

GEOTECHNICAL REPORT

Nation Rise Wind Farm Overhead and Underground Collection System

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TULLOCH Project #: 18-4022

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1 INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

Tulloch Engineering Inc. (Tulloch) was retained by EDP Renewables North America LLP (EDPR) to conduct geotechnical site investigations for the proposed Nation Rise Wind Project located in the Township of North Stormont, United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry, Ontario, Canada. The site location is shown in Appendix A.

A geotechnical program was undertaken at the Nation Rise Project site to investigate the subsurface conditions for three proposed utility crossings at the South Nation River, Payne River and a railway line located at the southwest end of the project area. This report provides factual data from the geotechnical drilling, and the results of soil and rock laboratory testing, electrical resistivity testing and thermal resistivity testing. The report provides soil parameters and recommendations for the design and construction of the underground power lines crossing under the rivers and railway line.

2 SITE DESCRIPTION AND GEOLOGY

Based on the Surficial Geology of Southern Ontario Maps as published by the Ontario Geological Survey (i.e. OGS Map 2140A), the site surficial geology varies from exposed bedrock, to glacial till and fine-textured glaciomarine deposits. The bedrock consists of limestone, dolomite, shale, arkose, and sandstone of the Ottawa Group (OGS 2011). The bedrock is exposed (i.e. outcropping) mainly along the western boundaries of the project in an area roughly bounded by Crysler, Cannamore and Connaught, ON. Bedrock is also locally exposed east of the South Nation River near the Payne Crossing and along Berwick Rd. The glaciomarine deposits primarily consist of silt and clay, with minor sand and gravel; These sediments are massive to well laminated in structure and are found mainly along the South Nation River (OGS 2010) and its tributaries. The glacial till consists of poorly sorted clay, silt, sand and gravel with occasional cobbles and boulders.

3 SITE INVESTIGATIONS AND METHODOLOGY

3.1 Drilling Investigations

The geotechnical investigations were completed from August $27th$ to September $4th$, 2018. The investigations consisted of advancing six (6) boreholes to 9.1 m below the existing ground surface. Four (4) boreholes were drilled at the river crossings; South Nation River and Payne River. Two (2) boreholes were drilled at the location of the railway line crossing at the South West end of the project site. The boreholes were

advanced using a CME 55 track-mounted drill rig equipped with 200 mm diameter continuous flight hollow stem augers and standard soil sampling equipment. The rig was carried out by Marathon Drilling Co. Ltd.

Soil samples were obtained with a 51 mm outside diameter split spoon sampler in conjunction with Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) continuously in the upper 3.0 m, and at 1.52 m intervals thereafter. The corresponding SPT 'N' values were recorded by a TULLOCH representative. Field vane tests (ATSM D2573) were also conducted in all boreholes using a standard 125 mm MTO (Ministry of Transportation of Ontario) vane to assess the undrained shear strength of the cohesive soil encountered at the sites. Thinwalled Shelby tube samples were retrieved in accordance with ATSM Standard D1587 to collect undisturbed samples of cohesive soils in the boreholes. The bedrock was cored using an NQ core barrel and upon the completion of the drilling, the boreholes were backfilled and sealed with bentonite pellets.

The drilling and soil and rock core sampling were completed under the full-time supervision of a Tulloch representative, who logged the drilling operations and identified the soil and rock samples as they were retrieved. The recovered soil samples were sealed in plastic bags or core boxes and transported to TULLOCH's Geotechnical Laboratory for detailed examination and testing. All samples will be stored in our laboratory for six (6) months and then disposed of unless directed otherwise.

3.2 Laboratory Testing

Table 3-1 summarizes the soil and rock laboratory tests conducted for this geotechnical investigation program and the corresponding ASTM standards. Detailed laboratory test reports are attached in Appendix D.

Table 3-1: Summary of Soil/Rock Laboratory Testing Program

4 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

4.1 General

Detailed subsurface profiles at each of the boreholes are summarized in the borehole logs attached in Appendix C. The Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) was used for soil classification. Additionally, the soil boundaries indicated on the borehole logs are inferred from discontinuous sampling and observations during drilling. These boundaries are intended to reflect approximate transition zones to support geotechnical design and they should not be interpreted as exact planes of geological change. Third parties relying on the data presented in the logs should account for the approximate nature of these boundaries during design.

4.2 Rail Crossings

Table 4-1 summarizes the stratigraphy at the rail crossing location. At this crossing, the depth to bedrock varies from 6.20 meters below the ground surface (mbgs) to 6.30 mbgs. The overburden soils overlying bedrock are comprised of a layer of Clay (CL) and/or Silt (ML) overlying a find-grained Silt to Clayey Silt Till (CL or ML). Atterberg limits test results for samples collected at the rail crossings are summarized in Table 4-2 below. The grain size distribution test results are summarized in Table 4-3. The bedrock is generally of fair to good rock mass quality; detailed rock properties are discussed in Section 4.4.

Table 4-1: Summary of Soil and Rock Parameters

Note: ¹CL - Intermediate Plasticity Clay; Till (CL) – Clayey Till; Till (SG) – Granular Till; Till (ML) – Silty Till

Table 4-2: Atterberg Limit Results

Table 4-3: Grainsize Distribution Results

4.3 River Crossings

Table 4-4 summarizes the stratigraphy the South Nation River (RC-01) and Payne River (RC-02) crossing locations. At the South Nation River site, the depth to bedrock varies from 4.95 meters below ground surface (mbgs) to 6.85 mbgs. At the Payne River crossing site, the bedrock depth varies from 6.60 mbgs to 7.80 mbgs. The overburden soils overlying bedrock at the South Nation Crossing is comprised of a thin veneer of intermediate plasticity Clay (CI) over Granular Till (SG) and Silt Till (ML). At the Payne River, the overburden is comprised of a Granular Till (SG) that is interbedded with a layer of Silt Till (ML) at RC-02A. At RC-02B, the overburden is comprised of Clay (CL) over Silt and Clay Till (ML/CL) which transitions to a Silt/Granular Till (ML/SG) overlying bedrock. The bedrock is generally of very poor to good rock mass quality; the detailed rock properties are discussed in Section 4.4.

Table 4-4: Summary of Soil and Rock Parameters

Note: ¹CL - Intermediate Plasticity Clay; ML – Silt; Till (CL) – Clayey Till; Till (SG) – Granular Till; Till (ML) Silty Till.

Table 4-5: Atterberg Limit Results

Table 4-6: Grainsize Distribution Results

4.4 Bedrock Properties

The bedrock at the site consists of grey to black, thinly bedded, fine grained Shaly Limestone. Based on the rock core logs in Appendix C, the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) values vary significantly but are generally between 19-81% in the upper meter of the bedrock and between 21-100% below that. The intact uniaxial compressive strength

(UCS) of the bedrock is in the range of 45 MPa to 92 MPa with an average value of 64 MPa based on the test results listed in Table 4-7.

TULLOCH also conducted falling head tests in the bedrock to assess bedrock hydraulic conductivity. The hydraulic conductivity was measured in the upper 3 m of the bedrock with RQD ranging from 21 to 100. A higher RQD and lower hydraulic conductivity are expected with an increase in bedrock depth. Table 4-8 summarizes the falling head test results, refer to Appendix F for further details.

Table 4-7: Uniaxial Compressive Strength (UCS) Tests on Rock

Table 4-8: Hydraulic Conductivity Test results for rail crossing boreholes

4.5 Electrical Resistivity

Geophysics GPR International (GPR) was retained by TULLOCH as a sub-consultant to complete soil electrical resistivity testing for the Nation Rise wind farm project. Resistivity soundings were conducted between September $14th$ and September $17th$, 2018. In total twenty-eight (28) electrical resistivity soundings were performed at fourteen (14) locations with two (2) soundings per location throughout the site. The site plan in Appendix A shows the locations of each site where electrical resistivity soundings were

conducted. Upon completion of the field work, one-dimensional inversion models were generated from the sounding results.

4.6 Thermal Resistivity

Geotherm USA (Geotherm) was retained by TULLOCH as a sub-consultant to complete soil thermal resistivity testing. In-situ testing was completed at ten (10) test pit locations on May 23rd, 2018. Locations were provided by EDP, and work was supervised by a TULLOCH technician. With the usage of a backhoe 1.2m deep test-pits were excavated and resistivity tests were performed at 0.6, 0.9 and 1.2 mbgs. Soil samples were also taken from the test pit locations for further laboratory testing to obtain density, moisture content, and thermal resistivity values.

Based on the Geotherm's testing, it was identified that there were three non-classified visual soil types of similar description and thermal characteristics. Table 4-9 summarizes the thermal conductivity test results. For further details including thermal resistivity design recommendations and thermal dry out curves, please see Appendix F.

Table 4-9: Thermal Resistivity Test Results

4.7 Groundwater Condition

There was no groundwater encountered during the test petting for thermal resistivity testing. Ground water was observed at the river and rail crossing boreholes at a depth of 2.1m to 2.8m below the existing ground surface. Table 4-10 summarizes the water levels observed in each borehole at the time of the investigation.

Table 4-10: Groundwater Measurements

5 GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Background

Three electrical line crossings are proposed at the South Nation River, Payne River, and railway sites. A conduit will be installed under the river channel and the existing railway embankment and the powerlines will be fed through the conduit. This section provides design parameters and construction recommendations for the proposed work.

5.2 Design Parameters

Based on the site geotechnical investigation, Table 5-1 and Table 5-2 summarize the geotechnical parameters required for the crossing design for the overburden and rock encountered at the Project Site, respectively.

Table 5-1: Geotechnical Parameters for various soil types

Table 5-2: Rock Mass Properties

Notes:¹- the intact rock strength is estimated from the unconfined compression testing on the rock core considering a coefficient of variation of 23%; ² $\sigma_{cm} = (0.0034 m_i^{0.8}) \sigma_c [1.029 +$ $0.025e^{(-0.1m_i)}$ ^{GSI} (Eberhardt, 2003); ³- k is in-situ horizontal to vertical stress ratio of rock mass, whithe ich is estimated based on Sheorey Equation (1994), $k = 0.25 + 7E_h (0.001 +$ $\frac{1}{z}$), where E_h is the average deformation modulus of the rock mass in horizontal directthe ion, z is the depth of the rock mass.

5.3 Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD)

Based on the geotechnical condition at the site, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) is recommended for the underground collection line conduit at the South Nation River and Payne River crossings.

HDD involves the boring and enlargement of an uncased near horizontal borehole which is kept open through the use of drilling fluids. Upon completion of the boring, a conduit pipe is pulled through the borehole. The process starts by advancing a relatively small diameter hole, a pilot hole, along the proposed path. During the pilot bore, the cutter head at the lead of the drilling string is steered by the drilling, forming a curved boring path. After the pilot hole has been completed, the borehole is enlarged using a reamer either in a single path or multiple passes until the desired bore diameter is achieved. The conduit is typically pulled through the borehole on the final reaming pass. Water based drilling fluids containing bentonite and/or polymers are used during the pilot bore and reaming process to convey cuttings out of the borehole and to stabilize the borehole.

The South Nation River and Payne River crossings are situated in Leda clay deposits. These deposits are susceptible to liquefaction and retrogressive slides. In light of this, and based on the site geotechnical conditions, the HDD installations for the river crossings should be advanced well below the riverbed in the fair to good bedrock under the river channel. There does not appear to be sufficient overburden thickness from the riverbed to the bedrock level to support an HDD installation. Furthermore, attempting to install the crossing in the overburden could trigger riverbank instability.

TULLOCH recommends that a minimum cover depth of 10m from the existing ground surface is maintained (see Dwg 18-4022-C-01 in Appendix A). The maximum pressure of the drilling fluid must be controlled to prevent the drilling fluid from migrating into the river channel or groundwater system during construction. Preventing and mitigation of inadvertent drilling fluid returns should be part of the planning and construction for an

HDD installation. HDD borings are typically done from the ground surface without the use of deep staging excavations, reducing the extent of ground water control required. Launch and receiving pits should be kept to a minimum at this site to avoid triggering instability. The pits should be reviewed by a qualified geotechnical engineer to ensure they have satisfactory safety factors against failure.

It is noted that Glacial Till deposits are present at both sites. Such deposits increase the likelihood of encountering large cobbles and boulders during the installation, which could make the HDD installation difficult. Contractors should plan to mobilize with enough specialized tooling and/or larger HDD drill rigs to penetrate cobbles and boulders. HDD installations should be carried out in accordance with OPSS 450, Construction Specifications for Pipeline and Utility Installation in Soil by Horizontal Directional Drilling.

5.4 Jack and Bore

A Jack and Bore installation was evaluated at the Railway Crossing site. Such an installation would need to conform to Transport Canada TC E-10 Standards Respecting to Pipeline Crossing Under Railways, the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Associates (AREMA) Manual for Railway Engineering and the Ontario Provincial Standard Specification (OPSS) 416 Construction Specification for Pipeline and Utility Installation by Jack and Boring.

However, jacking and receiving pits for this type of installation will need to be 4 to 5m deep. These excavations will penetrate the upper fine-grained soils at the railway site and extend into the granular till deposits overlying permeable bedrock. The excavations will extend significantly below the groundwater table and Contractors will need to actively lower the groundwater prior to excavation by installing pumped well systems. The quantity of water required to be handled during the installation will be significant and will require a permit to take water from the MNRCC. In addition, the jack bored pipe will be installed in dense granular glacial till (Gravel, Sand, and Silt with cobbles and boulders). The presence of cobbles and boulders in this material could present significant problems for jack and bore construction.

Considering the preceding discussion, a jack and bore installation is not recommended. An HDD installation is recommended at the railway crossing.

5.5 Temporary Excavations

The trench excavations for the entry and exit pit should be suitably sloped and/or braced in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA), Ontario Regulation

213/9, Construction Projects, January 1, 2010, Par III – Excavations, Section 226. Alternatively, the excavation walls should be supported by engineered close shoring, bracing, or trench boxes complying with sections 235 to 239 and 241 under 0. Reg. 231/91, s. 234(1).

Based on the OHSA, the in-situ clayey soils can be classified as Type 2 above the groundwater table and Type 3 below the groundwater table; the sand and gravel fill on the site is Type 2 above the water table and Type 3 below the groundwater table. Excavated material from launch and receiving pits should be placed at least twice the pit depth away from the pit to lower risk of slope instability. The zone of influence for the railway is 4.6 m from the rail centreline and sloping down at 2H:1V (See Appendix A). For any excavation work within the zone of influence where a slope of 2H:1V cannot be maintained, shoring of the rail berm will be required. For any excavation outside the zone of influence, OHSA requirements apply.

Temporary excavation side slopes in Type 2 soils should remain stable at a slope of 1H:1V commencing at the base of the excavation. Temporary excavation side slopes in Type 3 soils should remain stable at a slope of 3H:1V. The in-situ soils can be excavated using conventional earthmoving equipment. In addition to compliance with the OHSA, the excavation procedures must also comply with with other regulatory authorities, such as federal and municipal safety standards. There shall be no excavations within 8 m from the rail centreline.

5.6 Support System for Excavations

If open cut excavation is not feasible and a support system is required for deep excavations, the support system must be designed by a Professional Engineer to resist lateral soil earth pressures and hydrostatic pressures. The HDD contractor should retain an engineering consultant who specializes in the design and installation of such systems.

5.7 Trench Backfill

Due to a high composition of fines in the native soil, it will be challenging to work in the deep launch and receiving pits, which will be subject to water seepage. It is recommended to use compacted granular fill or a mud mat at the base of these pits to create a working platform for workers and the drilling rig at the base of the excavation. The excavated material may be stored temporarily on site and protected against precipitation for use as backfill at the end of drilling. Backfill material should be compacted to 95% of the Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density using a vibratory plate compactor.

5.8 Settlement Monitoring

5.8.1 Rail Crossing

The constructor is required to monitor ground movement within the railway right of way during the crossing construction. Conventional settlement monitors must be installed along the centreline of the railway track and along the alignment of the proposed collector within the rail right of way to monitor the ground surface to ensure the settlement does not exceed the allowable threshold (generally 8 mm). Uncased Surface Settlement Marker points (SSM's) should be installed at a maximum 2 m interval for 10 m on either side of the proposed installation along both sides of the track (approximately 0.5 m to the outside of the tie, unless otherwise specified). In addition, three (3) cased In-ground Monitoring Points (IMP's) shall be installed at a typical interval of 3 m along the alignment of the proposed duct bank casing within the zone of influence.

The points are to consist of a Standard Iron Bar (SIB) installed in a borehole with the base of the bar grouted in place and the remaining portion sleeved in an HDPE casing and backfilled with sand. Alternatively, electronic based settlement monitors can also be considered but must be designed and installed by a contractor specialized in such an installation and monitoring work.

Prior to installation of the settlement monitors, the alignment of the services must be properly staked out by a qualified legal surveyor in order to ensure that the monitors are installed within the proper service alignments. A set of predetermined settlement limits and a set of preplanned remedial measures in agreement with the rail authorities must be established prior to any work. Baseline readings of the installed monitors should be taken on two separate occasions prior to the commencement of the trenchless crossings. The monitors must be surveyed by a qualified legal surveyor. All parties should recognize and accept the baseline readings prior to the commencement of the work.

An average of at least two readings shall be taken to establish the initial conditions. The reading and collection of data from the surface monitoring points shall be read and recorded by the contractor during the construction period and after construction for a period of at least 2 weeks provided that further settlement has stopped.

A minimum of three sets of readings must be taken daily if the movement is within anticipated limits. Otherwise, the frequencies should increase according to a preplanned interval. Monitoring of movements is required during work stoppages, such as during non-operation period or weekends. A minimum of three (3) sets of readings

should be taken daily. Measurements of the monitoring points shall be reported daily to the rail authorities for review.

If the settlement exceeds alarm levels (generally 8 mm), the rail authorities and TULLOCH should be consulted for technical support to the project engineer interpretation and assessment of the settlements. If necessary, the preplanned remedial measures should be executed to secure the site and to ensure the safety of the public and roadway function.

5.8.2 River Crossing

An extensive monitoring program should be designed and implemented for the South Nation River crossing due to the presence of Leda Clay. The monitoring program should include slope inclinometers adjacent to the river banks to monitor slope movement, vibrating wire piezometers in the river bank materials and bedrock to detect excessive excess pore pressures and an array of surface settlement monuments. The inclinometers should be monitored every hour during the drilling and construction operations in proximity to the river banks. The set up, baselining and monitoring of this system should be similar to that described above for the railway crossing. The inclinometer shall be installed a maximum of 0.5 m offset from the top of the river bank.In addition, appropriate alarm levels should be established for excess pore pressures and slope movement, which will enable the monitoring engineer to halt construction activities if adverse effects are detected.

5.9 Ground Water Control

Trenches for the installation of buried transmission lines are expected to be relatively shallow (i.e. less than 1.8 m depth) and to occur predominantly within fine-grained SILTY Clay or SILT Till materials. As a result, groundwater ingress into shallow excavations is expected to be minor and easily handled using a standard sump and pump techniques, if water is encountered.

Excavations for launch and receiving pits, however, may extend deeper and below the water table. If these excavations are below about 4m depth, they will likely require advanced ground water control measures if permeable Sandy and Gravelly soil layers are encountered. The extent of ground water control will depend on the depth of excavation below the ground water level. The Ontario Water Resources Act, the Water Taking and Transfer Regulation 87/04, a Permit to Take Water (PTTW) from the Ministry of Environment (MOE) is required if the dewatering discharges greater than 50,000

L/day. The dewatering of excavations shall comply with OPSS 517 and control of water from dewatering operations shall be in accordance with OPSS 518.

Ideally, based on the borehole data, launch and receiving pits for HDD installations should be kept less than 2.5m depth to avoid major dewatering.

5.10 Frost Protection

The estimated frost penetration depth at the site is 1.8 m. All buried utilities should be installed below the frost depth. Insulation may be required to raise the frost line in areas where a shallower depth of installation is required. For utility connections to buildings, non-frost susceptible engineered fill or swivel joints may be utilized to mitigate problems due to frost heave.

5.11 Site Classification for Seismic Response

The 2015 National Building Code of Canada (NBCC) stipulates the methodology for earthquake design analysis. The determination of the type of analysis is predicated on the importance of the structure, the spectral response acceleration and the site classification for seismic site response.

The parameters for determination of Site Classification for Seismic Site Response are set out the 2015 NBCC. The site classification is based on the average shear wave velocity in the top 30 metres of the site stratigraphy. If the average shear wave velocity is not known, the site class can estimated from energy corrected Standard Penetration Resistance (N60) and/or the average undrained shear strength of the soil in the top 30 metres. Based on the 2015 NBCC, this site has been classified as a Class E, soft soil site. These seismic design parameters should be reviewed in detail by the structural engineer and incorporated into the design as required by 2015 NBCC.

5.12 Soil Corrosivity

Based on the soil resistivity values (Appendix E), the measured resistivity at the Site ranges from 1 $Ω.m$ to 3,490 $Ω.m$ for various electrode spacing. Electrical resistivity values for half of the in-situ electrical resistivity (7) tests indicate mildly corrosive to corrosive and the other half (7) indicate non-corrosive soils. The corrosion potential is rated based on the publication by FHWA referenced in section 7. For design purposes the surficial soils should be considered corrosive based on the high variance in test results.

Based on test results from the report entitled," Nation Rise Wind Project – Substation" prepared for EDPR by RRC Engineering, the sulfate and chloride content in the soils on the project is negligible and therefore sulphate resistant concrete will not be required.

6 CLOSURE

TULLOCH has prepared this geotechnical report for the exclusive use of EDPR and their authorized agents for the construction of the proposed electrical lines crossing at the South Nation River, Payne River, and railway Sites.

Within the limitations of scope, schedule, and budget, our services have been executed in accordance with generally accepted practises in the field of geotechnical engineering, for the above noted location. Classification and identification of soils and geologic units have been based upon commonly accepted methods employed in professional geotechnical practice. No warranty or other conditions, expressed or implied, should be understood. Please refer to Appendix G, Report Limitations and Guidelines for Use, which pertains to this report.

We trust that the information and recommendations in this draft report will be sufficient to allow EDPR and their consultant to proceed with the substation design until detailed laboratory results become available. Should further elaboration be required for any portion of this project, we would be pleased to assist.

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APPENDIX A

SITE LOCATION PLAN & TYPICAL CROSS SECTIONS

 $XX \bigcirc$ WIND TURBINE (WTG)

WTG ACCESS ROAD

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 $\left| \bigoplus_{E \in X}$ ELECTRICAL RESISTIVITY TESTING LOCATIONS

 $\big| \bigoplus_{\tau \cdot \mathsf{x}}$ THERMAL RESISTIVITY TESTING LOCATIONS

FOR INFORMATION NATION RISE WIND FARM NORDMIN NORTH STORMONT, ONTARIO, CANADA **RESOURCE & INDUSTRIAL**
ENGINEERING **COLLECTION GEOTECHNICAL** Rev. C Page: 01 of 01 **TESTING LOCATIONS** Drawing N^{ϱ} : $SK-002$ Proj. Nº: 18001-02 Doc. Nº: NRS1-SK-002 13 $\overline{14}$ -15 16

APPENDIX B

ABBREVIATIONS, TERMINOLOGY, AND PRINCIPAL SYMBOLS USED

ABBREVIATIONS, TERMINOLOGY AND PRINCIPAL SYMBOLS USED IN REPORT AND BOREHOLE LOGS

BOREHOLES AND TEST PIT LOGS

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- SS Split Spoon HQ Rock Core (63.5 mm dia.)
ST Thin-walled Tube Sample NQ Rock Core (36.5 mm dia.)
- BS Block Sample BQ Rock Core (36.5 mm dia.)
- ST Thin-walled Tube Sample NQ Rock Core (36.5 mm dia.)
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IN SITU SOIL TESTING

Standard Penetration Test (SPT) "N" value. The number of blows required to drive a 51 mm OD split barrel sampler into the soil a distance of 300 mm with a 63.5kg weight free falling a distance of 760mm after an initial penetration of 150mm has been achieved.

Dynamic Cone Penetration Test (DCPT) is the number of blows required to drive a cone with a 60 degree apex attached to "A" size drill rods continuously into the soil for each 300mm penetration with a 63.5 kg weight free falling a distance of 760mm.

Cone Penetration Test (CPT) is an electronic cone point with a 10 cm' base area with a 60 degree apex pushed through the soil at a penetration rate of 2cm/s.

Field Vane Test (FVT) consists of a vane blade, a set of rods and torque measuring apparatus used to determine the undrained shear strength of cohesive soils.

SOIL DESCRIPTIONS

The soil descriptions and classifications are based on an expanded Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). The USCS classifies soils on the basis of engineering properties. The system divides soils into three major categories; coarse grained and highly organrc soils. The soil is then subdivided based on either gradation or plasticity characteristics. The classification excludes particles larger than 75mm. To aid in quantifying materal amounts by eight within the respective grain size fractions the following terms have been included to expand the USCS:

Notes:

1. Soil properties, such as strength, gradation, plasticity, structure, etc. dictate the soils engineering behaviour over the grain size fractions;

2. With the exception of soil samples tested for grain size distribution or plasticity, all soil samples have been classified based on visual and tactile observations and is therefore an approximate description.

The following table outlines the qualitative terms used to describe the relative density condition of cohesionless soil:

Cohesionless Soils

The following table outlines the qualitative terms used to describe the consistency of cohesive soils related to undrained shear strength and SPT, N-lndex:

Cohesive Soils

Note: Utilizing the SPT, "N" value to correlate the consistency and undrained shear strength of cohesive soils is very approximate and needs to be used with caution.

ROCK CORING

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) is an indirect measure of the number of fractures within a rock mass, Deere et al. (1967). lt is the sum of sound pieces of rock core equal to or greater than 100 mm recovered from the core run, divided by the total length of the core run, expressed as a percentage. lf the core section rs broken due to mechanical or handling, the pieces are fitted together and if 100 mm or greater included in the total sum.

Intact Rock Strength

Rock Mass Quality

Rock Mass Weathering

SYMBOLS

General

- w_N Natural water content within the soil sample
- γ Unit weight
- γ' Effective unit weight
- γ_D Dry unit weight
- γ_{SAT} Saturated unit weight
- ρ Density
- ρ_s Density of solid particles
- ρ_w Density of water
- ρ_D Dry density
- ρ_{SAT} Saturated density
- e Void ratio
- n Porosity
- S Degree of saturation
- E_{50} Fifty percent secant modulus

Consistency

- w^L Liquid Limit
- w_P Plastric Limit
- I^P Plasticity Index
- ws Shrinkage limit
- IL Liquidity index
- I_C Consistency index
- emax Void ratio in loosest state
- emin Void ratio in densest state
- I_D Density index (formerly relative density)

Shear Strength

- S^u Undrained shear strength parameter (total stress)
- c' Effective cohesion intercept
- ϕ' Effective friction angle
- τ_R Peak shear strength
- τ_{R} Residual shear strength
- δ Angle of interface friction
- μ Coefficient of friction = tan ϕ'

Consolidation

- C_c Compression index (normally consolidated range)
- C^r Recompression index (over consolidated range)
- m^v Coefficient of volume change
- c^v Coefficient of consolidation
- T^v Time factor (vertical direction)
- U Degree of consolidation
- σ'_{v} Effictive overburden pressure
- OCR Overconsolidation ratio

APPENDIX C

BOREHOLE LOGS

Borehole Log: RAIL-01A

Project No: **18-4022** *Project:* **Nation Rise Wind Farm** *Client:* **EDPR** *Site Location:* **N=4996017, E=487306 UTM 18T**

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

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- AS Auger Sample SS Split Spoon TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube BS Block Sample NQ Rock Core
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- W Water Content
WL- Liquid Limit
WP- Plastic Limit
△ Field Vane
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w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

Sample Type

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL - Liquid Limit
WP - Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity - Lab Vane

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-08-29

Borehole Log: RAIL-01A-R

Borehole Log: RAIL-01B

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

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- AS Auger Sample SS Split Spoon TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube BS Block Sample NQ Rock Core
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- W Water Content
WL- Liquid Limit
WP- Plastic Limit
△ Field Vane
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w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Borehole Log: RAIL-01B-R

Logged By: **S.Khan** *Compiled By:* **K.Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S.deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

Sample Type

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL-Liquid Limit WP ₋ Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity - Lab Vane

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: -

Location: -

Borehole Log: RC-01A

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

-
- AS Auger Sample SS Split Spoon TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube BS Block Sample NQ Rock Core
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- W Water Content
WL- Liquid Limit
WP- Plastic Limit
△ Field Vane
-
-

w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

Sample Type

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL - Liquid Limit
WP - Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity - Lab Vane

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-08-30

Borehole Log: RC-01A-R

Borehole Log: RC-01B

Project No: **18-4022** *Project:* **Nation Rise Wind Farm** *Client:* **EDPR** *Site Location:* **N=5007012, E=487705 UTM 18T**

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

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- AS Auger Sample SS Split Spoon TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube BS Block Sample NQ Rock Core
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- W Water Content
WL- Liquid Limit
WP- Plastic Limit
△ Field Vane
-

w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

Sample Type

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL - Liquid Limit
WP - Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity - Lab Vane

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-08-31

Borehole Log: RC-01B-R

Borehole Log: RC-02A

Project No: **18-4022** *Project:* **Nation Rise Wind Farm** *Client:* **EDPR** *Site Location:* **N=5004228, E=491746 UTM 18T**

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

-
- AS Auger Sample

SS Split Spoon

TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube M

BS Block Sample

NQ Rock Core

W Water Content

WP- Plastic Limit

WP- Plastic Limit
-
-

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- WP- Plastic Limit \triangle Field Vane

w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -
Borehole Log: RC-02A-R

Project No: **18-4022** *Project:* **Nation Rise Wind Farm**

Client: **EDPR** *Site Location:* **N=5004228, E=491746 UTM 18T**

Logged By: **S.Khan** *Compiled By:* **K.Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S.deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Sample Type

- Lab Vane

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL-Liquid Limit WP ₋ Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-09-04

Borehole Log: RC-02B

Project No: **18-4022** *Project:* **Nation Rise Wind Farm** *Client:* **EDPR** *Site Location:* **N=5004280, E=491847 UTM 18T**

Logged By: **S. Khan** *Compiled By:* **K. Kortekaas** *Reviewed By:* **S. deBortoli**

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: CME 75

Sample Type

-
- AS Auger Sample

SS Split Spoon

TWS Thin Walled Shelby Tube M

BS Block Sample

NQ Rock Core

W Water Content

WP- Plastic Limit

WP- Plastic Limit
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- WP- Plastic Limit \triangle Field Vane

w - Wash
<mark>O</mark>- SPT(Standard Penetration Test) WH - Weight Of Hammer

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-09-04

Drilled By: Marathon Drilling

Drill Method: Casing / NQ Core

Sample Type

w w
SS - Split Spoon
TWS - Thin Walled Shelby Tube T
BS - Block Sample Re NQ- Rock Core
W - Water Content WL - Liquid Limit
WP - Plastic Content
+_s Field Vane, S - Sensitivity - Lab Vane

w - Wash o - SPT(Standard Penetration Test) TCR - Total Core Recovery RQD - Rock Quality Designation

Datum: UTM 18T

Location: -

Drill Date: 2018-09-04

Borehole Log: RC-02B-R

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APPENDIX D

LAB RESULTS

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WATER CONTENT TEST

TEST METHOD: LS 701 / ASTM C 566 / D 2216

CONTRACT NO: 18-4022 DATE SAMPLED: Refer to BH logs

PROJECT: Nation Rise SOURCE: Boreholes

DATE TESTED: 01-Oct-18 TESTED BY: D. Watts

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REMARKS: Continued on next page…

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WATER CONTENT TEST

TEST METHOD: LS 701 / ASTM C 566 / D 2216

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DATE TESTED: 01-Oct-18 TESTED BY: D. Watts

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REMARKS:

CLIENT:

COPIES TO:

LIQUID AND PLASTIC LIMIT TEST DATA 10/10/2018 Client: EDP **Project:** Nation Rise Wind Farm **Project Number:** 18-4022 **Location:** BH Rail 1B SS5 **Depth:** 3.05-3.66 **Sample Number:** 5 **Material Description:** Unable to perfrom atterburg limits test **USCS: CL AASHTO:** A-6(18) **Tested by:** S.Hoffman **Liquid Limit Data 1 2 3 Run No. 4 5 6 Wet+Tare** 32.50 31.18 31.60 **Dry+Tare** 27.40 28.22 27.20 16.22 16.79 16.95 **Tare # Blows** 32 19 11 **Moisture** 35.7 38.2 40.2 43 Liquid Limit= 37 42 **Plastic Limit=** 20 **Plasticity Index=** 17 41 **Natural Moisture=** 24.6 **3** 40 Liquidity Index= 0.3 39 Moisture **2** 38 37 36 **1** 35 34 \mathbf{H} 33 5 6 7 8 10 20 25 30 40 60 Blows **Plastic Limit Data Run No. 1 1 2 4 4 1 2** 24.05 21.96 **Wet+Tare Dry+Tare** 22.78 20.81 **Tare** 16.36 15.03 **Moisture**19.8 19.9

Tested By: D.Stadnisky **Checked By:** S.Hoffman

Tested By: T.Linley **Checked By: D.Stadnisky**

GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION TEST DATA 2018-10-18

Tested By: T. Linley **Checked By:** D.Stadnisky

GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION TEST DATA 2018-10-22

Tested By: T. Linley **Checked By: D.Stadnisky**

GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION TEST DATA 10/10/2018

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH Rail 1B SS3

Depth: 1.52-2.13m **Sample Number:** 3

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 100.0

Weight of hydrometer sample =70.6

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

 Hydrometer effective depth equation: L = 16.294964 **-** 0.164 **x Rm**

Fractional Components

Fineness Modulus

0.05

Tested By: T. Linley **Checked By: D.Stadnisky**

GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION TEST DATA 10/10/2018

Sieve Test Data

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH Rail 1B SS5

Depth: 3.05-3.66 **Sample Number:** 5

Material Description: Unable to perfrom atterburg limits test

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 100.0

Weight of hydrometer sample =70.5

Automatic temperature correction

 Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65 **Hydrometer type =** 152H

 Hydrometer effective depth equation: L = 16.294964 **-** 0.164 **x Rm**

Fractional Components

Fineness Modulus

0.00

Tested By: D.Watts

Sieve Test Data

Client: EDP **Project:** Nation Rise Wind Farm **Project Number:** 18-4022 **Location:** BH RC 1A SS5 **Depth:** 3.05 - 3.66m **Sample Number:** 5 **Date Tested:** 10/9/18

Tested by: D.Watts

Fractional Components

Fineness Modulus

2.32

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 1A SS6

Depth: 4.57-5.18m **Sample Number:** 6

Tested by: T.Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 80.4

Weight of hydrometer sample =75.9

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

Fineness Modulus 1.32

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 1B SS4

Depth: 2.29-2.90 **Sample Number:** 4

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 100.0

Weight of hydrometer sample =70.2

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

 Hydrometer effective depth equation: L = 16.294964 **-** 0.164 **x Rm**

Fractional Components

Fineness Modulus

0.00

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 1B SS7

Depth: 6.10-6.70m **Sample Number:** 7

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 51.1

Weight of hydrometer sample =76.1

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65 **Hydrometer type =** 152H

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2A SS2

Depth: 0.76-1.37 **Sample Number:** 2

Tested by: T. Linley Checked by: D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Fineness Modulus 2.38

Client: EDP

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Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2A SS5

Depth: 3.05-3.66m **Sample Number:** 5

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 99.2

Weight of hydrometer sample =71.5

Automatic temperature correction

 Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

Fineness Modulus 0.08

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2A SS6

Depth: 4.57-5.18m **Sample Number:** 6

Material Description: Unable to perform Atterburg Limits test due to lack of plasticity

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 81.0

Weight of hydrometer sample =75.3

Automatic temperature correction

 Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65 **Hydrometer type =** 152H

1.28

34.15

3.95

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2A SS7

Depth: 6.10-6.70m **Sample Number:** 7

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Fineness Modulus 2.76

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2B SS3

Depth: 1.52-2.13m **Sample Number:** 3

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 99.4

Weight of hydrometer sample =75.7

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

0.0015 0.0049 0.0359 0.0481 0.0635

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2B SS5

Depth: 3.05-3.66 **Sample Number:** 5

Material Description: Unable to perform Atterburg Limits test due to lack of plasticity

Tested by: T. Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 99.2

Weight of hydrometer sample =74.6

Automatic temperature correction

 Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0 **Specific gravity of solids =** 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

Fineness Modulus 0.05

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2B SS7

Depth: 6.10-6.70m **Sample Number:** 7

Tested by: T.Linely **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 64.3

Weight of hydrometer sample =74

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

Client: EDP

Project: Nation Rise Wind Farm

Project Number: 18-4022

Location: BH RC 2B SS8

Depth: 7.62-8.23m **Sample Number:** 8

Tested by: T.Linley **Checked by:** D.Stadnisky

Sieve Test Data

Hydrometer Test Data

Hydrometer test uses material passing #10

Percent passing #10 based upon complete sample = 33.6

Weight of hydrometer sample =73.7

Automatic temperature correction Composite correction (fluid density and meniscus height) at 20 deg. C = -5

Meniscus correction only = -1.0

Specific gravity of solids = 2.65

Hydrometer type = 152H

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Rock Core Compressive Strength Report

PROJECT: Nation Rise DATE TESTED: DATE SAMPLED: **CONTRACT: 18-4022 RUN BY: S.Hoffman SOURCE:** refer to BH logs

APPENDIX E

HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY TESTING

Notes:

K is the hydraulic conductivity

r is the radius of the well casing

R is the radius of the well screen

L is the length of the well screen

Notes:

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Notes:

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APPENDIX F

GPR SOIL ELECTRICAL RESISTIVITY REPORT

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September 21, 2018 GPR File: T18743

Usman Khan Geotechnical Engineer **Tulloch Engineering Inc.** 1100 South Service Road, Suite 420 Stoney Creek ON L8E 0C5

RE: Soil Electrical Resistivity Testing at the Nation Rise Wind Farm, Ottawa Region, Ontario

Dear Mr. Khan:

Geophysics GPR International Inc. was requested by Tulloch Engineering Inc. to conduct soil resistivity soundings, for the Nation Rise Wind Farm project, at different locations in Crysler and Finch towns near Ottawa, Ontario. The survey was conducted from September 14 to 17, 2018.

Twenty eight electrical resistivity soundings were performed at this project with 2 soundings at each site. Figure 1 shows the approximate locations of the sites and soundings.

The following letter will outline the theory and methodology of the soil electrical resistivity survey. Included in this letter is a summary of the results for each sounding with the following:

- Site map with survey locations
- Data table with plot
- Inversion model
- Summary table of inversion model

Electrical Resistivity Soundings Theory and Methodology

Electrical resistivity sounding measurements involve placing four electrodes (stainless steel probes) in a straight line. A current (I) is injected into the outer two probes and the potential difference (ΔV) is measured across the inner two probes. The resistance (R) is calculated from the known current and the measured voltage,

$$
R = \Delta V / I
$$

The measured resistance (R) is then converted into an apparent resistivity (ρ_a) . This apparent resistivity is an average of the different true resistivities crossed by the current over the investigated volume. It provides a good indication of the variation of soil and/or rock resistivity with depth as the electrode spacing increases.

The data were recorded with an ABEM Terrameter LS and used a standard Wenner array configuration. This array has an even spacing, called a-spacing, between electrodes. Ideally a total of 24 readings were taken for each sounding in 12 different configurations. Two readings were recorded in order to observe the repeatability at each setup. The apparent resistivity for a Wenner array at each station is given by

$$
\rho_a=2\pi a\left(\frac{V}{I}\right)
$$

where 'a' is the distance between electrodes, ΔV is the measured voltage and I is the injected current.

Figure 1: Wenner Array Electrode Schmatic

Figure 2: Approximate Locations of Soundings

Site		Test Orientation Central Location
E1	North-South	480984, 5007308
	East-West	480984, 5007308
E ₂	North-South	484157.5007570
	East-West	484157, 5007570
E3	North-South	483029, 5003431
	East-West	483029, 5003431
E4	North-South	486713, 5003424
	East-West	486173.5003424
E5	North-South	488427, 5001671
	East-West	488444.5001745
F ₆	North-South	490720, 5004543
	East-West	490720, 5004543
E7	North-South	485043, 4999773
	East-West	485044. 4999776
E ₈	North-South	488133, 4998342
	East-West	488133, 4998342
E ₉	North-South	491184. 5000205
	East-West	491184. 5000205
E10	North-South	494279, 5001838
	East-West	494279, 5001838
E11	North-South	491381, 4997145
	East-West	491381, 4997145
E ₁₂	North-South	488441, 4995522
	East-West	488441 4995522
E ₁₃	North-South	487994 4993168
	East-West	487994, 4993168
E14	North-South	487994, 4993168
	East-West	492803 4996219

Table 1: UTM Coordinates of Soundings

RESULTS

The locations of the resistivity soundings are presented in Figure 1 and Table 1. The results of the twenty eight resistivity soundings are summarized in the Tables and Figures below.

The collected resistivity values were observed to have an average error mostly below 0.05% which is considered good. The readings at site E1 and E2 were noisier with higher error.

In order to determine the resistivity of the underlying layers and the approximate layer thickness, the data can be modeled by inversion. 1D inversion models were generated for the sounding using IPI2win software package. The resulting layered model derived from the 1D inversion is non-unique, implying that different models can arrive at the same solution. No borehole data was available as a reference to calibrate the layer depths of the created multi layer. The models produced for the soundings were limited to 2 to 3 layers.

The RMS error measures how well simulated data created by the simulated model matches the actual data. All the sounding locations have models with an RMS error of less than 10%, which is considered excellent. Higher RMS could indicate irregularities in the underground or something in the vicinity and possible steels and pipes in the underground.

The results of the simplified multi-layer 1D inversion models are presented in tabular form.

Table 2: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T1-EW

Figure 3: 1D Inversion Model for E-1 N/S. RMS error of 4.3%

Table 3: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T1-EW

Table 4: 1D Inversion Model for E-1 E/W. RMS error of 36.1%

Table 4: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T2-NS

Table 5: 1D Inversion Model for E-2 N/S. RMS error of 90.1%

Table 5: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T2 – W/E

Table 6: 1D Inversion Model for E-2 W/E. RMS error of 9.68 %

Table 6: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T3 – N/S

Table 7: 1D Inversion Model for E-3 N/S. RMS error of 6.15 %

Table 7: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T3 – E/W

Table 8: 1D Inversion Model for E-3 W/E. RMS error of 4.77 %

Table 8: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T4 – N/S

Table 9: 1D Inversion Model for E-4 N/S. RMS error of 4.34 %

Table 9: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T4 – W/E

Table 10: 1D Inversion Model for E-4 W/E. RMS error of 6.06 %

Table 11: 1D Inversion Model for E-5 N/S. RMS error of 4.94 %

Table 12: 1D Inversion Model for E-5 W/E. RMS error of 5.49 %

Table 12: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T6 – N/S

Table 14: 1D Inversion Model for E-6 W/E. RMS error of 15.2 %

Table 14: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T7 – N/S

Table 15: 1D Inversion Model for E-7 N/S. RMS error of 6.36 %

Table 16: 1D Inversion Model for E-7 W/E. RMS error of 11.1 %

Table 17: 1D Inversion Model for E-8 N/S. RMS error of 1.44 %

Table 17: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T8 – W/E

Table 18: 1D Inversion Model for E-8 W/E. RMS error of 5.63 %

Table 18: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T9 – N/S

Table 19: 1D Inversion Model for E-9 N/S. RMS error of 18.3 %

Table 21: 1D Inversion Model for E-9 W/E. RMS error of 14 %

Table 22: 1D Inversion Model for E-10 N/S. RMS error of 4.52 %

Table 23: 1D Inversion Model for E-10 W/E. RMS error of 9.01 %

Table 24: 1D Inversion Model for E-11 N/S. RMS error of 8.59 %

Table 24: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T11 – W/E

Table 25: 1D Inversion Model for E-11 W/E. RMS error of 9.74 %

Table 25: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T12 – N/S

Table 28: 1D Inversion Model for E-13 N/S. RMS error of 3.41 %

Table 28: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T13 – W/E

Table 29: 1D Inversion Model for E-13 W/E. RMS error of 3.5 %

Table 29: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T14 – N/S

Table 30: 1D Inversion Model for E-14 N/S. RMS error of 8.26 %

Table 30: Resistivity Sounding Results for Sounding T14 – W/E

Table 31: 1D Inversion Model for E-14 W/E. RMS error of 8.64 %

CONCLUSIONS

A total of twenty eight resistivity soundings were performed at the Nation Rise Wind Farm project in Ottawa, Ontario From September $14th$ to $18th$, 2018 (Figure 2 and Table 1).

The results of the twenty eight resistivity soundings are presented in Tables 2 to 30 along with the apparent resistivity and the inversion models shown in Figures 3 to 31.

There were two soundings completed at each of the ten sites on the property. Most soundings contained 9 to 10 readings. The RMS error, which is the how close the data from the calculated model matches the actual data, was less than 10% on most soundings. The only exception is site E1 and E2 with higher error.

There is often a high resistivity value for the first one or two readings of a sounding which is simply the result of a very dry topsoil or a hard to compact surface ground and not indicative of any particular material type. There is increased conductivity (lower resistivity) values with depth which is typical for clay overburden. The bottom layer has a high resistivity and could be indicative of bedrock.

The results are non-unique; different values of resistivity and layer thickness may produce a similarly plausible conclusion.

My duties with regards to this project do not necessarily end here. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX G

GEOTHERM THERMAL SOIL RESISTIVITY REPORT

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SOIL THERMAL SURVEY EDP RENEWABLES NATION RISE WIND FARM PROJECT NORTH STORMONT, ONTARIO CANADA

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COOL SOLUTIONS FOR UNDERGROUND POWER CABLES THERMAL SURVEYS, CORRECTIVE BACKFILLS & INSTRUMENTATION

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Introduction: A field thermal resistivity survey of the native soils was performed for the proposed underground power cables at the **Nation Rise Wind Farm Project in North Stormont, Ontario Canada.** Thermal resistivity testing was carried out at ten (10) locations along the cable routes. The fieldwork was carried out on May 23rd, 2018. *Tulloch* provided the support services through a local contractor and their field personnel. This included identifying the test locations, obtaining permits, clearing underground services and providing a backhoe with operator to excavate all test pits.

Field Testing and Soil Sampling: In-situ thermal testing was carried out at ten (10) locations **(Table 1)**. A backhoe was used to dig 4-foot deep test-pits and thermal resistivity tests were performed at depths of 2, 3 and 4-feet below grade. Samples for visual description, moisture content and thermal dryout characterization were collected. Co-ordinates of the test locations were provided by *Tulloch*.

In-situ thermal resistivity and ambient temperature measurements were made using field thermal probes and the *Geotherm* **TPA-2000** run off a portable power source. Thermal testing was performed in accordance with the IEEE Standard (**IEEE-442-2017**). Laboratory geotechnical testing was conducted in accordance with **ASTM**.

The field thermal resistivity values were measured at the given soil moisture on that particular day. Depending on weather and environmental conditions; i.e. drying due to cable heat or other heat source, seasonal drying (drought), artificial draining, water demand of crops, drying due to frost (formation of ice lenses), etc., the soil may be drier at certain times of the year. Therefore, the design thermal resistivity for the native soils should be based on the driest expected conditions.

The attached Tables present factual information on the subsurface conditions at the specific test pit locations; no warrantee is expressed or implied that materials or conditions other than those described may not be encountered along the cable routes.

Laboratory Testing: Visual soil description, density, moisture content and thermal resistivity measurements were made in the laboratory on all 10 retrieved samples to characterize the soils and correlate the field results (**Table 2**). The thermal resistivity measurements were conducted in accordance with the IEEE Standard 442-2017. The results in Table 2 and Table 3 represent the average value for each given soil type. Stage drying tests were performed to develop the thermal dryout curves (thermal resistivity as a function of moisture content). Bulk samples from 2-ft to 4-ft were reconstituted at the field (in-situ) moisture content and at 95% single-point standard Proctor density. The thermal dryout curves for the native soil **at 95% of this Proctor density** are given in **Figure 1.**

We understand the native soil may be used as the cable trench backfill (with or without the inclusion of topsoil) and installed at **85% of the standard Proctor** density. The thermal dryout curves for the native soil **without topsoil** and **with top-soil** are also given in **Figure 1.**

The selected design thermal resistivity must mitigate potential soil drying due to cable heat. For very poor conditions, a corrective thermal backfill placed around the cable will reduce the heat flux experienced by the native soil so that it may not dry out. The backfill should be better able to resist total drying and have a lower dry resistivity if it is completely dried.

Based on the test results, three non-classified visual soil types of similar description and thermal characteristics were identified as described below:

- **1. Clay with Silt**: Average single-point dry density ~93 lb/ft³ and average thermal resistivity of $~\sim$ 64 °C-cm/W.
- **2. Silty Clay with Gravel (TILL):** Average single-point dry density ~105 lb/ft³ and average thermal resistivity of ~56 °C-cm/W.
- **3. Sandy Silt with trace Clay, trace gravel**: Average single-point dry density ~103 lb/ft³ and average thermal resistivity of ~59 °C-cm/W.

COMMENTS

Figure 1 depicts the thermal dryout curves. The thermal resistivities can be estimated for similar soils; i.e. if the soils are less dense than the typical density, then the resistivity will be higher than for the typical curve, more so at the lower moisture levels. Similarly, a denser soil will have a lower resistivity than the typical curve. These resistivity values, along with estimates of the driest expected soil moistures can be used to determine the design resistivity of the native soil. This applies to the native soil at the field density of ~95% and for the native soil backfill at density of \sim 85%.

Table 2 lists the suggested design thermal resistivity for the native soils that should keep the cable heat from drying out the soil. Values are given for moderate and high cable heat loads.

Similarly, **Table 3** lists the suggested design thermal resistivity for soil backfill. For critical cable runs (very high and constant heat generation) higher design thermal resistivities may be used to provide an additional safety factor.

In order to improve the thermal performance of the backfill (maximize the density), it should be installed in thin layers of 6 to 8-inch thickness and compacted to the specified density.

Ambient Temperature: Most of the test locations were in thick vegetation (corn) and thus the effect of solar radiation on subsurface temperature was minimal. Ambient soil temperatures were measured to be between **7 - 14 °C**. If the cable route crosses roads with asphalt cover, the ambient temperature at the cable burial depth of 4-ft will be about **4 C higher** as a result of the solar radiation absorption by asphalt surface.

Design Thermal Resistivity Recommendations:

- **Native Soil:** The recommendations provided in **Table 2** are for the native soil and taking into consideration some soil drying due to the heat front from the energized cables.
- **Native Soil used as Backfill:** The recommendations provided in **Table 3** are for the native soil when used as backfill for direct buried cables in a tri-foil configuration. Depending on the trench excavation process, some areas may have limited top-soil, or the top-soil may be removed prior to full-depth excavation. Therefore, recommendations for both cases are provided.

- o Recommendations are based on the maximum heat output of the cables total losses (W/ft.), trench geometry, and compaction effort and in-situ moisture contents at the time of testing.
- o A 5% safety factor is already built in, and therefore no additional safety factor is required unless EDPR or the design engineer deems necessary.
- o *Moderate Load* is an estimated total load of no higher than 25 W/ft. per trench.
- o *High Load* is an estimated total load of no higher than 50 W/ft. per trench.
- o Based on your estimated design loads for various cable sizes, the total heat output will be *>25 W/ft*. and thus falls into the "moderate" load recommendation.

Taking into consideration the design resistivity of the native soils and backfill, a cable ampacity program can be used to determine allowable ampacities for various cable (and thermal backfill) configurations.

Please contact us if you or your client(s) have any questions, wish to discuss this report or require additional information.

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Test Pit Coordinates - UTMS (provided by Tulloch)

Table 1 (Field Test Results Test Pits)

Table 2 - Suggested Design Thermal Resistivity - Native Soil (in-situ)

Table 3 - Suggested Design Thermal Resistivity - Native Soil (Backfill @ 85%)

Please Note:

¹**Moderate load** is estimated total load of no higher than 30 W/ft. per trench

²High load is estimated total load of no higher than 50 W/ft. per trench

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Introduction:

A field thermal resistivity survey of the native soils was performed for the proposed underground power cables at the **Nation Rise Wind Farm Project in North Stormont, Ontario, Canada.** Thermal resistivity testing was performed at five (5) location **(Table 1)** along the cable route. The fieldwork was carried out on September $13th$ & $14th$, 2018. *Tulloch* provided all the support services through a local contractor and their field personnel. This included identifying the test locations, obtaining permits, clearing underground services and providing a drill rig with operator to conduct downhole borings.

Field Testing and Soil Sampling:

A truck mounted drill rig was used to advance boreholes to conduct ambient temperature and thermal resistivity measurements (TR) at various depths. Samples for visual description, moisture content and thermal dryout characterization were collected. Test location co-ordinates were provided by *Tulloch*.

In-situ thermal resistivity and ambient temperature measurements were made using field thermal probes and the *Geotherm* **TPA-2000** run off a portable power source. Thermal testing was performed in accordance with the IEEE Standard (**IEEE 442-2017**). Laboratory geotechnical testing was conducted in accordance with **ASTM**.

The field thermal resistivity values were measured at the in-situ soil moisture on that particular day. Depending on weather and environmental conditions; i.e. drying due to cable heat or other heat source, seasonal drying (drought), artificial draining, water demand of crops, drying due to frost (ice lenses), etc., the soil may be drier at certain times of the year. Therefore, the design thermal resistivity for the native soils should be based on the driest expected conditions.

The attached Tables present factual information on the subsurface conditions at the specific test locations; no warrantee is expressed or implied that materials or conditions other than those described may not be encountered along the cable route.

Laboratory Testing:

Visual soil description, density, moisture content and thermal resistivity measurements were made in the laboratory on all 11 retrieved samples in order to characterize the soils and correlate the field results (**Table 1**). Stage drying tests were performed on undisturbed tube samples to develop the thermal dryout curves (thermal resistivity as a function of moisture content). The thermal dryout curves for the native soils are given in **Figures 1 to 3.**

The selected design thermal resistivity must mitigate potential soil drying by the cable heat. For very poor conditions, a corrective thermal backfill placed around the cable will reduce the heat flux experienced by the native soil so that it may not dry out. The backfill should be better able to resist total drying and have a lower dry resistivity if it is completely dried.

COMMENTS

Figures 1 to 3 depicts the thermal dryout curves, and these along with estimates of the driest expected soil moistures can be used to determine the design resistivity of the native soil.

Ambient Temperature: Ambient soil temperatures were measured to be between **10 - 18 °C**. If the cable route crosses roads with asphalt cover, the ambient temperature at the cable burial depth of 4-ft will be about **4 C higher** as a result of the solar radiation absorption by asphalt surface.

Design Thermal Resistivity Recommendations:

- **Native Soil:** The recommendations provided below are for the native soil; taking into consideration some soil drying due to the heat front from the energized cables.
	- \circ Recommendations are based on the maximum heat output of the cables (total losses - W/ft.), trench geometry, soil/backfill density, and in-situ moisture contents at the time of testing.
	- \circ A 5% safety factor is already built in, and therefore no additional safety factor is required unless EDPR or the design engineer deems necessary.
	- \circ Based on your estimated design loads of 32-40 W/ft. for various cable sizes, thermal resistivity of 120 ºC-cm/W is suggested for the cable rating.

Based on the design resistivity of the native soils, a cable design program can be used to determine allowable ampacities for various cable configurations.

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Borehole Coordinates - UTMS (provided by Tulloch)

Table 1 – Field and Laboratory Test Results

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APPENDIX H

REPORT LIMITATIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR USE

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This information has been provided to help manage risks with respect to the use of this report.

GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES ARE PERFORMED FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES, PERSONS AND PROJECTS

This geotechnical report has been prepared for the exclusive use of the client, their authorized agents, and other members of the design team. It is not intended for use by others, and the information contained herein is not applicable to other sites, or for purposes other than those specified in the report.

Tulloch Engineering (Tulloch) cannot be held responsible for reliance on the information contained in this report, by persons other than the client or 'authorized' agent without prior written approval.

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS CAN CHANGE

This geotechnical investigation report is based on existing conditions at the time the study was performed, and our opinion of soil conditions are strictly based on soil samples collected at specific borehole locations. The findings and conclusions of our reports may be affected by the passage of time, by manmade events such as construction on or adjacent to the site, or by natural events such as floods, earthquakes, slope instability or groundwater fluctuations.

LIMITATIONS TO PROFESSIONAL OPINIONS

Interpretations of subsurface conditions are based on field observations from boreholes and/or test pits that were spaced to capture a 'representative' snap shot of subsurface conditions. Site exploration identifies subsurface conditions only at points of sampling. Tulloch reviews field and laboratory data and then applies our professional judgment to formulate an opinion of subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual subsurface conditions may differ, between sampling locations, from those indicated in this report.

LIMITATIONS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Subsurface soil conditions should be verified by a qualified geotechnical engineer during construction. Tulloch should be notified if any discrepancies to this report or unusual conditions are found during construction.

Sufficient monitoring, testing and consultation should be provided by Tulloch during construction and/or excavation activities, to confirm that the conditions encountered are consistent with those indicated by the borehole and/or test pit investigation, and to provide recommendations for design changes should the conditions revealed during the work differ from those anticipated. In addition, monitoring, testing and consultation by Tulloch should be completed to evaluate whether or not earthwork activities are completed in accordance with our recommendations. Retaining Tulloch for construction observation for this project is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated conditions. However, please be advised that any construction/excavation observations by Tulloch is over and above the mandate of this geotechnical investigation and therefore, additional fees would apply.

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This geotechnical report is not intended to direct the contractor's procedures, methods, schedule or management of the work site. The contractor is solely responsible for job site safety and for managing construction operations to minimize risks to on-site personnel and to adjacent properties. It is ultimately the contractor's responsibility that the Alberta Occupational Health & Safety Act is adhered to, and site conditions satisfy all 'other' acts, regulations and/or legislation that may be mandated by federal, provincial and/or municipal authorities.

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This report is geotechnical in nature and specifically excludes the investigation, detection, prevention or assessment of the presence of subsurface contaminants. Accordingly, the scope of services does not include any interpretations, recommendations, findings, or conclusions regarding the detection, assessment, prevention or abatement of contaminants, and no conclusions or inferences should be drawn regarding contamination, as they may relate to this project. The term "contamination" includes, but is not limited to, molds, fungi, spores, bacteria, viruses, PCBs, petroleum hydrocarbons, inorganics, pesticides/insecticides, volatile organic compounds, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and/or any of their byproducts.