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26 September 2022

Mr John Sabbouh Richard Crookes Constructions Level 3, 4 Broadcast Way Artarmon NSW 2064

RE: ASBESTOS REMOVAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATION FOR THE ASBESTOS BACKED SHEET VINYL IN THE ST AUGUSTINES BUILDING AT THE ST JOHN OF GOD RICHMOND HOSPITAL, 177 GROSE VALE ROAD, NORTH RICHMOND NSW

Dear Sir,

At your request, a visual inspection was carried out on Friday 23 September 2022 following the completion of the removal of the asbestos backed sheet vinyl floor covering from within the large room in the rear area of the St Augustines building within the Richard Crookes Constructions site area at the St John of God Richmond Hospital at 177 Grose Vale Road, North Richmond NSW (the site).

The asbestos removal work at the site was completed by BU Group, a Class A SafeWork NSW friable licenced asbestos removal contractor.

This inspection, which was of a visual nature only, was carried out in accordance with the Section 3.10 of the How to Safely Remove Asbestos Code of Practice issued by Safe Work Australia and Clause 473 of the NSW Work Health and Safety Regulation 2017. This clearance certificate has been compiled in accordance with the requirements of Clause 474 of the NSW Work Health and Safety Regulation 2017.

The visual inspection undertaken on 23 September 2022 found all of the brown coloured asbestos backed sheet vinyl and the hardboard substrate to which the vinyl was fixed to have been fully removed from within the large room in the rear area of the St Augustines building.

The timber flooring remaining in the large rear room was found to be free of visible asbestos containing material debris from the work. See attached photographs.

Monitoring for airborne asbestos fibres was undertaken in conjunction with the asbestos removal work on 20, 21 and 23 September 2022. Clearance air monitoring was carried out within the asbestos removal area at the completion of the visual clearance inspection. This monitoring returned a result of less than 0.01 fibres per millilitre of air (<0.01 fibres/ml) which is below the lowest detectable level using the membrane filter method [NOHSC:3003(2005)].

The National Occupational Health and Safety Commission recommended maximum exposure level for airborne asbestos fibres is 0.1 fibres per millilitre of air (as an 8-hour time weighted average).



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Based on the findings of the visual clearance inspection which found all of the asbestos backed sheet vinyl to have been removed and the results of the airborne asbestos fibre monitoring which were all below the lowest detectable level for the estimation of airborne asbestos fibres, we confirm that the large rear room inside the St Augustines building within the Richard Crookes Constructions site area at the St John of God Richmond Hospital at 177 Grose Vale Road, North Richmond NSW may be safely accessed without the use of asbestos PPE for demolition work to be undertaken.

Please note that the asbestos cement sheet window infill panels on the southern external side of the building are to be removed prior to the commencement of the demolition work.

If you require any further information, please contact the undersigned on 0437 251 358.

Yours faithfully

P. CLIFTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD

Philip Clifton

Principal

**BOHS IP402 Certified** 

SafeWork NSW Licenced Asbestos Assessor: LAA000119

Attachment: Photographs



## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



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Timber floor in the large rear room in the St Augustines building at St John of God Richmond Hospital, 177 Grose Vale Road, North Richmond NSW at completion of visual clearance inspection on 23 September 2022



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