

APPENDIX K – THIRD PARTY 40-MIL HDPE GEOMEMBRANE CONFORMANCE TESTING RESULTS

Geomembrane Quality Certification

Customer:	JHL Constructors, Inc.	S.O.#
Project:	Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mine	Item Num
Destination:	Cripple Creek, Co	Liner Type
Report Date:	01-May-2023 10:49 AM	Roll Count

S.O.#	SO00018664
Item Number:	FG-HDSMTH040BBBEA
Liner Type:	HDPE Smooth 40mil Black Average
Roll Count:	1 (From 1 To 1)

								ASTM	D5199	ASTM D8117	ASTM D792	ASTM D1238	ASTM D4218	ASTM D5596	ASTM D6693							ASTM	D1004	ASTM D4833	ASTM D5397	
								Thickness-Avg	Thickness-Min	OIT	Density	Melt How	Carbon Content	Category 1 Disp.	Tensile Yield Str (MD)	Yield Elong (MD)	Tensile Break Str (MD)	Break Elong (MD)	Tensile Yield Str (TD)	Yield Elong (TD)	Tensile Break Str (TD)	Break Elong (TD)	Tear Strength (MD)	Tear Strength (TD)	Puncture Resistance	SP-NCTL
#	Roll Number	Prod. Date	(ft)	Length (ft)	Area (sqft)	Weight (lb)	Resin Lot#	mil	mil	minut	g/cc	g/10	%	Categ	ppi	%	ррі	%	ppi	%	ppi	%	lb	lb	lb	hours
1	FNB0116140002	04/28/23	23	900	20700	4503	PQC821930	44	41	201	0.947	0.26	2.3	10	177	23	281	796	181	19	297	955	55	53	103	Pending

Ryan Starle

For Questions, Please Contact:

Lab Manager, Fernley Ryan Steele 775-835-8282 Ext 2015

Ryan Steele, Lab Manager



Certificate of Analysis

Shipped To: AGRU AMERICA INC:FERNLEY 2000 Newlands Dr E FERNLEY NV 89408-8944 USA

Recipient: PALMER Fax:

Delivery # 80878583 PO # 20211 Weight: 182700.000 LB Ship Date: 04/01/2023 Package: BULK Mode: Hopper Car Car #. CPCX816487 Seal No: 332259

Product: MARLEX K307 POLYETHYLENE in Bulk

Lot Number: PQC821930

Property	Test Method	Value	Unit
Melt Index HLMI Flow Rate Density Pellet Count Production Date	ASTM D1238 ASTM D1238 D1505 or D4883 PPC-SOP-0028	0.26 21 0.938 26 03/30/2023	g/10min g/10min g/cm3 pelet/gram

The data set forth herein have been carefully compiled by Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP (CPChem). However, there is no warranty of any kind, either expressed or implied, applicable to its use, and the user assumes all risk and liability in connection therewith.

Steven Beck

Steven Beck Quality Systems Coordinator

For CoA questions contact Leslie Dziamara at +1-832-813-4806



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November 12, 2021 Filename: Agru Oven and QUV Exposure for HP-OIT Testing_2021_111221.pdf

Nathan Ivy - Corporate Quality Control/Technical Manager Agru America, Inc. 800 Rockmead #122 Kingwood, TX 77339 281-358-4741

Dear Mr. Ivy:

Please recall your request for testing of oven-exposed and UV-exposed geomembrane samples produced primarily from Marlex[®] 7104 LLDPE and Marlex[®] K307 MDPE. Agru blended other components with each of these polyethylenes to produce the geomembrane samples for testing. Geomembrane samples have been received from Agru, and test specimens were taken from the smooth areas of the samples. Test results are reported on the following two pages. The samples were tested for HP-OIT in their as-received condition and were also tested after oven and UV exposures of 90 days and 1600 hours of irradiance, respectively, in accordance with GRI-GM13 and GRI-GM17 requirements.

The following geomembrane sheet samples were received from Agru in July 2021 and were reported to be primarily composed of each of the Chevron Phillips Chemical Company grades in the description below:

- Marlex® K307 Lot # PND821550, Agru Roll # GTC0078250016, black sheet, smooth, nominal 0.057" thick.
- Marlex® 7104 Lot # DNE810980, Agru Roll # GTA0077190117, black sheet, textured, nominal 0.055" thick.

The exposure and testing conditions along with the corresponding test results are tabulated on the next two pages. GM-13 and GM-17 require a minimum % HP-OIT retention after a 90-day oven exposure and after a 1600-hour UV irradiance exposure. These test results indicate the GM-13 and GM-17 minimum % HP-OIT retentions were exceeded by the Agru-supplied K307 and 7104 sheet samples, respectively.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (contact information given above).

Sincerely,

Vergil Rhodes Polyethylene Technical Service and Applications Development, Geomembrane

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Test Name	Exposure Conditions	Test Method
Oven Aging	90 days in an oven at 85 °C	ASTM D5721
UV	1600 UV irradiance hours. Cycle: 20 hours UVA-340 at 75 °C followed by 4 hours	ASTM D7238
Exposure	dark with condensation at 60 °C. Irradiance was 0.78 W/m ² at wavelength 340 nm.	
	Note: This implies a total UV chamber residence time of 1920 hours, e.g., 1600 hours of irradiance	
	and 320 hours of dark/condensation.	
HP-OIT	150 °C in an oxygen atmosphere at 500 psi	ASTM D5885

Oven Aging Results:

Sample	Initial	HP-OIT after	% HP-OIT	GRI-GM13 and GRI-GM17
_	HP-OIT	90 days of	Retained	minimum % HP-OIT
	(min)	oven aging.	after 90 days	requirements after 90 days
		(min)	of oven aging.	of oven aging.
K307 Lot # PND821550,	1313	1174	89.4%	GRI-GM13:
Agru Roll # GTC0078250016,				% HP-OIT: 80% minimum
black sheet, smooth,				
nominal 0.057" thick				
7104 Lot # DNE810980,	973	802	82.4%	GRI-GM17:
Agru Roll # GTA0077190117,				% HP-OIT: 60% minimum
black sheet, textured,				
nominal 0.055" thick				

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UV Aging Results:

Sample	Initial	HP-OIT after	% HP-OIT	GRI-GM13 and GRI-GM17
	HP-OIT	1600 hrs of	Retained after	minimum % HP-OIT
	(min)	UV exposure.	1600 hrs of UV	requirements after 1600
		(min)	exposure.	hours of UV exposure.
K307 Lot # PND821550,	1313	1053	80.2%	GRI-GM13:
Agru Roll # GTC0078250016,				% HP-OIT: 50% minimum
black sheet, smooth,				
nominal 0.057" thick				
7104 Lot # DNE810980,	973	768	78.9%	GRI-GM17:
Agru Roll # GTA0077190117,				% HP-OIT: 35% minimum
black sheet, textured,				
nominal 0.055" thick				

Notes:

- 1600 hours of UV exposure in accordance with ASTM D7238 implies a total UV chamber residence time of 1920 hours, e.g., 1600 hours of irradiance and 320 hours of darkness with condensation.
- Sheet samples were aged with the shiny side of the sheet facing the UV bulbs.

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DATE REPORTED: June 7, 2022

TRI CONTROL NUMBER

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163505

June 7, 2022

Nikoliya Boyanich **NewFields** 9400 Station Street, Suite 300 Lone Tree, CO 80124

Re: FINAL LABORATORY TEST REPORT

Dear Ms. Boyanich:

Thank you for consulting TRI California for your material testing needs.

Enclosed is the final laboratory report for the Conformance testing of one (1) 40mil Smooth HDPE sample.

PROJECT NAME: Cripple Creek & Victor Mine VLF2 Ph 3

REFERENCE TRI JOB NO.: CA220530

DATE RECEIVED: May 26, 2022

SAMPLED BY: New Fields

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATIONS:

SAMPLE ID R#GTD0092600004 L#PPA821630

TESTS REQUIRED / PERFORMED:

TEST METHOD	DESCRIPTION
1. ASTM D6693	Tensile Properties
2. ASTM D792	Specific Gravity Method A
3. ASTM D4218	Carbon Content Muffle
4. ASTM D1238	Melt Flow Index
5. ASTM D1004	Tear Resistance
6. ASTM D4833	Puncture Resistance
7. ASTM D5596	Carbon Black Dispersion
8. ASTM D5199	Thickness

TEST RESULTS: The test results are summarized in the attached Table 1.

Note: The general conditioning and testing of the material samples identified in this report were performed within the range of the laboratory environmental conditions; i.e., 20-24°C and 45-65% RH. Otherwise, the actual environmental conditions are indicated in the respective test method reported.

Respectfully, TRI Environmental, Inc. - California

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Quality Assurance

1A Chad Blackwell

TRI-CA Director

Signatures are on file

It shall be noted that the sample tested is believed to be true representatives of the material produced under the designation herein stated. In addition, the attached laboratory tests results are considered indicative only of the quality of samples/specimens that were actually tested. The appropriate test methods hereby employed are based on the current and accepted industry practices. TRI neither accepts responsibility for nor makes claims to the intended final use and purpose of the material. The test data and all associated project information shall be held confidential and not to be reproduced and/or disclosed to other parties except in full and with prior written approval from pertinent entity duly authorized by the respective client or from the client itself. It is our policy to keep physical records of each job for two (2) years commencing from the date of receipt of the samples and keep its corresponding electronic file for seven (7) years. Retained conformance samples are disposed of after one (1) month. On the other hand, should you need us to keep them at a longer period, please advise us in writing.

3 Pages Total (including this sheet)



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TABLE 1.

MATERIAL PROPERTIES

CLIENT: NewFields

PROJECT: Criple Creek & Victor Mine VLF2 Ph 3

Date Received: 5/26/2022 Date Reported: 6/7/2022 Client Sample ID: R#GTD0092600004 L#PPA821630 Material Description: 40mil Smooth HDPE

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TRI Control No.: 163505

	SPECIMENS													Proj.		
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Avg.	Std. Dev.	Min	Max	Specs.
METHOD	DES	CRIPTIC	DN													
ASTM D5199	Thick	ness (mil	s)													
Procedure B		Apparatus:De	ead weight d	ial Micrometer v	vith 6.35 mm	(0.250 in) dia j	oresser foot a	nd a pressure	of 43.10 kPA	(6.38 psi)						
	p	provided by a	142 gm dea	d weight. Load	ding time: 5 s	ec Specimen	Size: 10pcs3	3in. Diameter.								40 min. ave.
		40	41	42	42	43	41	42	42	42	42	42	1	40	43	36 min.
ASTM D792	Speci	fic Gravity	(23/ 23°	C)												
Method A		0.9538	0.9535									0.9537	0.0002	0.9535	0.9538	0.940 min. ave.
ASTM D6693	Tensile	e Propertie	es:													
Type IV	7	Fest Specime	ens: Type IV,	Width of narrow	v section:0.28	5in, Length of r	narrow section	n:1.3in, Width	Overall:0.75in,							
	L	ength Overa.	ll: 4.5in	Rate of Sepa	aration: 2"/mii	n										
	Tensil	e Strength	n at Yield	(lbs/ inwid	lth)											
	MD	109	114	109	113	109						111	2	109	114	63 min. ave.
	TD	110	116	111	110	109						111	3	109	116	
	Tensil	e Strength	n at Break	(lbs/ in w	idth)											
	MD	219	219	215	216	204						215	6	204	219	114 min. ave.
		187	208	211	187	194						197	12	187	211	
	Elong	ation at Yi	eld (perc	ent, %)												
	MD	19	16	17	16	18						17	1	16	19	12 min. ave.
		14	17	16	16	14						15	1	14	17	
	Elong	ation at Br	eak (per	cent, %)	~~ /	Gauge Lei	ngth = 2.0 i	ın.								
	MD	859	848	113	864	828						834	3/	773	864	700 min. ave.
		823	909	922	850	922						885	46	823	922	
ASTM D1004	I ear H	Resistance	e (Ibs)													
Die C		Machine: Ter	nsile machine	e equipped with	constant rate	e of extension a	and chart reco	order.	004	05 7	05.0					·
	MD	37.4	34.8	38.0	37.0	37.1	36.0	36.0	36.1	35.7	35.0	36.3	1.0	34.8	38.0	28 min. ave.
		32.0	31.1	30.0	32.5	33.0	36.0	34.1	35.0	35.0	34.1	33.3	1.9	30.0	36.0	
	Inickn	ess (mils)														
	MD	41	41	40	40	41	41	41	41	42	41	41		40	42	-
	ID	40	41	40	42	42	42	40	42	40	41	41	1 1	40	42	

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TRI Job No.: CA220530 TRI Control No.: 163505

SPECIMENS											Proj.				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Avg.	Std. Dev.	Min	Max	Specs.
METHOD	DESCRIPTIO	N													
ASTM D4833	Puncture Resista	ance (lbs)												
	Specimens w a ring clamp a clamping plate 117	ere tested as attachment si es. 117	directed in Test ecured in the te	st Method D4 nsile machine 113	833. They we e. Test specin 112	re clamped wi nens were exte 111	ithout tension l ended beyond 111	between circul the outer edg 107	lar plates of les of the 105	105	111	5	105	117	72 min. ave.
ASTM D5596	Carbon Black Di	spersion	(category ra	ating per re	eference ch	art PCN: 1	2-455960-3	38)			···				9 in Cat. 1 or 2
	1	່ 1	1	1	1	1	1	<i>′</i> 1	1	1	10 0	ut of 10 in	Catego	ory 1	1 in Cat. 3
ASTM D1238 Procedure A	Melt Flow Index Condition FR- and 2.16kg loa	(grams/ 190/2.16.; Th ad.	10 minutes) in 0.1-0.25" spo	ecimen strips	were charged	d to the cylinde	er at a test ten	nperature of 1	90°C						
	0.2641	0.2648	0.2647								0.2645	0.0004	0.2641	0.2648	-
ASTM D4218	Carbon Content														
	Apparatus: M	uffle Furnace	;												
	2.50	2.46									2.48	0.03	2.46	2.50	2.0 - 3.0

(End of Table 1)

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By accepting the data and results presented on this report, the Client agrees to limit the liability of TRI Environmental, Inc. from Client and all other parties for claims on issues, due to the use of this data, to the cost for the respective tests presented in this report; and the Client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless TRI Environmental, Inc. from and against all liabilities in excess of the aforementioned limit.



APPENDIX L – TENSIOMETER CERTIFICATIONS



Tensiometer Model: Pro-Tester [T-0100/A or T-0100SE/A] **Device Calibrated: Calibration Apparatus:** S-Type load cell Range: 0 - 750 lbs. Tension M2405-750# Model No: Pro-Cal unit, model TC-0100/A 29993 Serial No: **Dead Weight:** Reference Cell: A/D Module Model No: T-029 W1 2 **R1** 2 A/D Module Serial No: 1415029993 W2 152 **R2** 152 Channel No: N/A W3 302 R3 302 Indicator reading with no load: 0 3.674272 3.327992 Offset: Scale: Applied Force lbs. Cell Response: **Deviation Error:** 2 2 0.00 52 52 0.00 102 102 0.00 152 152 0.00 202 202 0.00 252 0.00 252 302 302 0.00 Total Deviation Error (%): 0.00% Temperature at time of calibration: 73 degrees F **Exitation Voltage:** 5 V DC This calibration conforms to the standards set by ASTM E4 and is traceable to NIST standards Note: A/D Module and load cell above have been systems calibrated and are considered a matched pair. In general, calibrated A/D Modules and load cells are not interchangeable.

Calibration Technician: Signature:

Nick Taylor an

Date:

03/30/23



CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

Tensiometer Model: Pro-Tester [T-0100/A or T-0100SE/A] **Device Calibrated:** S-Type load cell **Calibration Apparatus:** Range: 0 - 750 lbs. Tension Model No: M2405-750# Pro-Cal unit, model TC-0100/A 29992 Serial No: Dead Weight: Reference Cell: A/D Module Model No: T-029 W1 2 **R1** 2 A/D Module Serial No: 1415029992 W2 152 R2 152 Channel No: N/A W3 302 **R**3 302 Indicator reading with no load: 0 Offse 3.348836 3.319443 Scale: Applied Force lbs. Cell Response: **Deviation Error:** 2 2 0.00 52 52 0.00 102 102 0.00 152 152 0.00 202 202 0.00 252 252 0.00 302 302 0.00 Total Deviation Error (%): 0.00% Temperature at time of calibration: 73 degrees F **Exitation Voltage:** 5 V DC This calibration conforms to the standards set by ASTM E4 and is traceable to NIST standards Note: A/D Module and load cell above have been systems calibrated and are considered a matched pair. In general, calibrated A/D Modules and load cells are not interchangeable.

Calibration Technician: Signature:

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Date:

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APPENDIX M – UNDERGROUND WORKING OBSERVATIONS



Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company Valley Leach Facility 2 Phase 3 Stage A.2 Record of Construction Underground Working Summary

u	nderground	Norking	IDs	Is Location Underground Working Information									CSB = C	C oarse Sha Structu	Quantities (A ft Backfill; SI ral Fill; CRF :	approximat F = Structu = Cemente	te) ral Fill; SSF d Rockfill	= Select				
н	ID NF	UC D Work	G king North D	ning	Easting	Elev. (ft)	Working Description	Known or Unknown	Date	Approximate Opening Size	Timbers Present	Confirmation Drilling Performed	Remediation Performed	Remediation Type	Structure Present	CSB (CY)	SF (CY)	Geogrid (ft ²)	SSF (CY)	Concrete (CY)	CRF (CY)	Remarks
,	Un- 10wn 671	4 TF	R 5855	7.9	36520.9	10145.0	Lateral	Known	2/22/2023	Unknown	No	Yes	Yes	Geogrid (Two Layers)	None	14,094	0	26,166	969	0	0	Working was drilled, blasted, and excavated to 25+ feet. No openings observed.





GEOGRID CAP INSTALLATION NOTES:

- 1. CONTRACTOR TO INSTALL DIRECTION OF MAXIMUM STRENGTH FOR THE SECOND LAYER OF UX1700HS OR EQUIVALENT HS GEOGRID TRANSVERSE TO THE DIRECTION OF MAXIMUM STRENGTH FOR THE FIRST LAYER OF UX1700HS GEOGRID.
- 2. A THIRD GEOGRID LAYER MAY BE ADDED IN AREAS UNDER HIGH NORMAL LOAD. AREAS REQUIRING THIRD GEOGRID WILL BE DETERMINED DURING REMEDIATION.
- 3. GEOGRID CAP TO EXTEND MINIMUM 15 FEET BEYOND MINE WORKING LIMIT.



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PROJECT	VLF2 PHASE 3 STAGE A	A.2	
TITLE	UNDERGROUND WORKINGS TYPICAL REMEDIATION DETAILS	FILENAMI 0106.060. FIGURE NO. 2	E 62F REVISION A

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