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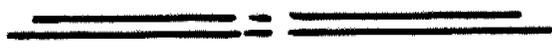
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HWY. No. 401

LOCATION Fountain St. Watermain /

Hwy 401 Crossing, City of Cambridge

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# memorandum

PAUL PAYER



(519) 649-3126

TO: Dennis Macleod  
District 2 London /Stratford

DATE: June 20, 1994

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RE: Fountain St. Watermain  
Region of Waterloo  
Highway 401 Crossing



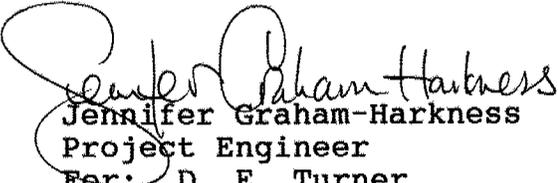
The proposals for the dewatering, soil grouting and tunnelling were forwarded to the Traffic Section, Geotechnical Section and the Foundation Office for review. It was our understanding that only temporary work, minimal in nature would be carried in the median including placement of well points and a small diameter pipe along the ditch line to carry water from the dewatering operations. A 1.5 m Trench, which the contractor proposes, presents a significant change in the nature of the median work however with the appropriate protection of the traffic work within the median will be permitted. Based on our review of the documents we offer the following comments;

1. Our Foundation Design Section has reviewed the dewatering proposal for the median and finds that based on the borehole data from the Geotechnical investigation that the wellpoint lines in the median should be constructed in sections not longer than 8 m and backfilled as much as feasible prior to the excavation of the next section.
2. The temporary concrete barrier length must be increased to cover the hazard or excavation plus an additional 160 m of barrier at each approach end. This is over and above the length of the appropriate end treatment as defined in MTOD 920.02, Concrete Barrier Installation Layout of Temporary End Treatments (attached). It should also be noted that the concrete barrier should be placed in conjunction with appropriate delineation as defined in MUTCD.

In regard to their question concerning the removal of the CAT end treatment, MTOD 920.20 states that a minimum clearance of 10 m is required for a design speed of 120 km/h. Therefore based on the median conditions an energy attenuating system would be required.

3. If the contractor is entering the median to carry out work the contractor must ensure that vehicular movements are accomplished with minimum interference and interruptions to traffic. This will necessitate vehicles to 'slip on' and 'slip off' in the direction of traffic in order to merge with and thereby avoid crossing traffic lanes.

4. We trust that appropriate environmental protection measures will be employed with respect to loss of sediment and that the site will be restored to existing conditions once work is complete.

  
Jennifer Graham-Harkness  
Project Engineer  
For: D. E. Turner  
Area Manager  
Planning and Design Section  
Southwestern Region, London

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Attch.

c: Ken Teasdale  
Paul Payer  
Dave McLay  
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TO: J.G. Harkness  
Planning & Design  
Southwestern Region  
Fax: (519) 649-3109

FROM: P. Payer  
Foundation Design Section  
Downsview

SUBJECT: Fountain St. Watermain  
District #3  
W.O. 93-11004

The Wellpoint Header Lines in the median of Hwy. 401 should be constructed in sections not longer than 8 m and backfilled as much as feasible prior to the excavation of the next section.

P. Payer  
Sr. Foundation Engineer

cc. - D. MacLeod  
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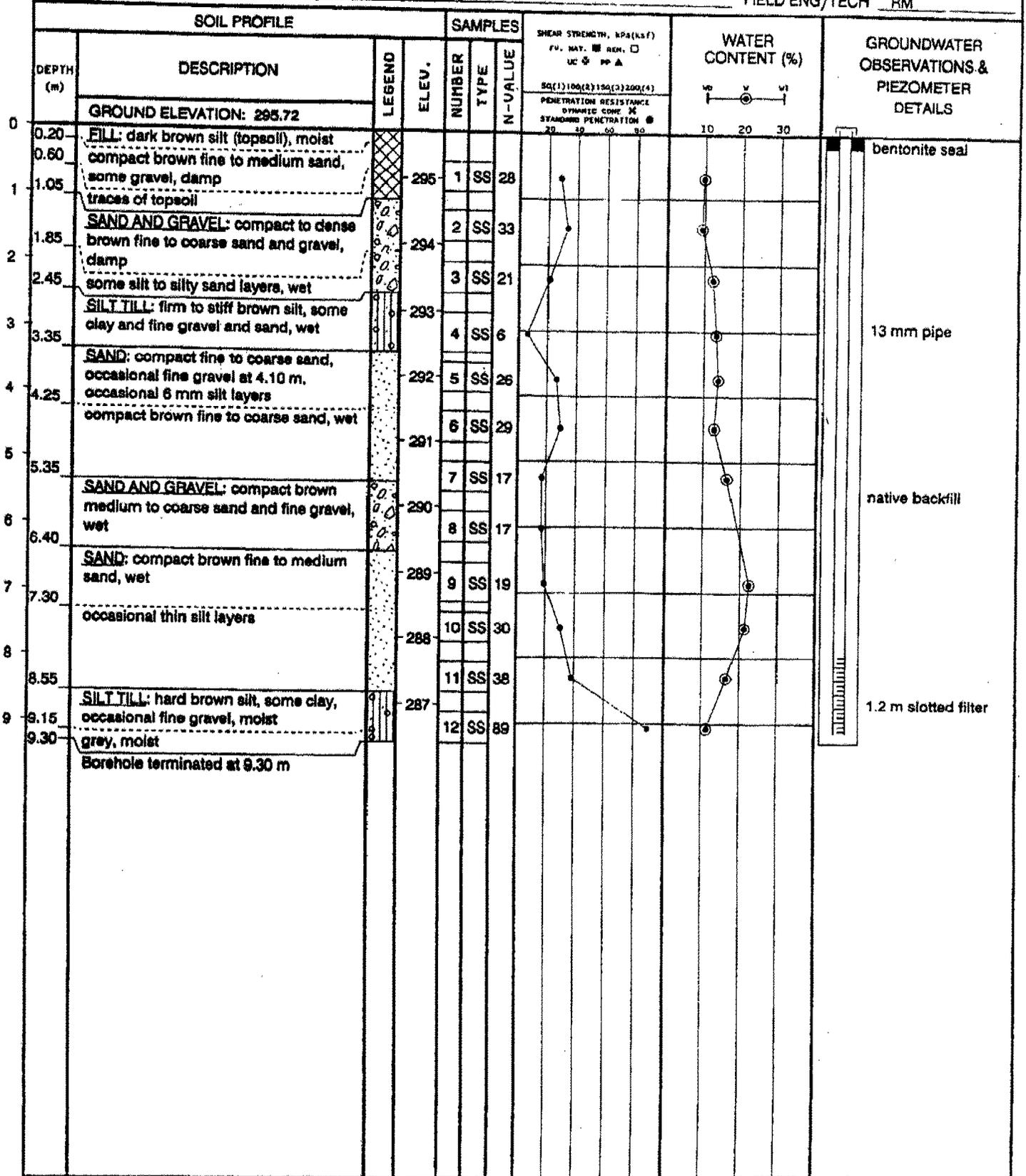
PROJECT Fountain Street Trunk Watermain

DATE 6 June 1993

JOB NO. 0335G4

LOCATION Fountain Street, Cambridge, Ontario

FIELD ENG/TECH RM



NOTES: 1) Elevation of top of pipe = 296.243

DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Augers

ENGINEER: DN



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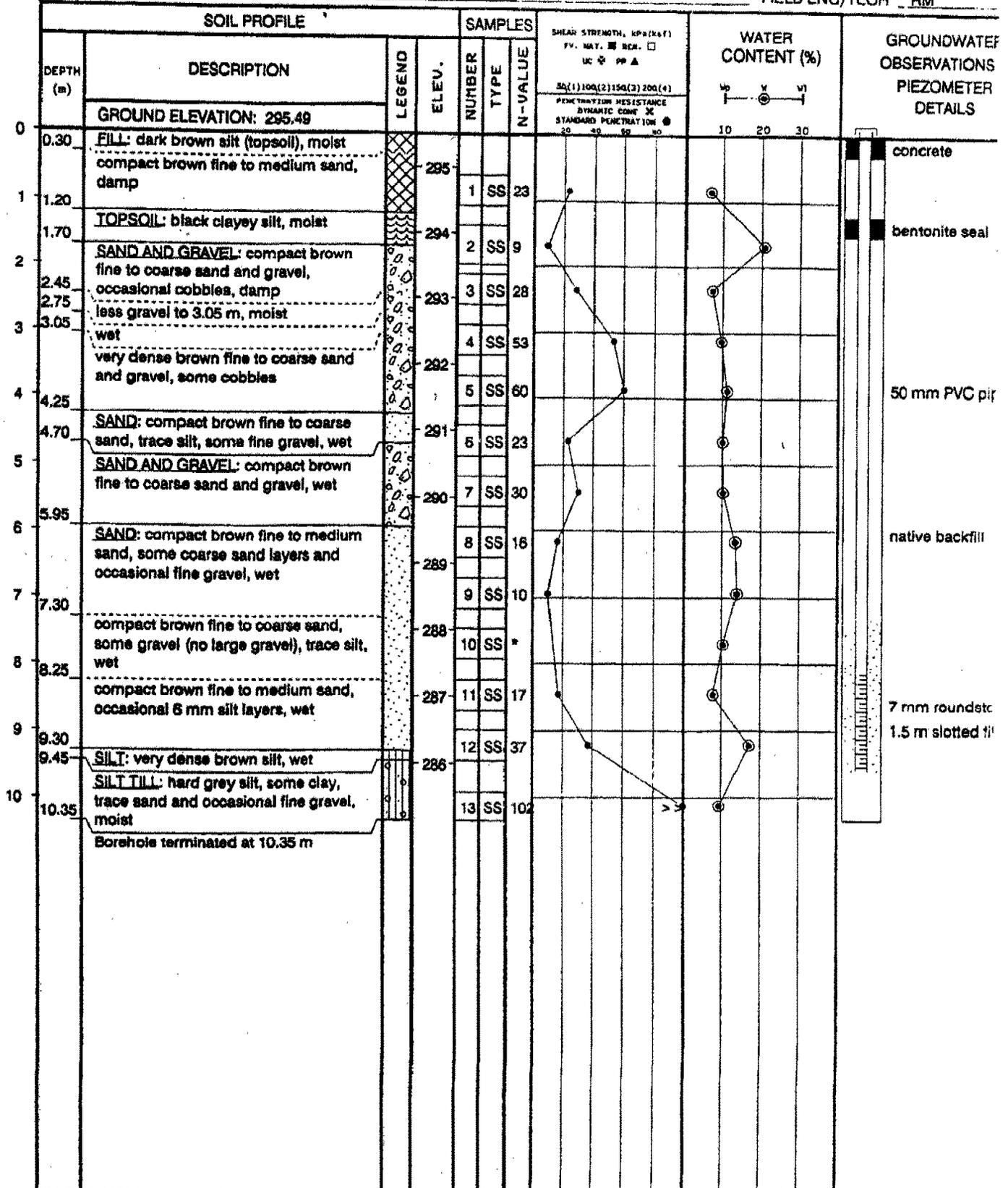
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NOTES: 1) Elevation of top of pipe - 295.543  
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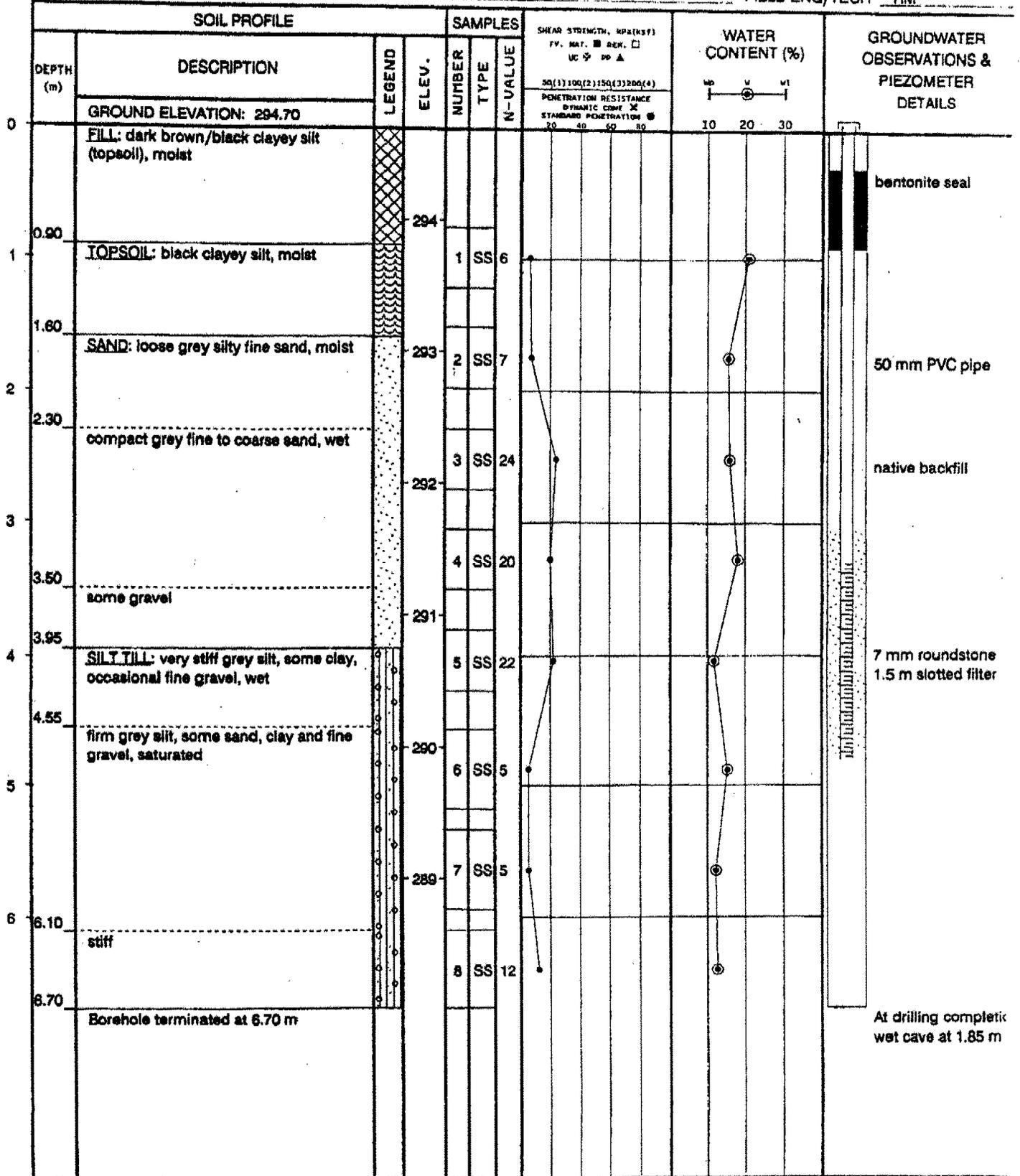
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DATE 9 June 1993

JOB NO. 0335G4

LOCATION Fountain Street, Cambridge, Ontario

FIELD ENG/TECH RM



NOTES: 1) Elevation of top of pipe = 294.703

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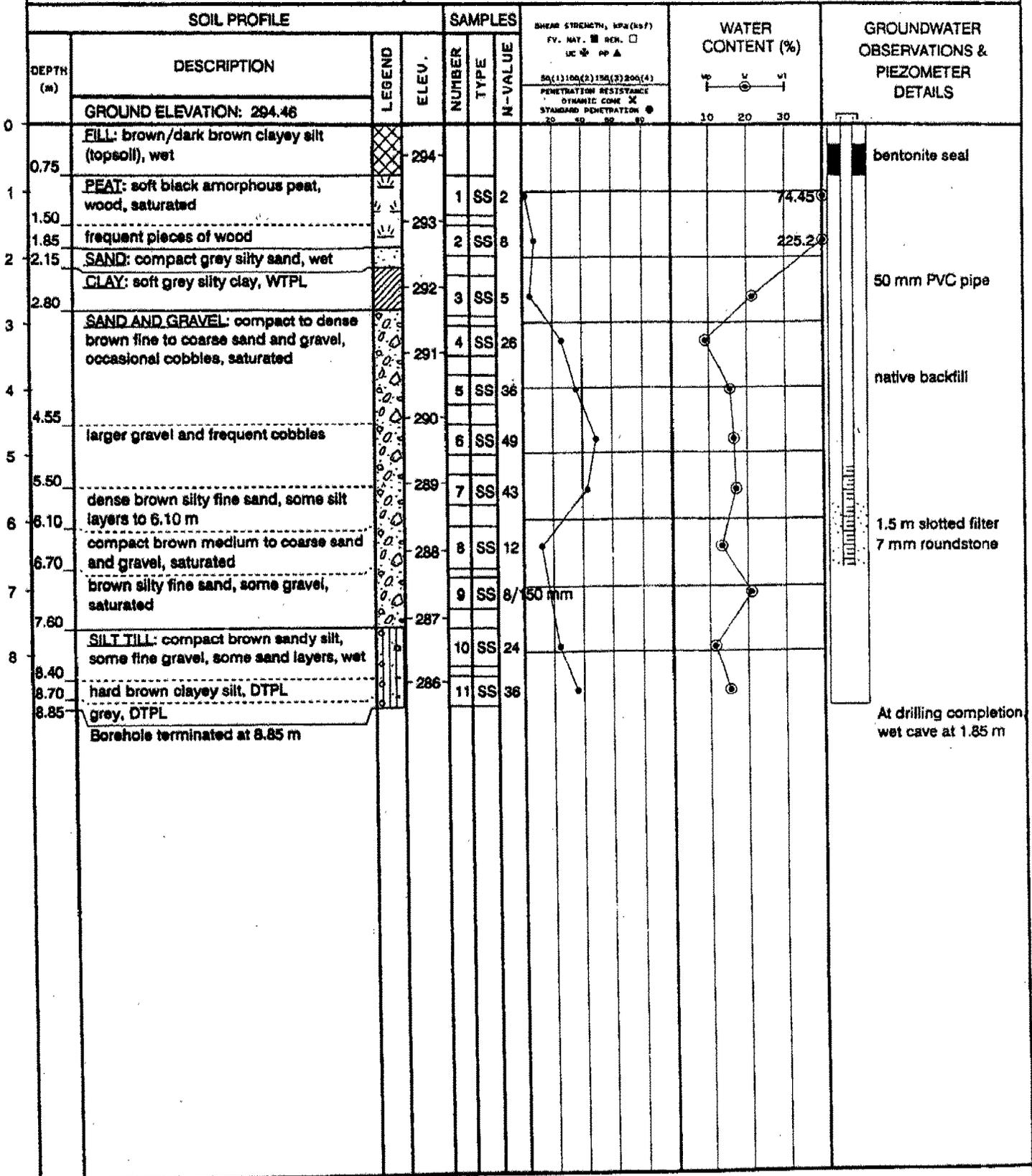
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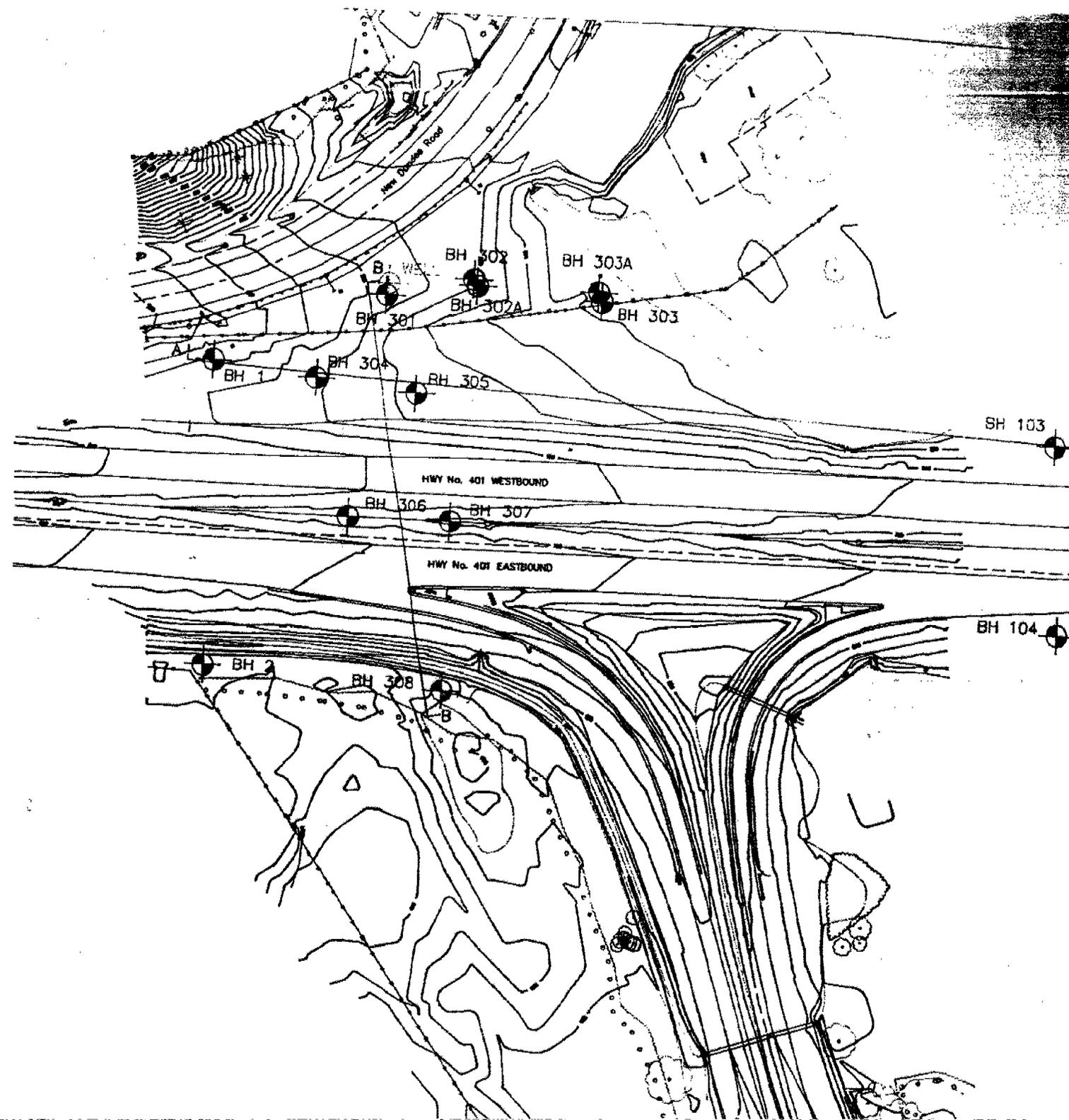
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# MEMORANDUM



To: D.E. Turner  
Area Manager  
Planning and Design  
Southwestern Region

Date: March 9, 1994

Attn: J. Graham Harkness

From: Foundation Design Section  
Room 315, Central Building  
Downsview

Re: Fountain St. Watermain  
City of Cambridge  
Hwy 401 and Homer Watson Interchange  
W.O. 93-11004  
District 3, (Stratford)

The procedures for the construction of a watermain crossing proposed by the Regional Municipality are in accordance with our recommendations. We are pointing out however, that the Regional Municipality of Waterloo is responsible for the integrity of the underpass structure and Hwy 401. Therefore, the municipality should establish proper monitoring systems.

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P. Payer, P. Eng.  
Senior Foundation Engineer

PP/jb

cc: C. Brickman  
D. McLay

# memorandum



(519) 649-3126

TO: C. Brickman  
Stratford District

DATE: September 22, 1993



RE: Fountain Street Watermain  
Highway 401 Crossing

The aquifer pumping test and geotechnical investigation report was forwarded to the Foundation Design Section for review. They found that the effect of the drawdown on the structure could not be determined as the groundwater was not lowered to the proposed invert level. They also believe that the dewatering will cause the highway to settle (see attached memo).

Therefore a scheme which requires dewatering would not be acceptable at this location.

Jennifer Graham-Harkness  
Project Engineer  
For: D. E. Turner  
Area Manager  
Planning and Design Section  
Southwestern Region, London

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Attachment

c: D. McLay  
P. Payer



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October 22, 1993

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Regional Municipality of Waterloo  
150 Frederick Street, 7th Floor  
Kitchener, Ontario  
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Attention: Mr. Ed Shaniawski, C.E.T.

Dear Sir:

Re: **Fountain Street Trunk Watermain**  
**Highway 401 Crossing**  
**Cambridge, Ontario**

I have reviewed the recent letter and memorandum from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario with their review of our aquifer pumping test and geotechnical investigation report. Please forward copies of this response letter for their review so that they may reconsider their position prior to our upcoming meeting.

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo is proposing to install a 450 mm diameter trunk watermain beneath Highway 401 approximately 200 m west of the Homer Watson Boulevard/Fountain Street bridge. The watermain pipe will be installed in a continuous steel casing approximately 1.2 m in diameter with the invert at about Elevation 291, some 5 m below the highway. The required length of casing installation below Highway 401 will be approximately 70 m.

October 22, 1993

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Subsurface soil conditions at the proposed Highway 401 crossing comprise outwash sand and sand and gravel deposits overlying silt and silt till. Typically the elevation of the base of the outwash deposit/top of the underlying silt/till is about Elevation 285 to 287 in this area. The outwash granular deposit ranges in texture from a fine sand to a sand and gravel, and at the proposed watermain crossing, fine to coarse sand predominates.

Groundwater at the Highway 401 crossing location is contained within the outwash granular deposit perched on the less permeable underlying silt/silt till. The static water level is typically at about Elevation 293 to 294 at the crossing location with a horizontal gradient in a northeasterly direction towards the Grand River. An extensive aquifer pumping test was carried out using a 150 mm diameter 11 m deep pumping well. Following a step drawdown test to establish the pumping rate, a constant rate test was conducted for a total of 72 hours. The purpose of the aquifer pumping test was to permit calculation of the aquifer parameters in order to allow evaluation of dewatering for the trunk watermain and steel liner casing installation below Highway 401. Various dewatering schemes were analyzed analytically using the aquifer geometry and parameters, and computer modelling carried out in order to assess the effects of the dewatering.

The September 20, 1993 memo from Mr. Paul Payer, a Senior Foundation Engineer with the Foundation Design section of MTO indicated that the purpose of the pumping test was to evaluate the effect of groundwater lowering on the existing bridge structure and on Highway 401. He states that since the groundwater was not lowered to the invert level, the effect of drawdown on the structure foundation cannot be determined. The aquifer pumping test was not carried out with the purpose of completely lowering the groundwater to the level required during construction, as this would require numerous large diameter wells as discussed in our report and would in essence be construction dewatering. The pumping test was carried out to allow calculation of the pertinent aquifer parameters and then to analytically assess the construction dewatering effect on the structure and Highway 401.

I would like to clarify that there is a constant head barrier between the proposed crossing location and the bridge structure 200 m to the east. The shallow aquifer in question intersects ponded surface water to the west of the bridge and the presence of this ponded water would absolutely ensure no groundwater lowering in this area. Also, as discussed in our report, the construction dewatering scheme would involve discharge of the pumped groundwater to this constant head barrier/surface ponding in order to ensure that the groundwater is not lowered between the crossing location and the bridge structure.

During construction, the groundwater lowering would be continuously monitored using the existing and probably some supplementary monitoring wells in order to ensure that the constant head barrier between the crossing location and the bridge structure is not influenced. However, in our opinion, the presence of the ponded water as a constant head

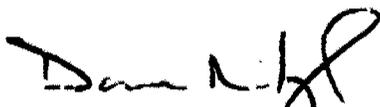
barrier is sufficient to ensure that the dewatering does not lower the existing groundwater level at the bridge structure.

The last sentence in Mr. Payer's memo states that he also believes that the dewatering will cause the highway to settle. During our aquifer pumping test, we surveyed pavement elevations along a 100 m stretch of Highway 401 adjacent to the test well. The surveying data was not included as part of the report, as stated on Page 10, because absolutely no settlement was taking place, otherwise the pumping test would have been terminated.

The granular deposit which underlies this section of Highway 401 is predominantly compact to dense sand. The average standard penetration N-value in all of the borcholes at this location is approximately 30 blows per 0.30 m. Therefore this material can support an allowable bearing pressure of 300 kPa, assuming the usual 25 mm of settlement for foundations. At the invert level at Elevation 291 the actual existing effective vertical stress including a uniform traffic loading of 10 kPa, as per the Ontario Highway Bridge Design Code, is approximately 100 kPa. The 3.5 m of drawdown required for dewatering increases the effective vertical stress at the invert level by approximately 25 kPa, in other words, after drawdown the effective stress at invert would be approximately 125 kPa, or less than half of the allowable soil bearing pressure for 25 mm of settlement. In our opinion, the dewatering absolutely cannot cause Highway 401 to settle.

I trust that this letter sufficiently addresses the concerns expressed by Mr. Payer in his memo, and look forward to further discussing my position in our upcoming meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Yours very truly,



Dave S. Naylor, P.Eng.

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# MEMORANDUM



To: J. Graham Harkness  
Project Engineer  
Planning and Design  
Southwestern Region

Date: September 20, 1993

From: Foundation Design Section  
Room 315, Central Building

Re: Pumping Test for  
Watermain Installation  
Hwy 401 at Homer Watson Interchange  
W.O. 93-11004  
District 3, (Stratford)

It is proposed to install a 1.2 m dia. casing (owner: Regional Municipality of Waterloo) to carry a 0.45 m dia. watermain below Hwy 401 some 200 m west of the interchange structure. The invert level is set between El. 291.0 and El. 291.5, about 4 m below the pavement level. The groundwater level in the test holes varied between El. 294.1 to El. 292.6. In order to construct in dry condition, temporary lowering of the groundwater was recommended by the owner's consultant (England Naylor Engineering Ltd.).

A pumping test was carried out by the consultant to evaluate the effect of the groundwater lowering on the existing structure (founded on spread footings) and on Hwy 401.

After about 24 hours of pumping, the groundwater was lowered to levels as indicated in the table below:

<u>BH. No.</u>	<u>Original G.W.L.</u>	<u>G.W.L. After Pumping</u>
304	El. 293.2	El. 292.3
301	El. 292.6	El. 290.8
308	El. 294.1	El. 293.3

With the exception of BH. 301, the groundwater was not lowered to the invert level, therefore, the effect of the drawdown on the structure foundation can not be determined.

We also believe that the dewatering will cause the highway to settle.

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P. Payer, P. Eng.  
Senior Foundation Engineer