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Attention: Mr. Craig Scarlett

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**RE:** Geotechnical Comments on Ditch Slope Stability

5150 & 5170 9<sup>th</sup> Line Mississauga, Ontario

## Dear Sir:

In conformance with your request, a senior geotechnical engineer from DS Consultants Ltd. (DS) made a site visit on July 26, 2019. The site walk was accompanied by Mr. Craig Scarlett from Mattamy. The purpose of the site visit was to visually inspect the ditch slope along the back fence (i.e. west property line) of No. 5170 as well as No. 5150. The back fence was along Hwy. 407 ROW. Selected photographs taken during the site visit are presented in Appendix A. Topographic survey maps of the two properties are attached in Appendix B.

Our geotechnical comments area as follows:

- In property No. 5170, there is a ditch along the east side of the back fence, as shown on the survey map in Appendix B. The general surface conditions in the ditch area are shown in Photos A1 and A2 in Appendix A. The ditch slope is less than 1 m in height and is 5 horizontal to 1 vertical (5H:1V) or flatter in steepness. The ditch bottom and slope are covered with dense grass. No water was found in the ditch during our site visit. The ditch slope is considered stable in terms of long-term stability. The top of ditch line shown in the survey map in Appendix A can be considered to be the top of ditch slope (i.e. top of bank), which is stable in terms of long-term stability.
- The surface conditions in the west part of No. 5150 along the back fence are shown in Photos A3 and A4 in Appendix A, which are generally flat and covered with dense grass. At the northwest corner of No. 5150 near the back fence, there is a gentle slope of less than 1 m in height and 5 horizontal to 1 vertical (5H:1V) or flatter in steepness, which is considered stable in terms of long-term stability.

As shown in the survey maps in Appendix B, there is a ditch in No. 5170 at about 30 to 50 m east of the beak fence. There is also a ditch crossing the middle and east part of No. 5170, and crossing the east part of No. 5150. The slopes in these ditch areas are generally less than 1 m in height and is 5 horizontal to 1



vertical (5H:1V) or flatter in steepness, which are considered stable in terms of long-term stability. We understand that these ditches are located in future residential area, where re-grading with engineered fill will be carried out. Requirements for grading with engineered fill are presented in our geotechnical report to be submitted to Mattamy.

In summary, the existing ditch slopes in both 5150 and 5170 9th Line properties are stable in terms of long-term stability, and there are not concerns about the stability of the top of bank (i.e. top of slope).

We trust that the information contained in this letter is satisfactory. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours Very Truly,

**DS Consultants Ltd.** 

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Attachment:

Appendix A - Site Photographs

Appendix B - Topographic Survey Maps of No.5150 and 5170



## **Appendix A - Site Photographs**

(Photos A1 to A4, taken on July 26, 2019)



Photo A1: Ditch area near back fence of No. 5170 (looking north)



Photo A2: Ditch area near back fence of No. 5170 (looking south)



Photo A3: West part of No. 5150 near back fence (looking south)



Photo A4: West part of No. 5150 near back fence (looking north)



Appendix B – Topographic Survey Maps of No. 5150 and 5170 (by J.D. Barnes)



