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Attention: Mr. Asim Malik, Project Manager

Subject: Vibration Monitoring Report – March 19 to March 25, 2021
St. Mary's of the Lake Hospital Renovations
Kingston, ON

DST File No.: 02101810.000

Dear Mr. Malik:

DST Consulting Engineers Inc. (DST) has prepared the following vibration monitoring report for the project noted above. This report aims to present the recorded vibration data of the properties within proximity to the construction activities.

1.0 Vibration Equipment Installation

A total of four (4) vibration monitors were installed on February 18, 2021 at the following locations:

- 18 Centre Street;
- 26 Centre Street;
- 31 Ellerbeck Street; and
- 365 King Street West.

Please refer to the site map "Figure 1: Monitoring Locations" attached in Appendix A to overview the monitors' locations.

The geophone sensors were placed on the ground and secured with a sandbag to ensure that vibrations are correctly recorded and limit the false triggers caused by other environmental sources.

Instantel Minimate Plus digital seismographs are being utilized for vibration monitoring and recording. This equipment can measure vibration intensities up to 254 mm/s with a frequency response range of 2 to 250 Hz. The units were programmed to continuously measure all vibration levels and their corresponding frequencies at a sampling rate of 1,024 samples per second. At every 5-minute interval, the unit reviews the measured vibration and permanently records the peak particle velocity and its corresponding frequency for the interval and deletes all subordinate vibration levels.

The seismographs are programmed to transmit data instantaneously to DST's secured server and our vibration specialist's cellular device, two (2) times per day and when vibration levels reach or exceed 20 mm/s. During construction operations, all vibration trigger levels are reviewed and monitored by DST as per Table 1 (refer to the vibration exceedance protocol in Appendix B). All seismograph equipment used on this project will have been calibrated within the last twelve (12) months.

2.0 Vibration Limits

During construction operations, all vibration trigger levels are reviewed and monitored by DST as per the protocol guideline limits outlined in Table 1; refer to the vibration exceedance protocol attached in Appendix B. Should any vibration triggers exceed the threshold limits provided in Table 1, DST will notify the client to review, adjust their construction operational parameters accordingly, or cease operations, as required. In the event of any vibration exceedance, the vibration specialist will be automatically notified and as well as the designated client's site supervisor(s) through their cellular phones (via email and/or text).

It is important to emphasize that DST has not performed any review of the structures to confirm their sensitivity or the applicability of these generic action levels.

3.0 Vibration Levels

Based on the recorded data review between March 19 to March 25, 2021, all vibrations were below the allowable limits outlined in Table 1 attached in Appendix B. The highest vibration level of 1.397 mm/s with a frequency of 51.20 Hz was recorded at 26 Centre Street on March 24, 2021.

Please refer to Table 2 in Appendix C, which summarizes the maximum peak particle velocities recorded by each monitor and Table 3 in Appendix C for the complete vibration monitoring data for this monitoring period.

4.0 Closure

We trust the preceding will satisfy your current requirements. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,

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Legend

-  Approximate Location of Construction Activities
-  Proposed Vibration Monitoring Locations

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Client Queens University			
Site St. Mary's Of the lake Hospital			
Report Title Vibration Monitor Locations			
Drawing Title Site Map			
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Approved By S.G		Project No. TBD	
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Table 1 - Vibration Exceedance Protocol at Neighboring Structures (Adopted from City of Ottawa SP. F-1201)

Frequency Hz	PPV mm/s	Required Action	Description of Event
All	PPV < 20	No Action Required	
≤ 40	PPV ≥ 20	First Exceedance – Review construction operations and alter procedures as necessary. Proceed with caution with activities subject to the approval of the Contractor. Second Consecutive Exceedance – Contractor to cease all operations, review activities and submit revised work methodology to the Owners and Project Team.	Notification email sent, vibration expert to review vibration event for contract compliance.
	PPV ≥ 50	First Exceedance – Contractor to cease all operations, review activities and submit revised work methodology to the Owners and Project Team.	Notification email sent, vibration expert to review vibration event for contract compliance.
> 40	PPV < 45	No Action Required	
	45 ≤ PPV < 50	Warning Level – Review construction operations and alter procedures if necessary. Proceed with caution with activities.	Notification email sent, vibration expert to review vibration event for contract compliance.
	PPV ≥ 50	First Exceedance – Review construction operations and alter procedures as necessary. Proceed with caution with activities subject to the approval of the Contractor. Second Consecutive Exceedance – Contractor to cease all operations, review activities and submit revised work methodology to the Owners and Project Team.	Notification email sent, vibration expert to review vibration event for contract compliance.

Table 2: Maximum Peak Particle Velocity

Seismograph Location	Date of Installation	Maximum Peak Particle Velocity (PPV) [mm/s]	Date of Maximum Vibration Trigger
18 Centre Street	February 19, 2021	0.635	March 24, 2021
26 Centre Street	February 19, 2021	1.397	March 24, 2021
31 Ellerbeck Street	February 19, 2021	0.508	March 25, 2021
365 King Street West	February 19, 2021	0.635	March 24, 2021

GLOSSARY:

H: Histogram

W: Waveform

***: Not Available

Tran: Maximum peak particle velocity along the tranverse plane

Vert: Maximum peak particle velocity along the vertical plane

Long: Maximum peak particle velocity along the longitudinal plane

Freq: Frequency

PVS: Peak Vector Sum

 Highest Vibration level recorded at this monitoring location during this monitoring period

Queens - PPV vs Hz Vibration Data

