

Exhibit P, Petty North Geotechnical Report

**PRELIMINARY
GEOTECHNICAL EXPLORATION
PETTY COMPANY NORTH
99 ACRES – SEC LA HWY 594 & U.S. HWY 80
OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA**

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Gentlemen:

Attached is AAI's Preliminary Geotechnical Exploration Report for the above referenced project. Ardaman & Associates, Inc. (AAI) would be pleased to assist you or the future purchaser further on this project by furnishing any additional site specific geotechnical studies or providing any Construction Materials Testing Services that may be required. We are a full service laboratory with a local presence in West Monroe, Louisiana.

It has been a pleasure to perform this work for you. If we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

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GENERAL

This study was authorized on behalf of Louisiana Economic Development by Mr. Randy Denmon, P.E. of Denmon Engineering, Inc. in July 2014. The purposes of the study were to (1) explore the subsurface conditions present at this site, (2) determine the pertinent engineering properties of the materials encountered, (3) characterize the sites soil and groundwater conditions, and (4) determine if unfavorable soil conditions exist at the site. Item 4 is general in nature and each boring has brief analysis and conditions presented. Access to the site was delayed for several months due to active agricultural activity on the property and then after harvest by unusually wet site conditions in late summer and early fall.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The tract lies south of U.S Highway 80 and east of Louisiana Highway 594 and consists of a total of approximately ninety-nine (99) acres. It is bordered to the south by Huenefeld Road and to the east by similar undeveloped agricultural property. The property is under active agricultural use and is owned by the Petty Company. This report is part of a prerequisite for the Louisiana Economic Development "Certified Site" program.

FIELD EXPLORATION PROGRAM

The geotechnical investigation consisted of a total of three (3) test borings. The borings were performed in separate areas over the proposed site. Two (2) borings were advanced to a depth of twenty-five (25) and one boring was advanced to a depth of approximately one hundred (100) feet below the existing ground surface (BGS). This investigation was conducted in October 2014. Boring depths were specified by the client. Test boring locations were selected by the geotechnical engineer based on our understanding of the proposed type development and our experience in this general area of Ouachita Parish.



The test borings were advanced utilizing continuous-flight, solid stem augers to a depth of about twenty-five (25) feet. Below this depth the borings were advanced by mud-rotary methods to total depth. Samples were obtained for laboratory evaluation in general accordance with provisions of *ASTM D1586, Standard Test Method for Penetration Test and Split-Barrel Sampling of Soils* and/or *ASTM D1587, Standard Practice for Thin-Walled Tube Sampling of Soils for Geotechnical Purposes*.

Standard, thin-walled, seamless Shelby tube samplers (ASTM D1587) were used to obtain specimens of cohesive materials. A two (2) inch diameter, blunt-nose, split-spoon sampler was used to obtain samples of soils which contained primarily granular material and those cohesive soils sufficiently dense to prevent recovery of undisturbed specimens with Shelby Tube samplers. Relative strength of samples collected by split-spoon was evaluated by means of the Standard Penetration Test (ASTM D1586). This test consists of determining the number of blows required by a one hundred forty (140) pound hammer dropped thirty (30) inches to achieve one (1) foot penetration of the soil. This number is then related to "in situ" relative density of the material.

Samples were taken continuously to a depth of ten (10) feet below the existing ground surface. Below this depth, samples were obtained at intervals of five (5) feet as the borings were advanced. All samples obtained were logged, packaged, and sealed in the field to protect them from disturbance and maintain their in situ moisture content during transportation to our laboratory. The results of the boring program (Logs of Boring) are included as Appendix "A" of this report.

LABORATORY TESTING PROGRAM

Upon return to our laboratory selected samples were subjected to standard laboratory tests under the supervision of a geotechnical engineer. These soil properties were used to evaluate shear strength, to classify the soils and to evaluate their potential for volumetric change. Our laboratory testing program included the ASTM standard methods outlined below. The results of our laboratory testing program are included on the Logs of Boring in Appendix "A".

ASTM D 1140 – Amount of Material in Soils Finer Than the No. 200 (75- μ m) Sieve.

ASTM D 2166 – Unconfined Compressive Strength of Cohesive Soil.

ASTM D 2216 – Laboratory Determination of Water (Moisture) Content of Soil and Rock by Mass.

ASTM D 4318 – Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils.



SOIL CONDITIONS

Soil conditions described in this section are of a generalized nature and intended to emphasize key features and characteristics. For a more detailed description of the subsurface materials encountered refer to the soil profile on each Log of Boring in Appendix "A". Strata contacts indicated on our Logs are approximate. Actual transitions may be gradual in nature. Actual transitions may be gradual in nature. The soils described are at the specific boring locations within the depths explored. Soils at other locations or depths may be different than those encountered during this exploration.

The soil types generally encountered within the upper ten (10) feet at the test boring locations are of fair bearing quality and have low potential for shrink and swell with changes in moisture content. These type soils are not considered active or expansive and generally suitable for support of lightly loaded structures on a shallow foundation system.

B-1

This test boring was performed in the southwestern area of the property. At this location, the upper five (5) to six (6) feet is loose to medium dense non-plastic silt with sand to a silt with low plasticity. Below the surficial silt stratum, medium dense to loose fine silty sand exists to the fifteen (15) foot depth. Below this depth, medium stiff highly plastic fat clay was encountered. The boring was terminated in the fat clay stratum at the twenty-five (25) foot depth.

B-2

This test boring was performed in the central area of the property. At this location, the upper ten (10) feet is medium dense to loose non-plastic silt with sand. Below the surficial silt stratum, medium stiff to stiff highly plastic fat clay with minor strata of interbedded moderately plastic lean clay exists to the forty (40) foot depth. Below this depth, medium dense to dense sand exists to a depth of ninety-five (95) feet. The sand stratum contains numerous lenses of gravel in the lower five (5) feet. Below the sand stratum, very stiff lean clay with fine sand partings is encountered. The boring was terminated in the clay stratum at the one hundred (100) foot depth.

B-3

This test boring was performed in the northeastern area of the property. At this location, the upper ten (10) feet is medium stiff, moderately plastic lean clay. Below the ten (10) foot depth medium stiff to soft, highly plastic fat clay was encountered. The boring was terminated in the fat clay stratum at the twenty-five (25) foot depth.



GROUNDWATER

Shallow groundwater was observed during advancement of only one of the test borings performed on this site. Groundwater was observed at the location of B-3 at a depth of twelve (12) to thirteen (13) feet BGS. The occurrence or absence of water during advancement of the test borings is noted on each Log of Boring. All borings were backfilled upon completion of sampling operations; therefore the observed groundwater level may not be representative of true static conditions in the subsurface of this site. The absence of groundwater may not reflect any slow seepage condition which could exist. The shallow groundwater table level should be expected to fluctuate with the climatic seasons of the year and with localized weather events. Groundwater within the upper twenty (20) feet BGS is typical in the alluvial sediments found in this general area of Ouachita Parish.

Based on AAI's understanding of the properties proposed use, groundwater is not anticipated to adversely impact surficial construction activity. However surface moisture may be problematic if construction activities are attempted during the wetter seasons of the year or good management of site water is not practiced. Attention is advised to the Construction Considerations section of this report to minimize construction delays due to saturated surface soils. Execution of deep utility excavations should anticipate the occurrence of groundwater seepage.

PRELIMINARY GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

SUBGRADE PREPARATION

Prior construction activity on this site, top soil stripping will be required. Provide drainage of the exposed subgrade by sloping grades and ditching away from the construction site so positive drainage can be maintained throughout the construction phase of the project. Existing natural drainage should help in keeping this site well drained during any construction.

As a general practice after the undisturbed subgrade is exposed, the upper twelve (12) inches should be scarified; moisture conditioned, and then compacted to a minimum of ninety-five (95) percent of the laboratory maximum density as determined by ASTM D698 at one (1) to three (3) percent above optimum moisture content prior to subsequent fill placement.



FILL MATERIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Where projects may require the existing grades be raised with fill materials the materials should be placed in a controlled manner. Fill materials should be placed in thin horizontal layers not exceeding eight (8) inches in loose thickness, moisture conditioned to within two (2) percentage points of optimum moisture and re-compacted to a minimum of ninety-five (95) percent ASTM D698.

All imported fill material should be "select". Select materials classify as SC or CL (clayey sand or sandy lean clay) in accordance with the Unified Soils Classification System and will have liquid limits (LL) no greater than thirty-eight (38), plasticity indices (PI) between eight (8) and eighteen (18) with no more than sixty (60) percent passing the No. 200 sieve. Typical specifications for compaction of sandy clay and clayey sand soils are included in Appendix "B" of this report.

Onsite soils encountered within the upper ten (10) feet at the test boring locations, although not considered expansive, contain a high percentage of silt. Silty soils are highly moisture sensitive and require constant maintenance during construction or chemical stabilization to maintain suitable density and strength. These type soils are generally a poor choice for structural fill and better suited for general site use and under pavements where chemical stabilization may be considered.

FOUNDATION INFORMATION

The information presented herein is general in nature and intended only for determining site feasibility during preliminary planning considerations of future commercial, manufacturing, or industrial developments and is not represented as suitable for final design purposes. A site/project specific geotechnical evaluation is required for determining final project design parameters for individual developments.

Light to Moderately Loaded Structures

As previously noted, the near surface soils encountered within the upper ten (10) feet below the existing ground surface at the test boring locations are considered inactive and are of fair bearing quality. As such, they are suitable for support of a shallow foundation system. Conventionally reinforced, slab-on-grade, shallow foundation systems are feasible for this site.



In general the base of footings should be placed a minimum of one (1) to two (2) feet below the ground surface or finished grade at the time of construction. For preliminary planning purposes, footings placed in the surficial silt stratum can be proportioned for a net allowable bearing value of 1,900 PSF. The bearing value contains a minimum factor of safety of three (3) against shear failure of the bearing stratum and was selected to limit consolidation settlement to one inch. A minimum footing width of eighteen (18) inches should be maintained for all continuous footings as protection against potential isolated shear failure. A minimum footing width of twenty-four (24) inches should be maintained for all spread footings.

The floor slabs for proposed structures can be placed directly on prepared subgrade soils or on density controlled fill. Use of a polyethylene moisture (vapor) barrier, sufficiently durable to survive construction installation is recommended under all climate controlled areas of future buildings.

Some consolidation settlement should be expected in the clay soils beneath this site. However, if the site is properly prepared and allowable bearing capacities not exceeded, settlement should be limited to an inch or less.

Heavily Loaded Structures

Heavily loaded structures will induce settlement in the silt and clay strata encountered within the upper twenty-five (25) feet at the test boring locations if a shallow foundation system is utilized. The most positive means of transferring structural loads to the subsurface for settlement sensitive structures will be to use deep or moderately deep foundation systems. A variety of both driven and cast in place pile support systems have been used successfully in this general geographic area of Ouachita Parish. However the designer must consider installation requirements for each type and any adverse impact they could have on neighboring developed properties or business activity. Two (2) often used options with relatively low site impact potential are straight sided drilled and cast-in-place caissons (straight sided shafts) and augured cast-in-place (ACIP) pressure grouted piles.

Considering the near surface silt and sand strata encountered at the test borings may require casing of the borehole to install straight sided drilled shafts, the most economical way to support heavily loaded structures may be with an ACIP pile system. The table below provides allowable capacities of commonly used sizes of drilled shafts or ACIP piles for up to a length of fifty (50) feet. The capacities include a minimum safety factor of three (3).



ALLOWABLE CAST IN PLACE PILE CAPACITIES

Pile Diameter (inches)	Tip Depth (feet BGS)	Total Capacity (tons)	Skin Friction Capacity (tons)
18	20	9.85	10.71
24	20	13.14	14.68
30	20	16.42	18.86
18	40	17.27	19.94
24	40	23.02	28.77
30	40	28.78	38.37
18	60	36.55	41.19
24	60	48.73	57.02
30	60	60.91	73.94

SITE SEISMIC CLASSIFICATION

Based on the soil profile encountered at test boring B-2 and our estimation of soil strength, a Seismic Site Classification of "Class D" per the 2009 International Building Code (IBC) is recommended for this site. AAI estimates the project area has mapped acceleration parameters for 1.0 second and 0.2 second spectral response of approximately $S_1 = 0.08g$ and $S_s = 0.19g$ per 2009 IBC Figures 1613.5(2) and 1613.5(1) respectively. Site Coefficient's of $F_v = 2.4$ and $F_a = 1.6$ are appropriate per 2009 IBC Tables 1613.5.3(1) and (2) for a Seismic Site Classification of "D" and the mapped acceleration parameters above. The adjusted maximum considered earthquake spectral response acceleration parameters of $S_{M1} = 0.192g$ and $S_{Ms} = 0.304g$ were determined from the preceding values. The estimated design spectral accelerations of S_{D1} and S_{Ds} are 0.128g and 0.203 respectively.

CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

The upper soils at the site are fine-grained materials composed of significant silt and clay fractions. Silty and/or clayey soils are subject to changes in shear strength with varying moisture conditions. If construction is initiated during wetter seasons of the year, it may be difficult to move equipment



about the site. Once these type soils become saturated, compaction operations can be hampered by a tendency of the silt to "pump" and the clay to "shear".

Consequently it is recommended, adequate site drainage be established prior to, during, and following construction operations to prevent water ponding on or adjacent to construction areas. Compaction operations may be expedited by using light compaction equipment and thin lifts of soil. Rolling only as necessary to obtain compaction is advisable because further repetitive loading may cause the subgrade to "pump" or fail. Once soils begin to pump, it is usually necessary to either start the moisture conditioning process over or remove and replace the saturated material. AAI can provide experienced soils technicians to monitor the contractor's compaction operations and assist in expediting the site work.

Compaction operations and installation of the foundations should be supervised by a qualified soils technician under the supervision of the Geotechnical Engineer. All foundation excavations should be inspected to verify cleanliness and adequate bearing. Concrete should be placed in foundation excavations as soon as practical after forming and final clean-up have been approved, to avoid prolonged exposure of the bearing stratum and possible disturbance due to standing water, desiccation or other construction operations.

Earthwork performed during wet periods of the climatic cycle may warrant special considerations. The use of hydrated lime or Portland cement stabilization should be considered to provide a working platform. The need for such techniques is dependent upon earthwork scheduling with respect to weather patterns and good site management of drainage during the construction phase.

LIMITATIONS

This study has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted preliminary geotechnical engineering principles and practices in this area at this time. We make no other warranty either express or implied.

The conclusions and recommendations submitted in this report are based upon the data obtained from the preliminary exploratory borings drilled at the location(s) indicated in Appendix A, the different possible type of construction, and our experience in the area. Our findings include interpolation and extrapolation of the subsurface conditions identified at the exploratory boring(s) and variations in the subsurface conditions may not become evident until excavations are performed.



This study has been prepared for the exclusive use by our client for preliminary purposes only. We are not responsible for technical interpretations by others of our exploratory information, which has not been described or documented in this report. As the site is eventually developed additional borings should be taken. Significant design changes could be required or modifications of the recommendations presented herein. We recommend on-site observation of excavations and foundation bearing strata by a representative of the geotechnical engineer.



APPENDIX A
**SITE MAP
AND
LOGS OF BORING**





SITE LOCATION

**PETTY COMPANY NORTH
99 ACRE SITE**



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Petty Company North - 99 Acre Site
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LOG OF BORING NO. B-1

PROJECT: Petty Company North Site 4

SHEET 1 of 1

CLIENT: Louisiana Economic Development-%Denmon Engineering

LOCATION: Southwest Corner

DATE: 10/22/14

SURFACE ELEV: 72' +/-

FIELD DATA			LABORATORY DATA								DRILLING METHOD(S): Auger		
SOIL & ROCK SYMBOL	DEPTH (FT)	SAMPLE TYPE	N: SPT, BLOWS/FT T: THD, BLOWS/FT P: HAND PEN, TSF	MOISTURE CONTENT, %	DRY DENSITY POUNDS/CU.FT	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTIC LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	MINUS NO. 200 SIEVE, %	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, KSF	FAILURE STRAIN (%)	CONFINING PRESSURE PSI	GROUNDWATER INFORMATION: No water encountered
DESCRIPTION OF STRATUM													
	5	N = 10	21		NP	NP	NP	83					Loose to medium dense light brown silt with sand (ML)
		N = 12	10										4.0
	8		12		24	20	4	89					Medium tan clayey sandy silt (CL-ML)
													8.0
	10	N = 14	10										Medium dense tan silty sand (SM)
		N = 14	7					46					11.5
	15	N = 6	10										Loose gray sand with silt (SP-SM)
													16.5
	20	P = 1.5	41	81	91	33	58	98	1.65	3.4			Medium stiff grayish brown fat clay (CH)
		P = 2.0	22										25.0
	25												Bottom of boring at 25 feet
	30												
	35												
	40												
	45												
	50												
	55												
TUBE SAMPLE	AUGER SAMPLE	SPLIT- SPOON	ROCK CORE	THD CONE PEN.	NO RECOVERY								REMARKS:

LOG OF BORING NO. B-2

PROJECT: Petty Company North Site 4

SHEET 1 of 2

CLIENT: Louisiana Economic Development-%Denmon Engineering

LOCATION: Center

DATE: 10/23/14

SURFACE ELEV: 71' +/-

FIELD DATA		LABORATORY DATA										DRILLING METHOD(S): Auger 0 - 23 feet Rotary 23 -100 feet	
SOIL & ROCK SYMBOL	DEPTH (FT)	SAMPLE TYPE	N: SPT, BLOWS/FT T: THD, BLOWS/FT P: HAND PEN, TSF	MOISTURE CONTENT, %	DRY DENSITY POUNDS/CU.FT	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTIC LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	MINUS NO. 200 SIEVE, %	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, KSF	FAILURE STRAIN (%)	CONFINING PRESSURE PSI	GROUNDWATER INFORMATION:
													DESCRIPTION OF STRATUM
	5	N = 13	14						89				Medium dense to loose tan silt with sand (ML)
		N = 9	15										-Loose below 2 feet
		N = 7	22						94				
		N = 6	21										
	10	N = 4	22						85				
													11.5
	15	P = 0	31	85	52	22	30		1.13	15.0			Medium stiff grayish brown fat clay (CH)
		P = 1.0	49										-With organics
	20												
		P = 1.25	45	74					2.27	6.3			---Stiff
	25												26.5
		P = 1.50	24										Stiff tan lean clay (CL)
	30												31.5
		P = 1.50	35	86	85	30	55		2.12	4.9			Stiff grayish brown fat clay (CH)
	35												37.0
		P = 0	38										Medium to soft brown sandy lean clay (CL)
	40												41.5
		N = 21	22						4				Medium dense gray sand
	45												
		N = 24	21										
	50												
		N = 27	20										
	55												
													REMARKS:
TUBE SAMPLE	AUGER SAMPLE	SPLIT- SPOON	ROCK CORE	THD CONE PEN.	NO RECOVERY								

LOG OF BORING NO. B-2

PROJECT: Petty Company North Site 4

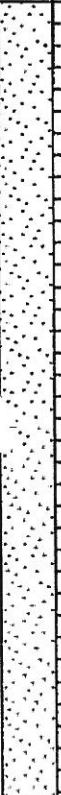


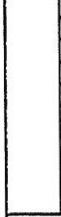
SHEET 2 of 2

CLIENT: Louisiana Economic Development-%Danmon Engineering

LOCATION: Center

DATE: 10/23/14

SURFACE ELEV: 71' +/-

FIELD DATA			LABORATORY DATA								DRILLING METHOD(S): Auger 0 - 23 feet Rotary 23 -100 feet		
SOIL & ROCK SYMBOL	DEPTH (FT)	SAMPLE TYPE	N: SPT, BLOWS/FT T: THD, BLOWS/FT P: HAND PEN, TSF	MOISTURE CONTENT, %	DRY DENSITY POUNDS/CU.FT	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTIC LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	MINUS NO. 200 SIEVE, %	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, KSF	FAILURE STRAIN (%)	CONFINING PRESSURE PSI	GROUNDWATER INFORMATION:
													DESCRIPTION OF STRATUM
	60	X	N = 31	16									--Dense gray sand with trace fine gravel
	65	X	N = 33	20					5				
	70	X	N = 42	19									
	75	X	N = 49	21									
	80	X	N = 30	18									
	85	X	N = 21	14					12				
	90	X	N = 35	21									--Medium dense --With silt and gravel lenses --Dense
	91.5												
	95	X	N = 13	13									
	96.5												Medium dense sandy gravel with sand lenses (GM)
	100	X	N = 33	27		57	27	30					
	100												Very stiff dark gray lean clay with sand partings (CL)
	105												
	110												
REMARKS:													
TUBE SAMPLE	AUGER SAMPLE	SPLIT- SPOON	ROCK CORE	THD CONE PEN.	NO RECOVERY								

LOG OF BORING NO. B-3

PROJECT: Petty Company North Site 4

SHEET 1 of 1

CLIENT: Louisiana Economic Development-%Denmon Engineering

LOCATION: Northeast Corner

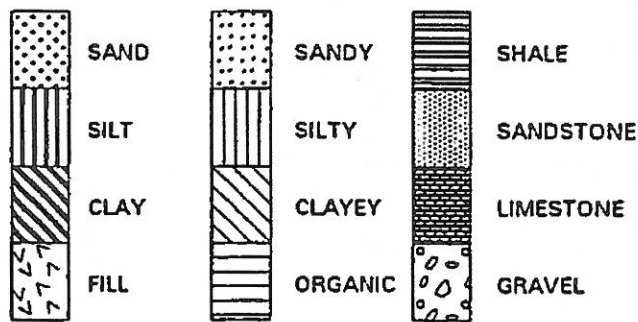
DATE: 10/22/14

SURFACE ELEV: 72' +/-

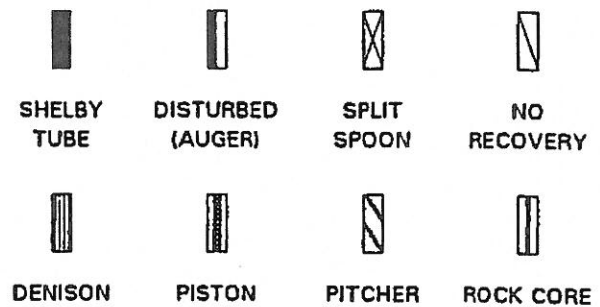
FIELD DATA			LABORATORY DATA									DRILLING METHOD(S): Auger	
SOIL & ROCK SYMBOL	DEPTH (FT)	SAMPLE TYPE	N: SPT, BLOWS/FT T: THD, BLOWS/FT P: HAND PEN, TSF	MOISTURE CONTENT, %	DRY DENSITY POUNDS/CU.FT	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTIC LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	MINUS NO. 200 SIEVE, %	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, KSF	FAILURE STRAIN (%)	CONFINING PRESSURE PSI	GROUNDWATER INFORMATION: Water encountered at twelve and one-half (12.5) feet depth
DESCRIPTION OF STRATUM													
	5	X	N = 10	15		29	20	9	93				Medium stiff tan lean clay (CL)
		X	N = 11	19									
		X	N = 8	25		31	21	10	99				
		X	P = 0	34									
	10	X	N = 7	25						90			
													11.5
	15	W	P = 0.5	43	79	76	32	44		0.92	8.4		Medium stiff to soft brownish gray fat clay (CH) with organics
	20	W	P = 0.75	49									
	25	W	P = 0	49	73					0.70	4.8		
													25.0
Bottom of boring at 25 feet													
	30												
	35												
	40												
	45												
	50												
	55												
						REMARKS:							
TUBE SAMPLE	AUGER SAMPLE	SPLIT- SPOON	ROCK CORE	THD CONE PEN.	NO RECOVERY								

KEY TO SOIL CLASSIFICATION TERMS AND SYMBOLS

SOIL OR ROCK TYPES



SAMPLER TYPES



CONSISTENCY OF COHESIVE SOILS (MAJOR PORTION PASSING NO. 200 SIEVE)

DESCRIPTIVE TERM	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH, TON'S/SQ. FT.
VERY SOFT	LESS THAN 0.25
SOFT	0.25 TO 0.5
FIRM	0.5 TO 1.0
STIFF	1.0 TO 2.0
VERY STIFF	2.0 TO 4.0
HARD	GREATER THAN 4.0

RELATIVE DENSITY OF GRANULAR SOILS (MAJOR PORTION RETAINED ON NO. 200 SIEVE)

DESCRIPTIVE TERM	RELATIVE DENSITY, %
VERY LOOSE	LESS THAN 15
LOOSE	15 TO 35
MEDIUM DENSE	35 TO 65
DENSE	65 TO 85
VERY DENSE	GREATER THAN 85

WATER LEVELS

- DEPTH GROUNDWATER FIRST ENCOUNTERED DURING DRILLING
- GROUNDWATER LEVEL AFTER 24 HOURS (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

TERMS DESCRIBING SOIL STRUCTURE

Parting: paper thin in thickness

Seam: 1/8" - 3" in thickness

Layer: greater than 3" in thickness

Calcareous: containing appreciable quantities of calcium carbonate

Ferrous: containing appreciable quantities of iron

Well-graded: having wide range in grain size & similar proportions of all intermediate sizes

Poorly graded: predominately one grain size or having a range of sizes with few or no particles of some intermediate sizes

Fissured: containing shrinkage cracks, frequently filled with fine sand or silt, usually more or less vertical

Interbedded: composed of alternate layers of different soil types

Laminated: composed of thin layers of varying color and texture

Slickensided: having inclined planes of weakness that are slick & glossy in appearance

NOTE: Clays possessing slickensided or fissured structure may exhibit lower measured shear strength than indicated by the described consistency. The consistency of such soil is interpreted using the measured shear strength along with pocket penetrometer results.

APPENDIX B

MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS



**SPECIFICATIONS FOR COMPACTION
OF
SANDY CLAY AND CLAYEY SAND SOILS**

The thickness of lifts used should be no more than the height of the teeth on sheepfoot rollers. Generally, for a forty-eight (48) inch diameter or smaller drum roller, the maximum compacted lift thickness acceptable is six (6) inches. For rollers with drums of sixty (60) inches in diameter and larger with teeth about nine (9) inches long, a nine (9) inch final compacted lift thickness will be acceptable. The sole determination of the thickness of a lift will be the capability of the contractor's equipment to obtain the required compaction.

When obtaining the average density of a lift to determine its conformance to specifications, the lift should be immediately rejected if any density is more than 2% below the required average.

Generally, sheepfoot rollers are most suitable for compaction of sandy clay and clayey sand soils, the contractor may use spiketooth rollers, rubber tired rollers, or any fill compaction equipment that has sufficient mass to compact the soil. Generally, the drums of sheepfoot rollers should be filled with water or for additional weight with both water and sand. Tractors or other vehicles used primarily for hauling WILL NOT be allowed as fill compaction equipment. The contractor should also have smooth wheel rollers to seal the working area at the end of the day's operations so overnight rains will not saturate the soil and delay his work. These rollers should also be used to seal the surface whenever rainfall is imminent.

The soil engineer or his representative will perform density tests and will accept or reject a lift within two (2) hours after being tested. No material will be placed on any lift that has not been accepted by the engineer.

