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REPORT: Full Building Survey

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SUBJECT: Asbestos Material Survey - Scott Hall  
EH&S Project No: 040-94-051  
Client Project No: For Data Base

**Scope of Work:** A full building asbestos material survey was conducted by Nova Environmental Services on May 3 through May 13, 1994. The purpose of the survey was to identify asbestos-containing materials (ACM) as defined by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Any material that is greater than 1% asbestos is considered to be ACM. The intent of the survey was to identify both friable and nonfriable suspect ACM, identify nonfriable ACM that may become friable under demolition or renovation conditions, and to provide approximate cost estimates for the removal of identified ACM prior to renovation of Scott Hall.

**Project Description:** Bulk samples of suspect ACM were collected on-site and analyzed via polarized light microscopy (PLM) by Nova Environmental for asbestos content. Results of analyses are listed in Appendix I of this report. Appendix I is formatted to provide a room by room inventory of suspect ACM, the asbestos content of each material listed, and friability. An explanation of the tables and abbreviations used in the tables is included with Appendix I. Appendix II is a room by room listing of only those suspect materials that tested >1% asbestos. Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Asbestos Rules regulate only friable ACM (material may be reduced to powder or dust under hand pressure) while the EPA regulates ACM that may become friable under demolition or renovation conditions.

The following friable or potentially friable materials tested positive as ACM:

- <4" white fibrous pipe insulation and associated pipe fitting insulation
- <4" aircell pipe insulation and associated pipe fitting insulation
- <4" felt with tar insulation and associated pipe fitting insulation
- <4" fibrous pipe fitting insulation on fiberglass
- <4" fibrous pipe fitting insulation on foam
- 4"-8" white fibrous pipe insulation and associated pipe fitting insulation
- textured plaster
- 9"x9" floor tile, light grey marble
- 9"x9" floor tile, dark grey
- 9"x9" floor tile, light grey w/white & charcoal
- 9"x9" floor tile, red & brown
- 9"x9" floor tile, light grey w/black & grey
- 12"x12" floor tile, white w/tan
- 12"x12" floor tile, tan w/white
- hard brown baseboard
- light padding
- fire curtain
- asbestos wiring
- transite panels

The following suspect materials tested none detected (ND) as ACM:

- 4"-8" fibrous pipe fitting insulation on fiberglass
- fiberglass duct insulation
- ceiling plaster
- wall plaster
- decorative plaster
- 12"x12" ceiling tile, pegboard
- 2'x2' ceiling tile, fissured
- 2'x4' ceiling tile, fissured
- 12"x12" floor tile, beige w/brown molting
- green & black linoleum
- green linoleum
- brown linoleum
- grey linoleum
- baseboard adhesive, brown
- sheetrock and taping compound
- yellow brick mortar
- clay tile mortar
- canvass vibration joints
- gasket
- black table top
- hard black duct

The following nonfriable with low potential to become friable materials tested positive as ACM:

- **floor tile adhesive**
- **ceiling tile adhesive**

For room locations of above noted materials, refer to Appendices.

### **Observations and Recommendations:**

1. Department of Environmental Health & Safety (DEHS);  
Please refer to condition assessments for specific damaged areas. In general, materials were found to be in good to excellent shape and do not pose significant health concerns to the building occupants.
2. Facilities Management;  
In some rooms throughout the building, carpeting is covering the asbestos containing floor tile. This should be noted in case the carpeting is removed during any proposed renovation project. If the floor tile comes up with the carpet, the carpet should then be removed by the Facilities Management Asbestos Abatement Unit.

Damaged asbestos containing pipe lagging was found laying in most of the floor trenches in the Basement. It is recommended these areas be cleaned of lagging debris.

Samples taken of the 12"x12" pegboard ceiling tile adhesive produced mixed results. Because the brown ceiling tile adhesives could not be differentiated, all adhesives associated with pegboard ceiling tile are assumed to be asbestos containing.

3. General;  
In the Appendices, reference sample numbers with the preface **R** refer to samples referenced from previous surveys conducted by Delta Environmental Consultants or by the Department of Environmental Health & Safety. The original sample date is given following the material description.

Due to limited access points in the plaster ceilings and walls, some pipe chases were completely inaccessible or only slightly visible. As a result, the quantities listed reflect the visibility available at the time of the survey.

Although no roof sampling was done, complete roof sampling is recommended at a time when a qualified roofing contractor is on-site to patch core sample holes in roofing.

The floor trenches in Rooms 2, 3, 8, 10, 16, 17, 18 & 19 were inaccessible at the time of the survey.

**Cost Information:** The approximate cost for the removal of all ACM is itemized below. These figures are based on the assumption that all friable and potentially friable ACM are going to be removed. For project specific removal costs, contact this office with your project requirements and unit costs can be calculated for the impacted areas.

MATERIAL TYPE	LOW RANGE	HIGH RANGE
• thermal system insulation	\$40,458	\$52,687
• floor tile & adhesive	9,944	19,888
• ceiling tile adhesive	27,790	55,580
• textured plaster	3,150	4,900
• wall transite	2,500	3,750
TOTAL	\$83,842	\$136,805

All ACM removal must be performed by a Minnesota licensed asbestos abatement contractor. All asbestos removal shall be performed within the specified procedures as outlined in the University of Minnesota Technical Specification for Asbestos Abatement. Please note that removal costs are highly variable and dependent on such factors as contractor availability, accessibility of work areas and site specific work plans.

Air monitoring is required for many asbestos-related projects. Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) is available to provide this service. The estimated cost for EH&S to complete air monitoring requirements for specific projects will be made available upon request. The cost of air monitoring is a function of contractor on-site days and may vary dependent upon project specific scope of work. EH&S will provide labor, equipment and project oversight as necessary. Project management and contract administration will be provided by the Facilities Management Project Development Group.

EH&S also recommends that throughout the general renovation activities associated with this building, precautions and work practices should be implemented to minimize nuisance dust levels. Dust suppression techniques (misting the air with water and keeping materials wet) should be required of the general contractor.

If there is any further information required, or other questions arise regarding this request, please contact John Allen at 627-4861.

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