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**BY EMAIL ONLY**

Dear David,

**RE: NORTHAW HOUSE, HATFIELD – ATTENUATION POND HALF DRAIN DOWN TIME**

**SCOPE**

This technical note has been prepared to calculate the half drain down time of the attenuation basin provided as part of the proposed drainage design for Northaw House, Hatfield (drainage layout as shown on 1-046-CCE-XX-XX-DR-C-001, 002 & 003).

- Maximum attenuation pond required during critical storm event (the 100yr+40%cc, 960 minute winter event as of network model calculations) = 799m<sup>3</sup>
- Maximum discharge rate of attenuation pond (QBAR runoff rate) = 4.50 l/s (or 0.0045m<sup>3</sup> / s)

Therefore;

$$\frac{799m^3}{2} = 399.50m^3$$
$$\frac{399.50m^3}{0.0045} = 88,778 \text{ seconds (24.66 hours)}$$

Allowing for potential of 10% inefficiency of hydro-brake flow control due to low head;

$$88,778 \text{ seconds (24.66 hours)} \times 1.10 = 97,656 \text{ seconds (27.13 hours)}$$



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Yours Sincerely,



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