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August 8, 1989

Mr. W. R. Thomson 6612 - 224 Street LANGLEY, B. C. V3A 6H4

Subject: Groundwater Conditions at 6612 - 224 Street in Langley

Dear Sir:

This letter is further to our (Thomson, Livingston) discussion during an inspection trip to the subject property on July 11.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

From the aformentioned discussion, we understand that the situation concerning a deep drilled well at 6612 - 224 Street in Langley is as follows:

- A drilled well was recently constructed to supply domestic water and water for stock watering.
- 2. The 150 mm (6") diameter well, which was constructed by Langley Water Wells Ltd., is flowing artesian. The driller's log of sediments encountered during the drilling of the well is attached to this letter.
- 3. The well is located less than 30.5 m (100 ft) from a new building which will include horse stalls.

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4. The Health Inspector from the Central Fraser Valley Health Unit in Langley has objected to the use of this well for domestic water supply because it is less than 30.5 m (100 ft) from a farm building.

2.0 SURFICIAL GEOLOGY

According to Geological Survey of Canada Map 1484A, Surficial Geology New Westminster British Columbia, the subject area is underlain by Capilano Sediments which, in this area, consist of "mainly marine silt loam to clay loam with minor sand, silt, and stony glaciomarine marine material ..., up to 60+ m thick." The surficial geology, as mapped by the Geological Survey of Canada, is confirmed by the log of the recently constructed well which is apparently still in this material at a depth of 76 m (250 ft). The material exposed near the well by the removal of the topsoil is best described as stony glaciomarine silt. The lower part, where the well screen and sand pack are located, is the same material except that it has thin sandy interbeds that contain water under artesian pressure.

3.0 GROUNDWATER HYDROLOGY

The subject area is well known as an area of artesian conditions. There are a number of flowing artesian wells ranging

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in depth from about 60 m (200 ft) to over 305 m (1000 ft). In some places, the artesian water is of poor quality. Work carried out by Inland Waters Branch of Environment Canada (National Hydrology Research Institute Paper No. 26, Inland Waters Directorate Scientific Series No. 145: Ground Water Supply - Fraser Lowland, British Columbia; 80 pp, 1986.) has shown that the pattern of flow and the distribution of groundwaters of various compositions is quite complex. However, recharge of the artesian waters is clearly from the uplands to the south and southwest and the path of flow is fairly long.

4.0 CONCLUSION

Pollution of the well water by the nearby barnyard is virtually impossible because of:

- the flowing artesian conditions in which the groundwater gradient is clearly upward;
- 2. the considerable thickness of 58 meters (190 ft) of finegrained sediment of very low permeability over the aquifer zone.

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We trust that this is the information which you require. Please call if we can be of further assistance with this matter.

Yours truly,

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E. Livingston, P. Eng.

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Note to File - Thomson

W. R. (Bill) Thomson at 6612 - 224th street in Langley (telephone: 534-8558; 644-9316) called. He has a well drilled by Langley Water Wells Ltd. with a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter screen and sand pack from 194 to 236 ft. The well is flowing artesian. Mr. Thomson has built a barn approximately 60 feet from the well and the Ministry of Health says that he cannot use the well because it is too close to the barn. He wanted to know what to do. I said that I didn't think that there is anything he can do but he wants us, after inspection, to write a letter to him describing the local conditions.

E. Livingston

July 11, 1989