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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report has been prepared for the **Dept. of Health and Social Services, Yellowknife.** This report evaluates architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical systems and subsystems in the **Joe Greenland Centre** located in **Aklavik**. The evaluation was conducted to assist the client, facility planners and designers to determine the suitability of the building for contemplated renovations and/or additions. The evaluation considers the technical aspects of the building only and does not consider functional or program issues. Maintenance concerns and an associated cost analysis are included in this report.

The **substructure** consists of deep foundation units (untreated timber piles) 'adfreeze' installed in discontinuous permafrost, silty alluvial soils near the Mackenzie River. The substructure appears stable, but differential movement in a portion of it has occurred, causing deformation of a portion of the superstructure. The piles (Mychem Survey, September 2000) are considered to be near the end of their 25-year economic service life, and should be periodically monitored for rot.

The **superstructure** is in satisfactory condition for its age, but shows some signs of deformation, deterioration and damage around the entry lobby and mechanical room, where foundation movement (predominantly uplift) has cracked finishes and put some framing out of alignment. The building **shell** meets most major performance requirements for which it was designed and constructed, but insulation values of walls, suspended floors and roofs are below values recommended in *Good Building Practice for Northern Facilities* published by and available from PW&S, Asset Management Division. Exterior windows are at the end of their economic service life, and exterior wall cladding materials are somewhat deteriorated, requiring repair and/or replacement within ten years. The building shell has been operating satisfactorily with only natural and exhaust ventilation, but may not be suitable to operate as a mechanically ventilated, positively pressurized envelope without upgrading.

The **wood-framed structure** is unsprinklered. Classification of the building under Part 3, *National Building Code of Canada 1995, Group C – Residential Occupancy, Article 3.2.2.47,* requires no specified *fire resistance rating* for the roof assemblies because of the building area and height.

**Interiors** are typical of the era of construction, with some components (*fire-resistance* rated doors) near the end of their service life. Interior finishes have reasonable remaining service life, providing some shortcomings (*fire separations* and *closures*, wall surface repairs) are addressed.

Building **site work** is basic but satisfactory. Some future consideration needs to be given to ensuring surface water drains away from the open crawl space under the building in spring, and to better maintenance of the wood-framed access ramps, stairs and decks. *Guards* and *handrails* and *barrier-free access* provisions require updating to current code standards.

The mechanical systems in the building reflect the technology at the time of construction. There are numerous code deficiencies and operational concerns, as follows. The plumbing fixtures, including water closets, lavatories, faucets, drains and water supply do not comply with the current code requirements for barrier free access. The water supply piping to the storage tank, as detailed in the records, does not comply with the *Canadian Plumbing Code*.

The fiberglass water storage tank has a significant bulge in the sidewall, which if not repaired will lead to premature failure of the tank.

The fuel oil storage tanks and distribution system do not comply with the current CAN/CSA-B139-00 Installation Code for Oil Burning Equipment.

The hydronic heating boilers were reported as having leaks at the seals. The boilers should be thoroughly checked when shut down and the necessary repairs completed.

The building has only natural ventilation as provided by opening windows. Mechanical ventilation has not been provided, as by *ASHRAE Standard 62*.

Electrical systems in this facility are in good condition for the number of years they have been in service. Some of the rooms require more power receptacles as identified in the details. Some savings could be realized if more energy efficient fluorescent lights were used. Zone valves for the heating system should be included on the auxiliary power supply.

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 General

The **Technical Support Section**, Asset Management Division, Public Works and Services was requested to carry out a Technical Status Evaluation on the **Joe Greenland Centre** located in **Aklavik**. The on-site evaluation was performed on **February 4**, 2002.

The evaluation of the building considered a number of issues including remaining service life of the systems and components, suitability for future expansion, compliance with current codes and operating and maintenance concerns.

The Technical Support Section wishes to express its appreciation to all those involved with the day-to-day operation of the **Joe Greenland Centre**, for their comments and suggestions.

#### 1.2 Terms of Reference

This report has been prepared for the Dept. of Health and Social Services, Yellowknife.

#### 1.3 Report Distribution

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#### 1.4 **Building Description**

The Joe Greenland residential centre is located about 200 m. away from the Mackenzie River, on a slightly southward sloping site. There is no foliage other than low grass and reeds, characteristic of the Mackenzie Delta region. The site is in south Aklavik on the edge of town, and vehicles can get to all four sides of the building from surrounding roads.

Built in 1977, the wood-framed, one-storey, 674 sq. m. vee-shaped building has a total of seven self-contained apartments and eight self-contained bed-sitting rooms in east and west wings. Interior access corridors reach washroom and bathroom spaces, a laundry room, a small facility storage room, a central dining-room lounge, a kitchen, and food storage spaces. A partially enclosed semi-public exterior wood-framed deck, located next to the lounge on the south side, provides exterior and 'cold-porch' activity spaces. A single mechanical equipment room is reached through an exterior door, located on the main entrance landing on the north public access side of the building.

The floor is about 2 m. above finished grade, so the two entrances and two exits, one at each end of each wing, have stairs and sloped ramps from the floor level to the ground.

Untreated timber piles set into permafrost support the superstructure. Light plywood skirting encloses the unheated crawl space below the building, in which is located an insulated wood-framed utilities enclosure or utilidette, suspended below the central access corridor on the main floor above. August 1977 construction drawings show panelized (diaphragm) construction for the floor, and insulation values for the roof, walls and floor of R 30, R 20 and R 30 respectively. Drawings also indicate 5/8" thick 'Firecode C' gypsum board ceilings, and corridor walls and party (demising) walls between rooms as ULC assembly W301, clad with 5/8" gypsum board both sides and 'sound batt' insulation in the framing cavities.

The structure is unsprinklered combustible wood frame construction, conformed under Part 3 of the *National Building Code of Canada, 1995*, as Group 3, *residential occupancy*, because the building area exceeds 600 square metres. That standard requires typical 45 minute *fire separations* at floor assemblies (Article 3.2.2.47), and 45 minute *fire separations* between *public corridors* and the remainder of the *floor area* (Article 3.3.1.4), and at demising walls (Article 3.3.4.2). The furnace room is now required by NWT Fire Marshal *Technical Bulletin 'Service Room Construction' (FM-056-98)* to be separated from adjacent *floor areas* by a one hour *fire separation*.

The shell of the building is clad with prefinished composite hardboard panel siding, which replaces the originally specified metal siding. Original wood framed windows contain fixed and operable twin-sealed glazed units. The 4 in 12 sloped roof is covered with an asphalt shingle water shedding membrane. Surface and roof drainage appear to stay on the ground near the building perimeter, where evaporation and seepage eventually disperse the water.

Potable water is provided throughout the building from a domestic water storage tank and pressure system. Domestic hot water is provided from a fuel oil-fired water heater located in the boiler room. The sewage system gravity feeds to two sewage holding tanks located at ground level, at either end of the building. Water is delivered and sewage is removed from the building by a truck haul system.

Two fuel oil-fired boilers supply heated glycol to zoned perimeter baseboard radiation, force flow units and unit heaters. The building has natural ventilation only. Individual exhaust fans provide exhaust from the various rooms in the building.

Fuel oil is stored in three exterior oil tanks and gravity feeds to the oil-burning appliances located in the boiler room.

Portable hand-held extinguishers are located throughout the building.

Building power is provided at 120/240 volt, rated at 350 amps. All switchgear is in a common room with the boilers. Branch circuit panels are also located in the same room. Branch wiring in the building consists of concealed NMD throughout and surface conduit in the service rooms. Interior lighting is mainly fluorescent throughout, but is not all the energy efficient type. Exterior is illuminated with high-pressure sodium wall packs.

Communication and security systems are made of a Cerberus Pyrotronics fire alarm, smoke alarms in the rooms, a Sentech nurse call and public address system, a security system, satellite TV, and a telephone system.

#### 1.5 Definitions

#### **Remaining Service Life**

*Remaining service life* refers to the remaining cost effective service life of the system or component being considered.

Nine remaining service life ratings are used in this report:

- Over 15 Years means that, under normal operating conditions and receiving proper maintenance, the system or component is expected to remain economically in service exceeding 15 years. Often the system or component is in new or in like new condition.
- 10 to 15 Years means that, under normal operating conditions and receiving proper maintenance, the system or component is expected to remain in service for 10 to 15 years.
- 5 to 10 Years means that, under normal operating conditions and receiving proper maintenance, the system or component is expected to remain in service for 5 to 10 years.
- 0 to 5 Years means the end of the effective economic service life of this system or component has been reached. Plans to replace or renovate the system or component should proceed.
- Zero Years means the system or component is still in service; however, the end of its effective economic service life has been reached and it could fail at any time.
- Not Operational means the system or component is not in service as intended. One or more systems or components may have failed as a result of reaching the end of its expected service life, or due to maintenance or operational circumstances.
- Not Determined means that sufficient information could not be gathered on the system or component to assign a remaining service life.
- Varies See Details is used to describe a system consisting of many subsystems and/or components, where the remaining service life for each of the subsystems and/or components may differ, and are therefore described separately.
- Not Applicable means the system or component, for a variety of reasons, could not be assigned a remaining service life.

#### **Recommended Action Priority**

*Recommended action priority* refers to the urgency of the recommended action. The urgency reflects the importance of the recommended action to the safety, cost-efficient operation or the conservation of the element's service life. Code related items are identified in the course of examining building technology, but should not be considered an exhaustive analysis of current code compliance. Seven levels of action are used in the report:

- Mandatory means an action that is a legal obligation arising from the requirement of a code, regulation or referenced standard, and involves life safety concerns. This action must be addressed immediately.
- **High Priority** means an action that is a legal obligation arising from the requirement of a code or regulation, and must be addressed at the first available opportunity. There may not be a life safety concern.
- **Code Upgrade** means a building system or component that does not meet current code requirements, regulations or standards and is, therefore, a legal obligation. It must be addressed as part of any contemplated building additions and/or renovations.
- **Desirable** means an action that would improve substantially the safety, costefficient operation or extend the service life of the building system or component.
- **Suggestion** means an action which will have some benefit to the operation or longevity of the building system or component and is a discretionary item.
- Varies See Details is used to describe a system consisting of many subsystems and/or components, where the recommended action priority of each of the subsystems and/or components may differ, and are therefore described separately.
- None means there is no recommended action.

#### **Performance Rating**

*Performance rating* refers to the degree to which the identified status or condition of the element conforms to technical performance requirements or standards called for in codes, standards and guidelines for design and construction quality, and current operating and maintenance standards.

Six performance ratings are used in the report:

- Very Good means the element's performance meets and exceeds the specified quality standard.
- Good means the element conforms to the specified quality standard.
- **Satisfactory** means the element generally conforms to the specified quality standard with some shortcomings.
- Unsatisfactory means the element fails to meet the specified quality standard.
- Not Determined means that sufficient information could not be gathered on the system or component to assign a performance rating.

• Varies See Details - is used to describe a system consisting of many subsystems and/or components, where the performance rating of each of the subsystems and/or components may differ, and are therefore described separately.



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# 2.0 ARCHITECTURAL / STRUCTURAL



#### 2.1 INDEX OF SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS INVESTIGATED AND FINDINGS SUMMARY

#### Architectural/Structural

R	ecord	System, Subsystem or Component	Remaining Service Life	Recommended Action Priority	Performance Rating
	1	A SUBSTRUCTURE	5 to 10 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	2	A10 FOUNDATIONS	5 to 10 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	3	A1020 Special Foundations	5 to 10 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	4	A1020.1 Bored Augured or Driven Piles	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	5	A1040 Open Crawl Spaces	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	6	A1040.1 Open Crawl Spaces - Perimeter Security	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	7	A1040.2 Open Crawl Spaces - Drainage	0 to 5 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	8	B SHELL	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	9	B10 SUPERSTRUCTURE	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	10	B1009 Suspended Utility / Service Space (L99)	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	11	B1010 Ground Floor (L100) Construction	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	12	B1010.1 L100 Floor Structural Frame Primary/	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	13	B1010.2 L100 Floor Framing Members	Over 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	14	B1010.4 L100 Floor Decks, Slabs and Sheathing	Over 15 Years	None	Good
	15	B1010.5 L100 Floor Air / Vapour Barriers	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Good
	16	B1010.6 L100 Floor Thermal Insulation	Over 15 Years	None	Good
	17	B1010.7 L100 Floor Exterior Soffit	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	18	B1010.8 L100 Floor Fire-Stopping/Fire Resistance	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	19	B1011 Upper (or Attic Space) Floor Construction	Over 15 Years	None	Good
	20	B1011.8 Upper Floor (or Attic Space) Fire-Stopping	Not Evaluated	Mandatory	Unsatisfactory
	21	B1020 Roof Construction	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Good
	22	B1020.6 Roof Air/Vapour Barriers	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	23	B1020.7 Roof Thermal Insulation	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	24	B1020.8 Roof Fire-Stopping / Fire Resistance Rating	Not Evaluated	Mandatory	Unsatisfactory
	25	<b>B20 EXTERIOR CLOSURE</b>	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	26	B2010 Exterior Walls	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details

	Record	System, Subsystem or Component	Remaining Service Life	Recommended Action Priority	Performance Rating
	27	B2010.1 Exterior Walls Exterior Skin	0 to 5 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	28	B2010.2 Exterior Wall Construction	Over 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	29	B2010.3 Exterior Wall Air / Vapour Barrier	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	30	B2010.4 Exterior Wall Thermal Insulation	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	31	B2010.5 Exterior Wall Interior Skin	Over 15 Years	Suggestion	Good
	32	B2020 Exterior Windows	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	33	B2020.1 Exterior Windows - Standard Thermal Units	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	34	B2030 Exterior Doors	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	35	B2030.1 Exterior Entrance Doors	10 to 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	36	B2030.2 Exterior Utility Doors	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	37	B30 ROOFING	Not Evaluated	Desirable	Satisfactory
	38	B3010 Roof Coverings - Water-Shedding Membranes	Not Evaluated	Desirable	Satisfactory
<i>C</i>	39	B3010.2 Discontinuous Non-Metallic Membrane	Not applicable	Desirable	Satisfactory
ار <sub>م</sub> ربع <sup>ور</sup>	40	Rooting B3010.4 Flashing and Sheet Metal Accessories	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	41	C INTERIORS	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	42	C10 INTERIOR CONSTRUCTION	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	43	C1010 Interior Partitions	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	44	C1010.1 Interior Fixed Partitions - No Fire Resistance	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	45	Rating C1010.2 Interior Fixed Partitions - Fire Resistance	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	46	Rated C1020 Interior Doors	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	47	C1020.1 Interior Swinging Doors	5 to 10 Years	None	Satisfactory
	48	C1020.2 Interior Entrance Doors	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	49	C1020.3 Interior Fire-Rated Doors	0 to 5 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	50	C1030 Interior Specialties	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	51	C1030.4 Storage Shelving and Cabinets	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
ja s	52	C1030.5 Toilet and Bath Accessories	Not Evaluated	None	Not Determined

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	53	C1030.6 Wardrobe and Closet Access	10 to 15 Years	None	Good
	54	C30 INTERIOR FINISHES	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	55	C3010 Interior Wall Finishes	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	56	C3010.1 Gypsum Board Wall Finish	Over 15 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	57	C3010.4 Tile Wall Finishes	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	58	C3010.7 Interior Wall Painting	10 to 15 Years	Suggestion	Good
	59	C3020 Interior Floor Finishes	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	60	C3020.2 Resilient Flooring	10 to 15 Years	None	Good
	61	C3020.5 Wood Flooring	0 to 5 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	62	C3030 Interior Ceiling Finishes	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	63	C3030.1 Gypsum Board Ceiling	Over 15 Years	Mandatory	Unsatisfactory
	64	C3030.2 Suspended Ceiling System	10 to 15 Years	None	Good
	65	G BUILDING SITE WORK	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
34	66	G10 SITE PREPARATION	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	67	G1040 Site Earthwork	Not operational	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	68	G1040.1 Grading Excavating Backfilling and	Not operational	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	69	G20 SITE IMPROVEMENTS	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	70	G2010 Roadways	Over 15 Years	None	Good
	71	G2010.1 Roadways- Access to Building Service Points	Over 15 Years	None	Good
	72	G2040 Site Development	5 to 10 Years	None	Satisfactory
	73	G2040.3 Site Furnishings and Specialties	5 to 10 Years	None	Satisfactory
	74	G2060 Exterior Building Access	0 to 5 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	75	G2060.1 Exterior Access Stairs	5 to 10 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	76	G2060.2 Exterior Access Ramps	5 to 10 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	77	G2060.3 Exterior Access Decks	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory

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The substructure consists of deep foundation units (untreated timber piles) 'adfreeze' installed in discontinuous permafrost, silty alluvial soils near the Mackenzie River. The substructure appears stable, but differential movement in a portion of it has occurred, causing deformation of a portion of the superstructure. The piles are (Mychem survey, September 2000, Appendix A) nearing the end of their 25 year economic service life.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Monitor piles for movement and further deterioration. Reexamine them every two years to identify the progress of rot. See detailed records recommending systematic replacement of, or structural remediation of, individual piles, along with regular reexamination for structural deterioration.



Pile foundations are deteriorating and causing differential movement and structural deformation of portions of the superstructure. The Mychem Wood Protection Consultants Ltd. inspection, completed September 2000, showed 56% of the sampled piles had heavy rot damage to more than 50% of the pile cross-sectional area.

Crawl-space surface-water drainage is poor, with evidence of standing water being present at some times of the year. Uplifting forces on individual piles, caused by thaw/freeze cycling, may be contributing to the deformation of the superstructure above. Pile uplift may indicate degradation of the permafrost in some portions of the site beneath the building, allowing active zone freezing to break piles free from their reduced permafrost adhesion (pile jacking).

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Reexamine previously sampled piles, and the remainder of the piles which were not sampled in 2000, to determine the condition of all piles.

Regrade the site so water drains away from the crawl space and is not retained there. Fill in around individual piles with tamped draining fill to prevent water pooling around the pile and seeping into both pile and soil. Refer to Record G1040.1.



#### CONDITION OR STATUS



### A1020 Special Foundations

Untreated wood pile foundations are at or near the end of their service life, based on typical service conditions found in the Mackenzie delta and the wood species used. Visual evidence of pile rot was found in many piles near ground level. Individual piles (statistically 59% of all piles) have rotted to 50% or more of their structural capacity (cross-sectional area), and an additional 7% have rotted to between 10% and 50% of their structural capacity. (See Mychem Wood Protection Consultants Ltd. report, Appendix 'A'). Individual piles may be at the end of their service life, but the load-sharing design of the foundation system and clear working height under the building allows for individual piles to be structurally strengthened. This will allow the service life of the foundation to be extended indefinitely.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Restore initial structural capacity of individual piles which have deteriorated to the heavy damage phase, as identified by the Mychem Wood Protection Consultants report.

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#### A1020.1 Bored Augured or Driven Piles

Untreated wood piles set into the ground support the building, frozen into the permafrost alluvial soil. The age of the piles (25 years) corresponds to the typical service life for untreated wood piles in this region. Piles were previously sampled for rot in September 2000. 56% of piles examined showed visual signs of deterioration. Numerous piles had water stains and ground level depressions which would retain water in contact with the piles.

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Replace, or remedially restore the bearing capacity of, individual piles which have lost 50% or more of their cross-sectional area. Use a method designed by a registered Professional Structural Engineer, and have the installation supervised by the designer. Refer to Record A1040.2 Open Crawl Spaces - Drainage for surface water drainage recommendations.

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6 A1040 Open Crawl Spaces

The 2 metre high open crawl space has water retention, access security and potential building heat retention problems, which are described in the subsequent records.

6	A1040.1 Open Crawl	Spaces -	- Perimeter	Security
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The open crawl space is enclosed with plywood skirting around the building perimeter, with a ventilation gap of about 150 mm between the skirting and the ground apparent at most locations. This gap can plug with snow, trapping heat from the building in the crawl space, and potentially warming the ground and reducing pile adfreeze bearing capacity over time.

The crawl space is unsecured, with openings allowing general access to the underside of the structure.

The plywood skirting has peeling paint at a number of locations and is unfinished on the interior, but the supporting wood framing appears solid and durable. RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

Ensure the plywood skirting does not interfere with the flow of cold air through the crawl space by ensuring the skirting is high enough above the ground to allow air to circulate under all snow conditions.

If concerns arise about building security from vandalism in the crawl space, install screened gates at the openings in the skirting.

Repaint the exterior as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

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A1040.2 Open Crawl Spaces - Drainage

Hollows in the ground surface in the open crawl space indicate water is retained there, in some locations around piles. The crawl space is not graded to allow surface water to drain away from the building, and the finished grade of the site around the building perimeter appears insufficient to allow surface water to drain away from the building perimeter. Retained water will aid rotting of the wood piles, and reduce their service life. Once rotting piles are stabilized, replaced or remediated, better drainage will conserve their service life.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Fill hollows around piles with compacted fill to direct water away from the pile surfaces. Grade the crawl space to direct surface water to the building perimeter. (This may require raising the general elevation of the crawl space floor.) Refer also to Record G1040.1 Grading Excavating Backfilling and Compacting.

## 8 B SHELL

The shell is in satisfactory condition for its age, but shows some signs of deformation, deterioration and damage around the entry lobby and mechanical room where foundation movement (apparently uplift) has cracked finishes and put some superstructure framing out of alignment. The building shell meets most major performance requirements for which it was designed and constructed, but insulation values of walls, suspended floors and roofs are below values recommended in Good Building Practice for Northern Facilities published by and available from PW&S, Asset Management Division. Exterior windows are at the end of their economic service life, and exterior roof and wall cladding materials are somewhat deteriorated, requiring repair and/or replacement within ten years. The building shell has been operating satisfactorily with only natural and exhaust ventilation.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records. In the event a mechanical ventilation system is installed as part of any major upgrade of the building, ensure it will operate at neutral or very slight positive pressure on the building envelope, to avoid moisture condensate forming in walls, floor and roof assemblies through exfiltration.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

# 9 BIO SUPERSTRUCTURE

The superstructure shows minor structural deformation in a portion of the exterior wall, and interior wall movement signs around the central north portion of the building. Some unevenness of the floor system is likely due to foundation movement. Refer to Record B1010 and following.

#### 10 B1009 Suspended Utility / Service Space (L99) Construction

A utilidette enclosed with plywood runs suspended below the main floor along the centreline of the building. The plywood joints are not covered with battens, and gaps between the sheets are visible. Plywood in this kind of construction generally acts as an air barrier if the joints are well sealed, restricting the flow of cold exterior air into the floor assembly by induced stack effect. The drawings indicate the utilidette is insulated with friction fit fibrous insulation and lined with a 2 mil polyethylene sheet air/vapour barrier sandwiched between plywood layers on the interior of the utilidette.

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#### B1010 Ground Floor (L100) Construction

Some unevenness in the floors, and cracks in the finishes of the laundry, kitchen and mechanical room walls indicate some structural deformation has occurred. The structural deformation is consistent with foundation system movement, which could include pile settlement from pile deterioration or loss of ground support, as well as uplift from thaw/freeze cycles around individual piles.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

Monitor for structural change in the currently affected zones of the building. Refer to Record A1020 Special Foundations.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

As part of any major retrofit, verify and upgrade the air/vapour barrier of the building envelope, seal the plywood joints in the utilidette with building sealant, and overlay them with wood battens.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Continued satisfactory performance of the floor system relies on stabilizing and preventing further movement. Refer to detailed records.

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

12 B1010.1 L100 Floor Structural Frame Primary/ Secondary

Some variation in floor level at the south exit corridor and in the kitchen, mechanical room and storage areas indicate movement of the primary framing system, likely due to foundation units moving or subsiding. The drawings indicate the primary structural framing consists of nail-laminated  $(3 - 2 \times 10^{\circ}s)$  built up beams running laterally across the building, typically at 12 foot centres.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years	
Action Priority	Desirable	
Rating	Unsatisfactory	

Determine the cause of the movement causing unevenness in the floor system, and design a stabilization plan, as part of any major renovation. Provide remedial action to prevent further movement of the floor system.

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The drawings indicate the floor is framed with nominal 2 x 10's, made up into stressed skin panels spanning between nail-laminated  $(3 - 2 \times 10^{\circ}s)$  primary beams positioned laterally across the structure, carried on piles. The floor framing appears solid, stable, and durable except where foundation movement has occurred.

14 B1010.4 L100 Floor Decks, Slabs and Sheathing

The drawings indicate a 5/8 inch thick plywood subfloor laid over nominal 2 x 6 sleepers at 16 inch centres, and overlain with a 1/4 inch thick plywood finish material underlay. The floor appears solid, durable and level, except in those areas affected by foundation movement.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years	
Action Priority	None	
Rating	Good	

No recommended action.

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The drawings indicate a 2 mil polyethylene sheet air/vapour barrier is sandwiched between the subfloor and the 1/4 inch thick underlayment panels. The resilient sheet flooring which covers the floor is also a continuous and effective air/vapour barrier, except below non-load bearing interior partitions, where the polyethylene sheeting would run. The air/vapour barrier appears to be performing well, as no evidence of air infiltration was found on the day of the visit. The building has no mechanical ventilation system, so the floor would currently be operating with a slight negative pressure, caused by the stack effect of the building.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Good

The air/vapour barrier function is working well with the floor assembly operating at neutral or slight negative pressure. In the event the building becomes mechanically ventilated and operating at positive air pressure, the air/vapour barrier of the floor should be checked for air leakage with a thermographic survey, then any leaks sealed.

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16 B1010.6 L100 Floor Thermal Insulation

The drawings indicate the joist cavities are filled with friction fit fibrous insulation. Interior floor temperatures were warm and consistent, with no apparent cold spots.

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B1010.7 L100 Floor Exterior Soffit

Plywood lines the underside of the main floor, forming a continuous soffit which, in this kind of construction, generally acts as an air barrier if the joints are well sealed, restricting the flow, by induced stack effect, of cold exterior air into the floor assembly. The soffit has unsealed open joints at many locations, although the plywood panels are typically evenly installed, tight to the framing above, and well fastened.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

Verify the floor air/vapour barrier is continuous by thermographic analysis with the building under positive internal air pressure, if a new mechanical ventilation system is installed. Upgrade the joints in the soffit to eliminate any detected air leakage locations.

#### 18 B1010.8 L100 Floor Fire-Stopping / Fire Resistance Rating

The floor is required to have a *fire resistance rating* of 45 minutes for conformance to *NBCC 1995 Article 3.2.2.47*. The floor assembly described on the construction drawings does not meet the current requirement, but was accepted by the *Authority having jurisdiction* in 1977, and signed accordingly. The floor *fire resistance rating* was judged to conform to the requirements in effect at the time of construction. Fire stopping is concealed within the finish materials and cannot be evaluated without removing portions of the finishes.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

In the event of a major renovation, verify conformance to current requirements from the *Authority having jurisdiction* for the existing floor assembly, or upgrade the assembly to a 45 minute *fire resistance rating*. If verification of the fire stopping is required, remove sufficient materials to verify fire stopping materials installed at joints between the utilidette walls, the exterior walls, and the floor assembly are continuous and tight.

#### 19 B1011 Upper (or Attic Space) Floor Construction

The attic floor is shown on the drawings to be constructed of prefabricated wood trusses, and insulated with 9 inch thick fibrous insulation above a 2 mil thick polyethylene sheet air/vapour barrier, supported by a 5/8 inch thick Firecode "C" gypsum board ceiling. The assembly appears to be stable, well anchored and durable.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.

<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	Not Evaluated
Action Priority	Mandatory
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Determine the compartmentation of the attic conforms to the code requirement, and if it does not, install fire-stopping as required.

20 B1011.8 Upper Floor (or Attic Space) Fire-Stopping / Fire Resistance Rating

The *attic* is required to be separated into compartments no greater in area than 300 square metres with no dimension exceeding 20 metres, as it is likely to contain materials with a *flame-spread rating* greater than 25, as required by *NBCC 1995 Article 3.1.11.5*, and table *D-3.1.1.A.* The *attic* compartmentation was not verified in the allowed time, and the construction drawings do not indicate an attic plan.

# 21 B1020 Roof Construction

The drawings indicate the roof is framed from prefabricated wood trusses at 2 foot centres, and decked with 5/8 inch thick plywood sheets. This assembly exceeds current deck standards for this type of construction. No visual indication of structural deformation was observed during a visual inspection of the exterior of the roof from the ground, indicating bearing walls and beams supporting it are in good condition. The roof was not inspected for weakened portions of decking, nor for strain indications in the framing system visible within the attic space.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Over 15 Years
Suggestion
Good

While apparently in good and durable condition, the roof construction assembly should be inspected, and the deck checked for soft spots, when the roof is free of snow. Refer also to Record B3010 Roof Coverings - Water-Shedding Membranes, and perform a comprehensive roof system evaluation.



#### B1020.6 Roof Air/Vapour Barriers

The roof system has soffit vents to let air into the attic, but only the east gable appears to have an outlet vent. The drawings indicate a 2 mil thick polyethylene sheet air/vapour barrier is installed at the underside of the roof framing, mechanically supported by a 5/8 inch thick gypsum board ceiling. Some deterioration of the air/vapour barrier around penetrations through the ceiling plane (mechanical room) is apparent, but no systematic evidence of water staining from melted attic condensate was found. There is no frost plume present around the gable end outlet vent, indicating lack of moisture in the attic, and a well-performing air/vapour barrier.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

Add a gable end vent into the west gable to ensure effective flow of ventilation air through the attic. If a more detailed analysis of the performance of the roof air/vapour barrier is needed, or in the event of a decision to positively pressurize the building envelope with a mechanical ventilation system, do a thermographic survey of the roof system to locate any breaks in the air/vapour barrier, so they may be sealed.

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# B1020.7 Roof Thermal Insulation

Roof thermal insulation is indicated as both "R30" and "9 inch insulation" on the record drawings. Ceiling temperatures in the corridors and rooms are reasonably consistent, and ranged from a low of 17 Degrees Celsius to a high of 23 Degrees Celsius at the time of the evaluation. Current *Good Building Practice* (GBP) standards suggest R40 (RSI 7.0) would be appropriate roof insulation levels for Aklavik, which has 10,000 heating degree days.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Satisfactory

In the event of a major building renovation, consider increasing the roof insulation to current *Good Building Practice* guidelines if it is cost effective to do so.



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B1020.8 Roof Fire-Stopping / Fire Resistance Rating

#### Refer to Record B1011.8.



**B20 EXTERIOR CLOSURE** 

The weather enclosing envelope appears to be performing adequately for the age and construction type. Deficiencies arising from some structural deterioration, attributable to foundation system movement, are the only progressive deterioration effects that will substantially reduce the remaining service life of the building envelope. Components of the wall assembly may be economical to upgrade as part of any planned major renovation.

Remaining Service Life	Not Evaluated
Action Priority	Mandatory
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Refer to Record B1011.8.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

26 B2010 Exterior Walls

Exterior walls generally are performing well, except for

some exterior cladding coming loose, minor structural deformation (wall out of plumb) at one portion, and moisture deterioration of the assembly localized to some window surrounds. Air/vapour barrier and thermal insulation may not meet contemporary standards, but appear to be performing adequately.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

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B2010.1 Exterior Walls Exterior Skin

Original prefinished composition siding (Canfor "CanExel" siding visible inside the smoker's room) has been replaced at other locations of the exterior with a "Masonite" or ABTCO/ABITIBI style interlocking composition board siding. The siding is bowing and coming loose at numerous locations. Corrosion is visible on some fasteners and metal splice plates. Problems with this type of siding are the subject of current litigation in the USA. A photo from the web site

(http://www.sidingclaims.com/abtco/damage.shtml) tracking the litigation shows a photo typical of the condition of the product. The looseness of the siding on this building may be due to structural flexing of the wall from building movement, and inadequate initial fastening. In addition, the siding appears to have been installed without back venting (not rain screen method). Where the siding is loose, snow and rain will be able to enter behind the siding, where the moisture will corrode fasteners and cause deterioration of the wood fibres in the material.

Gable ends of the roof are clad with oriented strand or chip board, painted. They are visually uneven in places, indicating loose fasteners.

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

As part of routine building repair and maintenance, re-nail the siding where it has come loose from the wall. As part of any major renovation of the building, include for replacement of the siding with a more durable product mounted on the wall with the rainscreen method so it can dry by natural ventilation.

Check panels for tightness and install new fasteners as required to hold panels secure and tight to the framing which supports them.

B2010.2 Exterior Wall Construction

Exterior walls typically appear plumb, stable and durable. One portion of the south wall of the east wing appears to have some structural distortion of the framing (tilted out of plumb) possibly due to foundation system movement.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

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# B2010.3 Exterior Wall Air / Vapour Barrier

The polyethylene sheet air/vapour barrier is not indicated on the drawings, but the term "V.B" is used in description of the wall assembly. The wall air/vapour barrier appears to be performing well except around windows, where there are some indications of vapour transmission through the wall assembly.

#### 30 B2010.4 Exterior Wall Thermal Insulation

Thermal insulation is concealed within the wall assembly and could not be examined directly. No systematic cold spots were found on the interior surfaces of the walls when exterior temperatures were minus 38 Degrees Celsius. The drawings indicate fibrous insulation to a value of R15 (RSI 2.6) in the framing cavities. Another description on the drawings indicates an additional R7.5 (RSI 1.3) of rigid foamed plastic insulation installed on the exterior of the framing. Current *Good Building Practice* recommendation is RSI 4.9 (R30) for walls. While somewhat less than the recommended value, the insulation appears adequate for the exterior conditions at the time of evaluation, but might allow condensate formation on some portions of interior walls when exterior temperatures fall below minus 45 Degrees Celsius for extended periods of time.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

While satisfactory, the connection of the air/vapour barrier to the window frames may be loose at some locations. As part of replacing the windows (Record B2020.1) ensure the wall air/vapour barrier is fully sealed to the new frames, and joints in it near the windows are fully sealed.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

While satisfactory at the time of evaluation, the walls may be inadequately insulated for more extreme winters. In the event of a major building renovation, consider adding additional thermal insulation to the walls if thermographic scanning and cost benefit analysis demonstrates to do so would be cost effective for heat savings.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

**31** B2010.5 Exterior Wall Interior Skin

Gypsum wallboard used throughout the building is in good condition except where structural deformation has caused it to crack, or where condensate or water leaks near windows have caused deterioration.

# 32 B2020 Exterior Windows

Exterior windows appear to be original units, and are at the end of their economic service life.

#### 33 B2020.1 Exterior Windows - Standard Thermal Units

Originally installed wood-framed, paint-finished windows have fixed lights and operable ventilating sash, carrying sealed double pane glazing units in apparent good condition. Some sash is warped and does not close. Sash latches are loose and ventilators do not seal tightly. Seals are worn and deteriorated, showing signs of water leakage stains on the interior wood. Many windows have signs of water damage to the gypsum wallboard near the sills. Exterior paint finish is typically cracked and flaking. The air leakage rates through this style of window are excessive by contemporary standards. Connection of the frames to the air/vapour barrier may be insufficient, as many windows have evidence of moisture migration on the painted exterior trim.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Suggestion
Rating	Good

No required action, other than routine periodic maintenance.

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

As part of any renovation, replace all windows with thermally broken twin-sealed glazing units, using low emissivity glass, in thermally broken sash and frames, meeting test standards for windows identified in the *National Building Code of Canada 1995*.

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

34 B2030

B2030 Exterior Doors

Exterior doors are generally in satisfactory condition, but may need to be repositioned to incorporate current requirements for *barrier-free access*.



B2030.1 Exterior Entrance Doors

The exterior entrance door is a flush panel metal exterior grade door in satisfactory operating condition. Weather seals are worn and could be upgraded to reduce air drafts, but the door operates smoothly.



B2030.2 Exterior Utility Doors

Exterior doors at the end of the east and west wings are flush panel metal clad exterior grade doors. Exterior utility doors do not close automatically on the closers. Other hardware is well adjusted and operates as required. Weather-stripping is in good condition, but door paint is deteriorated.

Glazed sliding doors lead from the lounge to the smoker's porch on the west side. The roller wheels on the sliding door are worn, making the door operation stiff.

The door from the smoker's porch to the south-facing exterior deck is a metal pan insulated residential grade door. It is in satisfactory operating condition.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Adjust exterior utility doors for automatic closing. Repaint detoriorated finish as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

Replace roller wheels on the door as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

No recommended action other than periodic adjustment and maintenance.

Not Evaluated

Desirable

Satisfactory

RECOMMENDATIONS

**Remaining Service Life** 

See applicable detail records.

**Action Priority** 

Rating

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

#### 37 B30 ROOFING

Roofing was not evaluated, but appears to be functioning well, with no systematic evidence of water leakage visible from the interior. Major water leakage damage at the mechanical room chimney appears to be from a failed flashing, and localized ice-damming.

#### 38 B3010 Roof Coverings - Water-Shedding Membranes

The roof has a 4 in 12 pitch and is covered with asphalt shingles. The snow covered shingles were not visible and could not be evaluated, but no systematic evidence of water intrusion was found during examination of the interior ceilings.

Remaining Service Life	Not Evaluated
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Inspect the roof membrane when it is clear of snow to determine the remaining service life.

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Asphalt shingles appear to be evenly installed and show no sign of deterioration (as indicated by water leakage) at all locations in the building except in the mechanical room, where apparent ice-damming around the chimney flashing has resulted in a major water leak. Roofing membranes should be inspected for continuity, adhesion (tightness) and material condition every year, and as this roof was covered with snow at the time of evaluation, could not be examined in detail.

Remaining Service Life	Not applicable
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Inspect the shingles when they are clear of snow, to determine remaining service life. In the event of a major renovation, consider upgrading the roof membrane to a continuous (torched on) membrane, which will provide longer service and less chance of water intrusion caused by ice-damming.

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

**40** B3010.4 Flashing and Sheet Metal Accessories

Major water damage to the mechanical room ceiling around the chimney is localized, and likely due to ice-damming near the high heat loss from the chimney, and failure of the metal flashing (roof jack) around the chimney. Ice damming can be minimized if the heat escaping into the attic space from the mechanical room is reduced, and the attic well enough ventilated to keep the roof surface cold in winter.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Replace the roof flashing and chimney jack, ensuring they extend a full 200 mm above the drainage plane and 600 mm up the slope, and are sleeved tightly to the chimney barrel. Replace the gypsum board ceiling finish, and install a metal thimble fitting around the chimney at the ceiling, to allow high temperature caulking to be installed, sealing all air gaps where the chimney passes through the ceiling.

#### 41 C INTERIORS

# Interiors are typical of the era of construction, with some

components (*fire-resistance rated* doors) near the end of their service life. Interior finishes have reasonable remaining service life, providing some shortcomings (*fire separations* and *closures*, wall surface repairs) are addressed.

# 42 C10 INTERIOR CONSTRUCTION

Interior construction - partitions, doors and specialties - is typically in satisfactory condition except where minor structural movement has caused cracking. Some doors do not meet current code standards.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

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#### CONDITION OR STATUS



43 C1010 Interior Partitions

Interior partitions are typically in good condition with ample remaining service life. Wallboard cracks in some *fire separations* require repair.

44	C1010.1 Interior Fixed Partitions - No Fire	
	Resistance Rating	

Interior partitions are typically in good condition with ample remaining service life, except where structural movement has caused the surface materials to crack. Locations include the doorway between the kitchen and the dry storage room, walls near the mechanical room, and the washroom next to the mechanical room.



RECOMMENDATIONS

**Remaining Service Life** 

See applicable detail records.

**Action Priority** 

Rating

While partition condition is satisfactory, localized repairs to partition finishes are needed, once the cause of structural movement has been identified, and the building movement stopped.

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45 C1010.2 Interior Fixed Partitions - Fire Resistance Rated

Interior *fire-resistance rated* partitions around the mechanical room have numerous cracks in the finish materials and holes around penetrations, which compromise the continuity of the *fire separation* function of the walls. *Fire-resistance rated* partitions in other locations appear to be continuous, except for some *closures* (doors, vents) through them which are not conformed with the required *fire protection rating* labels.

# Remaining Service Life0 to 5 YearsAction PriorityHigh PriorityRatingUnsatisfactory

Repair the breaches in the walls to restore the continuity of the *fire separation* as part of immediate remedial maintenance. Refer to Record C1020.3 - Interior Fire Rated Doors for further information.

#### 46 C1020 Interior Doors

Interior doors are generally in satisfactory condition, except for doors required to have a *fire protection rating*.

<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details
See applicable detail r	ecords.

7 C1020.1 Interior Swinging Doors

Interior doors vary in type and grade depending on location in the building. Doors typically are well adjusted, have satisfactorily operating hardware, and have reasonable remaining service life.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life5 to 10 YearsAction PriorityNoneRatingSatisfactory

No recommended action.

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Vestibule doors at the main entrance and both exits were stood open on wedges, defeating the heat retention function of the vestibules. Exit vestibule doors also have additional *fire protection rating*, as they consist of wired glass in metal frames. This creates areas of refuge in the corridors next to each exit.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Keep inner entrance doors closed in winter, to reduce cold air entry into the building and reduce heating costs.

49	C1020.3 Interior Fire-Rated Doors	
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Doors to rooms and suites do not have self-closing devices, and the doors and frames have no *fire protection rating* labels. For conformance to *NBCC 1995* Articles *3.1.8.10* and *3.1.8.11*, door assemblies in the *fire separation* between rooms or suites and corridors must have a 20 minute *fire protection rating* and must be equipped with a self-closing device.

The mechanical room door assembly is required to have a 45 minute *fire protection rating* but has no visible labels, which seem to be missing or painted over.

<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Code Upgrade
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Verify the *fire protection rating* of the suite door assemblies as 20 minutes, or replace them with new doors and frames that meet the requirement.

Verify the mechanical room door assembly has a 45 minute *fire protection rating*, or replace it with a new conforming door assembly.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

50 C1030 Interior Specialties

Interior specialties which were evaluated vary in age, condition and type.

#### 51 C1030.4 Storage Shelving and Cabinets

Metal kitchen cabinets in individual suites are in fair to poor condition. Some melamine cabinet doors are loose and poorly aligned. Plastic laminate counter tops are typically near the end of their service life, with splits, cracks and loose laminate sections not uncommon.

Cabinets in the main kitchen, laundry and storage areas are in typical good condition for their age. They are made from edge trimmed plywood, and have at least 10 years remaining service life.

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C1030.5 Toilet and Bath Accessories

Bath accessories in the therapeutic bathing room appear to meet technical and program requirements. Bath accessories (towel racks, shower curtain rods, tissue dispensers and similar) in the living units were not evaluated.

**53** C1030.6 Wardrobe and Closet Access

Metal closet shelving and hanging rods in suites are in good condition.

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Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

Repair loose doors and fittings as part of routine building maintenance. In the event of a major renovation, replace the metal cabinets with new units.

No recommended action, other than periodic repainting and repair, as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

Remaining Service Life	Not Evaluated
Action Priority	None
Rating	Not Determined

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.

10 to 15 Years

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

# 54 C30 INTERIOR FINISHES

Interior finishes have been upgraded periodically and have ample remaining service life. Minor damage from structural movement affects limited portions of walls and ceilings.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

**Remaining Service Life** 

# 55 C3010 Interior Wall Finishes

Interior walls are typically finished with gypsum wall board, paint finished. The wallboard condition is satisfactory in most locations except where water damage and structural deformation has caused cracking or crumbling, and delamination of the surface ivory face paper.

Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory
No required action of	har than routing

No required action other than routine periodic maintenance.

<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

The damaged portions of the gypsum board walls should be filled and refinished once the building movement causing the cracking has been stopped, and the water entry points near windows sealed.

Gypsum board walls are in good condition except where

C3010.1 Gypsum Board Wall Finish

water damage near windows has deteriorated the surface and crumbled the board, and in areas where structural movement has caused cracking (such as the mechanical room, lounge area wash room, and in the food storage area).

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: 67 - 1 2 - 2 C3010.4 Tile Wall Finishes

Ceramic tile backsplashes in kitchens in individual suites are nearing the end of their service life. Some kitchen back splash tiles are loose and cracked from structural strain in walls and aged adhesives.

Tub surrounds in suites are typically solid, with the occasional loose tile. Grout should be removed and replaced in some stained areas. Ceramic wall tiles are more difficult to keep clean and sanitized than continuous water proof coatings, because of the grout filled joints.

Ceramic wall tiles in the therapeutic tub room (Rm. 148) are in very good condition.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

Replace tiles and re-grout as part of routine building maintenance.

Consider replacing tile tub surrounds in individual suites with moulded acrylic liners, as part of any proposed renovation of the building.

No required action.

	<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	10 to 15 Years
	Action Priority	Suggestion
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No required action other than routine periodic maintenance for damaged areas.

Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

58 C3010.7 Interior Wall Painting

Wall painting is typically good throughout except in service areas and water-damaged areas.

#### 59 C3020 Interior Floor Finishes

Resilient flooring is typically in good condition throughout the building. Wood flooring in the mechanical room is due for replacement.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

C3020.2 Resilient Flooring 60

Resilient sheet vinyl flooring used throughout the facility is in good condition with ample remaining service life.

#### C3020.5 Wood Flooring 61

Unpainted plywood flooring in the mechanical room has deteriorated from wetting and some structural movement. The face veneer is worn or broken in many places. The floor will easily absorb spilled liquids, and is developing areas which will be slipping and tripping hazards.



#### C3030 Interior Ceiling Finishes

Suspended ceiling system has about 150 mm clearance above it to the gypsum board liner on the underside of roof structure. The suspended ceiling is in good condition. The concealed gypsum board ceiling was not examined in detail.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

RECOMMENDATIONS

No recommended action.

Rating

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Replace the plywood floor with new materials, as part of ongoing repair and maintenance.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

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C3030.1 Gypsum Board Ceiling

Gypsum board ceilings where visible are in typical good condition except where extensive water damage in the mechanical room has caused the ceiling to collapse around the main chimney, and unsealed holes around conduits were found.

The mechanical room ceiling forms part of the *fire-resistance rating* of the roof above the mechanical room, which is required to be constructed as a one hour *fire separation*, in accordance with NWT *Fire Marshal Technical Bulletin "SERVICE ROOM CONSTRUCTION"* (FM-056-98).

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service LifeOver 15 YearsAction PriorityMandatoryRatingUnsatisfactory

Replace the gypsum board ceiling in the mechanical room with new materials to achieve a one hour *fire-resistance rating*. Ensure all holes are sealed so the *fire separation* is continuous.

64 C3030.2 Suspended Ceiling System

A suspended tee-bar system is installed in most rooms a distance of 150 mm below the original gypsum board ceiling. The clearance is typically adequate to allow removal and replacement of the acoustic units. The metal suspension system and the acoustic units are typically in clean, unstained, and undamaged condition.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.



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# G BUILDING SITE WORK

Building site work is basic but satisfactory. Some future consideration could be given to ensuring surface water drains away from the open crawl space under the building in spring, and to better maintenance of the wood-framed access ramps, stairs and decks. *Guards* and *handrails* and *barrier-free access* provisions require updating to current code standards.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

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The site does not appear to have been originally graded to provide effective surface water drainage.

67 G1040 Site Earthwork

Grading is insufficient to divert surface drainage water away from the perimeter of the building.

**68** G1040.1 Grading Excavating Backfilling and Compacting

The site drains poorly, allowing surface water to enter and be retained in the crawl space below the building, where it wets the timber piles and speeds up rotting.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	Not operational
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	Not operational
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Regrade the site so surface water drains away from the building in all directions and no surface water is retained in the crawl space.

# 69 G20 SITE IMPROVEMENTS

Site improvements are austere and minimal. Parking areas do not appear to be set out, and vehicles can approach all sides of the building. Access for emergency and service vehicles is good.

# 70 G2010 Roadways

Roadways provide access to three sides of the building, and to the south side of the site near the river.

71	G2010.1 Road	ways - Acce	ss to Buil	ding Service	
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The roadways on the north, east and west sides provide access to all service points and for emergency service vehicles.



Site development is minimal but appears adequate for limited outdoor activities.

73 G2040.3 Site Furnishings and Specialties

Picnic tables and barbecue stands provide modest activity sites around the building exterior.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Varies See Details
Varies See Details
Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

74 G2060 Exterior Building Access

Access to the main entrance, the south side deck, and the exits at the east and west ends are deteriorating from lack of protection to the wood, and do not all conform to current code requirements.

G2060.1 Exterior Access Stairs

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Code Upgrade
Rating	Unsatisfactory

See applicable detail records.

<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	5 to 10 Years
Action Priority	Code Upgrade
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Wood-framed exterior access stairs at the main entrance are framed from unprotected nominal 38 mm thick dimensioned lumber. The stairs and guards do not meet current code conformance. Guards on the stairs facilitate climbing and have openings which can pass a sphere 100 mm in diameter, contravening article *NBCC 1995 3.4.6.5*. Children can

Handrails, as required by article *NBCC 1995 3.4.6.4* for exit stairs, are not provided.

access the guards and are at risk of injury from falling.

The stairs are partly constructed from poorly protected nominal 38 mm thick dimensioned lumber, which is deteriorating through moisture absorption. Some of the material is protected with wood preservative. Provide conforming guards.

Provide conforming handrails.

Sand, scrape and restain the stairs and related unprotected portions of the wood structure, as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

76	G2060.2 Exterior Access Ramps	
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*Barrer-free access* ramps are provided at the east and west exit landings, as well as at the north entrance. The ramp slopes appear to conform to current standards, but clearance at the doors for wheelchair positioning does not have the 600 mm clear space on the approach side, required by *NBCC 1995 Articles 3.8.3.3.10*(*a*) and *3.8.3.4.1*(*c*).

Guards on the access ramps facilitate climbing and have openings which can pass a sphere 100 mm in diameter, contravening *NBCC 1995 Articles 3.4.6.5*. Children can access the guards and are at risk of injury from falling.

Handrails, as required by *NBCC 1995 Articles 3.4.6.4* for exit ramps, and by article *NBCC 1995 3.8.3.4.1)e*) for ramps in a *barrier-free* path of travel, are not provided.

The ramps are partly constructed from poorly protected nominal 38 mm thick dimensioned lumber, which is deteriorating through moisture absorption. Some of the material is preservative treated.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life5 to 10 YearsAction PriorityCode UpgradeRatingUnsatisfactory

The clearances conformed to requirements in effect at the time of construction. In the case of a major renovation, provide the required *barrier-free access* clearances.

Provide conforming guards.

Provide conforming handrails.

Sand, scrape and restain the ramps and related unprotected portions of the wood structure, as part of routine building repair and maintenance.

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS**

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An access deck on the south side of the building provides an additional means of egress from the central lounge. The plywood deck was mostly snow covered at the time of evaluation, but appears to be in satisfactory condition. The guards around the perimeter and to the wood-framed stair leading to grade conform to height and openness stipulations, but the lumber from which they are constructed is deteriorating from moisture absorption resulting from deteriorated finishes.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Scrape, sand and restain the wood materials on the deck and related construction to conserve their remaining service life.







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#### 3.1 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### Mechanical

و مرجود می	Record	System, Subsystem or Component	Remaining Service Life	Recommended Action Priority	Performance Rating
	1	D20 PLUMBING SYSTEMS	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	2	D2010 Plumbing Fixtures	5 to 10 years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	3	D2020 Domestic Water Distribution	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	4	D2020.1 Water Supply Piping	5 to 10 years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	5	D2020.2 Water Supply Equipment	5 to 10 years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	6	D2030 Sanitary Waste System	10 to 15 Years	None	Good
	7	D30 HEATING, VENTILATING AND AIR	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	8	D3010 Fuel Supply Systems	0 to 5 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	9	D3020.1 Hot Water Boilers	0 to 5 Years	Desirable	Unsatisfactory
	10	D3040.1 Air Distribution Systems	Not Applicable	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	11	D3040.3 Hydronic Distribution Systems	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	12	D3050 Heat Transfer	10 to 15 Years	High Priority	Unsatisfactory
	13	D3060 HVAC Controls and Instrumentation	5 to 10 years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	14	D3060.3 Instrumentation	Not Applicable	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	15	<b>D40 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS</b>	5 to 10 years	Suggestion	Satisfactory
	16	G30 Site Plumbing Utilities	Not Applicable	None	Satisfactory

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#### **3.2 DETAILED FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Mechanical

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

#### 1 D20 PLUMBING SYSTEMS

The plumbing systems, in general, are in good operating condition with only violations relating to current codes and safety concerns.

# 2 D2010 Plumbing Fixtures

Although all plumbing fixtures noted were operational, the water closets, lavatories and trim do not comply with current barrier-free access requirements. Scald protect on the drain lines and tempered water has not been provided to the lavatories in the washrooms.

The operating staff noted that leaks occur at the floor seals of the water closets. This was caused when a new subfloor was installed without lifting the water closet floor flanges. This will result in premature rotting of the floor.

At the time of the site visit the Century Tub was not in operation and building maintenance staff indicated difficulty sourcing replacement parts.

# 3 D2020 Domestic Water Distribution

The domestic water distribution is copper and is in generally good working order. There are some code deficiencies as detailed in the detailed records.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

As part of any contemplated renovations, ensure the plumbing fixtures in the facility are brought up to current codes.

Either raise the floor flange on the water closets or install thicker wax seals.

Continue searching for replacement parts and, if unsuccessful, review replacement of the tub.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

#### Mechanical

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

D2020.1 Water Supply Piping

The water supply piping is copper and generally insulated throughout. Some new water lines, especially in the boiler room, have not been insulated.

ABS piping and galvanized fittings have been used on the fill line to the water tank and in some other locations. Refer to **Photo M2.B.** The *Canadian Plumbing Code* does not allow ABS pipe or galvanized fittings on potable water systems.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Insulate new water lines and repair insulation that is loose or has fallen off.

Replace the galvanized fittings and ABS pipe with approved pipe as shown in *Table A-2.5, 2.6, 2.7* of the *Canadian Plumbing Code.* 



# D2020.2 Water Supply Equipment

Potable water is stored in a 10,000 litre (approximate) fibreglass rectangular water tank located in the storage room. There is significant bulging of the side wall of the water tank as shown in **Photo M2.C.** If this deflection of the tank wall is allowed to continue, it will lead to failure of the tank.

A single pressure pump and expansion tanks provide pressurized water to the building. **Refer to Photo M2.D.** Although operational, comments from the staff indicate that there isn't sufficient capacity for the demand in the facility.

A new Aero fuel oil-fired domestic water heater has been installed in the boiler room. The unit appears to be in good condition with ample capacity. **Refer to Photo M1.D.** In-line circulators circulate domestic hot water throughout the facility.

Remaining Service Life	5 to 10 years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Provide support bracing for the water storage tank walls, in order to extend the life of the tank.

Consider installing a larger pump to meet the water demand in the facility.

No action required.

D2030 Sanitary Waste System

The sanitary waste system in the building appears to be original and is primarily copper throughout. Some ABS piping has been installed in renovated or repair areas. The sanitary system drains by gravity through the underbuilding utilidette to two insulated sewage holding tanks located at either end of the building. The system appears to be in good condition with no complaints from operating staff.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Good

No required action.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	Varies See Details
Rating	Varies See Details

See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Code Upgrade
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Review the fuel oil consumption requirements for the facility and install a new approved fuel oil storage and distribution system.

Provide drip pans as required.

Refer to the following detailed records for information on the heating and ventilation systems.

#### 8 D3010 Fuel Supply Systems

The fuel oil system consists of three 1,135 litre exterior fuel oil tanks piped in parallel and supported by a wooden stand. The fuel oil gravity feeds to the oil-burning appliances in the boiler room. The tanks are not ULC labeled and the combined storage capacity of 3,400 litres exceeds the capacity of 2,500 litres which requires secondary containment, in accordance with *CAN/CSA- B139-00 Installation Code for Oil-Burning Equipment*. The wooden support stand also does not comply with the code.

Drip pans have not been installed under the oil-burning appliances.

#### Mechanical

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

9 D3020.1 Hot Water Boilers

The building is heated by two fuel oil-fired Weil McLain hydronic boilers. The boilers appear to be original and the building operators indicate one boiler is leaking at the seals. The chimneys are also showing signs of corrosion.

10 D3040.1 Air Distribution Systems

The building does not have any mechanical ventilation, only natural ventilation by opening windows. This does comply with current ventilation code requirements.

The individual washrooms and the kitchen range hood are provided with individual exhaust fans. The washroom exhaust fans discharge to the underside of the building. The fans all appear to be operational.

11 D3040.3 Hydronic Distribution Systems

In general the hydronic heating system is in good operating condition with the exception of evidence of leaks in the boiler room. With the exception of the boiler room piping, insulation is in place on the distribution mains.

A glycol sample was not taken for analysis.

The system does not have a bypass valve or loop to maintain minimum flow in the system during light load conditions.

Two new in-line circulating pumps have been installed and are in good condition.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	0 to 5 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Provide repairs to the boilers and chimneys, as required. A further investigation into the remaining service life of the boilers should also be performed during system shutdown.

Remaining Service Life	Not Applicable	
Action Priority	Code Upgrade	
Rating	Unsatisfactory	

As part of any contemplated renovations provide mechanical ventilation to the requirements of *ASHRAE Standard 62*.

No required action.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Ensure all leaks are repaired and insulation is replaced and properly secured.

A glycol sample should be analysed for proper freeze protection & inhibitor levels.

Consider installing a bypass valve or loop to maintain minimum flow in the system.

No action required.

#### Mechanical

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

12	D3050 Heat Transfer	

The heat transfer systems in the building consist of zoned baseboard radiation throughout, combined with force flow cabinet units in the shower room and entrances.

The force flow cabinet heater in the shower room poses an electrical safety concern due to the wet conditions experienced in the shower room.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Unsatisfactory

Ensure the radiation elements are kept clean.

Ensure the electric fan in the force flow unit is protected with proper ground fault protection.

13	D3060 HVAC Controls and Instrumentation	Remaining Service Life Action Priority Rating	5 to 10 years Suggestion Satisfactory
The te low vo contro safety	emperature controls installed in the facility consist of oltage room thermostats controlling two position of valves on the zoned baseboard radiation. Operating controls are also provided on the two heating boilers.	Provide ongoing service repair of the control control vector (thermostats, control vector) controllers) in the build	ce, calibration and/or omponents alves and ding, as required.
14	D3060.3 Instrumentation	Remaining Service Life Action Priority Rating	Not Applicable Suggestion Satisfactory
Only 1 on the	minimal temperature and pressure gauges are installed two boilers.	Provide additional tem pressure gauges on hea water lines as required	pperature and ating and domestic l.
15	D40 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS	Remaining Service Life Action Priority Rating	5 to 10 years Suggestion Satisfactory
Fire protection is provided in the building by hand-held portable stored pressure fire extinguishers.		Continue required monthly and annual service checks on fire extinguishers and replace units when required.	
16	G30 Site Plumbing Utilities	Remaining Service Life Action Priority Rating	Not Applicable None Satisfactory
Water	r is delivered to the building and sewage is removed the building by the community truck haul system.	No required action.	

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#### 4.1 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### Electrical

بالالتقوير	Record	System, Subsystem or Component	Remaining Service Life	Recommended Action Priority	Performance Rating
	1	D50 ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	2	D5010 Electrical Service and Distribution	10 to 15 Years	Varies See Details	Varies See Details
	3	D5010.3 Main Electrical Switchboards	10 to 15 Years	Code Upgrade	Unsatisfactory
	4	D5010.5 Electrical Branch Circuit Panelboards	10 to 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	5	D5020 Lighting and Branch Wiring	Varies See Details	Varies See Details	Satisfactory
	6	D5020.1 Electrical Branch Wiring	10 to 15 Years	Mandatory	Satisfactory
	7	D5020.2 Interior Lighting	10 to 15 Years	Desirable	Satisfactory
	8	D5020.3 Exterior Lighting	Over 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	9	D5030 Communication and Security Systems	Varies See Details	None	Satisfactory
	10	D5030.1 Alarm and Detection Systems	Varies See Details	None	Satisfactory
	11	D5030.11 Fire Alarm Systems	10 to 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	12	D5030.12 Smoke Detection Systems	10 to 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	13	D5030.15 Security Access Systems	Over 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	14	D5030.3 Voice and Data Systems	Varies See Details	None	Satisfactory
	15	D5030.31 Telephone Systems	10 to 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	16	D5030.32 Paging Systems	Over 15 Years	None	Satisfactory
	17	D5030.5 Television Systems	Not Determined	Desirable	Satisfactory
	18	D5040.2 Packaged Engine Generator Systems	Over 15 Years	High Priority	Satisfactory

#### **CONDITION OR STATUS D50 ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS** 1

See detailed records.

2 **D5010 Electrical Service and Distribution** 

See detailed records.

D5010.3 Main Electrical Switchboards 3

Main switch is rated at 400 amp, 120/240 volt, single phase. Service is fused at 350 amps. The main switch, CT cabinet and a splitter are located in the boiler/electrical room.

Main feeders are 350 MCM. These feeders are only rated at 325 amp according to Table 2 of the Canadian Electrical Code.

The building maintainer indicated that he has had to replace the fuses in this switch. Normally this should only be done by a Journeyman Electrician.

#### D5010.5 Electrical Branch Circuit Panelboards 4

Branch circuitry for most of the building is provided with 4 FPE combination panels that are located in the boiler/ electrical room. Panel A is full, while there is space in the remaining panels.

The suites in the housing wing are fed with small panels that are equipped with plug fuses. These panels are fed from a panel in the electrical room.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details	
Action Priority	Varies See Details	
Rating	Varies See Details	
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See applicable detail records.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years	
Action Priority	Varies See Details	
Rating	Varies See Details	
See applicable detail records.		
<b>Remaining Service Life</b>	10 to 15 Years	
Action Priority	Code Upgrade	
Rating	Unsatisfactory	

Fuses should be reduced to size that the feeders are rated for. If they are too small for building needs then the feeders may have to be replaced to meet the proper ratings.

If building is renovated, recommend the fusible switch be replaced with a circuit breaker type. This will eliminate the requirement for replacing fuses.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

5 D5020 Lighting and Branch Wiring

See detailed records.

6 D5020.1 Electrical Branch Wiring

The branch wiring for the building is concealed and is mainly NMD throughout. Some conduit was used in the service rooms.

The staff/medical room has no power outlets. The pantry and dining/living room require more outlets.

Some of the receptacles on the kitchen counter are showing signs of wear. When appliances are plugged into them the contacts no longer hold them firmly.



D5020.2 Interior Lighting

Interior lighting is made up of 4'-T12 fluorescent fixtures, compact fluorescent wall mount fixtures and some incandescent lights. All switching is line voltage type.

Maintenance staff indicated that bulbs did not seem to be lasting as long as they normally should.

Emergency lighting is provided with battery packs.

8 D5020.3 Exterior Lighting

Exterior is lit with high pressure sodium wall packs.

9 D5030 Communication and Security Systems

See detailed records.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details	
Action Priority	Varies See Details	
Rating	Satisfactory	
See applicable detail records.		
Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years	

Mandatory

Satisfactory

**Action Priority** 

Rating

Install receptacles in the staff/medical room. Add more receptacles in the pantry and the dining/living room.

Replace worn receptacles throughout, especially in the kitchen.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory

Retrofit T12 type lights to T8-electronic ballast during next renovation.

Check voltage supply to ensure that it is within the recommended levels.

Over 15 Years	
None	
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Varies See Details	
None	
Satisfactory	

10 D5030.1 Alarm and Detection Systems

See detailed records.

11 D5030.11 Fire Alarm Systems

A single stage fire alarm system is in use. This is a Ceberus Pyrotronics system. The main panel is mounted in the front and a remote annunciator is in the office.

There are 3 initiating zones in use. Signaling devices are combination bell/strobes.

12 D5030.12 Smoke Detection Systems

Sleeping rooms are equipped with smoke alarms that send a signal to a Sentech panel in the common area as well as an indicating light outside of each room.

13 D5030.15 Security Access Systems

Door sensors are installed on all exterior doors. A signal from these doors is sent to a Sentech panel in the dining room. This will let the staff know if anybody is attempting to leave the premises without their knowledge.

14 D5030.3 Voice and Data Systems

See detailed records.

15 D5030.31 Telephone Systems

Main service is fed overhead and terminates in the electrical / boiler room. Housing suites are all equipped with individual lines. The facility manager has a telephone on a separate line. A common area telephone in the dining room is also equipped with a separate line. A fax machine and an e-mail connection are also provided with lines.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory
No recommended action	on.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	Varies See Details
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory
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No recommended action.

Remaining Service Life	10 to 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

#### Electrical

#### CONDITION OR STATUS

#### 16 D5030.32 Paging Systems

Speakers are mounted in the ceiling throughout. A wall mounted microphone is in the kitchen and another is also in the main office. A Sentech amplifier is mounted in the boiler /electrical room.

Call switches are also located in the sleeping rooms and operate a light outside of the room as well as indication on the panel in the dining room.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	None
Rating	Satisfactory

No recommended action.

#### 17 D5030.5 Television Systems

3 satellite dish systems are in use. One dish is for the entire facility and the other two are privately owned. Coaxial cable has been run above T-bar ceiling in corridors.

18 D5040.2 Packaged Engine Generator Systems

A 4 kw Onan gasoline, engine driven, generator is mounted in a room that is adjacent to the boiler / electrical room. Access door to the room is on the outside of the facility. A manual transfer switch is in the boiler / electrical room. Only the boilers and heating pumps are provided back-up power from this generator.

The zone valves are not on back-up power and have to be manually operated when there is a power outage.

Remaining Service Life	Not Determined
Action Priority	Desirable
Rating	Satisfactory
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Cable and splitter should be tidled up in the boiler/electrical room.

Remaining Service Life	Over 15 Years
Action Priority	High Priority
Rating	Satisfactory

Re-feed power to the valves so they can continue to operate automatically when there is loss of utility power.



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#### 5.0 MAINTENANCE REVIEW – Joe Greenland Centre, Aklavik NT

From a maintenance perspective, a number of items need attention.

#### 5.1 Fire and Safety Issues

- Fire alarm testing is not being recorded as required by the *National Fire Code* and the referenced *ULC S536*.
  - Monthly tests are to be recorded and retained for two years.
  - An annual inspection and testing is to be conducted, and the results documented and retained. There is no documentation that these tests were completed on site.
- Monthly checks of fire extinguishers are not being noted on the tags as required by the *NFC* referenced document *NFPA 10*, *Section 4.3*.
- Internal doors are being wedged open for convenience. This compromizes their usefulness as a fire separation.
- Steps and ramps need to be cleared of snow.

#### 5.2 Mechanical

- Most room thermostats are set to the maximum temperature.
- Piping on fill line for domestic water tank is a combination of copper, galvanized iron and ABS.



Photo 1: Potable water tank fill piping.

- Rain cap is missing from chimney.
- Oil supply pipe is on the floor of mechanical room without protection from damage. This pipe is also a tripping hazard.

#### 5.3 Facility Rooms/Public Services Areas

#### Lounge

- Ceiling tiles have been damaged.
- Door to exit is wedged open.
- Movement crack over the door to the exit.
- Sliding door has both coaxial (satellite dish) cable and an extension cord restricting closure.

#### **Public Washroom**

- Flooring is bubbled and is showing screw heads in the sub-flooring.
- Door lockset is very worn and is loose on the inside to the point of being difficult to operate.
- Movement cracking over door (inside).

#### Laundry Room

- Faucet in laundry tub is dripping steadily.
- Bottom of door is damaged.

#### Tank Room

- Numerous unsealed penetrations of walls.
- Ceiling tile out of place.

#### Kitchen

- Door is not fire rated.
- No fire extinguisher in cooking area of kitchen.
- Kitchen is very warm with no cooking taking place. Staff indicated that temperature become unbearable in the summer.
- No exhaust fan has been installed except range hood that cannot move sufficient air to ventilate this area.
- Lights in range hood do not work.
- Dishwasher has not worked for years.
- Movement cracking above door to storeroom.
- Ceiling tiles are damaged.
- Wall areas were left unpainted during renovations carried out in 1996(?).



Photo 2: Wall not painted during renovation and cord for freezer

• Ceramic tile was not sealed to backsplash during 1996(?) renovation.

#### Pantry

- Extension cord to large freezer is running between door to the kitchen and the door casing.
- Room is very warm. Rejected heat from freezer is contributing to this.
- Hole in ceiling tile around pipes to convector. Tile is stained in this area-indicating leak at some time.

#### **Kitchen Store Room**

- Movement cracking over door to kitchen.
- Ceiling needs to be sealed around conduit.
- Hinges of the freezers are damaging wall.
- Light diffuser is missing.

#### Med Room

- Thermostat is set at 27°c.
- Room has no electrical outlets. This necessitates the use of extension cords.

#### **Administration Office**

- Patch and paint is required.
- Floor inclines to centre of room.
- Door is contacting casing.

#### **Smoking Room**

- Cable from satellite dish is running through window.
- Room is not connected to building heating system.
- Smoke exhaust is provided by a recess type bathroom fan surface mounted on the ceiling and powered by an extension cord through sliding doors.



Photo 3: Exhaust fan in smoking room

#### **Main Entrance**

- Weather-strip on door needs to be replaced.
- Wall around door needs to be patched and painted. There are numerous tack holes around this door.

#### **Room 208**

• Patching and painting is required.

#### **Century Tub Room**

- Sewage gas smell in this room.
- Ceramic tile adhesive is failing.
- No sealant at wall/ceiling joint allowing moisture damage to occur.
- Fire rating label on door casing has been painted over.

#### **Small Laundry Room**

- Light diffuser is missing.
- Wall damage has occurred.

#### Linen Storage

• Light diffuser is missing.

#### Exit by Room 215

- Door from corridor to exit vestibule wedged open.
- Fire rating label on door casing has been painted over.
- Exterior door does not latch on closer.

#### Exit by Room 201

- Fire rating label on door to corridor has been painted over.
- Exterior door is contacting the steps.
- Window at the end of the corridor to the exit vestibule is coated with bird droppings on the outside.



Photo 4: Bird droppings on exterior of window .

#### 5.4 Exterior

- Soffit is loose at the eve on the end wall (over water fill point).
- Access port in skirting by sewage pump-out is missing.
- Visible depression at base of exposed piles.



Photo 5: Depression at base of pile.

- Paint on skirting and most of the windows is peeling.
- There is a profusion of satellite dishes on this building. Many have their cables run through window or door gaps. Installation of a common system might be preferred.
- Siding is loose in places.

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Photo 6: Loose siding.

• Roof on generator building appears to be failing.