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MCK Architecture & Interiors Studio 401/ 104 Commonwealth Street Surry Hills NSW 2010

Attention: Kim Saggers

Dear Kim,

Re: Geotechnical Investigation Pursuant to DA Proposed Commercial Development 49 - 51 Arthur Street Forestville NSW

This report presents the results of the above investigation, the purpose of which was to determine the nature of the subsurface soil, rock and groundwater conditions in order to address geotechnical matters pertaining to the proposed development, which is understood to comprise several above-ground levels over a basement carpark.

Comments and recommendations on the following geotechnical matters are presented herein:

- Excavation conditions
- Excavation support requirements
- Earth pressures on basement walls
- Suitable foundation schemes and bearing pressures
- Basement groundwater control

#### **Investigation Method**

The subsurface conditions were investigated by augering three boreholes, the locations of which are shown on the attached Figure 1, to practical refusal in the underlying sandstone bedrock. Due to the restricted access conditions, a relatively small and lightweight drill rig was used.

The fieldwork for the investigation was carried out on the 13 December 2016 under the fulltime supervision of the undersigned.

#### **Investigation Findings**

The investigation disclosed relatively straightforward subsurface conditions comprised of shallow fill or natural sandy layer ranging in thickness from approximately 0.5 to 0.7 metres, and thereafter sandstone bedrock.

Auger refusal was encountered at each borehole, at depths varying from about 1.6 to 3.0 metres below existing ground surface. Given the size and power capability of the drillrig used for this investigation, auger refusal was interpreted to occur upon encountering sandstone in the medium strength range.

#### No groundwater was encountered during the investigation.

Reference should be made to the attached Borehole Logs and Explanatory Notes for a detailed description and sequence of the subsurface conditions encountered.

#### **Comments and Recommendations**

#### **Excavation Conditions**

Following the removal of the relatively shallow sandy soil layer, excavation of the sandstone to an estimated depth of approximately 3.5m to 4m should be achievable, mostly by ripping using a D-10 size dozer or equivalent, assisted by rock sawing at the boundaries and the use of a medium size hydraulic rock breaker for trimming and detailed excavations.

As previously noted, the boreholes were terminated within sandstone bedrock estimated to be of medium strength. The possibility of a stronger layer occurring with depth should not be excluded, as strength variations are considered to be common.

Excavation vibrations are unavoidable and it is recommended that they be monitored. As a guide, it is recommended that a threshold peak particle velocity of 8cm/sec be not exceeded when measured at the site boundaries.

#### **Excavation Support**

Unsupported vertical excavation faces may be used for the sandstone, while shoring support will need to be provided to all vertical excavation faces through the soil cover. If s pace permits, temporary batter slopes of 1H:1.5V may be used.

#### Earth Pressure on Basement Walls

An earth pressure coefficient k of 0.4 may be used for the shallow sandy layer. Any horizontal pressure effects from the sandstone could be ignored; that is, k = 0.

#### **Building Foundations**

There appears to be no rational alternative but to transfer the building loads to the sandstone bedrock. For design purposes, an allowable bearing pressure of 3000 kPa may be used.

#### **Basement Drainage**

Some groundwater seepage into the basement should be expected, and such seepage may be controlled by normal sump and pump operations.

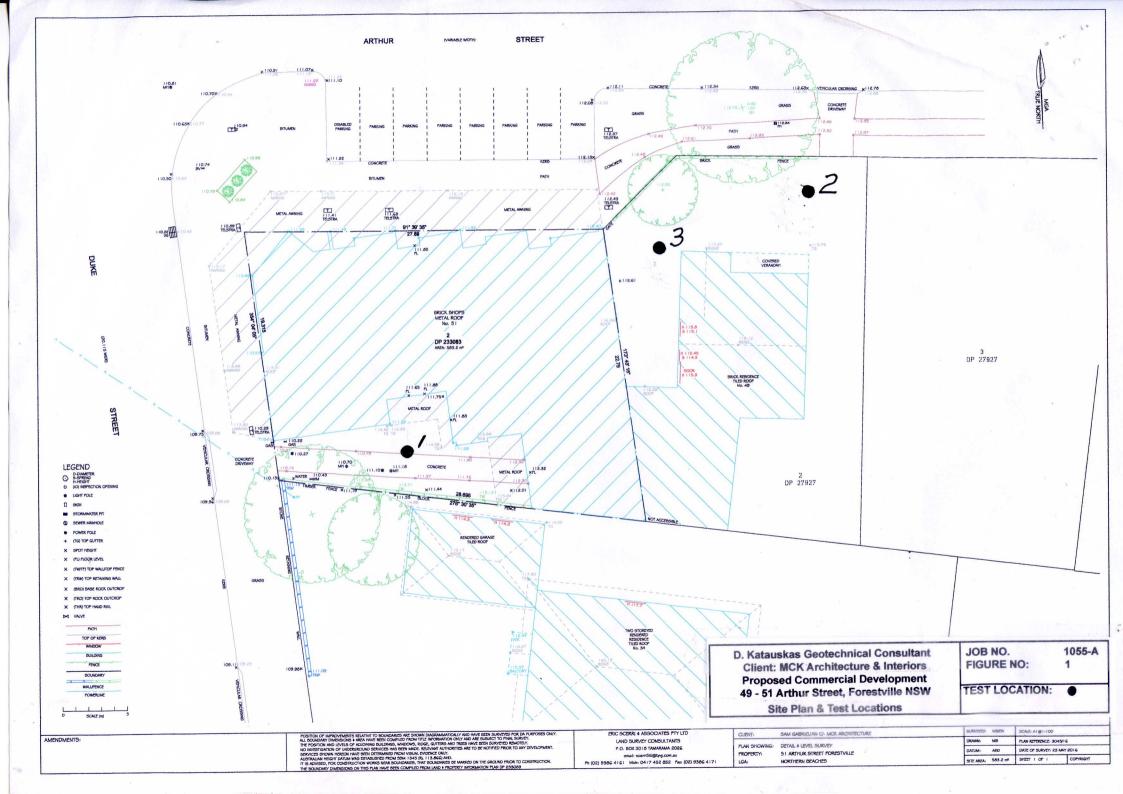
If you have any queries regarding the above, please do not hesitate to call me.

Regards,

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## BOREHOLE LOG

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No: 1

Client:	MCK Architecture & I	teriors	Date:	13/ 12	/ 2016
Project:	Proposed Developme	nt	Job No:	1055	
Location:	49-51 Arthur Street, F	prestville NSW			
Method:	Landcruiser Drill Rig	RL: 111.2m Approx.	Logged:	DK	Checked : DK
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### BOREHOLE LOG

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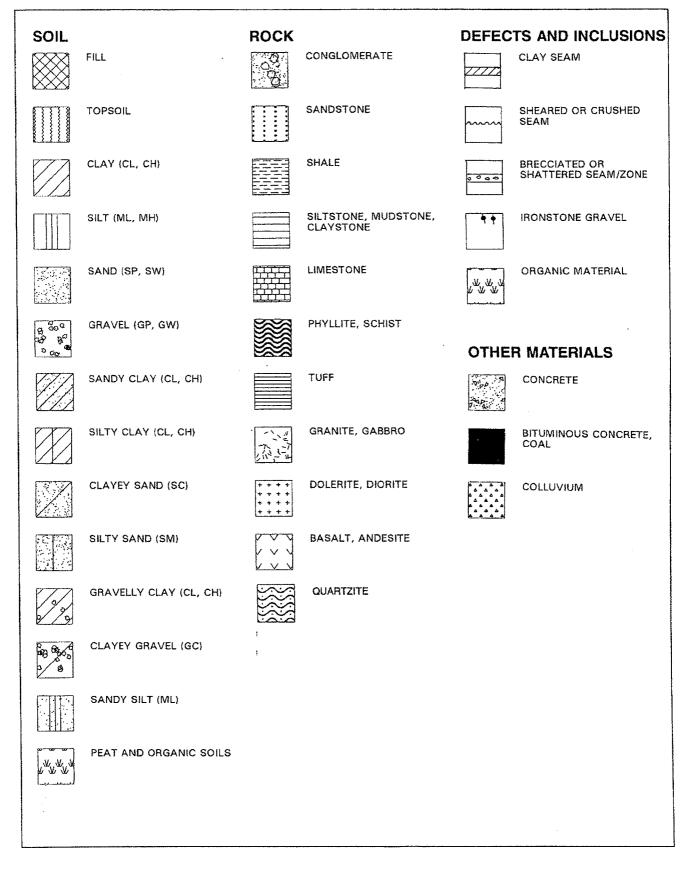
## LOG SYMBOLS

LOG COLUMN	SYMBOL	DEFINITION								
Groundwater Record	▼	Standing water level. Time delay following completion of drilling may be shown.								
	•	Groundwater seepage into borehole or excavation noted during drilling or excavation.								
Samples	ES	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for environmental analysis.								
	U50	Undisturbed 50mm diameter tube sample taken over depth indicated.								
	DB	Bulk disturbed sample taken over depth indicated								
	DS	Small disturbed bag sample taken over depth indicated.								
Field Tests	N = 17 4, 7, 10	Standard Penetration Test (SPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration. 'R' noted below								
	N <sub>c</sub> = 5 . 7 . 3R	Dynamic Cone Penetration Test performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration for 60 degree solid cone driven by SPT hammer. 'R' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.								
	VNS = 25	Vane shear reading in kPa of Undrained Shear Strength								
	PID = 100	Photoionization detector reading in ppm (Soil sample headspace test)								
Moisture Condition	MC > PL	Moisture content estimated to be greater than plastic limit.								
(Cohesive Soils)	MC = PL	Moisture content estimated to be approximately equal to plastic limit.								
	MC < PL	Moisture content estimated to be less than plastic limit.								
(Cohesionless Soils)	D	DRY - runs freely through fingers								
	М	MOIST - does not run freely but no free water visible on soil surface								
	W	WET - free water visible on soil surface.								
Strength	VS	VERY SOFT - Unconfined compressive strength less than 25 kPa.								
(Consistency) Cohesive Soils	S	SOFT - Unconfined compressive strength 25 – 50 kPa.								
	F	FIRM - Unconfined compressive strength 50 – 100 kPa								
	St	STIFF - Unconfined compressive strength 100 – 200 kPa								
	VSt	VERY STIFF - Unconfined compressive strength 200 – 400 kPa								
	Н	HARD - Unconfined compressive strength greater than 400 kPa.								
	( )	Bracketted symbol indicates estimated consistency based on tactile examination or other tests.								
Density Index/ Relative density		Density Index (I <sub>D</sub> ) Range (%) SPT 'N' Value range (Blows/ 300mm)								
(Cohesionless Soils)	VL	Very loose <15 0 - 4								
(0011001011000 00110)	L	Loose 15 – 35 4 – 10								
	MD	Medium Dense 35 – 65 10 – 30								
	D	Dense 65 – 85 30 – 50								
	VD	Very Dense >85 >50								
	( )	Bracketted symbol indicates estimated density based on ease of drilling or other tests								
Hand Penetrometer Readings	300 250	Numbers indicate individual test results in kPa on representative undisturbed material unless noted otherwise.								
Remarks	'V' bit	Hardened steel 'V' bit								
	'TC' bit	Tungsten carbide wing bit								
	<b>T</b> 60	Penetration of auger string in mm under static load of rig applied by drill head hydraulics without rotation of augers.								

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# GRAPHIC LOG SYMBOLS FOR SOILS AND ROCKS



# **Rock Description**

Explanatory Sheet

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Classification of Weathering									
Term	Abbr:	Definition							
Residual Soil	RS	Soil derived from rock weathering; mass structure & substance no longer evident. Large change in volume, soil not significantly transported.							
Extremely Weathered	XW	Weathered to the extent of having soil properties i.e. disintegrates or can be remoulded in water. Original rock fabric still visible.							
Distinctly Weathered	DW	Rock strength usually changed by weathering. May be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching or decreased by deposition of weathering productsin pores.							
Slightly Weathered	SW	Rock slightly discoloured; shows little or no change in strength from fresh rock.							
Fresh Rock	FR	Shows no evidence of decomposition or staining.							

Notes:
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The unconfined compressive strength is typically 10 to 25 times the point load index for homogeneous isotropic rocks. The ratio may vary for different rock types

	Rock Substance Strength Terms										
Term	Abbr:	Point Load	Strength Field Guide								
Very Low	VL	less than 0.1	Crumbles under firm blows with sharp end of pick;can be peeled with knife. Too hard to cut triaxial sample by hand. Pieces up to 30mm thick, can be broken by finger pressure.								
Low	L	0.1 to 0.3	Easily scored with a knife, indentations 1mm to 3 mm show in specimen with firm blows of the pick point, has dull sound under hammer A piece of core, 150mm long by 50mm diameter, may be broken by hand. Sharp edges of core may be friable.								
Medium	М	0.3 to 1	Readily scored with knife.Core 150mm by 50mm diameter can be broken by hand with difficulty.								
High	Н	1 to 3	A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter cannot be broken by a pick with a single firm blow. Rock rings under hammer.								
Very High	∨н	3 to 10	Hand specimen breaks with pick after more than one blow. Rock rings under hammer.								
Extremely High	EH	More than 10	Specimen requires many blows with geological pick to break through intact material. Rock rings under hammer.								

# **UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION TABLE**

Field Identification Procedures (Excluding particles larger than 75 μm and basing fractions on estimated weights)					ans on	Group Symbols	Typical Names	Information Required for Describing Solls			Laboratory Classification Criteria
s Tial is Bize <sup>ii</sup> Ye)	Gravels More than half of coarse fraction is larger than 4 mm sieve size	Clean gravels (little or no fines)	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate particle sizes		GW	Well graded gravels, gravel- sand mixtures, little or no fines	Give typical name; indicate ap- proximate percentages of sand		(Is of gravel and sand from grain size hase of fines (fraction smaller than 75 segrained soils are classified as follows: <i>GW</i> , <i>GP</i> , <i>SW</i> , <i>SP</i> <i>GW</i> , <i>GP</i> , <i>SM</i> , <i>SC</i> <i>Gorderline</i> cases requiring use of dual symbols	$C_{\rm U} = \frac{D_{\rm eq}}{D_{\rm 10}}  \text{Greater than 4}$ $C_{\rm C} = \frac{(D_{\rm 20})^2}{D_{\rm 10} \times D_{\rm eq}}  \text{Between 1 and 3}$	
	half of larger sicves	Cle	Predominantl with some	y one size or a intermediate	one size or a range of sizes intermediate sizes missing		Poorly graded gravels, gravel- sand mixtures, little or no fines	and gravel; maximum size; angularity, surface condition, and hardness of the coarse grains; local or geologic name		from g smaller ified as juiring	Not meeting all gradation requirements for GW
	than than trion t	Gravels with fines (appreciable amount of fines)	Nonplastic fit	ilication pro-	GM	Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures	and other pertinent descriptive information; and symbols in parentheses	ц	d sand Inction Inc class W, SP M, SC MS, SC asset rec	Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4 4 and 7 are	
ined so of mau um siev		Grave Drave Cappro	Plastic fines (for identification procedures, see CL below)			вC	Claycy gravels, poorty graded gravel-sand-ctay mixtures	For undisturbed soils add informa- tion on stratification, degree of compactness, cementation,	identification	of gravel and ge of fines (fra- graned soils ar- GM, GP, SW, GM, GC, SM, Borderline cas dual symbo	Atterberg limits above "A" line, with PI greater than 7 borderline cases requiring use of tlual symbols
C oarse-grained soils More than half of material is larger thun 75 µm aieve aize <sup>i</sup> particle visible to naked eye)	More than half of coarse fraction is smaller than fraction is struct size	Clean sands (little or no fines)		r grain sizes an f all intermed		SHY	Well graded sands, gravely sands, little or no fines	Example: Silly sand, gravely: about 20% hard, angular gravel par- ticles 12 mm maximum size:		centag percet 12%	$C_{U} = \frac{D_{40}}{D_{10}}  \text{Greater than 6}$ $C_{C} = \frac{(D_{30})^{2}}{D_{10} \times D_{50}}  \text{Between 1 and 3}$
C ( More 1 larger particle v	inds half of smalle sicve si	- BG		y one size or a intermediate		SP	Poorly graded sands, gravely sands, little or no fines		given und		Not meeting all gradation requirements for SW
ama ilest	ction is 4 mm	Sands with, Dnes (appreciable amount of fines)		nes (for identi sec ML below)		SM	Silty sands, poorly graded sand- silt mixtures	15% non-plastic fines with low dry strength; well com- pacted and moist in place:	ns as gi		Atterberg limits below "A" line or Pliess than 5 4 and 7 arc
r Pe			Plastic fines (fo	or identificatio w)	n procedures,	SC	Claycy sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures	alluvial sand: (SM)	5	d d	Atterberg limits below "A" line with PI greater than 7
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<u>۳.</u>			Dry Strength (crushing character- istics)	Dilatancy (reaction to shaking)	Toughness (consistency near plastic limit.)				identifying the	60	ng soils at court liquid limit
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Fine-grained soils ore than half of material is <i>smaller</i> than 75 µm aieve aize (The 75 µm sieve aize		Silts Jes Jest		None to very slow	Mcdium	CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays	condition, odour if any, local or geologic name, and other perti- nent descriptive information, and symbol in parentheses		Jasticity 20	
hal hal			Slight to medium	Slow	Slight	OL	Organic silts and organic silt- clays of low plasticity	For undisturbed soils add infor-	ž	10 === cL	
re than thai	clays than than		Slight to medium	Slow to none	Slight to medium	мн	lnorganic silts, micaccous or diatomaccous fine sandy or silty soils, clastic silts	mation on structure, stratifica- tion, consistency in undisturbed and remoulded states, moisture and drainage conditions			20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
Ň		ទ	High to very high	None	High	Сң	Inorganic clays of high plas- ticity, fat clays	Example:			Liquid limit
	Silts and . liquid li		Medium to high	None to very slow	Slight to medium	он	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity	Clayey sill, brown: slightly plastic; small percentage of		for labora	Plasticity chart tory classification of fine grained soils
H	Highly Organic Soils Readily identified by colour, odour, spongy feet and frequently by fibrous texture					Pi	Peat and other highly organic soils	fine sand; numerous vertical root holes; firm and dry in place; loess; (ML)			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

NOTE: 1) Soils possessing characteristics of two groups are designated by combinations of group symbols (e.g. GW-GC, wull graded gravel-sand mixture with clay fines),

2) Soils with liquid limits of the order of 35 to 50 may be visually classified as being of medium plasticity.