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TO:

# managing risk with responsibility

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

**FISH 141** 

| <u> </u> | or Custodial Supervisor Use Only |
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|          | Custodial Issues Addressed       |
|          | Custodial Issues Not Addressed   |
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On August 16, 2007 I conducted an assessment of FISH 141 at **Tamarac 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.

Please ensure that your Head Facilities Serviceperson receives a copy of this correspondence so that the recommendations requiring their attention can be addressed. Within two weeks a representative from the Custodial/Grounds Department will conduct a follow-up visit to ensure that all issues have been appropriately addressed.

Should any questions arise, or if the current concerns continue after the attached recommendations have been addressed, please feel free to contact me at 754-321-1638.

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|                                                                            | Tamara                  | -                                | Evaluation Requested August 10, 2007                   |        |                             |                 |  |  |
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| Time of Day                                                                | 1:00 pm                 |                                  |                                                        | E      | valuation Date              | August 16, 2007 |  |  |
| Outdoor Conditions Temperature 84.4 Relative Humidity 85.9 Ambient CO2 538 |                         |                                  |                                                        |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| l ,                                                                        | Temperature Ran         |                                  |                                                        | CO2    | Rang                        |                 |  |  |
| 141                                                                        | 68.4 <b>72 -</b>        | <b>78</b> 53.9                   | 30% - 60%                                              | 604    | Max 700 >                   | Ambient 2       |  |  |
| Noticeable Odor No                                                         |                         |                                  | Visible water Visible micro damage / staining? growth? |        | Amount of material affected |                 |  |  |
| Ceiling Type                                                               | iling Type 2 x 4 Lay In |                                  | No                                                     |        | None                        |                 |  |  |
| Wall Type                                                                  | Tackboard               | No                               | N                                                      | 0      | None                        |                 |  |  |
| Flooring                                                                   | Carpet/VCT              | Yes                              | N                                                      | o [    | Carpet along tile           |                 |  |  |
|                                                                            | Clean M                 | linor Dust Nee<br>/ Debris Clear |                                                        | Correc | tive Action Req             | uired           |  |  |
| Ceiling                                                                    | Yes                     | No                               |                                                        |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| Walls                                                                      | Yes                     | No                               | D                                                      |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| Flooring                                                                   | Yes                     | No                               | <b>D</b>                                               |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| HVAC Supply                                                                | Grills Yes              | No                               |                                                        |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| HVAC Return                                                                | Grills Yes              | No                               | D                                                      |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| Ceiling at Sup<br>Grills                                                   | ply Yes                 | No No                            | D                                                      |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| Surfaces in Ro                                                             | oom Yes                 | No No                            |                                                        |        |                             |                 |  |  |
| bservations                                                                |                         |                                  |                                                        |        |                             |                 |  |  |

**IAQ Assessment** 

2621

**Location Number** 

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## Findings:

- Complaint of visible microbial growth on wooden cubby and carpet
- Carpet is stained along the edge of the vinyl tile. Appears to have been caused by stripping/waxing the floor. No visible microbial growth at the time of the assessment.
- Wooden cubby was moved to another room and could not be located at the time of the assessment
- Temperature was low

# Recommendations:

### Site Based Maintenance:

- Thoroughly clean wooden cubby with Wexcide disinfectant solution. Discard cubby if microbial growth returns.
- 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 HVAC for proper operation and repair as appropriate to increase temperature