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Dave Peterson  
Hillsboro School District  
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Hillsboro, Oregon 97123

Via email:       petersod@hsd.k12.or.us

Regarding:       Short-Term Radon Testing Report  
                  Miller Pathways Center  
                  440 SE Oak Street  
                  Hillsboro, Oregon  
                  PBS Project 23440.165 Phase 0001

Dear Mr. Peterson:

From January 17 to January 20, 2023, PBS Engineering and Environmental Inc. (PBS) performed short term radon testing in the Miller Pathways Center in Hillsboro, 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 Radonova, Inc. brand 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.

The following table lists all samples in which radon levels were found to be above the EPA action level.

**Test Kits with Radon 4.0 pCi/L or above**

<b>Test Kit Number</b>	<b>Sample Location</b>	<b>Radon Level (pCi/L)</b>
RK108886	Room 148E	9.2 ± 0.6
RK108930	Room 148	5.3 ± 0.6
RK108919	Room 148B	8.4 ± 0.6
RK108917	Room 148A	4.9 ± 0.5
RK108925	Room 144	6.3 ± 0.5
RK108933	Room 144 - DUP	6.0 ± 0.5
RK108859	Room 142	7.8 ± 0.6

Test Kit Number	Sample Location	Radon Level (pCi/L)
RK109543	Room 141	4.3 ± 0.5

See the attached laboratory analysis report for more details.

In addition to the EPA recommendation that radon concentrations do not exceed 4.0 pCi/L, OHA recommends 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 503.935.5484 or dale.voeller@pbsusa.com with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Dale Voeller, CHMM, CSP  
Senior Project Manager

Attachment: Laboratory Analysis Report

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**Portland OR 97239**

## RADON MONITORING REPORT

### Description of the measurement

The measurement was performed with an Activated Charcoal Adsorption detector (QuickScreen) and was analyzed by Alpha Energy Laboratories (NRPP ID: 101132 AL).

The detector(s) arrived to Alpha Energy Laboratories, Inc. **01/23/2023**. They were measured **01/23/2023**.

*The detectors were deployed by RB102823PBS Engineering & Environmental and retrieved by PBS Engineering and Environmental, Certification license no:*

### Property data and address

**MEASURE SITE ADDRESS**

Miller Pathways Center  
 440 SE Oak St.  
 Hillsboro OR 97123

**BUILDING ID**

22390020

### Test results

DETECTOR	MEASUREMENT PERIOD	DESCRIPTION / LOCATION	FLOOR	RADON RESULT
RK109560 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 09:57 AM – 01/20/2023 09:03 AM	LOBBY, RECEPTION		2.7 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK109476 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 09:57 AM – 01/20/2023 09:05 AM	LOBBY, COMPUTER		<b>DNR</b>
RK109466 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:00 AM – 01/20/2023 09:05 AM	OFF 153, SHELF		2.4 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK109486 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:02 AM – 01/20/2023 09:06 AM	152, COUNTER		1.9 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK109525 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:02 AM – 01/20/2023 09:15 AM	CONFERENCE ROOM, TELEPHONE		3.6 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK108869 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:03 AM – 01/20/2023 09:08 AM	148D, CABINET		2.6 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK108886 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:04 AM – 01/20/2023 09:13 AM	148E, TELEPHONE		<b>9.2 ± 0.6 pCi/L</b>

### Comment to the results

**Trygve Rönnqvist (Electronically signed)**

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RK108919 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:06 AM – 01/20/2023 09:10 AM	148B, DESK		8.4 ± 0.6 pCi/L
RK108917 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:06 AM – 01/20/2023 09:10 AM	148A, SHELF		4.9 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK108925 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:08 AM – 01/20/2023 09:20 AM	144, COMPUTER		6.3 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK108933 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:09 AM – 01/20/2023 09:20 AM	144 - Dup, COMPUTER		6.0 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK108859 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:10 AM – 01/20/2023 09:15 AM	142, PAPER TOWEL		7.8 ± 0.6 pCi/L
RK109543 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:11 AM – 01/20/2023 09:19 AM	141, PAPER TOWEL		4.3 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK109534 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:12 AM – 01/20/2023 09:21 AM	143, PAPER TOWEL		1.4 ± 0.5 pCi/L
RK109536 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:13 AM – 01/20/2023 09:22 AM	145, PAPER TOWEL		3.8 ± 0.5 pCi/L

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RK109496 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:14 AM – 01/20/2023 09:22 AM	147, PAPER TOWEL		< 0.7 pCi/L
RK109467 [QuickScreen]	01/17/2023 10:14 AM – 01/20/2023 10:53 AM	BLANK, BLANK		< 0.9 pCi/L

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## Measurement method: Activated Charcoal Adsorption

For this method using the QuickScreen detector, the airtight container with activated charcoal is opened in the area to be sampled and radon in the air adsorbs onto the charcoal granules. At the end of the sampling period, the container is sealed and may be sent to a laboratory for analysis. The gamma decay from the radon adsorbed to the charcoal is counted on a scintillation detector and a calculation based on calibration information is used to calculate the radon concentration at the sample site.

## Measured radon concentrations

For each detector, the measured value of the radon concentration is provided. For each value an uncertainty associated with the measurement to a 95% confidence level is also provided. For example a measurement result of  $4.0 \pm 0.5$  pCi/L means that the radon concentration is most likely contained in the range 3.5 - 4.5 pCi/L. If the start or end date of the measurement has not been provided, the radon concentration cannot be calculated. In such cases, the total exposure in pCi\*days/L will be reported. The reported measured values are related to the detectors as received by Radonova Laboratories. Detector deployment is not performed by Radonova Laboratories. Measurement information such as monitoring period (dates) and placement location is provided to Radonova Laboratories by the end user.

## Codes on non-reportable detectors

**DNR** Not Reported – Detector Not Returned  
**ERR** Not Reported – See comment

## Measurement method versions used when the report was created

ANSI/AARST MAH-2019, Protocol for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon Decay Products in Homes  
ANSI/AARST MAMF-2017, rev. 1/2021, Protocol for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon Decay Products in Multifamily Buildings  
ANSI/AARST MALB-2014, rev. 1/2021, Prot. for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon Decay Products In Schools and Large Buildings

## Radon measurements in Multifamily Buildings, Schools and Large Buildings

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends remediation if the results of one long-term test or the average of two short-term tests conducted in an occupied room are 4.0 pCi/L or higher. The average yearly residential indoor radon level in the US is estimated to be around 1.3 pCi/L. Long-term tests are conducted for more than 90 days. Short-term tests are conducted between 2 and 90 days and should be performed under closed building conditions.

If an initial short-term test result is less than 4 pCi/L, a follow-up measurement is probably not needed.

If an initial short-term test result is between 4 pCi/L and 8 pCi/L, a long-term or a short-term follow-up measurement is recommended.

If an initial short-term test result is greater than 8 pCi/L, a short term follow-up measurement is recommended in order to get a fast result.

### More information about radon measurements and mitigation can be found in the ANSI/AARST publications:

- ANSI/AARST Protocol for Conducting Measurements of Radon and Radon-Decay Products in Schools and Large Buildings.
- ANSI/AARST Protocol for Conducting Radon and Radon Decay Product Measurements in Multifamily Buildings.
- ANSI/AARST Radon Mitigation Standards for Schools and Large Buildings.
- ANSI/AARST Radon Mitigation Standards for Multifamily Buildings.

For more information about the interpretation of your test results or about other radon related issues we suggest contacting your state radon office.

## Signature on the report

With the signature on the report, the Measurement specialist at Radonova Laboratories certifies that the quality control procedures follows the guidance in accordance with the AARST/ANSI Measurement Protocols. Measurement information displayed in italics on report has been provided by the customer.

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