



18 May 2022

Ms. Veronica Zhune New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 1 Hunter's Point Plaza 47-40 21<sup>st</sup> Street Long Island City, NY 11101-5401

Re: Aboveground Storage Tank Closure Report 1487 First Avenue New York, New York Block 1452, Tentative Lot 27 (Lots 27, 28, 29 & 30) Langan Project No. 100963701 NYSDEC Spill No. 2109276

Dear Ms. Zhune:

Langan Engineering, Environmental, Surveying, Landscape Architecture and Geology, D.P.C. (Langan) prepared this Aboveground Storage Tank (AST) Letter Report for the site at 1487 First Avenue in New York, NY (the site). The report documents the AST removal and cleanup activities implemented to address New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Spill No. 2109276 on 14, 15, and 17 March 2022 by Brookside Environmental (Brookside) of Copiague, New York with observation by a Langan field engineer. An affidavit identifying that the AST was closed and permanently removed in accordance with New York City Fire Code, Chapter 34, Section FC3404.2.13 and FC3404.2.14, under supervision of Mr. Brian Gauderault of Brookside, a certified New York City Underground Tank Installer (License No. 81350266), is included as Attachment 1.

#### **Site Description**

The site is an approximately 10,050-square-foot property located at Block 1452, Lots 27, 28, 29, and 30 (to be merged as Tentative Lot 27 in accordance with the New York City RP-602 Form partially executed on 6 January 2022) and is currently occupied by two four-story vacant buildings in the southern and northwestern portions of the site. The remaining portions of the site consist of vacant land where former building basements were partially backfilled with remnant demolition debris by the previous property owner.

### **UST Closure Activities**

On 21 January 2022, an approximately 275-gallon AST was discovered buried in the demolition debris left in place by the previous property owner in the northeastern corner of the site during preparation for the geotechnical and environmental investigations. The AST was removed and staged on tarpaulins and all surrounding demolition debris visually observed to be impacted with product from the AST was excavated and staged on tarpaulins. While excavating and stockpiling the impacted demolition debris, it was determined that the AST was located above the former basement slab. Following excavation and staging of the AST and impacted demolition debris, the slab observed

beneath the original AST location was subsequently covered by the non-impacted remnant demolition debris for construction of a site access ramp.

### **AST Cleaning and Removal**

NYSDEC Spill No. 2109276

AST cleaning and closure activities commenced on 14 March 2022 and included: removal of liquid sludge material, solid sludge, cleaning pads, and associate tank debris; cleaning and inspection of the AST; and the removal of all stockpiled petroleum-impacted demolition debris that had been removed from the area immediately surrounding the AST.

An access hole was cut into the top of the AST to facilitate removal of remaining liquids and accumulated sludge. Approximately 55-gallons of liquid sludge was removed from the AST and containerized within USDOT-approved 55-gallon drums for off-site transportation to Clean Water of New York in Staten Island, NY. The interior walls of the AST were then manually cleaned. All remaining liquids, accumulated sludge and cleaning fluids generated during these activities were containerized within USDOT-approved 55-gallon drums, and were transported to and disposed of at Clean Water of New York. A photographic log of UST closure activities is included as Attachment 2, and UST disposal documentation is included as Attachment 3.

All demolition debris and concrete in the vicinity of the original AST location and the AST and demolition debris staging area were evaluated for visual and olfactory indications of petroleum impacts (i.e. staining, odor). An approximately 10-ft by 6-ft excavation was completed to assess the condition of the demolition debris and the former concrete slab (approximately 9-ft below sidewalk level [bsl] and 4-ft below ground surface [bgs]) in the location where the AST was originally found and an additional 10-ft by 6-ft excavation was completed to assess the conditions of the concrete slab beneath where the AST and stockpiled demolition debris had been staged on tarpaulins (approximately 9-ft bsl, corresponding to 1-ft bgs).

No staining was observed on the demolition debris or on the concrete slab (9-ft bsl corresponding to 4-ft bgs) in the location where the AST was originally found. Staining was observed in a 2-ft by 4-ft area and a 3-ft by 3-ft area of the concrete slab immediately below where the AST and stockpiled demolition debris had been staged on tarpaulins. The concrete in both areas was broken up and containerized within USDOT-approved 55-gallon drums for off-site transportation to Clean Water of New York. A secondary concrete slab was observed under the 2-ft by 4-ft area and did not appear stained. Soil under the 3-ft by 3-ft stained concrete slab area was observed to be stained. Soil was screened for volatile organic compounds (VOC) using a photoionization detector and had readings of up to approximately 55 parts per million (ppm). Poly-sheeting was placed above the stained soil as a demarcation layer for future remediation under the Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). All demolition debris and concrete with evidence of petroleum impacts was containerized within USDOT-approved 55-gallon drums for off-site transportation to Clean Water of New York in Staten Island, NY.

In total, 36 55-gallon drums containing tank sludge, cleaning pads, plastic sheeting, and impacted demolition debris and concrete were transported off-site for disposal at Clean Water of New York. The empty AST was taken to Gershaw Recycling of Lindenhurst, NY and recycled as scrap metal.



A photographic log of AST closure and removal activities is included as Attachment 2 and removal and disposal documentation associated with the AST closure is included as Attachment 3.

### Closure

NYSDEC Spill No. 2109276

A 275-gallon AST found buried in remnant demolition debris at the above-referenced site and associated petroleum-impacted demolition debris and former basement slab concrete were removed for off-site disposal. Visual, olfactory, and instrumentation indications of petroleum impacts were observed in an approximately 3-ft by 3-ft area below the stained concrete basement slab that was removed during AST closure activities. Poly-sheeting was placed above the stained soil as a demarcation layer for future remediation under the BCP Program.

Please contact us via phone at (973) 560-4900 or via email at <u>aforsburg@langan.com</u> with any questions.

Sincerely,

Langan Engineering, Environmental, Surveying, Landscape Architecture and Geology, D.P.C.

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Attachments: Figure 1 – Site Location Plan

Figure 2 – Site Plan

Attachment 1 – Affidavit for UST Closure

Attachment 2 – Photographic Log

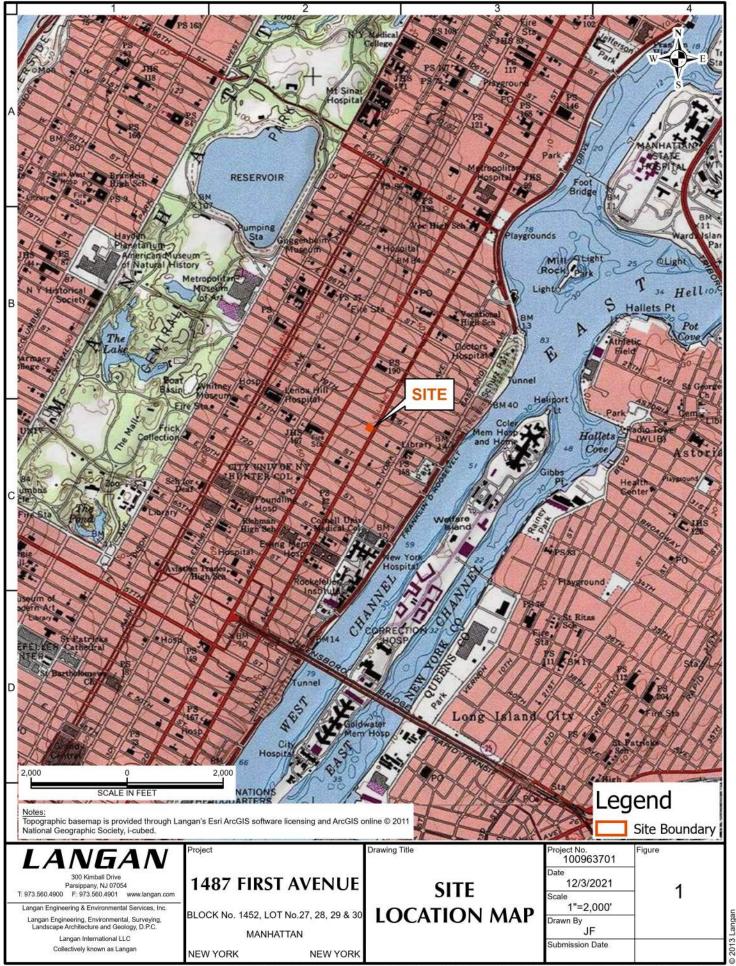
Attachment 3 – Disposal Documentation

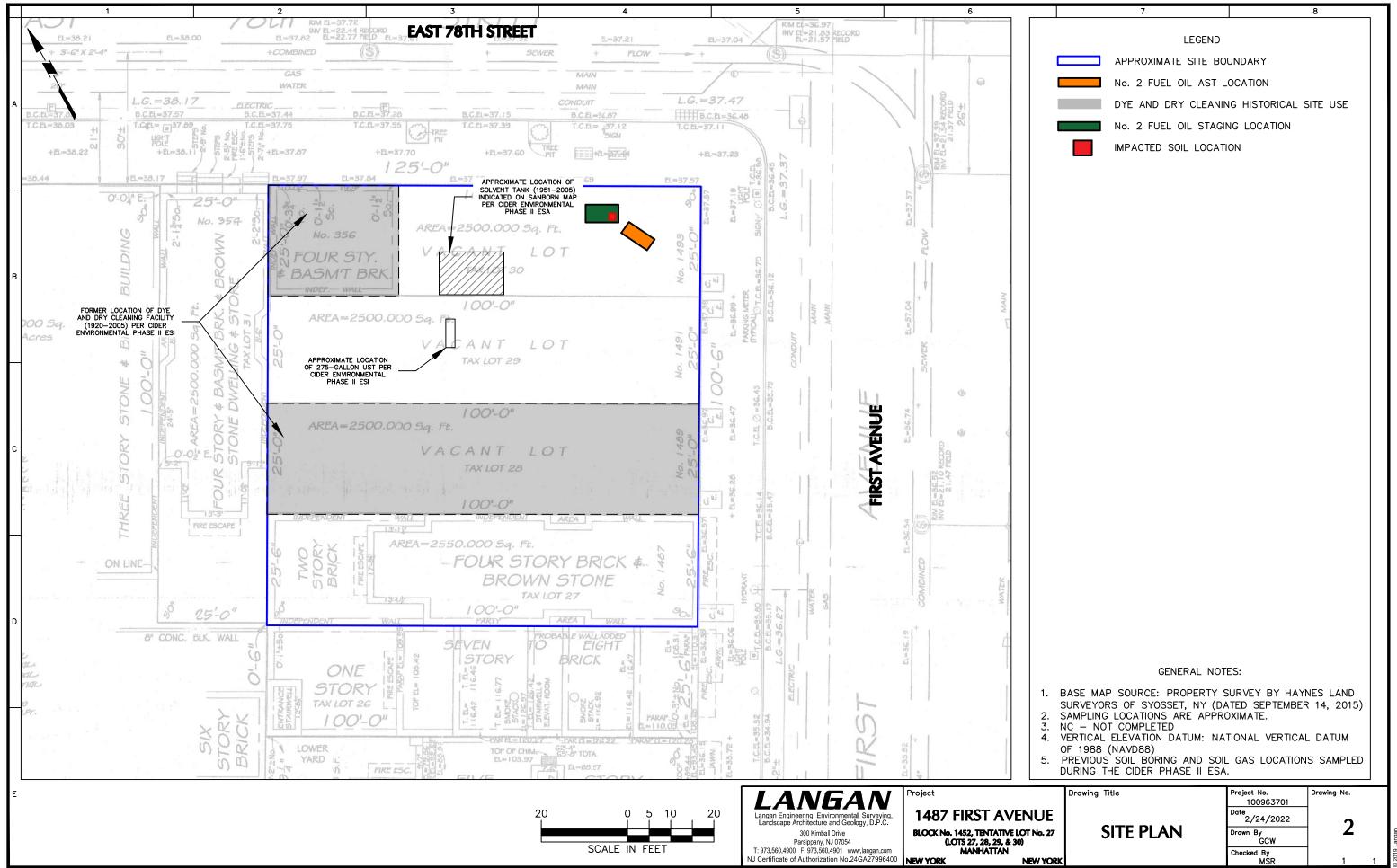
cc: Kyle Becker, Stephen Martinell, Matt Feldman (CP VII 78<sup>th</sup> Street, LLC)

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# **FIGURES**





# ATTACHMENT 1 Affidavit for UST Closure

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March 25, 2022

FDNY, Bureau of Fire Prevention Bulk Fuel Safety Unit, Room 3E-102 9 Metro Tech Center Brooklyn, NY 11201-3857

> Re: 1487 First Avenue New York, NY 10075

## **AFFIDAVIT**

<u>Brian Gaudreault</u> being duly sworn says that on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2022, Brookside Environmental completed the cleaning and removal of one 275 gallon aboveground storage tank containing heating oil in accordance with the provisions of the New York City Fire Code, Chapter 34, Section FC3404.2.13 and FC3404.2.14.

During the removal of the tank, Brookside:

- Inerted and cleaned the tank.
- Removed and disposed of 1 drum of tank sludge.
- Disposed of tank as scrap metal.

This affidavit is issued to attest to the proper tank cleaning and removal procedures by a FDNY Licensed Underground Storage Tank Installer/Remover. An environmental site assessment has been performed in accordance with the requirements of federal or state laws/regulations.

Brian Gaudreault C.O.F. Type W-16

FDNY License # 81350266

Expires: 6/07/2023

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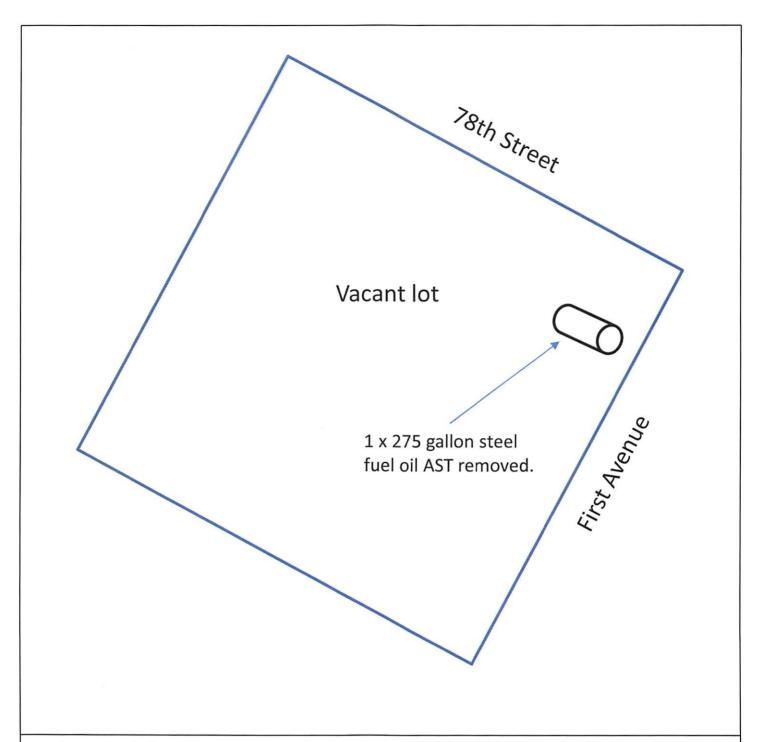
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My Commission Expires 08-04-2025

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# Aboveground Storage Tank Location

1487 First Avenue New York, NY 10075

Date: 03/125/22 Drawn by: BG Scale: NTS

# **ATTACHMENT 2**

**Photographic Log** 





Photo 1: AST staging area, facing northwest. 14 March 2022.



Photo 2: Removal of remaining tank sludge, facing west. 14 March 2022.





Photo 3: Previously stockpiled petroleum-impacted demolition debris staged on tarpaulins, facing east. 14 March 2022.



Photo 4: AST staging and cleaning, facing southwest. 14 March 2022.





Photo 5: Concrete slab below original AST location, facing southeast. 14 March 2022.



Photo 6: Concrete slab below original AST location, facing southeast. 14 March 2022.





Photo 7: Concrete slab below original AST location, facing southeast. 14 March 2022.



Photo 8: 55-gallon drums for offsite disposal, facing north. 14 March 2022.





Photo 9: Removal of remaining product and impacted demolition debris previously stockpiled and staged on tarpaulins, facing east. 15 March 2022.



Photo 10: Removal of remaining impacted demolition debris previously stockpiled and staged on tarpaulins, facing north. 15 March 2022.





Photo 11: Stained concrete below AST staging area, facing north. 15 March 2022.



Photo 12: Concrete pad removal with stained soil and secondary clean concrete pad below AST staging area, facing northeast. 15 March 2022.





Photo 13: Concrete pad removal with stained soil and secondary clean concrete pad below AST staging area, facing northeast. 15 March 2022.



Photo 14: Remaining stained soil and clean concrete pad below AST staging area, facing northeast. 15 March 2022.





Photo 15: Placement of polysheeting over AST staging area and stained soil as a demarcation layer for future remediation, facing west. 15 March 2022.



Photo 16: Placement of polysheeting over AST staging area and stained soil as a demarcation layer for future remediation, facing west. 15 March 2022.

# ATTACHMENT 3 Disposal Documentation

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