

# managing risk with responsibility

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TO: Mr. Chris Carney, Principal

**Bennett Elementary School** 

FROM: Aston A. Henry, Jr., Supervisor

Risk Management Department

SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

FISH 004, 004A, 301 and 307

On November 22, 2006 I conducted an assessment of FISH 004, 004A, 301 and 307 at **Bennett Elementary School**. This evaluation included observations of the flooring system, ceiling tiles, false ceiling plenum, environmental surfaces, interior and exterior walls, and the accessible ventilation equipment. Additionally, environmental parameter measurements were taken to include temperature, relative humidity, and carbon dioxide. The detailed findings, along with the recommended corrective action can be found on the attached IAQ Assessment Worksheets.

The IAQ assessment did identify one or more existing conditions impacting IAQ and has generated appropriate work orders to correct deficiencies in systems and maintenance that could contribute to decreased indoor air quality. At the time of the assessment, these concerns were not an immediate health or safety concern to building occupants. However, due to individual sensitivities and predisposing health factors, it is possible that some building occupants may elicit a health response to agents and / or conditions identified during the evaluation. Therefore, to further improve IAQ, prevent development of future IAQ-related problems, and to reduce the potential for IAQ-related complaints by building occupants, the IAQ Assessment Team recommends appropriate follow up of each item identified and listed in the attached evaluation.

Should any questions arise, or if the current concerns continue after the attached recommendations have been addressed, please feel free to contact me at 754-321-3200.

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|  | В                                | ennett Elementa        | ary School                       |                        | Evaluati    | November 17, 2006                    |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Time of Day                                    | 12:00 pm                         |                        |                                  |                        | E           | Evaluation Date November 22, 2006    |
| Outdoor Condi                                  | tions Te                         | emperature             | 68.7                             | Relative Humidit       | y 42.5      | Ambient CO2 372                      |
| Fish 004 & 004A                                | Temperature                      | Range Rel 72 - 78      | ative Humidity                   | Range 30% - 60%        | CO2         | Range # Occupants  Max 700 > Ambient |
| Noticeable Od                                  | lor Yes                          | da                     | Visible water<br>mage / staining | Visible mici<br>growth |             | Amount of material affected          |
| Ceiling Type                                   | 2 x 4 La                         | ıy In                  | No                               | No                     |             | None                                 |
| Wall Type                                      | Plaste                           | er                     | No                               | No                     |             | None                                 |
| Flooring                                       | Carpe                            | et                     | Yes                              | No                     |             | Entire Corridor                      |
|  | Clean                            | Minor Dust<br>/ Debris | Needs<br>Cleaning                |                        | Correc      | ctive Action Required                |
| Ceiling  | Yes                              | No                     | No                               |                        |             |                                      |
| Walls  | Yes                              | No                     | No                               |                        |             |                                      |
| Flooring                                       | No                               | Yes                    | Yes                              | Re                     | emove an    | d replace carpet with tile           |
| HVAC Supply                                    | Grills Yes                       | No                     | No                               |                        |             |                                      |
| HVAC Return                                    | Grills Yes                       | No                     | No                               |                        |             |                                      |
| Ceiling at Sup<br>Grills                       | ply Yes                          | No                     | No                               |                        |             |                                      |
| Surfaces in Ro                                 | oom                              |                        |                                  |                        |             |                                      |
| Dbservations                                   |                                  |                        |                                  |                        |             |                                      |
| Findings: Corr - Odor emanatir  Recommendati   | ng from the car                  | pet. Carpet has        | been cleaned                     | several times and t    | the odor re | eturns.                              |
|  |                                  |                        |                                  |                        |             |                                      |
| Site Based Mai - Continue to mo<br>appropriate |                                  | ion for any signs      | of microbial g                   | rowth as well as du    | ust and de  | bris accumulation and clean as       |
| Physical Plant - Remove carpe                  | Operations:<br>et in corridor 00 | 4 and 004A and         | replace with til                 | e                      |             |                                      |
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**IAQ Assessment** 

0201

**Location Number** 

| Bennett Elementary School    |                    |                       |                                    |                    | Evaluat        | Evaluation Requested November 17, 200 |                      |              |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Time of Day                  | 12:00 pm           |                       |                                    |                    |                | Evaluation Date                       | November             | 22, 2006     |
| Outdoor Condi                | tions Te           | mperature [           | 68.7                               | Relative Humidi    | ty 42.5        | 5 Ambie                               | nt CO2               | 372          |
| Fish 301                     | Gemperature        | Range R<br>72 - 78    | elative Humidity<br>40.1           | Range<br>30% - 60% | <b>CO2</b> 552 | Ran<br>Max 700                        | nge # C<br>> Ambient | Occupants 3  |
| Noticeable Od                | or No              |                       | Visible water<br>lamage / staining | Visible mid        |                | Amount of ma<br>affected              | terial               |              |
| Ceiling Type                 | 2 x 4 La           | y In                  | Yes                                | Yes                |                | 3 cc                                  | eiling tiles         |              |
| Wall Type                    | Plaste             | er                    | No                                 | No                 | ]              |                                       | None                 |              |
| Flooring                     | Tile               |                       | No                                 | No                 | ]              |                                       | None                 |              |
|                              | Clean              | Minor Dus<br>/ Debris | Cleaning                           |                    |                | ctive Action Re                       |                      |              |
| Ceiling                      | No                 | Yes                   | Yes                                |                    | Remove         | and replace cei                       | iling tiles          |              |
| Walls                        | Yes                | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| Flooring                     | Yes                | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| HVAC Supply                  | Grills Yes         | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| HVAC Return (                | Grills Yes         | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| Ceiling at Supp<br>Grills    | oly Yes            | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| Surfaces in Ro               | oom Yes            | No                    | No                                 |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| Observations                 |                    |                       |                                    |                    |                |                                       |                      |              |
| Findings: - 3 stained ceilin | g tiles with visil | ble microbial g       | rowth. Appears                     | to be a leaking pi | pe within f    | alse ceiling plen                     | um and/or po         | ossible leak |

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- Temperature was low at the time of the assessment

### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Adjust thermostat to increase temperature
- Continue to monitor this location for any signs of microbial growth as well as dust and debris accumulation and clean as appropriate

## Physical Plant Operations:

- Evaluate cause of stained ceiling tiles and repair. Evaluate pipes in false ceiling plenum and roof drain for leaks and repair as appropriate. Remove and replace stained ceiling tiles as appropriate.

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| Outdoor Conditions                     | Temperature 68.7 Relative Humidity 42.5 Ambient CO2 372   |
| Fish Temperature 307 Noticeable Odor Y | Range Relative Humidity Range CO2 Range # Occupants 72 - 78 Max 700 > Ambient  Visible water Visible microbial Amount of material |
|  | damage / staining? growth? affected  4 Lay In No NONE   |
|  | laster No No None   |
| Flooring                               | Tile No None  |
| Clea                                   | n Minor Dust Needs Corrective Action Required   |
| Walls No                               | Yes Yes Clean as appropriate  |
| Flooring No.                           |   |
| HVAC Supply Grills                     |   |
| HVAC Return Grills                     |   |
| Ceiling at Supply Grills               |   |
| Surfaces in Room No                    | Yes Yes Clean as appropriate  |
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**Evaluation Requested**