



August 10, 2015

Mr. Matthew Harris  
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**Subject: Project 15614002.00, Vibration Monitoring Summary Report #7, Hine Jr High Project, Washington, DC**

Dear Mr. Harris:

**SCHNABEL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC. (Schnabel)** is pleased to present the results of vibration monitoring during construction from July 11 through 24, 2015. These services are provided according to our agreement signed January 15, 2015.

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This project consists of the demolition of the existing structure by conventional methods and construction of a new multi-use development up to 9-stories high, with 2 levels of below grade parking. The excavation support piers will be pre-drilled and grouted in-place. The proposed structure will be supported on a spread-footing foundation. We understand that rock excavation is not anticipated.

#### **VIBRATION MONITORING**

The purpose of the vibration monitoring is to record the vibration levels generated from the demolition and construction activities, so as to minimize excessive vibrations that might damage the adjacent structures, and/or annoy the residents. Five (5) seismic stations were originally installed on three sides (East, North and West) of the project in mid-April. Three of those stations (Stations 1, 4 and 5) have been removed at your request. A plan showing the seismograph equipment locations is attached. Table 1 summarizes the seismograph locations, with recommended trigger levels. The recommended trigger level is lower on the north side of the site, because this station is next to residential properties. The station on the west side is adjacent to commercial properties.

**Table 1 – Seismograph Locations**

<b>Station</b>	<b>Location Description</b>	<b>Vibration Trigger Level (mms)</b>
2	West – 301 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, Basement	12.5
3	North – 239 8 <sup>th</sup> Street, Back Yard	6.4

The stations are equipped with a cellular modem for communications with our computer network. The seismographs are recording vibrations in three perpendicular planes of movement: longitudinal, vertical, and transverse. They are set to monitor the vibrations from 5:00 AM to 7:30 PM daily. The station on the North side of the project will generate an event report with the vibration waveform, if the peak particle velocity exceeds 6.4 millimeters per second (mms). The seismograph on the West side (on 7<sup>th</sup> Street) will record an event report when the vibration level exceeds 12.5 mms. When vibrations exceed these criteria, the seismographs are also programmed to “Call Home” to Schnabel’s server to download the vibration data. The “Call Home” feature allows automatic notification to anyone on the distribution list that vibration levels exceeding the allowable criterion have been recorded.

**CONSTRUCTION MONITORING ANALYSIS**

The table below summarizes the daily peak vibration levels if the vibrations exceeded the respective trigger levels of 6.4 and 12.5 mms. There was one vibration event recorded during this monitoring period that exceeded the trigger level at Station 2. A copy of the vibration report is enclosed. The peak particle velocity of the recorded event was:

- Station 2: 16.6 mms at >100 Hz on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:27 AM (Trigger: 12.5 mms).

**Table 2 – Recorded Vibration Data**

Date	Daily Peak Vibrations (mms/Hz)	
	Station 2 (West)	Station 3 (North)
7/25	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/26	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/27	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/28	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/29	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/30	No Triggers	No Triggers
7/31	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/1	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/2	<b>1 Trigger</b>	No Triggers
8/3	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/4	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/5	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/6	No Triggers	No Triggers
8/7	No Triggers	No Triggers

## CONCLUSIONS

The seismograph records indicate that a vibration event was recorded at Station 2 that exceeded the trigger level of 12.5 mms during this monitoring period. We believe the trigger event recorded at Station 2 on August 2<sup>nd</sup> may not be related to construction activities at the site, because it occurred on a Sunday, when the contractor was not likely working.

We have endeavored to provide the professional services as reported herein in accordance with generally accepted geosciences practices, and make no other warranties, either expressed or implied, as to the services provided under the terms of this agreement and included in this report.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions concerning this report.

Sincerely,

**SCHNABEL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC.**



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### Enclosures

Figure 1 – Seismograph Location Plan

Vibration Event Report for:

Station 2 on August 2<sup>nd</sup>