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Merlin R&R: 125555

06 February 2009

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Dear Sirs

**Re: 104 Haverstock Hill London NW3 2BD
Origin Housing**

Further in the above matter, we are now pleased to enclose the soils analysis report for your information and retention.

Yours faithfully
For **HACE**

Amanda Jones

PLP P R Carruthers
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104 Haverstock Hill, LONDON S21768
NW3 2BD



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SAMPLES LABELLED:

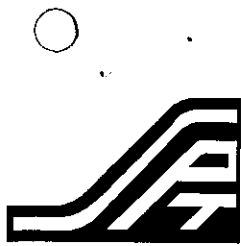
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DATE RECEIVED: 21/01/09

SAMPLES TESTED BETWEEN 21/01/09 and 31/01/09

REMARKS: For the attention of Mr P Carruthers
Your client: Origin Housing

- NOTES:**
- 1 All remaining samples or remnants from this contract will be disposed of after 21 days from today, unless we are notified to the contrary.
 - 2 (a) UKAS - United Kingdom Accreditation Service.
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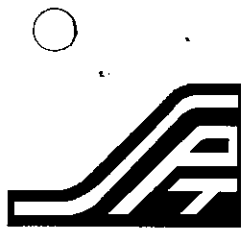
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SCHEDULE OF LABORATORY TESTS

Bh./ Tp No.	Sample Ref	Depth (from)	1:Moisture Content Determination 4:Liquid/Plastic limit 1 point																				Remarks
01	D1	US/F	*																				
	D2	2.00	*	*																			
	D3	3.00	*																				
-	-	-	3	1																		← Total Number of Tests —	

Scheduled by: HACE Technical Services Ltd

Target Date: 30/01/09



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DETERMINATION OF MOISTURE CONTENT

Borehole/ Pit No.	Depth m.	Sample	Moisture Content %	Description	Remarks
01	0.75	D1	25	Stiff locally very stiff friable dark yellowish brown calcareous CLAY with occasional brown mottling, selenite crystals, rare cinder fragments and recently active roots	Oven dried at a maximum of 80°C due to the presence of selenite
01	2.00	D2	23	Very stiff friable dark yellowish brown CLAY with occasional brown mottling, selenite crystals and rare recently active and decayed roots	Oven dried at a maximum of 80°C due to the presence of selenite
01	3.00	D3	23	Very stiff friable brown and dark yellowish brown CLAY with occasional grey and orange mottling, rare fine sand/silt pockets, selenite crystals and recently active roots	Oven dried at a maximum of 80°C due to the presence of selenite

METHOD OF PREPARATION: BS 1377:PART 1:1990:7.3

METHOD OF TEST : BS 1377:PART 2:1990:3.2

TYPE OF SAMPLE KEY : U = Undisturbed, B = Bulk, D = Disturbed, J = Jar, W = Water, SPT = Split Spoon Sample, C = Core Cutter

COMMENTS :

REMARKS TO INCLUDE : Sample disturbance, loss of moisture, variation from test procedure, location and origin of test specimen within original sample. Oven drying temperature if not 105-110 deg C.



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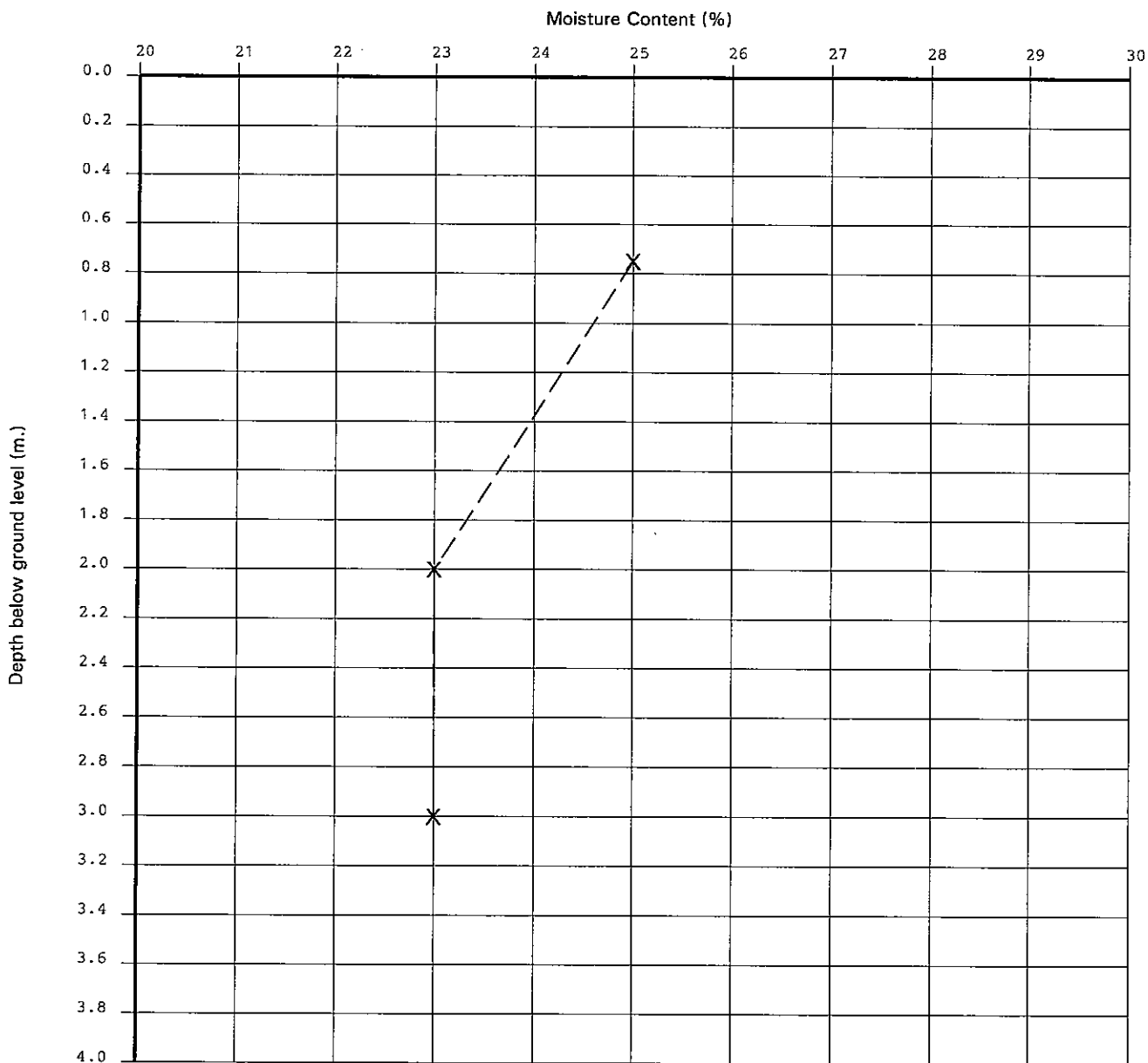
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Moisture Content (%) vs Depth below ground level (m.).



Key to
Data Points

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SUMMARY OF MOISTURE CONTENT, LIQUID LIMIT, PLASTIC LIMIT, PLASTICITY INDEX AND LIQUIDITY INDEX

Borehole/ Pit No.	Depth m.	Sample	Moisture Content (%)	Liquid Limit (%)	Plastic Limit (%)	Plast- icity Index (%)	Liqu- idity Index (%)	SAMPLE PREPARATION			Description	CLASS	
								Method S/N	Ret'd 0.425um (%)	Corr'd M/C <0.425um			Curing Time (hrs.)
01	0.75	D1	25	-	-	-	-					Stiff locally very stiff friable dark yellowish brown calcareous CLAY with occasional brown mottling, selenite crystals, rare cinder fragments and recently active roots	-
01	2.00	D2	23	77	28	49	-0.10	N	0(A)		24	Very stiff friable dark yellowish brown CLAY with occasional brown mottling, selenite crystals and rare recently active and decayed roots	CV
01	3.00	D3	23	-	-	-	-					Very stiff friable brown and dark yellowish brown CLAY with occasional grey and orange mottling, rare fine sand/silt pockets, selenite crystals and recently active roots	-

METHOD OF PREPARATION : BS 1377:PART 1:1990:7.4 & PART 2:1990:4.2

S = Wet Sieved Specimen
N = prepared from Natural

METHOD OF TEST : BS 1377:PART 2:1990:3.2, 4.4, 5.3, 5.4

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COMMENTS :

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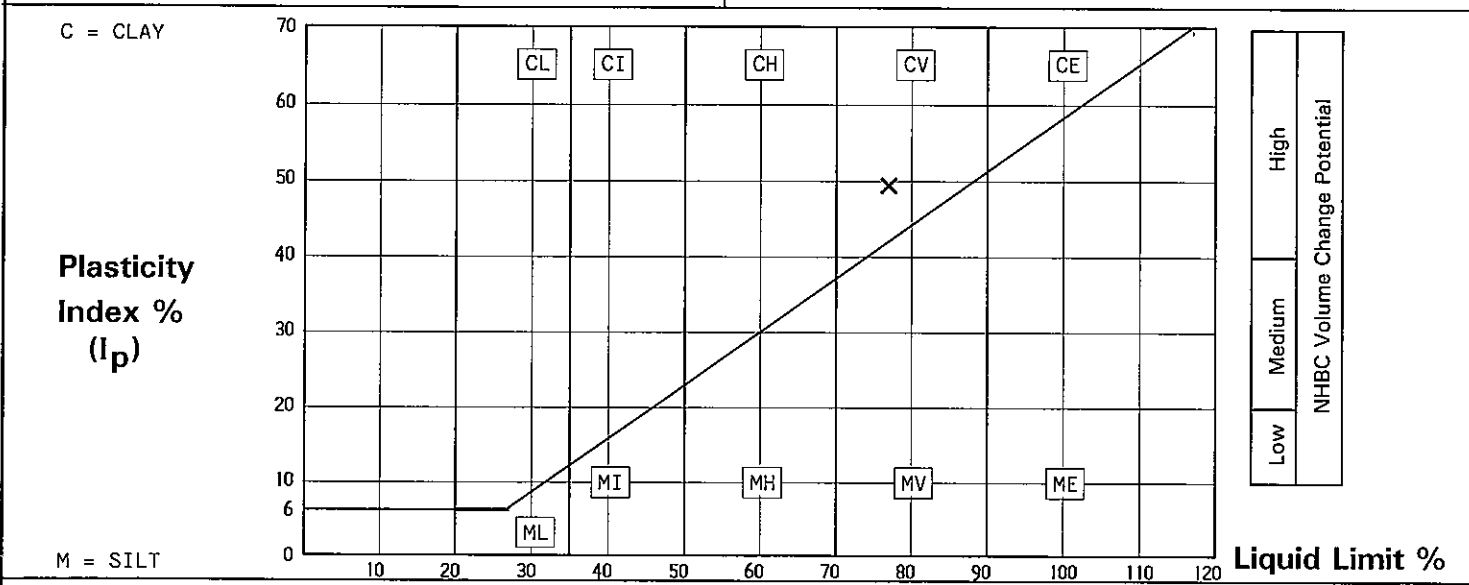
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DETERMINATION OF MOISTURE CONTENT, LIQUID LIMIT AND PLASTIC LIMIT AND DERIVATION OF PLASTICITY INDEX AND LIQUIDITY INDEX

Borehole/ Pit No.	Depth m.	Sample	Moisture Content %	Description	Remarks
01	2.00	D2	23	Very stiff friable dark yellowish brown CLAY with occasional brown mottling, selenite crystals and rare recently active and decayed roots	Oven dried at a maximum of 80°C due to the presence of selenite

PREPARATION		Liquid Limit	77 %
Method of Preparation	Specimen from Natural Soil	Plastic Limit	28 %
Sample retained 0.425 sieve (Assumed)	0 %	Plasticity Index	49 %
Corrected moisture content for material passing 0.425mm	%	Liquidity Index	-0.10
Curing Time	24 Hours	Clay Content	Not analysed. %
		Derived Activity (PI/CC)	Not analysed.



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METHOD OF TEST : BS 1377:PART 2:1990:3.2, 4.4, 5.3, 5.4

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COMMENTS : PLASTICITY CHART BS5930:1999:Figure 18
VOLUME CHANGE POTENTIAL: NHBC Standards Chapter 4.2 Unmodified Plasticity Index
NOTE: Modified Plasticity Index $I'_p = I_p \times (\% \text{ less than } 425 \text{ microns}/100)$



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13/01/2009

Your ref: P6687
Job No: Root130109112725

Dear Sir

Re: Root Identification
Sample Origin: 104 Haverstock Hill, London, NW3 2BD

The sample of roots taken from the above property and received by us on 13 January 2009, has been examined and identification appears to be as follows:

Reference	Depth	Species Identified		Root Diameter	Starch
TP01	0.75-2m	probably <i>Quercus</i> spp. but possibly <i>Castanea</i> spp.	1	4 mm	Abundant
TP01	0.75-2m	<i>Hebe</i> spp.		1 mm	None Visible

Comments:

1 - Plus 4 others also identified as probably *Quercus* spp. but possibly *Castanea* spp.

Quercus spp. are oaks. *Castanea* spp. include sweet chestnut.

Hebe spp. are common flowering evergreen shrubs.

2 species were identified.

Signed GST Checked MDM

Unless we are otherwise instructed in writing, the above sample material will normally be disposed of 3 years after the date of this report.



SITE NOTES

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RISK ADDRESS	104 Haverstock Hill London NW3 2BD
INSURED	Origin Housing

Steve

The foundations to the steps are 750mm below ground level sited in very stiff clay with roots. Please note that I believe the tree causing the problem to be within the garden of 104 not the Local Authority. I may be wrong but it certainly seems that way.

We are having soils and roots tested and will revert to you once the laboratory results are in.

Paul

SITE INVESTIGATION
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1) LOCATION PLAN FOR:-	> TRIAL HOLE	✓
	> DEMEC	
	> DRAINAGE	
2) TRIAL HOLE LOG		✓
3) DEMEC RECORD		
4) DRAINAGE REPORT		

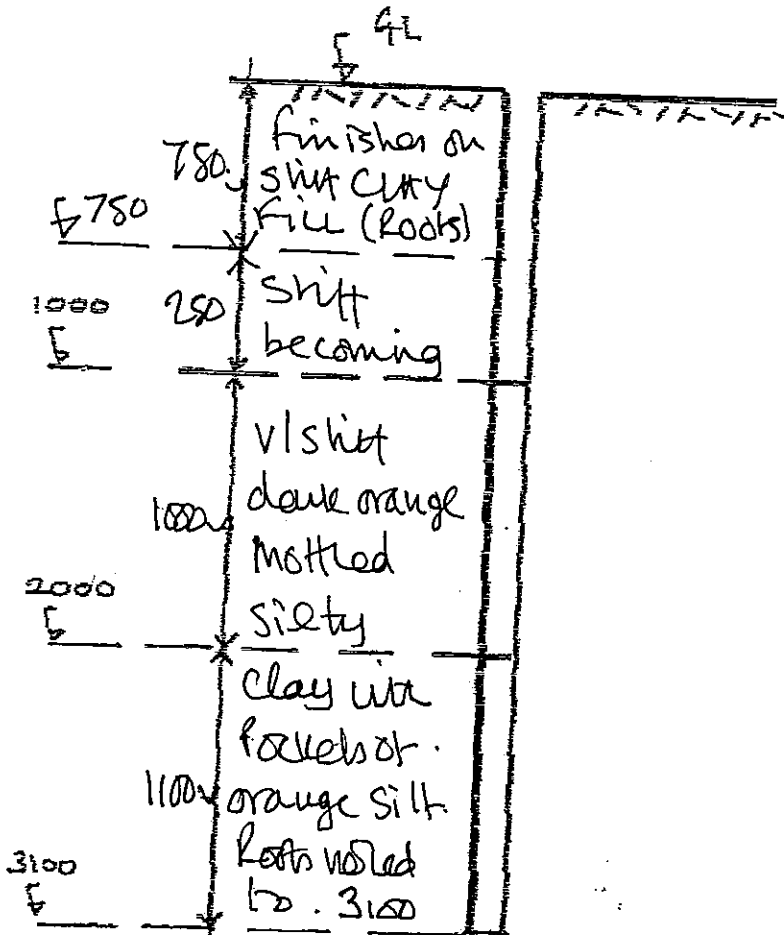
2) TRIALPIT LOGS - TH01

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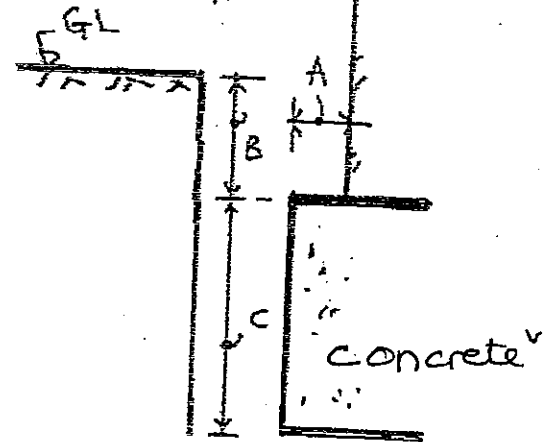
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Date 9.1.09

Soil Profile



Trial Hole Detail
NTS



A =	250
B =	550
C =	200

All dims in mm

Soil Samples taken at v/sf, 2000, 3000

Root Samples taken at 5 No. Between 750 -> 2000.