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Subj: Geotechnical Exploration  
Proposed Treated Water Pipeline MCWC East  
Lewis and Clark Regional Water System  
Near Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
BAI No. 20000.14.01  
GeoTek #10-D99

This correspondence presents our report of the geotechnical exploration program for the referenced project. We performed our work in accordance with the authorization of Keith Winter dated October 27, 2010. The project site is generally located along Six Mile Road from 269<sup>th</sup> Street (69<sup>th</sup> Street) to just north of SD Highway 42, about one mile east of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The locations for the test borings were provided by Banner Associates and are shown on the attached site maps.

We performed six (6) test borings for the project on November 16 and November 17, 2010. The subsurface conditions encountered at the test boring locations are illustrated by means of the boring logs attached to this report.

The subsurface conditions encountered at the boring locations consist of 2 feet to 14 feet of existing fill and topsoil materials at the surface overlying mostly lean clay with sand (glacial till) soils that extended to the termination depth of the borings. Lean clay (fine alluvium) soils were encountered above the glacial till at boring #4. Lean clay (loess) soils were encountered above the glacial till at borings #5 and #6. We wish to point out that the subsurface conditions at other times and locations at the site may differ from those found at our test boring locations. If different conditions are encountered during construction, it is necessary that you contact us so that our recommendations can be reviewed.

The consistency of the clay soils varied from soft to very stiff. The consistency and density of the soils are indicated by the standard penetration resistance ("N") values as shown on the boring logs.

We performed measurements to record the groundwater levels at the boring locations both at the time the borings were completed and just before being backfilled. The time and level of the

groundwater readings are recorded on the boring logs. Groundwater was measured at depths varying from 2 ½ feet to 12 feet at boring locations.

The water levels indicated on the boring logs may or may not be an accurate indication of the depth or lack of subsurface groundwater. A long period of time is generally required for subsurface water to stabilize in clay soils and the measurements may not be an accurate indication of subsurface groundwater levels. Long term groundwater monitoring was not included in our work scope.

Subsurface groundwater levels should be expected to fluctuate seasonally and yearly from the groundwater readings recorded at the borings. Fluctuations occur due to varying seasonal and yearly rainfall amounts and snowmelt, as well as other factors. It is possible that the subsurface groundwater levels during or after construction could be significantly different than the time the borings were performed.

Selected samples were submitted to the laboratory for testing to aid in the design of the corrosion protection system. The tests consisted of pH, chloride content, sulfate content and resistivity. In addition, some of the samples were tested for moisture content and dry density.

We understand the project will consist of constructing a treated water pipeline along Six Mile Road from 269th Street (69th Street) to just north of SD Highway 42, about one mile east of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The pipeline will have a typical cover depth of 6 feet to 10 feet.

The subgrade soils encountered in the test borings at the anticipated invert depths for the proposed pipeline will consist of clay soils. Areas of wet or soft soils may be encountered at the bottom of the pipeline trench excavations, requiring subexcavation and trench bottom stabilization methods and materials. Based on our groundwater readings, water will also likely enter the excavation as a result of subsurface water, precipitation and surface run off. Where clay soils are encountered, it will likely be possible to remove and control water entering the excavation using normal sump pumping techniques due to the low permeable characteristics of the clayey soils. However, where sand soils are encountered, more extensive dewatering techniques, such as a series of well points, will likely be required depending upon the subsurface water levels present during construction and the required excavation depths. Any water that accumulates in the bottom of the excavation should be immediately removed and surface drainage away from the excavation should be provided during construction.

A portion of the materials encountered in the trench excavations may not be suitable for backfill material. These unsuitable materials would consist of organic soils and soils having high water contents such that the specified compaction level cannot be reasonably achieved. The organic soil materials should be replaced with suitable material available at the project site or with suitable off-site borrow soils. The wet soils should either be dried to a water content that facilitates compaction or replaced with suitable material available at the project site or with suitable off-site borrow soils.

All excavations must comply with the requirements of OSHA 29 CFR, Part 1926, Subpart P, "Excavations and Trenches". This document states that the excavation safety is the

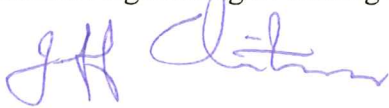
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responsibility of the contractor. Reference to this OSHA requirement should be included in the project specifications.

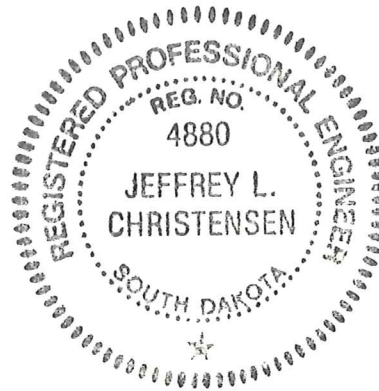
We trust this report provides you with the initial information for the project. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact our office at (605) 335-5512.

Respectfully Submitted,  
GeoTek Engineering & Testing Services, Inc.



Jeff Christensen, PE  
Geotechnical Manager

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Attn: Keith Winter



**LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**

<b>Boring</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>	<b>Soil Type</b>	<b>pH</b>	<b>Chloride (mg/kg)</b>	<b>Sulfate (mg/kg)</b>	<b>Resistivity (ohm-cm)</b>
1	7'-8.5'	Lean Clay with Sand	8.5	9	15	6290
2	7'-8.5'	Lean Clay with Sand	8.3	7	180	3180
3	7'-8.5'	Lean Clay with Sand	8.1	263	17	1880
4	7'-8.5'	Fill, Mostly Clay	8.3	32	23	4570
5	4.5'-6'	Lean Clay	7.4	220	31	2410
6	7'-8.5'	Lean Clay	8.3	204	13	2380





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lat 43.515096° lon -96.649340° elev 1502 ft

Imagery Date: Jul 15, 2010

7631 ft

#6

#5

#4

#3

#2

#1

East Sioux Falls

42

S Riverview Ave

County Rd 143

11

47th Ave

Arrowhead Pkwy

E 18th St

E 9th St

S Bahnson Ave

S Siouxland Ave

229

S Southeastern Ave

E 49th St

S Syamore Ave

E 37th St

Southeastern Dr





E. 47th St

11

E. Powder House Rd

47.5th Ave

4199 ft

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lat 43.502293° lon -96.633647° elev 1420 ft

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lat 43.533743° lon -96.637487° elev 1410 ft

227.5 ft

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Powder House Rd

County Rd 148

E 93rd St

42

#6

#5

#4





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**GEOTECHNICAL TEST BORING LOG**

GEOTEK # 10-D99

BORING NO. 1 (1 of 1)

PROJECT Proposed MCWC East, Lewis & Clark Regional Water System, Near Sioux Falls, SD

DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS							
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU			
	<b>FILL, MOSTLY CLAY:</b> brown and black, moist	FILL			1	HSA								
4 1/2			8		2	SPT								
	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a trace of gravel, brown and gray mottled, moist, soft, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	3	▼	3	SPT	27	97						
7			10		4	SPT								
	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, brown, moist, stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	9		5	SPT								
			10		6	SPT								
			14		7	SPT								
			12		8	SPT								
26			15		9	SPT								
Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.														

WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS

START 11-16-10 COMPLETE 11-16-10 10:05 am

DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-16-10	10:05 am	26	--	23	17	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:10 pm	26	--	12	▼ 6	
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GEOTECHNICAL TEST BORING 10-D99.GPJ GEOTEKENG.GDT 11/24/10





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BORING NO. **2 (1 of 1)**

PROJECT **Proposed MCWC East, Lewis & Clark Regional Water System, Near Sioux Falls, SD**

DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS					
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU	
	<b>FILL, MOSTLY CLAY:</b> black, moist, 7" layer of gravel at the surface	FILL			1	HSA						
4	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a trace of gravel, grayish brown, moist, firm, a lens of sand below 5' (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	6	▼	2	SPT						
7	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, brown, moist, firm, a lens of sand below 7' (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	7		3	SPT	23					
			6		4	SPT						
			8		5	SPT						
12	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, dark brown, moist, stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	11		6	SPT						
			14		7	SPT						
			13		8	SPT						
24	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, dark gray, moist, stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	14		9	SPT						
26	Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.											

**WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS**

START 11-16-10 COMPLETE 11-16-10 11:05 am

DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-16-10	11:05 am	26	--	24	5.5	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:30 pm	26	--	7	▼ 3.5	
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DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS					
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU	
2	<u>FILL, MIXTURE OF CLAY AND GRAVEL:</u> black and pink, moist	FILL			1	HSA						
4	<u>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</u> a trace of gravel, brown, moist, soft, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	4	▽	2	SPT	26					
7	<u>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</u> a little gravel, brown, moist, firm to stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	7		3	SPT	22	105				
9			9		4	SPT						
11			11		5	SPT						
12			12		6	SPT						
11			11		7	SPT						
18			18		8	SPT						
24	<u>LEAN CLAY:</u> brown, wet, soft, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	4		9	SPT						
26	Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.											

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**WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS**

START 11-16-10 COMPLETE 11-16-10 1:15 pm

DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-16-10	1:15 pm	26	--	24	23	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:35 pm	26	--	7.5	▽ 2.5	
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DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS				
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU
0	<b>FILL, MOSTLY CLAY:</b> brown and black, moist	FILL			1	HSA					
7			2	SPT							
3			3	SPT	28						
5			4	SPT							
5			5	SPT							
6			6	SPT							
14	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, brown, moist, firm to stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	7		7	SPT					
13			8	SPT							
22			9	SPT							
26	Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.										

**WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS**

START 11-16-10 COMPLETE 11-16-10 3:20 pm

DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-16-10	3:20 pm	26	--	24	18	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:45 pm	26	--	17	12	
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DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS					
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU	
	<b>FILL, MOSTLY CLAY:</b> brown and black, moist	FILL			1	HSA						
			14		2	SPT						
4½	<b>LEAN CLAY:</b> dark brown, moist, stiff to firm, (CL)	LOESS	11		3	SPT						
7	<b>LEAN CLAY:</b> brown, moist, firm, (CL)	LOESS	5		4	SPT	22					
			6		5	SPT						
			7		6	SPT						
			7		7	SPT						
			4		8	SPT						
24	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, brown, wet, very stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	25		9	SPT						
26	Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.											

**WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS**

START 11-17-10 COMPLETE 11-17-10 9:15 am

DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-17-10	9:15 am	26	--	24	none	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:50 pm	26	--	24	none	
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DEPTH in FEET	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC ORIGIN	N	WL	SAMPLE		LABORATORY TESTS						
					NO.	TYPE	WC	D	LL	PL	QU		
3 1/2	<b>FILL, MOSTLY CLAY:</b> brown and black, moist	FILL	11		1	HSA							
	<b>LEAN CLAY:</b> brown, moist, firm, (CL)	LOESS	6		2	SPT							
			5		3	SPT	24						
			5		4	SPT							
9	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a trace of gravel, grayish brown, moist, firm to stiff, a few lenses of sand below 10' (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	6		5	SPT							
			8		6	SPT							
			11		7	SPT							
19	<b>LEAN CLAY WITH SAND:</b> a little gravel, brown, moist, very stiff, (CL)	GLACIAL TILL	17		8	SPT							
26	Bottom of borehole at 26 feet.		27		9	SPT							

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WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						START <u>11-17-10</u> COMPLETE <u>11-17-10 10:15 am</u>
DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	WATER LEVEL	METHOD
11-17-10	10:15 am	26	--	23	19	3.25" ID Hollow Stem Auger
11-24-10	12:55 pm	26	--	13	12	
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# SOIL CLASSIFICATION CHART

MAJOR DIVISIONS			SYMBOLS		TYPICAL DESCRIPTIONS	
			GRAPH	LETTER		
<p><b>COARSE GRAINED SOILS</b></p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS LARGER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE</p>	<p>GRAVEL AND GRAVELLY SOILS</p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION RETAINED ON NO. 4 SIEVE</p>	<p>CLEAN GRAVELS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p>		<b>GW</b>	WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES	
		<p>GRAVELS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>		<b>GP</b>	POORLY-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES	
		<p>GRAVELS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>		<b>GM</b>	SILTY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - SILT MIXTURES	
		<p>GRAVELS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>		<b>GC</b>	CLAYEY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - CLAY MIXTURES	
	<p>SAND AND SANDY SOILS</p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION PASSING ON NO. 4 SIEVE</p>	<p>CLEAN SANDS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p>		<b>SW</b>	WELL-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES	
		<p>CLEAN SANDS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p>		<b>SP</b>	POORLY-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES	
		<p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>		<b>SM</b>	SILTY SANDS, SAND - SILT MIXTURES	
		<p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>		<b>SC</b>	CLAYEY SANDS, SAND - CLAY MIXTURES	
		<p><b>FINE GRAINED SOILS</b></p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS SMALLER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE</p>	<p>SILTS AND CLAYS</p> <p>LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50</p>		<b>ML</b>	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY
					<b>CL</b>	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS
	<b>OL</b>			ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY		
<p>SILTS AND CLAYS</p> <p>LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50</p>			<b>MH</b>	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SAND OR SILTY SOILS		
			<b>CH</b>	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY		
			<b>OH</b>	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS		
<p>HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS</p>				<b>PT</b>	PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS	

NOTE: DUAL SYMBOLS ARE USED TO INDICATE BORDERLINE SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS



# BORING LOG SYMBOLS AND DESCRIPTIVE TERMINOLOGY

## SYMBOLS FOR DRILLING AND SAMPLING

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Definition</u>
Bag	Bag sample
CS	Continuous split-spoon sampling
DM	Drilling mud
FA	Flight auger; number indicates outside diameter in inches
HA	Hand auger; number indicates outside diameter in inches
HSA	Hollow stem auger; number indicates inside diameter in inches
LS	Liner sample; number indicates outside diameter of liner sample
N	Standard penetration resistance (N-value) in blows per foot
NMR	No water level measurement recorded, primarily due to presence of drilling fluid
NSR	No sample retrieved; classification is based on action of drilling equipment and/or material noted in drilling fluid or on sampling bit
SH	Shelby tube sample; 3-inch outside diameter
SPT	Standard penetration test (N-value) using standard split-spoon sampler
SS	Split-spoon sample; 2-inch outside diameter unless otherwise noted
WL	Water level directly measured in boring
▼	Water level symbol

## SYMBOLS FOR LABORATORY TESTS

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Definition</u>
WC	Water content, percent of dry weight; ASTM:D2216
D	Dry density, pounds per cubic foot
LL	Liquid limit; ASTM:D4318
PL	Plastic limit; ASTM:D4318
QU	Unconfined compressive strength, pounds per square foot; ASTM:D2166

## DENSITY/CONSISTENCY TERMINOLOGY

<u>Density</u>	<u>Consistency</u>
<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
Very Loose	Soft
Loose	Firm
Medium Dense	Stiff
Dense	Very Stiff
Very Dense	Hard

### N-Value

0-4
5-8
9-15
16-30
Over 30

## PARTICLE SIZES

<u>Term</u>	<u>Particle Size</u>
Boulder	Over 12"
Cobble	3" – 12"
Gravel	#4 – 3"
Coarse Sand	#10 – #4
Medium Sand	#40 – #10
Fine Sand	#200 – #40
Silt and Clay	passes #200 sieve

## DESCRIPTIVE TERMINOLOGY

<u>Term</u>	<u>Definition</u>
Dry	Absence of moisture, powdery
Frozen	Frozen soil
Moist	Damp, below saturation
Waterbearing	Pervious soil below water
Wet	Saturated, above liquid limit
Lamination	Up to ½" thick stratum
Layer	½" to 6" thick stratum
Lens	½" to 6" discontinuous stratum

## GRAVEL PERCENTAGES

<u>Term</u>	<u>Range</u>
A trace of gravel	2-4%
A little gravel	5-15%
With gravel	16-50%