LABORATORY REPORT

Client's Name: Devitt

Address: 82 Chalk Hill,
West End,
SO18 3DB

Report Date: 04-Feb-11
Job No.: **48131** (If **_R** suffix appears after Job No., this indicates Revision Number)
Insurance Co.: RSA
Claim Ref. No.:

Project Engineer: Hugh Yeats-Edwards
From: Crawford & Company,
Engineers Ref.: SU1005388

Contents: Root Analysis
Swell Strain Tests
Moisture Content

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ROOT IDENTIFICATION

Analysis subcontracted to European Plant Science Laboratory

Your ref: 48131
Job No: Root260111140540

Re: Root Identification
Sample Origin: 82 Chalk Hill, West End, SO18 3DB

The sample of roots taken from the above property and received by us on 26 January 2011, has been examined and identification appears to be as follows:

Reference	Depth	Species Identified		Root Diameter	Starch
TH1	1.3-2m	*Prunus* spp.	1	4 mm	None Visible
TH1	1.3-2m	*Pinus* spp.	2	>3 mm	None Visible
TH2	1.5-2.7m	Cupressaceae spp.	3	<1 mm	None Visible
TH2	1.5-2.7m	probably *Quercus* spp. but possibly *Castanea* spp.		<1 mm	Low

Comments:

1 - Plus 2 others also identified as *Prunus* spp.
2 - Fragments of decayed roots without bark.
3 - Plus 7 others also identified as Cupressaceae spp. - Also a fragment without bark from a large root of the same species.

Prunus spp. include blackthorn, cherry, cherry-laurel, Portuguese laurel, peach, plum, and related species.

Pinus spp. are pines.

Cupressaceae spp. include Lawson cypress, western red cedar, Monterey cypress, Leyland cypress and junipers.

Quercus spp. are oaks. *Castanea* spp. include sweet chestnut.

4 species were identified.

Signed GST **Checked** MDM

Unless we are otherwise instructed in writing, the above sample material will normally be disposed of 3 years after the date of this report.

OEDOMETER RESULTS DATA

Swell/Strain Test Method **(UKAS accredited)** **Test Date: 25-Jan-11**

The In-house Procedure MTLB002 is based on "Determination of swelling and collapse characteristics" British Standards 1377:Part 5:1990 Section 4.4 , carried out on a disturbed, remoulded sample.
Test specimen has cylindrical dimensions 50mm (diameter) by 17mm (height).
Prior to the introduction of distilled water the specimen is reconsolidated to the approximate in situ vertical effective stress, calculated from the average sample extraction depth using the assumptions below.
Laboratory tests are conducted in a controlled environment within a temperature range of 16°C to 24°C.

Assumptions

Soil Bulk Density (Moist Unit Weight) is equal to 2039 kg / m3. Depth to water table has been assumed as to be below sampling depth. Any possible surcharge stresses due to construction are not considered.

Predicted Free Surface Heave Calculation **(Not UKAS accredited)**

An approximated value of 0.010 strain is deducted from the measured oedometer strain to account for remoulding of the sample. Therefore strain in excess of Remoulding Disturbance Line (see Results Chart) is extrapolated for calculation of Predicted Heave per incremental layer displayed in the following table(s), in column labelled "Dd mm". A Shrinkage factor (Sf) of 2 is also applied to each heave value. Heave values per layer are summed as a total for each Borehole (in mm), and then displayed as a range in (in cm).

Predicted Free Surface Heave is calculated over a range defined by the sample depths tested, but not shallower than 0.2m below ground level, the assumed depth of topsoil. Heave inadvertently measured above foundation depth may be discounted by deducting the relevant layer value from the Borehole total.
Please note that the swell predicted is that expected of the ground if it were allowed to fully re-hydrate and come to equilibrium. This is possibly greater than the expected annual variation; due to reasons such as persistent annual deficits, changes in vegetation and annual climatic conditions, amongst others. The predicted total swell can take many years to fully propagate and in some cases this can take up to 25 years, though usually at least 70% happens within the first few years.

Uncertainty of Measurement

The accuracy of the quoted strain measurement in an individual test is deemed to be within +/- 2.5%.
The variation of repeated results on the same sample is determined by the uniformity of sample.
Due to variability in strata changes and sample uniformity, it is more appropriate to consider the Heave Potential by the quoted range (in cm) rather than the precise total (in mm).

Further information relating to Swell/Strain Test is available on the MAT LAB Website:- www.mat-lab.com

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Borehole No:- 1			
Location	N/A		
Depth(m)	Specimen No. & Comments	STRAIN	Dd (mm)
1.3	Specimen No. 1A	0.0000	0.0
2	Specimen No. 2A	0.0010	0.0
2.6	Specimen No. 3A	0.0050	0.0
Total Column Dd=0mm Therefore Free Surface Heave Potential Over B/H Depth Is About 0cm to 2cm.			

Borehole No:- 2			
Location	N/A		
Depth(m)	Specimen No. & Comments	STRAIN	Dd
1.5	Specimen No. 4A	0.0000	0.0
2.2	Specimen No. 5A	0.0090	0.0
2.7	Specimen No. 6A	0.0020	0.0
Total Column Dd=0mm Therefore Free Surface Heave Potential Over B/H Depth Is About 0cm to 2cm.			

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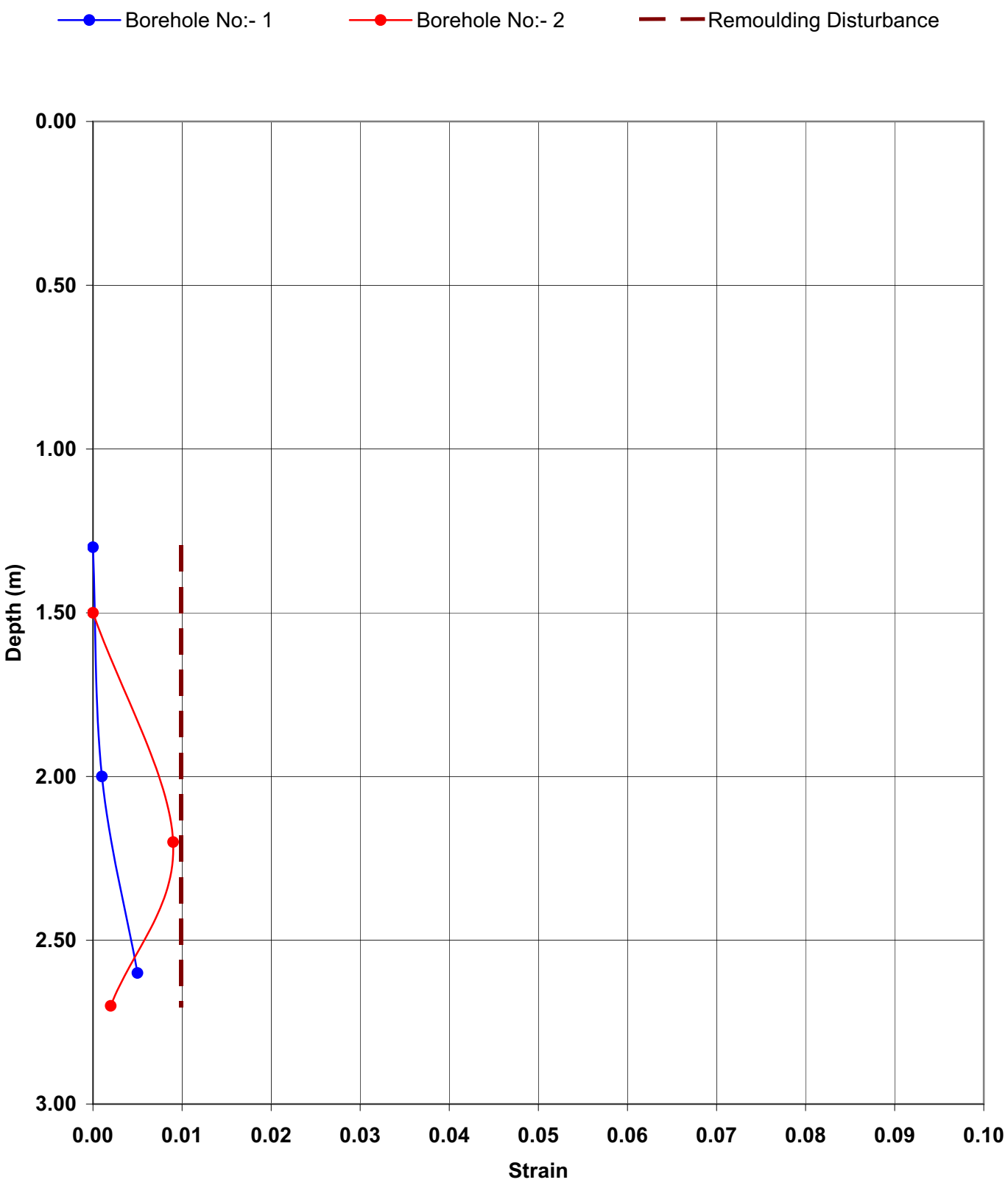
OEDOMETER RESULTS CHART

Oedometer Strains



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Notes relating to Soils Report

Date Soil Samples Received in Laboratory: **21-Jan-11**
Date Testing Requirements Approved: **N/A**

This Soils Report contains results for 2 borehole(s) on 2 page(s)

General

Soils were prepared in accordance with BS1377:Part 1:1990 Section 7

Laboratory soil sample descriptions in general accordance with BS5930:1999

Where samples are not tested on same date for a particular test type, Test Date quoted refers to the day of testing of final sample

All samples will be disposed of within 1 month of presentation of this report unless otherwise advised

Natural Moisture Content

Test Date: **21-Jan-11**

Tested in accordance to BS1377:Part 2:1990 Section 3.2

A sample quantity of 100g is used for fine-grained soils, where available

Where sample quantity is critical, a minimum of 50g may be used, in accordance with BS1377:Part 2:1990

A sample quantity of 300g to 350g is used for medium-grained soils, 3kg is used for coarse-grained soils.

Atterberg Limits

Test Date: **N/A**

Tested in accordance to BS1377:Part 2:1990; Section 4.4 for the Liquid Limit, Section 5 for the determination of the Plastic Limit and Plasticity Index

Suction Tests

Test Date: **N/A** **(Q)***

Suction Test carried out in accordance to the accredited In-house Procedure MTLB001 with reference to the BRE paper IP4/93 (Corrected) 'A Method of Determining the State of Desiccation in Clay Soils'

(Unless otherwise stated the filter paper moisture content was determined after 5 to 10 days contact and the test was prepared from a remoulded disturbed sample in accordance with in-house procedures)

* *Where denoted by '(Q)' following Test Date above, the test has been performed using 2 soil discs and quartered filter papers.*

The filter paper tests are conducted in a controlled environment within a temperature range of 16oC to 24oC.

Average Suction values (in kPa) calculated using the BRE paper IP4/93 calibration are quoted with the maximum and minimum suction obtained, as indicated by error bars either side of plotted point.

Where possible, suction values should be compared with remote borehole values, to determine relative desiccation.

Each new batch of filter papers used for testing is checked for its consistency against the standard BRE calibration curve using a pressure membrane extractor. The current filter paper batch, J113976969, shows good consistency against the BRE curve, more information is available upon request. Studies on In-house calibrations using a pressure membrane extractor continue.

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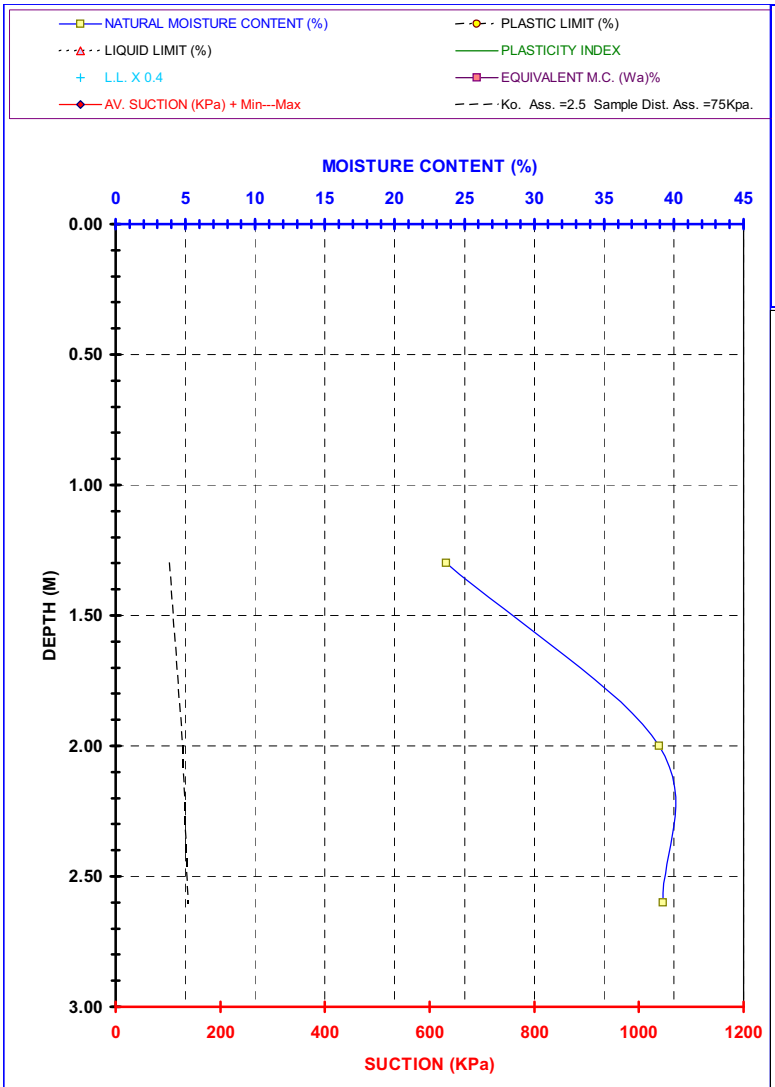
FROM :- Crawford & Company,

B.H. No. :- 1 of 2 No. Bore Holes

LOCATION:- N/A

REPORT DATE:- 04 Feb 11

		ATTERBERG LIMITS.						
DEPTH. M.	M.C. (%)	L.L. (%)	P.L. (%)	P.I. (%)	425um (%)	AV. Filter Paper M.C.(%) & No.		BRIEF SOIL DESCRIPTION
1.30	24	-	-	-	-	-		Soft/firm light brown/brown CLAY with occasional fine/medium/gravel (inc brick fragments) & sand.
2.00	39	-	-	-	-	-		Soft/firm light brown CLAY with rare sand, fine/medium/gravel & light grey veinings.
2.60	39	-	-	-	-	-		Soft/firm light brown CLAY with rare sand, fine gravel & light grey veinings.



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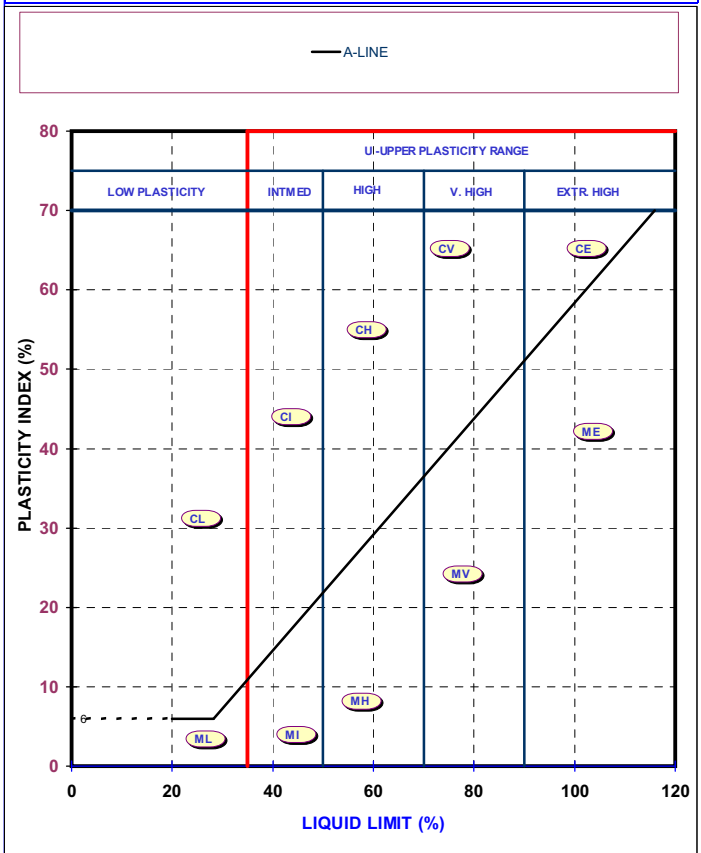

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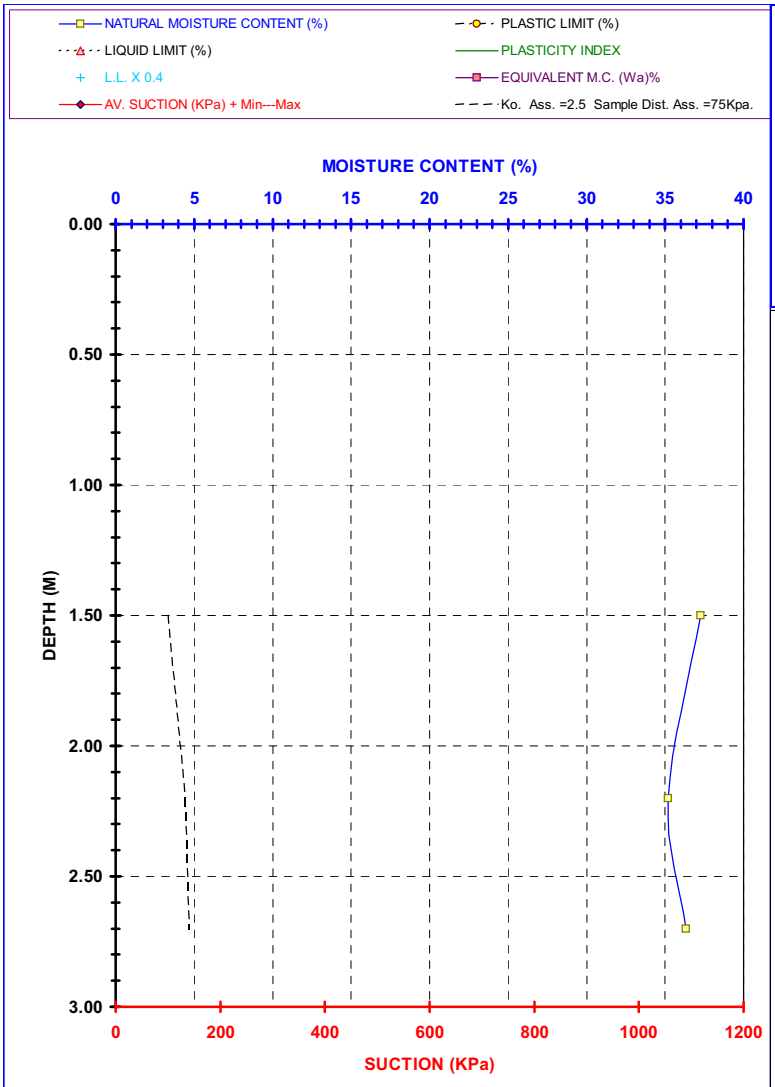
DEPTH. M.	M.C. (%)	L.L. (%)	P.L. (%)	P.I. (%)	425um (%)	AV. Filter Paper M.C.(%) & No.		BRIEF SOIL DESCRIPTION
1.50	37	-	-	-	-	-		Soft/firm brown CLAY with occasional dark brown bandings, rare sand & fine/medium/gravel (inc made ground).
2.20	35	-	-	-	-	-		Firm light brown/light grey slightly sandy CLAY with rare fine gravel.
2.70	36	-	-	-	-	-		Soft/firm mottled orange-brown/brown/light grey slightly sandy CLAY with rare fine gravel & dark brown bandings.



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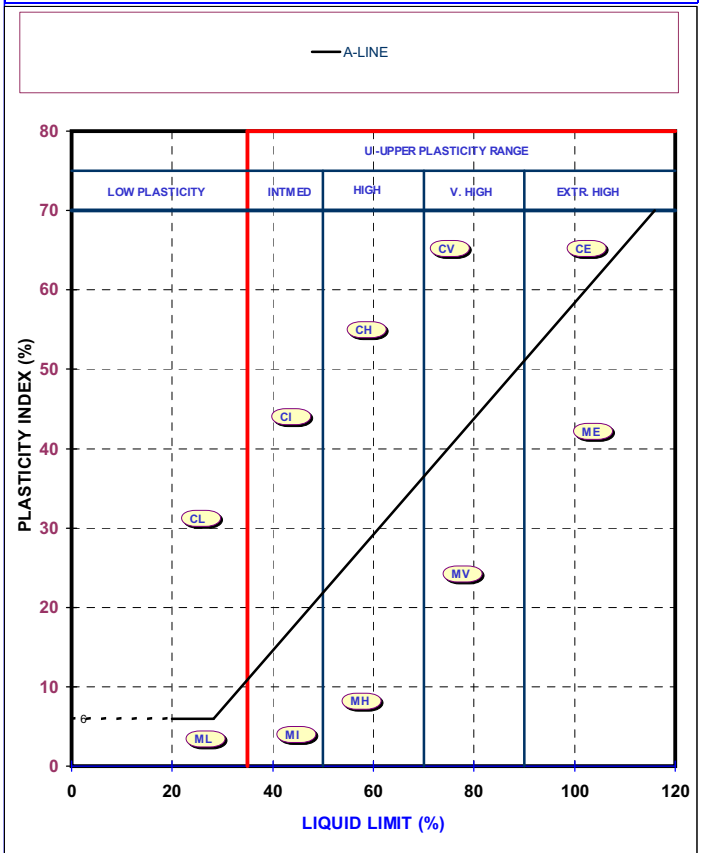

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