



December 8, 2020

Randy Duvall
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10878 E. Mapleton Road
Mapleton, Oregon 97453

Via email: rduval@mapleton.k12.or.us

Regarding: Shop Building – Short-Term Radon Testing
10878 E. Mapleton Road
Mapleton, Oregon 97453
PBS Project 52593.000

Dear Mr. Duval:

From November 17th, to November 19th, 2020 PBS Engineering and Environmental Inc. (PBS) performed short-term radon testing for the Shop Building located at 10878 E. Mapleton Road in Mapleton, Oregon.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) recommend that buildings be tested for radon, and that any radon concentrations be maintained below 4.0 picocuries per liter (pCi/L) of air. PBS used Air Chek, Inc., single-use, short-term radon test kits to measure radon levels in frequently occupied rooms that are in contact with the ground or above unoccupied basements or crawlspaces. **No samples taken by PBS were found to be above the EPA action level of 4.0 pCi/L.**

In addition to the single-use, short-term radon test kits deployed in frequently occupied rooms, four (4) sample blanks, three (3) spike samples, and one (1) duplicate were analyzed by Air Chek, Inc. in Mills River, North Carolina for quality control (QC) purposes.

The following table presents the results of all tests conducted during this study. Results are listed in pCi/L.

Kit Number	Start Date	End Date	Room	Floor	Result (pCi/L)	Comments
9527859	11/17/2020	11/19/2020	SHOP CLASSROOM	1	1.9	
9527860	11/17/2020	11/19/2020	SHOP OFFICE	1	1.6	
9527861	11/17/2020	11/19/2020	SHOP OFFICE	1	1.7	Duplicate RPD: 6%
9527862	11/17/2020	11/19/2020	SHOP WORK AREA	1	1.6	
9527863	11/17/2020	11/19/2020	WOODSHOP	1	1.5	
9527865	---	---	---	---	< 0.3	Blank Device
9527871	---	---	---	---	< 0.3	Blank Device
9527872	---	---	---	---	< 0.3	Blank Device
9527873	---	---	---	---	< 0.3	Blank Device
9527803	11/14/2020	11/16/2020	---	---	Reference: 27.6 Measured: 27.2	Spike RPE: 1%
9527804	11/14/2020	11/16/2020	---	---	Reference: 27.6 Measured: 26.9	Spike RPE: 3%

Kit Number	Start Date	End Date	Room	Floor	Result (pCi/L)	Comments
9527805	11/14/2020	11/16/2020	---	---	Reference: 27.6 Measured: 27.9	Spike RPE: 1%

Simultaneous measurement results that are both less than (<) 4.0 pCi/L shall agree with a Relative Percent Difference (RPD) of less than (<) 67 percent. RPD is calculated by taking the difference between 2 results, dividing by the average the results, and multiplying by 100.

Relative Percentage Error (RPE) is calculated by taking the difference between a measured value and reference value, dividing by the reference, and multiplying by 100. A trend in RPE values that are more than 30% should be investigated.

No testing abnormalities were noted at the time of the investigation.

See the attached laboratory analysis report for more details.

In addition to the EPA recommendation that radon concentrations not exceed 4.0 pCi/L, OHA recommends that the following steps be conducted based on the results of a room’s initial short-term test:

- **If the result is less than 2.0 pCi/L**, school districts are required to test again every 10 years, per Oregon Revised Statute 332.166-167.
- **If the result is between 2.0 pCi/L and 4.0 pCi/L**, consider fixing (i.e., lowering) the radon in that room.
- **If the result is from 4.0 pCi/L to 8.0 pCi/L**, perform a follow-up measurement of that room using a long-term test. This test should be conducted over as much of a nine-month school year as possible, when the room is likely to be occupied. If that result is equal to or greater than 4.0 pCi/L, the radon in the room should be fixed (i.e., lowered).
- **If the initial short-term test result is equal to or greater than 8.0 pCi/L**, conduct a second short-term test and average its result with the initial short-term test result. If the average of the two is equal to or greater than 4.0 pCi/L, radon in the room should be fixed (i.e., lowered).

Note: A great difference in the results of the short-term tests may indicate a flaw in the testing process. Investigate and consider retesting. For situations in which one of the test results is equal to or greater than 4.0 pCi/L, if the higher result is two or more times the lower result, repeat the test.

LIMITATIONS OF SCOPE

This study was limited to the tests and locations as previously indicated. The site as a whole may have other environmental concerns that will not be characterized by this study. The findings and conclusions of this work are not scientific certainties, but probabilities based on professional judgment concerning the significance of the data gathered during the course of this investigation. PBS is not able to represent conditions on the site or adjoining sites beyond those detected or observed by PBS.

Please feel free to contact me at 541.255.6182 or daniel.lyons@pbsusa.com with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Daniel Lyons
Industrial Hygiene Technician

Reviewed by: JH

Attachment: AirChek, Inc., Laboratory Analysis Report

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Kit Number	Start Date	Start Time	End Date	End Time	Temp.	Facility	Building	Room	Project ID	Floor	Result
9527859	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	6:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	SHOP CLASSROOM	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.9
9527860	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	6:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	SHOP OFFICE	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.6
9527861	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	6:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	D SHOP OFFICE	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.7
9527862	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	7:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	SHOP WORK AREA	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.6
9527863	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	6:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	WOODSHOP	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.5
9527864	2020-11-17	6:00 pm	2020-11-19	6:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	SHOP	WELDING	SHOP BUILDING	1	1.8

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9527803	2020-11-14	8:00 am	2020-11-16	8:00 am	70	MAPLETON SD	HIGH SCHOOL	HALLWAY - S	52591	1	27.2
9527804	2020-11-14	8:00 am	2020-11-16	8:00 am	70	MAPLETON SD	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	HALLWAY - S	52591	1	26.9
9527805	2020-11-14	8:00 am	2020-11-16	8:00 am	70	MAPLETON SD	SHOP	HALLWAY - S	52591	1	27.9

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9527865	2020-11-17	8:00 pm	2020-11-19	8:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SD	SHOP	HALLWAY - B	52591	1	< 0.3
9527871	2020-11-17	8:00 pm	2020-11-19	8:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SD	HIGH SCHOOL	HALLWAY - B	52591	1	< 0.3
9527872	2020-11-17	8:00 pm	2020-11-19	8:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SD	HIGH SCHOOL	HALLWAY - B	52591	1	< 0.3
9527873	2020-11-17	8:00 pm	2020-11-19	8:00 pm	70	MAPLETON SD	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	HALLWAY - B	52591	1	< 0.3
