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John A. Bonita was born on February 18th, 1969 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. His Mother and Father, Connie and John, raised him there with his sister, Andrea and his brother, Michael. He attended Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania where he received a Bachelors of Arts degree in Geology in 1991. He then attended the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky, where he received a Masters of Science degree in Hydrogeology in 1993. He worked for Schnabel Engineering Associates in West Chester, Pennsylvania for two years as a Senior Staff Hydrogeologist while simultaneously taking Civil Engineering courses at numerous universities in the Philadelphia metropolitan area. He began his graduate work at Virginia Tech in 1995, where he received his Masters of Science degree in Civil Engineering in 1996. He began pursuit of his Ph.D. in Civil Engineering under the guidance of Professors Mitchell and Brandon of Virginia Tech and Paul Mayne of Georgia Tech in the Fall of 1996. He is a registered engineer and geologist in several states in the Northeastern U.S.