minute and see if you

- 2 can -- I should note this is just another trip
- 3 ticket that was given to us recently by Bluff City.
- 4 Can you look within the volumes to see if
- 5 that trip ticket is in there as well?
- 6 A. No, it's not.
- 7 Q. Would you have any idea why that's not
- 8 in there?
- 9 A. Yes. On this particular ticket, it
- 10 says pick up or delivery, and there's a P next to
- 11 it, which in my mind means pick up. I was only
- 12 supposed to be recording what was delivered to the
- 13 site.
- Q. When you say that's what you were
- 15 recording, where did you do most of this work,
- 16 preparing these volumes?
- 17 A. Part of the time I did it at what I
- 18 believe was Bluff City's offices.
- 19 Q. Did they give you the trip tickets?
- 20 A. Yes, they did.
- Q. What did they identify these trip
- 22 tickets as?
- 23 A. The tickets reflecting what was brought
- 24 into and removed.

- 1 MR. KNIPPEN: Objection, foundation, Judge. I
- 2 want to know who told her that, where it was, and at
- 3 what time.
- 4 I would like to. Excuse me. I apologize
- 5 for the way I stated that objection.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: Understood.
- 7 MR. KNIPPEN: Objection, foundation.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 9 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Jim.
- 10 MR. KNIPPEN: Sorry, Judge.
- 11 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 12 Q. Could you tell us who told you that
- 13 information?
- 14 A. I believe the individual's name was
- 15 Jeff Senato.
- Q. And was he at the Bluff City offices --
- 17 were you and he at the Bluff City offices when he
- 18 told you this?
- 19 A. Yes. It was my understanding that he
- 20 was their accountant and -- at least in-house
- 21 accountant.
- Q. For Bluff City?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. Before you went to Bluff City, was it

1 understood that you were going there to review trip

- 2 tickets representing -- documents representing
- 3 material that was brought on to the site for a
- 4 certain time period?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Thank you.
- 7 You said before when you did this, but this
- 8 would obviously be one of the first pages where it
- 9 starts. So this was about what time?
- 10 A. When --
- 11 Q. This conversation, when you first
- 12 started the project.
- 13 A. Yeah. It would have been the very
- 14 beginning of mid-spring, middle of spring of '94,
- 15 right before I actually started.
- I had met with him once just to see what
- 17 exactly it was I was going to be dealing with, so I
- 18 had an idea of how I was going to record the
- 19 information.
- Q. How many tickets that were supplied by
- 21 Bluff City to you would you contend you reviewed,
- 22 hundreds, thousands?
- 23 A. I have no idea. It was hundreds at
- 24 least, possibly in the thousands. I never actually

- 1 counted, but it was a lot.
- MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, at this time, I'd like
- 3 to move for the admission of that latest trip ticket
- 4 into evidence as Exhibit 17.
- 5 MR. KNIPPEN: The same objections for the
- 6 record, your Honor.
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Fine. Complainant's
- 8 Exhibit 17 is admitted into evidence.
- 9 I would back up and amend my admission on
- 10 both 16 and 17 that at this point in time they are
- 11 being admitted to the extent that the witness viewed
- 12 them and transcribed the information to
- 13 Documents 15 -- Group Exhibit 15.
- MR. TUCKER: Or did not view them as the case
- 15 may be.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Or did not -- I will say
- 17 that to the extent that she looked at them they are
- 18 admitted for that purpose.
- 19 MR. TUCKER: At this time, I'd also like to move
- 20 for the admission of the four-volume set, which is
- 21 Exhibits 15-A, B, C, and D.
- MR. KNIPPEN: I have the same objections,
- 23 your Honor. In addition to that, I will have
- 24 additional objections, and we'll follow up with a

- 1 motion to strike after I complete my
- 2 cross-examination of this witness with regard to
- 3 this particular document.
- 4 I'd like to reserve those objections at
- 5 this time.
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Group Exhibit
- 7 15 is admitted into evidence.
- 8 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: And I will say for the
- 10 purpose that the witness testified that she
- 11 transcribed or had transcribed information from trip
- 12 tickets into her -- into the study.
- 13 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. And again, Miss Walicek, to the best of
- 15 your knowledge, these four volume documents do
- 16 accurately reflect the information on the trip
- 17 tickets that you were given by Bluff City; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 MR. TUCKER: That's all.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Cross-examination?
- MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you, very much.
- 23 Your Honor, I would ask that the record
- 24 reflect at this time that my cross-examination is

- 1 being undertaken because my objections were
- 2 overruled, and that I am not, by cross-examining,
- 3 waiving the foundational objections that I
- 4 previously made for the record.
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 6 MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you very much.
- 7 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 8 by Mr. Knippen
- 9 Q. Miss Walicek, do you know Mary Dixon?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. Who is Mary Dixon?
- 12 A. She was an associate at the law firm
- 13 also.
- 14 Q. Could you spell her last name for the
- 15 court reporter?
- 16 A. Sure. D-i-x-o-n.
- 17 Q. And she worked with you part of the
- 18 time you were at Mr. Schirott's office, correct?
- 19 A. She worked also at the law office, yes.
- Q. She was an attorney at the law office,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. She prepared part of Exhibit 15, didn't
- 24 she?

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1 A. She did dictate, I believe, maybe one
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- 2 box, yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, when you say "one box," how
- 4 many trip tickets approximately would have been in
- 5 one box?
- 6 A. I honestly can't tell you, but a box
- 7 was approximately -- is this three feet, two feet,
- 8 three feet? Does this look three feet long
- 9 (indicating)?
- 10 Q. And were those boxes full?
- 11 A. And they were jammed packed with the
- 12 tickets.
- 13 Q. If we look at Exhibits 15 and 16 in
- 14 this matter, do these represent the approximate
- 15 sides and dimensions of the trip tickets you
- 16 reviewed?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And were they as thick as this piece of
- 19 paper, or were they thicker, or were they thinner?
- 20 A. They were a piece of paper. I mean,
- 21 they were each a paper -- I don't recall any special
- 22 type of thickness to the paper.
- Q. Okay. Were they like a cardboard
- 24 thickness, or were they a paper thickness?

- 1 A. They were a paper thickness.
- Q. Okay. And you would agree with me then
- 3 that if we're talking about a box this large
- 4 containing paper thickness -- pieces of paper that
- 5 are this size (indicating), there were a significant
- 6 number of tickets in that box, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. As you look at this particular
- 9 exhibit, Exhibit 15, can you identify for me in that
- 10 exhibit what Mary Dixon did by page and by specific
- 11 designation in that document?
- 12 A. Specifically, I cannot by looking at
- 13 this identify which entries Mary dictated.
- 14 Q. You were not physically present when
- 15 she dictated those, were you?
- 16 A. Yes, I was.
- 17 Q. You were in her presence?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. You were in the same room?
- 20 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, objection. The
- 21 question has been answered.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 23 BY MR. KNIPPEN:
- Q. Where were you with her?

- 1 A. I believe we were -- if I remember
- 2 correctly, we were down in the garage, the
- 3 conference room, of Jim Schirott's office.
- 4 Q. Were you also dictating other trip
- 5 tickets at the same time yourself?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. You were just standing behind her
- 8 watching her dictate these tickets?
- 9 A. No. I was working on another project
- 10 for another case.
- 11 Q. So you weren't observing directly what
- 12 she was doing, were you?
- 13 A. Well, no, I wasn't over her shoulder
- 14 reading what she was reading, no.
- 15 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 16 MR. KNIPPEN: Judge, now I would make a motion
- 17 to strike that document because that document
- 18 contains hearsay which we cannot identify the origin
- 19 of at this point.
- 20 We cannot identify or confirm the accuracy
- 21 of it, and they are unable to distinguish what in
- 22 that document was prepared by Mary Dixon and what
- 23 was prepared by this witness.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Your objection

- 1 is noted and overruled.
- 2 BY MR. KNIPPEN:
- 3 Q. Miss Walicek, you remember at some
- 4 point in time Mr. Schirott telling you that one of
- 5 the purposes of this study or one of the potential
- 6 purposes of this study was to be incorporated into
- 7 some type of settlement agreement or interim
- 8 agreement between the parties that were involved in
- 9 this matter, don't you?
- 10 A. Well, what I understood was this was a
- 11 part of an interim agreement.
- 12 Q. Okay. And when you say an "interim
- 13 agreement," did you understand that to be a
- 14 settlement agreement?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. What did you understand an interim
- 17 agreement to be?
- 18 A. I really did not think about what it
- 19 was. I never read the document. I just know that
- 20 it was an agreement in which Jim was involved
- 21 between two parties, and as a result, they agreed
- 22 that this would be done.
- Q. Did you understand that there was a
- 24 conflict or a dispute between these two parties at

1 the time with regard to the information represented

- 2 in these trip tickets?
- 3 A. Yes. I supposed it would have to be if
- 4 this was going to be done, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. So to the best of your knowledge
- 6 then you understood that you were reviewing these as
- 7 a result of a dispute and that it might become part
- 8 of an agreement between the parties related to that
- 9 dispute, correct?
- 10 A. To the best of my recollection, yes.
- 11 Q. When you were preparing these
- 12 documents, I think you indicated that Exhibit 16
- 13 would represent a document that you had actually
- 14 incorporated in this study; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And Exhibit 16 is incorporated
- 17 into this study because it represents a, in your
- 18 opinion, load being brought to the site; is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. With regard to that, when you prepared
- 22 this study, you did not attempt to make any efforts
- 23 to distinguish between material that was brought to
- 24 the site for use as fill and material that was

1 brought to the site for later resale, did you?

- 2 A. No, I did not.
- 3 Q. And with regard to this particular
- 4 study, you have no idea or opinion yourself as to
- 5 what percentage of these materials brought to the
- 6 site were left upon the site or what may have been
- 7 removed from the site as contained in this study
- 8 that was sold for resale, correct?
- 9 A. I have no knowledge of that, correct.
- 10 Q. You yourself never observed any of the
- 11 loads that are represented by the trip tickets in
- 12 this study, did you?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. You did not review any materials from
- 15 this particular site prior to 1992, did you?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you understand that there were trip
- 18 tickets that existed for the site prior to 1992?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Some tickets you reviewed at the
- 21 offices of Bluff City, and some tickets you reviewed
- 22 at the Schirott law offices, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And one night you took a box of tickets

1 home yourself because you were concerned about being

- 2 in the office alone, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. You yourself personally did not return
- 5 all of the boxes of tickets to the Bluff City office
- 6 that had been removed from that office to review; is
- 7 that correct?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And with regard to the boxes that you
- 10 returned, did you receive any receipts from Bluff
- 11 City with regard to those boxes?
- 12 A. No, I did not.
- 13 Q. Did you maintain a log of the boxes
- 14 that you took and the dates that were contained in
- 15 the particular boxes that you took off Bluff City
- 16 premisses?
- 17 A. No. As far as recording which boxes
- 18 were taken on what particular days, no.
- 19 Q. There were other boxes that were taken
- 20 to the Schirott offices that after they left your
- 21 possession were in the possession of other Schirott
- 22 office employees, correct?
- 23 A. I see what you're referring to. Yes,
- 24 that's correct.

1 Q. Was there any log maintained in the

- 2 Schirott offices of people who had access to those
- 3 boxes?
- 4 A. Who had access to the boxes?
- 5 Q. Correct.
- 6 A. Anyone who had access to my office
- 7 would have access to the boxes.
- 8 Q. With regard to the information that was
- 9 contained on the tickets that you transcribed into
- 10 the document which has been admitted as Exhibit 15,
- 11 you don't have personal knowledge of any of the
- 12 contents of any of those loads as represented on
- 13 those tickets other than what is contained -- that
- 14 document other than what was contained on those
- 15 tickets; is that correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- Q. So if the ticket refers to -- let's
- 18 take 16 for a minute. Sixteen refers to job info,
- 19 Summit & Wise, Schaumburg.
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. You have no knowledge of what was going
- 23 on at Summit & Wise in Schaumburg that constituted
- 24 this job, do you?

- 1 A. No, I don't.
- Q. And, for example, if there was a
- 3 reference somewhere in the due diligence study to
- 4 sewer work at a particular location, you wouldn't
- 5 know whether they were pulling out an old sewer or
- 6 putting in a new sewer or relocating a sewer line,
- 7 would you?
- 8 A. Not unless it said so on the ticket. I
- 9 would say no.
- 10 Q. So when we have a generic description
- 11 in a ticket of, say, sewer work or let's say Jiffy
- 12 Lube, you don't know whether they were constructing
- 13 a new Jiffy Lube on the site or whether they were
- 14 tearing up an old Jiffy Lube that existed there, do
- 15 you?
- 16 A. No, I don't.
- 17 Q. And as a matter fact, based upon your
- 18 understanding of the tickets, those tickets don't
- 19 communicate anything about the nature of the work
- 20 that was being performed on those job sites as
- 21 recorded in the tickets, do they?
- 22 A. No. I don't have any knowledge of
- 23 that.
- Q. And the tickets did not communicate

- 1 that knowledge to you, did they?
- 2 A. No, they did not.
- 3 MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you. If I might just have
- 4 one minute.
- 5 (Brief pause.)
- 6 MR. KNIPPEN: I have no further questions at
- 7 this time.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Redirect?
- 9 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 10 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 11 by Mr. Tucker
- 12 Q. Counsel mentioned someone named Mary
- 13 Dixon.
- 14 What was her role in that office again?
- 15 A. She was an attorney with the firm.
- Q. Did she work under you?
- 17 A. No. We worked together.
- 18 Q. And the work she did, did you also
- 19 review that much like you reviewed your own work?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. When this apparently long project was
- 22 finally done, did you request someone in your office
- 23 or direct someone in your office to return the
- 24 tickets to Bluff City?

- 1 A. Yes. We were returning them. I didn't
- 2 have all the tickets at once. I would get a couple
- 3 boxes, work on those, and return them; get a couple
- 4 more boxes, work on those, and return them.
- 5 So when the project was finally over, there
- 6 were several boxes, but not all the boxes that I
- 7 looked at were in the office. There were just
- 8 several boxes left, and, yes, I directed those to be
- 9 returned.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: Nothing further.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Recross?
- 12 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- by Mr. Knippen
- 14 Q. You did not physically return them
- 15 yourself or you were not in the physical presence of
- 16 the return of all those boxes to Bluff City, were
- 17 you?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you.
- Judge, I don't know if Miss O'Connell
- 21 has --
- MS. O'CONNELL: No, sir. I have no questions.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: I apologize.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Miss Walicek.

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1 You may step down.
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- 2 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 4 (Witness excused.)
- 5 MR. KNIPPEN: Your Honor, may I make an
- 6 additional point for the record at this point?
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sure.
- 8 MR. KNIPPEN: Based upon the testimony of the
- 9 witness, your Honor, there is evidence now in the
- 10 record that this particular document was generated
- 11 in the context of what's been referred to as an
- 12 interim agreement based upon a dispute between the
- 13 parties at the time that the document was being
- 14 generated.
- 15 My belief is that under the rules,
- 16 procedures and the Supreme Court rules in Illinois
- 17 any evidence of things that occurred during the
- 18 course of settlement negotiations is absolutely
- 19 inadmissible in any proceeding for any purpose, and
- 20 I would add that to my litany of objections that I
- 21 have previously made.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Do you wish to respond to
- 23 that?
- 24 MR. MAKARSKI: I -- I --

- 1 MR. TUCKER: No, your Honor. I think.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: One at a time.
- 3 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, he's way overstating
- 4 the rule regarding settlement negotiations and
- 5 documents and whatnot relating to that.
- I don't think you'd necessarily want that
- 7 issue argued right now, but if at a later time you
- 8 do, we'd be happy to argue that.
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Your objection
- 10 is noted and overruled.
- 11 MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you.
- 12 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, if I can have 30
- 13 seconds, I'll go get the next witness.
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Let's go off
- 15 the record.
- 16 (Discussion had off
- 17 the record.)
- 18 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- 19 Miss O'Connell, I apologize for skipping
- 20 over you. I do not mean to be rude, and I will try
- 21 not to do it again.
- MS. O'CONNELL: That's fine, Mr. Hearing
- 23 Officer.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: Next witness?

- 1 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 2 The complainant, the Forest Preserve
- 3 District of DuPage County, would like to call to the
- 4 stand Mr. John Giazzon.
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Giazzon, would you
- 6 please stand?
- 7 (Witness sworn.)
- 8 WHEREUPON:
- JOHN GIAZZON,
- 10 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 11 sworn, testified and saith as follows:
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 by Mr. Tucker
- Q. Mr. Giazzon, could you state your full
- 15 name and spell it for the record?
- 16 A. John Giazzon. It's G-i-a-z-z-o-n.
- 17 Q. Mr. Giazzon, where do you live?
- 18 A. I live in Palatine.
- 19 Q. And what is your occupation?
- 20 A. Paralegal for Chapman and Cutler in the
- 21 litigation department.
- 22 Q. How long have you been employed at
- 23 Chapman and Cutler?
- A. Over ten years.

- 1 Q. Can you tell us generally what your
- 2 duties at Chapman and Cutler are?
- 3 A. Well, I work for the litigation
- 4 department in preparation of documents, filing of
- 5 pleadings, general paralegal work.
- 6 Q. How many attorneys do you work with in
- 7 that department?
- 8 A. All of them. I forget how many are
- 9 there.
- 10 Q. Approximately?
- 11 A. Eight, nine.
- MR. TUCKER: Let me approach the witness. I'm
- 13 going to hand him a document as well as handing the
- 14 document to the court reporter and ask that this be
- 15 marked as Complainant's Exhibit 18.
- 16 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 18
- 17 marked for identification,
- 18 9/25/97.)
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: You may proceed.
- 20 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 21 Q. Do you recognize this document,
- 22 Mr. Giazzon?
- 23 A. Yes. It's the summary that I did off
- 24 of the MLR Due Diligence Studies.

- 1 Q. You mentioned the MLR Due Diligence
- 2 Studies. I'm going to show for you what has already
- 3 been previously marked as Complainant's Exhibits 15-A,
- 4 B, C, and D. They're in front of you actually on
- 5 the stand.
- 6 Do you recognize these documents?
- 7 A. Yes. That's what I used to create the
- 8 summary. That's titled MLR Due Diligence Study
- 9 Analysis.
- 10 Q. And Exhibit 15 is titled what?
- 11 A. MLR Due Diligence Study, Volumes I
- 12 through IV.
- 13 Q. How did you prepare this document?
- 14 When I say "this document," I mean the document
- 15 you've already identified as 18 that you prepared.
- 16 A. Just by going through the due diligence
- 17 study by hand and writing down first the job
- 18 description or source and then just counting up how
- 19 many truckloads and how many different kinds of
- 20 materials were in the trucks and summarizing it.
- 21 Q. Can you tell us when and where you
- 22 prepared this document?
- 23 A. It was October or November of last
- 24 year, and I prepared it at the firm, at Chapman and

- 1 Cutler.
- Q. Who asked you to prepare it?
- 3 A. Mr. Makarski and yourself.
- 4 Q. Volumes which have previously been
- 5 marked Complainant's Exhibit 15-A, B, C, and D,
- 6 those are the volumes that you reviewed in making
- 7 your document; is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Is it fair to say you simply
- 10 transferred the information from the bigger set of
- 11 documents into your due diligence summary?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. To the best of your knowledge, does
- 14 your document, which has been marked as
- 15 Complainant's Exhibit 18, accurately and truly
- 16 reflect the information that's contained within the
- 17 MLR Due Diligence Study, which is Exhibit 15?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Did anybody else assist you on this
- 20 matter?
- 21 A. Yes, two people did, Sebastian Flatley.
- Q. Could you spell that?
- 23 A. F-l-a-t-l-e-y. And Nick Saucedo. It's
- 24 S-a-u-c-e-d-o.

1 Q. What are the occupations of these two

- 2 gentlemen?
- 3 A. Sebastian is a docket clerk, court
- 4 runner for the litigation department, and Nick works
- 5 for the same company that Sebastian does. It's
- 6 IKON. That's I-K-O-N. And they supply, I guess,
- 7 support help for the firm. And when Sebastian is
- 8 not there, I use Nick.
- 9 Q. You use Nick. These two people work
- 10 for you in essence?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Did they do similar work to your
- 13 knowledge that you did in reviewing information from
- 14 the books and into your study?
- 15 A. Correct.
- Q. Did you review that work?
- 17 A. Yeah.
- 18 Q. Did you make spot checks of their work
- 19 and their entries?
- 20 A. Right.
- 21 O. Did you review the work that came back
- 22 that you also did -- you sent this off to be typed
- 23 up?
- 24 A. Correct.

1 Q. And did you review it when it came back

- 2 to you?
- 3 A. Yes, off of the handwritten copies.
- 4 Q. Are you familiar with a site known as
- 5 the Stearns Road site?
- 6 A. I've just heard the name. I'm not
- 7 familiar with it.
- 8 Q. Have you ever been out there?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Have you ever seen trucks bringing
- 11 loads of anything to the site?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, I would move to admit
- 14 Exhibit 18 -- Complainant's Exhibit 18 at this time.
- 15 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I object on a number of
- 16 bases. Some are similar to Mr. Knippen's
- 17 objections.
- 18 The first basis is the underlying trip
- 19 tickets which form the foundation apparently of the
- 20 due diligence study. There has not been an adequate
- 21 foundation for the offering of them into evidence
- 22 for the creation of the study that was admitted. So
- 23 foundation of this analysis prepared by Mr. Giazzon
- 24 is one basis for my objection.

- 1 The second basis is hearsay. It is not a
- 2 court statement offered for the truth of the matter
- 3 asserted. And the third basis is the settlement
- 4 issue that Mr. Jim Knippen raised.
- 5 On the hearsay, I would like to -- I would
- 6 like to offer one other basis, and that is to the
- 7 extent the information contained in the due
- 8 diligence study analysis does not accurately and
- 9 faithfully simply transcribe and compile information
- 10 in the due diligence study. I object to it on that
- 11 basis.
- 12 And for one example, he didn't just simply
- 13 transfer information. He changed the captions, for
- 14 instance, from job information to source. And so
- 15 there is more than simply a transfer of
- 16 information. There is an interpretation of what
- 17 that information means and the significance of that
- 18 information.
- 19 And to that extent, I object on the basis
- 20 of the foundation for this witness to have conducted
- 21 that kind of a study. He admitted on direct he had
- 22 no information other than hearing of the site,
- 23 hadn't seen any of the operations, and has no basis
- 24 and no foundation for interpreting the due diligence

- 1 study or the underlying information.
- 2 MS. O'CONNELL: Mr. Hearing Officer, I'd like to
- 3 join in that objection and add an objection on the
- 4 basis of relevance.
- 5 As Mr. Knippen established through his
- 6 examination of Miss Walicek, there's no indication
- 7 that these loads that may have been brought to the
- 8 site weren't processed and taken off later, and,
- 9 therefore, there's no relevance to the issue at hand
- 10 in front of the board now.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Do you care to
- 12 respond?
- 13 MR. MAKARSKI: Yeah.
- 14 This is a summary as the other one was of
- 15 complicated and extensive records which are
- 16 generally allowed into evidence. The word "source"
- 17 is the same as the job info. That's where it came
- 18 from.
- 19 And as far as Miss O'Connell's objection,
- 20 we did -- and part of his analysis is to show the
- 21 different categories that they put down, and one of
- 22 them is clean concrete which I, you know, assume is
- 23 what they're taking about.
- 24 Anyway, the idea of this is not to prove

- 1 everything that went in there or didn't go in
- 2 there. It's some idea of what was bought to the
- 3 site because we have significant evidence of
- 4 extensive amount of material being brought in. And
- 5 this is to show from where that material came from.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: I would add for the record the
- 7 hearing officer and the board can take the documents
- 8 for what they are and can use them accordingly. And
- 9 I would just add to Mr. Stick's most recent
- 10 objection which was a little different than the
- 11 other ones previously employed by Mr. Knippen that
- 12 this is -- this is something that's maybe perhaps
- 13 better brought out on cross but not as to the
- 14 admissibility of the document.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Complainant's
- 16 Exhibit No. 18 is admitted to the extent that the
- 17 witness drew the information from the due diligence
- 18 study, 15-A through D.
- 19 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 20 Q. Mr. Giazzon --
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Oh, I thought you were
- 22 through with direct.
- MR. TUCKER: No. I had just moved to admit the
- 24 exhibit. I'm sorry.

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Go ahead.
- 2 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 3 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 4 Q. Mr. Giazzon, could you turn to the last
- 5 page of your report?
- 6 (Witness complied.)
- 7 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 8 Q. The page at the top is titled
- 9 Description of Materials.
- 10 Do you see that page?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. This is merely a summary of the
- 13 previous pages counting the number of what you
- 14 defined as loads; is that correct?
- 15 A. I'm sorry. Could you repeat that?
- 16 Q. This is merely a summary of the
- 17 previous page and descriptions of the loads of the
- 18 tickets you reviewed; is that correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. How many loads of clean black dirt does
- 21 this illustrate were brought on?
- 22 A. Twenty-six.
- Q. Clean clay, Mr. Giazzon?
- 24 A. 3,098.

- 1 Q. Dirt and clay mix?
- 2 A. 6,469.
- 3 Q. What does the term clean concrete,
- 4 Mr. Giazzon?
- 5 A. Four hundred and ten.
- 6 Q. Concrete and rebar mixed?
- 7 A. One.
- 8 Q. Tree stumps and branches?
- 9 A. Two.
- 10 Q. Crushed concrete?
- 11 A. One.
- 12 Q. This totals slightly over 10,000; is
- 13 that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. If you can, turn to the page before
- 16 which is Page 7.
- 17 How many number of sources do you have
- 18 listed at the bottom of your document?
- 19 A. 225.
- 20 MR. TUCKER: No further on direct.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Cross, Mr. Stick?
- MR. STICK: Thank you, your Honor.

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- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 by Mr. Stick
- 3 Q. Mr. Giazzon, a moment ago Mr. Tucker
- 4 asked you a question regarding the last page of
- 5 Exhibit No. 18, and his question to you was, does
- 6 this summarize the information contained on the
- 7 tickets you reviewed?
- 8 Do you recall that question?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Does the last page of Exhibit 18
- 11 summarize the information contained on the tickets
- 12 you reviewed?
- 13 A. If you mean the MLR Due Diligence Study
- 14 as the tickets, yes.
- 15 Q. Well, now, the question was, does it
- 16 accurately summarize the information contained on
- 17 the tickets you reviewed?
- 18 A. I didn't review any tickets.
- 19 Q. You didn't review any tickets, did you?
- A. No, not at all.
- Q. And so when you answered Mr. Tucker's
- 22 questions by saying it does, that answer was
- 23 incorrect?
- A. Correct.

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1 Q. And you misunderstood what he was
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- 2 asking you?
- 3 A. Exactly.
- Q. Okay. So you thought he asked you,
- 5 does it accurately reflect the information contained
- 6 in the due diligence study?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. But you didn't review any
- 9 tickets?
- 10 A. No, I did not.
- 11 Q. And the last page of Exhibit 18 does
- 12 not purport to reflect -- you can't determine
- 13 whether it reflects information contained in the
- 14 tickets, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Okay. Mr. Sebastian Flatley and
- 17 Mr. Saucedo -- is that his last name?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. (Continuing.) -- are not employed by
- 20 Chapman and Cutler, correct?
- A. No, they're not.
- 22 Q. They do work for Chapman and Cutler but
- 23 they are employed by someone else?
- A. Correct.

1 Q. So in that respect, they are employed

- 2 by someone different than you are employed by?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And you delegated some of the duties
- 5 that had been delegated to you to these two
- 6 gentlemen who were performing contractual services
- 7 for them, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And you spot checked their work,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Did you check every aspect of their
- 13 work?
- 14 A. No, I did not.
- 15 Q. So you didn't go line by line and proof
- 16 the work they had done to make sure it was correct?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Otherwise you could have done it just
- 19 as easily as they could have, correct?
- 20 A. Correct, yes.
- Q. Now, Mr. Tucker asked you whether these
- 22 two gentlemen worked for you in essence.
- 23 Do you recall that question?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.

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1 Q. And your answer was correct?
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- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. But they don't work for you, correct?
- 4 They work for an independent third-party;
- 5 is that correct?
- 6 A. Right. But I manage them.
- 7 Q. Well, you were overseeing their work?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. But you weren't overseeing all of their
- 10 work?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. In other words, you didn't check every
- 13 aspect of the work they were performing on --
- 14 MR. TUCKER: Objection --
- 15 BY MR. STICK:
- 16 O. -- Exhibit 18?
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Objection. That's been asked and
- 18 answered already.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 20 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Now, you've never been to the Stearns
- 22 Road site, correct?
- A. No, I have not.
- Q. And you're not familiar with any of the

1 operations that have ever taken place on that site,

- 2 correct?
- 3 A. No, correct.
- 4 Q. Have you ever heard of Bluff City
- 5 Materials?
- 6 A. I've heard of it.
- 7 Q. Do you know anything about their
- 8 operations?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Do you know anything about -- have you
- 11 ever seen Complainant's Exhibit 16 or 17?
- 12 A. Which one was that?
- 13 Q. Those are the two trip tickets.
- 14 A. Those weren't showed to me yet, I don't
- 15 think.
- MR. STICK: May I approach the witness, your
- 17 Honor?
- 18 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 19 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Let me tender you copies of Exhibits 16
- 21 and 17.
- Have you ever seen those two documents?
- 23 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. And you've never saw documents that

- 1 look like that either, did you?
- 2 A. I've seen these documents before.
- 3 Q. You have seen those particular
- 4 documents?
- 5 A. Not these particular ones but documents
- 6 that look like these.
- 7 Q. And that's in the files of Chapman and
- 8 Cutler?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. You didn't review those in any respect
- 11 in preparation of Complainant's Exhibit 18 though,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. No, I did not.
- Q. Now, you and Mr. Flatley performed
- 15 about equal service and equal work preparing
- 16 Exhibit 18, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. Okay. And Mr. Saucedo also performed
- 19 work, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. So at most you performed something less
- 22 than half of the work necessary to prepare
- 23 Complainant's Exhibit 18, correct?
- A. Correct.

1 Q. Did you ever meet the person who

- 2 prepared the due diligence study?
- 3 A. No, I have not.
- 4 Q. You cannot confirm whether or not the
- 5 due diligence study itself is accurate, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Okay. You were asked to compile
- 8 information and put it in a different format,
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. Correct, from the due diligence.
- 11 Q. You were not asked to try to verify
- 12 the due diligence study, and you cannot verify it,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- MR. STICK: Okay. Does he have a copy of
- 16 Exhibit 15?
- 17 MR. MAKARSKI: Sure.
- 18 BY MR. STICK:
- 19 Q. Let me refer you to Exhibit 15.
- MR. TUCKER: Why don't you give him yours?
- 21 MR. STICK: You didn't give me one.
- 22 MR. TUCKER: I gave it to Jim then.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Which one is that?
- MR. TUCKER: Yeah, which one is that?

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1 MR. STICK: That's the due diligence study.
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- 2 MR. TUCKER: Oh, okay.
- 3 MR. KNIPPEN: You did not give us a copy.
- 4 MR. TUCKER: I'm sorry.
- 5 MR. MAKARSKI: I'm sorry.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: I'm sorry.
- 7 MR. STICK: Can I use yours?
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: Sure, go right ahead.
- 9 BY MR. STICK:
- 10 Q. Mr. Giazzon. I refer you to
- 11 Complainant's Exhibit 15, and I'll ask you to
- 12 compare that with Complainant's Exhibit 18, the
- 13 document you prepared.
- 14 Do you have both of those documents in
- 15 front of you?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- 17 Q. Now, your document, the due diligence
- 18 study analysis, refers to certain sources, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. Do you see anything in
- 21 Exhibit 15 that refers to sources?
- A. No, I don't.
- Q. How did you determine that what you
- 24 have identified as a source was, in fact, a source?

- 1 A. I believe I got that word for the
- 2 heading from either Mr. Makarski or Bob Tucker.
- 3 Q. One of the attorneys for the Forest
- 4 Preserve District?
- 5 A. Correct.
- Q. And one of the attorneys for the Forest
- 7 Preserve District told you to use the word
- 8 "sources," correct?
- 9 A. I can't remember specifically, but
- 10 that's where I would assume that I got that word
- 11 from.
- 12 Q. Do you have an understanding of what
- 13 the phrase "job description" means?
- 14 A. In the --
- 15 Q. In the context of the due diligence
- 16 study.
- 17 A. Not really, no.
- 18 Q. Okay. So that term and that phrase is
- 19 meaningless to you?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. It is just a caption for information,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. In the due diligence study?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, what do you mean by
- 3 "sources"?
- 4 A. What do I personally mean by sources?
- 5 Q. In Exhibit 18.
- 6 A. Oh. I meant -- in writing the sources,
- 7 I mean the job descriptions in the MLR Due Diligence
- 8 Study.
- 9 Q. Well, why didn't you just say job
- 10 descriptions?
- 11 A. That wasn't the word that was given to
- 12 me.
- Q. Okay. Well, my question to you is, you
- 14 have rejected job descriptions. Now, what do you
- 15 mean by the word sources if it is something other
- 16 than job description?
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Objection, your Honor. That is not
- 18 what he testified to. He just testified that
- 19 sources means job description.
- 20 BY MR. STICK:
- 21 Q. Do you --
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: I think he did, so. . .
- 23 MR. STICK: You are sustaining?
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.

- 1 BY MR. STICK:
- 2 Q. Do you have any definition of sources
- 3 independent of the phrase "job description"?
- 4 A. Yeah. Something from which something
- 5 is derived from.
- 6 Q. Okay. Was that intended as your use of
- 7 the word in Exhibit 18?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Now Mr. Tucker in responding --
- 10 Mr. Tucker asked you a question in which he, I
- 11 believe, asked you whether you had simply
- 12 transferred the information from the due diligence
- 13 study to the due diligence study analysis.
- 14 Do you recall that question?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Isn't it true you did more than simply
- 17 transfer information. You added and reconfigured
- 18 captions?
- 19 A. If you mean by sources, yes. I changed
- 20 that job description to source.
- Q. And by adding a new job description,
- 22 you intended to make some type of analysis of what
- 23 the information contained in the due diligence study
- 24 actually stood for, correct?

- 1 A. I don't believe that I intended to do
- 2 anything with that word sources. I think I was told
- 3 to use it, and I just used it.
- Q. Okay. So you had no -- there was no
- 5 reason for the use of the word sources other than it
- 6 was a word that would be given to you by one of the
- 7 attorneys?
- 8 MR. TUCKER: Objection, asked and answered
- 9 several times now.
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 11 BY MR. STICK:
- 12 Q. Let me refer you to the first page of
- 13 Complainant's Exhibit No. 18, the number of loads
- 14 column.
- Do you have an understanding of what the
- 16 information contained in that column represents?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. What does it represent?
- 19 A. I believe it means truckloads, number
- 20 of truckloads.
- 21 Q. Does it mean truckloads in or out of a
- 22 particular place?
- 23 A. I'd have to guess. I'm not confident.
- Q. Do you know?

- 1 A. I'm pretty sure it's in.
- 2 Q. Do you know what the truckloads --
- 3 whether it refers to a particular site or not?
- 4 A. I'd have to guess the site you
- 5 mentioned earlier.
- 6 Q. But you don't know?
- 7 A. No, I don't know.
- 8 Q. Okay. Have you ever been to any of
- 9 these locations listed under sources?
- 10 A. No, I have not.
- 11 Q. Do you have any information regarding
- 12 any activities that were taking place at those
- 13 locations?
- 14 A. No, I do not.
- 15 Q. Do you have any information regarding
- 16 what was contained or may have been contained in any
- 17 loads that are referenced in Complainant's Exhibit
- 18 No. 18?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. And you have no independent information
- 21 regarding the number of loads or the description of
- 22 the job other than what you may have derived from
- 23 the due diligence study, correct?
- A. Correct.

- 1 Q. Do you know whether any material
- 2 whatsoever from any of the locations identified
- 3 under your caption, sources, made its way to the
- 4 Stearns Road site?
- 5 A. No, I do not.
- 6 MR. STICK: Okay. I have no further questions,
- 7 your Honor, and I would make a motion to strike
- 8 Complainant's Exhibit 18 --
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 10 MR. STICK: -- based upon the consideration
- 11 examination.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Motion to strike is
- 13 denied.
- 14 Miss O'Connell?
- MS. O'CONNELL: I have no questions.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Redirect?
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Just a couple.
- 18 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 19 by Mr. Tucker
- Q. Mr. Giazzon, you said that Mr. Flatley
- 21 and Mr. Nick -- I guess no one is remembering his
- 22 name.
- A. Saucedo.
- Q. Thank you.

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1 (Continuing.) -- work for IKON; is that
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- 2 correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Is IKON used routinely and Mr. Flatley
- 5 and Nick in your work at Chapman and Cutler?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Mr. Flatley and Nick follow your
- 8 orders, do they not?
- 9 A. Yes, they do.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: No other questions, your Honor.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Recross?
- 12 MR. STICK: No, your Honor.
- MS. O'CONNELL: No.
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.
- You may step down, Mr. Giazzon.
- 16 (Witness excused.)
- 17 MR. TUCKER: If we could go off the record for a
- 18 moment.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Off the record.
- 20 (Discussion had off
- 21 the record.)
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- Next witness?
- MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.

1 The Forest Preserve District would like to

- 2 call Mr. Steven Heuer.
- 3 (Witness sworn.)
- 4 WHEREUPON:
- 5 STEVEN HEUER,
- 6 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 7 sworn, testified and saith as follows:
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Please speak clearly and
- 9 loudly so everyone can hear.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: Thank you very much for being with
- 11 us today, Mr. Heuer.
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 by Mr. Tucker
- 14 Q. Could you please state your full name
- 15 and spell it for the record?
- 16 A. Steven Heuer, H-e-u-e-r.
- 17 Q. Mr. Heuer, where do you live?
- 18 A. I live in unincorporated Will County
- 19 near Lockport.
- Q. What is your occupation?
- 21 A. I'm a geologist with Emcon in
- 22 Naperville, Illinois.
- Q. How long have you been employed there?
- A. A little over seven years.

- 1 Q. Could you please provide us with a
- 2 brief sketch of your education and work experience?
- 3 A. With Emcon, I performed numerous
- 4 subsurface investigations which include supervising,
- 5 soil borings, logging of subsurface soil samples,
- 6 collection of samples for analysis, ground water and
- 7 soil samples, installation of monitoring wells,
- 8 agauifer testing, report preparation.
- 9 Prior to Emcon, I worked at a company
- 10 called Professional Service Industries in Hillside,
- 11 Illinois. I performed subsurface investigations for
- 12 environmental and geotechnical explorations. I also
- 13 performed physical soils laboratory work and did
- 14 some report preparation.
- 15 Prior to that, I completed the earth
- 16 science program at Western Illinois where I took
- 17 courses such as physical geology, glacial geology,
- 18 and geology of ground water resources.
- 19 Q. Did you receive a degree from there?
- 20 A. A BS degree in 1984.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: What year?
- 22 THE WITNESS: 1984. I'm sorry.
- 23 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Would you repeat the year?

- 1 A. 1984. I'm sorry.
- Q. Do you know of a parcel of land that
- 3 has been described as the Stearns Road site?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Could you describe where it is and what
- 6 it is?
- 7 A. The site you are discussing is located
- 8 on the south side of Stearns Road. It's west of
- 9 Route 59. I was there as part of an environmental
- 10 investigation performed by Emcon back in early
- 11 1995. My understanding was that the site was
- 12 formerly a sand and gravel quarry operation. It was
- 13 not in service at the time that I was on the site.
- 14 Q. You said you performed a site
- 15 evaluation report out there?
- 16 A. Correct. We performed a site
- 17 investigation. After the site investigation, we
- 18 prepared a site evaluation report.
- 19 Q. How many times have you been out to
- 20 that site?
- 21 A. The site investigation probably took
- 22 about three weeks, my portion of it. A portion of
- 23 it was performed by somebody else from our office
- 24 prior to me being out there. That included the

1 installation of piezometers and some initial

- 2 surveying.
- 3 The work I did included soil boring,
- 4 supervision, collection of soil samples for
- 5 analysis, collection of ground water samples for
- 6 analysis. I also supervised some test pits that
- 7 were performed on the site. I logged the materials
- 8 that came out of those test pits, and I took some
- 9 photographs of the materials that came out of those
- 10 test pits.
- 11 Q. You said you supervised. There were
- 12 other people out there with you?
- 13 A. Yes. When we performed the soil and
- 14 ground water sampling, there was a drilling crew out
- 15 there from Fox Exploration. There were two people
- 16 in that crew, and they were working under my
- 17 direction.
- 18 There was an operator with a backhoe that
- 19 performed the test pits. They were a subcontractor
- 20 also working under my direction.
- Q. Do you know their names, if you know?
- 22 A. Mike Stoub was the backhoe operator.
- 23 He was with a company called SET Environmental. The
- 24 driller's name was Bill, and I don't recall his last

- 1 name at this point.
- Q. While you were out there, did you
- 3 record or keep any kind of written logs?
- 4 A. Yes, actually there were several types
- 5 of logs. I had a field notebook which I recorded
- 6 general site activities and times that they
- 7 occurred. I also logged the materials I encountered
- 8 while doing the soil borings on soil boring logs,
- 9 and I kept a separate log of materials encountered
- 10 in the test pits. I also logged a number of
- 11 photographs on the test pit logs.
- 12 Q. Can you tell us the purpose for these
- 13 various logs? Perhaps you can do each one
- 14 individually. I believe you mentioned three.
- 15 A. The field book was a general way of
- 16 keeping track of what time and when certain events
- 17 took place at the site while I was at the site.
- 18 There was not a lot of specific detail in there. It
- 19 was just a standard operating procedure for a site
- 20 investigation.
- 21 Soil boring logs are a standardized form on
- 22 which you record the materials encountered while
- 23 drilling, the sampling intervals, the organic vapors
- 24 measured from the samples and times that individual

- 1 samples were collected. Also depth to water
- 2 encountered while drilling is recorded on the boring
- 3 logs.
- 4 On the test pit logs, they weren't a formal
- 5 log. I just recorded what I encountered as the
- 6 individual bucket fulls of material came out of the
- 7 backhoe onto the ground. I also recorded the number
- 8 of the photographs that I took of each particular
- 9 test pit location.
- 10 Q. You personally took photographs out
- 11 there?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. You've already mentioned a term which
- 14 I'd like you to define. I was a political science
- 15 major in college. These terms are -- so if you can
- 16 educate me a little bit. The word piezometer.
- 17 A. Piezometer is similar to a monitoring
- 18 well. It's a piece of screen pipe installed
- 19 horizontally in the ground to intercept the ground
- 20 water table. It is different from a monitoring well
- 21 in that it is used only to record the groundwater
- 22 level. Samples are typically not collected from a
- 23 piezometer.
- 24 Q. I see.

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1 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 19
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- 2 marked for identification,
- 3 9/25/97.)
- 4 MR. TUCKER: Let me approach the witness. It's
- 5 already been previously marked as Complainant's
- 6 Exhibit 19. Gentlemen, it's the boring log.
- 7 I would note for the record, Mr. Hearing
- 8 Officer, that this is one of the documents which has
- 9 been stipulated to between the parties as to be
- 10 allowed into evidence without further foundation.
- 11 MR. STICK: Can I --
- 12 MR. TUCKER: Yeah (indicating). And, again,
- 13 that is Complainant's Exhibit 19.
- 14 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 20
- marked for identification,
- 16 9/25/97.)
- MR. TUCKER: We have also marked Complainant's
- 18 Exhibit No. 20 which is a boring piezometer map.
- 19 I'll give that to you, Mr. Hearing Officer. I'll
- 20 present a copy to the witness as well. That's
- 21 No. 20.
- MR. STICK: Do you a have a copy of that for
- 23 us?
- 24 MR. TUCKER: (Indicating).

1 The boring piezometer map is No. 20. The

- 2 log is No. 19.
- 3 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 21
- 4 marked for identification,
- 5 9/25/97.)
- 6 MR. TUCKER: And this will be the last one I
- 7 flood you with right now. This has been previously
- 8 marked as Complainant's Exhibit No. 21. I present
- 9 this to the hearing officer as well as to the
- 10 witness. This is the test pit/sediment sample
- 11 location map.
- 12 I gave a copy to Mr. Stick as well.
- 13 MR. STICK: Thank you.
- 14 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 15 Q. Let's start with the boring log, which
- 16 has been marked as Exhibit 19.
- Do you recognize that document? You can
- 18 take a minute to flip through it if you'd like.
- 19 There's numerous pages.
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell me what that is?
- 22 A. These are computer-generated boring
- 23 logs that I prepared based on my field boring logs
- 24 from the subject site project.

- 1 Q. Can you work that process through for
- 2 me as to what you do comes out into this document?
- 3 A. Certainly. The information on this
- 4 page was recorded in the field during the
- 5 performance of the soil borings. I take that
- 6 information back to the office. We have a computer
- 7 program called GTGS. I believe it stands for
- 8 Geotechnical Graphic Systems.
- 9 I enter that information into the program,
- 10 and it prints out these legible logs for inclusion
- 11 into the report.
- 12 Q. Thank you.
- 13 MR. TUCKER: I would move for the admission of
- 14 these into evidence. As I had previously noted,
- 15 Mr. Hearing Officer, this has been stipulated to by
- 16 the parties. I ask that the hearing officer admit
- 17 them into evidence.
- 18 MR. STICK: Well, Exhibit, I believe, 19, the
- 19 boring logs, we have stipulated to.
- 20 MR. TUCKER: Yes. I'm sorry. That is all I'm
- 21 offering right now, yeah.
- 22 MR. STICK: Okay. I thought you said "these
- 23 exhibits."
- THE HEARING OFFICER: You do stipulate to 19?

- 1 MR. STICK: To 19 we stipulate to, yes.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: Complainant's Exhibit 19
- 3 is stipulated to.
- 4 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: And is admitted.
- 6 MR. STICK: I might add, your Honor, our
- 7 stipulation is a written stipulation that will be
- 8 offered at some point, and all parties have reserved
- 9 the right to challenge the validity of the
- 10 information and accuracy of the information
- 11 contained within the stipulated documents.
- 12 The stipulation is simply as to foundation
- 13 and would allow them into evidence.
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 15 MR. TUCKER: Ultimately, I think the parties
- 16 would agree to just save some time on all these.
- 17 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 18 Q. Let's take a look at these boring logs,
- 19 if you would.
- The first boring log which is marked page
- 21 one of two and states log boring B-1, do you see
- 22 that document?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Could you describe what was found in

1 this boring? And again describe how the boring

- 2 would be taken.
- 3 And are all the borings taken similarly?
- 4 A. Correct. Yes. There's a standard
- 5 procedure that we use for doing these soil borings.
- 6 Q. And what is that?
- 7 A. We used an ATV mounted drill rig to
- 8 access the boring locations. Once we got to the
- 9 boring locations hollow stem augers were used to
- 10 advance the soil borings. They were drilled down to
- 11 the top of the depth which we plan to take a
- 12 sampling.
- 13 A device called a split spoon sampler was
- 14 attached to a drilling rod inserted into the middle
- 15 of the hollow stem auger and driven two feet out the
- 16 end of the hollow stem auger. It was then
- 17 withdrawn, unscrewed from the drilling rods, and
- 18 broken open, at which point I was able to view the
- 19 contents of the split spoon sampler.
- 20 At that point, I logged -- visually logged
- 21 the sample in the field book, and I collected a
- 22 sample for a potential future chemical analysis. We
- 23 collected samples at continuous two feet intervals
- 24 until we reached a point where we concluded the

- 1 boring.
- Q. Why were these borings taken?
- 3 A. They were taken at the Pratts Wayne
- 4 site.
- 5 Q. No. Why? I'm sorry.
- 6 Why were they taken?
- 7 A. Several reasons. One was to determine
- 8 what type of material was below the ground surface
- 9 at these locations. If, in fact, there was fill
- 10 material in there, we wanted to know the depth.
- 11 Soil boring is the most accurate way to determine
- 12 the depth of whatever subsurface material happens to
- 13 be there.
- 14 Also, we wanted to collect soil samples as
- 15 well as ground water samples for potential chemical
- 16 analysis.
- 17 Q. You mentioned fill material. How did
- 18 you know when there was fill material?
- 19 Were these dug in places where there was
- 20 fill material?
- 21 A. Yes. Quite a few of the borings were
- 22 placed in fill material. Mr. Phil Vincent of our
- 23 office who had been out to the site prior to when I
- 24 was there to install the piezometers, his logs

1 indicated that several piezometers were placed in

- 2 fill material.
- 3 Another way to determine whether its fill
- 4 material or non-native material is to compare that
- 5 boring to a typical nondisturbed area. We did a
- 6 series of borings around the perimeter of the site
- 7 to the south and to the east, I believe.
- 8 The typical soil profile at these
- 9 undisturbed areas was a dark brown to black topsoil
- 10 grading into a lighter brown soil under which we
- 11 encountered a sand and gravel unit. Below the sand
- 12 and gravel unit we encountered a gray silty clay
- 13 unit.
- In areas that had been disturbed or had
- 15 fill material, we typically encountered a mix of
- 16 colors of primarily clay soil with non-soil
- 17 materials in it such as asphalt and concrete
- 18 fragments, wood, vegetation, things like that.
- 19 MR. STICK: Your Honor, for the record, I'd like
- 20 to object to the narrative nature of the testimony,
- 21 and I ask, you know, the questions being
- 22 interspersed a bit more frequently, so that I might
- 23 have an opportunity to know what is coming.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Mr. Tucker?

- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Getting back to the boring logs, if we
- 3 can start with that first page. If you can tell us
- 4 a little bit about what boring log, first page
- 5 indicates.
- 6 A. This indicates that I encountered
- 7 approximately 17 feet of fill material, which I
- 8 described as mixed brown, black, and gray silty clay
- 9 with some sand and gravel.
- 10 In the 13 to 15-foot sampling, I noted that
- 11 I found wood fragments. I also noted there's a
- 12 putrescent odor from that sample down to 17 feet.
- 13 In the 15 to 17-foot sample, I found some grass in
- 14 that sample. At 17 feet, I noticed a wet zone, and
- 15 below that I encountered a dirty clay silt which
- 16 graded into a gray silty clay. I determined that
- 17 that was the native material.
- 18 We continued the boring down to 25 feet
- 19 where I terminated the boring.
- 20 Q. And that's indicated on the second
- 21 page, is it not?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. You detected a putrescent odor.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: Just a minute,

- 1 Mr. Tucker.
- What page are you looking at?
- 3 MR. TUCKER: The first page of the boring logs.
- 4 MR. TUCKER: You're missing the first page.
- 5 Great. Can we go off the record for a second?
- 6 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Off the record.
- 7 (Discussion had off
- 8 the record.)
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Back on the
- 10 record. You may continue.
- 11 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 12 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 13 Q. You noted a putrescent odor.
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell me what that is?
- 16 A. I would describe a putrescent odor as a
- 17 rotting, organic-type odor.
- 18 Q. Did you encounter this odor before in
- 19 your experience in the field?
- 20 A. At past sites, yes, I have.
- Q. Why don't we move on to the next boring
- 22 log? This would be log of boring B-2, page one of
- 23 one, the third page of the exhibit.
- 24 Can you tell me what you found there?

- 1 A. From zero to -- it looks like
- 2 approximately 15 and a half feet, I encountered what
- 3 I described as mixed brown, black, and gray silty
- 4 clay fill, some sand and gravel, and root and wood
- 5 fragments and a slight putrescent odor.
- 6 At 15 and a half feet, I encountered wet
- 7 brown silty sand and gravel, which I determined to
- 8 be the native material.
- 9 Q. That putrescent odor you described
- 10 here, is that similar to the putrescent odor in the
- 11 other boring you previously mentioned?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Why don't we turn to the next one, log
- 14 of boring B-3?
- 15 Can you describe what you found in that
- 16 boring, please?
- 17 A. Yes. I encountered approximately nine
- 18 feet of what I described as mixed brown and black
- 19 silty clay fill with some sand and gravel and wood
- 20 fragments.
- 21 At nine feet, I encountered brown silty
- 22 sand and gravel. I determined that to be the native
- 23 soil. We continued the boring down to 17 feet. The
- 24 reason for that was we were looking for the ground

- 1 water table. We had to continue down to where we
- 2 hit the ground water table in order to collect the
- 3 ground water sample.
- 4 Q. Let's move on to B-4. That's the log
- 5 of boring B-4.
- 6 Can you tell me what you found there?
- 7 A. Yes. I encountered approximately three
- 8 feet of what I termed to be black silty clay topsoil
- 9 which likely graded into the brown silty clay I had
- 10 described below it.
- 11 At approximately three feet, I encountered
- 12 brown silty sand and gravel. At approximately ten
- 13 feet, the brown silty sand and gravel was
- 14 saturated.
- 15 We continued this boring down to -- it
- 16 looks like 25 feet. The brown sand and gravel
- 17 changed to a brown silty fine sand, and at 26 feet,
- 18 I encountered gray silty clay.
- 19 I determined this entire soil profile as
- 20 natural. The reason we continued down past the top
- 21 of the water table and into the clay -- we did this
- 22 at several locations to determine the top of the
- 23 underlying gray silty clay.
- Q. Let's turn to log boring B-5. We'll go

1 through just a couple more of these, the operative

- 2 word here being boring, I suppose.
- 3 A. At boring B-5, I encountered what I
- 4 described as a black silty clay topsoil. It changed
- 5 to brown silty clay at approximately two and a half
- 6 feet. At approximately three and a half feet, the
- 7 clay coloration changed to a mild brown and gray.
- 8 At approximately six and a half feet, it
- 9 changed to mild brown and gray sandy clay and then
- 10 changed to a brown silty sand and gravel. At ten
- 11 feet, we encountered the water table at which point
- 12 I terminated the boring. I determined this soil
- 13 profile to be natural.
- 14 Q. How far down did you determine the
- 15 water table to be at that point?
- 16 A. Ten feet below ground surface.
- 17 MR. HEARING OFFICER: I'm sorry. I need to
- 18 interrupt.
- 19 Mr. Heuer, when you say you determined the
- 20 soil to be natural, you're talking about all 11
- 21 feet?
- 22 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Undisturbed native soil.

- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. We'll move on to the log boring B-6.
- 3 Could you similarly describe what you found there?
- 4 A. Yes. At this location, I encountered
- 5 what I described as black silty clay topsoil. At
- 6 three feet, I encountered a mild brown and gray
- 7 sandy clay. At five feet, I encountered brown silty
- 8 sand and gravel, and that sand and gravel unit was
- 9 saturated at nine feet.
- 10 Q. I'd like you now, Mr. Heuer, to flip
- 11 through the other pages started with log boring
- 12 B-7. Would you just take a minute or two to review
- 13 those? And let me know after you've done so.
- 14 (Witness perusing
- documents.)
- 16 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 17 Q. If you can, go through B-27. That will
- 18 save you a little time.
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Do the documents you reviewed from
- 21 boring B-1 through B-27 accurately reflect what you
- 22 found out there in these borings?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell me when you were doing

1 these borings what steps were taken to prevent

- 2 against any contamination?
- 3 A. Yes. Prior to and in between boring
- 4 locations anything that would be used in the next
- 5 borehole to collect samples would be
- 6 decontaminated.
- 7 Drilling augers and drilling rods were
- 8 decontaminated by steam cleaning at a centralized
- 9 location. Because they had more augers with them
- 10 than are needed to perform one boring at a time, we
- 11 typically did not decontaminate the augers after
- 12 each borehole until we've used the entire amount of
- 13 augers that they had brought with them.
- 14 Individual sampling items such as the split
- 15 spoon samplers and the stainless steel trawl I used
- 16 to collect the individual soil samples were
- 17 decontaminated between each individual sampling by
- 18 washing with a detergent wash, a tap water rinse,
- 19 and a deionized water rinse.
- 20 Q. Is this standard procedure to protect
- 21 from contamination?
- 22 A. That's standard operating procedure for
- 23 doing an environmental investigation, yes.
- 24 Q. You've done this kind of -- taken these

1 kinds of precautions before in other projects, have

- 2 you not?
- 3 A. Numerous times.
- Q. Now, we turn to -- after B-27, it says
- 5 logger boring P-1. Could you tell me what that is?
- 6 A. That is a log of the boring that was
- 7 installed when the piezometers were installed by
- 8 Mr. Phil Vincent, formerly at Emcon. He was with
- 9 Emcon at the time.
- 10 Q. P in essence standing for piezometer?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. You've already explained to us what a
- 13 piezometer is, but can you tell us what -- for
- 14 instance, in this first one, log boring P-1, what
- 15 was found according to this document?
- 16 A. According to the log, Mr. Vincent
- 17 identified a mixed brown, black, and gray silty clay
- 18 with some sand and gravel down to approximately 16
- 19 and a half feet. At that point, he encountered a
- 20 seam of brown silty sand and gravel which was
- 21 underlying by a gray silty clay.
- 22 He continued the boring down to 29 feet,
- 23 and it's likely he did that to install a ten-foot
- 24 screen at this location.

- 1 MR. STICK: I'll object, your Honor, to the
- 2 extent the testimony speculated regarding what
- 3 Mr. Vincent may or may not have done and why he did
- 4 it. I asked for the last sentence of the testimony
- 5 to be stricken.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: The objection is noted. I
- 7 understand his objection.
- 8 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 9 Q. If you could just keep it to describing
- 10 what's on the log.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: The objection is
- 12 sustained. The last part will be stricken.
- 13 BY THE WITNESS:
- 14 A. The boring was terminated at 29 feet.
- 15 A piezometer was installed in this boring following
- 16 completion.
- 17 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 18 Q. Thank you.
- 19 I direct your attention to Exhibit 20, I
- 20 believe it is, which is titled the boring piezometer
- 21 map.
- Do you see this map?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you identify what that map

- 1 represents?
- A. Yes. It's a map of the subject site.
- 3 It includes the locations of piezometers, soil
- 4 borings, and it also depicts what we determine to be
- 5 fill material.
- Q. And there's a key on this map, is there
- 7 not?
- 8 A. Correct. There's a legend.
- 9 Q. And that's on the right-hand side of
- 10 the map?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Does this map truly and accurately
- 13 portray what it purports to portray, the boring
- 14 locations of the piezometer map as well as the
- 15 general layout of the Stearns Road site?
- 16 A. It looks accurate to me, yes.
- 17 Q. Did you at Emcon actually prepare this
- 18 map?
- 19 A. I didn't personally prepare it, but
- 20 Emcon prepared the map. The base map was prepared
- 21 by the graphics department, and the other locations
- 22 were put on this map based on survey data.
- 23 After completing the individual boring
- 24 locations, I took a survey stake with an

- 1 identification of the boring and placed it at that
- 2 location. A survey crew later surveyed those
- 3 locations, and that information was given to whoever
- 4 prepared this map and placed on it based on this
- 5 coordinate system that's on the map.
- 6 Q. And you've already stated that the map
- 7 is true and accurate, correct?
- 8 A. The map was reviewed prior to
- 9 completion of the report. It looked accurate, yes.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: I would move at this time to admit
- 11 this map into evidence, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 12 MR. STICK: I object on foundation grounds. He
- 13 testified he did not prepare the map. He also
- 14 testified he did not drill the piezometer borings
- 15 which are identified on the map, and he referenced
- 16 survey points.
- Now, there was apparently a surveyor who
- 18 identified these points in preparing this exhibit,
- 19 and he was not involved in that. So I object on the
- 20 basis of foundation and hearsay.
- 21 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, as you well realize,
- 22 maps, graphs, diagrams are generally admissible into
- 23 evidence if there's testimony on the record
- 24 indicating that it fairly depicts a scene it

- 1 purports to describe. I believe the witness has
- 2 already done that.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Complainant's
- 4 Exhibit No. 20 is admitted.
- 5 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 6 Q. Earlier in your testimony, Mr. Heuer,
- 7 you discussed something about digging test pits?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 After we completed the soil borings in
- 10 collection of the soil and ground water samples, we
- 11 performed approximately 37, I believe, test pits at
- 12 various locations on the site.
- Q. Can you tell us what a test pit is and
- 14 what you did out there to dig these test pits?
- 15 A. A test pit is a general description for
- 16 a hole dug in the ground. In this case, we
- 17 mobilized a backhoe to the site. At various
- 18 locations, we dug into the soil. The purpose of
- 19 this was to determine what type of material was
- 20 located in the subsurface.
- Q. In doing these test pits, did you also
- 22 have procedures that protected against -- for lack
- 23 of a better word -- contamination of the test pits?
- A. No, we didn't. We were not collecting

- 1 any environmental samples. The only reason we did
- 2 the test pits was for visual purposes. The test pit
- 3 bucket was not cleaned off in between individual
- 4 locations.
- 5 It was used to remove soils from the ground
- 6 to get a better view of them, and then the materials
- 7 that were removed were placed back into the test pit
- 8 locations. No environmental sampling was done at
- 9 any of the test pit locations.
- 10 Q. In essence the backhoe then just dug up
- 11 pits, and you examined the material?
- 12 A. Exactly.
- 13 Q. I show you what has been marked as
- 14 Exhibit 21, I believe, the test pit sediment
- 15 sample.
- 16 Could you review that document please,
- 17 Mr. Heuer?
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. What does that map show?
- 20 A. The base map is similar to the boring
- 21 location map. This map shows the locations of the
- 22 test pits that were performed by Emcon. It also
- 23 shows the locations that were performed -- test pit
- 24 locations performed by a Forest Preserve District

1 employee several months prior to us coming out to

- 2 the site.
- 3 Q. There's a legend to this map, is there
- 4 not?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. You noted that there are certain things
- 7 noted that a Forest Preserve employee had dug.
- 8 Would those on the map be indicated by small round
- 9 circles some of which are colored in completely and
- 10 others which are checked --
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 O. -- in the legend?
- 13 And those are then placed on the map in
- 14 certain locations?
- 15 A. Correct.
- Q. You've been to that site, and you've
- 17 seen where those other pits -- not the pits you dug,
- 18 but where the other pits were dug, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And you also know where your pits were
- 21 dug, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. Does that map truly and accurately
- 24 reflect all the information contained on it relating

1 to the various pits and whatnot that were dug?

- 2 A. Yes. It looks accurate to me.
- Q. Did you or Emcon prepare that map?
- 4 A. This map was prepared in a similar
- 5 manner to the boring map after test pits were
- 6 performed, the stake identifying the test pit
- 7 location was placed next to it, the survey crew
- 8 surveyed those locations, and that data was put on
- 9 this grid coordinate map.
- 10 O. Mr. Heuer, was that done all under your
- 11 supervision and your direction?
- 12 A. Correct. I did not -- I was not there
- 13 when the test pits identified as 1695 were
- 14 performed; however, the remainder of the test pits
- 15 were done under my supervision.
- 16 Q. But, again, you have seen those test
- 17 pits out there and you know where they're located?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And the map accurately depicts where
- 20 those are located?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MR. TUCKER: I'd like to move at this time,
- 23 Mr. Hearing Officer, for the admission of this map
- 24 into evidence.

- 1 MR. STICK: I object on foundation and hearsay
- 2 grounds. With this particular map, I don't believe
- 3 the witness has said he actually prepared it.
- 4 It does contain information regarding an
- 5 investigation with which he was not involved. And I
- 6 have an additional objection to the extent both
- 7 Exhibits 20 and 21 contained comment. In the
- 8 legend, there are identifications of debris
- 9 containing fill and other fill. That comment is
- 10 hearsay. It is not something that he has testified
- 11 about, and there's no foundation for that type of a
- 12 comment in a document like this.
- MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, I would note that,
- 14 again, he has indicated that the map is completely
- 15 accurate to the best of his knowledge. He's been
- 16 there. He's seen where these things are.
- 17 Furthermore, maps are generally admitted
- 18 into evidence when there's a reasonable probability
- 19 that it will be helpful to the fact finder. We're
- 20 talking about different logs and where they're dug.
- 21 I think it's very helpful to yourself and the board
- 22 to see where these were dug.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Complainant's Exhibit
- 24 No. 21 is admitted.

- 1 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 2 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Before you go on, just for
- 3 point of clarification.
- 4 MR. TUCKER: Yes.
- 5 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, what does the
- 6 hub location mean?
- 7 THE WITNESS: The hub would be a survey
- 8 location. I do not specifically use those. That
- 9 was survey points used by our survey crew.
- 10 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 12 Q. Let's take another look at that map.
- By looking at this map, can you generally
- 14 determine where fill material was brought into this
- 15 site?
- 16 A. For the most part, yes. There's some
- 17 areas -- particularly the area that is marked WE,
- 18 which stands for elevation, that's difficult to
- 19 determine. But the areas that are above that water
- 20 elevation, yes.
- 21 Q. The test pits you did not dig but were
- 22 dug before you arrived there by Mr. Urbanski as
- 23 we've learned from various testimony, are those
- 24 within the fill area?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Tell me about these test pits.
- 3 You would dig out stuff. Would you lay it
- 4 out on the ground to examine it then? Would you
- 5 examine it when it's coming out of a bucket?
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: A compound question.
- 7 BY THE WITNESS:
- 8 A. The general procedure was for the
- 9 backhoe operator to pull out a bucket of soil and
- 10 drop that soil onto the ground next to the test pit,
- 11 at which point I would take a look at what materials
- 12 were visible on the top of that mount of soil. I
- 13 would write those down on my field notes, and
- 14 occasionally I would take a picture.
- 15 Typically, we would continue the test pit
- 16 until we encountered either native soil or we
- 17 encountered the maximum reach of the bucket which I
- 18 assume was approximately 20 feet. In several
- 19 locations where we dug test pits to determine the
- 20 approximate extents of the fill material, we
- 21 encountered only native material, and it's likely
- 22 that only one bucket or possibly two buckets came
- 23 out at those locations.
- Q. Do you know approximately how big the

- 1 bucket was?
- 2 A. I did not attempt to measure the volume
- 3 of the bucket. I didn't measure the depth, width,
- 4 anything like that. Several feet by several feet
- 5 would just be a guess.
- 6 Q. Did you take occasion to look into the
- 7 various test pits that were dug out, actually look
- 8 down into the pit?
- 9 A. To the extent it was safe. I
- 10 realistically couldn't get right to the edge of the
- 11 test pit due to the potential for caving. I did
- 12 pick an angle, maybe five feet away or so from the
- 13 edge of the test pit, and look into it to determine
- 14 if we had reached native soil.
- I was also looking for stuff like ground
- 16 water on the base of the excavation to see if
- 17 anything was sticking on the sides. On a couple of
- 18 occasions, I took pictures looking down into the
- 19 test pits.
- 20 Q. How many picture do you think you've
- 21 taken?
- 22 A. At this particular site, many. At
- 23 least 50 I would say.
- Q. And you took those all yourself?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, if we could go off the
- 3 record for a second?
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: Off the record.
- 5 (Discussion had off
- 6 the record.)
- 7 (Whereupon, a lunch recess
- 8 was taken, reconvening
- 9 at 12:45 p.m.)
- 10 (Complainant's Exhibit
- 11 Nos. 22 24 marked
- for identification,
- 13 9/25/97.)
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Back on the
- 15 record. Let's reconvene after lunch. Mr. Heuer is
- 16 back on the stand.
- You may proceed.
- 18 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 19 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, I show you what has been
- 21 marked as Complainant's Exhibit No. 22.
- 22 If you could, take a second please to look
- 23 over that document.
- 24 A. Okay.

1 Q. Do you recognize this document?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Can you describe it to us, please?
- 4 A. It's a summary of the test pit
- 5 investigation. It was included in the report that
- 6 we prepared for the investigation of the site.
- 7 Q. Can you tell me how this was prepared?
- 8 A. It was prepared, I believe, on Excel
- 9 based on my field notes.
- 10 Q. Your field notes taken at the Stearns
- 11 Road site?
- 12 A. Correct.
- Q. And your field notes represent -- this
- 14 represents what is contained within those field
- 15 notes?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. You've had a chance to look through
- 18 it.
- 19 Does it truly and accurately depict what
- 20 you took in your field notes?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. You prepared this document, did you
- 23 not?
- 24 A. Yes.

- 1 MR. TUCKER: Your Honor, I would offer this
- 2 exhibit into evidence as Complainant's Exhibit 22.
- 3 MR. STICK: I object on the basis of
- 4 foundation. I believe his field -- he had some
- 5 handwritten field notes, and during this witness's
- 6 deposition we identified some errors in what has
- 7 been tendered as Complainant's Exhibit No. 22.
- 8 Have those errors been corrected?
- 9 MR. TUCKER: If there are any errors, that table
- 10 has not changed to my understanding since you've had
- 11 it in the deposition. I would indicate to
- 12 Mr. Hearing Officer that that is not something that
- 13 would prevent this from being included into
- 14 evidence, but obviously something he might want to
- 15 bring out on cross-examination if there's one or two
- 16 minor errors with it.
- 17 MR. STICK: I object on foundation and hearsay
- 18 grounds.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, what does PID
- 20 stand for?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Point ionization detector. It's a
- 22 device used --
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: No. I just wanted to know
- 24 what PID -- photo ionization --

- 1 THE WITNESS: Detector.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: -- detector.
- 3 All right. Complainant's Exhibit 22 is
- 4 admitted.
- 5 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 6 Q. Mr. Heuer, if we can take this exhibit
- 7 and run through a horizontal column starting with
- 8 what is TPA -- does that stand for test pit A?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Now, referring back to the test pit map
- 11 which I gave you earlier today, is there also a test
- 12 pit A listed on that map which corresponds to this
- 13 test pit summary table in this particular test
- 14 pit A?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Before we even get to that, if we can
- 17 run across some of the information in your headings
- 18 on top. We've already indicated that the first
- 19 column on the left-hand side will indicate the test
- 20 pit which is being studied.
- The second column says date?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. What does the date refer to?
- 24 A. The date that the test pit was

- 1 performed, that particular test pit.
- Q. What does ground surface refer to,
- 3 that's the next column over?
- 4 A. That was what was visible at the ground
- 5 surface that particular test pit location prior to
- 6 initiating the test pit.
- 7 Q. Just right on top?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. What does fill soil type refer to?
- 10 A. The different types of soil I may have
- 11 observed within each individual test pit as opposed
- 12 to a non-soil type.
- 13 Q. The next column, vertical column going
- 14 to the right, fill materials, what does that stand
- 15 for?
- 16 A. That describes any materials that I saw
- 17 in the material taken from the excavation that was
- 18 not soil.
- 19 Q. The next column, native soil type?
- 20 A. That was the type of soil located below
- 21 the limit of fill material.
- Q. The next column, odor, what does that
- 23 mean?
- 24 A. The type of odor that I noted emanating

- 1 from the material that was taken from the test pits.
- Q. If, in fact, any odor was detected?
- 3 A. Right. In some columns, you'll see
- 4 none where I noted no odor.
- 5 Q. Then the final column, which
- 6 Mr. Hearing Officer has already touched on, PID,
- 7 could you explain what that is?
- 8 A. Correct. A photo ionization detector
- 9 is a device used in the field to screen samples for
- 10 potential volatile compounds. It doesn't tell you
- 11 what the compound is, or it doesn't tell you the
- 12 exact reading. It's basically a screen -- a field
- 13 screening instrument used to determine if you are
- 14 going to collect any samples for chemical analysis.
- 15 Q. And to briefly refresh our recollection
- 16 since we had a short break between your previous
- 17 testimony and now, the test pits were dug at various
- 18 locations all over what is the Stearns Road site,
- 19 and those test pits are all indicated on the map
- 20 which has previously been admitted into evidence?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 MR. STICK: Objection, leading.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- MR. TUCKER: I'll withdraw the question.

- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Let's start with column, the very first
- 3 column at the top, test pit A. Can you tell me what
- 4 was found in test pit A?
- 5 A. At the surface, I noted there was brown
- 6 clay with brick fragments, clay tile fragments,
- 7 concrete fragments and gravel. In the material
- 8 removed from the test pit, I noted mixed brown,
- 9 black, and gray silty with sand and gravel.
- 10 Mixed in with that soil, I noted leaves,
- 11 branches, stumps, clay tile fragments, metal pipe,
- 12 blue and black plastic, plywood, white cloth,
- 13 boards, white PVC pipe fragments, bricks and brick
- 14 fragments, and concrete fragments.
- 15 Q. Can you tell me what white PVC pipe
- 16 fragments are?
- 17 A. PVC is typically used for modern
- 18 plumbing. I assumed it to be PVC because it may
- 19 have been marked, or I may have assumed it's PVC.
- 20 It was probably a former portion of a pipe that had
- 21 been broken apart. It's probably an arc to the
- 22 fragment.
- Q. Thank you.
- In test pit A, I noticed there was an odor

- 1 that was detected?
- 2 A. Yes. That was -- again, we discussed
- 3 putrescent earlier as an organic rotting odor. That
- 4 was very strong at this location.
- 5 Q. And it is noted here strong whereas in
- 6 the next column simply putrescent is written?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. What is the distinction between those
- 9 two?
- 10 A. Putrescent means I noticed the odor;
- 11 however, it was not overpowering.
- 12 Q. Let's move on to the next test pit,
- 13 test pit B.
- 14 Could you run through those same categories
- 15 you did on A for me, please?
- 16 A. Yes. At the ground surface, I observed
- 17 ground clay with asphalt fragments, clay tile
- 18 fragments, wood and glass. In the materials
- 19 excavated from the test pit, the soil types were
- 20 mixed brown and gray silty clay with sand and
- 21 gravel.
- 22 Mixed in that soil, I noted concrete
- 23 fragments, clay tile fragments, white and yellow
- 24 plastic, metal pipe, metal post, metal strapping,

- 1 wood fragments, and asphalt fragments.
- 2 At this base of the fill, I noted brown
- 3 silty sand and gravel, and that also exhibited a
- 4 putrescent odor.
- 5 Q. If I can just back you up to the fill
- 6 materials.
- 7 Metal strapping, what does that mean?
- 8 A. Metal strapping would be a thin band of
- 9 metal something you would probably see used to strap
- 10 down a material that's stored on a palette or
- 11 stacked on a palette --
- 12 O. I understand.
- 13 A. -- something like that.
- I don't know for sure that it was metal
- 15 strapping, but it appeared to be something similar
- 16 to metal strapping.
- 17 Q. Thank you.
- 18 Test pit C, if you could run through those
- 19 columns for me, please?
- 20 A. Yes. At the ground surface, I observed
- 21 brown clay with clay tile fragments, brick,
- 22 concrete, and asphalt fragments. The fill soil
- 23 types were mixed brown, black, and gray silty clay
- 24 with sand and gravel, and in the fill materials, I

- 1 noticed asphalt, clay tile, brick and wood
- 2 fragments, wire and aluminum cans.
- 3 Below the fill, I noted brown silty sand
- 4 and gravel that was wet and a putrescent odor.
- 5 Q. Test pit D, the next column?
- 6 A. Yes. At the surface, I noted brown
- 7 clay with gravel and fill soil type. I noted mixed
- 8 brown and black silty clay with sand and gravel.
- 9 Mixed in that soil, I noted wood fragments. I did
- 10 not observe native soil type.
- 11 Apparently, the test pit continued to cave
- 12 in, and we were unable to get down to native soil.
- 13 No odor was noted at this test pit.
- 14 Q. The next column, test pit E?
- 15 A. At the ground surface, I noticed brown
- 16 clay with gravel. The fill soil type was mixed
- 17 brown and black silty clay with sand and gravel.
- 18 Mixed in that material, I observed wood
- 19 fragments. Below the fill, I noted brown silty sand
- 20 and gravel. No odor was noted.
- Q. Moving on to the next page and the next
- 22 test pit listed. We have test pit F, as in Frank.
- 23 Could you go through that column for us
- 24 please?

- 1 A. At the ground surface, I observed brown
- 2 clay with gravel. The fill soil type was mixed
- 3 brown and black silty clay with sand and gravel. I
- 4 observed wood fragments in the fill soil. Below the
- 5 fill, I noted brown silty sand and gravel, and I did
- 6 not note an odor.
- 7 Q. Test pit G?
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Tucker, I'm not sure
- 9 it's necessary to have the witness read every single
- 10 test pit.
- 11 MR. TUCKER: I was just going to read through a
- 12 couple more, but that's fine, your Honor.
- 13 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, if you could go through the
- 15 remaining pages and examine those. Let me know when
- 16 you've gone through them.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Thank you.
- Does this test pit summary table accurately
- 20 reflect what you found in those test pits?
- 21 A. Yes, it does. He did previously bring
- 22 up some mistakes that were noted during the
- 23 deposition. I do --
- MR. KNIPPEN: Judge, I'm going to object to the

1 witness just volunteering information on the record

- 2 at this point. This is not responsive to this
- 3 question.
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 5 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 6 Q. Mr. Heuer, opposing counsel has noted
- 7 some discrepancies between your field notes and this
- 8 document.
- 9 First of all, do you know the discrepancies
- 10 of which he speaks?
- 11 A. Not offhand, no. I would have to
- 12 compare the field notes with this typed summary.
- 13 Q. Have you done that before and noticed
- 14 any discrepancies?
- 15 A. During the deposition.
- 16 Q. I'm going to direct your attention to
- 17 Page 4 of this test pit summary table.
- 18 The third column down there's a test
- 19 pit U. For the record, could you run through that
- 20 column because it's slightly different than some of
- 21 the others?
- 22 A. Okay. At ground surface, I observed
- 23 from gray gravel and concrete fragments, fill soil
- 24 types were described as gray crushed stone. The

1 fill materials including concrete, asphalt, clay

- 2 tile fragments.
- 3 Below the fill, I noted a brown fine sand.
- 4 I noted a -- what I call the petroleum/solvent odor
- 5 in the fill.
- 6 Q. Could you explain that?
- 7 A. Yes. I've worked at numerous petroleum
- 8 contaminated sites, and I noticed an odor similar to
- 9 that in the gray crushed stone that came out of that
- 10 test pit.
- If you look in the PID column, head space
- 12 analysis indicated 19 parts per million organic
- 13 vapors from a sample taken from that crushed stone.
- Q. And that odor then was similar to the
- 15 odors you've experienced in the past which were
- 16 petroleum/solvent related?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. Thank you.
- 19 Mr. Heuer, did you also prepare -- strike
- 20 that.
- 21 Did you take photographs of these test
- 22 pits?
- 23 A. Yes.
- MR. TUCKER: I present what has been marked as

- 1 Complainant's Exhibit 23. I should note that
- 2 there's a cover page which says photographic
- 3 documentation. It's a list of 16 items
- 4 typewritten. Then it's followed by pages of 16
- 5 different photographs.
- 6 The exhibits which have been presented to
- 7 the hearing officer are the actual individual
- 8 photographs.
- 9 I'm presenting to the witness as well as a
- 10 copy to opposing counsel colored quality photocopies
- 11 of those photographs.
- 12 MR. STICK: Thank you.
- 13 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Could you look through that document?
- THE HEARING OFFICER: Where are the photos?
- MR. TUCKER: Here you go.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, would you
- 18 rather work from the photos?
- 19 THE WITNESS: The copies are fine.
- 20 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 21 Q. If you would, let me know when you're
- 22 done examining those?
- 23 A. Yes, I'm done.
- Q. Thank you.

- 1 Can you tell me what those are?
- 2 A. Those are photographs --
- 3 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Excuse me. Before you get
- 4 started, do you care to look at the photos?
- 5 MR. STICK: Not at this moment, thank you, your
- 6 Honor. I might if an issue comes up as to needing
- 7 better qualify, but these look good at this point.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Sorry for the
- 9 interruption.
- 10 Continue.
- 11 BY THE WITNESS:
- 12 A. These are 16 photographs I took at this
- 13 site during the test pit investigation.
- 14 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 15 Q. You personally took those?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. What kind of camera generally did you
- 18 use?
- 19 A. I used my personal camera which is a
- 20 Minolta 3XI.
- Q. Do you know if that's a 35 millimeter
- 22 camera?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Do these photos truly and actually

1 represent what you saw in those test pits which are

- 2 indicated on those photographs?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. By looking at those, can you identify
- 5 where each photo was taken? And when I say "where,"
- 6 I mean the particular test pit.
- 7 A. In this particular case, there's a log
- 8 attached to this section. It says photographic
- 9 documentation. The way I noted which photograph
- 10 went with which test pit, on the field logs I wrote
- 11 down a photo number, say, one, two, three, four,
- 12 which would correspond to that negative on the roll
- 13 of film after it was developed.
- 14 Q. And so then those numbers were then
- 15 corresponded with the particular photograph?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. The very first page of this exhibit is
- 18 a log, for lack of a better word.
- 19 Can you tell me generally what that is or
- 20 what that says?
- 21 A. It describes which photograph
- 22 corresponds with which test pit, and I also made a
- 23 little notation alongside of it noting something
- 24 that was significant in the individual photograph.

1 Q. Did you prepare that cover page?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Does that cover page accurately
- 4 represent what are in those photos?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: I would move at this time, your
- 7 Honor, to present this exhibit as Complainant's
- 8 Group 23 into evidence.
- 9 MR. STICK: No objection.
- 10 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 11 Q. Let's take a look at the photos?
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Just a second.
- 13 Complainant's Exhibit Group 23 consisting of
- 14 Photographs 23 --
- 15 THE REPORTER: B through Q.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Oh, there's no A?
- 17 THE REPORTER: Well, the A is the cover page.
- 18 MR. TUCKER: The A is the cover page. I should
- 19 note for your records, the cover page A. We start
- 20 with photo B which corresponds to one.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. 23-A through Q
- 22 are admitted.
- 23 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. This first photo, Mr. Heuer, where was

- 1 that taken?
- 2 A. That was taken at test pit J.
- 3 Q. And test pit J is listed on the map
- 4 indicating where the various test pits were dug; is
- 5 that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. What's in photograph one?
- 8 A. It appears to be a metal rod sticking
- 9 out of the side of a mount of soil.
- 10 Q. Test pit two, where was that taken --
- 11 photograph two?
- MR. MAKARSKI: Actually, that's Exhibit C, isn't
- 13 it.
- 14 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Exhibit C of this group exhibit.
- 16 A. Photograph two was taken at test pit K.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: It would be much better if
- 18 we refer to them as 23-C and 23-B or whatever you're
- 19 looking at, sir.
- 20 MR. TUCKER: Very well.
- 21 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. And what does that picture depict?
- 23 A. It's a photograph of a corrugated metal
- 24 pipe.

1 Q. So you found that in that test pit that

- 2 was dug there?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. The next exhibit, 23-D, where was that
- 5 taken?
- 6 A. This was taken at test pit L.
- 7 Q. What is depicted in that picture?
- 8 A. In the center of the photograph it is
- 9 at a slightly mud-covered bundle of white plastic
- 10 coded wire. To the right of that is a bent piece of
- 11 metal rebar.
- 12 O. That material was found in that test
- 13 pit?
- 14 A. Correct.
- Q. Photograph E, where was that taken?
- 16 A. Test pit L.
- 17 Q. What is depicted in that photograph?
- 18 A. Numerous bent pieces of rebar of
- 19 various different sizes.
- Q. You found that in that test pit?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. 23-F, where was that taken? This is
- 23 Photograph No. 5.
- A. That was at test pit O.

- Q. What is depicted in that photograph?
- 2 A. There's a slightly crushed piece of
- 3 corrugated metal pipe in the center, and there's a
- 4 small fragment of wood at the bottom to the right of
- 5 the photograph.
- 6 Q. Do you recall how big that piece of
- 7 pipe was?
- 8 A. I did not attempt to take any
- 9 dimensions of any of the materials.
- Q. 23-G, which is Photograph 6?
- 11 A. That is at test pit N.
- 12 Q. Can you tell me what the photograph
- 13 depicts?
- 14 A. There's a chunk of concrete in the
- 15 center of the photograph.
- 16 Q. So that material was found in that test
- 17 pit?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Test pit -- I'm sorry.
- 20 Photograph 23-H? Photograph No. 7 for you.
- 21 A. That would be from test pit A.
- Q. And what does that photograph depict?
- 23 A. In the center of the photograph,
- 24 there's a mud-stained piece of white cloth. In the

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1 upper left-hand corner, there's a pile of leaves.
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- 2 Q. So that was found in that particular
- 3 test pit?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Test pit 23 I, where was that taken?
- 6 A. That's also test pit A.
- 7 Q. What does that photo depict?
- 8 A. In the center of the photograph,
- 9 there's a metal pipe. Below the metal pipe is a
- 10 chunk of concrete.
- 11 Q. Moving on to photograph 23-J, where was
- 12 that taken?
- 13 A. That is test pit A also.
- 14 Q. And what does that photograph depict?
- 15 A. To the left of the --
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Stop just a minute. 23-I
- 17 has a test pit B label on the back.
- MR. TUCKER: Could we go off the record?
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 20 (Discussion had off
- 21 the record.)
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's go back on the
- 23 record.

- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 2 Q. The particular photograph that's been
- 3 identified as 23-I -- which is Exhibit 23-I has on
- 4 the back of it, the actual photograph that's being
- 5 offered into evidence, test pit B on the back.
- 6 Where did you say this photograph was taken
- 7 from when I asked you that question previously.
- 8 Where was that photograph taken?
- 9 A. That was test pit A according to the
- 10 photographic log.
- 11 Q. Is the log correct, or are these
- 12 stickers on the back of this particular photograph
- 13 correct, to your knowledge?
- 14 A. It's likely that the log is correct.
- 15 Those photographs were made -- those photos were
- 16 copied approximately a year and a half after the
- 17 project was done, and I had some assistants who were
- 18 trying to label the back of those for documentation
- 19 purposes. They may not have been incorrect.
- Q. But, in fact, the log you corresponded
- 21 to the photographs originally.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 24 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, is it your
- 2 testimony that Exhibit 23-I is from test pit 1?
- 3 THE WITNESS: Test pit A.
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 5 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 6 Q. I think I completed J, but why don't we
- 7 run through it again just in case.
- 8 This is Photograph No. 9?
- 9 A. Right. We hadn't discussed that yet.
- 10 Q. Oh, okay. I'm sorry. That would be
- 11 23-J.
- 12 Can you tell me where that photograph was
- 13 taken?
- 14 A. That's also at test pit A.
- 15 Q. Can you tell me what that depicts?
- 16 A. To the left of the photograph is a
- 17 portion of a piece of plywood. In the center toward
- 18 the bottom are a bunch of what I call leaves and
- 19 brush, and there are larger wood, log size pieces of
- 20 wood, to the right.
- Q. 23-K, which is No. 10 on your exhibit,
- 22 can you tell me where that was taken?
- 23 A. That would be test pit A also.
- Q. Can you tell me what that picture

- 1 depicts?
- 2 A. In the center of a photograph is a
- 3 degraded plastic bag. Inside the plastic bag are
- 4 what I call leaves and brush.
- 5 Q. That was found in that test pit?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. 23-L as in Larry, which is No. 11 for
- 8 you, can you tell me what that photograph depicts?
- 9 A. In the center of that photograph is
- 10 what I described as metal strapping.
- 11 Q. Can you tell me where that photograph
- 12 was taken?
- 13 A. That would be test pit B.
- 14 Q. And for clarification sake, when you
- 15 said what you described earlier in your testimony
- 16 when I asked you about metal strapping, that's what
- 17 you were talking about?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Photograph 23-M, as in Mary, that's
- 20 your Photograph No. 12, can you tell me where that
- 21 was taken?
- 22 A. That was at test pit B also.
- Q. Can you tell me what that photo
- 24 depicts?

- 1 A. That photo shows a bent metal pipe.
- 2 Q. So that was found in that test pit?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. The next photograph is 23-N, which is
- 5 No. 13, can you tell me where that was taken?
- 6 A. That was taken at the ground surface at
- 7 or near test pit B.
- 8 Q. Can you tell me what that photograph
- 9 depicts?
- 10 A. I can see brick, concrete, asphalt, and
- 11 wood fragments in this photograph.
- 12 Q. Photograph 23-0, which is your 14, can
- 13 you tell me where that was taken?
- 14 A. That is at test pit KK.
- Q. And can you tell me what that
- 16 photograph depicts?
- 17 A. In the center of the photograph is a
- 18 brick. Behind the brick partially covered and
- 19 partially stained black is a piece of wood.
- Q. The next photograph is 23-P. I draw to
- 21 your attention that on this page it's actually the
- 22 photo of the bottom of the page, your No. 15. I
- 23 draw that to counsels' attention as well.
- 24 Can you tell me what that photograph --

- 1 where that photograph was taken? I'm sorry.
- 2 A. That photograph was taken looking into
- 3 test pit R.
- 4 Q. Can you tell me what it depicts?
- 5 A. At the top and at the bottom are
- 6 concrete fragments.
- 7 Q. The final photograph in this group
- 8 exhibit is 23-Q, at the top of the page, your
- 9 No. 16, can you tell me where that was taken?
- 10 A. That is a photograph near test pit U.
- 11 In fact, you can see portions of test pit U at the
- 12 left of the photograph in the center.
- 13 Q. Can you tell me what that depicts?
- 14 A. It shows several chunks of concrete and
- 15 a small chunk of asphalt, also a clay tile fragment
- 16 on the ground surface.
- 17 Q. Thank you. I'm done with that
- 18 exhibit. If you want to put that off to the side.
- 19 I now want to present what has been marked
- 20 as Complainant's Exhibit 24, a series of five
- 21 additional photographs A through E.
- Mr. Heuer, I presented you with quality
- 23 color photocopies of these photos. Would you look
- 24 at these five photos, please?

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. Did you take these five photos at the
- 3 Stearns Road site?
- 4 A. Yes
- 5 Q. Do they truly and accurately represent
- 6 what you took at that site?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. To the best of your knowledge, do the
- 9 corresponding test pit numbers correspond to the
- 10 photographs?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 MR. TUCKER: I move for the introduction of
- 13 these into evidence, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 14 MR. STICK: Of Exhibit 24?
- MR. TUCKER: Yes, A through D.
- MR. STICK: No objection.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Complainant's
- 18 Exhibit 24-A through E is admitted.
- 19 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 20 Q. Mr. Heuer, I would just like to quickly
- 21 walk through these photographs as well.
- These are also photographs that came out of
- 23 test pits at the site?
- A. Correct.

1 Q. This is all material you dug up at that

- 2 site?
- 3 A. Correct.
- Q. What's depicted in the first exhibit,
- 5 which would be 24-A?
- 6 A. That appears to be a fragment of a
- 7 piece of wood probably a mill piece of wood.
- 8 Q. So you found that in the material out
- 9 there?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. The next photograph?
- 12 A. It says test pit R. It appears to be
- 13 plastic in the center of the photograph.
- 14 Q. So you found that in the test pit out
- 15 there was well?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. The next photograph, which is C?
- 18 A. It says test pit M. That appears to be
- 19 branches and twigs rather stained in the center of
- 20 the photograph.
- Q. The next photograph, which is D?
- 22 A. That's also from test pit N. It
- 23 appears to be a fragment of clay tile.
- Q. Did you find a lot of clay tile out

- 1 there?
- 2 A. A lot of fragments, yes.
- 3 Q. The next photograph, which is
- 4 photograph E?
- 5 A. That was from test pit L. There's a
- 6 rather damaged piece of wood probably a branch in
- 7 the center of the photograph.
- 8 Q. Thank you, Mr. Heuer.
- 9 You took more photographs than this, did
- 10 you not?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Would you have any guess as to how many
- 13 others you might have taken?
- 14 MR. STICK: Objection, foundation.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 16 MR. STICK: It calls for speculation.
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Withdrawn.
- 18 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 19 Q. Mr. Heuer, I'm now going to present to
- 20 you what we will mark as the next complainant's
- 21 exhibit, 25. At the top it's called the Pratt Wayne
- 22 Soil Analytic Test Results Summary Table.

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- 1 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 25
- 2 marked for identification,
- 3 9/25/97.)
- 4 MR. TUCKER: Mr. Hearing Officer, for the
- 5 record, I'd like to indicate that this item, as
- 6 several other items, has been stipulated to by
- 7 opposing counsel to be admitted into evidence
- 8 without further foundation.
- 9 At this point, I'd like to move to have
- 10 this admitted into evidence.
- 11 MR. STICK: I have no objection based upon our
- 12 stipulation as to foundation. All parties have
- 13 reserved the right to comment and offer evidence on
- 14 validity, and I have one other caveat.
- I have not checked this against what I
- 16 stipulated to, but based upon counsel's
- 17 representation it's the same document.
- 18 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. With those
- 19 notations, Complainant's Exhibit 25 is admitted into
- 20 evidence.
- 21 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 22 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, can you tell me what this
- 24 is?

- 1 A. This is a summary table of the
- 2 analytical results of the soil samples collected
- 3 from the site during our investigation and submitted
- 4 to the laboratory for analysis.
- 5 Q. Can you tell me how this document was
- 6 prepared?
- 7 A. I prepared this as an Excel table based
- 8 on laboratory reports.
- 9 Q. Can you tell me since this deals with
- 10 soil how the soil samples were taken?
- 11 A. Yes. Along the top line denotes which
- 12 boring location they came from or pond sediment
- 13 sample in test pit in one case. It denotes the
- 14 sampling interval. The boring samples were
- 15 collected by a split spoon sampling which we
- 16 discussed earlier.
- 17 The pond sediment samples were collected
- 18 with a backhoe bucket prior to initiating the test
- 19 pit study. The test pit sample was collected from a
- 20 pile of soil removed from test pit U.
- Q. Can you tell me how the samples, for
- 22 lack of a better word, were preserved to then be
- 23 analyzed?
- 24 A. Yes. Each sample at the site was

- 1 placed in a laboratory supply jar with a stainless
- 2 steel trawl. That trawl was decontaminated in
- 3 between each sampling interval.
- 4 The jars were labeled and put in a cooler
- 5 and packed with ice.
- 6 Q. Then what happened?
- 7 A. After each day, all samples collected
- 8 were transported back to the office where they were
- 9 placed in a refrigerator that was placed in a room
- 10 with a lock on it to prevent access.
- 11 Q. And then?
- MR. STICK: Object to the form of the question.
- 13 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. What did you do next with those
- 15 samples?
- 16 A. At intervals of every several days or
- 17 so, at the end of each workday, I sat down with one
- 18 or two other people who were involved with the
- 19 project. We selected samples that we wanted to have
- 20 analyzed. At that point, I took the information,
- 21 filled out a chain of custody form. I chose the
- 22 samples that were listed on the chain of custody
- 23 form, placed them in a cooler with ice, packed them
- 24 with materials such as bubble wrap to prevent

- 1 breakage.
- 2 The chain of custody was placed into the
- 3 cooler. A custody seal was placed on the outside of
- 4 the cooler. The cooler was wrapped with shipping
- 5 tape, and the coolers were Fed Ex'd to the
- 6 laboratory in Washington for analysis.
- 7 Q. And then what happened after that?
- 8 Did you receive results back?
- 9 A. Correct. We received results of the
- 10 analysis also a copy of the chain of custody that
- 11 was signed by a laboratory representative indicating
- 12 that they had received the samples intact.
- 13 Q. Where was this laboratory located
- 14 again?
- 15 A. I believe Kelso, Washington.
- 16 Q. What is its name?
- 17 A. Columbia Analytical Services.
- 18 Q. Have you used that -- you or Emcon used
- 19 that service before?
- 20 MR. STICK: Objection, foundation.
- 21 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Have you used that laboratory before
- 23 for analyzing test rests or soil samples?
- A. Yes, several times.

- 1 Q. Let's look at this table.
- 2 You've described what is indicated on the
- 3 top of the table. The horizontal column starting at
- 4 the very top and continuing to the right of the
- 5 page.
- 6 Could you -- and I don't want you to
- 7 necessarily walk through each and every listing on
- 8 the left-hand side. But could you briefly explain
- 9 what those are?
- 10 A. That column refers to the particular
- 11 compound that was analyzed for. The upper group of
- 12 compounds are called polynuclear aromatic
- 13 hydrocarbons, which underneath its acronym is PAH.
- 14 The MGKG stands for the units at which the
- 15 concentrations are reported. Below that are
- 16 volatile organic compounds. Those four compounds
- 17 are listed because at one point or another they were
- 18 detected. A volatile organic scan actually includes
- 19 more compounds than are listed. We did not list all
- 20 the compounds, only the ones that were detected at
- 21 one point or another.
- Q. And those would be listed below where
- 23 it says volatile organic compounds; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Generally, polynuclear aromatic
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- 2 hydrocarbons --
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 (Continuing.) -- what are those?
- 6 MR. STICK: Objection, foundation.
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Objection to asking what
- 8 they are?
- 9 MR. STICK: What they are unless he can
- 10 establish that this particulars witness has the
- 11 basis in his training or scientific background to be
- 12 able to explain that with some degree of scientific
- 13 certainty.
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Mr. Tucker?
- 15 MR. TUCKER: Sustained?
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Pardon me?
- 17 MR. TUCKER: Was that sustained?
- 18 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 19 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 20 Q. Do you have training in polynuclear
- 21 aromatic hydrocarbons?
- 22 A. Not specifically, no.
- Q. Have you dealt with them in the past?
- 24 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. You dealt with them in what capacity?
- 2 A. Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons are a
- 3 required analysis --
- 4 MR. STICK: Objection, your Honor, to the extent
- 5 he's going to now answer the question I objected to
- 6 without having the foundation presented.
- 7 MR. TUCKER: If you could just --
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Well --
- 9 MR. STICK: In other words, the question was
- 10 asking for foundation, and the witness was beginning
- 11 to explain what the compounds were.
- 12 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Sustained.
- MR. STICK: So it's nonresponsive.
- 14 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 15 Q. Are you familiar with why -- I'm going
- 16 to call them PAHs if I may, are important in your
- 17 field of work?
- 18 A. Yes. They are representative of --
- 19 well, actually, there could be several types of
- 20 contaminants. Typically --
- 21 MR. STICK: Objection, your Honor, the same
- 22 basis for my objection.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
- 24 MR. STICK: They have not laid a foundation with

- 1 this witness as to his scientific competency to
- 2 explain what PNAs or PAHs are, and every time
- 3 there's a question as to foundation, there's a
- 4 beginning of an answer as to what they are.
- 5 So I object because there's a lack of
- 6 foundation, and the answer is nonresponsive.
- 7 MR. TUCKER: Mr. Hearing Officer, I believe
- 8 unfortunately, the answers are intertwined. They're
- 9 important to him for the very reasons as to what
- 10 they are, and that's why he has dealt with them in
- 11 the past as to what they are.
- 12 It's a pretty straightforward question. I
- 13 hate to spend five, ten minutes on this.
- 14 MR. STICK: If I could just respond to that.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: No, I've heard enough.
- 16 The objection is overruled at this point. I think
- 17 we're -- I think that we're getting to a
- 18 foundation.
- 19 Go ahead and answer the question,
- 20 Mr. Heuer.
- 21 BY THE WITNESS:
- 22 A. The Illinois Environmental Protection
- 23 Agency requires analysis of PAHs at hydrocarbon
- 24 release sites. They are indicative of heavier end

1 petroleum contaminants such as diesel fuel or oil.

- 2 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 3 Q. Thank you.
- 4 Examining this table -- examining this
- 5 table the top column, before we get to the volatile
- 6 organic compounds, is there anything of significance
- 7 to you, anything that stands out, from your
- 8 experience, that is out of the ordinary with these
- 9 test results?
- 10 A. Well, I note that in every soil sample
- 11 analyzed at least one PH compound was detected.
- 12 Numerous compounds were detected in the majority of
- 13 the soil samples analyzed.
- 14 Q. In your experience, do you generally
- 15 know where these PAHs come from?
- 16 MR. STICK: Objection, foundation.
- 17 MR. TUCKER: I only asked him in his experience
- 18 if he knew where they came from.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 20 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Have you encountered PAHs before in
- 22 your work?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. During that training and in your

1 experience in encountering, have you come to learn

- 2 where PAHs come from?
- 3 A. PAHs are organic compounds. In my
- 4 experience, I typically encounter them as a result
- 5 of analysis of petroleum contaminated material.
- 6 Q. Thank you, Mr. Heuer.
- 7 I want to move down to the volatile organic
- 8 compounds, if I may. Is there anything in that
- 9 chart, the bottom for horizontal lines, that stands
- 10 out to you as out of the ordinary?
- 11 A. Yes. Several compounds were detected.
- 12 Xylene was detected at three of the samples.
- 13 Acetone was detected in two samples. Two butanone
- 14 and two hexane were also detected in one of the
- 15 samples.
- 16 Q. At the bottom, there is, for lack of a
- 17 better word, a key to this chart --
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. -- where it says MRL.
- 20 Can you tell me what ND depicts on that
- 21 chart?
- 22 A. That means the compound was not
- 23 detected at a concentration above the method
- 24 reporting limit, which is the laboratory detection

- 1 limit.
- Q. And have NA?
- 3 A. That means we did not analyze for that
- 4 particular compound. Many of the soil samples we
- 5 did not analyze for volatile organic compounds.
- Q. We're going to move on.
- 7 MR. TUCKER: I now want to present to
- 8 Mr. Hearing Officer what will be marked as
- 9 Complainant's Exhibit 26. This is titled the Pratt
- 10 Wayne Ground Water Analytical Test Results Summary
- 11 Table.
- 12 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 26
- marked for identification,
- 14 9/25/97.)
- MR. TUCKER: Mr. Hearing Officer, I would note
- 16 that this document is similar to the previous
- 17 document. It has been stipulated to between the
- 18 parties that this could be allowed into evidence
- 19 with the some restrictions that Mr. Stick has
- 20 previously noted for the record.
- 21 MR. STICK: I have no objection. We stipulate
- 22 to the foundation, and that it may be allowed into
- 23 evidence subject to the right to challenge the
- 24 validity and subject to counsel's representation

- 1 that this is the same document I stipulated to.
- 2 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Michael. So at this
- 3 time I would move to have this placed into evidence,
- 4 Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 5 MR. HEARING OFFICER: No objection from you?
- 6 MS. O'CONNELL: No objection.
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Complainant's Exhibit
- 8 No. 26 is admitted.
- 9 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 10 Q. Mr. Heuer, can you tell me what this
- 11 document is?
- 12 A. This is a summary table of the
- 13 analytical results of the ground water samples
- 14 collected at the Stearns Road site.
- 15 Q. Let's talk about the water samples.
- 16 Can you tell me how those water samples
- 17 were taken at the site?
- 18 A. Yes. The samples were collected
- 19 from the soil borings utilizing a tool called a
- 20 hydropunch. In cases where we encountered ground
- 21 water well drilling, we removed the split spoon
- 22 sampling device from the individual boring. We
- 23 replaced it with a hydropunch.
- 24 A hydropunch is a stainless steel tube with

1 an adaptor at one end that connects to the drilling

- 2 rods. Into the other end of the hydropunch, a
- 3 five-foot plastic screen, a polypropylene screen, is
- 4 inserted.
- 5 This is attached to a stainless steel drive
- 6 point which is attached to the end of the hydropunch
- 7 with a rubber band. The hydropunch is lowered down
- 8 through the augers to the base of the augers and
- 9 then driven out the end of the augers into the
- 10 soil.
- 11 After it's been driven a certain depth, not
- 12 to exceed five feet because that's the length of the
- 13 screen, the drill rods are then withdrawn
- 14 approximately four feet or so, and the pressure of
- 15 the soil around the stainless steel drive point
- 16 holds the drive point which is attached to the
- 17 screen in the ground, and when the stainless steel
- 18 outer casing is withdrawn, the screen is exposed to
- 19 the saturated soil.
- 20 At that point, you lower a one-inch
- 21 diameter Teflon baler through the center of the
- 22 drill rods down into the screen, into the temporary
- 23 screen. The baler fills with water. It has a check
- 24 valve in the bottle. The baler is withdrawn, and

1 the water in the baler is decanted directly into the

- 2 laboratory jars.
- 3 Q. What is then done with the laboratory
- 4 jars?
- 5 Is it similar to what happened with the
- 6 soil samples?
- 7 A. Correct. Those jars are labeled, seals
- 8 are put on them, and they are placed in the cooler
- 9 packed with ice till the end of the day when they're
- 10 transported back to the office and placed in a
- 11 refrigerator.
- 12 Q. What kind of precautions are taken to
- 13 avoid contamination?
- 14 A. In between each hydropunch location --
- 15 hydropunches were collected at all boring locations
- 16 except one, I believe. In between each location,
- 17 it's decontaminated by steam cleaning. It's also
- 18 washed down with the detergent rinse and deionized
- 19 water wash. That should be backwards. It's a
- 20 detergent wash and a deionized water rinse.
- Q. What is a deionized water rinse?
- 22 A. Deionized water is typically used when
- 23 doing environmental sampling. What it does, it's
- 24 a -- it's produced by -- we buy ours from a company

- 1 called EKI. They make products for the medical
- 2 industry. It's a highly processed water. It's
- 3 also deionized, and it provides a level of
- 4 decontamination that's superior to, let's say, tap
- 5 water.
- 6 Q. Then these samples are then stored and
- 7 sent off to the lab again?
- 8 A. Correct. As with the soil samples,
- 9 they are kept in a refrigerator in a locked room.
- 10 Every several days, we assemble samples. They'd be
- 11 packed in a cooler with ice with the chain of the
- 12 custody documentation. A seal would be placed on
- 13 the cooler, and they would be shipped by Federal
- 14 Express to the laboratory for analysis.
- Q. Were they shipped to the same labratory
- 16 that we previously discussed?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. You received those results back from
- 19 that laboratory?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And those results are reflected in this
- 22 summary table?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Let's take a look at the table.

- 1 The column along the top, the top
- 2 horizontal column, where again it's listed PAHs, can
- 3 you tell me what that column represents?
- A. As with the soil chart, that represents
- 5 specific compounds that are described as polynuclear
- 6 aromatic hydrocarbons.
- 7 Q. The vertical column on the left-hand
- 8 side which starts with PAHs and then is listed
- 9 volatile organic compounds, that is also similar to
- 10 what is listed in the previous document on the soil
- 11 samples?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Looking at this summary table, is there
- 14 anything that sticks out to you as unusual?
- 15 First let's deal with everything under the
- 16 PAHs.
- 17 A. Yes. The samples listed across the top
- 18 are only those samples in which one -- at least one
- 19 compound was detected. If no compounds were
- 20 detected, that particular sample is not included on
- 21 this list.
- Therefore, every sample listed on here at
- 23 least one compound or volatile organic compound was
- 24 detected. B-6, B-12 duplicate, the B-13 sample all

1 have numerous polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon

- 2 compound detected.
- 3 Q. I see B-12 listed on the top horizontal
- 4 column, and I see B-12 dup., in parenthesis, d-u-p.
- 5 You just referred to B-12 duplicate. Is
- 6 that what that column represents?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What do you mean by duplicate?
- 9 A. Duplicate samples are typically taken
- 10 for quality assurance purposes. In this case, we
- 11 had discussed collecting a duplicate sample
- 12 approximately every ten samples. In samples -- I
- 13 believe it was B-4 through B-10 those samples were
- 14 taken outside the perimeter of the area that was the
- 15 former sand and gravel excavation.
- 16 Rather than taking a duplicate at the B-10
- 17 location, I wanted to take a duplicate that was
- 18 collected from water within the fill area.
- 19 At location B-11, we were unable to obtain
- 20 any water. It was my original intention to attain a
- 21 duplicate sample at the B-11 location; however, I
- 22 was unable to get any water whatsoever out of that
- 23 location.
- 24 At the B-12 location, we did encounter a

- 1 very thin sand seam at the base of the fill
- 2 material, between the base of the fill and the
- 3 underlying clay. We drove the hydropunch at that
- 4 location and pulled it back.
- 5 And based on reading my field notes, I was
- 6 able to collect the day that we originally drove the
- 7 hydropunch sampler only enough water volume to fill
- 8 the vials that are used for the VOC analysis. I was
- 9 unable to obtain enough to fill the court jar that
- 10 was used for the PNA analysis or PAH analysis, and I
- 11 was obviously unable to get enough sample to collect
- 12 a duplicate sample.
- Q. Now, you noted --
- 14 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I object to narrative
- 15 nature of the testimony.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Mr. Tucker,
- 17 please intersperse questions.
- 18 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 19 Q. I noticed you said that B-12 was within
- 20 the test fill same; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- Q. So you first took the B-12 sample.
- 23 Then the B-12 duplicate was taken later?
- 24 A. Correct. A portion of the B-12 sample

- 1 was taken one day. The PNA portion of that sample
- 2 was taken on a another day. The B-12 sample
- 3 duplicate was collected on the same day as the B-12
- 4 PAH sample, however, at a later time.
- 5 Q. How many days apart were those samples
- 6 taken?
- 7 A. I believe between the day we originally
- 8 pushed the hydropunch and the day I was able to
- 9 collect a sufficient sample for both B-12 and the
- 10 B-12 duplicate it was probably four days.
- 11 Q. Now looking a this, I see that the
- 12 results of B-12 and B-12 duplicate are different.
- 13 Specifically, B-12 duplicate notes certain
- 14 contamination of the water. Is it possible that
- 15 both samples are accurate?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Could you explain that?
- 18 A. Although it's listed as a duplicate, it
- 19 is not actually the same water that was put into the
- 20 B-12 jar as put into the B-12 duplicate jar.
- Q. What do you mean by that?
- 22 A. I noted in my field records that it
- 23 took at least an hour for the well screen to
- 24 recharge enough for me to get enough sample volume

- 1 to take the B-12 duplicate sample.
- 2 Therefore, I had drained that location dry
- 3 by collecting the B-12 sample and also had to allow
- 4 time for that to recharge. Therefore, the water in
- 5 the B-12 sample was actually not the same water as
- 6 the B-12 duplicate.
- 7 Also, in labratory --
- 8 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I object to the
- 9 narrative nature.
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 11 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 12 Q. Was there anything else with B-12 that
- 13 makes it -- B-12 duplicate which made it different
- 14 than the B-12 sample that you haven't already
- 15 explained to us?
- 16 A. There's a volatile organic compound,
- 17 CIS 1, 2 dichloroethane, that was detected in B-12
- 18 and was not detected in the B-12 duplicate.
- 19 Q. Were there any other differences with
- 20 the samples?
- 21 Did they look different to you?
- 22 A. I did not note in my field notes
- 23 whether or not the samples looked different.
- 24 However, the laboratory made note that the samples

1 appeared different. There's a significant sediment

- 2 in them, and they actually reran the B-12 duplicate
- 3 sample due to the difference.
- 4 Q. Which one had the sediment in it?
- 5 A. The B-12 duplicate sample had
- 6 significant sediment in it.
- 7 Q. Thank you.
- 8 Was there any difference between the two
- 9 runs? You mentioned they were run twice.
- 10 A. They were very similar.
- 11 Q. Okay. Anything else -- again, just
- 12 dealing with the top PAH section, anything else that
- 13 sticks out to you as being unusual?
- 14 A. Two locations, B-6 and B-13 numerous PH
- 15 compounds were detected.
- 16 Q. Thank you.
- 17 Let's move on to the volatile organic
- 18 compound which are the three remaining horizontal
- 19 lines at the bottom at the chart of the summary
- 20 table.
- 21 Anything there that sticks out as unusual
- 22 to you?
- 23 A. B-2, B-12 sample, and the B-18 sample.
- Q. Why are those unusual?

1 A. A volatile organic compound was

- 2 detected in each of those samples.
- 3 Q. Thank you, Mr. Heuer.
- 4 We're going to move on.
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, PNAs the same
- 6 as PAHs?
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes. Typically, they're referred
- 8 to as PAHs. Illinois EPA calls them PNAs. That's
- 9 why I typically call them PNAs.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: I'd now like to present to the
- 11 hearing officer a somewhat thicker document. This
- 12 document is, in fact, two different items. It
- 13 includes the laboratory analytical results as well
- 14 as the chain of custody documentation for the
- 15 complainant's exhibits and samples. It's
- 16 approximately an inch thick.
- 17 I'd like it marked as Complainant's Exhibit
- 18 No. 27, and I would like to note to Mr. Hearing
- 19 Officer that this document -- these two documents,
- 20 which were listed as one exhibit, have also been
- 21 stipulated to by opposing counsel under, again, the
- 22 same qualifications that Mr. Stick has noted on the
- 23 record before.

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1 (Complainant's Exhibit No. 27
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- 2 marked for identification,
- 3 9/25/97.)
- 4 MR. TUCKER: So at this time, I'd like to move
- 5 for the introduction of these documents into
- 6 evidence.
- 7 MR. STICK: Your Honor, at this point, I'd like
- 8 a moment to look at the exhibit --
- 9 MR. TUCKER: Absolutely.
- 10 MR. STICK: -- since this is a little bigger.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Miss O'Connell, you've
- 12 agreed with those stipulations as well?
- MS. O'CONNELL: Yes.
- 14 MR. TUCKER: Yes, all parties have stipulated.
- MR. STICK: Your Honor, based upon our
- 16 stipulation as to foundation with the reservation of
- 17 the right to challenge the validity and accuracy, I
- 18 have no objection.
- 19 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Stick.
- 20 MR. STICK: And based upon counsel's
- 21 representation that this is the document we
- 22 stipulated.
- 23 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Mr. Stick.

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- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- Q. Mr. Heuer --
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Complainant's
- 4 Exhibit 27 is admitted.
- 5 MR. TUCKER: Thank you, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 6 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 7 Q. Mr. Heuer, if you could just flip
- 8 through that document.
- 9 (Witness perusing
- 10 document.)
- 11 BY THE WITNESS:
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 14 Q. In your experience, have you come
- 15 across laboratory analytical results and evidence
- 16 before like this?
- 17 A. I've come across laboratory results
- 18 before on numerous occasions.
- 19 Q. Can you generally explain what those
- 20 are?
- 21 More precisely, can you generally explain
- 22 what is before you as the analytical results here in
- 23 the complainant's exhibit?
- 24 A. These are the results provided to our

- 1 office by Columbia Analytical Services. They are
- 2 results of the analysis we requested of the soil and
- 3 water samples submitted to them as part of the
- 4 Stearns Road site project.
- 5 Q. And that is the same laboratory you
- 6 have spoken of previously?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. At the back of there, there is what is
- 9 called change of custody logs?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Are you familiar in your practice with
- 12 change of custody logs?
- 13 A. Yes. That's a standard operating
- 14 procedure for environmental sampling. What that
- 15 does is it documents who had control of the samples
- 16 at any particular point.
- 17 In this case, it indicates that I
- 18 relinquished the samples. It gives the time and the
- 19 date. In this case, we shipped the samples by Fed
- 20 Ex with a custody seal on the outside of the
- 21 cooler. When it gets to the laboratory, the
- 22 receiving person indicates that they received it
- 23 there.
- Q. And this is all contained within the

- 1 log, these notes?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. You said you spent many days out at the
- 4 Stearns Road site; is that correct?
- 5 A. Approximately three weeks total.
- 6 Q. During that time you've had the chance
- 7 to not only dig these pits, but did you have the
- 8 chance to just generally observe the site?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 O. Can you tell us what you saw out there?
- 11 A. In general, I saw what was very clearly
- 12 a disturbed site relative to land surrounding the
- 13 site.
- Q. What do you mean by that?
- 15 A. There were large stockpiles of material
- 16 at various locations about the site. There was a
- 17 large pond near the southeastern corner of the site,
- 18 and the stockpiles of material were clearly of
- 19 different composition.
- 20 Q. Did you see anything that struck you as
- 21 unusual out at that site?
- 22 MR. STICK: Objection, foundation.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Overruled.

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- 1 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 2 Q. You may answer.
- 3 A. Several of the stockpiles consisted of
- 4 what was probably sand and gravel stockpile from the
- 5 mining operation, from the quarry operation. But
- 6 also at one location, which is shown on the test pit
- 7 map, is clearly a stockpile of non-soiled material.
- 8 Several locations -- in some cases I indicated on
- 9 the ground surface near the test pits I saw some
- 10 non-soiled material, but I also recall at one
- 11 location which wasn't at a test pit there was an
- 12 engine block partially sticking out of the ground.
- 13 Q. It was in the ground partially sticking
- 14 out?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 MR. TUCKER: If we could have just one second,
- 17 your Honor.
- 18 (Brief pause.)
- 19 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 20 Q. In dealing with a clean -- strike
- 21 that.
- In dealing with the areas where fill was
- 23 brought out, did you see debris out there beyond
- 24 what you've already described to us?

- 1 MR. STICK: Objection, leading.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sustained.
- 3 BY MR. TUCKER:
- 4 Q. What, in general, did you see in the
- 5 fill material out there besides soil and clay?
- 6 A. The most commonly seen materials were
- 7 fragments of brick, concrete, asphalt. There was a
- 8 lot of metal. There's rebar, metal bars, metal
- 9 strapping, which I discussed earlier, a lot of wood,
- 10 different forms of wood out there. In some
- 11 individual cases, I saw things like a circular saw
- 12 blade, a tire, a piece of cloth.
- 13 MR. TUCKER: Thank you. We have no further
- 14 questions, your Honor.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: Cross-examination?
- MR. STICK: Yes, please.
- 17 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 18 by Mr. Stick
- 19 Q. Mr. Heuer, you photographed an engine
- 20 block?
- 21 A. I did not, no.
- Q. Did anyone photograph the engine block?
- A. Not that I'm aware of.
- Q. Did you photograph a saw blade?

- 1 A. I don't believe so, no.
- Q. Did you photograph a tire?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Now, you referred to the site as a very
- 5 clearly disturbed site.
- 6 Do you recall that testimony?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Were you aware that the site was a
- 9 mining site?
- 10 A. I believe I had been told that prior to
- 11 my having gone out there for the first time.
- 12 Q. Didn't you anticipate in investigating
- 13 a mining site to find a site that had been
- 14 disturbed?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. So that is not something you did
- 17 not anticipate before going onto the site?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And yet you found it unusual?
- 20 A. I guess I would say I found it unusual
- 21 that it did not resemble other sand and gravel
- 22 quarry operations that I've seen.
- Q. Have you seen other sand and gravel
- 24 quarry operations that had been sitting without

- 1 operations for two years?
- 2 A. Not that I'm aware of, no.
- 3 Q. Now, did anyone other than you take
- 4 photographs of any items at the site?
- 5 A. Not that I'm aware of.
- 6 Q. And I take it in choosing what to
- 7 photograph, you determined that you would photograph
- 8 what you felt were the most significant items at the
- 9 site, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. You mentioned some piezometers tests.
- 12 The piezometers investigation took place
- 13 before you actually got to the site, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And you were not present during any of
- 16 that, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. That was Mr. Phil Vincent?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Who had the responsibility at Emcon for
- 21 deciding where to locate the test pits?
- 22 A. I don't believe any one person had that
- 23 responsibility. Realistically, the majority of that
- 24 responsibility would have been myself.

1 Q. And that was something that was left up

- 2 to you to decide primarily in the field, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Neither you or anyone at Emcon utilized
- 5 any kind of computer to generate a random sampling
- 6 grid for the site, right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- Q. And neither you or anyone at Emcon
- 9 utilized U.S. EPA SW 846 to develop a random
- 10 sampling criteria for the site, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: What was the number on
- 13 that?
- 14 MR. STICK: SW 846.
- MR. HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.
- 16 BY MR. STICK:
- 17 Q. And neither you nor anyone at Emcon
- 18 utilized any other regulatory guidelines for
- 19 establishing a random sampling criteria for the test
- 20 pit investigation site, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. In fact, randomness, I believe you
- 23 testified in your deposition, was not part of the
- 24 selection of the test pit locations, correct?

- 1 A. Not a scientific definition of
- 2 randomness, no.
- 3 Q. And you do not prepare any kind of a
- 4 grid or plot out the particular locations for the
- 5 test pits prior to coming to the site, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Generally, isn't it fair to say that
- 8 after you had completed a couple of test pits, two,
- 9 three, or four, you would then generally decide
- 10 which direction you were going to go with the
- 11 backhoe?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Now, with respect to the soil and water
- 14 samplings, did anyone at Emcon utilize a
- 15 computer-generated random sampling grid to locate
- 16 either of the soil or water sample locations?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. And did anyone at Emcon utilize
- 19 U.S. EPA SW 846 in locating the soil or water boring
- 20 points?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. Did anyone at Emcon, to your knowledge,
- 23 utilize any kind of regulatory guidelines for
- 24 establishing random sampling of the soil and water

- 1 at the site?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. You talked about the crew you had with
- 4 you.
- 5 You had a two-person drill team from Fox
- 6 Engineering, correct?
- 7 A. Fox Exploration.
- 8 Q. Fox Exploration.
- 9 And this involved a driller and a driller's
- 10 helper --
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. -- is that correct?
- 13 And then you had an operator with a
- 14 backhoe, correct?
- 15 A. Yes. They were not there at the same
- 16 time. The drill crew was there separate from the
- 17 backhoe, I believe.
- 18 Q. Okay. The backhoe is a tracked
- 19 equipment backhoe?
- 20 A. Track mounted equipment, yes.
- Q. As opposed to tires?
- 22 A. Right.
- Q. How was the drill rig mounted?
- 24 A. It was mounted on an ATV Chassey

- 1 meaning that the Chassey had large diameter width
- 2 tires so it could get to locations on the site that
- 3 a conventional truck monitored rig could not access.
- 4 Q. The drill is run by a gasoline engine?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And there was a smoke stack on the
- 7 drill rig or exhaust, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, in your test pit investigation,
- 10 did you attempt to identify the depth in the test
- 11 pit from which a putrescent odor was detected?
- 12 A. I did not attempt to take any exact
- 13 depths during the test pit investigation simply
- 14 because it was not safe to stand close enough to the
- 15 test pit to obtain an accurate measurement.
- 16 Q. And, in fact, you personally cannot
- 17 tell the difference between naturally occurring
- 18 putrescent odor and a putrescent odor that's
- 19 emanating from rotting garbage or something to that
- 20 effect, correct?
- 21 A. I did not attempt to discern the origin
- 22 of the putrescent odor.
- Q. Okay. My question to you is, you
- 24 cannot tell the difference between naturally

1 occurring putrescent odors and putrescent odors that

- 2 originate from rotting garage, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Okay. And, in fact, during this
- 5 investigation when you note putrescent odors, you
- 6 have not attempted to differentiate it, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. But in reviewing your field log and any
- 9 notes you took at the time, isn't it fair to say it
- 10 is your conclusion that any putrescent odors you did
- 11 note at the site came from naturally occurring
- 12 putrescent odors -- putrescent material such as
- 13 leaves and wood?
- 14 A. That's reasonable, yes.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall a conversation
- 16 with Mr. McGuigan from Emcon sometime in 1996 when
- 17 Mr. McGuigan asked you whether or not you had
- 18 attempted to differentiate between naturally
- 19 occurring organic odors and putrescent odors
- 20 originating from rotting garbage during your
- 21 investigation of the site?
- 22 A. I do not recall a conversation about
- 23 that.
- Q. And at no time did you tell

1 Mr. McGuigan that you, in fact, could differentiate

- 2 between naturally occurring putrescent odors and
- 3 those odors originating from rotting garbage,
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. I don't recall a specific conversation
- 6 discussing that, no.
- 7 Q. I'm sorry.
- 8 At no time did you tell him that, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. Now, you decontaminated the augers
- 11 during your investigation, correct?
- 12 A. I personally did not decontaminate the
- 13 auger. That was performed by the drill crew.
- Q. Okay. Were the augers decontaminated
- 15 during your investigation?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Did you decontaminate the augers after
- 18 your sampling at each location?
- 19 A. Not necessarily after sampling each
- 20 location because they had -- I don't know exactly --
- 21 approximately 100 feet of augers in five foot
- 22 lengths.
- 23 Typically, we went 15 to 20 feet;
- 24 therefore, they could do several locations without

- 1 having to clean to do another location. So actual
- 2 augers themselves weren't necessarily decontaminated
- 3 after each hole, but each set of augers that was
- 4 used in a new hole had been decontaminated since the
- 5 last time they were used.
- 6 Q. Is it fair to say the augers were
- 7 decontaminated in mass?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. In other words, you would decontaminate
- 10 more than one auger at a time?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. When you ran out of augers, you'd go
- 13 decontaminate some augers, or the drill team would
- 14 decontaminate some augers?
- 15 A. Not necessarily. It's dependent upon a
- 16 convenient time to do it.
- 17 Q. Okay. Now, the decontaminated augers
- 18 were stockpiled either in the centralized
- 19 decontamination area of the site, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Or placed back on the drill rig in the
- 22 racks?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And the racks are vertical racks on the

1 front end of the drill rig, correct?

- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. And they were exposed to the air,
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. And to the elements?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And if you decontaminated these augers
- 9 in mass or in groups of more than one, you didn't
- 10 necessarily utilize the auger immediately after it
- 11 had been decontaminated, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. That auger might be placed back on the
- 14 rack and left on the front of the drill rig for a
- 15 period of time, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, you said the drill team
- 18 decontaminated the augers. Did they -- did the
- 19 drill team also -- strike that.
- 20 Isn't it correct that the drill team also
- 21 carried the augers from the decontamination area
- 22 back to the drill rig?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Isn't it also true that the drillers do

- 1 not change their gloves on a regular basis?
- 2 A. They probably did not change their
- 3 gloves after every single borehole, no.
- 4 Q. And, in fact -- strike that.
- 5 The drill team did not change their gloves
- 6 as often as you changed your gloves, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. You changed your gloves after every
- 9 sampling episode, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Or at least that was your standard
- 12 procedure, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And that was your intended procedure?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Because if you don't change your gloves
- 17 between every sampling event, there is the potential
- 18 to cross contamination, correct?
- 19 A. That's true.
- Q. Who cleaned the hydropunch?
- 21 A. Either the drillers or myself cleaned
- 22 the hydropunch.
- 23 Typically, they would steam clean it after
- 24 usage, and then I would give it an individual

- 1 washing. There's a brush that's made to go inside
- 2 the auger, which I used to wash after they had steam
- 3 cleaned it.
- Q. Did you -- did you wash the hydropunch
- 5 on every occasion with the brush?
- 6 A. Probably. I didn't record whether I
- 7 did or not.
- 8 Q. And did the drillers also participate
- 9 in the cleaning of the hydropunch on every occasion?
- 10 A. Likely, yes.
- 11 Q. So every time the hydropunch was
- 12 decontaminated, it was touched by the drillers,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Prior to it being decontaminated, yes.
- 15 After they had completed steam cleaning it, I would
- 16 take it, do my own cleaning with the deionized water
- 17 and the rinse, set it up for the next boring, and
- 18 then personally put it on the rack with the clean
- 19 augers.
- 20 Q. Now, in drilling your hydropunch, you
- 21 had two methods of collecting hydropunch water
- 22 samples at the site, correct? That's a yes or no
- 23 answer.
- A. Actually, there is only one; however,

1 in some instances we drill a second boring next to

- 2 the original boring and did not sample it. The
- 3 reason for that being --
- 4 MR. STICK: Your Honor, could you instruct the
- 5 witness to be responsive. I intend to ask him
- 6 questions, but I do intend for his answers to be
- 7 responses.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, it will go a
- 9 little faster if you just respond to what Mr. Stick
- 10 asked you and not add additional information.
- 11 BY MR. STICK:
- 12 Q. Isn't it true that in some instances
- 13 after you had completed your soil sampling you
- 14 dropped the hydropunch through the same auger that
- 15 you had extracted your soil sample from, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And in other instances, you offset from
- 18 the auger location soil sample and drilled a new
- 19 auger location specifically for the hydropunch,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. So those were two different methods
- 23 that you utilized in the field for water collection,
- 24 correct?

- 1 A. When you say by method, there's
- 2 actually two separate hydropunch for collecting a
- 3 sample. That hydropunch method was the same.
- 4 However, in some instances, no, we did not collect
- 5 soil samples from the same borehole that we
- 6 collected the water sample from.
- 7 Q. Okay. Isn't it true that you offset
- 8 and drilled auger locations specifically for the
- 9 hydropunch at location B-1, B-4, B-13, B-17, B-20,
- 10 and B-21?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And at all other locations, you
- 13 utilized the method where you simply extracted your
- 14 soil sample and then dropped the hydropunch down
- 15 through the auger at the same location where you had
- 16 extracted your soil sample, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Mr. Heuer, how many drilling
- 19 investigations have you conducted for Emcon or for
- 20 any other consultant during your career?
- 21 A. I don't know the exact amount, but I'll
- 22 say a minimum of 50.
- Q. How many of those 50 drilling episodes
- 24 did you receive lab results that indicated no

1 detects at every location for every constituent

- 2 testing?
- 3 A. I don't know.
- 4 Q. Has that ever happened?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. It's very rare though, isn't it?
- 7 A. It's very rare simply because when we
- 8 do an investigation, we have reason to believe that
- 9 there is some kind of problem with the soil or
- 10 ground water which is the reason we're out there in
- 11 the first place.
- 12 It's rare that I'll do an environmental
- 13 investigation --
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, I think you've
- 15 answered the question.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 17 BY MR. STICK:
- 18 Q. Can you identify any investigation by
- 19 name of the site where you have gotten no detects
- 20 for every sample location in every constituent
- 21 testing?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. What is the name of that location?
- 24 A. It was a site in Milwaukee. I believe

1 the name of the site was the former Pabst Vehicle

- 2 Maintenance Facility.
- 3 Q. Now, that would depend, would it not,
- 4 on what your detection limits were, correct?
- 5 A. Detection limits and the type of
- 6 analysis that was done.
- 7 Q. Okay. Is that the only site you
- 8 recall?
- 9 A. In the last several years, yes. That's
- 10 the only one I recall.
- 11 Q. So that's the only one you recall,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. When you were taking your photographs
- 15 of the site, did you make any attempt to show the
- 16 scale of the items that you were photographing in
- 17 the photographs?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. And you did not measure any of the
- 20 items at the site either while you were
- 21 photographing them or at any other time, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. You talked about this track backhoe.
- 24 That is a greased piece of equipment, correct?

1 A. I'm sure the moving joints are greased,

- 2 yes.
- 3 Q. And the only efforts that you made to
- 4 prevent the backhoe from contaminating the site was
- 5 to check for leakage on a weekly basis
- 6 approximately, correct?
- 7 A. Approximately, yes.
- 8 Q. Is that correct? That was the only
- 9 effort you made to prevent the backhoe from
- 10 contaminating the site?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 O. And you don't know whether the backhoe
- 13 operator checked for leaks any more frequently than
- 14 that, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And at no time during your
- 17 investigation of the Stearns Road site did you check
- 18 the all-terrain vehicle on which the drill rig was
- 19 mounted for leaks, correct?
- 20 A. I did not formally check the drill rig,
- 21 no.
- Q. And you don't know for a fact whether
- 23 the driller or the driller's helpers checked the
- 24 all-terrain vehicle for leaks at any time during

- 1 your investigation, correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And you kept no entry in your log
- 4 regarding your checks of the backhoe, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Let me refer you to Complainant's
- 7 Exhibit No. 19.
- 8 Do you have that in front of you?
- 9 A. They're not numbered. If you could
- 10 tell me what it is.
- 11 Q. It's the boring logs, logs of the
- 12 boring.
- 13 A. Oh.
- Q. Mr. Heuer, isn't it correct that there
- 15 was never an auger refusal at any of your boring
- 16 locations at this site?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And that would tell you, would it not,
- 19 that the auger never encountered any items in the
- 20 soil large enough to force an auger refusal or to
- 21 cause an auger refusal, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. Let me refer you to the test pit
- 24 investigation.

1 In identifying items in your log discovered

- 2 during your test pit investigation, you only
- 3 attempted to log non-soiled materials, correct?
- 4 A. I believe I described soil types that I
- 5 noted, but as far as discussion of fill materials
- 6 that was a separate issue as far as non-soiled
- 7 materials.
- 8 Q. So in the column captioned fill
- 9 material, you made no attempt to log in soil that
- 10 was found in the test pits?
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. In the fill, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. So you did not log, for instance, clay
- 15 when the test pit showed clay in the fill?
- 16 A. That would have been in the fill soil
- 17 type column.
- 18 Q. Okay. The order of the items from the
- 19 top to bottom in your chart has no connection and no
- 20 correlation to the depth at which any of those items
- 21 were found, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. And, in fact, you did not make an
- 24 attempt to identify at what depth items were found,

- 1 correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And while you were logging the items
- 4 found in the test pits back in March of 1995, you
- 5 made no effort to estimate percentages of the fill
- 6 material comprised of any particular item, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. At the time you were doing your
- 9 investigation; is that correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Is it fair to say you were more likely
- 12 to photograph larger items that you found in the
- 13 fill material?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Isn't it true that you have no specific
- 16 recollection of any concrete in the test pits which
- 17 exceeded two feet by two feet in size?
- 18 A. Correct. I did not attempt to measure
- 19 any of the items that came out of the test pits.
- Q. And you have no specific recollection
- 21 of any concrete in the material -- in the test pits
- 22 which exceeded two feet by two feet, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. And you have no specific recollection

- 1 of any bituminous found in the test pits which
- 2 exceeded six inches at their largest dimension,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Let me refer you to Complainant's
- 6 Exhibit No. 22.
- 7 Now, you excavated a number of test pits at
- 8 the site that contain nothing other than soil
- 9 material, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And those test pits were test pits E,
- 12 that was one where there was nothing other than fill
- 13 material correct or soil material?
- 14 A. On the test pit summary, it does say
- 15 wood fragments. That, however, may have been the
- 16 item we discussed earlier that we found in the
- 17 deposition. It may have been carried over from the
- 18 column before.
- 19 Q. Do you have a recollection that the
- 20 entry for wood fragments in the test pit E summary
- 21 is in error?
- 22 A. I would have to check it against the
- 23 field notes, and I don't have a copy of those in
- 24 front of me.

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1 MR. STICK: Your Honor, can I take a moment to
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- 2 get his field notes? I think I have a copy.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes. Off the record.
- 4 (Discussion had off
- 5 the record.)
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- 7 MR. STICK: Can I approach the witness, your
- 8 Honor.
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes, you may.
- 10 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I only have one copy of
- 11 this. Can I mark this as Respondents'
- 12 Exhibit No. --
- 13 THE HEARING OFFICER: 12.
- 14 MR. STICK: -- 12.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 16 MR. STICK: And I apologize --
- 17 MR. KNIPPEN: Your Honor, we're out of
- 18 Respondents' stickers now.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: (Indicating).
- 20 (Respondents' Exhibit No. 12
- 21 marked for identification,
- 22 9/25/97.)
- 23 MR. STICK: Counsel, would you like to see it?
- MR. MAKARSKI: Yeah. Let me just see what page

- 1 it is, field boring log. Okay. Thanks.
- 2 MR. STICK: Karen?
- 3 MS. O'CONNELL: Thanks.
- 4 BY MR. STICK:
- 5 Q. Mr. Heuer, let me show you what we've
- 6 marked as Respondents' Exhibit No. 12 for
- 7 identification purposes.
- 8 Do you recognize that document?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Are those your field notes with respect
- 11 to the test pit investigation?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Would you check your entry for test
- 14 pit E?
- 15 A. Wood is not noted. Wood fragments are
- 16 not noted.
- 17 Q. Okay. So test pit E was the test pit
- 18 where you found nothing but clean soil, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. And the description of test pit E that
- 21 is noted on Complainant's Exhibit No. 22 is at least
- 22 partially in error, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. Let me refer you to Complainant's

1 Exhibit No. 22, and if you can keep your field notes

- 2 handy also, I'd appreciate it.
- 3 I'll refer you to the description under
- 4 test pit J. First of all, with respect to
- 5 Complainant's Exhibit No. 22 under the description
- for test pit J, do you see an indication that there
- 7 was a slight putrescent odor?
- 8 A. On the test pit summary, it says slight
- 9 putrescent; however, in the field note, it said no
- 10 odor.
- 11 Q. Okay. So referring to Respondents'
- 12 Exhibit No. 12, your field notes, you would agree
- 13 with me that Complainant's Exhibit No. 22 is in
- 14 error with respect to the description of slight
- 15 putrescent odor at test pit J?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, let me refer you to test pit L.
- 18 Is there an indication that there was any
- 19 putrescent odor at test pit L in your field notes?
- 20 A. No.
- Q. Mr. Heuer, those three errors were
- 22 errors that were raised in your deposition, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And those in part were the errors that

1 you're talking about on the stand on direct when you

- 2 said certain issues came up in your deposition,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. So those were known to you before
- 6 today?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Now, test pit G was also a test pit
- 9 where you found nothing but clean soil, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And test pit P was another test pit
- 12 where you found nothing but clean soil?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And test pit Q was another test pit
- 15 where you found nothing but clean soil, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. At test pit S location, you also have
- 18 found nothing but clean soil, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. At test pit Y you found nothing but
- 21 clean soil, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. And at test pit DD you found nothing
- 24 but clean soil, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. You found nothing but clean soil at
- 3 test pit JJ, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And you fond nothing but clean soil on
- 6 test pit LL, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And you found nothing but clean soil at
- 9 test pit MM, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Now, at test pit U, can you check your
- 12 field notes for test pit U? Strike that.
- Mr. Heuer, at test pit D, isn't it correct
- 14 that in excess of 99 percent of the material
- 15 excavated at test pit D was clean soil?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And isn't it correct that at test pit F
- 18 in excess of 99 percent of the material excavated at
- 19 that test pit was clean soil?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And the only other items you
- 22 found at test pit F were wood fragments, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. At test pit H, isn't it correct that 99

1 percent of the material excavated at test pit H was

- 2 clean soil?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And the only other items you located or
- 5 identified at test pit H were wood fragments?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 8 excavated at test pit I was clean soil, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And test pit I was at least 15 feet
- 11 deep, correct?
- 12 A. I didn't mark down the approximate
- 13 depth. It's at least greater than five feet because
- 14 I noted there was asphalt and concrete fragments in
- 15 the upper five feet. I didn't make an effort to
- 16 determine depths on the test pits.
- 17 Q. Do you recall having your deposition in
- 18 this case?
- 19 A. Not regarding this particular test pit,
- 20 no.
- Q. Do you recall having a deposition in
- 22 this case?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you recall being asked the

- 1 following questions and giving the following answers
- 2 during your deposition, Page 169, Line 6, question,
- 3 let me refer you to test pit I, and I will also show
- 4 you deposition Exhibit No. 31 which is a photocopy
- 5 of three photographs from test pit I. And first of
- 6 all, can you tell me how deep that test pit was
- 7 duq?
- 8 Answer, based on photograph B, I'm going to
- 9 say it is at least 15 feet deep.
- 10 Do you recall being asked that question and
- 11 giving that answer during your deposition?
- 12 A. I don't recall it, but it sounds
- 13 accurate.
- 14 Q. Do you have any reason to believe you
- 15 didn't give that answer?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Okay. Regardless of whether you were
- 18 asked that question and answered that during your
- 19 deposition that it sounds accurate, test pit I was
- 20 at least 15 feet deep, correct --
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. -- as you sit here today?
- 23 Referring you back to test pit H, that test
- 24 pit was 20 feet deep, correct?

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1 A. Approximately 20 feet deep. We were
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- 2 not able to get below the maximum reach to the
- 3 backhoe. I estimated that to be about 20 feet.
- 4 MR. STICK: Your Honor, may I have 15 seconds
- 5 with my co-counsel?
- 6 (Brief pause.)
- 7 (Respondents' Exhibit No. 13
- 8 marked for identification,
- 9 9/25/97.)
- 10 MR. STICK: Your Honor, may I approach?
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 12 MR. STICK: I'm going to present Respondents'
- 13 Exhibit No. 13. It's another document that I only
- 14 have one copy of, and I apologize.
- May I approach the witness?
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 17 BY MR. STICK:
- 18 Q. Mr. Heuer, let me show you what's been
- 19 marked as Respondents' Exhibit 13 for identification
- 20 purposes.
- 21 That is a document prepared compiling
- 22 certain questions and answers during your deposition
- 23 regarding the percentages of the test pits that
- 24 constituted clean soil.

1 Do you recall your testimony during the

- 2 depositions?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. I tender that to you initially
- 5 because it may be helpful in this line of
- 6 questioning.
- 7 MR. MAKARSKI: Do you want to take a break at
- 8 some point?
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: Are you at a --
- 10 MR. STICK: I'm in the middle, but I don't mind
- 11 taking a break.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's go ahead. Just let
- 13 me know when you reach a natural breaking point.
- 14 MR. STICK: This is as fine as anything.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: This is as natural as it
- 16 gets?
- 17 MR. STICK: Yes.
- 18 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's take about a
- 19 five-minute break.
- 20 (Break taken.)
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- 22 Mr. Stick?
- 23 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, I believe I asked you about

- 1 test pit S. But I just want to clarify, test pit S
- 2 was one of the test pits where there was nothing but
- 3 clean soil found, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Okay. By the way, there were a couple
- 6 test pits where you did not find fill, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And those were test pits EE; is that
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And you did not find fill material at
- 12 test pit FF, correct?
- 13 A. Right.
- Q. You did not find fill material at test
- 15 pit GG, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. You did not find fill material at test
- 18 pit HH, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. And you did find fill material at test
- 21 pit II, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 24 excavated at test pit W was clean soil, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 3 excavated at test pit X was clean soil, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. In excess of 95 percent of the material
- 6 excavated at test pit Z was clean soil, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 9 excavated at test pit AA was clean soil, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Text pit AA was 18 feet deep, correct?
- MR. TUCKER: Michael, which one?
- 13 MR. MAKARSKI: AA.
- 14 MR. STICK: AA.
- 15 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 16 BY THE WITNESS:
- 17 A. Approximately.
- 18 BY MR. STICK:
- 19 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 20 excavated at test pit BB was clean soil, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 23 excavated at test pit CC was clean soil, correct?
- A. Correct.

- 1 Q. Isn't it correct that you cannot
- 2 dispute that 100 percent of the soil at test pit U
- 3 was -- 100 percent of the excavation at test pit U
- 4 was clean soil?
- 5 A. No, not at test pit U. I believe I
- 6 said that was 100 percent either fill or crushed
- 7 stone which would not be considered -- I would not
- 8 consider soil.
- 9 Q. Okay. So there we're having a debate
- 10 over whether crushed stone constitutes soil
- 11 material, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. You would agree with me that 100
- 14 percent of the material excavated at test put U
- 15 constituted either stone or soil, correct?
- 16 A. No. I noted concrete, asphalt, and
- 17 clay tile fragments in the fill materials at test
- 18 pit U.
- 19 Q. Let me refer you to your field notes
- 20 for test put U.
- 21 A. Okay. And I'll refer you to --
- 22 MR. STICK: Your Honor, could I approach and
- 23 have this marked as the next exhibit which I believe
- 24 is Respondents' 14.

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Fourteen. Okay.
- 2 (Respondents' Exhibit No. 14
- 3 marked for identification,
- 4 9/25/97.)
- 5 BY MR. STICK:
- 6 Q. Mr. Heuer, let me show you what has
- 7 been marked Respondents' Exhibit 14 for
- 8 identification purposes.
- 9 Do you recognize that as a photograph of
- 10 test pit U?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. Do you see in the background a
- 13 pile of excavated material?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you see in the foreground
- 16 various stones?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Do you see any concrete in the
- 19 fill material that was excavated?
- 20 A. There's a large chunk of something at
- 21 the base of that pile slightly to the right which is
- 22 probably a chunk of concrete, but at this scale,
- 23 that's difficult to determine.
- Q. Referring to your field notes for test

1 pit U, are you 100 percent convinced that -- well,

- 2 strike that.
- 3 You're not 100 percent convinced that the
- 4 concrete and asphalt that you noted were found in
- 5 the test pit as opposed to around the surface
- 6 outside the test pit, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. So you cannot dispute the fact
- 9 that 100 percent of the material excavated from test
- 10 pit U constituted clean soil, correct?
- 11 A. My only disagreement with that would be
- 12 the description of clean soil.
- 13 Q. Let me rephrase that.
- 14 You cannot dispute that 100 percent of the
- 15 material excavated from test pit U constituted soil?
- 16 A. I wouldn't describe crushed stone as
- 17 soil.
- 18 Q. Are you positive -- you can't be
- 19 positive from looking at that picture and from
- 20 reviewing your field notes, however, that crushed
- 21 stone was actually found in that test pit, correct?
- 22 A. Not based on the field notes, no.
- 23 Q. And not based on the photographs,
- 24 correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. So would you agree with me that
- 3 you cannot contest that 100 percent of the material
- 4 excavated at test pit U constituted soil?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Thank you.
- 7 Let me refer you to your field notes again
- 8 for test pit U. Do you see any notation there for
- 9 petroleum solvent in the fill?
- 10 A. No. All I have noted is odor and PID
- 11 equals 19.
- 12 Q. So you noted an odor, but you did not
- 13 note in your field notes anything regarding
- 14 petroleum or solvent in the fill material, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Petroleum is different from solvent,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Okay. So when you put the slash there
- 20 in your Complainant's Exhibit No. 22, I believe,
- 21 your test pit description for test pit U, the intent
- 22 was to say either/or, correct?
- 23 A. It was a generic description.
- Q. But in the description under odor for

- 1 test pit U, you have entered in Exhibit No. 22,
- 2 Complainant's Exhibit No. 22, petroleum/solvent.
- 3 Do you see that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And that's an indication that's
- 6 either/or, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And there is no such thing as petroleum
- 9 solvent?
- 10 A. Some petroleum products are used as
- 11 solvents, naphtha, for instance.
- 12 Q. But that's not what you're referring to
- 13 here?
- 14 A. No, I couldn't --
- Q. Well, that's a yes or no answer.
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Now, when you were in the field, you
- 18 could not identify that as a petroleum odor,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. I may not have noted it. I don't
- 21 recall whether I noted it in the field or not.
- Q. Well, you did not note it in the field
- 23 as a petroleum odor, correct?
- A. I did not write it down, no.

1 Q. And that's because you could not in the

- 2 field determine that it was a petroleum odor,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And you cannot in the field determine
- 6 that it was a solvent odor, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- Q. Referring you to test pit A, in excess
- 9 of 75 percent of the material excavated from test
- 10 pit A was clean soil, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Test put A was approximately eight feet
- 13 deep, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. In your description in your field note
- 16 for test pit A, you did not note any logs, correct?
- 17 A. I did not write down logs, no.
- 18 Q. Let me refer you to Complainant's
- 19 Exhibit No. 23.
- 20 Do you have that in front of you?
- A. Mine aren't numbered.
- MR. TUCKER: Would that be the photos, the first
- 23 set of photos?

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- 1 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. The photos, the first set of photos,
- 3 first set of photos.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. Let me refer you to photograph 23-J.
- 6 MR. TUCKER: Which I believe is No. 9
- 7 BY MR. STICK:
- 8 Q. Okay. That's a photograph from test
- 9 pit A, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And in your direct examination and in
- 12 your photographic log, the first page of Exhibit 23,
- 13 you refer to a log having been found at test pit A.
- 14 Do you recall that?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Okay. That log was not noted in your
- 17 field notes, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And, in fact, what you had referred to
- 20 in your direct examination as a log in that
- 21 photograph is, in fact, a branch, correct?
- 22 A. Possibly, yes.
- Q. Would you agree with me that your field
- 24 notes are correct in noting a branch as opposed to a

- 1 log?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. In excess of 75 percent of the material
- 4 excavated test pit B constituted clean soil,
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And in excess of 75 percent of the
- 8 material excavated from test pit C constituted clean
- 9 soil, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Now, at test pit C, you identified wire
- 12 and an aluminum can, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. You saw only one aluminum can at test
- 15 pit C, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And you have no reason to believe that
- 18 you saw more than one piece of wire at test pit C,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. Would it be fair to say that the
- 22 aluminum can and the wire constituted less than one
- 23 percent of the material excavated at test pit C?
- 24 A. Yes.

1 Q. In excess of 90 percent of the material

- 2 excavated from test pit J constituted clean soil,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And you saw no more than one metal rod
- 6 at test pit J, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And you saw no more than one piece of
- 9 metal strapping at test pit J, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Test pit J was approximately eight feet
- 12 deep, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me that the one
- 15 piece of metal rod and the one metal strap
- 16 constituted less than one percent of the material
- 17 excavated at test pit J?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. In excess of 90 percent of the material
- 20 excavated at the test pit K location was clean soil,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. And you identified only one C and P
- 24 piping located at test pit K, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me -- strike
- 3 that.
- 4 If in excess of 90 percent of the material
- 5 excavated at test pit K constituted clean soil,
- 6 would you agree with me that the one piece of metal
- 7 strapping and the one corrugated metal pipe
- 8 constituted less than one percent of the material
- 9 excavated at test pit K?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. In general, Mr. Heuer, is it correct
- 12 that unless you identified more than one item in
- 13 your test pit logs, we can conclude that you only
- 14 found one item of those listed in each log?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. In excess of 95 percent of the material
- 17 excavated from test pit M constituted clean soil,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me that the
- 21 corrugated metal pipe, metal cable, and red plastic
- 22 coated wire that you identified as having been
- 23 located at the test pit M location constituted less
- 24 than one percent of the material excavated at that

- 1 location?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. In excess of 90 percent of the material
- 4 taken out of test pit N constituted clean soil,
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Would you agree with me -- strike
- 8 that.
- 9 Isn't it correct that you found only one
- 10 piece of metal banding at test pit N?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And would you agree with me then that
- 13 that one piece of metal banding constituted less
- 14 than one percent of the material excavated at test
- 15 pit N?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 18 excavated at test pit 0 constituted clean soil,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. That test pit was 20 feet deep,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. And in excess of 85 percent of the

1 material excavated from test pit R constituted clean

- 2 soil, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- Q. At the test pit R location, isn't it
- 5 correct that you did not photograph a tire?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And you did not photograph the saw
- 8 blade, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. In excess of 99 percent of the material
- 11 excavated at test pit T constituted clean soil,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And in excess of 90 percent of the
- 15 material excavated at test pit V constituted clean
- 16 soil, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. At that test pit, you identified only
- 19 one piece of metal strapping, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. And only one piece of wire, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me that the one
- 24 piece of metal strapping and the one piece of wire

1 constituted less than one percent of the material

- 2 identified at the test pit V location?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. In excess of 90 percent of the material
- 5 taken from test pit KK constituted clean soil,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. You identified and observed only one
- 9 piece of Styrofoam at the test pit KK location,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And you identified and observed only
- 13 one piece of metal strapping at the test pit KK
- 14 location, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. You identified only one rubber tube at
- 17 the test pit KK location, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And you identified only one piece of
- 20 metal cable at the test pit KK location, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me that the PVC
- 23 pipe fragments, the rubber tube, the metal
- 24 strapping, the metal cable, and the Styrofoam that

- 1 you have identified at the test pit KK location
- 2 constituted less than one percent of the material
- 3 excavated at that location?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. In excess of 90 percent of the material
- 6 excavated at the test pit J location constituted
- 7 clean soil, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And in excess of 80 percent of the
- 10 material excavated at the test pit L location
- 11 constituted clean soil, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Mr. Heuer, does Respondents' Exhibit 13
- 14 truly and accurately reflect your testimony and your
- 15 recollection regarding the percentages of the soil
- 16 material excavated at each of these respective test
- 17 pits?
- 18 A. Yes. Again, they're approximate but
- 19 yes.
- 20 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I move for admission of
- 21 Respondents' Exhibit No. 13 into evidence.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Any objection?
- 23 MR. TUCKER: No objection.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: May I see 13?

- 1 MR. TUCKER: I should note, Mr. Hearing Officer,
- 2 the page references to the deposition are made on
- 3 that document, and I'm taking that counsel's --
- 4 again, as he did with us -- references are
- 5 accurate.
- 6 MR. STICK: Yeah. And if you have an objection
- 7 to those, we can strike them.
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: That's all right.
- 9 MR. KNIPPEN: We can strike those from the
- 10 exhibit. That's not a problem.
- MR. MAKARSKI: It doesn't affect us one way or
- 12 the other.
- 13 THE HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Heuer, the percentages
- 14 that you've testified to and that are listed on this
- 15 document, you arrived at those at your deposition?
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- MR. HEARING OFFICER: And they're your estimates
- 18 of the percentages of the various materials?
- 19 THE WITNESS: At my deposition, I stated that it
- 20 was very difficult to do with any degree of
- 21 accuracy, but because I was pressed into giving an
- 22 approximation, I did so.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Respondents'
- 24 Exhibit 13 is admitted.

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1 MR. STICK: Thank you, your Honor.
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- 2 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, while we're on that point,
- 4 at your deposition when you were making those
- 5 estimates, you were given all the photographs
- 6 regarding each of those test pits, and you had the
- 7 benefit of your test pit field notes, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And you were asked to state a safe
- 10 approximation --
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. -- on the percentage of soil?
- 13 And in each of those instances, you stated
- 14 a percentage that you felt very comfortable with,
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Okay. Mr. Heuer, during your
- 18 investigation of sites other than the Stearns Road
- 19 site, what is your normal practice as far as boring
- 20 shavings or the spoiled material from drilling a
- 21 borehole?
- How is that dealt with during your
- 23 investigation?
- 24 A. How do we manage the cuttings that come

- 1 out of the borehole?
- 2 Q. Yes.
- 3 A. It depends on the site. If we suspect
- 4 that the material may be hazardous, we may put it in
- 5 drums depending on the type of site.
- 6 If it's a site that's used, say, a gas
- 7 station that's paved, leaving soil lying around
- 8 would be an eyesore. We'd put that material in,
- 9 say, a 55-gallon drum until we got the analytical
- 10 results back, and we would deal with the cuttings at
- 11 that time.
- 12 Q. And if it's a site that's unpaved, and
- 13 you are very comfortable even before you get the
- 14 analytical results back that there is no harm or
- 15 very little harm that could arise from any potential
- 16 contamination of a site, you would leave the
- 17 shavings or cuttings on site, correct?
- 18 A. Particularly right next to the
- 19 borehole, yes.
- Q. But that's only a practice that you
- 21 utilized when you are comfortable that the
- 22 analytical results, which you have not yet gotten,
- 23 are not going to show serious contamination of the
- 24 site, correct?

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1 A. True. In this particular case --
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- Q. Well, that's a yes or no answer.
- 3 And in this case, in fact --
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait. Answer the initial
- 5 question first. I didn't hear it.
- 6 MR. STICK: Sorry.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I said yes.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Thank you.
- 9 Now continue.
- 10 MR. STICK: Thank you, your Honor.
- 11 BY MR. STICK:
- 12 Q. And in this case, the boring cuttings
- 13 were, in fact, left on the site, correct, the
- 14 Stearns Road site?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And that is because you did not
- 17 anticipate any potential threat to the environment
- 18 or human health and safety associated with leaving
- 19 those cuttings on site and exposed, correct?
- 20 MR. MAKARSKI: I object to that. It's not
- 21 consistent with what the earlier testimony was, and
- 22 I think it's his conclusion.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: So what's your objection?
- MR. MAKARSKI: I think it's Mr. Stick's

- 1 conclusion. It's a series of speculations.
- 2 MR. STICK: Your Honor, my question is, does he
- 3 agree with that conclusion.
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Objection
- 5 overruled.
- 6 Mr. Heuer?
- 7 BY THE WITNESS:
- 8 A. The decision to leave the cuttings next
- 9 to the borehole was made prior to the investigation
- 10 being started in a meeting with myself and the
- 11 people who were acting as project managers on the
- 12 project.
- 13 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Okay. But the decision to leave those
- 15 shavings on site was based upon your conclusion and
- 16 the conclusion of others at Emcon that those
- 17 materials would not pose any threat to the
- 18 environment or to human health and safety, correct?
- 19 MR. TUCKER: Objection as to whether or not he
- 20 would know what other people at Emcon thought.
- 21 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Let me rephrase the question.
- 23 Your decision in the field to leave those
- 24 shavings on site was based upon your conclusion that

1 those shavings did not pose a threat to human health

- 2 or the environment, correct?
- 3 MR. MAKARSKI: My objection is that his answer
- 4 was he decided before he went to the field, and this
- 5 question assumes he decided it at the field.
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 7 MR. STICK: I think he had to have made a
- 8 decision even if he was instructed to do something.
- 9 He made an independent decision in the field, and
- 10 I'm asking him for the basis of that decision.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Overruled.
- 12 Go ahead and answer the question.
- 13 BY THE WITNESS:
- 14 A. I did not make a decision to have the
- 15 cuttings taken off site while I was out there. I
- 16 did not change that because I saw no reason to do
- 17 that.
- 18 BY MR. STICK:
- 19 Q. And the reason you saw no reason to was
- 20 because you did not believe those shavings posed a
- 21 threat to human health and the environment, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. And if you had feared or suspected that
- 24 those shavings might pose a threat to human health

- 1 and the environment, you would have played it safe
- 2 and you would have transported them off site to a
- 3 secure location, correct?
- 4 A. I likely would not have transported
- 5 them off site. It's likely I would have made a
- 6 phone call back to that office to discuss the
- 7 situation and take it from there.
- 8 Q. And you would have placed them in a
- 9 drum perhaps and left them on site, correct?
- 10 A. Or perhaps transported them to a
- 11 central location and placed them on plastic,
- 12 something like that, possibly.
- 13 Q. Now, the material excavated from your
- 14 test pits was all backfill in the site, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. None of the material excavated during
- 17 your test pit investigation was transported off
- 18 site, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. None of that material was segregated in
- 21 any manner on site, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- O. All of that material was backfilled
- 24 back into the pits from where it had come, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. And all of that material was re-buried
- 3 at the site by Emcon, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Now, the test pit excavation material,
- 6 isn't it correct that you would not have backfilled
- 7 that material if you had any concern whatsoever that
- 8 that material posed a threat to human health and the
- 9 environment; isn't that correct?
- 10 A. I have to qualify when you say by an
- 11 "immediate threat."
- 12 O. Well -- okay.
- 13 If you had any concerns that that material
- 14 caused an immediate threat to the environment, you
- 15 certainly would not have backfilled it, correct?
- 16 A. Once again, that was a decision made
- 17 prior to us going out in the field. But if I had
- 18 seen something that I thought would cause an
- 19 immediate threat, perhaps I would have made a phone
- 20 call to the office and decided on a different course
- 21 of action.
- Q. Mr. Heuer, if you had any concern
- 23 whatsoever that that material caused or had the
- 24 potential to cause an immediate threat to the

- 1 environment or to human health, isn't it true that
- 2 you would not have backfilled that material to the
- 3 site?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, isn't it also true that if
- 6 you had any concern whatsoever that that material
- 7 caused -- had the potential to cause any threat to
- 8 human health and the environment, you would not have
- 9 backfilled that material at the site, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And that's regardless of whether you
- 12 perceived it to be an immediate threat or a
- 13 potential threat in the future, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- MR. STICK: Your Honor, may I have 15 seconds.
- 16 I need to try to find another portion of his field
- 17 notes?
- 18 (Brief pause.)
- 19 (Respondents' Exhibit No. 15
- 20 marked for identification,
- 21 9/25/97.)
- 22 MR. STICK: Your Honor, may I approach the
- 23 bench, please?
- 24 MR. HEARING OFFICER: Yes.

- 1 MR. STICK: I've marked Respondents' Exhibit 15,
- 2 which I intend to present to the witness. I
- 3 apologize. That's another document I only have
- 4 one copy of.
- 5 MR. TUCKER: Mr. Stick, what's that number
- 6 again?
- 7 MR. MAKARSKI: Fifteen.
- 8 MR. STICK: Fifteen.
- 9 MR. TUCKER: Thanks.
- 10 MR. STICK: My I approach the witness?
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yeah.
- 12 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, let me present you with
- 14 Respondents' Exhibit 15 for identification
- 15 purposes.
- Do you recognize that document?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Are those your handwritten field notes
- 19 from your --
- 20 A. With the exception of --
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait. Wait. Don't talk
- 22 over each other.
- 23 Are those your handwritten field notes?

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- 1 BY THE WITNESS:
- 2 A. With the exception of the first two
- 3 pages, yes.
- 4 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Okay. The first two pages are pages
- 6 that were prepared by Mr. Vincent, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I inadvertently gave him
- 9 two pages that were not his field notes. I can
- 10 either rip those off and present a new exhibit or
- 11 deal with it on the record.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Well, it's on the record that
- 13 those two pages don't apply. It's all right with
- 14 us.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 16 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, let me refer you to your
- 18 field notes for March 23rd, 1995.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. Now, on the morning of March 23rd, you
- 21 performed the water sampling at the B-6 location,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. Your field notes indicate that at

1 7 o'clock on that morning you and your field crew

- 2 continued decontamination activities, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And isn't it correct that on that
- 5 morning of March 23rd, you and the field crew were
- 6 decontaminating the augers and rods and hydropunches
- 7 that you had -- well, strike that.
- 8 Isn't it true that on March 23rd, 1995,
- 9 you and your crew were continuing to decontaminate
- 10 certain equipment that you had started
- 11 decontaminating the afternoon before?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And you don't know whether the
- 14 hydropunch was steam cleaned on March 22nd in the
- 15 afternoon or on March 23rd in the morning, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- Q. And if, in fact, the hydropunch had
- 18 been cleaned on March 22nd, it was then stored on
- 19 the site overnight, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And you don't know where it would have
- 22 been stored, correct? Strike that.
- 23 You don't know whether the hydropunch if it
- 24 had been decontaminated the night before was stored

1 in the vehicle racks on the cleaning pad at the

- 2 central location or on top of the pile of augers,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And you would agree with me that it
- 6 is conceivable that the equipment that was
- 7 decontaminated on March 22nd in the afternoon and
- 8 stored on the site overnight picked up contamination
- 9 over the evening?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Let me refer you to your field notes
- 12 from March 24th, and your water sampling activities
- 13 at location B-12.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Preliminarily, you don't know for sure
- 16 whether the water you encountered at location B-12
- 17 constituted ground water or water that was perched
- 18 in the fill material, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. And that's partly because the sand
- 21 parting that you encountered at location B-12 was
- 22 less than one inch thick, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. In other words, the water bearing unit

1 at location B-12 was less than an inch thick?

- 2 A. Correct.
- Q. And, in fact, you're not sure with any
- 4 degree of scientific certainty that when you took
- 5 your water sample at B-12 you even hit that seam of
- 6 water, correct?
- 7 A. I believe it's noted on the boring
- 8 log. I'm not sure I understand your question.
- 9 Q. Let me ask you another question.
- 10 Could you define perch water?
- 11 A. Perched is typically defined as water
- 12 in a somewhat permeable material above a relatively
- 13 unpermeable material.
- Q. Okay. And perched water does not
- 15 necessarily have to be ground water, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. In this instance, you don't know
- 18 whether the water encountered at B-12 was ground
- 19 water or perched water that was not interconnected
- 20 with the ground water table, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. Now, you took your VOC samples from
- 23 your original B-12 water sample on the afternoon of
- 24 March 24th, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. And then you attempted to take another
- 3 water sample in order to sample PNAs, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. On the afternoon of March 24th,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you were unable to obtain enough
- 9 water at the B-12 location to allow you to sample
- 10 for the PNAs, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. So you left the hydropunch and the
- 13 auger in the ground overnight, correct?
- 14 A. Correct. Actually, it was several
- 15 days. I believe that was a Friday.
- Q. March 24th was a Friday, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. And, in fact, you left it in the ground
- 19 until March 28th?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. And in the intervening period, there
- 22 was some rainfall, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And on the morning of March 28th, it

- 1 was raining, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you and your crew went to the
- 4 Stearns Road site.
- 5 Do you recall that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Now because it was raining, you allowed
- 8 your crew to leave, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And you by yourself then took a sample
- 11 at the B-12 location which you intended to have
- 12 analyzed for PNAs, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And then shortly thereafter, within the
- 15 course of an hour, you took a duplicate sample at
- 16 the B-12 location of the water which you intended to
- 17 have sampled for PNAs, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Let me just clarify.
- 20 The hydropunch -- when you took your B-12
- 21 PNA sample and duplicate sample, the hydropunch had
- 22 been in the ground for over three and a half days,
- 23 correct?
- A. Correct.

- 1 Q. Now, you did not remove the hydropunch
- 2 from the auger between your B-12 original sample on
- 3 March 28th and your B-12 duplicate sample less than
- 4 an hour later, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And, therefore, you did not steam clean
- 7 the hydropunch, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. But you also did not steam clean the
- 10 baler, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And it was your standard practice to
- 13 steam clean the baler between each sampling episode,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And the reason on March 28th that you
- 17 did not steam clean the baler between your original
- 18 B-12 sample and the duplicate B-12 sample was
- 19 because the steam cleaning equipment was not at the
- 20 site, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. And the reason the steam cleaning
- 23 equipment was not at the site was because you had
- 24 allowed your crew to leave for the day, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. It was also your standard practice at
- 3 the Stearns Road site and in other investigations to
- 4 change your gloves between each sampling event,
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And on this particular occasion on
- 8 March 28th, it is very likely that you did not
- 9 change your gloves between the original B-12 sample
- 10 and the duplicate B-12 sample, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Now, your original B-12 water sample
- 13 results showed nondetects for all PNAs, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. In other words, in your original B-12
- 16 sample there were no PNAs detected at the B-12
- 17 location?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Less than an hour later, the B-12
- 20 duplicate reported to show PNAs, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. Now, do you recall in your deposition
- 23 being asked how you could explain that?
- 24 A. Yes.

1 Q. And do you recall that I asked you how

- 2 you could explain that?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And do you recall that your answer to
- 5 me when that question was initially posed to you was
- 6 that there were two potential explanations.
- 7 Do you recall that testimony?
- 8 A. Generally.
- 9 Q. Do you recall that your first
- 10 explanation was cross contamination?
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Just a second.
- MR. MAKARSKI: If you're going to refer to
- 13 that -- in the first place, I don't know why -- it
- 14 doesn't seem that he's impeaching him.
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: Right. I don't know if
- 16 you're impeaching him. If you are, this is improper
- 17 impeachment.
- 18 MR. STICK: Okay. Let me withdraw that
- 19 question.
- 20 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, the best explanation for why
- 22 you had divergent results at the B-12 location for
- 23 PNAs is the potential for cross contamination,
- 24 correct?

- 1 A. No.
- Q. Would you agree with me -- strike
- 3 that.
- 4 Would you agree with me that that is the
- 5 first explanation you would give?
- 6 MR. MAKARSKI: Objection.
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Right. I think that you
- 8 need to ask him some questions for evidentiary
- 9 purposes here as opposed to referring back to what
- 10 he might have said several months ago.
- 11 BY MR. STICK:
- 12 Q. Mr. Heuer, you would agree with me that
- 13 cross contamination is a potential explanation for
- 14 the divergent results you obtained at B-12 and B-12
- 15 duplicate locations for PNAs, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Okay. And would you also agree with me
- 18 that lab error is a potential explanation, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, would you agree with me
- 21 that those are the two best explanations?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall in your deposition
- 24 being asked for an explanation?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. I'm going to refer you to
- 3 Page 229.
- Would you agree we this, Mr. Heuer, that
- 5 the explanation you gave in your direct examination
- 6 of a rechargeable location is not a viable
- 7 possibility?
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: Objection.
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: Overruled.
- 10 BY THE WITNESS:
- 11 A. Could you repeat that? I'm not sure I
- 12 understand.
- MR. STICK: Would you read that question back?
- 14 (Record read.)
- 15 BY MR. STICK:
- 16 Q. Let me rephrase the question.
- 17 Would you agree with me that the two
- 18 possibilities that you have explained to me just
- 19 now, cross contamination and lab error, are, in
- 20 fact, the only two possibilities that you can think
- 21 of --
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. -- viable possibilities for potential
- 24 explanation for the B-12 test results?

- 1 A. No.
- Q. Do you recall being asked the following
- 3 questions and giving the following answers in your
- 4 deposition, Page 229, Line 2?
- 5 Question, if you are resampling from the
- 6 same ground water and on the first sample you get no
- 7 detection, you would assume the second sample you're
- 8 going to get no detection, correct?
- 9 Answer, correct.
- 10 The only way to explain that is some form
- 11 of contamination to the second sample, correct?
- 12 Answer, it is possible.
- 13 Question, now that is the only way to
- 14 explain it; is that not correct?
- 15 Answer, that's a possibility. It could
- 16 have been a problem with the laboratory in analyzing
- 17 either one of those samples, but, yes, that's a good
- 18 possibility.
- 19 Do you recall being asked those questions
- 20 and giving those answers in your deposition?
- 21 A. If it's in there, I must have said it,
- 22 yeah.
- Q. Do you recall being asked that question
- 24 and giving --

- 1 MR. MAKARSKI: Your Honor, I object.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait, wait. Stop. Don't
- 3 talk over each other, please.
- 4 The question has been asked.
- 5 Do you recall those?
- 6 BY THE WITNESS:
- 7 A. I don't recall the exact questions. In
- 8 general, I recall that line of questioning, yes.
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Now, your
- 10 objection?
- 11 MR. MAKARSKI: I don't think it's impeaching
- 12 him. He said it's a possibility.
- 13 MR. STICK: Your Honor, the impeachment --
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: That will be an inference
- 15 to be drawn.
- 16 MR. STICK: So his objection is overruled?
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: I'm not sure there was a
- 18 true objection there. To the extent that it needs
- 19 to be ruled, it's overruled.
- The board will draw its own conclusions.
- 21 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, at the time I posed that
- 23 question to you in your deposition, you did not give
- 24 me as a possibility the explanation you gave during

- 1 your direct examination, correct?
- 2 MR. TUCKER: Objection. As to the possibility
- 3 of what?
- 4 MR. STICK: The possibility of a recharge of
- 5 that location --
- 6 MR. TUCKER: Of that --
- 7 MR. STICK: -- causing divergent test results.
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: My objection --
- 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait. Please, one or the
- 10 other of you object. I would prefer that.
- 11 MR. MAKARSKI: That question wasn't asked, what
- 12 are all the possibilities or was recharge a
- 13 possibility. He asked him specifically is this a
- 14 possibility. He said yes. He didn't limit himself
- 15 to just those.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. That's also
- 17 noted for the record. The objection is overruled.
- 18 Answer the question, please.
- 19 BY THE WITNESS:
- 20 A. Could you repeat the question?
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: Read the question back.
- 22 MR. STICK: Actually, I'll -- I'll repeat it.
- 23 The question may have been a little horrible.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.

- 1 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, at that time I asked you
- 3 the question in your deposition to explain to me
- 4 potential possibilities for the divergent results
- 5 at the B-12 location, you did not give me as a
- 6 possibility the explanation that you gave Mr. Tucker
- 7 during your direct examination today, correct?
- 8 MR. MAKARSKI: Objection. That was not the
- 9 question that was asked in the deposition.
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: I believe this is
- 11 something that you'll have to go back out on
- 12 redirect. I don't think it's an objectionable
- 13 question.
- 14 Answer, Mr. Heuer.
- 15 BY THE WITNESS:
- 16 A. At that time, I apparently did not
- 17 offer another alternative.
- 18 BY MR. STICK:
- 19 Q. Thank you.
- Now, Mr. Heuer, referring to your field
- 21 notes for March 28th, 1995, prior to your sampling
- 22 at the B-12 location for PNAs, when was the most
- 23 recent steam cleaning of the hydropunch logged?
- 24 A. The most previous decontamination I

- 1 have is at 9:40 a.m. on the 24th.
- Q. With the hydropunch?
- 3 A. I don't discuss the hydropunch
- 4 specifically. That's the last decontamination
- 5 procedure that I noted. It was following B-10.
- 6 Q. When is the most recent time that you
- 7 noted in your field notes that the hydropunch had
- 8 been decontaminated prior to your sampling at B-12?
- 9 A. That I specifically noted the
- 10 hydropunch steam or that I wrote it down?
- 11 Q. Yes.
- 12 A. Okay. 1:25 p.m. on the 23rd.
- 13 Q. And you noted the hydropunch was
- 14 decontaminated on the 23rd after which sampling
- 15 episode?
- 16 A. B-9.
- 17 Q. Okay. Did you note in your field notes
- 18 that the hydropunch was decontaminated after the
- 19 B-12 water samples or B-10 water samples?
- 20 A. Not specifically noted, no.
- Q. Did you note in your field notes that
- 22 the hydropunch was decontaminated after the B-11
- 23 water samples?
- 24 A. We did not collect water samples from

- 1 B-11.
- 2 Q. Did you place the hydropunch in the
- 3 auger and put it in ground at B-11?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Now, the pond sediment samples that you
- 6 collected at the Stearns Road site were collected by
- 7 way of using the bucket on the backhoe, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And you didn't take any particular
- 10 measures to ensure that the hydraulic fluid and
- 11 grease from the backhoe did not contaminate pond
- 12 sediment samples, correct?
- 13 A. Nothing specific, no.
- 14 Q. And you don't specifically recall
- 15 whether you extracted the pond sediment samples
- 16 directly from the bucket or whether the bucket was
- 17 dropped on the ground and you extracted the sample
- 18 off the ground, correct?
- 19 A. I don't recall specifically. That's
- 20 correct.
- Q. And you did not arrange for the
- 22 cleaning of the bucket between pond sediment
- 23 sampling episodes, correct?
- A. Correct.

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1 Q. Let me refer to you Complainant's
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- 2 Exhibit No. 23. That's the first group of
- 3 photographs.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. Mr. Heuer, let me refer you to
- 6 photograph 23-B, which is the first photograph.
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. You would agree with me that if that
- 9 piece of metal rod was for some reason buried in a
- 10 semitruck load of fill material it would be very,
- 11 very difficult for anyone to notice that rod once
- 12 the semi had dumped its load, correct?
- 13 A. If it was buried inside a pile of --
- 14 yes.
- 15 Q. It is small enough, wouldn't you agree,
- 16 that it would be very difficult to identify and
- 17 segregate that piece of metal out of a semitruck
- 18 load of fill material?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. And would you agree with me that the
- 21 pipe depicted in photograph 23-C would be very
- 22 difficult to identify and segregate out of a
- 23 semitruck load of fill material if it was buried in
- 24 that load, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. Would you agree with me that that is
- 3 true with respect to all the items identified in
- 4 Complainant's Exhibit 23?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. You would agree with me that if any of
- 7 those items were buried within a semitruck load of
- 8 fill, it would be very, very difficult to identify
- 9 them and segregate them out of the material once the
- 10 truck had emptied its load, correct?
- 11 A. Correct. I'd like to clarify by
- 12 saying I've never attempted the procedure you're
- 13 discussing. So I really have no idea how that would
- 14 be done.
- 15 Q. You've never attempted to identify and
- 16 segregate out material in a truckload?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. Okay. You've never attempted to do
- 19 that with material this small, correct?
- 20 A. I've never attempted to segregate
- 21 material out of a truckload of anything.
- Q. Okay. Let me refer you to the
- 23 photographs found in Complainant's Exhibit No. 24.
- 24 Would you agree with me that it would be

- 1 very difficult to identify any of the items depicted
- 2 in any of the photographs in Complainant's Exhibit
- 3 No. 24 in a semitruck load of fill material?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. All of those materials, the items
- 6 depicted in Exhibit 24, are relatively small items,
- 7 correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And it would be very difficult even if
- 10 you identified them to segregate them out of the
- 11 fill material of a semitruck load of fill, correct?
- MR. TUCKER: Objection, your Honor, to the
- 13 extent that he has knowledge or experience of
- 14 segregating materials; otherwise, he's speculating.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: Well, I believe --
- 16 MR. TUCKER: It calls for speculation.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: I believe the witness has
- 18 already said that he has no experience with
- 19 segregating from trucks, so. . .
- 20 MR. STICK: Well, he does have experience with
- 21 these items because he photographed them, and I
- 22 think he's competent to answer that question.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: I think the objection is
- 24 sustained.

- 1 BY THE WITNESS:
- 2 A. Okay.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: No.
- 4 MR. TUCKER: You don't have to answer.
- 5 BY MR. STICK:
- 6 Q. Mr. Heuer, the bucket size on the
- 7 backhoe used for the Stearns Road investigation was
- 8 approximately three feet wide by five feet long by
- 9 two and a half feet deep, correct?
- 10 A. That would be a guess.
- 11 Q. Is that a good approximation?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. And the maximum reach in the
- 14 backhoe was 20 feet, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Mr. Heuer, were you a geologist at the
- 17 time you conducted the Stearns Road site
- 18 investigation for Emcon?
- 19 A. I believe that was my title at the
- 20 time, yes.
- Q. Mr. Heuer, did you remove the engine
- 22 block off site from the Stearns Road location?
- 23 A. I did not.
- Q. Did you leave it on the site?

- 1 A. I never touched it.
- Q. Where is it on the Stearns Road site
- 3 where you say you saw that engine block?
- 4 A. I noted in the report that it was near
- 5 test pit S.
- 6 Q. You don't have any understanding of how
- 7 that engine block came to be located there, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Okay. And you don't know when that
- 10 engine block came to be located at the Stearns Road
- 11 site, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Do you know whether that engine block
- 14 is still at the Stearns Road site?
- 15 A. I do not know.
- 16 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I'm going to have a few
- 17 photographs I'd like to mark and show to the
- 18 witness.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 20 (Respondents' Exhibit
- 21 No. 16 31 marked
- for identification,
- 23 9/25/97.)
- 24 MR. STICK: If I may approach the bench with

- 1 those.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
- 3 MR. TUCKER: Mr. Hearing Officer, I think
- 4 Mr. Stick, as he previously stated, has only the one
- 5 set. So I'll look over the witness's shoulder at
- 6 the same time, if that's all right with you and
- 7 Mr. Stick.
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 9 MR. STICK: Yes, that's fine.
- 10 MR. TUCKER: Thank you.
- 11 MR. STICK: Your Honor, these are marked
- 12 Respondents' Exhibits 16 through 31.
- May I approach the witness, your Honor?
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 15 BY MR. STICK:
- Q. Mr. Heuer, let me show you what's been
- 17 marked as Respondents' Exhibit No. 16 for
- 18 identification purposes.
- 19 Do you recognize that photograph?
- 20 A. It's a photograph of a test pit. In
- 21 the back, I have it marked as test pit A.
- Q. Is that a test pit photograph that you
- 23 took?
- 24 A. Yes.

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1 Q. During your investigation of the
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- 2 Stearns Road site, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And does that photograph fairly and
- 5 accurately portray the pit of the excavation at test
- 6 pit A?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit No. 17.
- 10 Do you recognize that document?
- 11 A. Yes. That's a photograph of test
- 12 pit B.
- 0. Okay. Does that photograph -- did you
- 14 take that photograph?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And does that photograph fairly and
- 17 accurately reflect the excavated pit at test pit B
- 18 at the time of your investigation of the site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Thank you.
- 21 Let me show you what's been marked as
- 22 Respondents' Exhibit No. 15 -- I'm sorry, 18.
- Do you recognize that photograph as a
- 24 photograph you took at the Stearns Road site?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. What is that photograph of?
- 3 A. That's test pit C.
- 4 Q. Okay. Does that photograph fairly and
- 5 accurately reflect the excavated pit at test pit C
- 6 at the Stearns Road site?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit No. 19.
- 10 Is that a photograph you took at the
- 11 Stearns Road site?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Could you tell me what that photograph
- 14 depicts?
- 15 A. That's test pit D.
- 16 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 17 accurately reflect the excavated pit at test pit D
- 18 at the Stearns Road site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 21 Respondents' Exhibit No. 20 for identification
- 22 purposes.
- Is that a photograph you took at the
- 24 Stearns Road site?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. What is that photograph of?
- 3 A. That's test pit J.
- 4 Q. Does that photograph accurately and
- 5 fairly reflect the excavated pit the test pit J at
- 6 the Stearns Road site that you excavated?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit No. 21 for identification
- 10 purposes.
- 11 Is that a photograph you took at the
- 12 Stearns Road site during your investigation?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And what does that photograph depict?
- 15 A. Test pit K.
- 16 Q. Does that photograph accurately and
- 17 fairly represent the excavated pit at test pit K
- 18 during your investigation of the site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 21 Respondents' Exhibit No. 22 for identification
- 22 purposes.
- Is that a photograph you took at the
- 24 Stearns Road site?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 3 A. Test pit L.
- 4 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 5 accurately reflect the excavated pit at test pit L
- 6 at the Stearns Road site?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit No. 23 for identification
- 10 purposes.
- 11 Is that a photograph you took at the
- 12 Stearns Road site?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 15 A. Test pit M.
- 16 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 17 accurately reflect the excavated pit at test pit M
- 18 during your investigation of the Stearns Road site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 21 Respondents' Exhibit No. 24 for identification
- 22 purposes.
- Is that a photograph you took at the
- 24 Stearns Road site?

- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 3 A. Test pit N.
- 4 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 5 accurately depict the excavated pit at test pit N
- 6 during your investigation of the Stearns Road site?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit No. 25 for identification
- 10 purposes.
- 11 Is that a photograph you took at the
- 12 Stearns Road site?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 15 A. Test pit O.
- 16 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 17 accurately depict the excavation at test pit 0
- 18 during your investigation of the site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 21 Respondents' Exhibit No. 26 for identification
- 22 purposes.
- Is that a photograph you took at the
- 24 Stearns Road site?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 3 A. Test pit R.
- 4 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 5 accurately reflect the pit excavated at test pit R
- 6 during your investigation of the Stearns Road site?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 9 Respondents' Exhibit 27.
- 10 Do you recognize that photograph?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 13 A. It's a piled soil taken from test
- 14 pit V.
- 15 Q. Is test pit V one of the test pits
- 16 excavated in the lake area?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 19 accurately reflect the excavated material from test
- 20 pit V?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked
- 23 as Respondents' Exhibit 28 for identification
- 24 purposes.

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1 Do you recognize that photograph?
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- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Is that a photograph you took of the
- 4 Stearns Road site?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 7 A. That is the backhoe collecting a sample
- 8 from what I call test pit Y.
- 9 Q. Does that photograph truly and
- 10 accurately reflect the backhoe sampling or excavated
- 11 material at test pit Y?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. How far is that backhoe -- where is
- 14 that backhoe located in the photograph?
- 15 A. It's approximately 50 feet from the
- 16 edge of the shoreline.
- 17 Q. And when you say "50 feet from the edge
- 18 of the shoreline," it is 50 feet into the pond area
- 19 or lake area, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. And is that where test pit Y was
- 22 excavated?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you see that the tracks on the

1 backhoe are at least partially submerged in the

- 2 water area?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Now, those tracks have greasing points,
- 5 don't they?
- 6 A. I suppose so.
- 7 Q. Well, those tracks on that backhoe are
- 8 lubricated from time to time, correct?
- 9 A. That would be a good assumption.
- 10 Q. Okay. Did you take any steps to ensure
- 11 that the lubricated grease fittings on the backhoe
- 12 tracks did not contaminate the water at the Stearns
- 13 Road site?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 16 Respondents' Exhibit No. 29 for identification
- 17 purposes.
- 18 Is that a photograph you took at the site?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 21 A. I believe we're facing south. I
- 22 believe I took this photograph from the top of a
- 23 sand and gravel stockpile looking south across the
- 24 site.

1 Q. What was your purpose in taking that

- 2 photograph?
- 3 A. The general condition of the site when
- 4 we were out there.
- 5 Q. Does that photograph accurately and
- 6 fairly depict the site as it appeared to you during
- 7 your investigation?
- 8 A. That portion of the site, yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Let me refer you back to Exhibit
- 10 No. 28.
- I think you testified earlier that the
- 12 bucket may also have lubricating points on it,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And are there also hydraulic lines on
- 16 the outside of the bucket of the backhoe?
- 17 A. At the top of the bucket, at the
- 18 connection, yes.
- 19 Q. How close are those hydraulic lines to
- 20 the water?
- 21 A. In this photo, my guess is a foot.
- Q. Okay. Can you be sure that the
- 23 hydraulic lubrication is not in contact with water?
- A. No, I can't.

- 1 Q. Okay. Let me show you what's been
- 2 marked as Respondents' Exhibit 30 for identification
- 3 purposes.
- 4 Is that a photograph you took at the
- 5 Stearns Road site during your investigation?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And what does that photograph depict?
- 8 A. That's a photograph for approximately
- 9 the west central portion of the site on top of a
- 10 soil stockpile looking north.
- 11 Q. Does that photograph fairly and
- 12 accurately depict the Stearns Road site as it
- 13 existed during your investigation?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 16 Respondents' Exhibit 31 for identification
- 17 purposes.
- 18 Is that a photograph you took of the
- 19 Stearns Road site?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that photograph depict?
- 22 A. This is a photograph, I believe,
- 23 standing on top of a sand and gravel stockpile, the
- 24 north half of the site viewing east.

- 1 Q. Does that photograph accurately and
- 2 fairly reflect that portion of the site as it
- 3 existed during your investigation?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now, you'll notice there's quite a bit
- 6 of red soil material in this photograph, isn't
- 7 there?
- 8 A. I would call that brown.
- 9 Q. Brown.
- 10 Do you see the base of the stockpile?
- 11 Wouldn't you agree that that material was somewhere
- 12 between brown and red?
- 13 A. Okay.
- 14 Q. Would it surprise you if red soil was
- 15 found on the Stearns Road site -- strike that.
- 16 Based upon this photograph, it would not
- 17 surprise you, would it, if some of the excavations
- 18 at the Stearns Road site disclosed red soil
- 19 qualities?
- 20 A. I believe the material similar to what
- 21 you see in this photograph I described as brown. I
- 22 would describe it as brown in my boring logs or test
- 23 pit summaries.
- Q. Would it surprise you if the material

1 that had that same color was found at locations on

- 2 the Stearns Road site?
- 3 A. Well, this is on the Stearns Road site.
- 4 Q. Would it surprise you if material had
- 5 that color were found in test pits on the Stearns
- 6 Road site?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 MR. STICK: Your Honor, I have no further
- 9 questions.
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: Miss O'Connell?
- MS. O'CONNELL: No questions, your Honor.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Redirect?
- MR. TUCKER: One moment, please, your Honor.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Can we have one second?
- 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: Sure.
- 16 (Brief pause.)
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- 18 MR. TUCKER: Nothing, Mr. Hearing Officer.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Mr. Heuer, do you
- 20 have your test pit summary in front of you,
- 21 Exhibit 22?
- 22 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: And then you have your
- 24 percentage of excavated fill material, Respondents'

- 1 Exhibit 13, that would be your deposition
- 2 testimony?
- 3 THE WITNESS: I don't have that here, no.
- 4 (Hearing officer tendered
- documents to the witness.)
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: Just to clarify, on TPU,
- 7 test pit U, on your summary you say fill soil type,
- 8 gray crushed stone?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: And then on your other
- 11 summary you say 100 percent of soil.
- 12 Are you saying gray crushed stone is soil?
- 13 THE WITNESS: No. We had that discussion
- 14 earlier about what was soil and what wasn't.
- 15 I don't believe there was anything in there
- 16 that was formerly a native soil. The crushed stone
- 17 I referred to I believe was something similar to,
- 18 say, a road base, something that would be obtained
- 19 from the quarry where the rock was blasted and
- 20 crushed. It would be more of a construction
- 21 material than a soil.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Well, your test pit
- 23 summary, Complainant's Exhibit 22, on test pit U --
- 24 THE WITNESS: Yes.

1 THE HEARING OFFICER: -- you list gray crushed

- 2 stone.
- 3 Is that what was brought out from that test
- 4 pit?
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: Now, again looking at
- 7 Complainant's Exhibit 22, test pit A, when you say
- 8 fill materials, you list there what you found in
- 9 that pit brought up by the bucket, correct?
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Now, that column of
- 12 information does not correspond exactly with what
- 13 you wrote down in your field notes; is that
- 14 correct?
- 15 THE WITNESS: I believe that it does. I believe
- 16 the discrepancy was with the summary photo page
- 17 where I called something a log. I said a log at one
- 18 spot and a branch at -- it said branch in the fill
- 19 materials. It said log on the photographic summary.
- 20 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. So is it your --
- 21 okay.
- 22 Taking a look at this photo, what did you
- 23 testify that was (indicating)?
- 24 THE WITNESS: Plastic.

1 THE HEARING OFFICER: A plastic bucket or just a

- 2 piece of plastic?
- 3 THE WITNESS: A piece of plastic sheeting
- 4 probably.
- 5 MR. KNIPPEN: Your Honor, what number was that?
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: I was going to tell you.
- 7 It's Complainant's Exhibit 24-B.
- 8 MR. KNIPPEN: Thank you.
- 9 MR. HEARING OFFICER: And then on your boring
- 10 log, the heading of the paper is Wehran Envirotech.
- 11 Who is Wehran Envirotech?
- 12 THE WITNESS: At the time the investigation was
- 13 performed, the company name was Wehran Envirotech.
- 14 They have since been purchased by Emcon. We are now
- 15 Emcon.
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. So the
- 17 investigation was started as Wehran?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: And then completed as
- 20 Emcon?
- 21 THE WITNESS: I believe we were Wehran the
- 22 entire time. This was approximately two and a half
- 23 years ago.
- 24 THE HEARING OFFICER: Well, these Complainant's

- 1 Exhibits 20 and 21 show Emcon down at the bottom.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Okay. I believe what may have
- 3 happened was that --
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: Just a second.
- 5 And the lab report is address to Ted
- 6 Denning, Wehran/Emocon. So I just want you to
- 7 explain so if there's a discrepancy in that.
- 8 THE WITNESS: For the purposes of all these
- 9 exhibits, they're both the same company. We were
- 10 probably in a transition phase at that time. That's
- 11 the best I can tell you.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Thank you.
- 13 MR. TUCKER: Sir, could I ask a question off the
- 14 record?
- MR. HEARING OFFICER: Let's go off the record.
- 16 (Discussion had off
- 17 the record.)
- 18 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's go back on the
- 19 record.
- 20 Mr. Stick?
- 21 MR. STICK: Yes. For the record, your Honor, I
- 22 would like to move for the introduction into
- 23 evidence of Respondents' Exhibit Nos. 16 through
- 24 31.

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1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Any objection?
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- 2 MR. TUCKER: No objection.
- 3 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Respondents'
- 4 Exhibits 16 through 31 are admitted.
- 5 MR. MAKARSKI: Are we finished with the
- 6 witness?
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
- 8 Mr. Heuer, you may step down.
- 9 (Witness excused.)
- 10 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Let's go off
- 11 the record again.
- 12 (Discussion had off
- the record.)
- MR. HEARING OFFICER: Back on the record.
- We finished and excused Mr. Heuer. We've
- 16 had some off-the-record discussions.
- 17 At this time, you don't have any more
- 18 witnesses, do you?
- MR. MAKARSKI: No, sir, we do not.
- 20 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. So we will
- 21 adjourn today. We are scheduled for October 21st,
- 22 22nd and 23rd back here at the DuPage County
- 23 Courthouse, and I believe we're in a different
- 24 room. I think we're in 2016 --

- 1 MR. MAKARSKI: I think that's correct.
- THE HEARING OFFICER: -- unless that's changed.
- 3 And we'll try to start at 9:30 again.
- 4 MR. STICK: There were a couple of exhibits I
- 5 wanted to move into evidence, and if we can take
- 6 care of that now, I'd appreciate it. If not, if you
- 7 prefer to do it at the next session --
- 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's do it right now.
- 9 MR. STICK: I'd like to move for the admission
- 10 of Exhibit No. 12, Respondents' Exhibit 12, which is
- 11 the handwritten field boring log -- the handwriting
- 12 test pit summaries.
- 13 MR. TUCKER: No objection.
- 14 MR. STICK: And I would like to move for the
- 15 admission of Respondents' Exhibit No. 15 with the
- 16 exception of the first two pages, Mr. Heuer's
- 17 handwritten field notes.
- Now, he identified in his examination the
- 19 first two pages were not his notes and except for
- 20 the fact that it's already been identified, I
- 21 don't -- I would not be moving that into evidence.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right.
- 23 MR. TUCKER: And noting that those first two
- 24 pages are not being admitted, no objection.

- 1 MS. O'CONNELL: No objection.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Those two
- 3 exhibits, Respondents' Exhibits 12 and 15, are
- 4 admitted.
- 5 MR. STICK: Your Honor, Respondents' Exhibit 11,
- 6 you said that was from yesterday?
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes. It was the Emcon
- 8 testing site map.
- 9 MR. STICK: Okay. And Respondents' Exhibit
- 10 No. 14 was from today, but in my notes I had
- 11 forgotten what that was.
- 12 THE HEARING OFFICER: I had it was a photo of
- 13 test pit U.
- 14 MR. STICK: Okay. Thank you, your Honor.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Now, the administrative law judge
- 16 will have all the exhibits?
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Right. I will take -- I
- 18 will collect them all and take them and bring them
- 19 back next time.
- 20 MR. MAKARSKI: I think we already have all of
- 21 ours up there with you.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
- MR. MAKARSKI: Now, we don't have -- about
- 24 getting the copies --

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       THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Is there anything
 2 else we need on the record at this point?
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       MR. MAKARSKI: Not for us, your Honor.
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       MR. STICK: No, your Honor.
       MS. O'CONNELL: Nothing.
       THE HEARING OFFICER: All right. Thank you.
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            This hearing is recessed until
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