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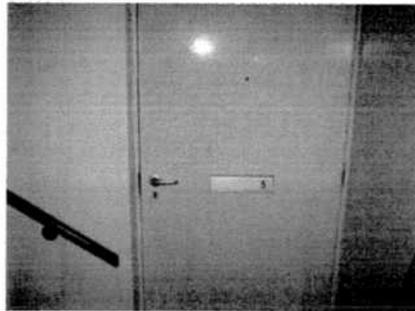


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TYPE II ASBESTOS SURVEY



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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Following discussions with Mr Les Adams of Pectel (Wales) Ltd, Unit 6, Stadium Close, Cardiff, CF11 8TS, Manestream Ltd, Unit 7 Olympic Business Centre, Paycocke Road, Basildon, Essex, SS14 3EX were requested to undertake a Type II inspection of asbestos containing materials in:

**Flat 5, Llys Hebron
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1.2. General Building/Site Description: A First Floor One Bedroom Flat brick built in 1990

1.3. The main aims and objectives were:

- a) To identify those areas of the above site where asbestos is present.
- b) To identify the type and extent of asbestos material present.
- c) To assess the state of repair and general condition of asbestos containing materials and provide a risk assessment for each item.

1.4. The purpose of this survey was to identify and register the location of all asbestos containing materials within site, in line with current legislation. Appendix 4 contains a copy of the original Clients instructions. Original site plans were not made available by the Client to Manestream Ltd.

1.5. Accreditation Details – see APPENDIX 5.

1.6. This survey was carried out by Chris Bolton on 25th July 2005 in accordance with Guidance Note **MDHS 100** *Surveying, sampling and assessment of asbestos-containing materials*

1.7. This report documents the samples taken and analysis thereof.

1.8. Please note: All measurements of asbestos-containing materials within this report are estimates only and are not suitable for valuation for removal purposes etc.

All estimates should be confirmed by a Licensed Asbestos Removal Contractor during any tender exercise

2. SITE SURVEY INFORMATION

2.1. Representative Bulk Sampling

The survey was carried in accordance with Guidance Note **MDHS 100 *Surveying, sampling and assessment of asbestos-containing materials***

Bulk samples were taken throughout the specified areas of accessible structural components, which might conceivably contain asbestos. Particular attention was paid to panelling on doors, walls and ceilings and to pipework, vessel and structural beam insulation. Sampling points were made good by the application of reinforced adhesive tape or 'Polyfilla'.

While it was not possible to carry out exhaustive sampling of each and every structural element present on site in order to produce a definitive survey of asbestos materials, it is considered that a representative selection of samples was obtained.

Although it is possible to identify 'asbestos free' areas in respect of accessible structural components, it should be noted that in some cases asbestos materials may be totally enclosed within a structure and will only be revealed when structural alterations take place. All reasonable efforts were made to detect concealed asbestos, for example in the voids above suspended ceilings etc. However, given the way that asbestos is used in composite structures and in inaccessible locations, it cannot therefore be guaranteed that all asbestos materials have been located. If it is suspected that such materials are present but their presence could not be confirmed at the time of survey due to their inaccessibility, this is indicated in the report section relating to the particular area in question.

Prior to the use of plastic rawl plugs, asbestos materials were commonly used in this application. It is extremely difficult to identify such materials due to decorative claddings, paint coatings etc in most properties.

Artex and Bitumen products may contain a low proportion of asbestos, commonly Chrysotile, which is so finely divided so as not to be detected by the dispersion staining method in accordance with MDHS 77: Asbestos in Bulk materials, Sampling and identification by polarised light microscopy (PLM). In this instance Manestream Ltd recommend that a proportion of these samples be analysed using Scanning Electron Microscopy in order to determine any asbestos content.

Electrical fuse boxes sometimes contain asbestos. For reasons of safety such fuse boxes are not normally inspected.

Fire doors frequently contain an inner layer of asbestos materials for fire retardant purposes. The presence of such an inner layer is difficult to determine without causing significant damage to the doors. Sampling is therefore not undertaken unless specifically requested. If it remains undisturbed the asbestos contained within these doors does not present a risk to health, but caution is advised during maintenance work, i.e. renewing locks etc.

Kitchen appliances such as deep fat fryers can possibly contain asbestos. In most instances these are in use and the products form an integral part of such appliances and have not been sampled. The same is true of heavy-duty machinery located within factories.

Plant equipment (Electrical Heaters, Boilers, Air Handling Units etc) often contains asbestos materials. Inspections are only made where safe and practical to do so.

Occasionally, samples were not taken for the following reasons:

- lack of safe access;
- to have done so would have caused irreparable damage to the material, or to the item of which it forms an integral part;
- material of identical appearance had already been sampled.

If a sample is not taken for any reason, there must also be a presumption made whether the material is asbestos or non-asbestos. Unless the surveyor has strong evidence to support a reasoned argument for presuming the material does not contain asbestos (e.g. plaster, plasterboard, wood etc) then it must be presumed to contain asbestos. This will be recorded in Table 1 as 'Presumed' or 'Strongly Presumed' as defined below:

A material is defined as **strongly presumed** to contain asbestos if fibres are visible and have the appearance of asbestos; or if similar construction exists and laboratory analysis of one of the materials has confirmed the presence of asbestos.

A material is defined as **presumed** to contain asbestos if no fibres are visible but asbestos is known to have been commonly used in the manufactured product at the time of installation (e.g. floor tiles, ceiling tiles, insulating boards etc).

In addition where any no accesses are encountered during a survey this is recorded in the in Limitations of Survey (Section 2.5) and must be **presumed** to contain asbestos.

Although it is possible to identify 'asbestos free' areas in respect of accessible structural components, it should be noted that in some cases presumed asbestos materials may be totally enclosed within a structure and will only be revealed when structural alterations take place.

2.2. Buildings/Areas Included in the Survey

All areas of the flat were included in the survey.

2.3. Buildings/Areas Not Included in the Survey

No other areas were surveyed at the request of the client.

2.4. Analytical Techniques

Bulk samples were analysed for asbestos content by polarised light microscopy using the dispersion staining technique as recommended in **MDHS 77: Asbestos in bulk material**

2.5. Limitations of the Survey

Whilst carrying out the survey, the surveyors were unable to access the following buildings/rooms/areas:

Building	Room/Area	Reason for No Access	Comments (If any)
All Areas were accessible during this survey.			

In addition the following deviations from the original method were made:

- No deviations from the original method were made.

2.6. Results

During this survey a total of 3 samples were taken.

Risk assessment sheets with photographs are presented in Appendix 1.

Certificates of Analysis for bulk samples are presented in Appendix 2.

Plans indicating the locations of all samples taken are presented in Appendix 3.

3. SUMMARY

3.1. General

Asbestos materials that have been identified within are in the form of:

- a) Roof Felt

3.2. Type and Extents of Asbestos

See Table 1

3.3. Non Asbestos Samples

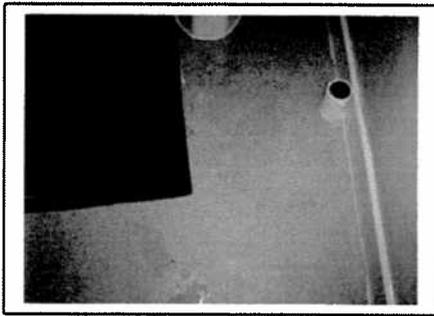
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TABLE 1 - ASBESTOS REGISTER

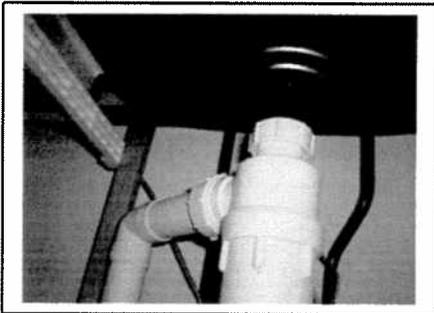
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									Date Actioned	Authorised By	Work Undertaken By	
50725CBV002	R001	Roof Felt	Presumed to contain Crocidolite	50m2	Very Low	9	3	Gain Access				

Note: If rooms are not mentioned in this table, and are not included in the areas of no-access, then no suspect materials were found within them.

TABLE 2 - NON ASBESTOS SAMPLE PHOTOGRAPHS



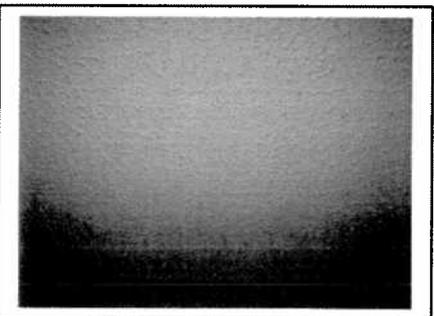
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Description Beige Vinyl Flooring



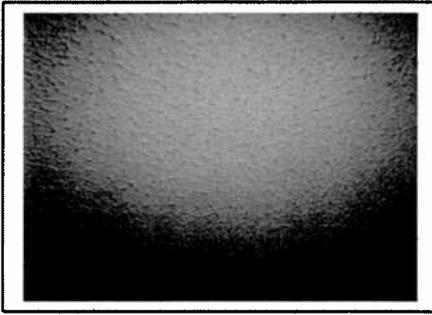
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Location F007
Description Sink Pad



Sample No. 50725CB027
Location F001
Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



Sample No. AS50725CB027
Location F002
Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



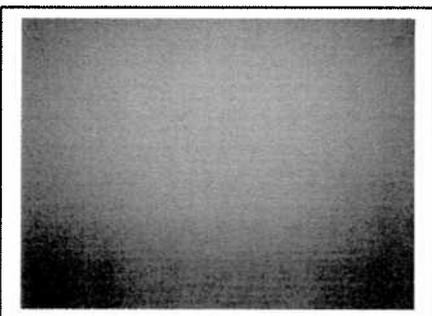
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Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



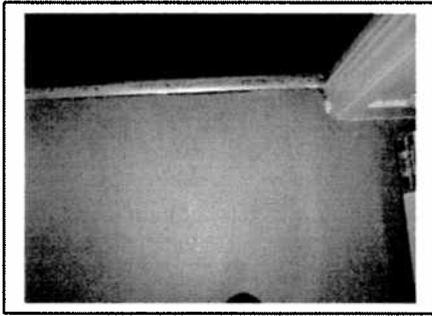
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Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



Sample No. AS50725CB027
Location F006
Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



Sample No. AS50725CB027
Location F007
Description Textured Coating to Ceiling



Sample No. AS50725CB008
Location F007
Description Beige Vinyl Flooring

4. RISK ASSESSMENT AND PRIORITISATION SYSTEM

4.1. General

The risk assessments for asbestos materials in this survey are worked out in accordance with MDHS100 and HSG227.

The material risk assessment algorithm is an assessment of the condition of the ACM. The algorithm used considers four parameters: product type; extent of damage; surface treatment and asbestos type. Each of the parameters is scored and added to give a total score between 2 and 12:

- Materials with scores of **10** or more should be regarded as **High Risk** with a significant potential to release fibres if disturbed
- Those with a score between **7 and 9** are regarded as **Medium Risk**
- Materials with a score between **5 and 6** are **Low Risk**
- Scores of **4 or less** are **Very Low Risk**

The priority risk assessment looks at the likelihood of someone disturbing the ACM. The factors taken into account are listed below:

- Maintenance activity – Type of maintenance and frequency of maintenance
- Occupant activity – Main activity and Secondary activities
- Likelihood of disturbance – Location, accessibility and extent/amount
- Human exposure potential – Number of occupants, frequency of use of the area and average time area is in use.

The scores allocated to the material and priority algorithms are shown in the tables below:

Material Assessment Algorithm

Sample Variable	Score	Examples of scores
Product Type (or debris from product)	1	Asbestos reinforced composites (plastics, resins, mastics, roofing felts, vinyl floor tiles, semi-rigid paints or decorative finishes) Asbestos cement
	2	Asbestos insulating board, mill boards, other low density insulation boards, asbestos textiles, gaskets, ropes and woven textiles, asbestos paper and felt
	3	Thermal insulation (e.g. pipe and boiler lagging), sprayed coating, loose asbestos, asbestos mattresses and packing
Extent of damage/deterioration	0	Good condition: no visible damage
	1	Low damage: a few scratches or surface marks; broken edges on boards, tiles etc
	2	Medium damage: significant breakage of materials or several small areas where material has been damaged revealing loose asbestos fibres
	3	High damage or delamination of materials, sprays and thermal insulation. Visible asbestos debris
Surface Treatment	0	Composite materials containing asbestos: reinforced plastics, resins, vinyl tiles
	1	Enclosed sprays and lagging, asbestos insulating board (with exposed face painted or encapsulated), asbestos cement sheets etc
	2	Unsealed asbestos insulating board, or encapsulated lagging and sprays
	3	Unsealed laggings and sprays
Asbestos Type	1	Chrysotile
	2	Amphibole asbestos excluding Crocidolite
	3	Crocidolite
Total Score		

Priority Assessment Algorithm

Assessment Factor	Score	Examples of score variables
Normal occupant activity Main type of activity in area Secondary activities area	0 1 2 3 As above	Rare disturbance activity (e.g. little used store room) Low disturbance activities (e.g. office type activity) Periodic disturbance (e.g. industrial or vehicular activity which may contact ACMs) High levels of disturbance (e.g. fire door with asbestos insulating board sheet in constant use) As above
Likelihood of disturbance Location Accessibility Extent/Amount	0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3	Outdoors Large rooms or well ventilated areas Rooms up to 100m ² Confined spaces Usually inaccessible or unlikely to be disturbed Occasionally likely to be disturbed Easily disturbed Routinely disturbed Small amounts or items (e.g. strings, gaskets etc) ≤10m ² or ≤10m pipe run >10m ² to ≤50m ² or >10m to ≤50m pipe run >50m ² or >50m pipe run
Human exposure potential Number of occupants Frequency of use of area Average time area is in use	0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3	None 1 to 3 4 to 10 >10 Infrequent Monthly Weekly Daily <1 hour >1 to <3 hours >3 to <6 hours >6 hours
Maintenance activity Type of maintenance activity Frequency of maintenance activity	0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3	Minor disturbance (e.g. possibility of contact when gaining access) Low disturbance (e.g. changing light bulbs in asbestos insulating board ceiling) Medium disturbance (e.g. lifting one or two asbestos insulating board ceiling tiles to access a valve) High levels of disturbance (e.g. removing a number of ceiling tiles) ACM unlikely to be disturbed by maintenance activity ≤1 per year >1 per year >1 per month
Total Score		

The risk assessment then combines the Material Assessment and Priority Assessment. This then forms the basis of the asbestos management plan and allows the selection of appropriate management options.

In areas where extensive building refurbishment or demolition is proposed which could lead to disturbance of asbestos materials, then remedial treatment as indicated in Categories 2/3 is unsuitable and all asbestos should be removed prior to commencement of such works.

4.2. Category 1 High Priority (>18 Points)

Category 1 indicates materials, which contain asbestos and are in a condition and/or location, which require urgent attention. High (>18 Points) materials are not suitable for remedial measures and should be removed as soon as possible.

4.3. Category 2 Medium Priority (13 – 18 Points)

Category 2 indicates that the material contains asbestos and is in a condition and/or location, which require some action. This action would include encapsulating the material either by applying a sealant coat to the surface of boards or enclosing within impervious panelling. Warning labels should be fixed to the encapsulating material in order to alert site occupants to the presence of asbestos and thus to avoid the risk of accidental damage. These materials should be removed as part of a phased removal programme.

4.4. Category 3 Moderate/Low (<13 Points)

Category 3 indicates that the material contains asbestos but is in a condition and/or location which does not give rise to a significant health risk PROVIDED IT REMAINS UNDISTURBED either by routine maintenance or by personnel carrying out routine daily work activities which could cause impact or abrasion of the material. Category 3 Moderate/Low is valid as a priority rating only if this proviso is maintained. Clients are advised to be alert to any changes in work activities in areas where Category 3 risk material is located.

4.5. Key to Management Options

Label, Maintain and Update Register

A means of identifying ACM's to those who may be affected could be the placing of labels on the ACM. There are disadvantages, however, that include the possibility of labels falling off, being painted over or becoming dirty.

The ACM's that are in good condition and are unlikely to be disturbed may be left in place with a programme of monitoring carried out by a competent person. This involves an inspection that is recorded of each asbestos containing material to a pre-determined schedule typically annually. The monitoring would include a visual inspection that would assess the ACM for scratches, signs of disturbance, broken edges, cracked or peeling paint or debris. The asbestos register should be updated accordingly. If the ACM does show visible signs of damage / deterioration then this may promote it into a Category 2 or Category 1 material.

Remove

Category 1 indicates ACM's that should be removed under the Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002 and by an approved licensed asbestos removal contractor or isolated (e.g. locked and labelled door etc) and a Permit to Work system put in operation. Following asbestos removal an accredited independent consultant should undertake a four-stage clearance test (certificate of re-occupation).

Encapsulation

The encapsulation of the Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's) could be carried out by the following options:

1. Applying a bridging encapsulant that forms a durable layer adhering to the surface.
2. Applying a penetrating encapsulant that penetrates within the ACM before it hardens and thus locking the material together, to provide additional strength.

The materials for consideration for bridging encapsulants are high build elastomers, cementitious coatings and Polyvinyl Acetate (PVA). The type of encapsulant will be dependant on a number of circumstances.

Items for consideration are:

1. Whether the material can take the additional weight of the encapsulant without delamination.
2. Whether additional fire resisting properties are required.
3. Whether future cracking will present a problem (typical of some cementitious coatings)

Repair

The repair of ACM's should be carried out after considering the following options:

1. Small areas of damaged pipe or boiler lagging should be filled with plaster and wrapped with cotton cloth (calico).
2. Small areas of damaged sprayed asbestos should be treated with encapsulant and an open mesh scrim of glass fibre or calico reinforcement applied.
3. Damaged asbestos panelling should be sprayed with PVA or elastomeric paint
4. Asbestos cement should be sealed using an alkali resistant and water permeable sealant.

Enclosure

The enclosure of ACM's should be carried out after considering the following options:

1. Whether the material may be affected by water.
2. Whether the material used for enclosure may affect the fire resistance of the ACM.
3. Whether future maintenance is necessary.

Various solutions include the following:

1. The placing of a bollard or similar object adjacent to a wall panel to prevent damage by vehicles.
2. The installation of a barrier such as plywood that would prevent the release of airborne fibres from the material. This would involve sealing the edges.
3. The sealing and locking of a door to prevent access into a room.

The above options involve the installation of suitable warning signs/ labels and the monitoring of the enclosure.

5. DISCUSSION / RECOMMENDATIONS

The Roof Felt in Attic Space R001 (Sample No: 50725CBV002) is presumed to contain Crocidolite (blue asbestos). This material is sealed beneath plastic covering. Manestream Ltd recommends that this material is labelled before being incorporated into an Asbestos Management Plan and is inspected at regular intervals. If, at any time, this presumed asbestos-containing material is to be removed then sampling should be carried out to determine the presence of asbestos. If proved positive, under Regulation 6 of The Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations, providing the exposure does not exceed the stated action levels/ control limits then the work will not be notifiable to the HSE. If a general contractor is to be used for this work then a detailed method statement must be provided including all relevant risk assessments. The asbestos-containing material must then be disposed of by a licensed carrier of asbestos waste to a licensed tip.

APPENDIX 1

RISK ASSESSMENTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

Flat 5, Llys Hebron, Church Street, Ton Pentre, Pentre, CF41 5AD

Sample No: 50725CBV002

Sample Description:
Roof Felt



ADDRESS: Flat 5, Llys Hebron, Church Street, Ton Pentre, Pentre, CF41 5AD

LOCATION: R001

SURVEY DATE: 25 Jul 2005

PHOTO Number: 50725CBV002

Details		Value	Points Rating
1. Product Type	Composites & Cement/ AIB, gaskets etc/ Thermal insulation & sprays	1-3	1
2. Extent of damage	Good/ Low/ Medium/ High	0-3	0
3. Surface treatment	Composite/ Enclosed & Unsealed cement/ Unsealed AIB/ Unsealed friable	0-3	0
4. Asbestos Type	Chrysotile/ Amphibole (excluding Crocidolite)/ Crocidolite	1-3	3
Material Assessment Score		4	
Material Risk Category		Very Low	
5. Main activity	Rare/ Low/ Periodic/ High disturbance	0-3	1
6. Secondary activity	Rare/ Low/ Periodic/ High disturbance	0-3	
7. Location	Outdoors/ Large Rooms/ Rooms up to 100m2/ Confined Spaces	0-3	2
8. Accessibility	Inaccessible/ Occasional/ Easily/ Routinely Disturbed	0-3	
9. Extent/Amount	Small/ <10m2 or 10m pipe run/ >10-<50m2 or >10-<50m pipe run/ >50m2 or >50m pipe run	0-3	
10. Occupants	None/ 1-3/ 4-10/ >10	0-3	2
11. Frequency of use	Infrequent/ Monthly/ Weekly/ Daily	0-3	
12. Time each use	<1hr/ 1-3hrs/ 3-6hrs/ >6hrs	0-3	
13. Type of maintenance	Minor/ Low/ Medium/ High	0-3	0
14. Frequency of maintenance	Unlikely/ <1yr/ >1yr/ >1per month	0-3	
Priority Assessment Score		5	
Total		9	

APPENDIX 2

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

12 Aug 2005

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FOR THE ATTENTION OF: Mr Les Adams

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: C9925.112.5.08.001_NH

SITE: Flat 5, Llys Hebron, Church Street, Ton Pentre, Pentre, CF41 5AD

LOCATION: All Areas of the flat

SAMPLES TAKEN BY MANESTREAM Chris Bolton **ON:** 25th July 2005

ANALYSED BY: Joe Mcevilley

<u>Sample Number</u>	<u>Sample Description</u>	<u>Content</u>
50725CB008	F003, Beige Vinyl Flooring	No Asbestos Detected
50725CB009	F007, Sink Pad	No Asbestos Detected
50725CB027	F001, Textured Coating to Ceiling	No Asbestos Detected



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Clients' Samples

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APPENDIX 3

SITE PLANS AND KEY

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ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

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ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE



**INSPECTION BODY
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to undertake inspections as a type C body as detailed in the schedule bearing the above accreditation number.
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Initial Accreditation 29 September 2003

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Turner', written over a horizontal line.

Accreditation Manager, United Kingdom Accreditation Service

This certificate issued on 15 April 2004

Expiry date 31 August 2007

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ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE



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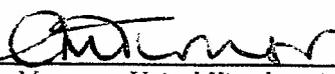
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