



December 17, 2020

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**Subject:** 27<sup>th</sup> Street Sewers Inspection Summary – November 19, 2020

26th Street Catch Basin Inspection Summary – November 24 and

**December 8 and 11, 2020** 

**Former Carnotite Reduction Company Site** 

434 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street Chicago, Illinois

Dear Ms. Mazza:

On November 19, 2020, Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech) conducted a site inspection to document the current condition of sewers in the East 27<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way south of the site and one sewer in the southern portion of the site near the former tennis court area for the City of Chicago Department of Assets, Information and Services (AIS) under Task Order Request 14-2FMEHS-00018 for the Former Carnotite Reduction Company (Carnotite) site. On November 24 and December 8 and 11, 2020, Tetra Tech inspected catch basins located in the north and south curbs of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street east of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (King) Drive. A figure documenting the sewer and catch basin locations inspected is attached. Photographic documentation of the site inspections is also attached.

During sewer inspection activities on November 19, 2020, Tetra Tech visited the site and documented the following:

- Five sewer manholes along the 27<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way south of the site (Manholes H through L and the sewer on King Drive) were opened and inspected. Manhole G west of the former tennis court area was also opened and inspected.
- All sewer manholes, except the manhole on King Drive, contained debris, including leaves, wood chips, gravel, and soil.
- Manhole H east-west laterals were not visible due to significant amounts of leaves, wood chips and soil. However, one inlet pipe was observed near the top northwest wall of the manhole.
- The pipe integrity of the sewers along the 27<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way (Manholes H through L) and Manhole G are unknown because the manholes were dry and contained significant amounts of debris; therefore, conveyance of sewer water through the pipes was not evident.

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During catch basin inspection activities on November 24 and December 8 and 11, 2020, Tetra Tech visited the site and documented the following:

- The catch basin along the north curb of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street was measured 14 feet east of King Drive.
- The catch basin along the south curb of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street is approximately 13 feet east of King Drive.
- In the north catch basin, an outflow pipe, estimated as 10 inches in diameter, was observed on the south manhole wall approximately 5 to 6 feet below ground surface in the manhole.
- Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc. lowered a Ludlum Model 2221 into the north catch basin to measure gamma activity in the catch basin. A reading of 1,800 counts per minute (CPM) was detected. The site-specific screening level indicating potential contamination is equivalent to twice background, which is 5,666 CPM for this instrument.
- Between the December 8 and 11 site visits, the City of Chicago Department of Water Management (DWM) cleaned the north catch basin and removed a metal vortex restrictor covering the outflow pipe.
- The south catch basin manhole was recently reconstructed and both the catch basin and outflow pipe were cleaned by DWM.
- The diameter of the south catch basin outflow pipe is documented as 10 inches in City of Chicago sewer drawings.
- On December 11, Tetra Tech successfully pushed an endoscope about 15 feet and 20 feet through the north and south catch basin laterals, respectively. These distances were about equivalent to the distance to the main sewer line in the 26<sup>th</sup> Street center line.
- No obstructions were noted in the south catch basin lateral.
- In the north catch basin, some build up of soil/sludge was noted in the lateral 6 to 12 inches from the manhole.
- No additional catch basins or sewer manholes were observed on E. 26<sup>th</sup> Street, east of King Drive other than those previously documented on the site-specific Existing Conditions Drawing C-2.

If you have any questions regarding this site inspection summary, please contact me at (312) 201-7480.

Sincerely,

Kristine Schnoes

**Environmental Scientist** 

cc: Ram Ramasamy, AIS

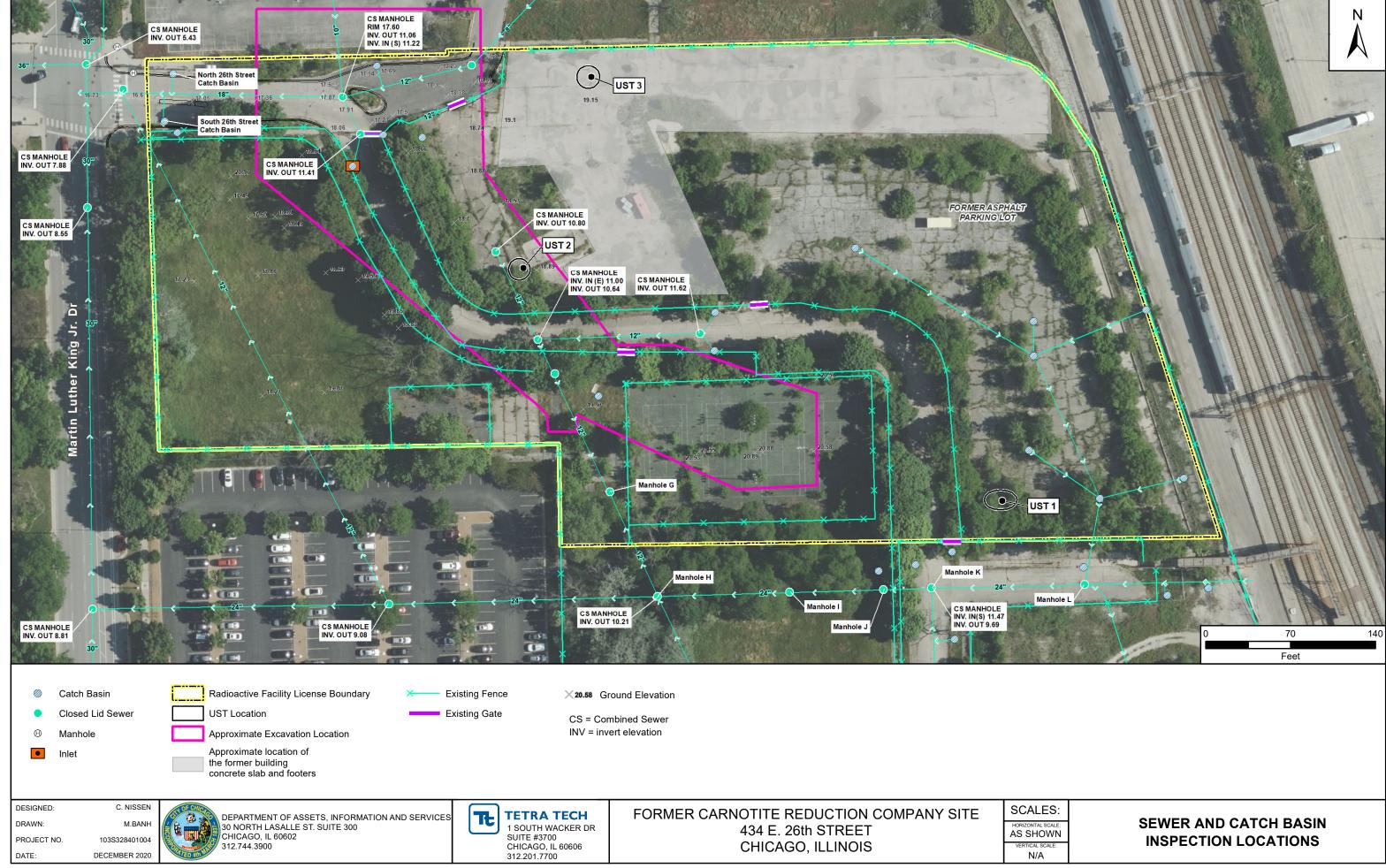
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Glenn Huber, Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc.

Attachments: Sewer and Catch Basin Inspection Locations Map

Photographic Documentation 27<sup>th</sup> Street Sewers Photographic Documentation 26<sup>th</sup> Street Catch Basins SEWER AND CATCH BASIN INSPECTION LOCATIONS



PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION 27<sup>TH</sup> STREET SEWERS

Photo: 1

**Description:** Photo of sewer manhole on Dr. Martin Luther King (King) Drive at the 27<sup>th</sup> Street ROW. Water was observed flowing from east facing influent pipe, although the influent pipe was not visible. 30-inch King Drive sewer pipe was visible. No significant debris was observed.

### Date taken:

November 19, 2020



Photo: 2

Description: Photo of sewer Manhole H east of Prairie Shores parking lot adjacent to the wooded area south of tennis court. Sewer observed to contain significant amount of leaves and debris. Primary east/west inlet and outlet pipes not visible. Inlet near top of manhole appears to be coming from Manhole G.

#### Date taken:



Photo: 3

**Description:** Photo of the sewer Manhole I about 80 feet east of Manhole H in grass area along the 27<sup>th</sup> Street ROW. East/west in and outflows pipes are visible at bottom of sewer. However, leaves and debris are also present.

Date taken:

November 19, 2020



Photo: 4

**Description:** Photo of the sewer Manhole J about 50 feet east of Manhole I along the 27<sup>th</sup> Street ROW in grass area inside site fence adjacent to Ellis Avenue. East/west in and outflows pipes are visible at bottom of sewer. However, leaves and debris are also present.

Date taken:



Photo: 5

**Description:** Photo of sewer Manhole K located in intersection of Ellis Avenue and 27<sup>th</sup> Street, about 35 feet east of Manhole J. East inflow pipe visible, west outflow pipe not visible. Debris including bricks is present.

Date taken:

November 19, 2020



Photo: 6

**Description:** Photo of sewer Manhole L located in 27<sup>th</sup> Street about 80 feet east of Manhole K. Large ~30-inch pipeline on east wall of manhole, pipes leading north, south, and east are also visible. Some debris in bottom of manhole.

Date taken:



Photo: 7

**Description:** Photo of sewer Manhole G, located east of tennis courts. Pipes visible leading southwest toward Prairie Shores parking lot and south/southeast.

Date taken:



PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION  $26^{TH}$  STREET CATCH BASINS

#### Photo: 1

**Description:** Photo of reconstructed catch basin on south side of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street east about 13 feet east of Dr. Martin Luther King (King) Drive. Note outflow pipe on northwest wall of manhole heading toward King Drive and tubing containing endoscope entering the pipe.

#### Date taken:

December 11, 2020



#### Photo: 2

**Description:** Photo of catch basin in the north curbline of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, about 14 feet east of King Drive. An outflow pipe toward main sewer line in 26<sup>th</sup> Street center line was observed on the south manhole wall. Depth to outflow pipe estimated at 5 to 6 feet below ground surface.

#### Date taken:

December 11, 2020



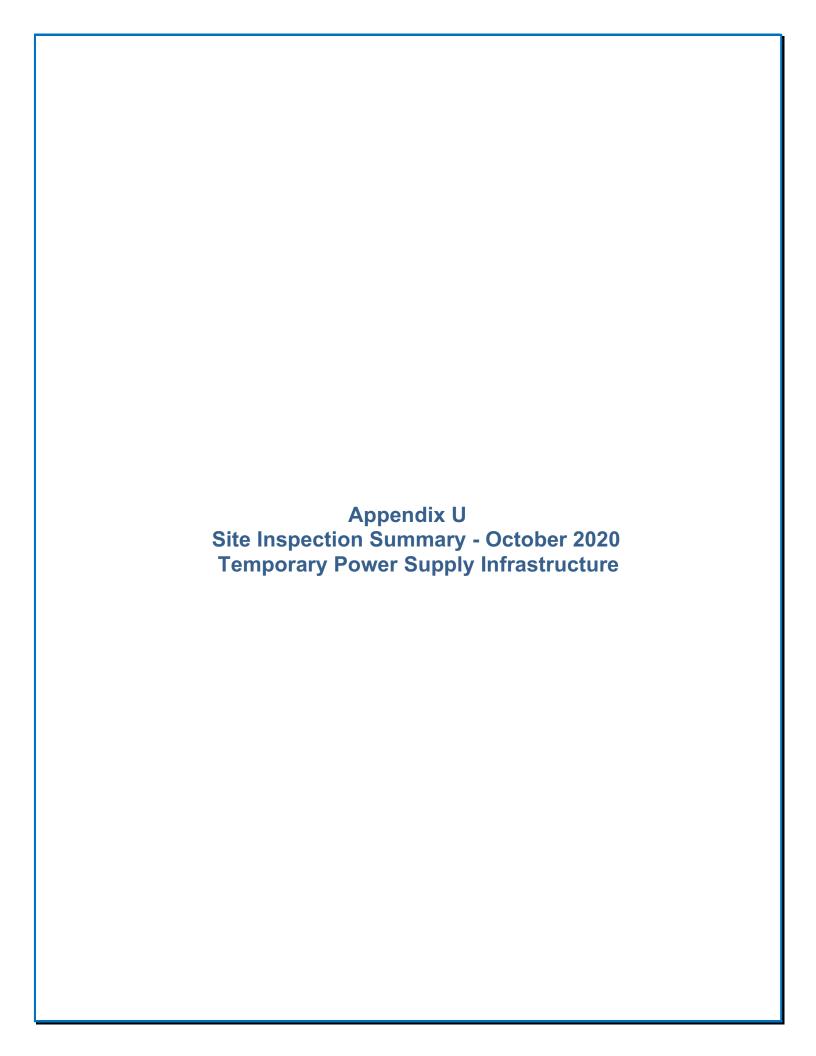
#### Photo: 3

**Description:** Photo of SAHCI taking radiation readings with a Ludlum Model 2221 in the catch basin along the north curb of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street. A reading of 1,800 counts per minute (CPM) was detected approximately two feet below surface level. Site-specific screening level is 5,666 CPM (2x background).

### Date taken:

November 24, 2020







November 17, 2020

Ms. Abby Mazza City of Chicago Department of Assets, Information and Services 30 North LaSalle, Suite 300 Chicago, Illinois 60606

**Subject:** Site Inspection Summary – October 2020

**Temporary Power Supply Infrastructure Former Carnotite Reduction Company Site** 

434 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street Chicago, Illinois

Dear Ms. Mazza:

On October 14, 2020, Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech) conducted a site inspection to document the current condition of on-site temporary power supply infrastructure for the City of Chicago Department of Assets, Information and Services (AIS) under Task Order Request 14-2FMEHS-00018 for the Former Carnotite Reduction Company (Carnotite) site.

During quarterly monitoring activities on October 1, 2020, Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc. discovered that the on-site temporary power lines and associated poles supplying power to the perimeter air monitoring stations at the Carnotite site had been vandalized and damaged. AIS immediately secured the on-site temporary power supply. AIS subsequently requested Tetra Tech to inspect and document the condition of the damaged infrastructure. Therefore, Tetra Tech visited the site on October 14 and documented the following:

- The power pole for air monitoring station (AM)-1 was upright and the power line was attached, and it extended to the next power pole to the east.
- The next power pole (between AM-1 and AM-2) was still upright with the power line wound up and attached to the top of the pole.
- The remaining three (3) power poles (including AM-2) on the east side of the site were tipped over with no power lines present around or between them.
- All the power poles on the west side of the site were still standing and had power lines connected between them. The power lines extended from the AM-4 toward AM-3 and further to the east until the last power pole adjacent to East 26th Street where the power line was wound up and attached to the top of the tennis court light pole.
- The site is overgrown with weeds, tall grasses, and trees throughout the site.
- All fencing appeared to be intact in the areas that were observable.
- There was one set of tire tracks present in the grass on the west side of the site.

Photographic documentation of the site inspection is attached.

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Sincerely,

Kristine Schnoes Project Manager

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Glenn Huber, Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc.

Photo: 1

**Description:** Photo of utility pole near AM-1.

**Orientation:** Facing North

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 2

**Description:** Photo of utility pole and power line to the east of AM-1.

**Orientation:** Facing East



Photo: 3

**Description:** Photo of the first utility pole after AM-

1.

**Orientation:** Facing East

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 4

**Description:** Photo of the first utility pole after AM-1 looking back at AM-1. Note the wound-up power line.

**Orientation:** Facing West



Photo: 5

**Description:** Photo of utility pole that is tipped over between AM-1 and AM-2. Note that no power lines are present.

**Orientation:** Facing East

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 6

**Description:** Photo of utility pole that is tipped over between AM-1 and AM-2. Note that no power lines are present.

**Orientation:** Facing West



Photo: 7

**Description:** Photo of utility pole at AM-2. Note that no power lines are

present.

**Orientation:** Facing South

**Date taken:** October 14, 2020



Photo: 8

**Description:** Photo of utility pole at AM-2. Note that no power lines are

present.

**Orientation:** Facing North



Photo: 9

**Description:** Photo of utility pole to the southwest of AM-2.

**Orientation:** Facing Southwest

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 10

**Description:** Photo of utility pole at AM-4.

**Orientation:** Facing Southwest



Photo: 11

**Description:** Photo of tracks through the site near

AM-4.

**Orientation:** Facing Northwest

**Date taken:** October 14, 2020



Photo: 12

**Description:** Photo of utility pole between AM-3

and AM-4

**Orientation:** Facing North



Photo: 13

**Description:** Photo of utility pole between AM-3

and AM-4.

**Orientation:** Facing West

Date taken:

October 14, 2020



Photo: 14

**Description:** Photo of utility pole AM-3.

**Orientation:** Facing Southeast



Photo: 15

**Description:** Photo of utility pole to the southeast

of AM-3.

**Orientation:** Facing Northeast

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 16

**Description:** Photo of utility pole to the southeast

of AM-3.

**Orientation:** Facing Southeast



Photo: 17

**Description:** Photo of utility pole to the immediate west of E. 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

Orientation:

Facing Southeast

Date taken: October 14, 2020



Photo: 18

**Description:** Photo of powerline attached to a tennis court light pole to the immediate west of E. 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Orientation:** Facing Southeast



Photo: 19

**Description:** Close-up photo of wound-up powerline attached to the tennis court light pole to the immediate west of E.  $26^{th}$  Street.

**Orientation:** Facing Southeast

