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# **PART A**

**FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION REPORT  
RETAINING WALL REHABILITATION  
MARCH ROAD UNDERPASS  
SITE 3-357  
HIGHWAY 417  
OTTAWA, ONTARIO  
W.P. 4104-13-01**



## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Golder Associates Ltd. (Golder) has been retained by MMM Group Ltd. (MMM) on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario (MTO) to carry out a foundation investigation for the rehabilitation of the retaining walls at the March Road underpass, Site No. 3-357 (W.P. 4104-13-01) located on Highway 417 approximately 8 km west of Highway 7 in Ottawa, Ontario as part of the MEGA 6 project.

As part of the current assignment, previously collected subsurface information pertinent to the site was reviewed and compiled. This existing subsurface information was contained in the following:

- Report prepared by Geocon Inc. for the MTO titled “*Subsurface Geotechnical Investigation, Proposed Highway 17 and 44, Underpass, Ottawa, Ontario, WP 34-81-02, Site 3-357*”, dated November 1990 (GEOCREC No. 31F-110).

The purpose of this current investigation was to assess the subsurface conditions at the site of the proposed retaining wall rehabilitation by borehole drilling and carrying out in-situ and laboratory testing on selected samples.

The terms of reference and scope of work for the foundation engineering services are outlined in MTO’s Request for Proposal (RFP) for Assignment No. 4014-E-0015 dated October 2014 and in Golder’s proposal for this project dated December 11, 2014.



## **2.0 SITE DESCRIPTION**

The March Road underpass (structure Site No. 3-357) is located at about Station 18+507 on Highway 417 about 8 km west of Highway 7 in Ottawa, Ontario. Through this area, Highway 417 is a four lane divided highway with a rural cross-section. The existing structure is aligned approximately northeast-southwest and crosses the highway at a skew of approximately 55 degrees. However, for this report, the bridge alignment will be referred to as north-south. The bridge was constructed in about 1992 and consists of a two-span structure, approximately 90 m in length and 15.5 m in width (i.e., is two lanes wide). The abutments are perched within the embankments, and along with the pier, are supported on end bearing steel H-piles.

The existing approach embankments are about 8 to 9 m high relative to the surrounding ground surface and have approximately 2.5 horizontal to 1 vertical (i.e., 2.5H:1V) side slopes. No signs of embankment instability were observed. Retained Soil System (RSS) walls currently retain the embankment fill at the abutments and at the wing walls. The wing walls are aligned parallel to March Road and are about 9 m in length along the southeast and northwest sides of the embankments and about 16 m in length along the southwest and northeast sides of the embankments. There is evidence that the embankments have experienced settlement as there are visible gaps between the RSS wall panels at the face of the abutments and along the wing walls.



### 3.0 INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

The subsurface investigation for the retaining wall rehabilitation was carried out between November 30 and December 8, 2015, at which time four boreholes (numbered 15-1 to 15-4, inclusive) and two test pits (numbered 15-101 and 15-103) were advanced at the locations shown on Drawings 1 and 2. The boreholes were advanced as follows:

- Boreholes 15-1, 15-3 and 15-4 were advanced near the toes of the existing north and south approach embankments, using 200 mm inside diameter continuous-flight hollow-stem augers on a track-mounted drill rig, supplied and operated by CCC Geotechnical & Environmental Drilling Ltd. of Ottawa, Ontario. The boreholes were advanced to depths of about 11.8 to 12.2 m (Elevations 105.2 and 107.0 m) metres below the existing ground surface while carrying out soil sampling and in situ testing. Below these depths, the boreholes were advanced without sampling, using a dynamic cone penetration test (DCPT), to depths between about 21.8 and 25.1 m (Elevations 93.7 and 96.3 m) below the existing ground surface.
- Borehole 15-2 was advanced near the west toe of the existing south approach embankment using portable drilling equipment supplied and operated by CCC Geotechnical & Environmental Drilling Ltd. of Ottawa, Ontario. The borehole was advanced using near-continuous sampling procedures to a depth of about 12.5 m below the existing ground surface, at about Elevation 105.9 m.
- Test pits 15-101 and 15-103 were advanced through the approach embankments, adjacent to one end of both the south and north abutments, respectively, using a backhoe supplied by Glenn Wright Excavating of Ottawa, Ontario. The test pits were advanced to depths of up to about 4 m below the existing ground surface. It should be noted that proposed test pits 15-102 and 15-104 could not be excavated due to limited site access at the proposed locations.

Soil samples in the boreholes were obtained at vertical intervals of about 0.60 to 1.52 m, using a 50 mm outer diameter split-spoon sampler in accordance with Standard Penetration Test (SPT) procedures to depths between about 11.8 and 12.5 m (Elevations 105.2 and 107.0 m) in Boreholes 15-1, 15-3, and 15-4.

Where appropriate, the SPT sampling was supplemented with in-situ shear vane testing. An MTO “N”-size vane was used to measure the undrained shear strength of the cohesive soils encountered at Boreholes 15-1, 15-3 and 15-4. In addition, six relatively undisturbed 73 millimetre diameter thin walled Shelby tube samples of the silty clay were obtained from these boreholes using a fixed piston sampler.

A standpipe piezometer was installed in Borehole 15-4 to monitor the groundwater level at the site. The standpipe consists of a 19 mm diameter rigid PVC pipe with a 1.5 m long slotted screen section, installed within silica sand backfill and sealed by a section of bentonite pellet backfill. The water level in the standpipe piezometer was measured on December 21, 2015.

Soil samples of embankment fill were obtained from the test pits and the groundwater seepage conditions in the test pits were observed during the short time they remained open.

The boreholes were backfilled with bentonite pellets, mixed with native soils in the overburden. The test pits were loosely backfilled upon completion of excavating and sampling. The site conditions were restored following completion of work.



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The field work was supervised by members of Golder's technical staff, who located the boreholes and test pits, supervised the drilling/excavating, sampling and in situ testing operations, logged the boreholes and test pits, and examined and cared for the soil samples. The samples were identified in the field, placed in appropriate containers, labelled, and transported to Golder's laboratories in Ottawa for further examination. Index and classification tests consisting of grain size distribution, Atterberg limits, and water content testing were carried out on selected soil samples at Golder's Mississauga and Ottawa laboratories. Consolidation testing was carried out on one sample obtained from Borehole 15-1 at Golder's Mississauga laboratory. All of the laboratory tests were carried out to MTO and/or ASTM standards as appropriate.

Prior to drilling, the borehole and test pit locations were staked and surveyed by Golder personnel using a Trimble R8 GPS unit. The borehole and test pit locations, including MTM NAD83 northing and easting coordinates and ground surface elevations referenced to Geodetic datum, are summarized in the following table and are shown on Drawings 1 and 2.

Test Hole Number	Type	Test Hole Location	MTM NAD83 Northing (m)	MTM NAD83 Easting (m)	Ground Surface Elevation (m)
15-1	Borehole	South Embankment Toe (East)	5019276.6	339535.1	118.1
15-2	Borehole	South Embankment Toe (West)	5019307.6	339494.9	118.4
15-3	Borehole	North Embankment Toe (East)	5019341.3	339605.9	118.8
15-4	Borehole	North Embankment Toe (West)	5019375.9	339566.1	117.0
15-101	Test Pit	South Abutment (East)	5019288.3	339521.6	122.4
15-103	Test Pit	North Abutment (West)	5019356.9	339574.3	120.5

- Notes:** 1) Northing and Easting coordinates shown are relative to the MTM NAD83 (Zone 9) coordinate system.  
2) Ground surface elevations shown are relative to Geodetic Datum.



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Five boreholes had been advanced at the proposed abutment locations as part of the original investigation at this site in 1989/1990. The elevations of the ground surface at the borehole locations were surveyed relative to Geodetic datum at the time of the investigation. The borehole locations in plan were established by comparing the site plans prepared at the time of original design with the current site survey data received from MMM. As such, the MTM NAD83 northing and easting coordinates summarized in the following table and shown on Drawings 1 and 2 should be considered approximate only.

<b>Borehole Number</b>	<b>Borehole Location</b>	<b>Northing (m)</b>	<b>Easting (m)</b>	<b>Former Ground Surface Elevation (m)</b>
2	South Abutment	5019299.1	339510.7	116.6
3	South Abutment	5019295.1	339526.2	116.8
5	North Abutment	5019353.0	339573.5	117.5
6	North Abutment	5019348.4	339589.8	117.2
8	North Abutment	5019356.8	339577.8	117.2

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## 4.0 SITE GEOLOGY AND STRATIGRAPHY

### 4.1 Regional Geological Conditions

The study area for this assignment lies within the minor physiographic region known as the Ottawa Valley Clay Plain, as delineated in *The Physiography of Southern Ontario*<sup>1</sup> that lies within the major physiographic region of the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Lowland.

The Ottawa Valley Clay Plain region is characterized by relatively thick deposits of sensitive marine clay, silt and silty clay that were deposited within the Champlain Sea basin. These deposits, known as the Champlain Sea clay or Leda clay, overlie relatively thin, commonly reworked glacial till and glaciofluvial deposits, that in turn overlie bedrock.<sup>2</sup> This region is underlain by a series of sedimentary rocks, consisting of sandstones, dolostones, limestones and shales that are, in turn, underlain by igneous and metamorphic bedrock of the Precambrian Shield.

### 4.2 Site Stratigraphy

The detailed subsurface soil and groundwater conditions encountered in the boreholes and test pits put down as part of the current investigation and the results of related in situ and laboratory testing are given on the Record of Borehole and Test Pit sheets contained in Appendix A. The relevant borehole logs from the previous investigation, carried out in 1990 (prior to construction of the bridge), are included in Appendix B. The results of geotechnical laboratory testing carried out as part of the current investigation are also included in Appendix C. The results of consolidation test results from the previous 1990 investigation are included in Appendix D.

The interpreted stratigraphic conditions along the centreline of the south and north abutments are shown on Drawings 1 and 2. The stratigraphic boundaries shown on the Record of Borehole and Test Pit sheets and on the interpreted stratigraphic sections included on Drawings 1 and 2 are inferred from non-continuous sampling and, therefore, represent transitions between soil types rather than exact planes of geological change. The subsoil conditions will vary between and beyond the borehole and test pit locations.

In general, the subsurface conditions at the site consist of embankment fill overlying surficial silty sand and sandy silt, which is underlain by a thick deposit of sensitive silty clay to clayey silt followed by glacial till. A more detailed description of the subsurface conditions encountered in the boreholes and test pits is provided in the following sections, with a focus on the results from the current investigation, in addition to the consolidation test results from the 1990 investigation.

#### 4.2.1 Embankment Fill

The embankment fill was proven to depths of about 4.0 and 3.2 m (Elevations 118.4 and 117.3 m) at Test Pits 15-101 and 15-103, respectively, and was fully penetrated at all of the current borehole locations to depths of between about 1.5 and 2.3 m (Elevations 115.3 and 116.6 m). Approximately 80 to 150 mm of topsoil fill was encountered at the ground surface at the Boreholes 15-1 to 15-4, inclusive. The underlying embankment fill generally consists of varying amounts of sand, gravel and silt. Organic matter, wood and cobbles were also encountered within the embankment fill at some locations.

<sup>1</sup> Chapman, L.J. and D.F. Putnam. *The Physiography of Southern Ontario*, Ontario Geological Survey Special Volume 2, Third Edition, 1984. Accompanied by Map P.2715, Scale 1:600,000.

<sup>2</sup> Belanger, J.R. "Urban Geology of Canada's National Capital Area", in *Urban Geology of Canadian Cities*, Geological Association of Canada Special Paper 42, Ed. P.F. Karrow and O.L. White, 1998.



Between about 1.2 and 2.1 m (i.e., Elevations 115.0 to 115.7 m) of surficial sand fill was encountered at ground surface at all of the previous borehole locations.

Standard Penetration Test (SPT) “N” values measured within the fill range from 5 to 37 blows per 0.3 m of penetration, indicating a loose to dense state of packing.

The results of grain size distribution testing carried out on samples of the embankment fill are provided on Figure C1 in Appendix C. The measured water content of selected samples of the embankment fill ranges from approximately 4 to 22 percent.

#### **4.2.2 Silty Sand**

About 1.1 to 2.3 m of silty sand were encountered below the embankment fill at the borehole locations with the exception of previous Boreholes 5, 6 and 8. The silty sand was fully penetrated to elevations of about 113.2 to 115.0 m.

The SPT “N” values measured within this material range from 4 to 38 blows per 0.3 m of penetration indicating a very loose to dense state of packing.

The results of grain size distribution testing carried out on samples of the silty sand are provided on Figure C2 in Appendix C. The results of Atterberg limits testing carried out on three samples of the silty sand indicate that the this material is non-plastic. The measured natural water content of selected samples of the silty sand ranges from about 18 to 22 percent.

#### **4.2.3 Sandy Silt to Silt**

An approximately 1.5 to 3.1 m thick layer of sandy silt to silt exists below the embankment fill at previous Boreholes 5, 6 and 8 and below the silty sand at Boreholes 15-1, 15-2 and 15-3. Where encountered, the material was fully penetrated to elevations of about 111.2 to 113.6 m.

The SPT “N” values measured within this material range from 1 to 20 blows per 0.3 m of penetration indicating a very loose to compact state of packing.

The results of grain size distribution testing carried out on samples of the sandy silt are provided on Figure C3 in Appendix C. The results of Atterberg limit testing carried out on samples of the sandy silt indicate plasticity index values between about 2 and 4 percent and liquid limit value between about 18 and 19 percent, as shown on Figure C4, indicating that the tested samples consist of silt of low plasticity. The measured natural water content of selected samples of the sandy silt ranges from about 20 to 29 percent.

#### **4.2.4 Silty Clay to Clayey Silt**

The silty sand and/or sandy silt are underlain by a deposit of grey silty clay to clayey silt. The silty clay to clayey silt was fully penetrated in the previous boreholes to elevations between about 96.4 to 103.4 m with thicknesses between 10.4 and 17.1 m. The deposit was proven to depths between about 11.8 and 12.5 m (Elevations 105.2 and 107.0 m) at the current borehole locations, then inferred to depths of between about 16.8 and 20.7 m (Elevations 96.3 and 101.4 m) from the results of the DCPT.

In situ vane testing carried out within the deposit measured undrained shear strengths ranging from 36 to 110 kPa, but more typically in the range of 42 to 60 kPa indicating a firm to stiff consistency.



The results of grain size distribution testing carried out on one sample of the silty clay to clayey silt are provided on Figure C5. The results of Atterberg limit testing carried out on several samples of the silty clay to clayey silt indicate plasticity index value between about 6 and 19 percent and liquid limit value between about 19 and 37 percent, as shown on Figure C6, indicating that the tested samples consist of silty clay to clayey silt of low to intermediate plasticity (but generally low). The measured natural water content of selected samples of the deposit ranges from 31 to 52 percent. These natural water contents are all above the measured liquid limits.

Oedometer consolidation testing was carried out on one relatively undisturbed sample of the grey silty clay to clayey silt deposit from Borehole 15-1, the results of which are provided on Figure C7. Consolidation testing was also carried out on two samples of the silty clay from Borehole 6 from the 1990 investigation the results of which are provided in Appendix D. The results of these consolidation tests are summarized in the table below.

Borehole/Sample Number	Sample Depth/Elevation (m)	Unit Weight (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	$\sigma_{P'}$ (kP)	$\sigma_{vo'}$ (kP)	$\sigma_{P'} - \sigma_{vo'}$ (kPa)	Cc	Cr	e <sub>o</sub>	OCR
15-1 / 11	7.6 – 8.1 / 110.0 – 110.5	18.6	265	90	170	0.51	0.013	0.95	2.9
6 / 8	7.9 / 109.3	-	259	77	182	0.31	0.013	0.98	3.4
6 / 11	12.5 / 104.7	-	383	112	271	1.06	0.040	1.44	3.4

**Notes:**  $\sigma_{P'}$  - Apparent preconsolidation pressure      Cr - Recompression index  
 $\sigma_{vo'}$  - Computed existing vertical effective stress      e<sub>o</sub> - Initial void ratio  
Cc - Compression index      OCR - Overconsolidation ratio

#### 4.2.5 Till

Glacial till was encountered/inferred below the silty clay to clayey silt deposit. The till was fully penetrated at previous Boreholes 2 and 8 to about Elevations 97.3 and 93.8 m, respectively, and proven to about Elevations 102.6, 95.7 and 93.5 m at previous Boreholes 3, 5 and 6, respectively. The glacial till was interpreted from the results of the DCPT to elevations of about 96.3, 93.7 and 94.7 m at Boreholes 15-1, 15-3 and 15-4, respectively.

The glacial till is considered to generally consist of a heterogeneous mixture of gravel, cobbles and boulders in a matrix of sand and silt containing a trace to some clay.

The measured SPT “N” values within the till deposit range from 3 to 38 blows per 0.3 m of penetration, indicating a very loose to dense state of packing.

#### 4.2.6 Refusal and Bedrock

Dynamic cone penetration refusal was encountered in Boreholes 15-1, 15-3 and 15-4; this refusal has been inferred to likely represent the bedrock surface. Bedrock was encountered beneath the till at previous Boreholes 2 and 8 where it was cored for depths of about 1.5 and 3.3 m, respectively.

The following table summarizes the bedrock surface depths and elevations encountered at the borehole locations during the current and previous investigations.



Borehole Number	Existing Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Depth to Bedrock (m)	Bedrock Surface Elevation (m)
15-1	118.1	21.8	96.3*
15-3	118.8	25.1	93.7*
15-4	117.0	22.3	94.7*
2	116.6	19.3	97.3
8	117.2	23.4	93.8

**Note:** \* Depth and elevation to bedrock inferred from DCPT refusal.

The bedrock encountered in the cored boreholes of the previous investigation typically consists of fresh grey limestone bedrock. The Rock Quality Designation (RQD) values measured on the recovered bedrock core samples typically ranged from about 54 to 80 percent, indicating fair to good quality rock.

#### 4.2.7 Groundwater Conditions

The groundwater level measured in the standpipe piezometer in Borehole 15-4 is presented in the table below:

Borehole	Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Water Level Depth (m)	Water Level Elevation (m)	Date
15-4	117.0	0.5	116.5	December 21, 2015

It should be noted that groundwater levels in the area are subject to fluctuations both seasonally and with precipitation events.



## 5.0 CLOSURE

This Foundation Investigation Report was prepared by Ms. Susan Trickey, P.Eng., and reviewed by Mr. Mike Cunningham, P.Eng., a Principal and geotechnical engineer with Golder. Mr. Fin Heffernan, P.Eng., Golder's Designated MTO Foundations Contact for this project, conducted an independent quality review of the report.

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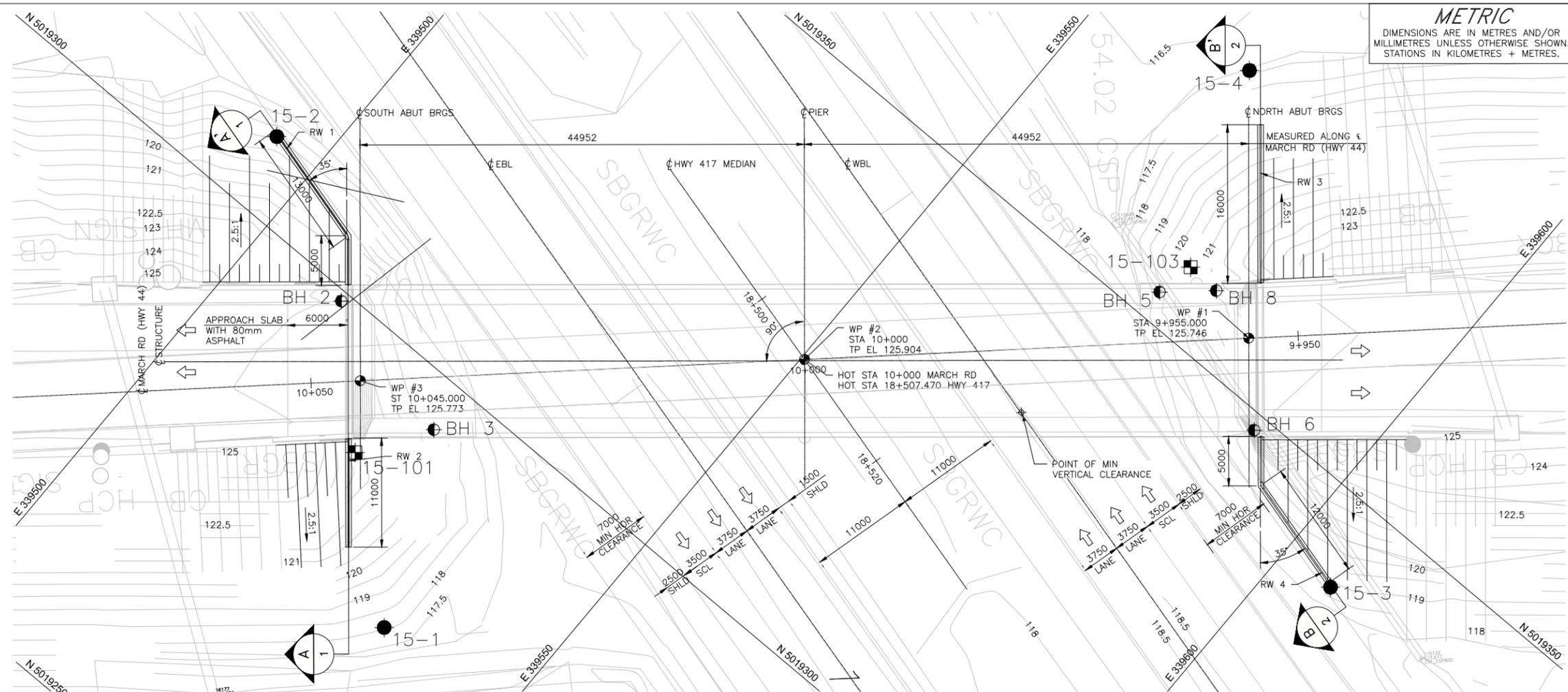


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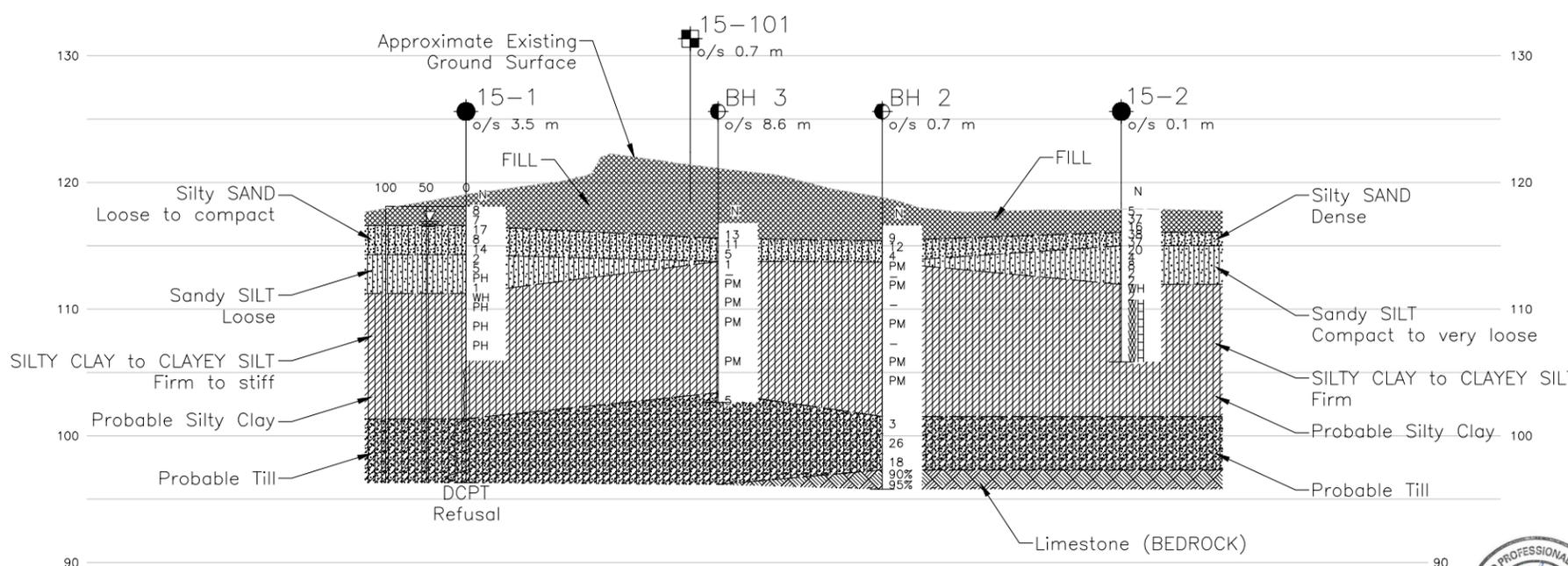
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- LEGEND**
- Borehole - Current Investigation
  - Test Pit - Current Investigation
  - Borehole - Previous Investigation
  - Seal
  - Piezometer
  - N Standard Penetration Test Value
  - 16 Blows/0.3m unless otherwise stated (Std. Pen. Test, 475 j/blow)
  - 100% Total Core Recovery (REC)
  - ≡ WL in piezometer, measured on Dec. 21, 2015
  - ≡ WL upon completion of drilling

PLAN  
 SCALE  
 5 0 5 10 m



SECTION A-A'  
 SCALE  
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BOREHOLE CO-ORDINATES

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15-1	118.1	5019276.6	339535.1
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The complete Foundation Investigation and Design Report for this project and other related documents may be examined at the Materials Engineering and Research Office, Downsview. Information contained in this report and related documents is specifically excluded in accordance with Section GC 2.01 of OPS General Conditions.

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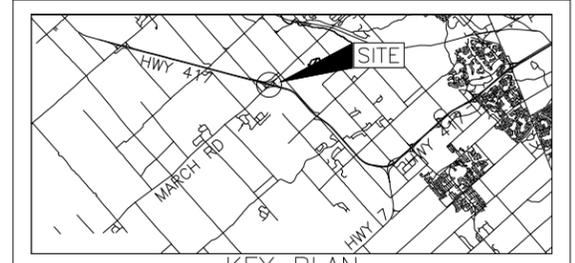
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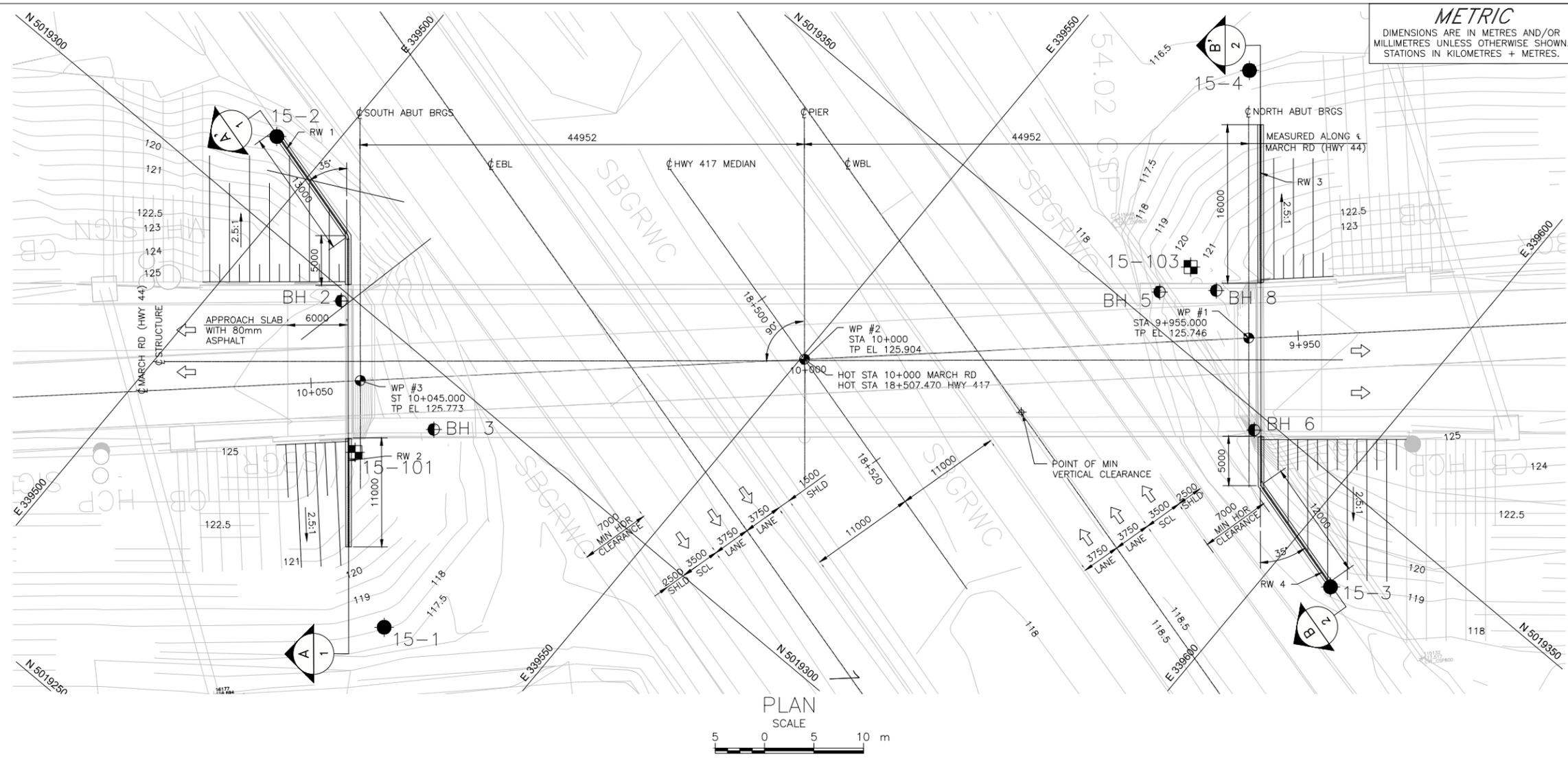
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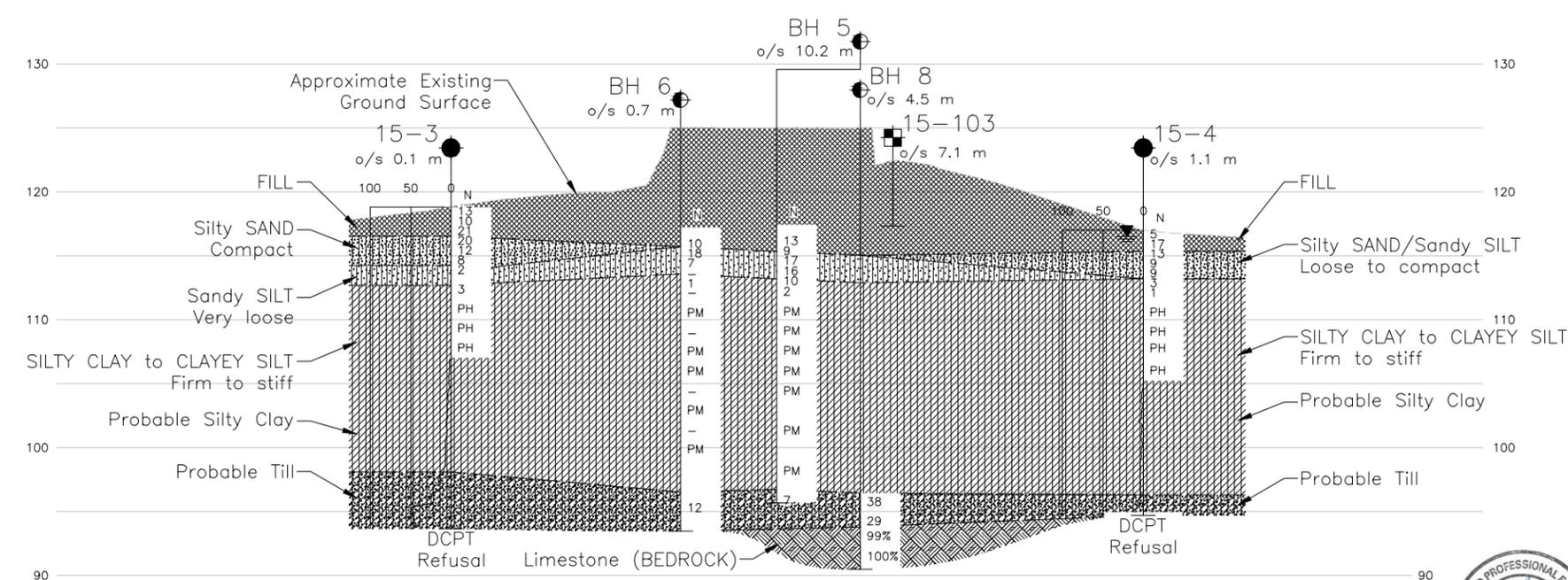
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The complete Foundation Investigation and Design Report for this project and other related documents may be examined at the Materials Engineering and Research Office, Downsview. Information contained in this report and related documents is specifically excluded in accordance with Section GC 2.01 of OPS General Conditions.

**REFERENCE**

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**SECTION B-B'**  
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HWY. 417	PROJECT NO. 1417217	DIST. EASTERN
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# **APPENDIX A**

## **List of Abbreviations and Symbols Borehole Records**

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

The abbreviations commonly employed on Records of Boreholes, on figures, and in the text of the report are as follows:

<b>I. SAMPLE TYPE</b>	<b>III. SOIL DESCRIPTION</b>																					
AS Auger sample	<b>(a) Cohesionless Soils</b>  <b>Density Index (Relative Density)</b>  Very loose Loose Compact Dense Very dense  <b>(b) Cohesive Soils</b> <b>C<sub>u</sub> or S<sub>u</sub></b>  <b>Consistency</b>  <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>kPa</u></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>Psf</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Very soft</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 to 12</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 to 250</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Soft</td> <td style="text-align: center;">12 to 25</td> <td style="text-align: center;">250 to 500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Firm</td> <td style="text-align: center;">25 to 50</td> <td style="text-align: center;">500 to 1,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Stiff</td> <td style="text-align: center;">50 to 100</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1,000 to 2,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Very stiff</td> <td style="text-align: center;">100 to 200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2,000 to 4,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hard</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Over 200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Over 4,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<u>kPa</u>	<u>Psf</u>	Very soft	0 to 12	0 to 250	Soft	12 to 25	250 to 500	Firm	25 to 50	500 to 1,000	Stiff	50 to 100	1,000 to 2,000	Very stiff	100 to 200	2,000 to 4,000	Hard	Over 200	Over 4,000
		<u>kPa</u>	<u>Psf</u>																			
Very soft		0 to 12	0 to 250																			
Soft		12 to 25	250 to 500																			
Firm		25 to 50	500 to 1,000																			
Stiff		50 to 100	1,000 to 2,000																			
Very stiff		100 to 200	2,000 to 4,000																			
Hard		Over 200	Over 4,000																			
BS Block sample																						
CS Chunk sample																						
DO or DP Seamless open-ended, driven or pushed tube samplers																						
DS Denison type sample																						
FS Foil sample																						
RC Rock core																						
SC Soil core																						
SS Split spoon sampler																						
ST Slotted tube																						
TO Thin-walled, open																						
TP Thin-walled, piston																						
WS Wash sample																						
DT Dual tube sample																						
DD Diamond drilling																						

### **II. PENETRATION RESISTANCE**

#### **Standard Penetration Resistance (SPT), N:**

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg. (140 lb.) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) required to drive a 50 mm (2 in.) split spoon sampler for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.).

#### **Dynamic Cone Penetration Resistance (DCPT); N<sub>d</sub>:**

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg (140 lb.) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) to drive an uncased 50 mm (2 in.) diameter, 60° cone attached to "A" size drill rods for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.).

- PH:** Sampler advanced by hydraulic pressure  
**PM:** Sampler advanced by manual pressure  
**WH:** Sampler advanced by static weight of hammer  
**WR:** Sampler advanced by weight of sampler and rod

#### **Cone Penetration Test (CPT):**

An electronic cone penetrometer with a 60° conical tip and a projected end area of 10 cm<sup>2</sup> pushed through ground at a penetration rate of 2 cm/s. Measurements of tip resistance (q<sub>t</sub>), porewater pressure (u) and friction along a sleeve are recorded electronically at 25 mm penetration intervals.

### **IV. SOIL TESTS**

- w Water content  
w<sub>p</sub> or PL Plastic limited  
w<sub>l</sub> or LL Liquid limit  
C Consolidation (oedometer) test  
CHEM Chemical analysis (refer to text)  
CID Consolidated isotropically drained triaxial test<sup>1</sup>  
CIU Consolidated isotropically undrained triaxial test with porewater pressure measurement<sup>1</sup>  
D<sub>R</sub> Relative density  
DS Direct shear test  
Gs Specific gravity  
M Sieve analysis for particle size  
MH Combined sieve and hydrometer (H) analysis  
MPC Modified Proctor compaction test  
SPC Standard Proctor compaction test  
OC Organic content test  
SO<sub>4</sub> Concentration of water-soluble sulphates  
UC Unconfined compression test  
UU Unconsolidated undrained triaxial test  
V Field vane test (LV-laboratory vane test)  
γ Unit weight

Note: <sup>1</sup> Tests which are anisotropically consolidated prior shear are shown as CAD, CAU.

## LIST OF SYMBOLS

Unless otherwise stated, the symbols employed in the report are as follows:

### I. GENERAL

$\pi$	3.1416
$\ln x$	natural logarithm of x
$\log_{10} x$ or $\log x$	logarithm of x to base 10
g	acceleration due to gravity
t	time
FOS	factor of safety
V	volume
W	weight

### II. STRESS AND STRAIN

$\gamma$	shear strain
$\Delta$	change in, e.g. in stress: $\Delta \sigma'$
$\epsilon$	linear strain
$\epsilon_v$	volumetric strain
$\eta$	coefficient of viscosity
$\nu$	Poisson's ratio
$\sigma$	total stress
$\sigma'$	effective stress ( $\sigma' = \sigma - u$ )
$\sigma'_{vo}$	initial vertical effective overburden stress
$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3$	principal stresses (major, intermediate, minor)
$\sigma_{oct}$	mean stress or octahedral stress $= (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3) / 3$
$\tau$	shear stress
u	porewater pressure
E	modulus of deformation
G	shear modulus of deformation
K	bulk modulus of compressibility

### III. SOIL PROPERTIES

#### (a) Index Properties

$\rho(\gamma)$	bulk density (bulk unit weight)*
$\rho_d(\gamma_d)$	dry density (dry unit weight)
$\rho_w(\gamma_w)$	density (unit weight) of water
$\rho_s(\gamma_s)$	density (unit weight) of solid particles
$\gamma'$	unit weight of submerged soil ( $\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w$ )
$D_R$	relative density (specific gravity) of solid particles ( $D_R = \rho_s / \rho_w$ ) formerly ( $G_s$ )
e	void ratio
n	porosity
S	degree of saturation
*	Density symbol is $\rho$ . Unit weight symbol is $\gamma$ where $\gamma = \rho g$ (i.e. mass density multiplied by acceleration due to gravity)

#### (a) Index Properties (continued)

w	water content
$w_l$ or LL	liquid limit
$w_p$ or PL	plastic limit
$I_p$ or PI	plasticity Index = $(w_l - w_p)$
$w_s$	shrinkage limit
$I_L$	liquidity index = $(w - w_p) / I_p$
$I_c$	consistency index = $(w_l - w) / I_p$
$e_{max}$	void ratio in loosest state
$e_{min}$	void ratio in densest state
$I_D$	density index = $(e_{max} - e) / (e_{max} - e_{min})$ (formerly relative density)

#### (b) Hydraulic Properties

h	hydraulic head or potential
q	rate of flow
v	velocity of flow
i	hydraulic gradient
k	hydraulic conductivity (coefficient of permeability)
j	seepage force per unit volume

#### (c) Consolidation (one-dimensional)

$C_c$	compression index (normally consolidated range)
$C_r$	recompression index (overconsolidated range)
$C_s$	swelling index
$C_\alpha$	coefficient of secondary consolidation
$m_v$	coefficient of volume change
$c_v$	coefficient of consolidation (vertical direction)
$T_v$	time factor (vertical direction)
U	degree of consolidation
$\sigma'_p$	pre-consolidation stress
OCR	overconsolidation ratio = $\sigma'_p / \sigma'_{vo}$

#### (d) Shear Strength

$\tau_p$ or $\tau_r$	peak and residual shear strength
$\phi'$	effective angle of internal friction
$\delta$	angle of interface friction
$\mu$	coefficient of friction = $\tan \delta$
$c'$	effective cohesion
$c_u$ or $s_u$	undrained shear strength ( $\phi = 0$ analysis)
p	mean total stress $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) / 2$
$p'$	mean effective stress $(\sigma'_1 + \sigma'_3) / 2$
q	$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) / 2$ or $(\sigma'_1 - \sigma'_3) / 2$
$q_u$	compressive strength $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)$
$S_t$	sensitivity

Notes: <sup>1</sup>  $\tau = c' + \sigma' \tan \phi'$

<sup>2</sup> shear strength = (compressive strength) / 2



PROJECT <u>1417217</u>	<b>RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 15-1</b>	SHEET 2 OF 3	<b>METRIC</b>
G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019276.6 ; E 339535.1</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>December 3-4, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									
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						20 40 60 80 100					25 50 75						
105.9 12.2	SILTY CLAY to CLAYEY SILT Firm to stiff Grey Wet  ----- Probable Silty Clay		13	TP	PH	108	×	+									
101.3 16.8	Probable Till					107	×	+									
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DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
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SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa								
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96.3 21.8	Probable Till  END OF BOREHOLE DCPT REFUSAL  NOTES: 1. Water level in open borehole at a depth of 1.2 m below ground surface (Elev. 116.9 m), measured during drilling.					98	97									

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**PROJECT** 1417217 **RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 15-2** **SHEET 1 OF 2** **METRIC**  
**G.W.P.** 4104-13-01 **LOCATION** N 5019307.6 ; E 339494.9 **ORIGINATED BY** DWM  
**DIST** Eastern **HWY** 417 **BOREHOLE TYPE** Portable **COMPILED BY** JM  
**DATUM** Geodetic **DATE** December 1-2, 2015 **CHECKED BY** SAT

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)								
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	20	40	60	80						100	20	40	60	80	100	25	50
118.4	GROUND SURFACE																							
0.0	Sandy silt to silty sand (TOPSOIL/FILL)																							
118.2	Brown																							
0.2	Silty sand, trace gravel, clay and organic matter, occasional cobble (FILL)																							
117.5	Loose																							
0.9	Dark brown to black																							
116.9	Moist																							
1.5	Silty sand, some gravel (FILL)																							
116.1	Dense																							
2.3	Grey-brown																							
115.1	Moist																							
3.4	Sand and gravel, trace silt (FILL)																							
116.1	Compact																							
2.3	Grey-brown																							
115.1	Wet																							
3.4	Silty SAND, some gravel, contains non-plastic fines																							
115.1	Dense																							
3.4	Grey-brown																							
115.1	Wet																							
3.4	Sandy SILT																							
115.1	Compact to very loose																							
3.4	Grey																							
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G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019307.6 ; E 339494.9</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Portable</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>December 1-2, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa								
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						20	40	60	80	100	25	50	75			
105.9	SILTY CLAY to CLAYEY SILT, contains sandy silt seams Firm Grey Wet		17	SS	WH						H	o				
			18	SS	WH											
			19	SS	WH											
106			20	SS	WH							H	o			
12.5	END OF BOREHOLE															

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**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 15-3**      SHEET 1 OF 3      **METRIC**

PROJECT 1417217      G.W.P. 4104-13-01      LOCATION N 5019341.3; E 339605.9      ORIGINATED BY DWM

DIST Eastern      HWY 417      BOREHOLE TYPE Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT      COMPILED BY JM

DATUM Geodetic      DATE December 4-7, 2015      CHECKED BY SAT

SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)							
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE	"N" VALUES			20	40	60	80	100						20	40	60	80	100	25	50
118.8	GROUND SURFACE																							
0.0	TOPSOIL/FILL																							
0.1	Silty sand, trace gravel and organic matter (FILL)		1	SS	13																			
118.0	Compact Grey-brown Moist																							
0.8	Sand, some silt, trace gravel and clay		2	SS	10																			8 76 12 4
	Compact Brown Wet																							
			3	SS	21																			
116.5																								
2.3	Silty SAND, contains non-plastic fines		4	SS	20																			
	Compact to loose Grey Wet																							
			5	SS	12																			0 52 40 8
			6	SS	8																			0 48 44 8
114.2																								
4.6	Sandy SILT		7	SS	2																			0 17 71 12
	Very loose Grey Wet																							
112.7																								
6.1	SILTY CLAY to CLAYEY SILT, contains sand seams		8	SS	3																			
	Firm to stiff Grey Wet																							
			9	TP	PH																			



PROJECT <u>1417217</u>	<b>RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 15-3</b>	SHEET 3 OF 3	<b>METRIC</b>
G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019341.3; E 339605.9</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>December 4-7, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT				PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa							
98.1	Probable Silty Clay	[Hatched Pattern]													
20.7	Probable Till	[Cross-hatched Pattern]													
93.7	END OF BOREHOLE DCPT REFUSAL	[Blank]													

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PROJECT <u>1417217</u>	<b>RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 15-4</b>	SHEET 1 OF 3	<b>METRIC</b>
G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019375.9; E 339566.1</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>December 7-8, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT		PLASTIC NATURAL LIQUID LIMIT			UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	TYPE	"N" VALUES			20	40	60	80	100			W <sub>p</sub>
117.0	GROUND SURFACE													
0.0	TOPSOIL/FILL													
0.2	Silty sand, trace organic matter (FILL) Loose Grey-brown Wet	1	SS	5										
116.2														
0.8	Silty sand (FILL) Compact Brown Wet	2	SS	17										
115.3														
1.7	Silty SAND/Sandy SILT, contains non-plastic fines and shells Loose to compact Grey Wet	3	SS	13										0 55 34 11
		4	SS	9										
		5	SS	9										0 37 55 8
113.2														
3.8	SILTY CLAY to CLAYEY SILT, contains sand seams and shells Firm to stiff Grey Wet	6	SS	3										
		7	SS	1										
		8	TP	PH										
		9	SS	PH										
		10	TP	PH										

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G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019375.9;E 339566.1</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Power Auger 200 mm Diam. (Hollow Stem), DCPT</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>December 7-8, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)		
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	20	40	60	80						100	25
96.3	Probable Silty Clay																	
20.7	Probable Till																	
94.7	END OF BOREHOLE DCPT REFUSAL																	
22.3	NOTES: 1. Water level in piezometer at a depth of 0.5 m below ground surface (Elev. 116.5 m), measured Dec. 21, 2015.																	

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PROJECT <u>1417217</u>	<b>RECORD OF TEST PIT No 15-101</b>	SHEET 1 OF 1	<b>METRIC</b>
G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019288.3 ; E 339521.6</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Excavator</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>November 30, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

ELEV DEPTH	SOIL PROFILE DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
			NUMBER	TYPE	"N" VALUES			SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									
							20	40	60	80	100						
							○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL × REMOULDED					WATER CONTENT (%)					
							20	40	60	80	100	25	50	75			
122.4	GROUND SURFACE																
0.0	Silty sand (TOPSOIL/FILL)																
0.1	Brown Sandy gravel/gravelly sand, some silt, trace clay (FILL) Grey-brown Moist		1	GRAB	-											50 35 11 4	
			2	GRAB	-												
			3	GRAB	-											27 43 21 9	
							120										
119.4	Sandy silt, trace gravel and rootlets (FILL) Dark brown Moist		4	GRAB	-												
119.0	Silty sand (FILL) Grey-brown Moist		5	GRAB	-												
			6	GRAB	-												
118.4	END OF TEST PIT																
4.0	NOTES: 1. Test pit dry upon completion of drilling.																

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PROJECT <u>1417217</u>	<b>RECORD OF TEST PIT No 15-103</b>	SHEET 1 OF 1	<b>METRIC</b>
G.W.P. <u>4104-13-01</u>	LOCATION <u>N 5019356.9;E 339574.3</u>	ORIGINATED BY <u>DWM</u>	
DIST <u>Eastern</u> HWY <u>417</u>	BOREHOLE TYPE <u>Excavator</u>	COMPILED BY <u>JM</u>	
DATUM <u>Geodetic</u>	DATE <u>November 30, 2015</u>	CHECKED BY <u>SAT</u>	

ELEV DEPTH	SOIL PROFILE DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
			NUMBER	TYPE	"N" VALUES			20	40	60	80	100					
120.5	GROUND SURFACE																
0.0	Sandy silt to silty sand (TOPSOIL/FILL)																
0.1	Brown Sandy gravel/gravelly sand, some silt, trace clay (FILL) Grey-brown Moist		1	GRAB	-												
			2	GRAB	-												
			3	GRAB	-												35 40 19 6
			4	GRAB	-												
117.6	Sand, some silt to silty sand (FILL)		5	GRAB	-												
117.3	Brown		6	GRAB	-												
3.2	END OF TEST PIT																
	NOTES: 1. Test pit dry upon completion of drilling.																

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# **APPENDIX B**

## **Borehole Records, Previous Investigation (1990)**

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 2

METRIC

W P 34-81-02 LOCATION CH 10 + 045.9 - 8.7 RT (Hwy. 44) ORIGINATED BY R.K.  
 DIST 9 HWY 44 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger, Rotary Coring (B0) @ 15.09 m. COMPILED BY I.C.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE December 11, 1989 CHECKED BY

OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION

ELEV DEPTH	SOIL PROFILE DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI C
			NUMBER	TYPE	'N' VALUES			20	40	60	80	100					
116.62	Ground Level																
0.00	Loose, brown sand.																
115.40	Some silt. Fill		1	SS	9												
1.22	Compact to loose silty fine sand. Tr clay.		2	SS	12											0, 40, 53, 7	
113.72	Silt and clay. Content increase with depth.		3	SS	4												
2.90	Stiff, grey silty clay with 3 mm thick clayey silt varves at 25-30 mm spacings.		4	SS	PM*												
			5	ST	-												
			6	SS	PM*												
			7	ST	-												
			8	SS	PM												
			9	ST	-												
			10	SS	PM												
			11	SS	PM												
101.53																	
15.09	Loose to compact, grey silty sand. Tr clay, some gravel. Occ boulder. Till		12	SS	3												
			13	SS	26												
			14	SS	18												
97.31	Fresh, grey, medium grained limestone bed-rock with dark grey, closely spaced, dark grey partings (below 10mm) of shale 50mm fractured zone at 20.2 m.		15	BQ													
19.31			16	BQ													
95.79																	
20.83	End of Borehole																
	Notes Water level in standpipe Piezometer at elevation 115.78 m on 22/12/89. PM* - Sample taken from disturbed ground.																

+3, x5: Numbers refer to Sensitivity  
 20  
 15 - 5 (%) STRAIN AT FAILURE  
 10

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 3

METRIC

W P 34-81-02 LOCATION CH 10 + 037.2 - 5.2 LT (Hwy. 44) ORIGINATED BY R.K.  
 DIST 9 HWY 44 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger & Penetration Test COMPILED BY I.C.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE December 13-14, 1989 CHECKED BY

OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT LIQUID LIMIT			UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI C
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT. PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			'N' VALUES	20	40	60	80	100	W <sub>p</sub>	W		
116.81	Ground Level															
0.00	Compact, brown sand Fill		1	SS	13											
115.59	Compact to loose sandy Silt. Tr Clay. Silt and clay contents increase with depth.		2	SS	11											
113.76			3	SS	5											
3.05			Stiff grey silty clay with 3 mm thick clayey silt varves at 25-30 mm spacings.	4	SS	1/50	11									
				5	ST	-										
			6	SS	PM											
			7	SS	PM											
			8	SS	PM											
			9	SS	PM											
103.40	Seal															
104	Loose, grey silty sand															
13.41	Some gravel, Till.		10	SS	5											
102.64	End of Borehole															
14.17																
96.16																
20.65	End of penetration test															
	Notes															
	Water level in stand-pipe at elevation 113.81 m on 24/01/90															

Redrive values after pulling back 0.9 m

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 5

METRIC

W P 34-81-02 LOCATION CH 9 + 962.8 - 5.0 RT (Hwy. 44) ORIGINATED BY R.K.  
 DIST 9 HWY 44 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY I.C.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE December 4, 1989 CHECKED BY

OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI C
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			'N' VALUES	20	40	60	80					
						○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB VANE					WATER CONTENT (%)					
						25	50	75	100	125	25	50	75			
117.46	Ground Level															
0.00	Compact to loose brown sand. Occ organics.		1	SS	13											
115.33	Fill.		2	SS	9											
2.13	Compact, grey silt. Tr. sand and clay. Occ. shells		3	SS	17											
113.19			4	SS	16											
4.27			5	SS	10											
	Stiff to firm, grey silty clay with 3 mm thick clayey silt varves at 25-30 mm spacings.		6	SS	2											
			7	SS	PM*											
			8	SS	PM											
			9	SS	PM											
			10	SS	PM											
			11	SS	PM											
			12	SS	PM											
			13	SS	PM											
96.74	Loose, grey silty sand		14	SS	7											
20.72	Some gravel. Till															
98.67																
21.79	End of Borehole															
	<p><u>Note</u></p> <p>Piezometer installed a short distance away from Borehole 5.</p> <p>Water level in stand-pipe at elevation 116.06 m on 22/12/89.</p> <p>PM* - Sample taken from disturbed ground.</p>															

+3, x<sup>5</sup>: Numbers refer to Sensitivity  
 20  
 15  
 10  
 5 (%) STRAIN AT FAILURE

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 6

METRIC

W P 34-81-02 LOCATION CH 9 + 954.1 - 9.0 LT (Hwy. 44) ORIGINATED BY R.K.  
 DIST 9 HWY 44 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY I.C.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE December 5, 6, 1989 CHECKED BY \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT LIQUID LIMIT			UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$ KN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI C	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			'N' VALUES	20	40	60	80	100	W <sub>p</sub>	W			W <sub>L</sub>
117.23	Ground Level																
0.00	Loose, brown sand. Tr Silt Fill	X	1	SS	10												
115.71	Compact to loose, grey sandy silt. Tr. clay. Occ. shells	X	2	SS	18												
1.52		X	3	SS	7												
113.57		X	4	ST	-												
3.66		X	5	SS	1/50	cm											
	Stiff, grey silty clay with 3 mm thick clayey silt varves at 25-30mm spacings.	X	6	SS													
		X	7	SS	PM												
		X	8	ST	-												
		X	9	SS	PM												
		X	10	SS	PM												
		X	11	ST	-												
		X	12	SS	PM												
		X	13	ST	-												
		X	14	SS	PM												
		X	15	SS	12												
96.51	Compact, grey silty sand and gravel. Tr clay. Occ boulder. Till.	X															
20.72		X															
93.46	End of Borehole Auger refusal	X															
23.77		X															

+<sup>3</sup>, x<sup>5</sup>: Numbers refer to Sensitivity  
 20  
 15  $\diamond$  5 (%) STRAIN AT FAILURE  
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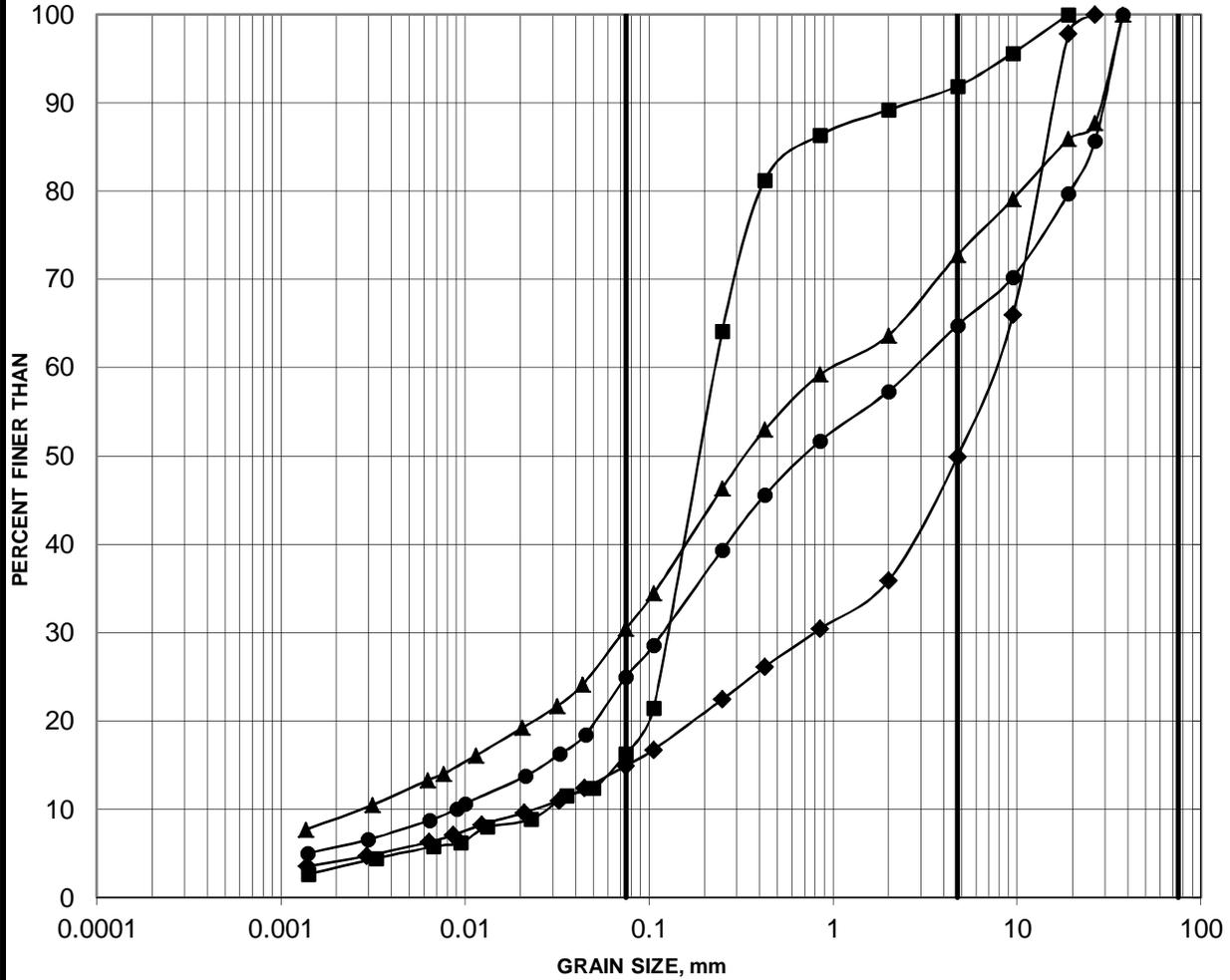




# **APPENDIX C**

## **Laboratory Test Results, Current Investigation**

Embankment Fill

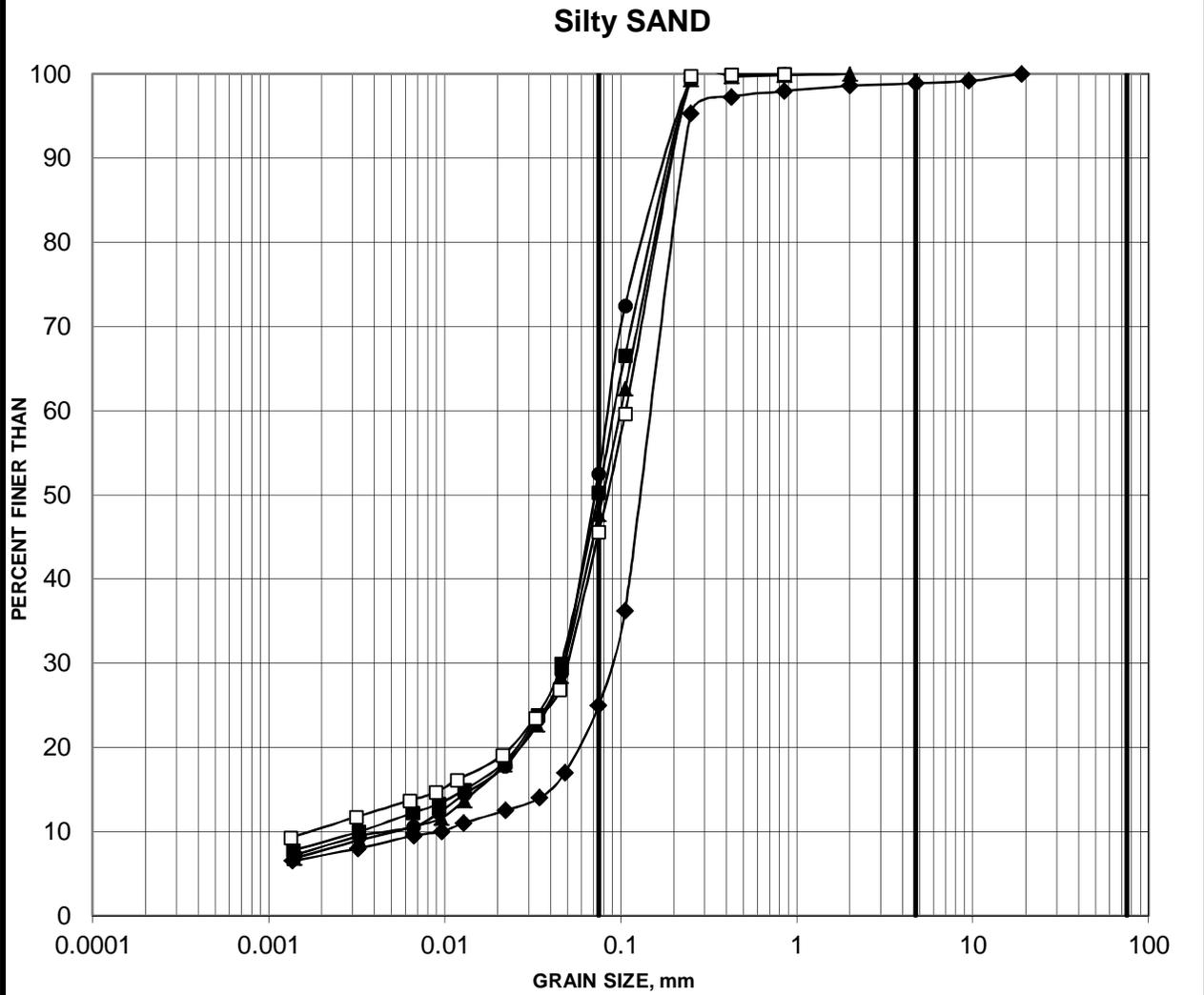


SILT AND CLAY	FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE	COBBLE SIZE
	SAND SIZE			GRAVEL SIZE		

Borehole	Sample	Depth (m)
15-3	2	0.76-1.37
15-101	1	0.13-0.90
15-101	3	1.20-1.60
15-103	4	1.40-1.70

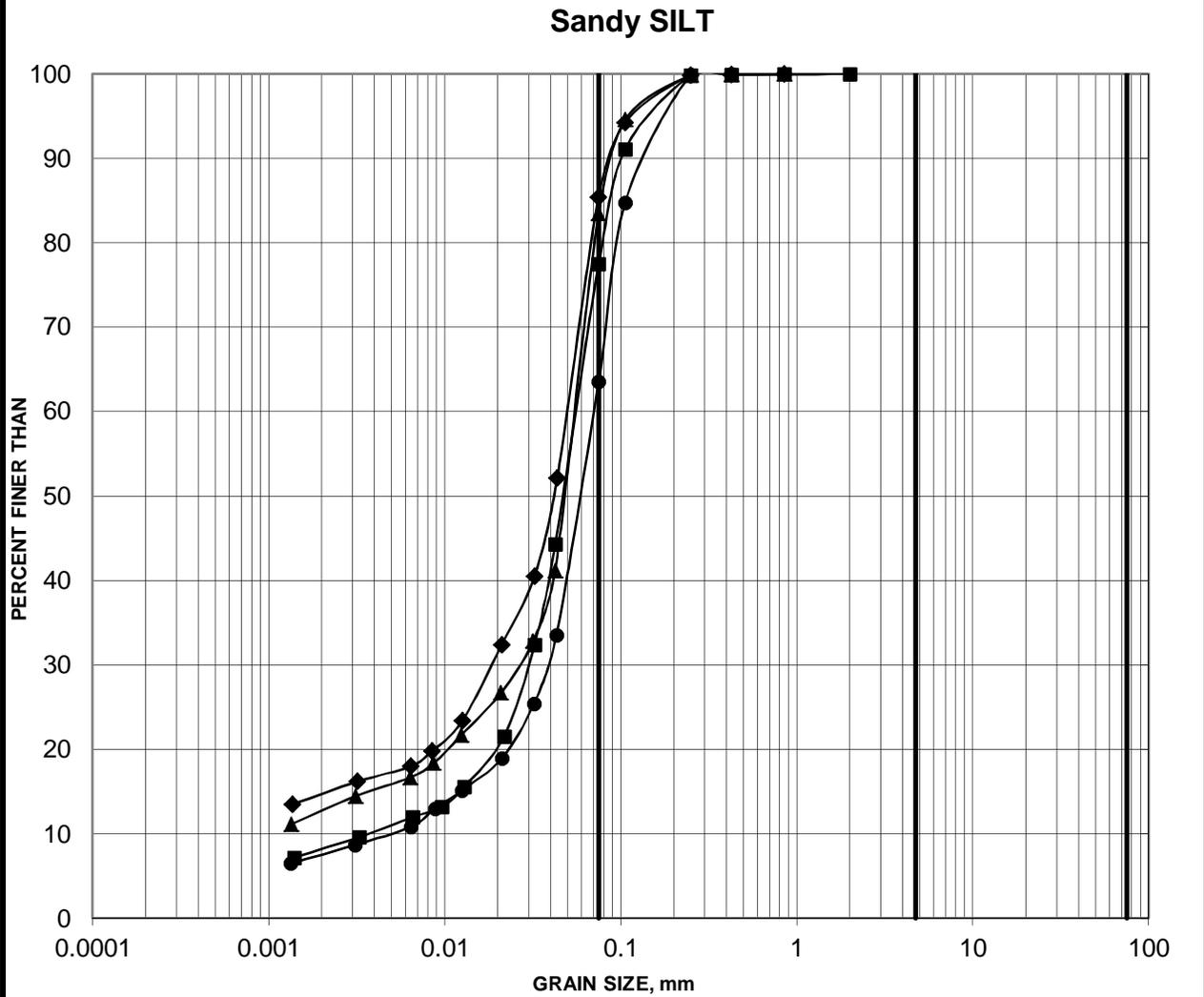
GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION

FIGURE C2



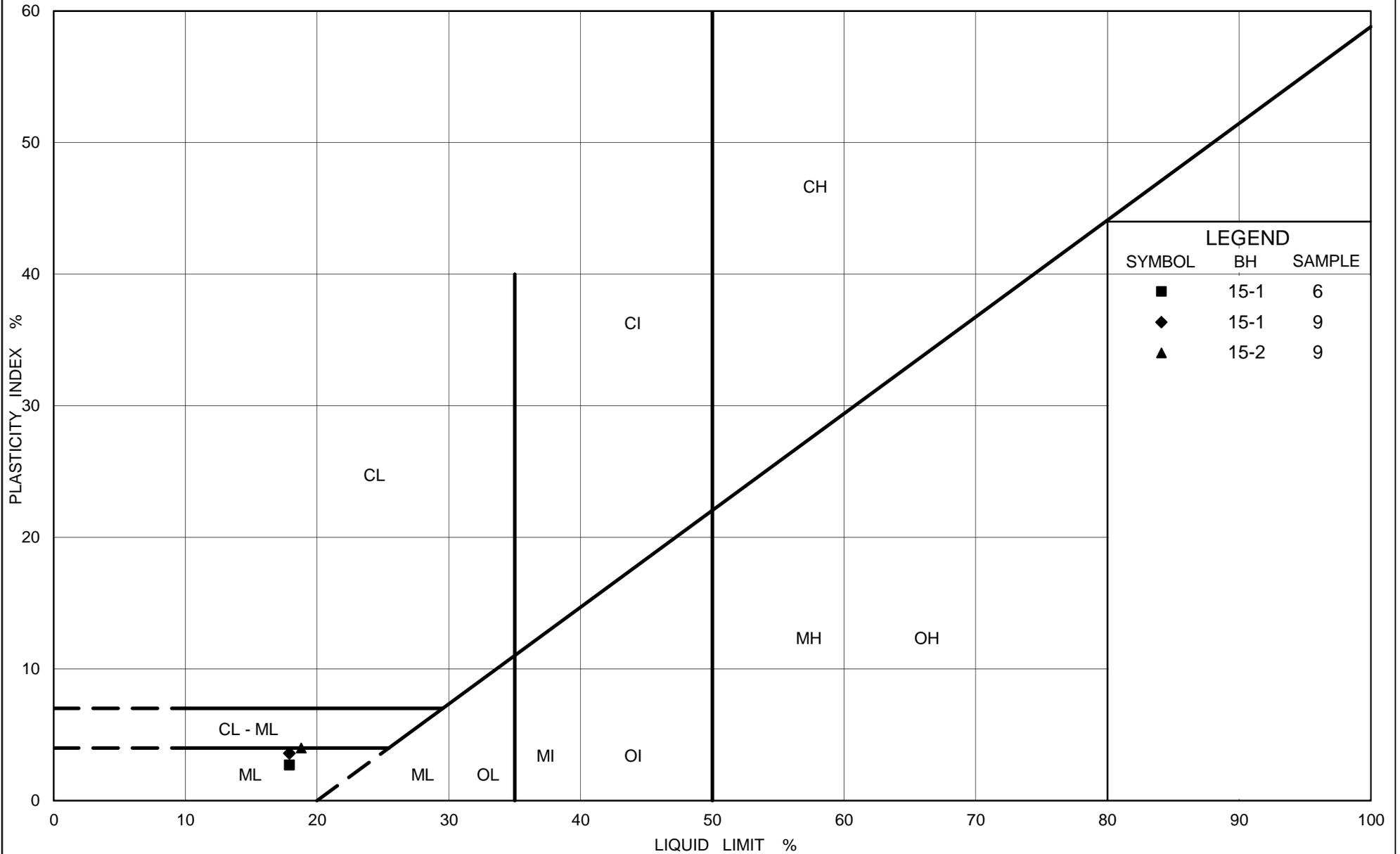
SILT AND CLAY	FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE	COBBLE SIZE
	SAND SIZE			GRAVEL SIZE		

Borehole	Sample	Depth (m)
■ 15-1	4	2.28-2.89
◆ 15-2	4	2.13-2.74
▲ 15-3	5	3.05-3.66
● 15-3	6	3.81-4.42
□ 15-4	3	1.52-2.13

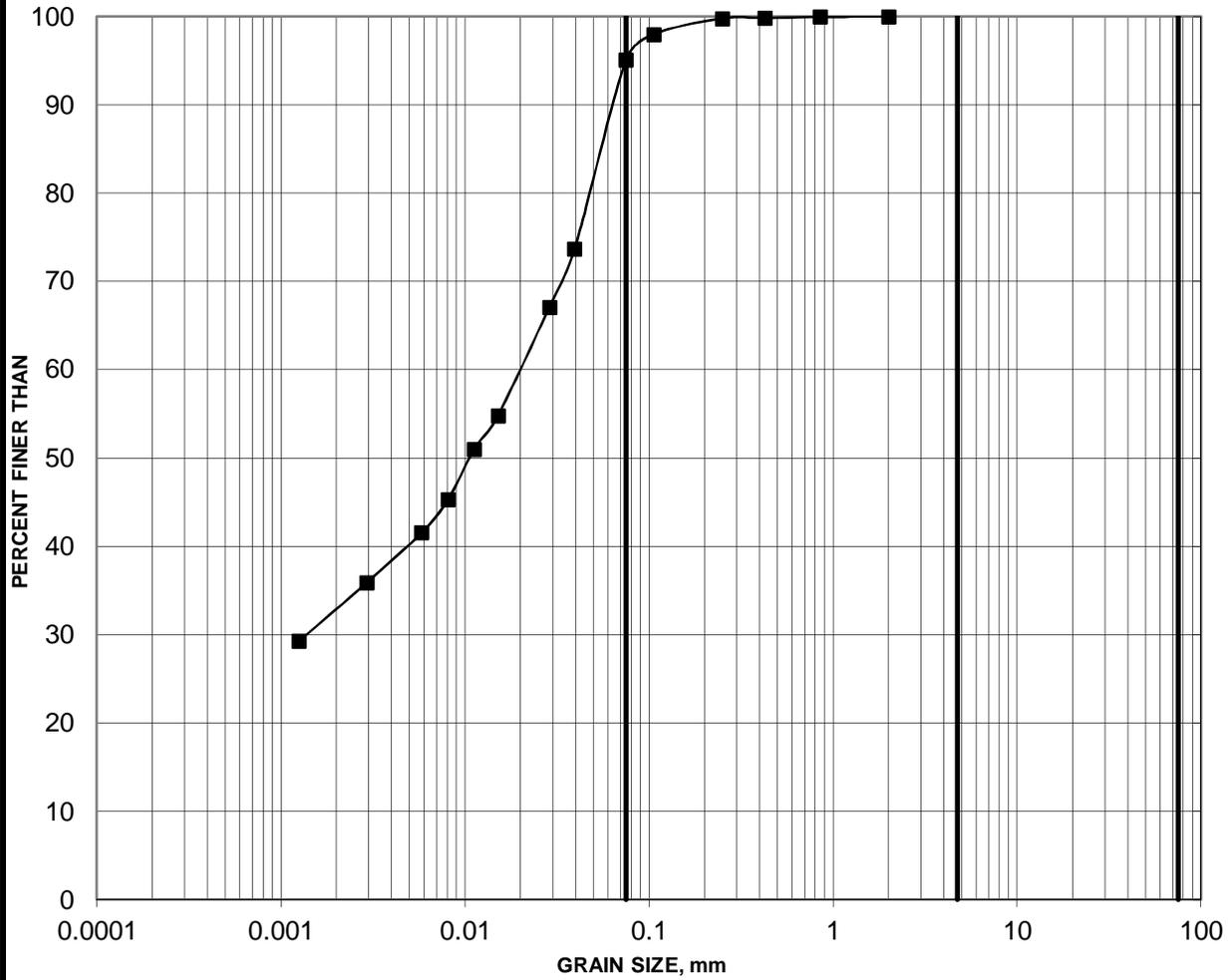


SILT AND CLAY	FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE	COBBLE SIZE
	SAND SIZE			GRAVEL SIZE		

Borehole	Sample	Depth (m)
■ 15-1	7	4.57-5.18
◆ 15-2	8	4.57-5.18
▲ 15-3	7	4.57-5.18
● 15-4	5	3.05-3.66

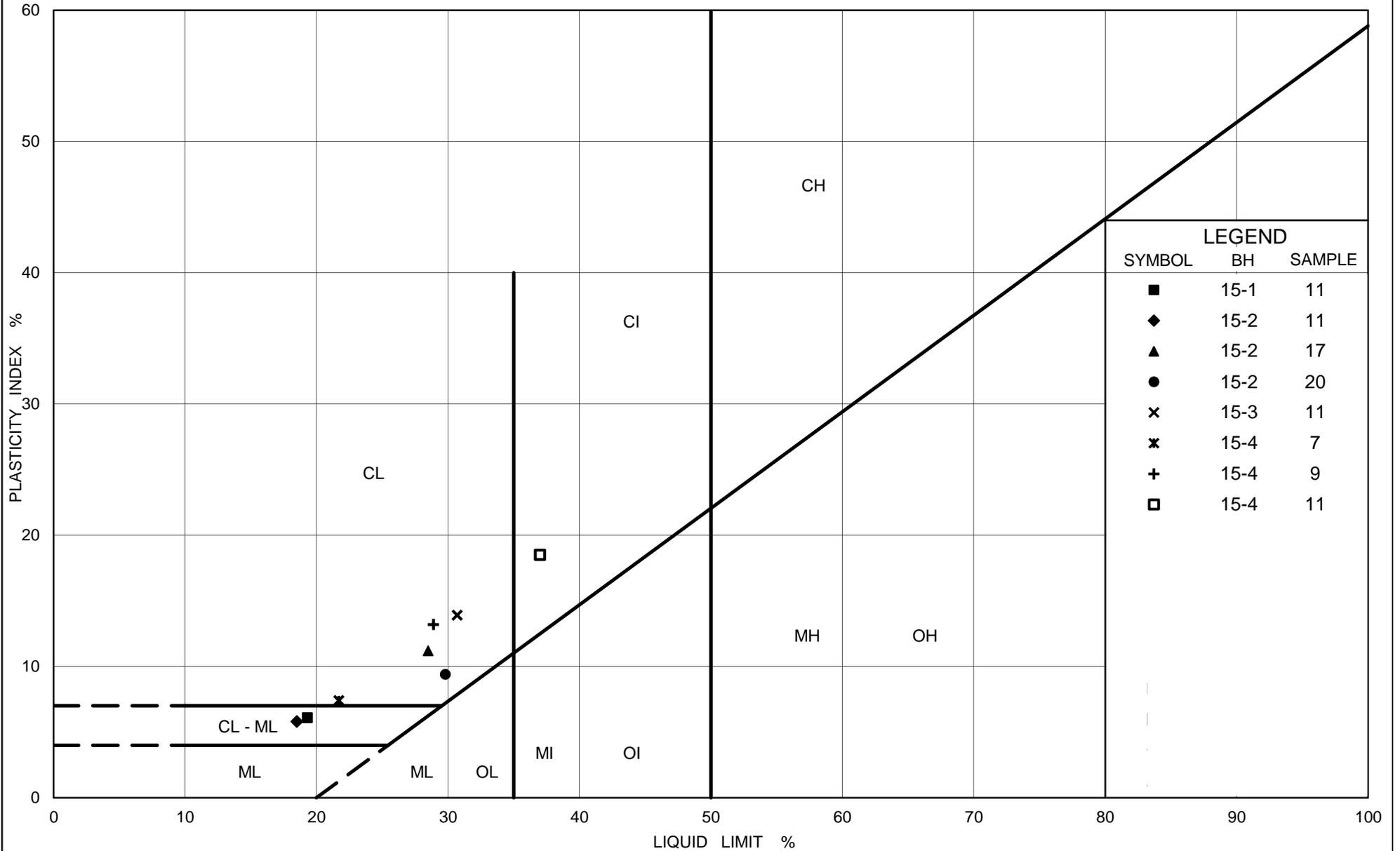


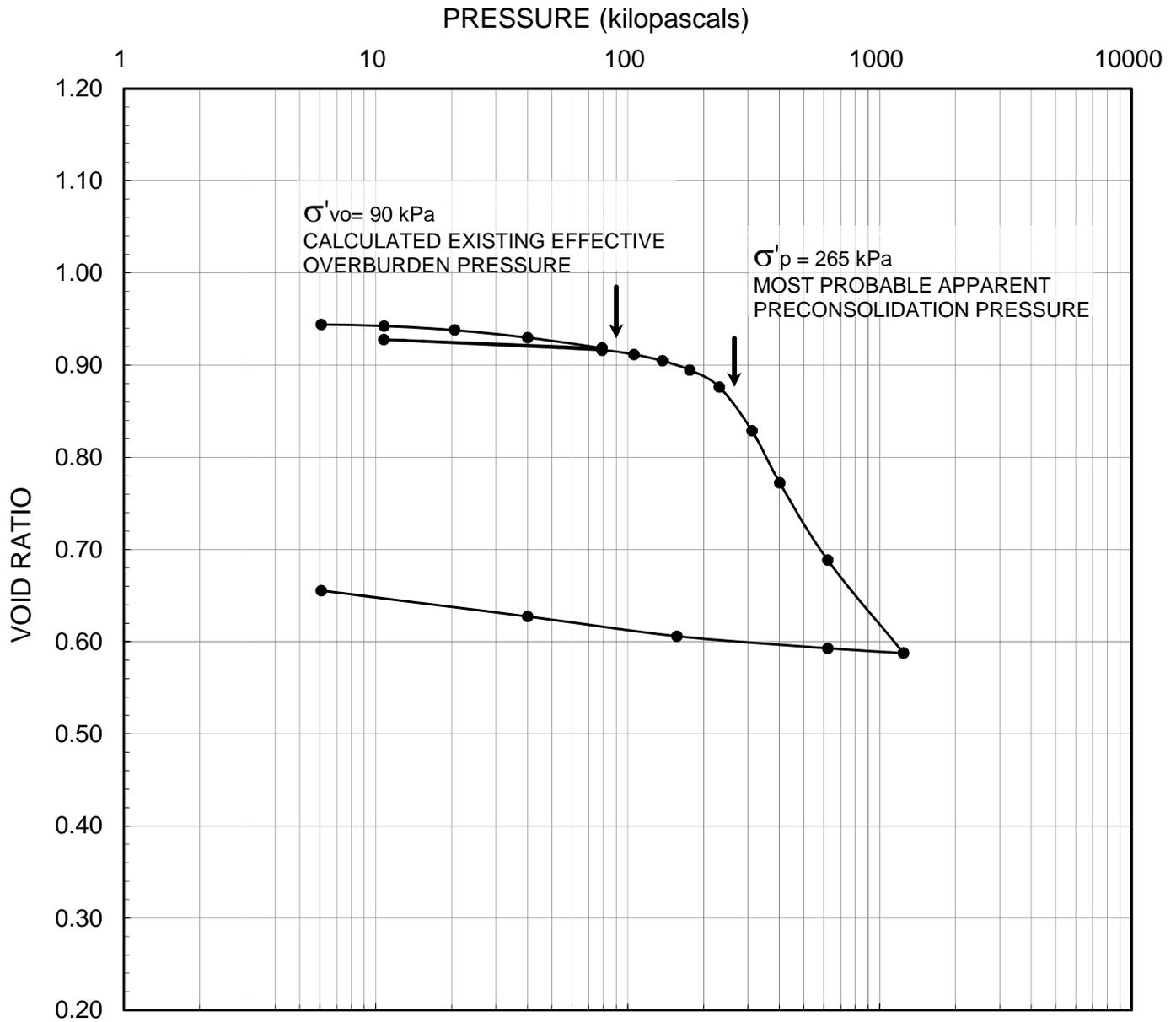
SILTY CLAY TO CLAYEY SILT



SILT AND CLAY	FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE	COBBLE SIZE
	SAND SIZE			GRAVEL SIZE		

Borehole	Sample	Depth (m)
—■— 15-2	14	8.23-8.84





**LEGEND**

Borehole: 15-1	$w_i = 34\%$	$S_o = 98\%$	$\gamma = 18.6 \text{ kN/m}^3$
Sample: 11	$w_f = 24\%$	$e_o = 0.95$	$G_s = 2.77$
Depth (m): 7.6-8.1	$w_l = 19\%$	$C_c = 0.51$	
Elevation (m): 110.5-110.0	$w_p = 13\%$	$C_r = 0.013$	



SCALE	AS SHOWN
DATE	03/23/16
CADD	LH
ENTERED	MI
CHECK	CNM
REVIEW	SAT

TITLE	<b>CONSOLIDATION TEST RESULTS</b>
FIGURE	

FILE No.	Consolidation summary
PROJECT No.	1417217 /1100
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# **APPENDIX D**

## **Consolidation Test Results, Previous Investigation (1990)**

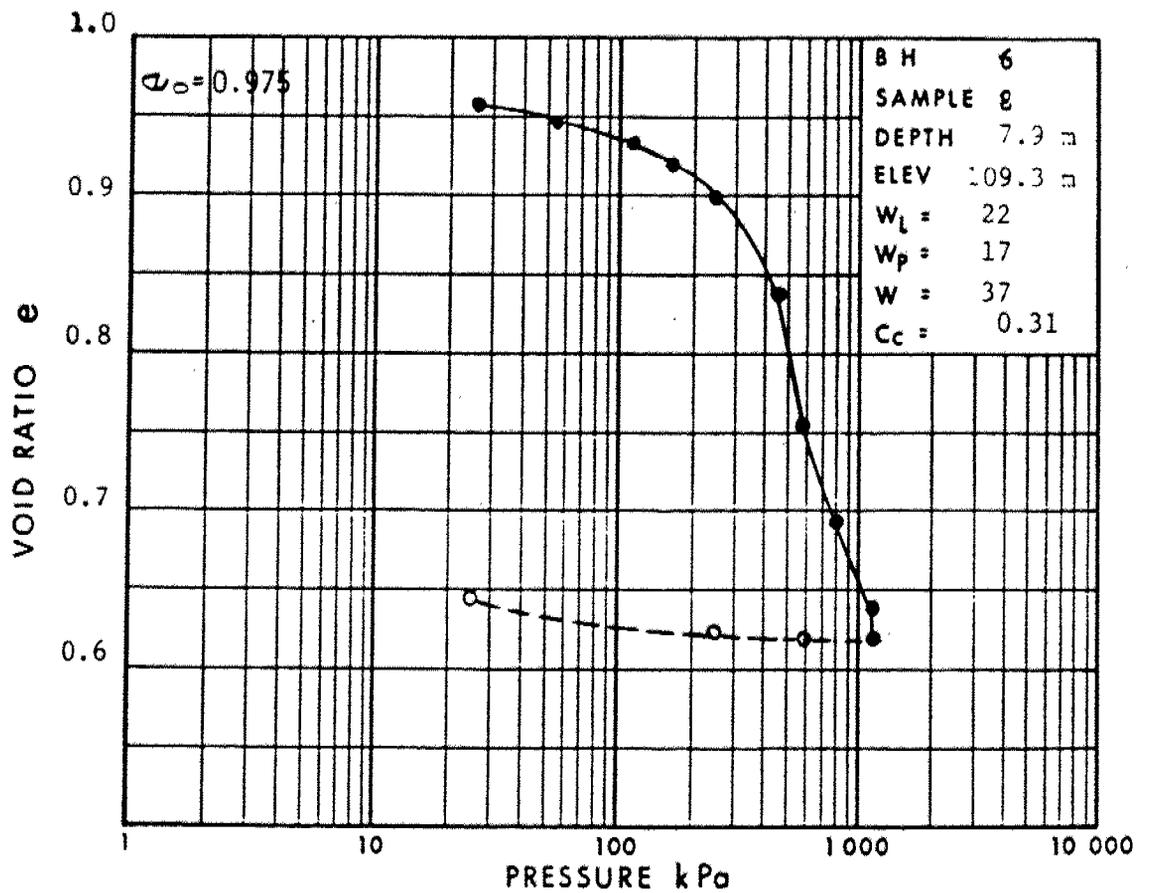
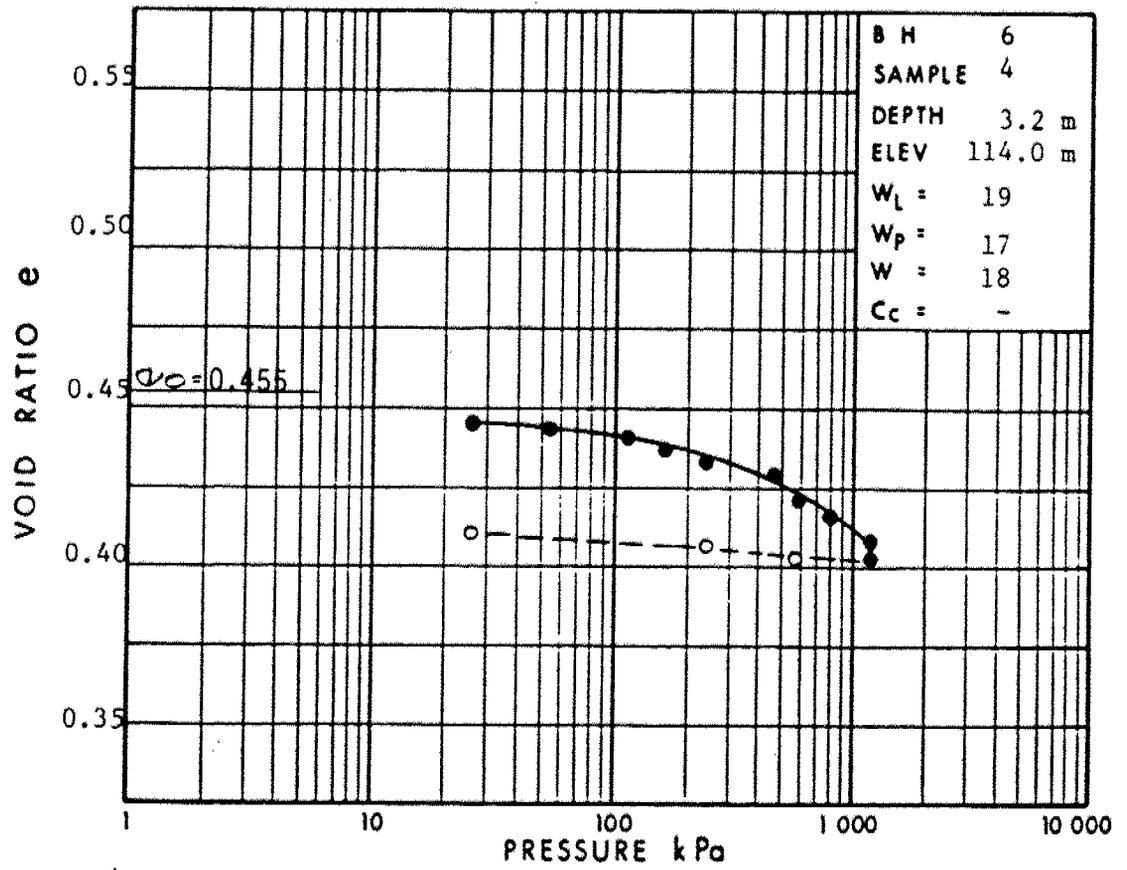


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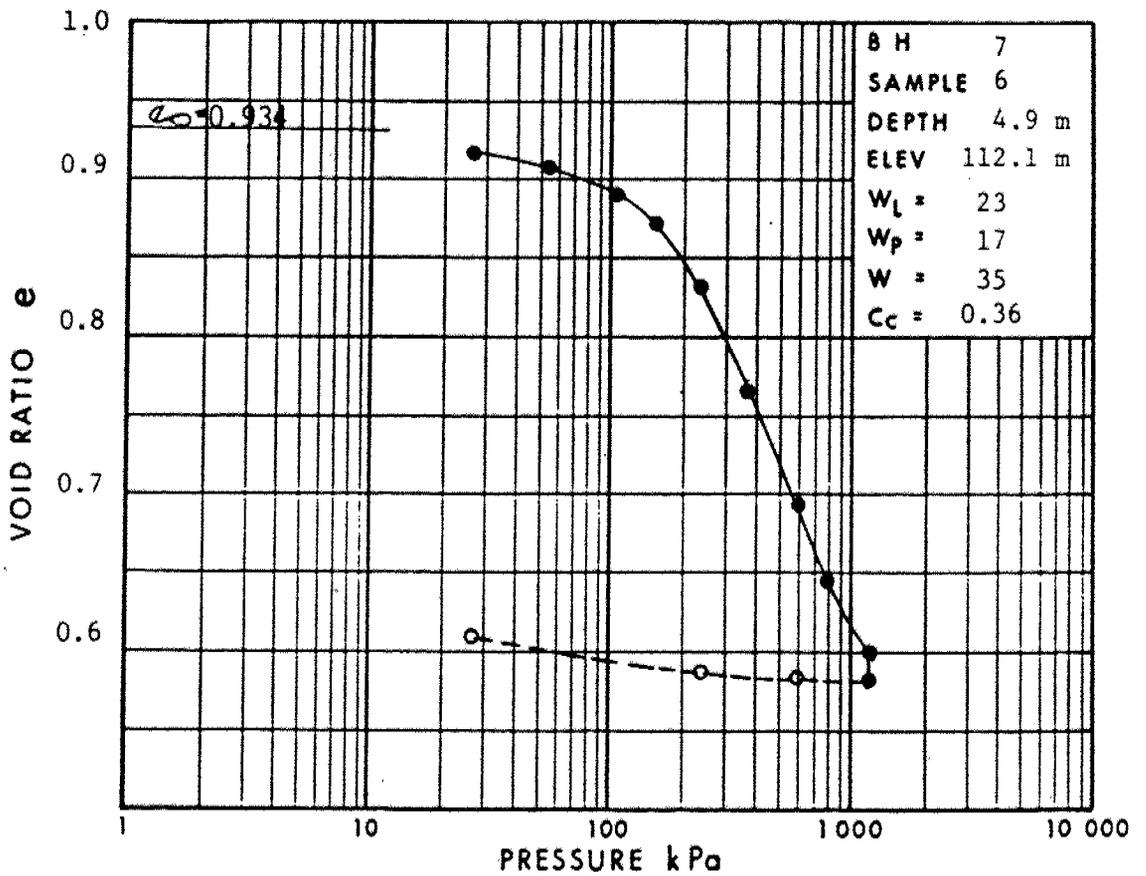
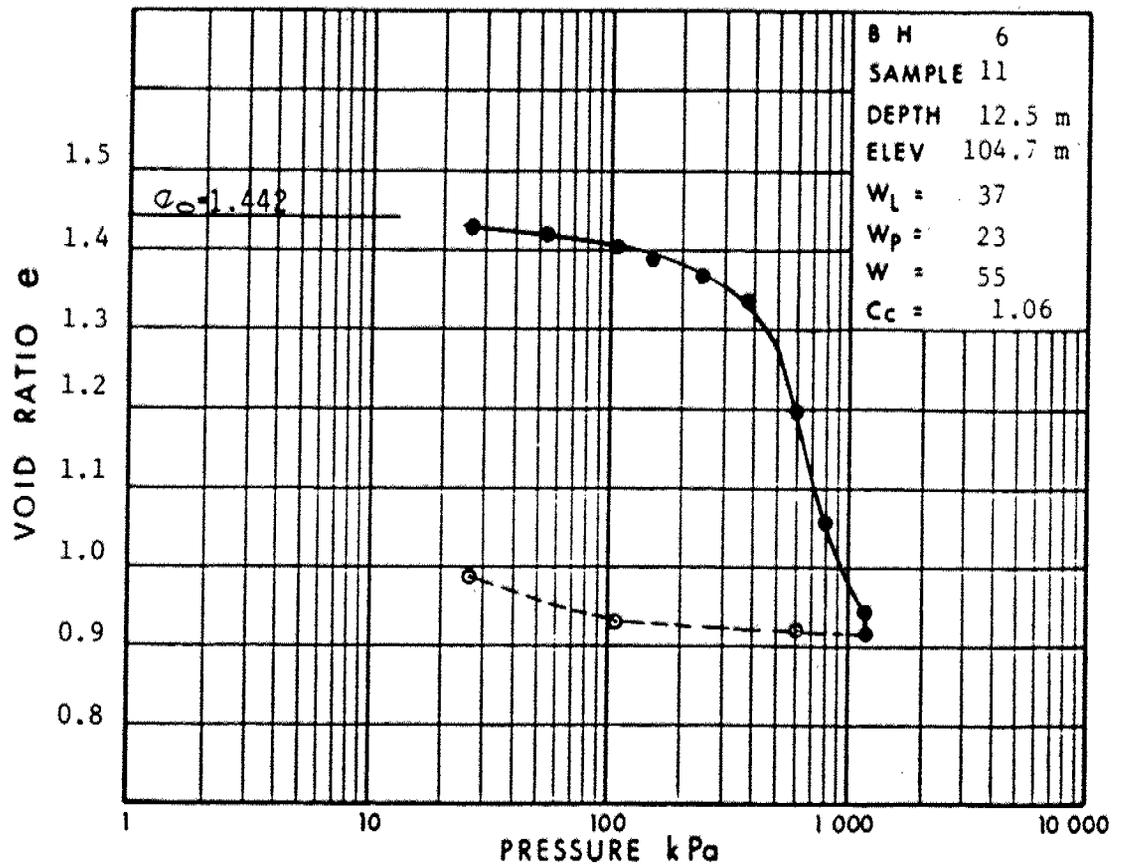


Fig No 5

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