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HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ON
GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION**

**FOR
PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS**

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STS Table A: Moisture Content, Atterberg Limits & Linear Shrinkage Test Report

EnviroLab Services Certificate of Analysis No. 335725

Borehole Logs 1 to 6

Dynamic Cone Penetration Test Results Sheet

Figure 1: Site Location Plan

Figure 2: Borehole Location Plan

Vibration Emission Design Goals

Report Explanation Notes

1 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of a limited scope geotechnical investigation for the proposed alterations and additions at Wyong Hospital, Pacific Highway, Wyong, NSW. The location of the site is shown in Figure 1. The investigation was commissioned by Health Infrastructure by consultancy agreement, Contract No. HI23486, dated 22 September 2023. The commission was on the basis of our fee proposal, Ref: P592383PD Rev1, dated 1 September 2023. We note that the option of drilling with mechanised plant for an additional fee was not accepted.

We have been provided with architectural concept drawings (Ref: Option 2 Education Centre Building Refurbishment, dated 26 July 2023) Prepared by BVN Architecture and site survey plans prepared by RPS East Australia PTY LTD (Job No. 213010897, Sheets 1 and 2, Revision A, dated 17 July 2023).

Based on the provided information and our discussion on site with Rina Rodriguez of Capital Insight Pty Ltd, we understand the proposed development will include reconfiguration of the internal rooms, extensions to the northern and southern sides of the existing building and enclosing the existing central courtyard area. We have assumed that relatively minor excavation to a maximum depth of about 0.5m will be required for the proposed development.

The purpose of the investigation was to obtain geotechnical information on the subsurface conditions and to use this as a basis for providing comments and recommendations on excavation conditions, excavation support, site classification and footing design, drainage and floor slabs.

This geotechnical investigation was carried out in conjunction with an environmental site assessment by our environmental division, JK Environments (JKE). Reference should be made to the separate report by JKE, Ref: E36355PLrpt, for the results of the environmental site assessment.

2 INVESTIGATION PROCEDURE

The fieldwork for the investigation was carried out on 18 October 2023 and comprised the drilling of six hand augered boreholes (BH1 to BH6) to depths ranging between 0.2m (BH2) and 2.55m (BH5) below existing ground surface levels. Five Dynamic Cone Penetration (DCP) tests were completed (DCP1, DCP2, DCP4, DCP5 and DCP6) adjacent to their corresponding boreholes to refusal depths ranging between 0.2m (DCP2) and 2.38m (DCP5) below existing ground surface levels.

Prior to the commencement of the fieldwork, a specialist sub-consultant reviewed available 'Dial Before You Dig' information, electro-magnetically and Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) scanned the test locations for buried services.

The test locations were set out by tape measurements from existing site features. The approximate surface RLs indicated on the attached borehole logs and DCP test results were interpolated between spot level heights and ground contour lines shown on the supplied survey plans, and are therefore approximate. The

survey plans indicate the levels are to an arbitrary site datum. A Nearmap aerial image has been used as a base for Figure 2.

The state of compaction of the fill and strength/relative density of the soil profile were assessed by interpretation of the DCP test results, together with hand penetrometer readings on cohesive soils recovered from the hand auger. We note that refusal of the DCP equipment often indicates the depth to the underlying bedrock, however, refusal can also occur on buried obstructions, other hard layers, and not necessarily on bedrock. Groundwater observations were made in the boreholes during and on completion of auger drilling. Further details of the methods and procedures employed in the investigation are presented in the attached Report Explanation Notes.

Our geotechnical engineer (Fraser Hall) was present full-time during the fieldwork to set out the borehole locations, prepare the borehole logs, and nominate in-situ testing and sampling. The borehole log (which includes field test results and groundwater observations) and DCP test results sheets are attached, together with a glossary of the logging terms and symbols used.

Selected soil samples were returned to Soil Test Services Pty Ltd (STS), a NATA registered laboratory, for moisture content, Atterberg limit and linear shrinkage testing. The results are summarised in the attached STS Table A.

Selected soil samples were returned to a NATA accredited analytical laboratory (Envirolab Services Pty Ltd) for soil pH, chloride, sulfate and resistivity testing. The results are presented in the attached Envirolab Services Certificate of Analysis 335725.

3 RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

3.1 Site Description

The site was located within the eastern portion of the greater Wyong Hospital site, which is located within the relatively flat coastal plain.

At the time of the fieldwork, the subject site contained an existing single storey brick building with numerous concrete and paved pathways some of which were covered by awnings. The existing structures and pavements generally appeared to be in good condition based on a cursory inspection.

A cluster of medium size trees was located in the courtyard area between the northern and southern sides of the existing building. Other garden beds populated with shrubs and small trees were mostly confined to the northern perimeter and western side of the site.

To the west of the subject site, the ground sloped down about 13° over a shallow hill to the adjacent single storey brick building, which was set back 20m from the subject building; that building generally appeared to be in good condition when viewed from the subject site.

To the north of the subject site was a single storey brick building set back about 8m from the subject building, which generally appeared to be in good condition.

To the south of the subject site was an enclosed metal and glass walkway, which generally appeared to be in good condition.

3.2 Subsurface Conditions

The 1:100,000 geological map of Gosford-Lake Macquarie (Sheet 9131 & part sheet 9231) indicates the site to be underlain Tuggerah Formation comprising laminate, claystone, siltstone, and interbedded sandstone. The boreholes disclosed a generalised subsurface profile comprising shallow fill and residual soils underlain by weathered sandstone bedrock at shallow to moderate depths. Reference should be made to the attached borehole logs for specific details at each location. A summary of the pertinent subsurface characteristics is presented below.

Fill

Silty sand fill was encountered from the surface of each borehole and extended to hand auger refusal depths of 0.4m (BH1) and 0.2m (BH3), and depths ranging between 0.15m (BH2 and BH4) and 0.4m (BH5) in the remaining boreholes. Inclusions of sandstone, igneous and ironstone gravels and sandstone cobbles were encountered in the boreholes, as well as, brick and terracotta fragments, slag and root fibres.

Residual Soils

Residual sandy clay of low plasticity was encountered below the fill in BH4 and BH5. The clays were assessed to be of very stiff and hard strength. Natural sand was encountered below the sandy clay in BH5 and below the fill in BH6. The sand was assessed to be medium dense and dense relative density.

Weathered Sandstone Bedrock

Weathered sandstone bedrock was encountered in BH2 and BH5 and inferred by hand auger and DCP test refusal in the remaining borehole locations at depths ranging between 0.4m (BH1) and 2.5m (BH5). The bedrock encountered in BH2 and BH5 was assessed to be extremely weathered and of hard (soil) strength. we note the limitation of the hand auger is that it cannot penetrate rock, and while we have interpreted the refusal to have occurred on rock, it could in at least some instances to have occurred on obstructions in the existing fill.

Sandstone bedrock was encountered or inferred in all boreholes at the depths and RLs tabulated below:

Borehole No.	Approximate Depth to Bedrock Surface (m)	Approximate Bedrock Surface RL (m)
1	0.4	9.5
2	0.2	9.6
3	0.2	9.8
4	1.7	8.2
5	2.4	7.5
6	0.6	9.5

The above depths indicate the bedrock steps down towards the north.

Groundwater

Groundwater was not noted in the boreholes during or on completion of drilling. No longer-term groundwater monitoring has been carried out.

3.3 Laboratory Test Results

The moisture content and Atterberg Limits confirmed our field classification of the site soils. The Atterberg Limits and linear shrinkage test results indicated that the clay was of low plasticity and has a low potential for shrink-swell movements. Further details are provided in the attached Table A.

The soil pH values ranged between 5.2 and 6.7, indicating slightly to moderately acidic conditions. Very low sulphate contents (less than or equal to 28mg/kg) and chloride contents (less than or equal to 25mg/kg) were measured. Relatively high resistivity values ranging from 10,000ohm.cm and 34,000ohm.cm were also measured.

4 COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Excavation

4.1.1 Site Preparation

Site preparation will require stripping of vegetation and topsoil. Following this, any obvious deleterious or contaminated existing fill should be removed. These stripped materials should be taken offsite as they are not suitable for reuse as engineered fill. The topsoil may, however, be separately stockpiled and used for subsequent landscaping purposes. Soil deemed to be unsuitable due to contamination (if any) should be treated or disposed of appropriately; reference should be made to the JK Environments report for guidance on offsite disposal of soil.

4.1.2 Excavation Conditions

The excavation recommendations provided below should be complemented by reference to the NSW Government “Code of Practice ‘Excavation Work’”, dated January 2020.

Excavation to a maximum depth of about 0.5m has been assumed for the proposed ground floor extensions. Based on the investigation results the excavation will extend through the soil profile and extend a shallow depth into the underlying bedrock within the central and southern portions of the site. Such excavations would be expected to be entirely within the soil for the northern extension.

The soil cover should be readily excavated using a bucket attachment on a conventional hydraulic excavator. Some of the underlying weathered sandstone of very low or lesser strength may also be excavated by bucket, possibly with some ripping.

If low and higher strength sandstone is encountered within the shallow excavations, we expect it would be most effectively excavated using hydraulic impact rock hammers. This equipment would also be required for breaking up boulders or blocks, and for detailed rock excavations such as for footings or buried services. Given the proximity to the existing structures it would be necessary to use small hammers on small tracked excavators to limit vibrations to protect those structures.

At the commencement of rock excavation using rock hammers, we recommend that a short period of quantitative vibration monitoring be undertaken, on the adjacent structures to the north, south and east, to confirm that peak particle velocities (PPV) fall within acceptable limits. We recommend that the PPV on the adjacent structures does not exceed 5mm/sec during bedrock excavation using rock grinders. Should higher vibrations be measured they should be assessed against the attached Vibration Emission Design Goals as higher vibrations may be acceptable depending on the vibration frequency. If excessive vibrations are confirmed, it will be necessary to use lower energy techniques and/or increase the number of rock saw cuts. Considering the small volume of excavation, consideration should be given to using large excavators say 20 to 30 tonne size with rock grinder attachments to further reduce transmitted vibrations.

4.1.3 Groundwater Seepage

Groundwater was not noted during the investigation; however, limited groundwater seepage could occur within the soil profile, and through joints and bedding partings within any completed cut faces, particularly after periods of heavy rain. Any such seepage during excavation is expected to be satisfactorily controlled by conventional sump pumping or gravity drainage.

4.2 Retaining Walls

The following characteristic earth pressure coefficients and subsoil parameters may be adopted for the design of temporary or permanent systems to retain the existing soil profile.

- Free-standing cantilever walls which are retaining areas where movement is of little concern (i.e. landscape walls), should be designed using a triangular lateral earth pressure distribution and an 'active' earth pressure coefficient K_a , of 0.35, for the soil profile, assuming a horizontal retained surface.
- For design of conventional walls that will be supported by the structure, we recommend the use of a triangular lateral earth pressure distribution with an 'at rest' earth pressure coefficient k_0 of 0.55 for the soil profile and extremely weathered sandstone profile, assuming a horizontal backfill surface.
- A bulk unit weight of 20kN/m³ should be adopted for the soil and weathered rock profile.
- Any surcharge affecting the walls (e.g. sloping backfill, nearby footings, construction loads, compaction stresses during backfilling etc) should be allowed for in the design using the appropriate earth pressure coefficient from above.

- The retaining walls should be designed as drained, and measures taken to provide permanent and effective drainage of the ground behind the walls. Subsurface drains should incorporate a non-woven geotextile fabric such as Bidim A34, to act as a filter against subsoil erosion. The subsoil drains should discharge into the stormwater system.
- For lateral toe restraint, retaining walls should be keyed or socketed into the sandstone bedrock below bulk excavation level. An allowable lateral stress 200kPa should be adopted for socket or key depth design.
- Where the bedrock steps down within the northern portion of the site lateral toe restraint may be achieved by adequate embedment of the walls below the adjacent surface level. A triangular lateral earth pressure distribution should be used with a 'passive' earth pressure coefficient, K_p , of 3 for the soils, assuming horizontal ground in front of the wall. A factor of safety of at least 2 should be applied to the passive pressures to limit wall deflections. Any localised excavation in front of the walls, such as for buried services and over excavation (approximately 0.2m depth), etc, should also be taken into account in the wall design.

4.3 Site Classification and Footing Design

4.3.1 Site Classification

While the residual clay soils beneath the site have a low potential for shrink/swell reactivity with changes in moisture content, due to the depth of existing fill on the site and abnormal moisture contents associated with the existing structure, pavements and trees, the site is classified as 'Class P'. However, where new footings penetrate the existing fill and are founded in the residual sandy clay, then we expect characteristic surface movements below the extensions to be within the Class 'M' range, in accordance with AS 2870 – 2011.

We recommend that new footings for the southern and central courtyard extensions be uniformly founded in the underlying bedrock. Where the bedrock steps down beneath the northern portion of the site, we recommend that new footings for the northern extensions be founded in similar conditions as the existing building. This will require the excavation of several test pits at the base of the northern external wall of the building in an attempt to expose the existing footing details and foundation conditions. Where the existing building is founded on high level footings, we recommend the new footings for the northern extension be supported founded in the residual soils, however, if the test pits reveal the existing building to be supported on pier and beam construction then, we recommend the northern extensions be supported on piles founded in the underlying bedrock.

4.3.2 Footing Design

Pad/strip footings or stiffened raft slabs founded in residual sandy clay of at least very stiff strength may be designed for an allowable bearing pressure of 200kPa.

Pad/ strip footings, stiffened raft slabs or piles founded in the underlying sandstone bedrock may be designed for an allowable bearing pressure of 450kPa.

Due to the collapsible nature of the sandy soils, suitable pile types comprise CFA (grout injected) piles and lined bored piles. The piles should be socketed a nominal 0.3m depth into the bedrock.

Weathered bedrock is susceptible to softening in the presence of water so all pad and strip footings and bored piles should be excavated, drilled, cleaned, inspected and poured with minimal delay i.e. within the same day. All footings should be free from loose or softened materials prior to pouring. If water ponds in the base of the footing excavations and pile holes, they should first be pumped dry and then over excavated/drilled to remove all loose and softened materials.

For CFA piles inspection of the founding material is not possible. Therefore, piles should initially be installed at the DCP test locations so that the operator can calibrate themselves against known subsurface conditions before installing piles at other locations. We note that little recovery of rock chips is obtained from CFA pile holes so the determination of bedrock depths and strength would be based on witnessing the drilling of CFA piles by a geotechnical engineer together with reference to the DCP test results and torque readings provided by the piling rig operator.

The CFA piles will need to be certified by the piling contractor.

4.3.3 Earthquake Design Parameters

A Hazard Factor (Z) of 0.1 and a Site Sub-soil Class B_e (Rock) can be adopted for earthquake design in accordance with AS1170.4-2007 ('Structural Design Actions, Part 4: Earthquake Actions in Australia', including Amendment Nos 1 & 2).

4.4 Floor Slabs

Excavation for the proposed extension floor slab and footings will expose weathered sandstone bedrock over the southern portion of the site, however, the bedrock surface level steps down below the assumed excavation level within the central courtyard area and northern extensions. Slab-on-grade construction is feasible in areas where floor slabs and external pavements directly overlie bedrock. Where the floor slabs and external pavements directly overlie the soil profile, we recommend the floor slabs be designed as suspended.

We recommend that on-grade floor slabs directly overlying bedrock be provided with under-floor drainage. The under-floor drainage should comprise a high-strength, durable, single-sized washed aggregate, such as 'blue metal' gravel to lead groundwater seepage to a sump for pumped or gravity disposal to the stormwater system.

4.5 Soil Aggression

The soil pH values ranged between 5.2 and 6.7, indicating slightly to moderately acidic conditions. Very low sulphate contents (less than or equal to 28mg/kg) and chloride contents (less than or equal to 25mg/kg) were measured. Relatively high resistivity values ranging from 10,000ohm.cm and 34,000ohm.cm were also measured.

Based on these results, the soils would be classified as having a 'mild' exposure classification for concrete piles in accordance with Table 6.4.2(C) of AS2159-2009 'Piling – Design and Installation'. For concrete slabs, an exposure classification of A2 would be appropriate in accordance with Table 4.8.1 of AS3600-2009.

4.6 Further Geotechnical Input

The following is a summary of the further geotechnical input which is required and which has been detailed in the preceding sections of this report:

- Quantitative vibration monitoring if rock breakers are being used;
- Geotechnical footing inspections.

5 GENERAL COMMENTS

The recommendations presented in this report include specific issues to be addressed during the design and construction phase of the project. In the event that any of the advice presented in this report is not implemented, the general recommendations may become inapplicable and JK Geotechnics accept no responsibility whatsoever for the performance of the structure where recommendations are not implemented in full and properly tested, inspected and documented.

Occasionally, the subsurface conditions between the completed test locations may be found to be different (or may be interpreted to be different) from those expected. Variation can also occur with groundwater conditions, especially after climatic changes. If such differences appear to exist, we recommend that you immediately contact this office.

This report provides advice on geotechnical aspects for the proposed civil and structural design. As part of the documentation stage of this project, Contract Documents and Specifications may be prepared based on our report. However, there may be design features we are not aware of or have not commented on for a variety of reasons. The designers should satisfy themselves that all the necessary advice has been obtained. If required, we could be commissioned to review the geotechnical aspects of contract documents to confirm the intent of our recommendations has been correctly implemented.

A waste classification is required for any soil and/or bedrock excavated from the site prior to offsite disposal. Subject to the appropriate testing, material can be classified as Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM), Excavated Natural Material (ENM), General Solid, Restricted Solid or Hazardous Waste. Analysis can take up



to seven to ten working days to complete, therefore, an adequate allowance should be included in the construction program unless testing is completed prior to construction. If contamination is encountered, then substantial further testing (and associated delays) could be expected. We strongly recommend that this requirement is addressed prior to the commencement of excavation on site.

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TABLE A
MOISTURE CONTENT, ATTERBERG LIMITS AND LINEAR SHRINKAGE TEST
REPORT

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Project: Proposed Alterations and Additions
Location: Wyong Hospital Pacific Highway, Wyong, NSW

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AS 1289	TEST METHOD	2.1.1	3.1.2	3.2.1	3.3.1	3.4.1
BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH m	MOISTURE CONTENT %	LIQUID LIMIT %	PLASTIC LIMIT %	PLASTICITY INDEX %	LINEAR SHRINKAGE %
2	0.15 - 0.20	6.5	-	-	-	-
4	0.15 - 0.20	4.9	-	-	-	-
5	0.90 - 1.00	23.4	37	15	22	9.0

Notes:

- The test sample for liquid and plastic limit was air-dried & dry-sieved
- The linear shrinkage mould was 125mm
- Refer to appropriate notes for soil descriptions
- Date of receipt of sample: 19/10/2023.
- Sampled and supplied by client. Samples tested as received.



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Client	JK Geotechnics
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Sample Details

Your Reference	<u>36355PD, Proposed Alterations and Additions, Wyong</u>
Number of Samples	3 Soil
Date samples received	19/10/2023
Date completed instructions received	19/10/2023

Analysis Details

Please refer to the following pages for results, methodology summary and quality control data.

Samples were analysed as received from the client. Results relate specifically to the samples as received.

Results are reported on a dry weight basis for solids and on an as received basis for other matrices.

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Results Approved By

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Authorised By

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Misc Inorg - Soil				
Our Reference		335725-1	335725-2	335725-3
Your Reference	UNITS	BH5	BH5	BH6
Depth		0.0-0.1	1.1-1.2	0.4-0.5
Date Sampled		18/10/2023	18/10/2023	18/10/2023
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	20/10/2023	20/10/2023	20/10/2023
Date analysed	-	20/10/2023	20/10/2023	20/10/2023
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	5.7	6.7	5.2
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	25	10	<10
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	10	28	10
Resistivity in soil*	ohm m	100	140	340

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Method ID	Methodology Summary
Inorg-001	pH - Measured using pH meter and electrode in accordance with APHA latest edition, 4500-H+. Please note that the results for water analyses are indicative only, as analysis outside of the APHA storage times.
Inorg-002	Conductivity and Salinity - measured using a conductivity cell at 25oC in accordance with APHA 22nd ED 2510 and Rayment & Lyons. Resistivity is calculated from Conductivity (non NATA). Resistivity (calculated) may not correlate with results otherwise obtained using Resistivity-Current method, depending on the nature of the soil being analysed.
Inorg-081	Anions - a range of Anions are determined by Ion Chromatography, in accordance with APHA latest edition, 4110-B. Waters samples are filtered on receipt prior to analysis. Alternatively determined by colourimetry/turbidity using Discrete Analyser.

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QUALITY CONTROL: Misc Inorg - Soil					Duplicate			Spike Recovery %		
Test Description	Units	PQL	Method	Blank	#	Base	Dup.	RPD	LCS-1	[NT]
Date prepared	-			20/10/2023	1	20/10/2023	20/10/2023		20/10/2023	[NT]
Date analysed	-			20/10/2023	1	20/10/2023	20/10/2023		20/10/2023	[NT]
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units		Inorg-001	[NT]	1	5.7	5.7	0	100	[NT]
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	10	Inorg-081	<10	1	25	20	22	108	[NT]
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	10	Inorg-081	<10	1	10	<10	0	111	[NT]
Resistivity in soil*	ohm m	1	Inorg-002	<1	1	100	120	18	[NT]	[NT]

Result Definitions

NT	Not tested
NA	Test not required
INS	Insufficient sample for this test
PQL	Practical Quantitation Limit
<	Less than
>	Greater than
RPD	Relative Percent Difference
LCS	Laboratory Control Sample
NS	Not specified
NEPM	National Environmental Protection Measure
NR	Not Reported

Quality Control Definitions

Blank	This is the component of the analytical signal which is not derived from the sample but from reagents, glassware etc, can be determined by processing solvents and reagents in exactly the same manner as for samples.
Duplicate	This is the complete duplicate analysis of a sample from the process batch. If possible, the sample selected should be one where the analyte concentration is easily measurable.
Matrix Spike	A portion of the sample is spiked with a known concentration of target analyte. The purpose of the matrix spike is to monitor the performance of the analytical method used and to determine whether matrix interferences exist.
LCS (Laboratory Control Sample)	This comprises either a standard reference material or a control matrix (such as a blank sand or water) fortified with analytes representative of the analyte class. It is simply a check sample.
Surrogate Spike	Surrogates are known additions to each sample, blank, matrix spike and LCS in a batch, of compounds which are similar to the analyte of interest, however are not expected to be found in real samples.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines recommend that Thermotolerant Coliform, Faecal Enterococci, & E.Coli levels are less than 1cfu/100mL. The recommended maximums are taken from "Australian Drinking Water Guidelines", published by NHMRC & ARMC 2011.	
The recommended maximums for analytes in urine are taken from "2018 TLVs and BEIs", as published by ACGIH (where available). Limit provided for Nickel is a precautionary guideline as per Position Paper prepared by AIOH Exposure Standards Committee, 2016.	
Guideline limits for Rinse Water Quality reported as per analytical requirements and specifications of AS 4187, Amdt 2 2019, Table 7.2	

Laboratory Acceptance Criteria

Duplicate sample and matrix spike recoveries may not be reported on smaller jobs, however, were analysed at a frequency to meet or exceed NEPM requirements. All samples are tested in batches of 20. The duplicate sample RPD and matrix spike recoveries for the batch were within the laboratory acceptance criteria.

Filters, swabs, wipes, tubes and badges will not have duplicate data as the whole sample is generally extracted during sample extraction.

Spikes for Physical and Aggregate Tests are not applicable.

For VOCs in water samples, three vials are required for duplicate or spike analysis.

Duplicates: >10xPQL - RPD acceptance criteria will vary depending on the analytes and the analytical techniques but is typically in the range 20%-50% – see ELN-P05 QA/QC tables for details; <10xPQL - RPD are higher as the results approach PQL and the estimated measurement uncertainty will statistically increase.

Matrix Spikes, LCS and Surrogate recoveries: Generally 70-130% for inorganics/metals (not SPOCAS); 60-140% for organics/SPOCAS (+/-50% surrogates) and 10-140% for labile SVOCs (including labile surrogates), ultra trace organics and speciated phenols is acceptable.

In circumstances where no duplicate and/or sample spike has been reported at 1 in 10 and/or 1 in 20 samples respectively, the sample volume submitted was insufficient in order to satisfy laboratory QA/QC protocols.

When samples are received where certain analytes are outside of recommended technical holding times (THTs), the analysis has proceeded. Where analytes are on the verge of breaching THTs, every effort will be made to analyse within the THT or as soon as practicable.

Where sampling dates are not provided, Envirolab are not in a position to comment on the validity of the analysis where recommended technical holding times may have been breached.

Where matrix spike recoveries fall below the lower limit of the acceptance criteria (e.g. for non-labile or standard Organics <60%), positive result(s) in the parent sample will subsequently have a higher than typical estimated uncertainty (MU estimates supplied on request) and in these circumstances the sample result is likely biased significantly low.

Measurement Uncertainty estimates are available for most tests upon request.

Analysis of aqueous samples typically involves the extraction/digestion and/or analysis of the liquid phase only (i.e. NOT any settled sediment phase but inclusive of suspended particles if present), unless stipulated on the Envirolab COC and/or by correspondence. Notable exceptions include certain Physical Tests (pH/EC/BOD/COD/Apparent Colour etc.), Solids testing, total recoverable metals and PFAS where solids are included by default.

Samples for Microbiological analysis (not Amoeba forms) received outside of the 2-8°C temperature range do not meet the ideal cooling conditions as stated in AS2031-2012.

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SDUP2: 0-0.4m


Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE												
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS												
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW												
Job No.: 36355PD			Method: HAND AUGER				R.L. Surface: ≈ 9.9m					
Date: 18/10/23			Datum: ASSUMED									
Plant Type: -			Logged/Checked by: F.H./D.S.									
Groundwater Record	SAMPLES			Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US	DB									
DRY ON COMPLETION				REFER TO DCP TEST RESULTS SHEET	0			FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, brown, with sandstone gravel and cobbles, trace of brick and terracotta fragments, and root fibres.	D			GRASS COVER APPEARS POORLY COMPACTED
					0.5			END OF BOREHOLE AT 0.4m				SCREEN: 14.26kg 0-0.4m, NO FCF HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON INFERRED SANDSTONE BEDROCK
					1							
					1.5							
					2							
					2.5							
					3							
					3.5							

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Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW

Job No.: 36355PD Method: HAND AUGER R.L. Surface: ≈ 9.8m
Date: 18/10/23 Datum: ASSUMED
Plant Type: - Logged/Checked by: F.H./D.S.

Groundwater Record	SAMPLES			Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US	DB									
DRY ON COMPLETION				REFER TO DCP TEST RESULTS SHEET	0		-	FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, dark brown, with fine to coarse grained igneous, ironstone and sandstone gravel, trace of root fibres/Extremely Weathered sandstone: sandy CLAY, low plasticity, orange brown and light grey. END OF BOREHOLE AT 0.2m	D XW	 Hd		GRASS COVER SCREEN: 11.7kg 0-0.2m, NO FCF TUGGERAH FORMATION HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON SANDSTONE BEDROCK
					0.5							
					1							
					1.5							
					2							
					2.5							
					3							
					3.5							

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SDUP1: 0-0.1m

Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE												
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS												
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW												
Job No.: 36355PD			Method: HAND AUGER				R.L. Surface: ≈ 10.0m					
Date: 18/10/23			Datum: ASSUMED									
Plant Type: -			Logged/Checked by: C.R./D.S.									
Groundwater Record	SAMPLES			Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US0	DB									
DRY ON COMPLETION					0			FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, grey brown, with fine to medium grained ironstone and sandstone gravel, trace of roots and root fibres. FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, yellow brown, with fine to medium grained sandstone gravel, trace of slag. END OF BOREHOLE AT 0.2m	D			GRASS COVER SCREEN: 4.2kg 0-0.15m, NO FCF INSUFICIENT BULK SAMPLE FOR SCREEN TESTING HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON INFERRED SANDSTONE
					0.5							
					1							
					1.5							
					2							
					2.5							
					3							
					3.5							

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Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE												
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS												
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW												
Job No.: 36355PD			Method: HAND AUGER				R.L. Surface: ≈ 9.9m					
Date: 18/10/23			Datum: ASSUMED									
Plant Type: -			Logged/Checked by: F.H./D.S.									
Groundwater Record	SAMPLES			Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US	DB									
DRY ON COMPLETION				REFER TO DCP TEST RESULTS SHEET	0		SC	FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, brown, with fine to coarse grained igneous gravel, trace of root fibres. Sandy CLAY: low plasticity, orange brown and light grey, trace of fine to coarse grained ironstone gravel. END OF BOREHOLE AT 0.2m	D w<PL	 Hd		GRASS COVER APPEARS WELL COMPACTED SCREEN: 10.33kg 0-0.2m, NO FCF RESIDUAL TOO FRIABLE FOR HP TESTING HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON HARD CLAY LAYER
					0.5							
					1							
					1.5							
					2							
					2.5							
					3							
					3.5							

BOREHOLE LOG



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Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW

Job No.: 36355PD **Method:** HAND AUGER **R.L. Surface:** ≈ 9.9m
Date: 18/10/23 **Datum:** ASSUMED
Plant Type: - **Logged/Checked by:** F.H./D.S.

Groundwater Record	SAMPLES			Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US0	DB									
DRY ON COMPLETION				REFER TO DCP TEST RESULTS SHEET	0		SC	FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, dark brown, trace of fine to coarse grained ironstone and sandstone gravel, brick fragments and root fibres.	D	VSt		GRASS COVER
					0.5			Sandy CLAY: low plasticity, orange brown and light grey, fine to medium grained sand, trace of fine to coarse grained ironstone gravel, and root fibres.	w>PL		250 330 350	APPEARS WELL COMPACTED
					1						220 210 250	SCREEN: 11.3kg 0-0.1m, NO FCF RESIDUAL
					1.5		SP	SAND: fine to medium grained, light grey, trace of silt.	M	MD		
					2			as above, but orange brown and light grey.		D		
					2.5		-	Extremely Weathered sandstone: clayey SAND, fine to medium grained, light grey, trace of fine grained sandstone gravel. END OF BOREHOLE AT 2.55m	XW	(VD)		TUGGERAH FORMATION
					3							HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON SANDSTONE BEDROCK
					3.5							

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Client: HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE													
Project: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS													
Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW													
Job No.: 36355PD			Method: HAND AUGER				R.L. Surface: ≈ 10.1m						
Date: 18/10/23			Datum: ASSUMED										
Plant Type: -			Logged/Checked by: F.H./D.S.										
Groundwater Record	SAMPLES				Field Tests	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel. Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa.)	Remarks
	ES	US	DB	DS									
DRY ON COMPLETION	[Bar]	[Bar]	[Bar]	[Bar]	REFER TO DCP TEST RESULTS SHEET	0	[Cross-hatch]		FILL: Silty sand, fine to medium grained, dark brown, with fine to coarse grained sandstone gravel, trace of root fibres.	D			GRASS COVER
						0.5	[Dotted]	SP	SAND: fine to medium grained, light grey, trace of silt.	M	MD		APPEARS POORLY COMPACTED
											D		SCREEN: 11.35kg 0-0.3m, NO FCF RESIDUAL
									END OF BOREHOLE AT 0.6m				HAND AUGER REFUSAL ON INFERRED SANDSTONE BEDROCK
						1							
						1.5							
						2							
						2.5							
						3							
						3.5							

DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION TEST RESULTS

Client:	HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE						
Project:	PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS						
Location:	WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW						
Job No.	36355PD	Hammer Weight & Drop: 9kg/510mm					
Date:	18-10-23	Rod Diameter: 16mm					
Tested By:	F.H.	Point Diameter: 20mm					
Test Location	1	2	4	5	6		
Surface RL	≈9.9m	≈9.8m	≈9.9m	≈9.9m	≈10.1m		
Depth (mm)							
0 - 100	3	6	10	8	1		
100 - 200	4	12	25	26	2		
200 - 300	7	REFUSAL	11	23	3		
300 - 400	5/30mm		6	10	3		
400 - 500	REFUSAL		4	3	6		
500 - 600			5	4	16		
600 - 700			5	3	24/50mm		
700 - 800			5	5	REFUSAL		
800 - 900			6	6			
900 - 1000			4	7			
1000 - 1100			4	7			
1100 - 1200			7	7			
1200 - 1300			17	7			
1300 - 1400			20	7			
1400 - 1500			22	10			
1500 - 1600			18	18			
1600 - 1700			36	18			
1700 - 1800			REFUSAL	23			
1800 - 1900				18			
1900 - 2000				16			
2000 - 2100				15			
2100 - 2200				16			
2200 - 2300				26			
2300 - 2400				32/80mm			
2400 - 2500				REFUSAL			
2500 - 2600							
2600 - 2700							
2700 - 2800							
2800 - 2900							
2900 - 3000							
Remarks:	1. The procedure used for this test is described in AS1289.6.3.2-1997 (R2013) 2. Usually 8 blows per 20mm is taken as refusal 3. Datum of levels is AHD						



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- BOREHOLE
- ⦿ BOREHOLE AND DCP TEST

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Location: WYONG HOSPITAL, PACIFIC HIGHWAY, WYONG, NSW		
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VIBRATION EMISSION DESIGN GOALS

German Standard DIN 4150 – Part 3: 1999 provides guideline levels of vibration velocity for evaluating the effects of vibration in structures. The limits presented in this standard are generally recognised to be conservative.

The DIN 4150 values (maximum levels measured in any direction at the foundation, OR, maximum levels measured in (x) or (y) horizontal directions, in the plane of the uppermost floor), are summarised in Table 1 below.

It should be noted that peak vibration velocities higher than the minimum figures in Table 1 for low frequencies may be quite ‘safe’, depending on the frequency content of the vibration and the actual condition of the structure.

It should also be noted that these levels are ‘safe limits’, up to which no damage due to vibration effects has been observed for the particular class of building. ‘Damage’ is defined by DIN 4150 to include even minor non-structural effects such as superficial cracking in cement render, the enlargement of cracks already present, and the separation of partitions or intermediate walls from load bearing walls. Should damage be observed at vibration levels lower than the ‘safe limits’, then it may be attributed to other causes. DIN 4150 also states that when vibration levels higher than the ‘safe limits’ are present, it does not necessarily follow that damage will occur. Values given are only a broad guide.

Table 1: DIN 4150 – Structural Damage – Safe Limits for Building Vibration

Group	Type of Structure	Peak Vibration Velocity in mm/s			
		At Foundation Level at a Frequency of:			Plane of Floor of Uppermost Storey
		Less than 10Hz	10Hz to 50Hz	50Hz to 100Hz	All Frequencies
1	Buildings used for commercial purposes, industrial buildings and buildings of similar design.	20	20 to 40	40 to 50	40
2	Dwellings and buildings of similar design and/or use.	5	5 to 15	15 to 20	15
3	Structures that because of their particular sensitivity to vibration, do not correspond to those listed in Group 1 and 2 and have intrinsic value (eg. buildings that are under a preservation order).	3	3 to 8	8 to 10	8

Note: For frequencies above 100Hz, the higher values in the 50Hz to 100Hz column should be used.

REPORT EXPLANATION NOTES

INTRODUCTION

These notes have been provided to amplify the geotechnical report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and certain matters relating to the Comments and Recommendations section. Not all notes are necessarily relevant to all reports.

The ground is a product of continuing natural and man-made processes and therefore exhibits a variety of characteristics and properties which vary from place to place and can change with time. Geotechnical engineering involves gathering and assimilating limited facts about these characteristics and properties in order to understand or predict the behaviour of the ground on a particular site under certain conditions. This report may contain such facts obtained by inspection, excavation, probing, sampling, testing or other means of investigation. If so, they are directly relevant only to the ground at the place where and time when the investigation was carried out.

DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION METHODS

The methods of description and classification of soils and rocks used in this report are based on Australian Standard 1726:2017 'Geotechnical Site Investigations'. In general, descriptions cover the following properties – soil or rock type, colour, structure, strength or density, and inclusions. Identification and classification of soil and rock involves judgement and the Company infers accuracy only to the extent that is common in current geotechnical practice.

Soil types are described according to the predominating particle size and behaviour as set out in the attached soil classification table qualified by the grading of other particles present (eg. sandy clay) as set out below:

Soil Classification	Particle Size
Clay	< 0.002mm
Silt	0.002 to 0.075mm
Sand	0.075 to 2.36mm
Gravel	2.36 to 63mm
Cobbles	63 to 200mm
Boulders	> 200mm

Non-cohesive soils are classified on the basis of relative density, generally from the results of Standard Penetration Test (SPT) as below:

Relative Density	SPT 'N' Value (blows/300mm)
Very loose (VL)	< 4
Loose (L)	4 to 10
Medium dense (MD)	10 to 30
Dense (D)	30 to 50
Very Dense (VD)	> 50

Cohesive soils are classified on the basis of strength (consistency) either by use of a hand penetrometer, vane shear, laboratory testing and/or tactile engineering examination. The strength terms are defined as follows.

Classification	Unconfined Compressive Strength (kPa)	Indicative Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)
Very Soft (VS)	≤ 25	≤ 12
Soft (S)	> 25 and ≤ 50	> 12 and ≤ 25
Firm (F)	> 50 and ≤ 100	> 25 and ≤ 50
Stiff (St)	> 100 and ≤ 200	> 50 and ≤ 100
Very Stiff (VSt)	> 200 and ≤ 400	> 100 and ≤ 200
Hard (Hd)	> 400	> 200
Friable (Fr)	Strength not attainable – soil crumbles	

Rock types are classified by their geological names, together with descriptive terms regarding weathering, strength, defects, etc. Where relevant, further information regarding rock classification is given in the text of the report. In the Sydney Basin, 'shale' is used to describe fissile mudstone, with a weakness parallel to bedding. Rocks with alternating inter-laminations of different grain size (eg. siltstone/claystone and siltstone/fine grained sandstone) is referred to as 'laminite'.

SAMPLING

Sampling is carried out during drilling or from other excavations to allow engineering examination (and laboratory testing where required) of the soil or rock.

Disturbed samples taken during drilling provide information on plasticity, grain size, colour, moisture content, minor constituents and, depending upon the degree of disturbance, some information on strength and structure. Bulk samples are similar but of greater volume required for some test procedures.

Undisturbed samples are taken by pushing a thin-walled sample tube, usually 50mm diameter (known as a U50), into the soil and withdrawing it with a sample of the soil contained in a relatively undisturbed state. Such samples yield information on structure and strength, and are necessary for laboratory determination of shrink-swell behaviour, strength and compressibility. Undisturbed sampling is generally effective only in cohesive soils.

Details of the type and method of sampling used are given on the attached logs.

INVESTIGATION METHODS

The following is a brief summary of investigation methods currently adopted by the Company and some comments on their use and application. All methods except test pits, hand auger drilling and portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers require the use of a mechanical rig which is commonly mounted on a truck chassis or track base.

Test Pits: These are normally excavated with a backhoe or a tracked excavator, allowing close examination of the insitu soils and 'weaker' bedrock if it is safe to descend into the pit. The depth of penetration is limited to about 3m for a backhoe and up to 6m for a large excavator. Limitations of test pits are the problems associated with disturbance and difficulty of reinstatement and the consequent effects on close-by structures. Care must be taken if construction is to be carried out near test pit locations to either properly recompact the backfill during construction or to design and construct the structure so as not to be adversely affected by poorly compacted backfill at the test pit location.

Hand Auger Drilling: A borehole of 50mm to 100mm diameter is advanced by manually operated equipment. Refusal of the hand auger can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.

Continuous Spiral Flight Augers: The borehole is advanced using 75mm to 115mm diameter continuous spiral flight augers, which are withdrawn at intervals to allow sampling and insitu testing. This is a relatively economical means of drilling in clays and in sands above the water table. Samples are returned to the surface by the flights or may be collected after withdrawal of the auger flights, but they can be very disturbed and layers may become mixed. Information from the auger sampling (as distinct from specific sampling by SPTs or undisturbed samples) is of limited reliability due to mixing or softening of samples by groundwater, or uncertainties as to the original depth of the samples. Augering below the groundwater table is of even lesser reliability than augering above the water table.

Rock Augering: Use can be made of a Tungsten Carbide (TC) bit for auger drilling into rock to indicate rock quality and continuity by variation in drilling resistance and from examination of recovered rock cuttings. This method of investigation is quick and relatively inexpensive but provides only an indication of the likely rock strength and predicted values may be in error by a strength order. Where rock strengths may have a significant impact on construction feasibility or costs, then further investigation by means of cored boreholes may be warranted.

Wash Boring: The borehole is usually advanced by a rotary bit, with water being pumped down the drill rods and returned up the annulus, carrying the drill cuttings. Only major changes in stratification can be assessed from the cuttings, together with some information from "feel" and rate of penetration.

Mud Stabilised Drilling: Either Wash Boring or Continuous Core Drilling can use drilling mud as a circulating fluid to stabilise the borehole. The term 'mud' encompasses a range of products ranging from bentonite to polymers. The mud tends to mask the cuttings and reliable identification is only possible from intermittent intact sampling (eg. from SPT and U50 samples) or from rock coring, etc.

Continuous Core Drilling: A continuous core sample is obtained using a diamond tipped core barrel. Provided full core recovery is achieved (which is not always possible in very low strength rocks and granular soils), this technique provides a very reliable (but relatively expensive) method of investigation. In rocks, NMLC or HQ triple tube core barrels, which give a core of about 50mm and 61mm diameter, respectively, is usually used with water flush. The length of core recovered is compared to the length drilled and any length not recovered is shown as NO CORE. The location of NO CORE recovery is determined on site by the supervising engineer; where the location is uncertain, the loss is placed at the bottom of the drill run.

Standard Penetration Tests: Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) are used mainly in non-cohesive soils, but can also be used in cohesive soils, as a means of indicating density or strength and also of obtaining a relatively undisturbed sample. The test procedure is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.1–2004 (R2016) '*Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Standard Penetration Test (SPT)*'.

The test is carried out in a borehole by driving a 50mm diameter split sample tube with a tapered shoe, under the impact of a 63.5kg hammer with a free fall of 760mm. It is normal for the tube to be driven in three successive 150mm increments and the 'N' value is taken as the number of blows for the last 300mm. In dense sands, very hard clays or weak rock, the full 450mm penetration may not be practicable and the test is discontinued.

The test results are reported in the following form:

- In the case where full penetration is obtained with successive blow counts for each 150mm of, say, 4, 6 and 7 blows, as

N = 13
4, 6, 7

- In a case where the test is discontinued short of full penetration, say after 15 blows for the first 150mm and 30 blows for the next 40mm, as

N > 30
15, 30/40mm

The results of the test can be related empirically to the engineering properties of the soil.

A modification to the SPT is where the same driving system is used with a solid 60° tipped steel cone of the same diameter as the SPT hollow sampler. The solid cone can be continuously driven for some distance in soft clays or loose sands, or may be used where damage would otherwise occur to the SPT. The results of this Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) are shown as 'N_c' on the borehole logs, together with the number of blows per 150mm penetration.

Cone Penetrometer Testing (CPT) and Interpretation:

The cone penetrometer is sometimes referred to as a Dutch Cone. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.5.1–1999 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Static Cone Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Field Test using a Mechanical and Electrical Cone or Friction-Cone Penetrometer'*.

In the tests, a 35mm or 44mm diameter rod with a conical tip is pushed continuously into the soil, the reaction being provided by a specially designed truck or rig which is fitted with a hydraulic ram system. Measurements are made of the end bearing resistance on the cone and the frictional resistance on a separate 134mm or 165mm long sleeve, immediately behind the cone. Transducers in the tip of the assembly are electrically connected by wires passing through the centre of the push rods to an amplifier and recorder unit mounted on the control truck. The CPT does not provide soil sample recovery.

As penetration occurs (at a rate of approximately 20mm per second), the information is output as incremental digital records every 10mm. The results given in this report have been plotted from the digital data.

The information provided on the charts comprise:

- Cone resistance – the actual end bearing force divided by the cross sectional area of the cone – expressed in MPa. There are two scales presented for the cone resistance. The lower scale has a range of 0 to 5MPa and the main scale has a range of 0 to 50MPa. For cone resistance values less than 5MPa, the plot will appear on both scales.
- Sleeve friction – the frictional force on the sleeve divided by the surface area – expressed in kPa.
- Friction ratio – the ratio of sleeve friction to cone resistance, expressed as a percentage.

The ratios of the sleeve resistance to cone resistance will vary with the type of soil encountered, with higher relative friction in clays than in sands. Friction ratios of 1% to 2% are commonly encountered in sands and occasionally very soft clays, rising to 4% to 10% in stiff clays and peats. Soil descriptions based on cone resistance and friction ratios are only inferred and must not be considered as exact.

Correlations between CPT and SPT values can be developed for both sands and clays but may be site specific.

Interpretation of CPT values can be made to empirically derive modulus or compressibility values to allow calculation of foundation settlements.

Stratification can be inferred from the cone and friction traces and from experience and information from nearby boreholes etc. Where shown, this information is presented for general guidance, but must be regarded as interpretive. The test method provides a continuous profile of engineering properties but, where precise information on soil classification is required, direct drilling and sampling may be preferable.

There are limitations when using the CPT in that it may not penetrate obstructions within any fill, thick layers of hard clay and very dense sand, gravel and weathered bedrock. Normally a 'dummy' cone is pushed through fill to protect the equipment. No information is recorded by the 'dummy' probe.

Flat Dilatometer Test: The flat dilatometer (DMT), also known as the Marchetti Dilometer comprises a stainless steel blade having a flat, circular steel membrane mounted flush on one side.

The blade is connected to a control unit at ground surface by a pneumatic-electrical tube running through the insertion rods. A gas tank, connected to the control unit by a pneumatic cable, supplies the gas pressure required to expand the membrane. The control unit is equipped with a pressure regulator, pressure gauges, an audio-visual signal and vent valves.

The blade is advanced into the ground using our CPT rig or one of our drilling rigs, and can be driven into the ground using an SPT hammer. As soon as the blade is in place, the membrane is inflated, and the pressure required to lift the membrane (approximately 0.1mm) is recorded. The pressure then required to lift the centre of the membrane by an additional 1mm is recorded. The membrane is then deflated before pushing to the next depth increment, usually 200mm down. The pressure readings are corrected for membrane stiffness.

The DMT is used to measure material index (I_D), horizontal stress index (K_0), and dilatometer modulus (E_D). Using established correlations, the DMT results can also be used to assess the 'at rest' earth pressure coefficient (K_0), over-consolidation ratio (OCR), undrained shear strength (C_u), friction angle (ϕ), coefficient of consolidation (C_v), coefficient of permeability (K_h), unit weight (γ), and vertical drained constrained modulus (M).

The seismic dilatometer (SDMT) is the combination of the DMT with an add-on seismic module for the measurement of shear wave velocity (V_s). Using established correlations, the SDMT results can also be used to assess the small strain modulus (G_0).

Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers: Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) tests are carried out by driving a 16mm diameter rod with a 20mm diameter cone end with a 9kg hammer dropping 510mm. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.2–1997 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – 9kg Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Test'*.

The results are used to assess the relative compaction of fill, the relative density of granular soils, and the strength of cohesive soils. Using established correlations, the DCP test results can also be used to assess California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

Refusal of the DCP can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.

Vane Shear Test: The vane shear test is used to measure the undrained shear strength (C_u) of typically very soft to firm fine grained cohesive soils. The vane shear is normally performed in the bottom of a borehole, but can be completed from surface level, the bottom and sides of test pits, and on recovered undisturbed tube samples (when using a hand vane).

The vane comprises four rectangular blades arranged in the form of a cross on the end of a thin rod, which is coupled to the bottom of a drill rod string when used in a borehole. The size of the vane is dependent on the strength of the fine grained cohesive soils; that is, larger vanes are normally used for very low strength soils. For borehole testing, the size of the vane can be limited by the size of the casing that is used.

For testing inside a borehole, a device is used at the top of the casing, which suspends the vane and rods so that they do not sink under self-weight into the 'soft' soils beyond the depth at which the test is to be carried out. A calibrated torque head is used to rotate the rods and vane and to measure the resistance of the vane to rotation.

With the vane in position, torque is applied to cause rotation of the vane at a constant rate. A rate of 6° per minute is the common rotation rate. Rotation is continued until the soil is sheared and the maximum torque has been recorded. This value is then used to calculate the undrained shear strength. The vane is then rotated rapidly a number of times and the operation repeated until a constant torque reading is obtained. This torque value is used to calculate the remoulded shear strength. Where appropriate, friction on the vane rods is measured and taken into account in the shear strength calculation.

LOGS

The borehole or test pit logs presented herein are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on the frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will enable the most reliable assessment, but is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case, the boreholes or test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface conditions.

The terms and symbols used in preparation of the logs are defined in the following pages.

Interpretation of the information shown on the logs, and its application to design and construction, should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or test pits, the method of drilling or excavation, the frequency of sampling and testing and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the boreholes or test pits. Subsurface conditions between boreholes or test pits may vary significantly from conditions encountered at the borehole or test pit locations.

GROUNDWATER

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes, there are several potential problems:

- Although groundwater may be present, in low permeability soils it may enter the hole slowly or perhaps not at all during the time it is left open.
- A localised perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table.
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes and may not be the same at the time of construction.
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must be washed out of the hole or 'reverted' chemically if reliable water observations are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read after the groundwater level has stabilised at intervals ranging from several days to perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from perched water tables or surface water.

FILL

The presence of fill materials can often be determined only by the inclusion of foreign objects (eg. bricks, steel, etc) or by distinctly unusual colour, texture or fabric. Identification of the extent of fill materials will also depend on investigation methods and frequency. Where natural soils similar to those at the site are used for fill, it may be difficult with limited testing and sampling to reliably assess the extent of the fill.

The presence of fill materials is usually regarded with caution as the possible variation in density, strength and material type is much greater than with natural soil deposits. Consequently, there is an increased risk of adverse engineering characteristics or behaviour. If the volume and quality of fill is of importance to a project, then frequent test pit excavations are preferable to boreholes.

LABORATORY TESTING

Laboratory testing is normally carried out in accordance with Australian Standard 1289 '*Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes*' or appropriate NSW Government Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) test methods. Details of the test procedure used are given on the individual report forms.

ENGINEERING REPORTS

Engineering reports are prepared by qualified personnel and are based on the information obtained and on current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal (eg. a three storey building) the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed (eg. to a twenty storey building). If this happens, the Company will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Reasonable care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical aspects and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, the Company cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions – the potential for this will be partially dependent on borehole spacing and sampling frequency as well as investigation technique.
- Changes in policy or interpretation of policy by statutory authorities.
- The actions of persons or contractors responding to commercial pressures.
- Details of the development that the Company could not reasonably be expected to anticipate.

If these occur, the Company will be pleased to assist with investigation or advice to resolve any problems occurring.

SITE ANOMALIES

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, the Company requests that it immediately be notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

REPRODUCTION OF INFORMATION FOR CONTRACTUAL PURPOSES

Where information obtained from this investigation is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. The Company would

be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

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REVIEW OF DESIGN

Where major civil or structural developments are proposed or where only a limited investigation has been completed or where the geotechnical conditions/constraints are quite complex, it is prudent to have a joint design review which involves an experienced geotechnical engineer/engineering geologist.

SITE INSPECTION

The Company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical aspects of work to which this report is related.

Requirements could range from:

- i) a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are no worse than those interpreted, to
- ii) a visit to assist the contractor or other site personnel in identifying various soil/rock types and appropriate footing or pile founding depths, or
- iii) full time engineering presence on site.

SYMBOL LEGENDS

SOIL



FILL



TOPSOIL



CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



SILT (ML, MH)



SAND (SP, SW)



GRAVEL (GP, GW)



SANDY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



SILTY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



CLAYEY SAND (SC)



SILTY SAND (SM)



GRAVELLY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



CLAYEY GRAVEL (GC)



SANDY SILT (ML, MH)



PEAT AND HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS (Pt)

ROCK



CONGLOMERATE



SANDSTONE



SHALE/MUDSTONE



SILTSTONE



CLAYSTONE



COAL



LAMINITE



LIMESTONE



PHYLLITE, SCHIST



TUFF



GRANITE, GABBRO



DOLERITE, DIORITE



BASALT, ANDESITE



QUARTZITE

OTHER MATERIALS



BRICKS OR PAVERS



CONCRETE



ASPHALTIC CONCRETE

CLASSIFICATION OF COARSE AND FINE GRAINED SOILS

Major Divisions	Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Sand and Gravel	Laboratory Classification	
Coarse grained soil (more than 60% of soil excluding oversize fraction is greater than 0.075mm)	GRAVEL (more than half of coarse fraction is larger than 2.36mm)	GW	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines $C_u > 4$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		GP	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines, uniform gravels	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines Fails to comply with above
		GM	Gravel-silt mixtures and gravel-sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty Fines behave as silt
		GC	Gravel-clay mixtures and gravel-sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey Fines behave as clay
	SAND (more than half of coarse fraction is smaller than 2.36mm)	SW	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines $C_u > 6$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		SP	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines Fails to comply with above
		SM	Sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty N/A
		SC	Sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey N/A

Laboratory Classification Criteria

A well graded coarse grained soil is one for which the coefficient of uniformity $C_u > 4$ and the coefficient of curvature $1 < C_c < 3$. Otherwise, the soil is poorly graded. These coefficients are given by:

$$C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}} \quad \text{and} \quad C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} D_{60}}$$

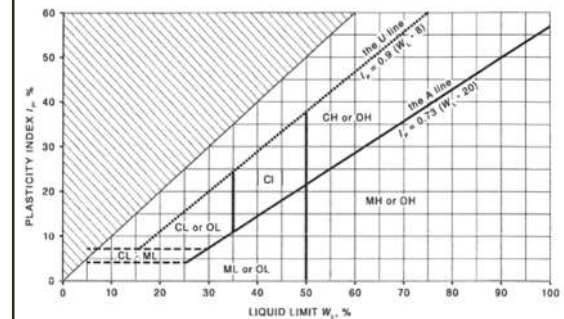
Where D_{10} , D_{30} and D_{60} are those grain sizes for which 10%, 30% and 60% of the soil grains, respectively, are smaller.

NOTES:

- For a coarse grained soil with a fines content between 5% and 12%, the soil is given a dual classification comprising the two group symbols separated by a dash; for example, for a poorly graded gravel with between 5% and 12% silt fines, the classification is GP-GM.
- Where the grading is determined from laboratory tests, it is defined by coefficients of curvature (C_c) and uniformity (C_u) derived from the particle size distribution curve.
- Clay soils with liquid limits $> 35\%$ and $\leq 50\%$ may be classified as being of medium plasticity.
- The U line on the Modified Casagrande Chart is an approximate upper bound for most natural soils.

Major Divisions		Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Silt and Clay			Laboratory Classification
				Dry Strength	Dilatancy	Toughness	% < 0.075mm
fine grained soils (more than 35% of soil excluding oversize fraction is less than 0.075mm)	SILT and CLAY (low to medium plasticity)	ML	Inorganic silt and very fine sand, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sand or silt with low plasticity	None to low	Slow to rapid	Low	Below A line
		CL, CI	Inorganic clay of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clay, sandy clay	Medium to high	None to slow	Medium	Above A line
		OL	Organic silt	Low to medium	Slow	Low	Below A line
	SILT and CLAY (high plasticity)	MH	Inorganic silt	Low to medium	None to slow	Low to medium	Below A line
		CH	Inorganic clay of high plasticity	High to very high	None	High	Above A line
		OH	Organic clay of medium to high plasticity, organic silt	Medium to high	None to very slow	Low to medium	Below A line
	Highly organic soil	Pt	Peat, highly organic soil	–	–	–	–

Modified Casagrande Chart for Classifying Silts and Clays according to their Behaviour



LOG SYMBOLS

Log Column	Symbol	Definition																	
Groundwater Record	▼	Standing water level. Time delay following completion of drilling/excavation may be shown.																	
	C	Extent of borehole/test pit collapse shortly after drilling/excavation.																	
	▶	Groundwater seepage into borehole or test pit noted during drilling or excavation.																	
Samples	ES	Sample taken over depth indicated, for environmental analysis.																	
	U50	Undisturbed 50mm diameter tube sample taken over depth indicated.																	
	DB	Bulk disturbed sample taken over depth indicated.																	
	DS	Small disturbed bag sample taken over depth indicated.																	
	ASB	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for asbestos analysis.																	
	ASS	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for acid sulfate soil analysis.																	
	SAL	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for salinity analysis.																	
Field Tests	N = 17 4, 7, 10	Standard Penetration Test (SPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration. 'Refusal' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.																	
	N _c = 5 7 3R	Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration for 60° solid cone driven by SPT hammer. 'R' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.																	
	VNS = 25	Vane shear reading in kPa of undrained shear strength.																	
	PID = 100	Photoionisation detector reading in ppm (soil sample headspace test).																	
Moisture Condition (Fine Grained Soils) (Coarse Grained Soils)	w > PL	Moisture content estimated to be greater than plastic limit.																	
	w ≈ PL	Moisture content estimated to be approximately equal to plastic limit.																	
	w < PL	Moisture content estimated to be less than plastic limit.																	
	w ≈ LL	Moisture content estimated to be near liquid limit.																	
	w > LL	Moisture content estimated to be wet of liquid limit.																	
	D	DRY – runs freely through fingers.																	
	M	MOIST – does not run freely but no free water visible on soil surface.																	
	W	WET – free water visible on soil surface.																	
Strength (Consistency) Cohesive Soils	VS	VERY SOFT – unconfined compressive strength ≤ 25kPa.																	
	S	SOFT – unconfined compressive strength > 25kPa and ≤ 50kPa.																	
	F	FIRM – unconfined compressive strength > 50kPa and ≤ 100kPa.																	
	St	STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 100kPa and ≤ 200kPa.																	
	VSt	VERY STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 200kPa and ≤ 400kPa.																	
	Hd	HARD – unconfined compressive strength > 400kPa.																	
	Fr	FRIABLE – strength not attainable, soil crumbles.																	
	()	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated consistency based on tactile examination or other assessment.																	
Density Index/ Relative Density (Cohesionless Soils)	VL	VERY LOOSE																	
	L	LOOSE																	
	MD	MEDIUM DENSE																	
	D	DENSE																	
	VD	VERY DENSE																	
	()	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated density based on ease of drilling or other assessment.																	
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Hand Penetrometer Readings	300 250	Measures reading in kPa of unconfined compressive strength. Numbers indicate individual test results on representative undisturbed material unless noted otherwise.																	



Log Column	Symbol	Definition
Remarks	'V' bit 'TC' bit T_{60} Soil Origin	<p>Hardened steel 'V' shaped bit.</p> <p>Twin pronged tungsten carbide bit.</p> <p>Penetration of auger string in mm under static load of rig applied by drill head hydraulics without rotation of augers.</p> <p>The geological origin of the soil can generally be described as:</p> <p>RESIDUAL – soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. No visible structure or fabric of the parent rock.</p> <p>EXTREMELY WEATHERED – soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. Material is of soil strength but retains the structure and/or fabric of the parent rock.</p> <p>ALLUVIAL – soil deposited by creeks and rivers.</p> <p>ESTUARINE – soil deposited in coastal estuaries, including sediments caused by inflowing creeks and rivers, and tidal currents.</p> <p>MARINE – soil deposited in a marine environment.</p> <p>AEOLIAN – soil carried and deposited by wind.</p> <p>COLLUVIAL – soil and rock debris transported downslope by gravity, with or without the assistance of flowing water. Colluvium is usually a thick deposit formed from a landslide. The description 'slopewash' is used for thinner surficial deposits.</p> <p>LITTORAL – beach deposited soil.</p>

Classification of Material Weathering

Term		Abbreviation		Definition
Residual Soil		RS		Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.
Extremely Weathered		XW		Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.
Highly Weathered	Distinctly Weathered (Note 1)	HW	DW	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.
Moderately Weathered		MW		The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable, but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Slightly Weathered		SW		Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Fresh		FR		Rock shows no sign of decomposition of individual minerals or colour changes.

NOTE 1: The term 'Distinctly Weathered' is used where it is not practicable to distinguish between 'Highly Weathered' and 'Moderately Weathered' rock. 'Distinctly Weathered' is defined as follows: 'Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores'. There is some change in rock strength.

Rock Material Strength Classification

Term	Abbreviation	Uniaxial Compressive Strength (MPa)	Guide to Strength	
			Point Load Strength Index $Is_{(50)}$ (MPa)	Field Assessment
Very Low Strength	VL	0.6 to 2	0.03 to 0.1	Material crumbles under firm blows with sharp end of pick; can be peeled with knife; too hard to cut a triaxial sample by hand. Pieces up to 30mm thick can be broken by finger pressure.
Low Strength	L	2 to 6	0.1 to 0.3	Easily scored with a knife; indentations 1mm to 3mm show in the specimen with firm blows of the pick point; has dull sound under hammer. A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter may be broken by hand. Sharp edges of core may be friable and break during handling.
Medium Strength	M	6 to 20	0.3 to 1	Scored with a knife; a piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter can be broken by hand with difficulty.
High Strength	H	20 to 60	1 to 3	A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter cannot be broken by hand but can be broken by a pick with a single firm blow; rock rings under hammer.
Very High Strength	VH	60 to 200	3 to 10	Hand specimen breaks with pick after more than one blow; rock rings under hammer.
Extremely High Strength	EH	> 200	> 10	Specimen requires many blows with geological pick to break through intact material; rock rings under hammer.

Abbreviations Used in Defect Description

Cored Borehole Log Column	Symbol Abbreviation	Description	
Point Load Strength Index	• 0.6	Axial point load strength index test result (MPa)	
	x 0.6	Diametral point load strength index test result (MPa)	
Defect Details	– Type		
	Be	Parting – bedding or cleavage	
	CS	Clay seam	
	Cr	Crushed/sheared seam or zone	
	J	Joint	
	Jh	Healed joint	
	Ji	Incipient joint	
	XWS	Extremely weathered seam	
	– Orientation	Degrees	Defect orientation is measured relative to normal to the core axis (ie. relative to the horizontal for a vertical borehole)
	– Shape	P	Planar
		C	Curved
		Un	Undulating
		St	Stepped
		Ir	Irregular
	– Roughness	Vr	Very rough
		R	Rough
		S	Smooth
		Po	Polished
		Sl	Slickensided
	– Infill Material	Ca	Calcite
		Cb	Carbonaceous
		Clay	Clay
		Fe	Iron
		Qz	Quartz
		Py	Pyrite
	– Coatings	Cn	Clean
		Sn	Stained – no visible coating, surface is discoloured
		Vn	Veneer – visible, too thin to measure, may be patchy
		Ct	Coating ≤ 1mm thick
		Filled	Coating > 1mm thick
– Thickness	mm.t	Defect thickness measured in millimetres	