

**Regulatory Submittal Part II –  
Environmental Community Air Monitoring Program**

**Remediation and Deconstruction of  
Fiterman Hall – 30 West Broadway  
New York, NY**

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## **Environmental Community Air Monitoring Program**

### **1.0 General:**

Environmental air monitoring and visual observation will be conducted during the remediation and deconstruction of Fiterman Hall located at 30 West Broadway (The Site) by the Airtek Environmental Corp. (Airtek), the Pei Cobb Freed & Partners Architects, LLP (PCF-P) Team Environmental Consultant (EC). The proposed program consists of two primary forms of environmental monitoring: Work Area Monitoring required by law for environmental remediation projects and intended to monitor the efficacy of project engineering controls; and Community Air Monitoring intended to ensure that the engineering controls designed to protect the community from fugitive releases are functioning properly and, should any such releases occur, ensure immediate notice thereof so that appropriate abatement actions may be implemented.

#### **1.1 Operations to Be Monitored**

The project schedule includes two primary phases of work. The Remediation Phase is comprised of a scaffold erection operation and a scheduled six months of asbestos and contaminants of potential concern (CoPC) abatement and removal under a variance from the NYS DOL. The Deconstruction Phase is comprised of a schedule five months of conventional deconstruction and site work. The EC's Site Hygienist (SH) will monitor all work for visible emissions. The Remediation Phase will be monitored under both a Community Air Monitoring Program, and a Work Area Monitoring Program for asbestos. The Deconstruction phase of the project will be monitored under the Community Air Monitoring Program. All air monitoring conducted under this plan will be conducted by the EC's New York State DOL certified air sample technicians under the supervision of the EC's SH and Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH). The Community Air Monitoring Program will be fully operational and will have completed a two-week background sampling period prior to the start of work.

#### **1.2 Project Monitoring**

Monitoring of this project will include all standard monitoring functions for environmental remediation projects including observations for visible emissions, air sampling and analyses, inspection and monitoring of the contractor's work practices, and reporting to the Owner and the Regulators. These general monitoring functions will be applied to both the Remediation Phase and Deconstruction Phase of this project.

### **1.3 Environmental Sampling and Analytical Methodologies**

Sampling and analytical methodologies utilized for this Project will comply with published protocols from EPA and/or National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (“NIOSH”). Where appropriate other published standards may be substituted and project-specific adjustments to protocols may be made. Generally, sampling will be conducted once every 24-hour work period, except asbestos (TEM/PCMe analyses), which will be taken for the duration of every work shift and once a day during non-work days during the Remediation phase and Deconstruction Phase. Real-time particulate monitoring will be on a continuous basis. Instantaneous mercury readings will be obtained to evaluate the air quality around the work site at multiple locations each work day.

## **2.0 Visible Emissions**

### **2.1 Remediation Phase**

At the commencement of each work shift, the SH will conduct a thorough inspection of all engineering control systems including containment barriers, and negative air control systems, and exterior. If any visible emission is noted on the exterior of the work area, all work will be stopped and not restarted until an evaluation of engineering controls has identified and corrected the cause of the emission. The evaluation may include, but is not limited to, work activities and smoke testing of the isolation barriers. Any damaged or malfunctioning engineering control will be repaired immediately. The work will not be restarted until engineering controls are repaired or determined to be functioning properly.

### **2.2 Deconstruction Phase**

During each work shift, the SH will observe deconstruction operations to monitor visible dust in the air and suppression measures being applied by the deconstruction contractor. The SH may, depending on the severity and duration of dust condition, order a stoppage of the work or require modified work practices to reduce visible dust.

### **2.3 Notification**

The EPA Region 2 office, NYCDEP, and NYSDOL will be notified promptly of any visible emission observed by the EC to cross the property line of the Building. The EC will promptly advise the EPA Region 2 office and the NYSDOL of the corrective actions taken. A report of inspection results and corrective actions taken will be provided to the EPA Region 2 office and NYSDOL within 2 business days of any incident showing any visible emissions.

### **3.0 Remediation Phase Air Monitoring**

#### **3.1 Visible Emissions**

Monitoring for visible emissions will be conducted as described above in Section 2.0 of this specification.

#### **3.2 Community Air Monitoring**

Prior to the commencement of any site work, two weeks of background community air monitoring will be conducted as detailed in *Table 1 – Community Air Monitoring* in Attachment A (Community Monitoring) to this specification. The background monitoring will include gaseous mercury testing (Lumex) and visual observation of potential sources for visible emissions. Community Air Monitoring as detailed in Table 1 will continue through the Remediation Phase and until completion of the Deconstruction Phase.

Community Monitoring locations are identified on a drawing included in Attachment C (Monitoring Locations) to this specification.

If the environmental air monitoring locations need to be changed during the Remediation phase due to site conditions, NYS DOL and USEPA Region 2 office will be notified promptly. The community air monitoring locations will not be moved until NYS DOL and the USEPA Region 2 office accept the change.

#### **3.3 Abatement Work Area Monitoring**

Air monitoring per the requirements of NYCRR ICR 56 (September 5, 2006) will be conducted. Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) will be utilized as the analytical method for asbestos. Sample locations will be selected by the SH in accordance with ICR 56-4, 56-5, 56-6, 56-7.1, 56.8.1 and 56-9.2, and based on the configuration of the abatement containment areas.

In addition, due the possibility of interstitial impact to the façade at the gash area, work area monitoring for asbestos will be conducted during a pilot program for scaffold attachment and brick removal.

This monitoring is detailed in *Table 3 – Remediation Phase Work Area Monitoring* in Attachment B (Work Area Monitoring) to this specification.

## **4.0 Deconstruction Phase Air Monitoring**

### **4.1 Visible Emissions**

Monitoring for visible emissions will be conducted as described above in Section 2.0 of this specification.

### **4.2 Community Air Monitoring**

Community Air Monitoring will be conducted as detailed in *Table 1 – Community Air Monitoring* in Attachment A (Community Monitoring) to this specification. Community Air Monitoring will continue through the completion of the Deconstruction Phase.

Initial Community Air Monitoring locations are identified on the drawing included in Attachment C (Community Monitoring Locations) to this specification. If the environmental air monitoring locations need to be changed during the Remediation Phase or the Deconstruction phase due to site conditions, NYS DOL and USEPA Region 2 office will be notified promptly. The community air monitoring locations will not be moved until NYS DOL and the USEPA Region 2 office accept the change.

## **5.0 Interpretation of Sample Data**

The Target Air Quality Levels and EPA Site Specific Trigger Levels for the Site are set forth in Attachment A, Table 2.

The following actions will be taken if there is an exceedance of Target Air Quality Level. If there is an exceedance of both the Target Air Quality Level and the EPA Site Specific Trigger Level, actions under the EPA Site Specific Trigger Level heading below will govern.

### **5.1 Target Air Quality Levels**

Any 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> value in excess of the Target Air Quality Level will be considered an “exceedance” and the actions described below will be taken.

During the first week of sampling any sample of an analyte other than PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> in excess of 3 times the Target Air Quality Level for that analyte, unless superceded by an EPA Site-Specific Trigger Level, will be considered an exceedance and the actions described below will be taken.

Following the first week of sampling, a “rolling average” will be established based initially on the first week’s results, to which will be added daily values as

results are received from the laboratory. A rolling average value for any analyte, other than PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub>, in excess of the relevant Target Air Quality Level will be considered an exceedance of Target Air Quality Level and the actions described below will be taken.

Exceedance of an established Target Air Quality Level for any analyte calculated as provided above will result in notification of USEPA, NYCDEP and NYSDOL, and an evaluation of engineering controls and work techniques in the source area. This evaluation shall include but not be limited to the evaluation of work activities that may be causing the exceedance, smoke testing of the isolation barriers in question, and inspection and repair of any faulty isolation barriers.

## **5.2 EPA Site Specific Trigger Levels**

Any 24-hour value (work shift value on work days or four hour value on non-work days in the case of asbestos) in excess of the EPA Site Specific Trigger Level will be considered an “exceedance.” Exceedances of EPA Site Specific Trigger Levels will result in a stoppage of work until an evaluation of emission controls is performed and corrective action is in place. The EPA Site Specific Trigger Levels are applicable to individual sample result. If any of the individual sample results exceed an EPA Site Specific Trigger Level, then notification must be made to the USEPA Region 2 office, the NYSDOL, and the NYCDEP. Work will be reinitiated once the USEPA Region 2 office has agreed (and NYS DOL in the case of asbestos exceedances) to the corrective action(s) proposed to prevent the potential for exceedances in future work and such corrective actions have been implemented. However, it should be noted that if a silica exceedance will not result in a stoppage of work if it is determined to not be a result of site activities.

## **5.3 Notification**

The US EPA Region 2 office, the NYSDOL, and the NYCDEP will be notified promptly via phone and electronic mail of any exceedance of either a Target Air Quality Level or an EPA Site Specific Trigger Level and will be notified promptly of any corrective actions taken in connection with a Target Air Quality Level exceedance or an USEPA Site Specific Trigger Level exceedance. In addition, a checklist detailing site conditions at the time of the exceedance will be provided to the US EPA, NYSDOL and the NYCDEP within one (1) hour of receipt of validated lab data from the lab. In the event that an exceedance of a USEPA Site Specific Trigger Level occurs, DASNY/CUNY shall prepare an Exceedance Summary Report following the submittal of the checklist, for submission to the USEPA (and NYSDOL for asbestos exceedances only). This will be a 1-2 page report stating nature of the exceedance, causes of the exceedance and corrective actions taken if it was determined to be associated with 30 West Broadway.

## **5.4 Monitoring Data**

All sampling results collected pursuant to this specification, in suitable electronic form, will be promptly provided to the USEPA Region 2, NYSDOL, NYCDEP and the NYSDEC offices weekly and exceedances will be reported as provided above. The EC will provide 24 hour averages and graphical data for all continuous sampling data collected.



**Footnote 1:** Sampling duration and/or flow rates may be modified to provide optimum analyte loading for analysis based on results of ongoing analyses. Initial Sampling flow rates should be in accordance with rates prescribed in the sampling method.

**Footnote 2:** Organics will be sampled as provided below under “Notes on the Community Air Monitoring Table” below.

**Footnote 3:**

**Background Sampling:** Four sampling stations will be established on the sidewalk bridge at the corners of the site. Two sampling stations will be established on the fifth-floor setback at the north and south ends of the setback. These six stations will be run for the 14-day background period.

**Sidewalk Bridge Sampling Stations:** The Four sidewalk bridge sampling stations established at the corners of the site will remain fixed for the duration of both the Remediation Phase and Deconstruction Phase of the project.

**Elevated Sampling Stations:** Two sampling stations will be established at the fifth-floor setback roof prior to commencement of the background sampling period as noted above. Two additional sampling stations will be established on the fifth-floor scaffold at the northeast and southeast corners of the building once the scaffold has been installed up to that level. These stations will remain fixed until the Remediation Phase reaches the basement level. At that point the ballast cleaning and OCME operations at the roof levels will begin. The sidewalk bridge level sampling stations will continue to run to monitor work continuing at the basement and street levels.

**Roof Ballast Cleaning and OCME:**

**Fifth Floor Setback Roof:** For ballast cleaning and OCME inspection of the fifth-floor setback roof the sampling stations (locations 5A and 6A) will be relocated to the fifth-floor scaffold (locations 5B and 6B) to allow the ballast under the original station locations to be cleaned. The fifth-floor scaffold stations at the east side of the building will continue to run. The fifth floor setback roof ballast will be cleaned, inspected by OCME, and left on the roof as clean ballast.

**Upper Roofs:** For ballast cleaning and OCME inspection of the upper roofs, two of the four fifth-floor scaffold sampling stations (locations 5B and 6B) will be relocated to the scaffold adjacent to the fourteenth floor setback roof (locations 5C and 6C) and the other two fifth-floor scaffold sampling stations (locations 7 and 8) will be re-located to the scaffolding adjacent to the main roof (15<sup>th</sup> floor) so that the four elevated sampling stations are in close proximity to the roof ballast cleaning work. The

sidewalk bridge stations around the building will continue to run. The upper roof ballast will be cleaned, inspected by OCME, and left on the roof as clean ballast. At the conclusion of the roof ballast cleaning and OCME inspections, the four elevated sampling stations will be re-located down to their original fifth-floor scaffolding positions (locations 5B, 6B, 7 at 5<sup>th</sup> floor elevation and 8 at 5<sup>th</sup> floor elevation) where they will remain through the completion of the Remediation Phase.

**Deconstruction Phase:** The four sidewalk bridge sampling stations will remain deployed at the corners of the site throughout the Deconstruction Phase of the project. The four fifth-floor scaffold sampling stations will remain in position at the fifth-floor scaffold until the deconstruction of the building reaches the sixth floor of the structure. At that time, the four stations will be shut down and will be removed from the project. The four remaining sidewalk bridge stations (locations 1 through 4) will continue to operate through the completion of the Deconstruction Phase.

**Footnote 4:** PM10 TEOM sampler at 1 location per day and PM2.5 TEOM sampler at 1 location per day on 24-hour basis with their locations changed monthly.

#### **Notes on Community Air Monitoring Table:**

##### **Asbestos:**

Asbestos sample collection will be performed in accordance with NIOSH 7402, “Asbestos by TEM”. Asbestos analysis will be performed utilizing Transmission Electron Microscopy (“TEM”) analysis specified in 40 CFR Part 763, Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, (“AHERA”), with the following modifications:

1. The sensitivity on TEM air samples will be less than 0.0009 s/cc.
2. Both the length and width of all asbestos fibers will be recorded.
3. Confirmation by EDS and/or SAED will be performed for each fiber analyzed.
4. The mineralogy of the fibers will be noted and recorded.

##### **Dust:**

Airborne dust and particles at the Site will be monitored using real-time air monitoring instrumentation. Real-time air monitoring for PM-2.5 and PM-10 will be accomplished with direct reading particulate in air monitors (Met One E-BAM) with heated inlets to address condensable emissions. Data from E-BAMs are to be data logged. At one location the Met One E-BAM data will be compared against PM-2.5 results from a Rupprecht and Patashnick TEOM instrument. At another location, the E-BAM data will be compared against PM-10 results from another Rupprecht and Patashnick TEOM instrument. TEOM data will be downloaded and compared to E-BAM data on a daily

basis. This equipment will be operated for at least two weeks before the Remediation Phase begins. Prior to the commencement of the Remediation Phase, the EPA Region 2 office will be provided with the results of comparing the data from the E-BAM with the TEOM and the proposal of a correction factor, if needed.

#### **Respirable Crystalline Silica – Metals:**

Respirable crystalline silica sampling will be performed according to NIOSH Method 0600 protocol with analysis following NIOSH Method 7500 (XRD).

Metals sampling and analysis will be performed following NIOSH 7300 “Elements by ICP,” except that ICP-MS will be utilized. A hot block/acid digestion will be utilized. Metals to be analyzed by ICP-MS and reported are: Antimony, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Lead, Manganese, Nickel and Zinc.

Mercury (particulate) monitoring will be conducted by Iodated Carbon Trap (ICT) and analyzed by EPA Method 324.

#### **Mercury (Vapor):**

In addition to metals monitoring for particulate mercury using Iodated Carbon Traps (ICT), real-time monitoring will be performed. The readings will be entered into an electronic format for inclusion with the daily download of sample collection data.

Real-time monitoring will be performed daily throughout the project. Mercury monitoring will be performed utilizing a Lumex RA 915+ direct read instrument.

The Lumex RA915+ will be utilized to obtain detection levels below established Site air contaminant criteria. At a minimum, mercury readings will be taken during site tours that include readings around the site perimeter, at the decontamination and waste storage and processing facilities and readings at each of the fixed air monitoring locations. At the discretion of the EC and as daily Site conditions may dictate, additional mercury readings may be taken.

#### **Organic Compounds (Dioxin/PCBs/PAHs):**

Organic compounds samples will be collected at specified points along the project schedule as follows:

1. On the first day of the Background Phase, one sample of each organic compound at each community monitoring location will be collected (three total samples per location). The samples from the location with the highest PM-10 particulate readings will be analyzed.
2. Organics samples will be collected at each community monitoring location once a week on a consecutive different day of the work week during the

Remediation Phase and Deconstruction Phase, until all days of the work week are used and then the same schedule will be repeated until project completion. Samples from the air monitoring station with the highest 24-hour average PM<sub>10</sub> concentration (ug/m<sup>3</sup>) recorded for that day will be submitted for analysis. This will result in the processing of the samples that have the best likelihood of representing the “worst case.” A total of three samples per week, one Dioxin, one PCB, one PAH will be analyzed.

3. Samples for organic compound analyses will be analyzed within fourteen days under normal laboratory analysis turn-around time

## Attachment A

### Table 2- Data Reference Levels for Community Monitoring

Analyte	Target Air Quality Levels See Note 1	EPA Site Specific Trigger Levels – See Note 2
<b>Metals</b>		
Antimony	5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	14 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Barium	5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Beryllium	0.02ug/m <sup>3</sup>	0.2ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Cadmium	0.04 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	2 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Chromium – See Note 3	0.6 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	60 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Chromium VI		0.6 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Copper	10 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	100 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Lead	1.5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Manganese	0.5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	0.5 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Mercury	0.3 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	3 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Nickel	0.2ug/m <sup>3</sup>	28 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Zinc	16 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	160 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Particles and Dusts</b>		
Asbestos	0.0009 f/cc (PCMe fibers)	70 S/mm <sup>2</sup> (TEM AHERA structures)
Particulate PM-10 (24 hour average)	150 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	150 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Particulate PM-2.5 (24 hour average)	40 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	65 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
Respirable Silica (crystalline) (24 hour)	10 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	10 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Organics (semi-volatiles)</b>		
Dioxins/Furans (2,3,7,8 – TCDD equiv.)	0.00025 ng/m <sup>3</sup>	0.025 ng/m <sup>3</sup>
PCB (total Aroclors)	0.12 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	12 ug/m <sup>3</sup>
PAH (benzo-a-pyrene equivalent)	0.034 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	3.4 ug/m <sup>3</sup>

Note 1: A rolling average after the first week of sampling, except for PM-10 and PM-2.5.

Note 2: A 24-hour value (8-hr value for asbestos, and 4-hr value for asbestos on non-work days).

Note 3: If a chromium value is in excess of the Target Air Quality Level (0.6 ug/m<sup>3</sup>), this will result in a stoppage of work; and, that sample will be speciated for chromium VI to determine that its concentration does not exceed the USEPA Site Specific Trigger Level for chromium VI (0.6 ug/m<sup>3</sup>), and the appropriate actions pertaining to an exceedance of the USEPA Site Specific Trigger Level for chromium VI will continue to be conducted.

## Attachment B

**Table – 3: Remediation Phase Work Area Monitoring**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Parameter(s)</b>	<b>Sample Frequency</b>	<b>Analysis Method</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Site Area	Visible Dust emissions	Each Work Day	Visual Observation	
All sample points required by NYS DOL Regulations for ACM as determined by Site Hygienist	Asbestos	Work shifts and once a day on non-work days	1. TEM	
Waste Decon Clean-rooms	1. Asbestos	ACM each work day.	1. TEM	
Personnel Decon Clean Rooms	1. Asbestos	ACM each work day.	1. TEM	
Negative Air Exhaust Manifolds	1. Asbestos	ACM each work day.	1. TEM	
Area Samples inside and outside tents for Pilot Program	1. Asbestos	1. Pilot program (two in, two out per tent)	1. TEM	
Blanks	1. Asbestos	2 blanks per day	1. TEM	

Notes to Table 3:

1. Work Area Monitoring for Asbestos will be conducted under AHERA Rules and referenced to the 70 s/cc EPA Site Specific Trigger Level.
  
2. Work Area Monitoring for Asbestos during the Pilot Program will be conducted under AHERA Rules and referenced to the 70 s/cc EPA Site Specific Trigger Level.

**Attachment C:**  
**Community Monitoring Locations**



**Attachment D:**  
**Quality Assurance Project Plan**