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**ASTM C 452 Test Results for One Cement Sample Identified as “GCC III 12.2017”
CTLGroup Identification. 4602002
CTLGroup Project No. 382507**

Dear Ms. Amicucci,

Following are the sulfate resistance test results for the submitted cement sample. The sample was submitted and identified by you and arrived at CTL on January 4, 2018.

As requested, sulfate resistance testing was performed in accordance with ASTM C452-15, *Standard Test Method for Potential Expansion of Portland-Cement Mortars Exposed to Sulfate*. You indicate that the SO₃ content of cement sample is 3.36%. This value was used to determine mix proportion for the mortar bars.

Final results indicate the average expansion at 14-day is 0.004%, the referenced cement sample meets the optional sulfate resistance requirement of ASTM C150-17, *Standard Specification for Portland Cement*, for Type V portland cement. According to footnote E of Table 4 in ASTM C150-17, cement meeting the high sulfate resistance limit for Type V is deemed to meet the moderate sulfate resistance requirement of Type II and Type II(MH). Individual results are attached.

Thank you for choosing CTLGroup for your testing needs. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,

CTLGroup, Inc.
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Xiuping Feng".

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Attachments



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Project: Cement Testing

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ASTM C452
Standard Test Method for Potential Expansion of Portland-Cement Mortars Exposed to Sulfate

Client's Sample ID: GCC III 12.2017
Material Type: Non-Air-Entrained Cement
CTLGroup Sample ID: 4602002
Cast Date: January 8, 2018

Sulfate Resistance, 14 Day Expansion, %: **0.004**

Date	Age, days	Test Condition	Length Change, %						Average
			A	B	C	D	E	F	
01/09/18	1	moist	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
01/22/18	14	moist	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.005	0.005	0.006	0.004

Specimen Set, Range of Length Change : 0.003

Notes:

1. For testing purposes, a laboratory stocked high grade natural gypsum (CTLGroup ID 2068501) having an SO₃ content of 46.39% was used to fabricate test specimens.
 2. For testing purposes, it was assumed that the submitted cement sample is non-air-entrained. A flow of 108% was recorded.
 3. As provided by you, the SO₃ content of the submitted cement sample is 3.36%.
 4. Sulfate expansion limit per ASTM C150/C150M-17 for Type V high sulfate resistance cement: maximum 0.040% at 14 days.
Cement meeting the limit for Type V is deemed to meet the moderate sulfate resistance requirement of Type II and Type II(MH).
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