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Project: N1095043

Mr. John Dietz
Linden Grove Cemetery Board of Overseers
303 Court Street
Covington, Kentucky 41011

**RE: Preliminary Test Pit Study
Linden Grove Cemetery Renovations
Covington, Kentucky**

Dear Mr. Dietz:

We are pleased to present the results of our preliminary test pit study for the proposed improvements at the Linden Grove Cemetery in Covington, Kentucky. This study was conducted in general accordance with our proposal dated February 17, 2009. The following sections describe the test pit excavations, encountered subsurface materials, and geotechnical engineering recommendations. A Test Pit Location Plan (Figure 1) is attached.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The site is located immediately south of West 13th Street between Kavanaugh Street and Holman Street in Covington, Kentucky as shown on Figure 1. The subject area is the location of a former lake which was backfilled with uncontrolled materials several decades ago. This area is currently a low-lying grass covered field; however, the approximate outline of the former lake footprint is still visible. We understand that several improvements are planned in this area, including undercutting the fill on the west side of the former lake to re-establish that portion of the lake. The proposed improvements also include additional fill placement on the eastern side of the former lake. We understand that consideration is being given to utilizing this eastern area for additional grave sites, a picnic area, or a shelter building; however, a detailed grading plan and finalized plans have not been developed.

ENCOUNTERED SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Six test pits were excavated on February 25, 2009 at the approximate locations shown on Figure 1. These test pits were excavated using a backhoe provided by Kenton County. The test pit logs are attached in the appendix of this report. Select soil samples were returned to our Soil Mechanics Laboratory for natural moisture content determination.

The primary purpose of the test pits was to evaluate the thickness and consistency of the existing uncontrolled fill soil. At the test pit locations, the fill thickness ranged from 5.5 ft. to 11 ft. except at test pit TP-2 which was terminated at the maximum reach of the backhoe at 16 ft. below existing grade and did not penetrate the fill soil. The existing fill soils were primarily cohesive soil described as brown to gray lean to sandy clay with rock, brick, and concrete fragments, glass, wood, and various debris materials. The existing fill soil was typically soft and appeared to be poorly compacted. One sample of cohesive fill soil had a tested natural moisture content of 23%.

Underlying the existing fill soils, the test pits typically encountered a layer of alluvium underlain by lakebed clay. The alluvium was described as silty clay to clayey sand with organics. The cohesive alluvium was very soft to soft with pocket penetrometer readings ranging from less than 0.25 tsf to 0.5 tsf. One sample of the alluvium had a tested natural moisture content of 31%. The lakebed clay was described as brown to gray clay to fat clay. The lakebed clay consistency ranged from very soft to very stiff with pocket penetrometer readings less than 0.25 tsf to greater than 4.0 tsf. The lakebed clay had a tested natural moisture content of 21% to 28%.

Groundwater seepage was encountered in all of the test pits except for TP-2. Shallow groundwater (4 ft. to 4.5 ft. below grade) was encountered in TP-1 and TP-6 in areas which reportedly stay wet year-round. Test pits TP-3 to TP-5 encountered groundwater seepage at depths of 13 ft. to 15 ft. below grade.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The site will be challenging to develop due to the presence of deep, compressible soils and localized high groundwater levels. Detailed grading plans and proposed structure locations

must be developed to provide specific geotechnical recommendations. Depending upon the depth of the proposed lake on the west side of the subject area, the excavation will encounter a variety of existing fill materials and wet conditions which will make excavation difficult. Much of the undercut material is expected to be suitable for re-use as structural fill; however, some sorting to remove deleterious materials and significant aeration and drying will be required prior to placement as structural fill.

For the proposed area of fill placement on the eastern side of the former lake, it will be difficult to establish a firm platform to begin earthwork and significant long-term settlement of the fill (and any structures placed on the fill) should be expected. Construction techniques such as pre-loading (surcharging) and partial undercut and replacement of existing soils should be considered to reduce the settlement and minimize its impact on the proposed structures. Chemical stabilization or the use of geosynthetics may be required to establish a stable platform prior to fill placement. Additional details on the proposed fill thicknesses and structure types, loads, and locations must be provided to develop more specific recommendations for this area. The following, preliminary recommendations are provided for planning purposes only and should be re-evaluated once the final plans are developed.

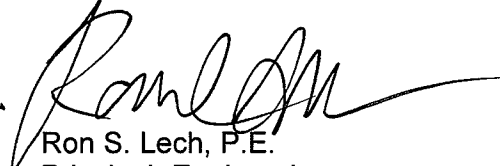
For preliminary planning purposes, we anticipate that less than 5 ft. of fill will be required to establish finished grades on the eastern side of the former lake and that proposed structures will include grave sites, a picnic area, and/or a lightly loaded wooden pavilion/shelter. Initial site preparation should include stripping the existing topsoil in areas of proposed fill placement. After the topsoil is stripped, structural fill can be placed to establish finished grades. The structural fill material should be free of organics, topsoil, debris, or other deleterious substances. We recommend that all structural fill be placed in maximum 8 inch thick loose lifts and be compacted to 98% of the maximum standard proctor density (ASTM D 698). It is recommended that the moisture content of cohesive fill soils be adjusted to within $\pm 3\%$ of the optimum moisture content.


The fill placement will induce settlement in the compressible existing fill, alluvium, and lakebed clay. The magnitude and duration of the fill induced settlement will depend on the thickness and footprint of the new fill. Additional settlement will also be induced if structures are placed on the new fill. To minimize the long-term settlement induced by the new fill and structures, consideration should be given to pre-loading (surcharging) the new fill. Temporarily stockpiling several feet of additional fill above the proposed grades can induce much of this settlement


prior to building the structures. The size of the temporary stockpile and duration of the surcharge period will depend on many variables including: thickness and footprint of the new fill, proposed structures and settlement tolerances, availability of surcharge materials, and construction schedule. For preliminary planning purposes, we anticipate a surcharge thickness on the order of 8 ft. high would be required for a minimum 4 month period. Again, these estimates must be re-evaluated once final details are available.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide our professional services. Please contact the writer if you have any questions about this preliminary report. We request the opportunity to review final grading plans and provide continued input as the project develops.

Respectfully submitted,
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Attachments: Figure 1 – Test Pit Location Plan.
Test Pit Logs.

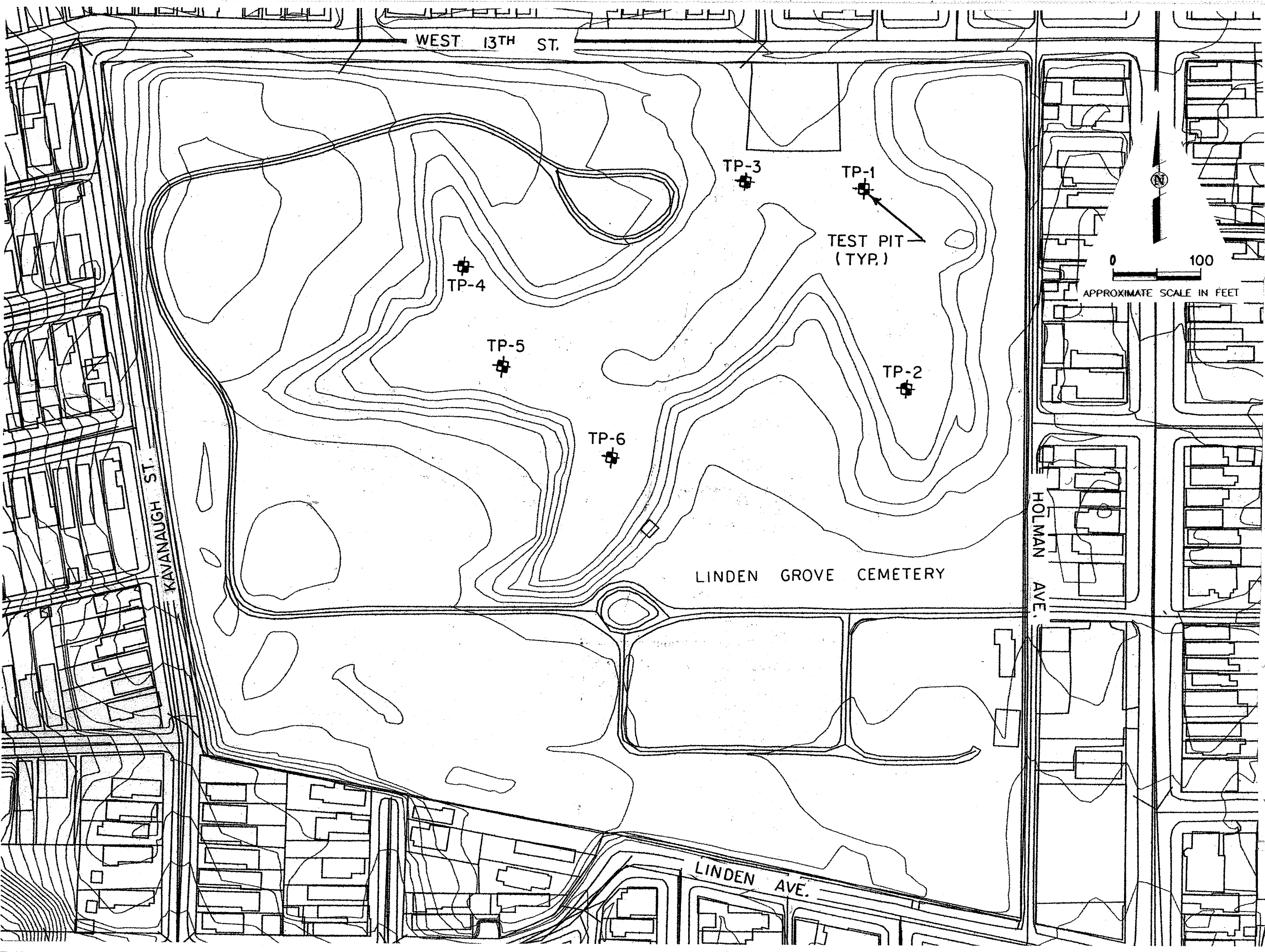


FIG. No.	TEST PIT LOCATION PLAN		
1	CLIENT: LINDEN GROVE CEMETERY BOARD OF OVERSEERS JOB: LINDEN GROVE CEMETERY COVINGTON, KY.		
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File No.	N1095043		
Date	MARCH 2009		
Drawn By	RL	Checked By	RL
Approved By	RL		

LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-1

CLIENT Linden Grove Cemetery Board of Overseers		ELEVATION REFERENCE										
SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery										
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan	SAMPLES					TESTS					
	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH, ft.	NUMBER	TYPE	DEPTH, ft.	RECOV, in. (RQD %)	BLOWS / 6in. (SPT - N)	WATER CONTENT, %	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	UNCONFINED STRENGTH, tsf	POCKET PEN, tsf
	Approx. Surface Elev.:											
	0.5 TOPSOIL											
	Brown to brown and gray lean clay (FILL) with rock and brick fragments, moist-soft to stiff											
	4.5 Brown and gray sandy clay with rock, brick, cinders, wood, glass, metal, and concrete (FILL), wet-soft	5										
	7.5 Dark gray SILTY CLAY (ALLUVIUM), trace organics, very moist-very soft		1	Jar	7.5 - 8			31				<0.25
	11 Dark gray to bluish-gray CLAY (LAKEBED), very moist to wet-very soft		2	Jar	11 - 12							<0.25
	16 TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 16 ft	15										

The stratification lines represent the approximate boundary lines between soil and rock types: in-situ, the transition may be gradual.

WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft			
WL	▽ 4.5	Immed.	▽ 4.5 Comp.
WL	▽	BF at 0 hrs.	▽
WL	No water used in drilling.		

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BORING COMPLETED		2-25-09	
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LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-2

CLIENT Linden Grove Cemetery Board of Overseers		ELEVATION REFERENCE										
SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery										
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan	SAMPLES					TESTS					
	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH, ft.	NUMBER	TYPE	DEPTH, ft.	RECOV. in./ (RQD %)	BLOWS / 6in. (SPT - N)	WATER CONTENT, %	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	UNCONFINED STRENGTH, tsf	POCKET PEN, tsf
	Approx. Surface Elev.: 0.5 TOPSOIL											
	Dark brown to brown sandy clay, with few to little concrete, brick, and block fragments, trace wood, metal, and plastic (FILL), moist-stiff to very stiff	1	Jar	2 - 2.5							1.5-2.25	
	4 -concrete fragment measured is 5' x 2' x 10" Dark brown to gray silty to sandy clay with brick and wood, trace metal (FILL), very moist-very soft to medium stiff	2	Jar	4.5 - 5							<0.25	
		3	Jar	12 - 13			23				0.5	
	TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 16 ft											

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WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft

WL	∇	NW	Immed.	∇	NW	Comp.
WL	∇	BF at 0 hrs.		∇		
WL		No water used in drilling.				



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LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-3

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SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery										
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan	DEPTH, ft.	SAMPLES				TESTS					
	DESCRIPTION		NUMBER	TYPE	DEPTH, ft.	RECOV, in. (RQD %)	BLOWS / 6in. (SPT - N)	WATER CONTENT, %	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	UNCONFINED STRENGTH, tsf	POCKET PEN, tsf
	Approx. Surface Elev.:											
	0.5 TOPSOIL											
	Brown lean clay with concrete and brick fragments (FILL), moist-stiff to very stiff		1	Jar	1.5 - 2.5							2.0
	7.5											
	Brown and bluish-gray clay (FILL), moist-very stiff		2	Jar	7 - 7.5							2.5
			3	Jar	8 - 9							
	11											
	Olive-gray SILTY CLAY, trace organics (ALLUVIUM), moist-soft		4	Jar	11 - 12							0.5
			5	Jar	13 - 14							0.25
	15											
	Brown to olive-brown LEAN CLAY, trace rock fragments (LAKEBED), moist-very stiff		6	Jar	15.5 - 16			21				4.0
	TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 16.5 ft											

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WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft			
WL	▽ 15	Immed.	▽ 15 Comp.
WL	▽	BF at 0 hrs.	▽
WL	No water used in drilling.		

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LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-4

CLIENT Linden Grove Cemetery Board of Overseers		ELEVATION REFERENCE										
SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery										
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan DESCRIPTION Approx. Surface Elev.:	DEPTH, ft.	SAMPLES					TESTS				
			NUMBER	TYPE	DEPTH, ft.	RECOV. in./ (RQD %)	BLOWS / 6in. (SPT - N)	WATER CONTENT, %	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	UNCONFINED STRENGTH, tsf	POCKET PEN, tsf
	0.5 TOPSOIL											
	Brown lean clay with black cinders, brick and rock fragments, trace clay tile (FILL), moist-stiff	5										
	6 Olive-brown SILTY CLAY (ALLUVIUM), moist-soft		1	Jar	6 - 6.5						0.25	
	9 Brown to mottled brown and gray LEAN CLAY (LAKEBED), trace iron concretions, moist-medium stiff to stiff	10										
	14 Brown and gray FAT CLAY (LAKEBED), moist-stiff to very stiff		2	Jar	9 - 9.5						0.5-1.25	
	16.5 TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 16.5 ft	15										
			3	Jar	14.5 - 15		28				1.5-3.0	
			4	Jar	16 - 16.5						3.0	

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WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft		 H. C. NUTTING A Terracon COMPANY	BORING STARTED 2-25-09	
WL ∇ 15 Immed. ∇ 15 Comp.	BORING COMPLETED 2-25-09			
WL ∇ BF at 0 hrs. ∇	RIG Deere 310J		FOREMAN RSL	
WL No water used in drilling.	LOGGED JLW		JOB # N1095043	

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LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-5

CLIENT Linden Grove Cemetery Board of Overseers		ELEVATION REFERENCE										
SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery										
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan	SAMPLES			TESTS							
	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH, ft.	NUMBER	TYPE	DEPTH, ft.	RECOV. in./(RQD %)	BLOWS / 6in. (SPT - N)	WATER CONTENT, %	LIQUID LIMIT, %	PLASTICITY INDEX, %	UNCONFINED STRENGTH, tsf	POCKET PEN, tsf
	Approx. Surface Elev.:											
0.5	TOPSOIL											
	Dark brown lean clay with sand, little brick and rock fragments (FILL), moist-soft											
3.5												
	Brown and olive-gray lean clay, few brick fragments, trace wood (FILL), moist-medium stiff		1	Jar	4 - 4.5							0.5-0.7
5.5												
	Olive-brown SILTY CLAY (ALLUVIUM), noted dark brown to black silt seam, moist-soft		2	Jar	6.5 - 7							0.25
11												
	Brown CLAYEY SAND to brown fine SAND (ALLUVIUM), moist to wet-medium dense		3	Jar	11 - 11.5							1.0
14	-wet seam at 13 ft.		4	Jar	13 - 13.5							
15			5	Jar	14 - 15							>4.0
	Brown and gray CLAY (LAKEBED), moist-very stiff to hard											
	TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 15 ft											

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WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft			
WL	▽ 13	Immed.	▽ 13 Comp.
WL	▽	BF at 0 hrs.	▽
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LOG OF TEST PIT NO. TP-6

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SITE Covington, Kentucky		PROJECT Linden Grove Cemetery	
GRAPHIC LOG	Boring Location: As Shown on Test Pit Location Plan	SAMPLES	
	DESCRIPTION	TESTS	
	Approx. Surface Elev.:	DEPTH, ft.	NUMBER
0.5	TOPSOIL		
4	Brown sandy lean clay, trace brick, block, concrete, metal, plastic, and textiles (FILL), moist-soft to medium stiff		
4	Gray clay, trace brick, rock fragments and cinders (FILL), wet-soft to very soft	1	Jar
6-6.5			
10	Olive brown to gray SILTY CLAY (ALLUVIUM), noted dark brown to black silt seam, moist-soft to very soft	2	Jar
11-12			
14	TEST PIT TERMINATED AT 14 ft		
			POCKET PEN, tsf
			<0.25-0.25
			<0.25-0.25

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WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS, ft			
WL	▽ 4	Immed.	▽ 4 Comp.
WL	▽	BF at 0 hrs.	▽
WL	No water used in drilling.		

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