

October 03, 2025,

Project #25-123

Eunice Bucur.

5075 Old US 421,

Lillington, NC 27546

Dear Eunice,

At your request, a limited structural inspection was performed on the properties located at the above address to inspect the following items. This report has been prepared based on that inspection. Directions are used herein as they would appear to an observer facing the properties from the front main entrance.

# Observations, evaluations, and recommendations:

### 1. Soil and footing excavations at the rear right deck of the house.

A site visit was made to inspect the soil and footing excavations for a proposed deck at the rear right side of the house. EEI noted that at the location of the footing marked as "F1", the existing continuous concrete footing along the rear side of the house was cut (see Picture 1).

A Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) test was performed at three different locations to determine the bearing capacity of the soil. Based on the DCP test and interpretation of the test data, a minimum of 2000 psf soil bearing capacity can be achieved at approximately 12" below the finished grade.

Based on the evaluation of the loads applied from the proposed floor framing system, each footing marked as "F1 to F4" shall be minimum of 24"x24"x12" deep (see Picture 1). Underneath each footing, a minimum of 6" layer of compacted gravel shall be placed so that the bottom of compacted gravel is 18" below the ground level, and the bottom of the footings is at 12" below the ground level. Footings shall be reinforced with a minimum of 4 pieces of #4 rebars spaced at 6" o.c., both ways with a minimum of 3" rebar clear cover. Additionally, EEI recommends attaching the new concrete footing "F1" to the existing cut continuous concrete footing along the rear side of the house using (4) pieces of #4 rebars spaced at maximum 6" on center at the mid-depth of the height of the footing. EEI recommends that the rebars should be drilled a minimum 6" into existing concrete and shall extend a minimum of 12" into the newly footing using the "HILTY HIT-RE 100" epoxy adhesive system or approved equivalent. The concrete shall have a minimum 28-day compressive strength of 2500 psi. All reinforcing steel shall conform to ASTM A615, Grade 60.



## 2. Soil and footing excavations at the rear left deck of the house.

A site visit was made to inspect the soil and footing excavations for a proposed deck at the rear left side of the house. EEI noted that at the location of the footing marked as "F5 and F6", the existing continuous concrete footing along the rear side of the house was cut (see Picture 2).

A Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) test was performed at three different locations to determine the bearing capacity of the soil. Based on the DCP test and interpretation of the test data, a minimum of 2000 psf soil bearing capacity can be achieved at approximately 12" below the finished grade.

Based on the evaluation of the loads applied from the proposed framing system, each footing marked as "F5 to F8" shall be a minimum of 24"x24"x12" deep (see Picture 2). Underneath each footing, a minimum 6" layer of compacted gravel shall be placed so that the bottom of compacted gravel is 18" below the ground level, and the bottom of the footings is 12" below the ground level. Footings shall be reinforced with a minimum of 4 pieces of #4 rebars spaced at 6" o.c., both ways, with a minimum of 3" rebar clear cover. Additionally, EEI recommends attaching the new concrete footing "F5 and F6" to the existing cut continuous concrete footing along the rear side of the house using (4) pieces of #4 rebars spaced at maximum of 6" on center at the mid-depth of the height of the footing. EEI recommends that the rebars should be drilled a minimum 6" into existing concrete and shall extend a minimum 12" into the newly footing using the "HILTY HIT-RE 100" epoxy adhesive system or approved equivalent. The concrete shall have a minimum 28-day compressive strength of 2500 psi. All reinforcing steel shall conform to ASTM A615, Grade 60.

#### **General notes:**

- 1. The above evaluation is based on the current site condition.
- 2. Means, methods, sequences, and safety precautions in connection with the construction work shall be the contractor's responsibility.
- 3. EEI is not responsible for unsuitable site and drainage conditions that may lead to future settlement issues. The contractor shall ensure that all soft, very wet and loose soils shall be removed from building areas prior to concrete placement

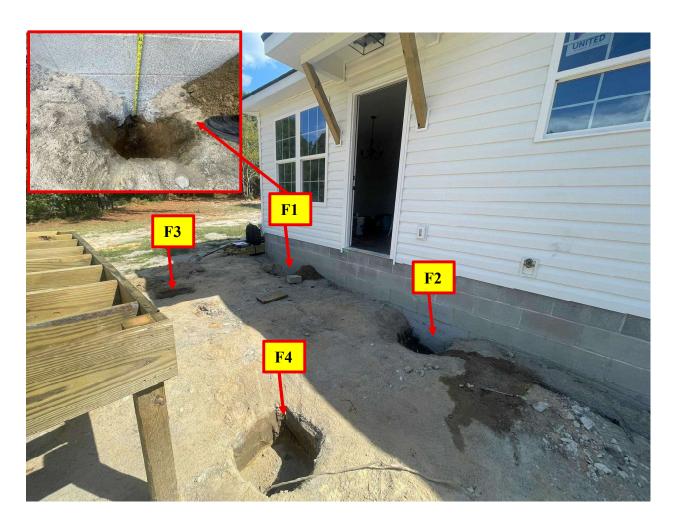
Please let EEI's know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Jorge Ivan Aguas, EI Structural Designer and Inspector Moti KC, PE

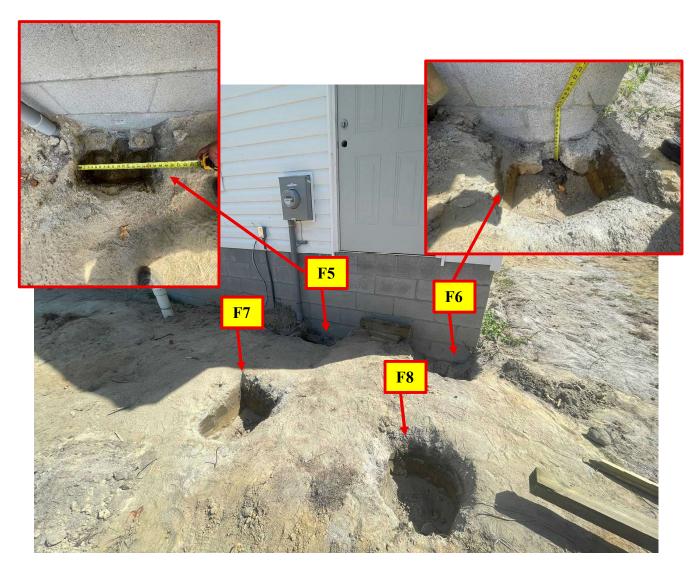
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Picture 1





Picture 2



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