

March 1, 2022

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**RE**: Technical Memorandum – Vapor Mitigation System Installation

Lacey Urban Center 7131-7269 Martin Way East Olympia, Washington 98516 AEG Project Number: 18-236

Dear Ms. Woo:

Associated Environmental Group, LLC (AEG) has prepared this Technical Memorandum for the purpose of presenting a summary of the vapor mitigation system installation activities performed at *Lacey Urban Center*, located at the above-referenced address in Olympia, Washington (Site) and as shown on Figure 1, *Vicinity Map*. The objective of the work was to mitigate the potential for subsurface vapor associated with a historical release from migrating into the indoor space of the Site building, which would otherwise create an inhalation hazard. This system is intended to operate for the foreseeable future. The Site's current layout and sample locations are illustrated in Figure 2, *Site Map*.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The *Lacey Urban Center* shopping center consists of four buildings, occupying one footprint with a total square footage of approximately 89,000 square feet, and the shopping center occupies a 4-acre area and multiple tax parcels. The building that housed the former dry cleaner from 1965 to 1997 is a slab-on-grade, single-story masonry building located in the western portion of the shopping center. Occupancy of the multi-tenant shopping center has primarily been for retail, office, and service tenants, and have included a bank, barber shop, post office, donut shop, drapery shop, hair salon, drug store, restaurants, shoe repair, floral and gift shops, nail shops, bakery, dentist and chiropractic center.

Based on a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) performed by Partner Engineering and Science, Inc. (Partner) in 2018, the Site was occupied by a dry-cleaning business from circa 1965 through approximately 1997. The dry-cleaning business occupied the southwestern corner of the multi-tenant building. The Site was formerly served by an on-Site septic system, with the septic tank serving the dry-cleaning building. The tank was located adjacent to the south of the building and the leachfield was located adjacent to the west of the building.

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On April 1, 2021, AEG submitted a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Report to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) for review. The RI/FS included a summary of the Site characterization work performed at the Site to date, and an evaluation of potential cleanup alternatives for the documented impacts to soil and soil vapor. Based on the work performed to date, no exceedances of MTCA Method B cleanup levels were identified within the indoor air; however, concentrations of tetrachloroethylene (PCE), a common dry-cleaning solvent, were detected in sub-slab vapor above MTCA Method B sub-slab screening levels (see attached Table 1, Summary of Indoor Air and Sub-Slab Vapor Analytical Results). An exceedance of these screening levels indicates the contaminant is present at a concentration that has the potential to migrate into indoor air. To address this potential, AEG's preferred alternative included the installation of a vapor mitigation system to resolve the soil-to-vapor pathway and the potential for vapor intrusion, followed by closure with institutional controls to address any remaining potentially complete exposure pathways.

On September 14, 2021, Ecology issued an opinion stating that upon completion of the proposed cleanup (installation of a vapor mitigation system and institutional controls memorialized by an environmental covenant), no further remedial action will likely be necessary to clean up contamination at the Site.

#### **Vapor Mitigation System Installation Activities**

On December 8, 2021, AEG personnel along with a Washington licensed contractor installed two vapor mitigation points (SSD-1 and SSD-2) in the occupied laundromat. The SSD points provide a pressure differential (vacuum) using vertical vapor collection points installed through the concrete floor, while connecting the points to air conveyance piping to an outlet pipe on the building's roof. The Site's current layout and SSD locations are illustrated in Figure 2, *Site Map*, and photographs of the installation are included in Appendix A, Supporting Documents, *Site Photographs*.

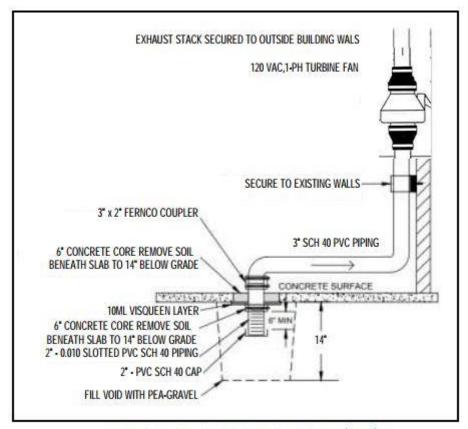
Specific tasks associated with SSD installation activities were as follows:

- Advanced a 4-inch concrete boring bit to a sufficient depth to bore through the existing building floor in each of the two areas.
- Hand-excavated a 14-inch sump horizontally and vertically beneath the concrete, installed a 2-inch slotted PVC extraction pipe, and backfilled each sump with clean pea gravel followed by a concrete seal.
- Installed PVC conveyance piping to allow access to the building wall and attached the piping to the outside of the building, extended to 3 feet above the roof line.
- Cut in wall penetrations and installed a 3-inch diameter schedule 40 PVC pipe for the conveyance piping, an in-line weather-proof radial blower (KTA-150 LV Fan) equipped with a condensation bypass, explosion-proof motor, and control box with status display.

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 Provided electrical power to the fan and secured conveyance piping to the building and the outside wall surface.

The system exhaust stack was located a sufficient distance from all windows, doors, heating and ventilation systems, and other exhaust points to prevent a reintroduction of extracted constituent vapors. The exhaust stack was terminated approximately 3 feet above the roof line. The final locations and layout of the exhaust stacks are shown in Appendix A, Supporting Documents, *Site Photographs*. A schematic of a typical SSD system installation is illustrated below.



TYPICAL SUBSLAB VAPOR POINT (NTS)

#### **Planned Next Steps**

AEG intends to perform a follow-up round of indoor air sampling to confirm PCE and its daughter products are still below MTCA cleanup levels. In addition, AEG will sample the SSD systems via the sampling ports to confirm sub-slab vapors are being redirected to the outdoor air. The results of these sampling events will be provided under separate cover, and will include a draft environmental covenant for Ecology review.

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If you have any comments or questions, please contact our office at your convenience at 360.352.9835.

Sincerely,

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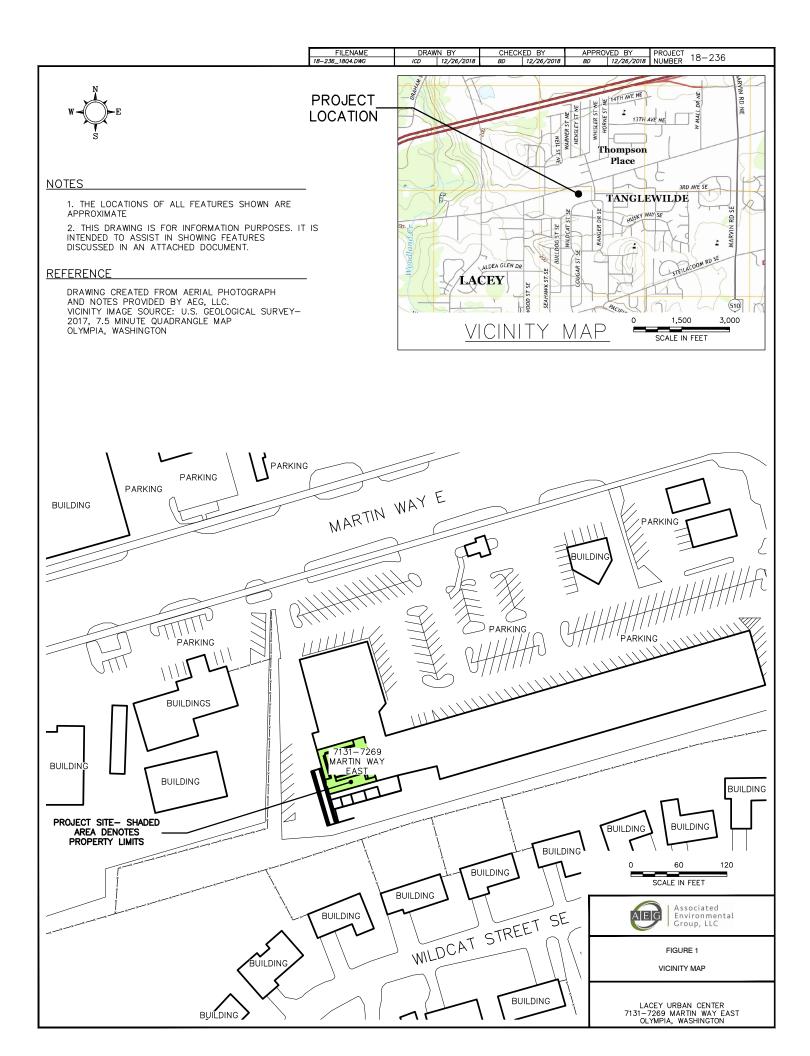
Attachments: Figure 1 – Vicinity Map

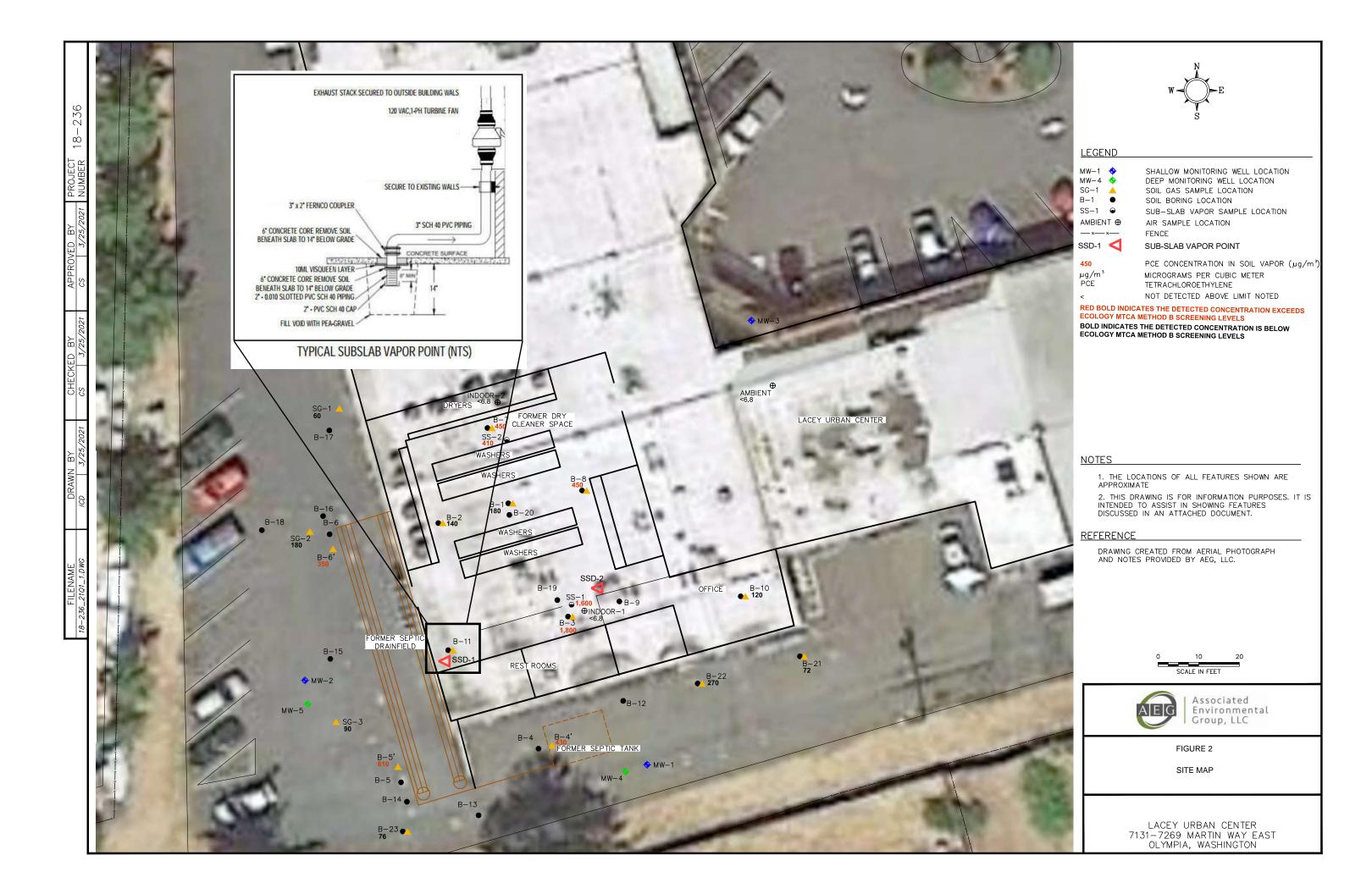
Figure 2 – *Site Map* 

Table 1 – Summary of Indoor Air and Sub-Slab Vapor Analytical Results

Appendix A – Supporting Documents Site Photographs

# **FIGURES**





## **TABLES**

#### Table 1 - Summary of Indoor Air and Sub-Slab Vapor Analytical Results

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Sample ID		Indoor-1	Indoor-2	Ambient	Method B	Indoor-1	Indoor-2	Ambient	Method B	SS-1	SS-2	Method B
Date Collected		11/20/2019	11/20/2019	11/20/2019	Indoor Air Cleanup Level	10/29/2020	10/29/2020	10/29/2020	Indoor Air Cleanup Level	10/29/2020	10/29/2020	Sub-Slab Screening Level
TO-15 - Volatile Organic Compounds	Vinyl Chloride	< 0.128	< 0.128	< 0.128	0.28*	< 0.26	< 0.26	< 0.26	0.28*	< 8.9	<1.8	9.33*
	trans-1,2- Dichloroethylene	<0.198	< 0.198	<0.198	NL	<0.4	< 0.4	<0.4	NL	<14	<2.8	NL
	cis-1,2- Dichloroethylene	< 0.198	< 0.198	<0.198	NL	<0.4	< 0.4	< 0.4	NL	<14	<2.8	NL
	Trichloroethylene	< 0.269	< 0.269	< 0.269	0.37*	< 0.11	< 0.11	< 0.11	0.37*	<3.8	< 0.75	12.3*
	Tetrachloroethylene	1.29	2.10	< 0.269	9.62*	<6.8	<6.8	<6.8	9.62*	1,600	410	321*

#### Notes:

All values presented in micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu g/m^3$ )

- -- = Not analyzed for constituent
- < = Not detected above laboratory limits

**Bold** indicates the detected concentration is below Ecology MTCA Method B cleanup or screening levels

**Red Bold** indicates the detected concentration exceeds Ecology MTCA Method B cleanup or screening levels

NL = Not Listed; no cleanup/screening levels have been promulgated for these constituents

<sup>\*</sup> Cancer cleanup/screening level (all other constituents listed have non-cancer values)

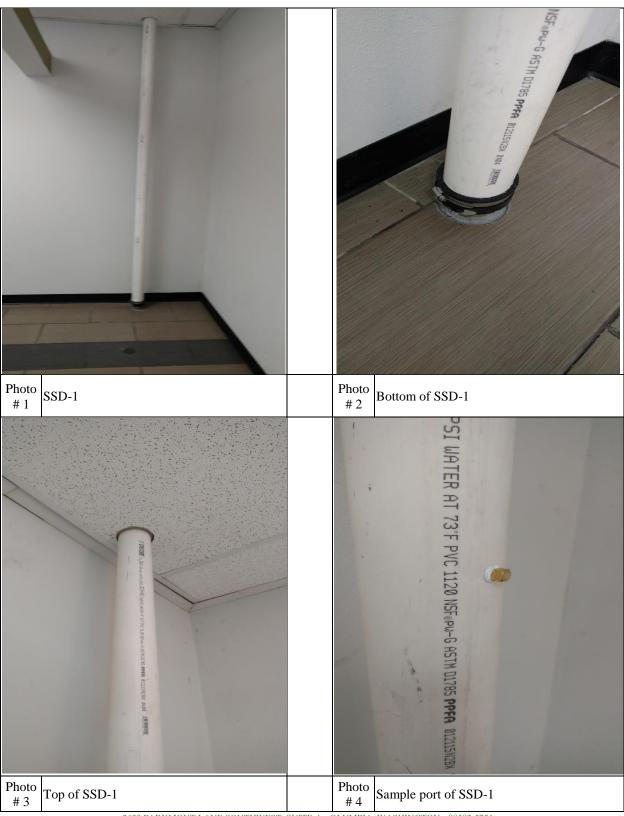
## APPENDIX A

Supporting Documents: Site Photographs



### PROPERTY AND VICINITY PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORD

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