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June 16, 2023

Mr. Brian Croyle, Environmental Specialist Montgomery County Public Schools Division of Sustainability and Compliance 8301 Turkey Thicket Drive Gaithersburg, MD 20879

Ref: Sampling for Asphalt Fumes and Hydrogen Sulfide Gas – 6.5.2023

Poolesville High School KCI Job No. 122302497

KCI Technologies Inc. (KCI) is submitting the following letter report detailing the findings of air sampling of Asphalt Fumes (benzene soluble fraction) and Hydrogen Sulfide gas at Poolesville High School located at 17501 W. Willard Rd. Poolesville, MD 20837 (subject site). Baseline sampling was conducted by KCI's Industrial Hygienist, Ms. Brittany Maas, under the oversight of KCI's Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH), Mr. Jonathan Coale.

#### Background:

At Poolesville High School, current renovations and construction has raised concerns from student parents. Students and faculty have voiced concerns related to an odor present in the school while the roofing work is occurring. The parents are concerned the students are being exposed to unsafe conditions related to the asphalt fumes being produced during the roofing installation. MCPS contacted KCI to assist them in collecting data on the school's occupants' potential exposure to fumes related to the roofing work being conducted.

#### Description of the Work Performed:

On June 6, 2023, KCI conducted air sampling for Asphalt Fumes (benzene soluble fraction) and Hydrogen Sulfide gas levels at Poolesville High School. The sampling of Asphalt Fumes (benzene soluble fraction) was done under method: Modified NIOSH 5042. This method will determine the total concentration of total particulate and the soluble fraction to which an individual is exposed. NIOSH has an adopted value of 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Threshold Limit Value (TLV) -Time-Weighted Average (TWA) for asphalt fumes. NIOSH's definition of TLV-TWA is the "concentration for a conventional 8-hour workday and a 40-hour workweek, to which it is believed that nearly all workers may be repeatedly exposed, day after day, for a working lifetime without adverse effect". KCI also utilized a mulit-gas meter to collect real time readings of hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S), carbon monoxide (CO), and oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) levels in various locations throughout the building and exterior. Direct read data was performed to collect short term "grab" samples to determine if the gas was present and was not intended to collect exposure data.

During the time of the air sampling, construction was being conducted, there was no asphalt smell noted outside of the building. KCI placed six (6) sampling pumps set to approximately 1 liter per minute in locations pre-determined by MCPS. It is KCI's understanding that the sample locations selected by MCPS were where complaints were made from students. After all sampling pumps were placed, KCI took real time readings of the hydrogen sulfide levels at each of these locations every 30 minutes inside and

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every 30 minutes outside. A sampling location map can be found in attachment A.

KCI conducted the screening from approximately 07:45 until 14:30. Conditions during the sampling period were mostly sunny with temperatures between 62°F - 79°F. Winds were between 0 and 10mph with gusts up to 17mph from NE, N, NNW, and NW.

After sampling, the cassettes were sealed, logged, bagged, and shipped as required to Galson Laboratories in East Syracuse, NY, where they were analyzed for Asphalt Fume (benzene soluble fraction) Modified NIOSH Method 5042. Galson Laboratories is accredited by the American Industrial Hygiene Association (#100324).

Results:

#### **Asphalt Fumes (Benzene Soluble Fraction)**

Table 1 – Asphalt Fumes Sampling Summary								
Location	Sample Number	Concentration (mg/m³)	Above TLV-TWA?					
Arts Hallway – Outside Room 44	PHS – 01J	< 0.28	No					
Auditorium Lobby	PHS – 02J	< 0.28	No					
Science Building 1st Floor – Outside Room 184	PHS – 03J	<0.28	No					
Science Building 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor – Outside Room 284	PHS – 04J	<0.28	No					
Outside of Gym Entrance (exterior)	PHS – 05J	< 0.28	No					
West End of Portables	PHS – 06J	< 0.28	No					
Field Blank	PHS - 07J	N/A	N/A					
Lab Blank	PHS – 08J	N/A	N/A					
N/A: Not Applicable								

Laboratory analysis results are included as Attachment B.

#### **Gas Meter Readings**

Table 2 – Multi-Gas Meter Sampling Summary									
Time	Oxygen (O2)	Carbon Monoxide (CO)	Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S)						
0800 - 0820	20.8	0	0						
0830 - 0835	20.8	0	0						
0900 - 0905	20.8	0	0						
0930 - 0935	20.8	0	0						
1000 - 1005	20.8	0	0						
1030 - 1035	20.8	0	0						
1100 – 1105	20.8	0	0						
1130 – 1135	20.8	0	0						
1200 - 1205	20.8	0	0						
1230 – 1235	20.8	0	0						
1300 - 1305	20.8	0	0						
1330 – 1335	20.8	0	0						
1400 - 1420	20.8	0	0						

#### **Olfactory Findings**

During walkthroughs, KCI noted the following asphalt smells:

Table 3 – Olfactory Investigation Summary									
Location	Findings								
Location	Morning	Mid-Day	End of Day						
Exterior Outside New Main	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Office									
Exterior Between Main Building	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
& Science/Tech Addition									
Exterior By Portables	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Main Lobby	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Art Hallway	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Auditorium Corridor	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Gym Hallway	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Science and Technology	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						
Addition		_	_						
Student Parking Lot	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell	No Asphalt Smell						

#### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, the baseline sampling data determined airborne Asphalt Fumes concentrations were below the NIOSH TLV-TWA adopted value during the period of sampling. In addition, H<sub>2</sub>S and CO concentrations were not present or at concentrations below the gas meters detectable range. Oxygen levels were at the expected levels.

During sampling, asphalt roofing activities were being performed.

If you have questions or comments regarding this report, please contact me.

Sincerely,

KCI Technologies, Inc

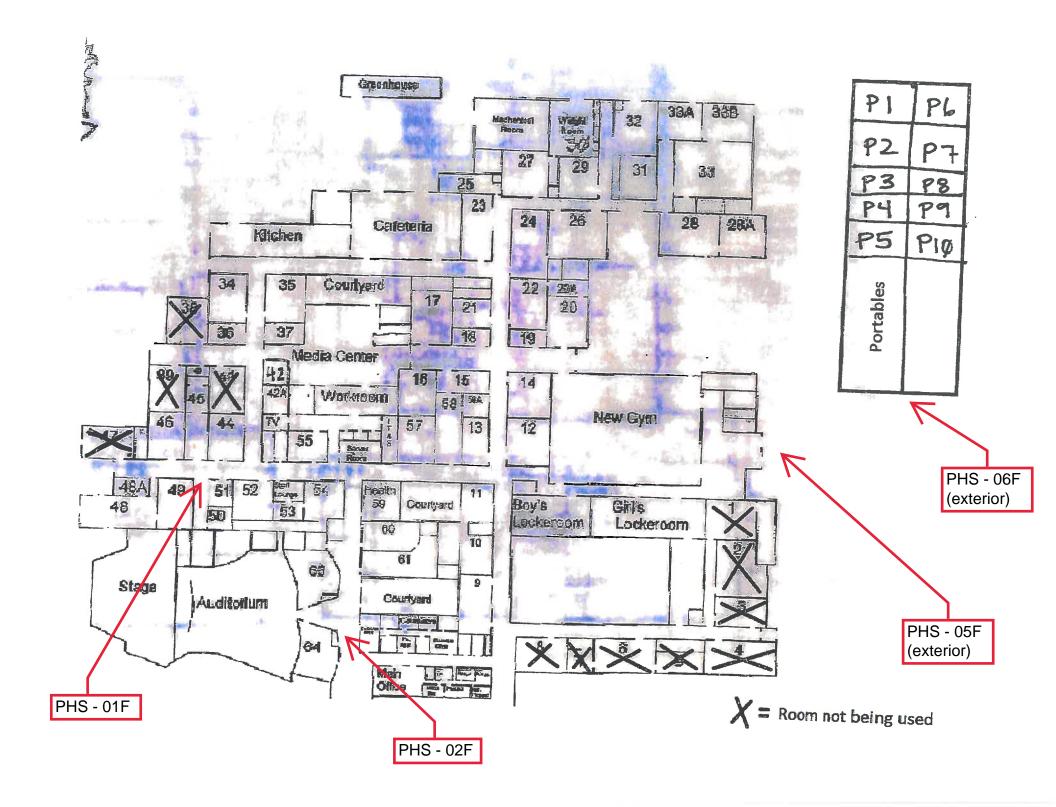
Tyler McCleaf, CSP Industrial Hygienist KCI Technologies, Inc.

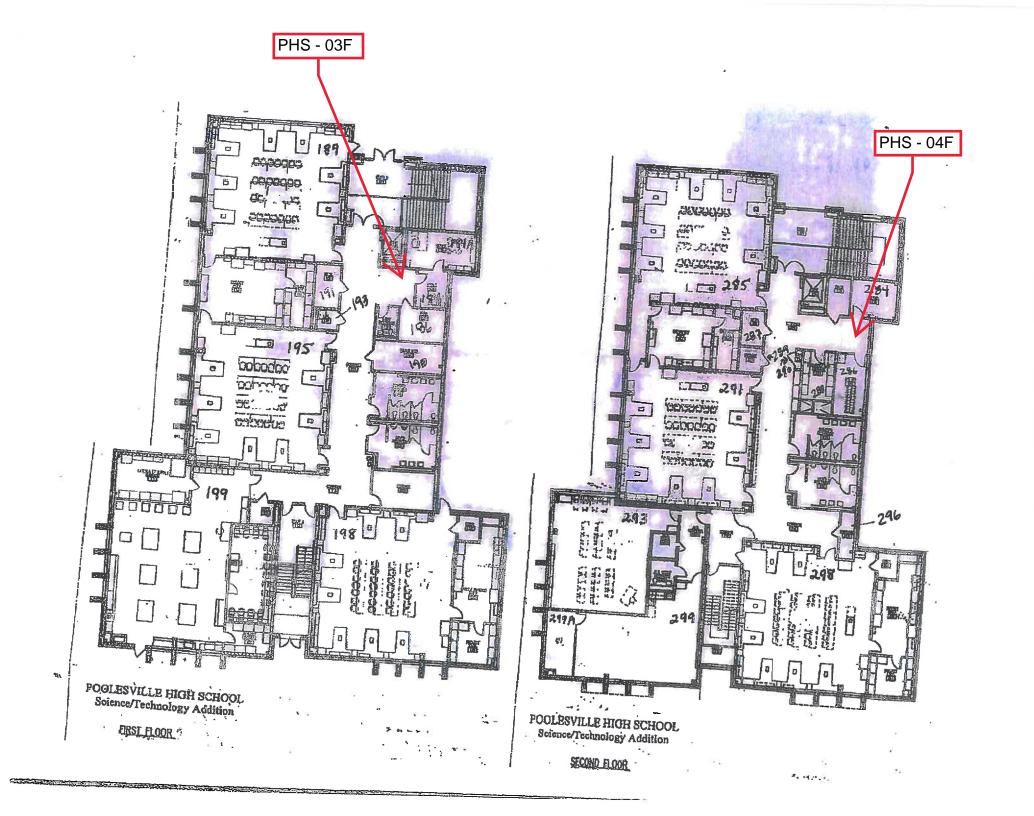
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Attachment A: Sample Locations

Attachment B: Laboratory Certificate of Analysis Report for Air Samples

## Attachment A Sample Locations





## Attachment B Laboratory Certificate of Analysis Report for Air Samples



Jon Coale KCI Technologies 936 Ridgebrook Road Sparks Glencoe, MD 21152 June 14, 2023

**Account# 17844** 

Login# L596036

**Dear Jon Coale:** 

Enclosed are the analytical results for the samples received by our laboratory on June 06, 2023. All samples on the chain of custody were received in good condition unless otherwise noted. Any additional observations will be noted on the chain of custody.

Please contact client services at (888) 432-5227 if you would like any additional information regarding this report. Thank you for using SGS Galson.

Sincerely,

**SGS Galson** 

Lisa Swab

**Laboratory Director** 

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**Enclosure(s)** 



#### ANALYTICAL REPORT

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			Environmental Microbiology
State	Accreditation/Recognition	Lab ID#	Program/Sector
State New York (NYSDOH)	Accreditation/Recognition ELAP and NELAC (TNI)	Lab ID# Lab ID: 11626	Program/Sector Air Analysis, Solid and Hazardous Waste

Lab ID#

Program/Sector

#### Legend

National/International

ppb - Parts per Billion < - Less than mg - Milligrams MDL - Method Detection Limit > - Greater than ug - Micrograms NA - Not Applicable ppm - Parts per Million I - Liters m3 - Cubic Meters NS - Not Specified ppbv - ppb Volume LOQ - Limit of Quantitation kg - Kilograms ND - Not Detected ppmv - ppm Volume ft2 - Square Feet cm2 - Square Centimeters in2 - Square Inches ng - Nanograms



#### LABORATORY ANALYSIS REPORT

# GALSON

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(315) 432-5227 FAX: (315) 437-0571 www.sqsqalson.com Client : KCI Technologies
Site : POOLESVILLE HIGHSCHOOL

Project No. : POOLESVILLE HS

Date Sampled : 05-JUN-23 Date Received : 06-JUN-23 Report ID : 1363296

Account No.: 17844

Login No. : L596036

Approved by: JGC

#### Asphalt Fumes (Benzene-Soluble Fraction)

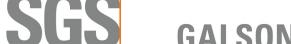
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PHS-03J	L596036-3	360	<0.10	<0.28
PHS-04J	L596036-4	360	<0.10	<0.28
PHS-05J	L596036-5	360	<0.10	<0.28
PHS-06J	L596036-6	360	<0.10	<0.28
PHS-07J	L596036-7	NA	<0.10	NA
PHS-08J	L596036-8	NA	<0.10	NA

COMMENTS: Please see attached lab footnote report for any applicable footnotes.

Level of Quantitation: 0.10 mg Submitted by: KGB

Analytical Method : mod. NIOSH 5042; Gravimetric Date : 14-JUN-23

Collection Media : PTFE PW 1u 37mm Supervisor : JGC



LABORATORY FOOTNOTE REPORT

Client Name : KCI Technologies

Site : POOLESVILLE HIGHSCHOOL

Project No. : POOLESVILLE HS

Date Sampled: 05-JUN-23 Account No.: 17844
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Date Analyzed: 14-JUN-23

L596036 (Report ID: 1363296):

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SOPs: ic-asphalt(26)

BSF = Benzene Soluble Fraction

L596036 (Report ID: 1363296):

Accuracy and mean recovery data presented below is based on a 95% confidence interval (k=2). The estimated accuracy applies to the media, technology, and SOP referenced in this report and does not account for the uncertainty associated with the sampling process. The accuracy is based solely on spike recovery data from internal quality control samples. Where N/A appears below, insufficient data is available to provide statistical accuracy and mean recovery values for the associated analyte.

Parameter	Accuracy	Mean Recovery
Asphalt Fumes (Benzene-Soluble Fraction	) +/-15.7%	93%

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