

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS RADON TESTING

## Executive Summary: Highland View Elementary School

9010 Providence Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20901

Date of Test Report:	1/15/2019
Round of Testing:	Initial
	Follow-up
	Post Remediation
	2 Year Testing
	5 Year Testing
	HVAC Upgrade
	Window Replacement
	New Addition
	New Facility
# of Rooms Tested:	31
# of Rooms ≥ 4.0 pCi/L:	0
Low Value:	< 0.4
High Value:	3.2

Project Status Initial testing complete: No further action at this time



January 15, 2019

Mr. Richard Cox Indoor Air Quality Team Leader Montgomery County Public Schools 850 Hungerford Drive Rockville, MD 20850

**Re: Radon Testing Services** 

Location: Highland View Elementary School 9010 Providence Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20901

Dear Mr. Cox:

Intertek-PSI (PSI) is pleased to submit the following report to the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) for completion of a "short-term" 3-day radon test for Highland View Elementary School, located at 9010 Providence Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20901 (subject site).

#### **Scope of Services:**

PSI conducted radon testing at the subject site to evaluate indoor radon levels relative to the USEPA's recommended action level of 4.0 picocuries per Liter (pCi/L) - the level at which EPA recommends that schools take action to reduce the level. PSI conducted the radon testing in accordance with American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (AARST) Protocol for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon Decay Products in Schools and Large Buildings. A National Radon Safety Board (NRSB) Radon Measurement Specialist (certification #14SS007) supervised the testing. Additional information on radon management and the health effects of radon exposure is available from www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep/air/radon or www.epa.gov/radon.

PSI visited the site on November 13, 2018 and deployed forty-three (43) activated charcoal (AC) radon test kits. PSI deployed radon test kits in frequently-occupied ground contact rooms, and other areas, (if applicable) in accordance with AARST guidance. A floor plan map of the building with the test locations is included as Attachment A of this report.

As a quality control measure, PSI included duplicate samples, field blanks, lab transit blanks, and office blanks in accordance with AARST recommendations. In addition, PSI submitted ten (10) test kits to Bowser-Morner Inc. as spike samples. The spiked tests were exposed to a known radon concentration by Bowser-Morner Inc. prior to being returned to the laboratory for analysis.

PSI returned to the site on November 16, 2018 to retrieve the radon sampling test kits. PSI shipped all radon tests via overnight delivery to AccuStar Labs for analysis by gamma-ray spectroscopy. Accustar Labs is a NRSB certified analytical laboratory for radon analysis located at 929 Mount Zion Road, Lebanon, Pennsylvania (certification # ARL0007) and 2 Saber Way, Haverhill, Massachusetts (certification # ARL0017).



The operating condition that represents the greatest amount of significantly occupied time for this building is; heating active, with outdoor temperature averages  $\leq 65^{\circ}$ F.

PSI concludes that the test period reasonably represents normal conditions when the building is significantly occupied. Clear characterization of the radon hazard is most likely to be observed under this normal operating condition. Based on the evaluation of test conditions, this test should reasonably characterize radon hazards.

PSI also conducted observations of field conditions which could affect the results of the test and compiled weather data for the testing period. PSI recorded observations of the following conditions in each room at the time of deployment and collection of the radon test kits:

- Indoor temperature,
- HVAC Operation,
- Dehumidifier operation,
- Humidifier operation,
- Ceiling fan operation, and
- Open windows or doors.

#### **Results:**

The results of the radon test analysis indicated the following:

Radon Concentration	Room	Result	
≥ 4.0 pCi/L	None NA		
≤ 4.0 pCi/L	See Attack	iment B	
Notes:			

D -Duplicate Sample

The office blank and lab transit blanks had test results of less than the laboratory detection limit of 0.4 pCi/L. Review of the duplicate sample analysis indicates that adequate laboratory measurement precision was achieved. The Spike sample analysis results indicate the laboratory is operating within statistical control limits.

The sampling locations, field observations, and analytical results are listed on Table 1 (Attachment B). The laboratory analytical results are also attached (Attachment C).

Laboratory results and exposure data for the spike samples are also included in Attachment C. Our professional services have been performed in accordance with customary principles and practices in the field of industrial hygiene and engineering. If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please feel free to contact me at (703) 698-9300.



Respectfully Submitted,

### **INTERTEK-PSI**

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Attachments:

A – Floor Plan with Test Locations
B – Table 1 – Radon Test Summary Spreadsheet
C – Laboratory Analytical Results

# ATTACHMENT B

Radon Test Summary Spreadsheet

	Radon Testing Results				
	Highland View ES Elementary School				
	Testing period: 11/13/18 - 11/16/2				
Kit Number	Room / Area	Result (pCi/L)			
3918936	1	0.8			
3918938	2	1.2			
3918939	3	< 0.4			
3918940	5	< 0.4			
3918941	7	< 0.4			
3918942	8	0.7			
3918943	9	0.4			
3918944	14	< 0.4			
3918946	15	0.6			
3918947	21	0.5			
3918948	22	0.5			
3918949	23	0.6			
3918933	101	< 0.4			
3918925	102A	0.9			
3918926	102C	1.0			
3918927	102E	1.0			
3918928	102F	0.8			
3918932	105	0.7			
3918884	204	0.5			
3918886	212	0.7			
3918887	311	0.5			
3881241	APR	0.6			
3881171	APR	0.5			
3918935	APR - Stage	0.7			
3918931	Art	0.7			
3918945	Auxillary Music Room	1.0			
3918881	Gym	3.2			
3918882	Gym	2.6			
3918883	Gym Office	2.4			
3918921	Health	0.9			
3918922	Health Office	1.0			
3918934	Kitchen	0.5			
3918923	Main Office	1.0			
3918929	Staff Lounge	0.8			

Radon Testing Results Highland View Elementary School				
	esting period: 11/13/18 - 11/16			
Kit Number	QC Type	Result (pCi/L)		
3918937	1 (D)	0.9		
3918950	23 (D)	0.5		
3918885	204 (D)	< 0.4		
3918924	Main Office (D)	1.1		
3918930	Staff Lounge (D)	1.1		
3918825	Field Blank	< 0.4		
3918815	Field Blank	< 0.4		
3917864	Office Blank	< 0.4		
3918824	Transit Blank	< 0.4		

### Table Notes:

- D Duplicate
- FB Field Blank
- OB Office Blank
- TB Transit Blank

# ATTACHMENT C

Laboratory Analytical Results



Laboratory Report for:

EPA Method #402-R-92-004 **Charcoal Canister** NRPP Device Code 6048 NRSB Device Code 10317

Property Tested: Project # 04481387-1

Intertek-PSI (VA) 2930 Eskridge Road Fairfax VA 22031

MCPS Radon Survey Highland View ES Not Indicated Silver Spring MD 20901

Log Number	Device Number	Test Exposu	re Duration:	Area Tested	Result (pCi/L)
3195646	3918921	11/13/2018 4:37 pm	11/16/2018 1:00 pm	Floor Main Room Health	0.9
3195647	3918922	11/13/2018 4:38 pm	11/16/2018 1:01 pm	Floor Main Room Health Office	1.0
3195648	3918923	11/13/2018 4:39 pm	11/16/2018 1:03 pm	Floor Main Room Main Office	1.0
3195649	3918924	11/13/2018 4:39 pm	11/16/2018 1:03 pm	Floor Main Room Main Office Duplicate	1.1
3195650	3918925	11/13/2018 4:41 pm	11/16/2018 1:04 pm	Floor Main Room 102A	0.9
3195651	3918926	11/13/2018 4:43 pm	11/16/2018 1:05 pm	Floor Main Room 102C	1.0
3195652	3918927	11/13/2018 4:45 pm	11/16/2018 1:06 pm	Floor Main Room 102E	1.0
3195653	3918928	11/13/2018 4:47 pm	11/16/2018 1:07 pm	Floor Main Room 102F	0.8
3195654	3918929	11/13/2018 4:50 pm	11/16/2018 1:09 pm	Floor Main Room Staff Lounge	0.8
3195655	3918930	11/13/2018 4:50 pm	11/16/2018 1:09 pm	Floor Main Room Staff Lounge Duplicate	1.1

Comment: A copy of this report was e-mailed to PSI - VA.

Test Performed By: Not Ind	icated				
Distributed by: Intertek-PSI	(VA)				
Date Received: 11/17/2018	Date Logged:	11/17/2018	Date Analyzed: 11/17/2018	Date Reported:	11/28/2018

**Disclaimer:** 

Report Reviewed By: \_

Report Approved By:

Shawn Price, Director of Laboratory Operations, AccuStar Labs

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Log Number	Device Number	Test Exposur	e Duration:	Area Tested	Result (pCi/L)
3195656	3918931	11/13/2018 4:52 pm	11/16/2018 1:10 pm	Floor Main Room Art	0.7
3195657	3918932	11/13/2018 4:54 pm	11/16/2018 1:11 pm	Floor Main Room 105	0.7
3195658	3918933	11/13/2018 4:58 pm	11/16/2018 1:12 pm	Floor Main Room 101	< 0.4
3195659	3918934	11/13/2018 5:00 pm	11/16/2018 1:13 pm	Floor Main Room Kitchen	0.5
3195660	3918935	11/13/2018 5:05 pm	11/16/2018 1:14 pm	Floor Main Room APR	0.7
3195661	3918936	11/13/2018 5:15 pm	11/16/2018 1:18 pm	Floor Lower Room 1	0.8
3195662	3918937	11/13/2018 5:15 pm	11/16/2018 1:18 pm	Floor Lower Room 1 Duplicate	0.9
3195663	3918938	11/13/2018 5:16 pm	11/16/2018 1:19 pm	Floor Lower Room 2	1.2
3195664	3918939	11/13/2018 5:17 pm	11/16/2018 1:20 pm	Floor Lower Room 3	< 0.4
3195665	3918940	11/13/2018 5:18 pm	11/16/2018 1:21 pm	Floor Lower Room 5	< 0.4

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Log Number	Device Number	Test Exposu	re Duration:	Area Tested	Result (pCi/L)
3195666	3918941	11/13/2018 5:19 pm	11/16/2018 1:22 pm	Floor Lower Room 7	< 0.4
3195667	3918942	11/13/2018 5:21 pm	11/16/2018 1:23 pm	Floor Lower Room 8	0.7
3195668	3918943	11/13/2018 5:23 pm	11/16/2018 1:24 pm	Floor Lower Room 9	0.4
3195669	3918944	11/13/2018 5:25 pm	11/16/2018 1:25 pm	Floor Lower Room 14	< 0.4
3195670	3918945	11/13/2018 5:27 pm	11/16/2018 1:26 pm	Floor Lower Room Auxillary Music	1.0
3195671	3918946	11/13/2018 5:28 pm	11/16/2018 1:27 pm	Floor Lower Room 15	0.6
3195672	3918947	11/13/2018 5:30 pm	11/16/2018 1:28 pm	Floor Lower Room 21	0.5
3195673	3918948	11/13/2018 5:35 pm	11/16/2018 1:29 pm	Floor Lower Room 22	0.5
3195674	3918949	11/13/2018 5:37 pm	11/16/2018 1:31 pm	Floor Lower Room 23	0.6
3195675	3918950	11/13/2018 5:37 pm	11/16/2018 1:31 pm	Floor Lower Room 23 Duplicate	0.5

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Log Number	Device Number	Test Exposur	e Duration:	Area Tested	Result (pCi/L)
3195676	3918881	11/13/2018 5:45 pm	11/16/2018 1:32 pm	Floor Lower Room Gym	3.2
3195677	3918882	11/13/2018 5:45 pm	11/16/2018 1:33 pm	Floor Lower Room Gym	2.6
3195678	3918883	11/13/2018 5:48 pm	11/16/2018 1:34 pm	Floor Lower Room Gym Office	2.4
3195679	3918884	11/13/2018 5:55 pm	11/16/2018 1:35 pm	Floor Second Room 204	0.5
3195680	3918885	11/13/2018 5:55 pm	11/16/2018 1:36 pm	Floor Second Room 204	< 0.4
3195681	3918886	11/13/2018 5:58 pm	11/16/2018 1:37 pm	Floor Second Room 212	0.7
3195682	3918887	11/13/2018 6:01 pm	11/16/2018 1:38 pm	Floor Third Room 311	0.5
3195683	3917864	11/13/2018 6:00 am	11/16/2018 4:00 pm	Floor NA Room Office Blank	< 0.4
3195684	3918824	11/13/2018 6:00 am	11/16/2018 4:00 pm	Floor NA Room Transit Blank	< 0.4
3195685	3918825	11/13/2018 4:37 pm	11/16/2018 1:38 pm	Floor NA Field Blank	< 0.4

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### Radon in Air

NRPP 105011 AL NRSB ARL0007	EPA Method #402-R-92-004 Charcoal Canister NRPP Device Code 6048 NRSB Device Code 10317
Laboratory Report for:	Property Tested: Project # 04481387-1
Intertek-PSI (VA) 2930 Eskridge Road Fairfax VA 22031	MCPS Radon Survey Highland View ES Not Indicated Silver Spring MD 20901

Log Number	Device Number	Test Exposu	re Duration:	Area Tested	Result (pCi/L)
3195686	3918815	11/13/2018 4:37 pm	11/16/2018 1:38 pm	Floor NA Field Blank	< 0.4

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Test Performed By: Not Indicated

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NRPP 103216 AL

NRSB ARL0017

## Radon in Air

EPA Method #402-R-92-004 Liquid Scintillation NRPP Device Code 8088 NRSB Device Code 12193

Laboratory Report for:

Property Tested: Project # 04481387-1

Intertek-PSI (VA)	MCPS Radon Survey
2930 Eskridge Road	Highland View ES
Fairfax VA 22031	Silver Spring MD 20901

Log Number	Device Number		Test Expo	sure Duration:	Area Tested	Result pCi/L
2393044	3881241	11/13/2018	5:06 pm	11/16/2018 1:17 pm	Floor Main Room APR	0.6
2393045	3881171	11/13/2018	5:07 pm	11/16/2018 1:15 pm	Floor Main Room APR	0.5

Comment: A copy of this report was emailed to Intertek-PSI (VA).

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11/17/2018

Date Analyzed: 11/19/2018 Date Reported: 01/04/2019

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Report Approved By:

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## Radon in Air

EPA Method #402-R-92-004 Charcoal Canister NRPP Device Code 6048 NRSB Device Code 10317

NRPP 105011 AL NRSB ARL0007 Ohio RL41

Laboratory Report for:

Property Tested:

Intertek-PSI (VA)	MCPS Radon Survey
2930 Eskridge Road	4514 Taylorsville Road
Fairfax VA 22031	Dayton OH 45424

Log Device Number Number	Test Exposure Duration:	Area Tested	Result pCi/L
3204125 3926831 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	36.1
3204126 3926832 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	34.8
3204127 3926833 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	33.7
3204128 3926834 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	35.8
3204129 3926835 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	35.0
3204130 3926836 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	34.5
3204131 3926837 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	34.6
3204132 3926838 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	34.3
3204133 3926839 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	33.2
3204134 3926840 12/07/2018	3 9:47 am 12/10/2018 9:47 am	Spike	34.0

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## **EXPOSURE IN BOWSER-MORNER RADON CHAMBER**

CLIENT Intertal - PS	I	Job Number 187732	
NOMINAL Conditions: Radon Conc 33.6	pCi/L Rel. Hum	49.1 % Temp. 20.1	F
Date Start: 12/7/18 Date Stop: 12/10/18	P Date Start:	Date Stop:	
Time Start: <u>0947</u> Time Stop: <u>0947</u>	_ Time Start:	Time Stop:	
Device No.'s: (10) Char. Cans-	Device No.'s:_		
3926831 thro 3926840			
		6	
G2 Laft			
Date Start: Date Stop:		Date Stop:	
Time Start: Time Stop:	Time Start:	Time Stop:	
Device No.'s:	Device No.'s:_	24	
Date Start: Date Stop:	Date Start:	Date Stop:	
Time Start: Time Stop:	Time Start:	Time Stop:	
Device No.'s:	Device No.'s:		

## Note: All times are in 24-hour (military) notation, Eastern Standard Time (EST) Background = 7 μR/h Elevation = 820 ft



# **Chain of Custody**

#### Project Name: MCPS Radon Survey 2018

Name of Schools:

- 1. Highland View ES
- 2. Kemp Mill ES
- 3. Sligo Creek ES
- 4. Highland ES
- 5. Kennedy HS

- 6. EB Lee MS
- 7. Forest Knolls ES
- 8. Galway ES
- 9. Wheaton HS
- 10. Briggs Chaney MS

- 11. Cannon Rd ES
- 12. Cloverly ES
- 13. Springbrook HS

	Date	Initials
Radon Test Kits Deployed	11/13/2018	NL
Radon Test Kits Sampled	11/16/2018	NL
Radon Test Kits Shipped to Lab*	11/16/2018	NL
	11/17/2018;	
Radon Test Kits Received by Lab*	11/18/2018;	NC
	11/20/2018	

\*All samples sent to AccuStar Laboratories, 929 Mount Zion Road, Lebanon, PA 17046 and 2 Saber Way, Haverhill, MA 01835



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### MCPS RADON TESTING

Executive Summary: Highland View Elementary School

Date of Test Report:	2/23/2016 (Rev 2)
Round of Testing:	Initial
	Follow-up
	Post Remediation
# Rooms Tested:	28
# Rooms $\geq$ 4.0 pCi/L:	0
Low Value:	< 0.3
High Value:	3.2

Project Status: Initial testing completed; no further action at this time.



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February 23, 2016 (Rev 2)

Mr. Richard Cox Indoor Air Quality Team Leader Montgomery County Public Schools 850 Hungerford Drive Rockville, MD 20850

Re:	<u>Radon Testing Services</u>		
	KCI Job # 12146341.19		
Location:	Highland View Elementary School		
	9010 Providence Avenue		
	Silver Spring MD 20901		

Dear Mr. Cox:

KCI Technologies, Inc. (KCI) is pleased to submit the following report to the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) pursuant to completing a "short-term" 3 day radon test for the Damascus Elementary School, located at 9010 Providence Avenue in Silver Spring, Maryland 20901 (subject site).

#### Scope of Services:

KCI conducted radon testing at the subject site to evaluate indoor radon levels relative to the USEPA's recommended action level of 4.0 picocuries per Liter (pCi/L) - the level at which EPA recommends that schools take action to reduce the level. KCI conducted the radon testing in accordance with American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (AARST) *Protocol for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon Decay Products in Schools and Large Buildings*. A National Radon Safety Board (NRSB) Radon Measurement Specialist (certification #14SS056) supervised the testing. Additional information on radon management and the health effects of radon exposure is available from www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep/air/radon or www.epa.gov/radon.

KCI visited the site on December 15, 2016 and deployed thirty-eight (38) activated charcoal (AC) radon test kits. KCI deployed radon test kits in frequently-occupied ground contact rooms, and other areas, (if applicable) in accordance with AARST guidance. A floor plan map of the building with the test locations is included as Attachment A of this report.

As a quality control measure, KCI included duplicate samples, field blanks, lab transit blanks, and office blanks in accordance with AARST recommendations. In addition, KCI submitted six (6) test kits to Bowser-Morner, Inc. as spike samples. The spiked tests were exposed to a known radon concentration by Bowser-Morner prior to being returned to the laboratory for analysis.

KCI returned to the site on December 18, 2016 to retrieve the radon sampling test kits. KCI shipped all radon tests via overnight delivery to Airchek, Inc. for analysis by gamma-ray spectroscopy. Airchek, Inc. is a NRSB certified analytical laboratory for radon analysis (certification # ARL1402) located at 1936

Butler Bridge Road, Mills River, North Carolina.

#### **Evaluation of Testing Conditions:**

The operating condition that represents the greatest amount of significantly occupied time for this building is; heating active, with outdoor temperature averages  $\leq 65^{\circ}$  F.

KCI concludes that the test period reasonably represents normal conditions when the building is significantly occupied. Clear characterization of the radon hazard is most likely to be observed under this normal operating condition. Based on the evaluation of test conditions, this test should reasonably characterize radon hazards.

KCI also conducted observations of field conditions which could affect the results of the test and compiled weather data for the testing period. KCI recorded observations of the following conditions in each room at the time of deployment and collection of the radon test kits:

- Indoor temperature,
- HVAC Operation,
- Dehumidifier operation,
- Humidifier operation,
- Ceiling fan operation, and
- Open windows or doors.

### **Results:**

The results of the radon test analysis indicated the following:

Radon Concentration	Room	Result
≥4.0 piC/L	none	n/a
<4.0 piC/L	See Attachment B	

Notes:

D- Duplicate sample

All field blanks, office blank, and lab transit blanks had test results of less than the laboratory detection limit of 0.3 pCi/L. Review of the duplicate sample analysis indicates that adequate laboratory measurement precision was achieved. The Spike sample analysis results indicate the laboratory is operating within statistical control limits.

The sampling locations, field observations, and analytical results are listed on Table 1 (Attachment B). The laboratory analytical results are also attached (Attachment C). Laboratory results and exposure data for the spike samples are also included in Attachment C.

Our professional services have been performed in accordance with customary principles and practices in the field of industrial hygiene and engineering. If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please feel free to contact me at (410) 316-7800.

Mr. Richard Cox February 23, 2016 Page 4

Sincerely,

James Makler

James M. Moulsdale Radon Measurement Specialist KCI Technologies, Inc.

Attachments:

A- Floor Plan with Test Locations B- Table 1-Radon Test Summary Spreadsheet C- Laboratory Analytical Results

# ATTACHMENT A

Floor Plan With Test Locations

# ATTACHMENT B

# Radon Test Summary Spreadsheet

### Table Notes:

- AC- Activated Charcoal
- ACI- Air Chek, Inc.
- D- Duplicate
- FB- Field Blank
- KCI- KCI Technologies, Inc.
- **OB- Office Blank**
- PM- Project Manager
- QC- Quality Control

	Radon Testing Results Highland View Es			
Test Period: 12/15/15-12/18/15				
Kit Number Room / Area Resu				
7704168	1	1.7		
7704102	2	1.2		
7705174	3	< 0.3		
7704107	5	< 0.3		
7704103	7	1.0		
7704104	8	1.0		
7705172	9	1.0		
7705175	14	1.4		
7704109	15	0.7		
7704110	21	0.9		
7704161	22	0.6		
7704166	23	0.8		
7704155	101	0.9		
7704106	104	1.2		
7704170	105	< 0.3		
7704156	206	0.8		
7704163	213	< 0.3		
7704164	309	0.6		
7704200	102-A	0.8		
7704158	102-B	1.1		
7704150	102-C	1.2		
7704154	102-E	1.0		
7704169	102-F	< 0.3		
7704152	CAFE	< 0.3		
7704151	CAFE	0.8		
7704105	GYM	3.2		
7704101	GYM	2.6		
7704199	MAIN OFFICE	1.1		
7704159	OT	1.8		
7704160	STAFF LOUNGE	0.8		

	Radon Testing Results Highland View Es	
	Test Period: 12/15/15-12/18/15	
Kit Number	QC Туре	Result
7704167	D (1)	1.6
7705170	D (15)	0.8
7704153	D (309)	1.0
7704165	D (STAFF LOUNGE)	1.1
7704198	FB (102-E)	< 0.3
7705167	FB (14)	< 0.3
7704162	FB (23)	< 0.3
7704393	OB (OFFICE BLANK)	< 0.3

# ATTACHMENT C

# Laboratory Analytical Results

# December ABORATORY ANALYSIS 30, REPORT \*\*

### Radon test result report for: HIGHLAND VIEW ES HIGHLAND VIEW

Kit #	Room Id	Started	Ended	pCi/L	Analyzed
7704167	1	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.6 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704168	1	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.7 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704155	101	2015-12-15 @ 2:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.9 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704200	102-A	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704158	102-B	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.1 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704150	102-C	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.2 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704154	102-E	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.0 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704198	102-E	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704169	102-F	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704106	104	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.2 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704170	105	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7705175	14	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.4 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7705167	14	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704109	15	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.7 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7705170	15	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704102	2	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.2 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704156	206	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704110	21	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.9 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704163	213	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704161	22	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.6 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704162	23	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704166	23	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7705174	3	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704153	309	2015-12-15 @ 2:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.0 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704164	309	2015-12-15 @ 2:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.6 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704107	5	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704103	7	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.0 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704104	8	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.0 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7705172	9	2015-12-15 @ 12:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	$1.0 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704151	CAFE	2015-12-15 @ 2:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704152	CAFE	2015-12-15 @ 2:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-22
7704101	GYM	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$2.6 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704105	GYM	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$3.2 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704199	MAIN OFFICE	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.1 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704159	OT	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.8 \pm 0.4$	2015-12-22
7704160	STAFF LOUNGE	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22
7704165	STAFF LOUNGE	2015-12-15 @ 1:00 pm	2015-12-18 @ 10:00 am	$1.1 \pm 0.3$	2015-12-22

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### Radon test result report for: HIGHLAND VIEW ES OFFICE BLANK

	l Started	Ended	pCi/L	Analyzed
7704393 OFFICE BLA	ANK 2015-12-15 @ 3:0	00 pm 2015-12-18 @ 3:00 pm	< 0.3	2015-12-22

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### Radon test result report for: TRANSIT DEC 14 2015 NONE

Kit #	Room Id	Started	Ended	pCi/L	Analyzed
7704395	TRANSIT 1	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706508	TRANSIT 10	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706510	TRANSIT 11	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706511	TRANSIT 12	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706505	TRANSIT 13	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704371	<b>TRANSIT</b> 14	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706506	TRANSIT 15	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704381	TRANSIT 16	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704399	TRANSIT 17	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704390	TRANSIT 18	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704396	<b>TRANSIT 2</b>	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704364	TRANSIT 3	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704370	<b>TRANSIT 4</b>	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7704368	TRANSIT 5	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706524	<b>TRANSIT 6</b>	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706526	<b>TRANSIT 7</b>	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706518	<b>TRANSIT 8</b>	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16
7706516	TRANSIT 9	2015-12-13 @ 10:00 am	2015-12-15 @ 10:00 am	< 0.3	2015-12-16

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Radon test result report for: MCPS

Kit #	Room Id	Started	Ended	pCi/L	Analyzed
7706380	101	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	25.2	2015-12-23
7706381	102	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	26.5	2015-12-23
7706208	103	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	27.7	2015-12-23
7705132	104	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	28.6	2015-12-23
7706366	105	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	26.5	2015-12-23
7706211	106	2015-12-18 @ 9:00 am	2015-12-21 @ 9:00 am	26.1	2015-12-23

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Note: Spike samples are test canisters that are deliberately exposed to a controlled high level of radon in a laboratory. They provide a quality control measure in the testing process and do NOT reflect radon levels in the building being tested.

### **EXPOSURE IN BOWSER-MORNER RADON CHAMBER**

CLIENT KCI Technologies -	Inc. Job Number 173224
0	pCi/L Rel. Hum <u>49.6</u> % Temp. <u>69.9</u> F
Date Start: $12/18/15$ Date Stop: $12/21/15$	Date Start: Date Stop:
Time Start: <u>0929</u> Time Stop: <u>0929</u>	Time Start: Time Stop:
Device No.'s: 7705132,7706208,	Device No.'s:
7706211,7706366,	
7706380, 7706381	
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Date Start: Date Stop:	Date Start: Date Stop:
Time Start: Time Stop:	Time Start: Time Stop:
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### Note: All times are in 24-hour (military) notation, Eastern Standard Time (EST) Background = 7 μR/h Elevation = 820 ft



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### **Radon Test Kit Chain of Custody**

#### Project Name: MCPS Radon Phase I

Name of Schools:

1. Westland M.S.	6. South Lake E.S.	11. Highland View E.S.	16. Ridgeview M.S.
2. East Silver Spring E.S.	7. Jones Lane E.S.	12. Cresthaven E.S.	17. Rockwell E.S.
3. Oakland Terrace E.S.	8. Quince Orchard H.S.	13. Viers Mill E.S.	18. Oak View E.S.
4. Rocking Horse Road E.S.	9. Damascus E.S.	14. Smith Center	19. Jackson Road E.S.
5. Beall E.S.	10. Westbrooke E.S.	15. Rosemont E.S.	20. Highland E.S.
			21. Watkins Mill E.S.

	Date	Initials
Radon Test Kits Deployed	12/15/15	14M
Radon Test Kits Collected	12/18/15	KM
Radon Test Kits Shipped to Lab*	12/18/15	KM
Radon Test Kits Received by Lab*	12/22/15	LM

\*All samples sent to Air Check, Inc., 1936 Butler Bridge Rd, Mills River, NC 28759

## M. A. CECIL & ASSOCIATES, INC. 4475 Shannon Way, Port Republic, Maryland 20676 (301) 855-7710 INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

November 30, 2015

Mr. Sean Yarup Montgomery County Public Schools 16651 Crabbs Branch Way Rockville, Maryland 20855

Re: Radon Evaluation- Highland Elementary School

Dear Mr. Yarup:

Environmental radon testing has been completed at Highland Elementary School.

A charcoal canister was placed in the gym of school as a follow-up to a previously completed survey. The canister was placed on November 13, 2015 and retrieved on November 16, 2015. The detected radon concentration (2.8) was below the EPA recommended level of 4.0 pico curries per liter (pCi/l) of air.

Should you have any questions concerning this report please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Cecil Michael A. Cecil, CIH

## A.B.E. Radiation Measurements Laboratory

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dee@radprotection.com

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November 24, 2015

MA Cecil & Associates, Inc. 4475 Shannon Way Port Republic, MD 20676

Attn: Kimberly Tayman re: Radon Sampling, Highland Elementary School, 3100 Medway St., Silver Spring, MD 20902. Dates of tests: November 13 to 16, 2015 Chamber Spikes: 2.9 % Deviation; September 19 to 21, 2015

Dear Ms. Tayman:

The following is a report of the radon sampling your company conducted at the referenced property using activated charcoal. The charcoal analysis procedures have passed the US EPA's Radon Measurement Proficiency Testing program, and A.B.E. Radiation Measurements Lab is certified by the PA DEP as a laboratory (certification number 0048). The table lists each sample location and the net radon levels in picocuries per liter (pCi/l). Screening testing should be conducted under "closed house" conditions; however, A.B.E. Radiation Measurements Laboratory has no control over how the test device is treated in our absence or the degree of ventilation at the property over the course of the test.

Canister <u>Number</u>	Location	Start Time	End Time	pCi/l
172523	Gym	15:08	08:33	2.8

### CONCLUSIONS

The radon concentration measured during the test was below the US EPA screening guideline of less than 4.0 pCi/l and remedial action to reduce the radon concentration is not indicated based on the results of this test. Because of the variability of radon air concentrations over the course of a year, follow-up biannual testing during a different season, under occupied conditions, is recommended to better estimate the annual average air concentrations.

The results of this test are valid only for the date, time and conditions under which the test was conducted and only for the client ordering the test.

Should you wish to discuss this report, please do not hesitate to contact us at (610) 756-4153.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

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A. LaMastra President