

Memorandum

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To: Priscilla Tomlinson, Washington State Department of Ecology

From: Garrett Leque, LG; Terry McPhetridge, LG, LHG

Date: Revised May 25, 2023

File: 25806-001-00

Subject: March 2023 Vapor Intrusion Priority Monitoring: Precision Engineering, Inc. Agreed

Order No. DE 18079

GeoEngineers (GeoEngineers, Inc.) prepared this revised memorandum to summarize results from the sixth quarterly vapor intrusion priority (VIP) air monitoring event conducted at the Precision Engineering, Inc., site. Activities were conducted in accordance with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology)-approved VIP work plan, included as Section 7 of the document titled "Vapor Report: Vapor Intrusion Assessment, Interim Remedial Actions, Vapor Intrusion Priority Work Plan, Precision Engineering, Inc., Site."

This memorandum has been revised to correct a typo regarding the sampler deployment dates.

AIR MONITORING

Radiello 130 passive vapor samplers were deployed in five locations over a three-week period from February 2 to February 23, 2023. The five locations include the office (RAD1), Warehouse 3 (RAD2), Warehouse 1 store front (RAD3), sewing room (RAD4), and near the former TCE tank (RAD5) per the VIP work plan (see attached Figure 1). The samples were analyzed for trichloroethene (TCE) by United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Method TO-17. The laboratory analytical report is provided as Attachment A.

Analytical data and the laboratory's internal quality assurance and quality control data were reviewed to assess whether they met project-specific data quality objectives. A data validation memorandum summarizing data evaluation procedures, data usability, and deviations from specific field and/or laboratory methods is included as Attachment B. The data are considered acceptable for their intended use. TCE was detected in four samples at concentrations ranging from 0.089 to 0.059 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu g/m^3$) which are less than the Model Toxics Control Act Method B indoor air cleanup level of 0.33 $\mu g/m^3$ and less than Ecology's workplace scenario short-term action limit of 7.5 $\mu g/m^3$. One sample was non-detect (RAD2). TCE concentrations at the five sampling locations were the lowest observed since corrective actions were implemented at the site in April 2020. See Table 1 for a summary of the sampling results to date.

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Indoor air TCE concentrations have declined since the April 2020 interim actions. Table 1 summarizes the six sampling events that have occurred since implementation of the interim actions. TCE concentrations in samples collected during the first three events were initially greater than the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Method B cleanup level. TCE has been detected at concentrations less than the screening level

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during the past three sampling events. Therefore, the minor slab issues observed in the fifth quarterly report do not appear to be a concern for indoor air TCE concentrations.

GeoEngineers requests to change from quarterly to semi-annual sampling (twice per year). One sampling event would be performed during the heating season (November through March) with the second event completed during the cooling season (April through October). The next sampling event would be performed in September 2023.

LIMITATIONS

We have prepared this report for the exclusive use of Dick Morgan for the Precision Engineering Site located at 1231 South Director Street, Seattle, Washington. Dick Morgan may distribute copies of this report to authorized agents and regulatory agencies as may be required for the Project.

Within the limitations of scope, schedule and budget, our services have been executed in accordance with generally accepted environmental science practices in this area at the time this report was prepared. The conclusions and opinions presented in this report are based on our professional knowledge, judgment and experience. No warranty, express or implied, applies to this report.

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Attachments:

Table 1. Indoor Air TCE Results
Figure 1. Passive Sampler Locations
Attachment A. Analytical Lab Report
Attachment B. Data Validation Memorandum

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Table 1

Indoor Air TCE Results

Precision Engineering, Inc. Seattle, Washington

Location	Sample Identification	Sample Collection Start Date	Sample Collection End Date	Trichloroethene (μg/m³)
	RAD1-121720	12/17/2020	1/7/2021	0.54
	RAD1-032221	3/22/2021	4/12/2021	0.44
RAD1	RAD1-062121	6/21/2021	7/12/2021	0.42
KADI	RAD1-092021	9/20/2021	10/11/2021	0.27
	RAD1-091622	9/16/2022	10/7/2022	0.19
	RAD1-022323	2/23/2023	3/2/2023	0.052
RAD2	RAD2-022323	2/23/2023	3/2/2023	0.048 U
RAD3	RAD3-022323	2/23/2023	3/2/2023	0.089
	RAD4-121720	12/17/2020	1/7/2021	0.87
	RAD4-032221	3/22/2021	4/12/2021	0.95
RAD4	RAD4-062121	6/21/2021	7/12/2021	0.76
NAD-T	RAD4-092021	9/20/2021	10/11/2021	0.28
	RAD4-091622	9/16/2022	10/7/2022	0.27
	RAD4-022323	2/23/2023	3/2/2023	0.089
	RAD5-121720	12/17/2020	1/7/2021	0.77
	RAD5-032221	3/22/2021	4/12/2021	0.71
2425	RAD5-062121	6/21/2021	7/12/2021	0.38
RAD5	RAD5-092021	9/20/2021	10/11/2021	0.16
	RAD5-091622	9/16/2022	10/7/2022	0.14
	RAD5-022323	2/23/2023	3/2/2023	0.085
MTCA Method B VI CUL ⁽¹⁾				0.33
Indoor Air Action Level, Wo	rkplace Scenario ⁽²⁾			7.5

Notes:

Each sample was collected over a three-week period using a Radiello R130 passive indoor air sampler.

A **bolded** value indicates that the analyte was detected at the reported concentration.

A shaded cell indicated that the analyte was detected at a concentration greater than the MTCA Method B VI CUL

CUL = cleanup level

MTCA = Model Toxics Control Act

 $\mu g/m^3$ = microgram per cubic meter

VI = vapor intrusion

U = analyte not detected above laboratory reporting limits

Reference:



¹ Ecology Cleanup level and risk calculation data tables. Washington State Department of Ecology, Lacey, Washington

² Ecology Implementation Memorandum No. 22 vapor intrusion investigations and short-term trichloroethene toxicity. Washington State Department of Ecology, Lacey, Washington.



Legend

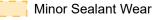
- Shallow Monitoring Well
- Deep Monitoring Well

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- Trichloroethene Tank
- Passive Sampler
- Indoor/Ambient Air
- Sub-slab Soil Gas

Slab Inspection Areas

Unsealed Crack and Seams^(a)

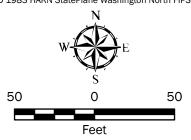


Sealant Peeling from Seams^(a)

Notes:

1. The locations of all features shown are approximate.
2. This drawing is for information purposes. It is intended to assist in showing features discussed in an attached document. GeoEngineers, Inc. cannot guarantee the accuracy and content of electronic files. The master file is stored by GeoEngineers, Inc. and will serve as the official record of this communication.
3. The slab inspection was conducted by GeoEngineers on September 16, 2022. Monitoring well locations were surveyed by True North Surveying. All other locations are approximate.
4. (a) Seams are approximately 1-centimeter deep, linear depressions in the concrete slab with a visible bottom. Seams are not anticipated to contribute to vapor intrusion.

Data Source: 2021 image from King County GIS.
Site features from Figure 2-4 Previous Sample Locations, July 9, 2021, Maul Foster Alongi.
Projection: NAD 1983 HARN StatePlane Washington North FIPS 4601 Feet



Passive Sampler Locations

Precision Engineering, Inc. Seattle, Washington



Figure 1

ATTACHMENT A Analytical Lab Report



3/9/2023 Ms. Katy Atakturk GeoEngineers, Inc. 2101 4th Ave Suite 950

Seattle WA 98121

Project Name: Precision Engines

Project #: 25806-001-00 Workorder #: 2302589

Dear Ms. Katy Atakturk

The following report includes the data for the above referenced project for sample(s) received on 2/27/2023 at Eurofins Air Toxics LLC.

The data and associated QC analyzed by Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC are compliant with the project requirements or laboratory criteria with the exception of the deviations noted in the attached case narrative.

Thank you for choosing Eurofins Air Toxics LLC. for your air analysis needs. Eurofins Air Toxics Inc. is committed to providing accurate data of the highest quality. Please feel free to contact the Project Manager: Monica Tran at 916-985-1000 if you have any questions regarding the data in this report.

Regards,

Monica Tran

Project Manager

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WORK ORDER #: 2302589

Work Order Summary

CLIENT: Ms. Katy Atakturk BILL TO: CORP Accounts Payables

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PHONE: 206-728-2674 **P.O.** #

FAX: 206-728-2732 **PROJECT** # 25806-001-00 Precision Engines

DATE RECEIVED: 02/27/2023 **CONTACT:** Monica Tran **DATE COMPLETED:** 03/09/2023

FRACTION# NAME TEST Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 01A RAD1-022323 Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 02A RAD2-022323 Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 03A RAD3-022323 04A RAD4-022323 Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 05A RAD5-022323 Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC Lab Blank Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 06A 07A **CCV** Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 08A LCS Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC Passive S.E. RAD130/SKC 08AA **LCSD**

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Technical Director

Certification numbers: AZ Licensure AZ0775, FL NELAP – E87680, LA NELAP – 02089, NH NELAP – 209222, NJ NELAP - CA016, NY NELAP - 11291, TX NELAP – T104704434-22-18, UT NELAP – CA009332022-14, VA NELAP - 12240, WA NELAP - C935

Name of Accreditation Body: NELAP/ORELAP (Oregon Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program) Accreditation number: CA300005-017, Effective date: 10/18/2022, Expiration date: 10/17/2023.

Eurofins Air Toxics, LLC certifies that the test results contained in this report meet all requirements of the NELAC standards

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LABORATORY NARRATIVE RAD130 Passive SE by Mod EPA TO-17 GeoEngineers, Inc. Workorder# 2302589

Five Radiello 130 (Solvent) samples were received on February 27, 2023. The laboratory analyzed the charcoal sorbent bed of the passive sampler following modified method EPA TO-17. The VOCs were chemically extracted using carbon disulfide and an aliquot of the extract was injected into a GC/MS for identification and quantification of volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

The mass of each target compound adsorbed by the sampler was converted to units of concentration using the sample deployment time and the sampling rate for each VOC. If sampling rates were calculated by the lab or the manufacturer, the concentration result has been flagged as an estimated value. Results are not corrected for desorption efficiency.

The reference method used for this procedure is EPA TO-17, which describes the collection of VOCs in ambient air using sorbents and analysis by GC/MS. Because TO-17 describes active sample collection using a pump and thermal desorption as the preparation step, several modifications are required. Modifications to TO-17 are listed in the table below:

Requirement	TO-17	ATL Modifications
Sample Collection	Pump pulls measured air volume through sorbent tube	VOCs in air adsorbed onto sorbent bed passively through diffusion
Sample Preparation	Thermal extraction	Solvent extraction
Sorbent tube conditioning	Condition newly packed tubes prior to use	Charcoal-based sorbent is a single use media and conditioning is conducted by vendor.
Instrumentation	Thermal desorption introduction system	Liquid injection introduction system
Internal Standard	Gas-phase internal standard introduced on the tube or focusing trap during analysis	Liquid-phase internal standard introduced on the tube at the time of extraction
Media and sample storage	<4 deg C, 30 days	Media shelf life is determined by vendor; sample hold-time is 6 months for the RAD130 and WMS. Sample preservation requirements are storage in a cool, solvent-free refrigerator and optional use of ice during shipping.
Internal Standard Recovery	+/-40% of daily CCV area	-50% to +100% of daily CCV area

Receiving Notes

There were no receiving discrepancies.

Analytical Notes

The uptake rates were corrected based on average field temperatures if provided. In the absence of field temperatures, the uptake rates determined at 25 deg C were used.

To calculate ug/m3 concentrations in the Lab Blank, a sampling duration of 30240 minutes was applied. The assumed temperature used for the uptake rate is listed on the data page. If the field temperatures were provided, the rate was adjusted in the same manner as the field samples.

Definition of Data Qualifying Flags

Ten qualifiers may have been used on the data analysis sheets and indicate as follows:

- B Compound present in laboratory blank greater than reporting limit (background subtraction not performed).
 - J Estimated value.
 - E Exceeds instrument calibration range.
 - S Saturated peak.
 - Q Exceeds quality control limits.
 - U Compound analyzed for but not detected above the reporting limit.
 - UJ- Non-detected compound associated with low bias in the CCV
 - N The identification is based on presumptive evidence.
 - C Estimated concentration due to calculated sampling rate
 - CN See case narrative explanation.

File extensions may have been used on the data analysis sheets and indicates as follows:

- a-File was requantified
- b-File was quantified by a second column and detector
- r1-File was requantified for the purpose of reissue



Summary of Detected Compounds VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

Client Sample ID: RAD1-022323

Lab ID#: 2302589-01A

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.11	0.052

Client Sample ID: RAD2-022323

Lab ID#: 2302589-02A
No Detections Were Found.

Client Sample ID: RAD3-022323

Lab ID#: 2302589-03A

Compound	Rpt. Limit (ug)	(ug/m3)	Amount (ug)	(ug/m3)	
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.089	

Client Sample ID: RAD4-022323

Lab ID#: 2302589-04A

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.089

Client Sample ID: RAD5-022323

Lab ID#: 2302589-05A

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.085



Client Sample ID: RAD1-022323 Lab ID#: 2302589-01A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

 File Name:
 c030145sim
 Date of Collection: 2/23/23 9:00:00 AM

 Dil. Factor:
 1.00
 Date of Analysis: 3/2/23 04:23 AM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.11	0.052

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30240 minutes.

		Wethod
Surrogates	%Recovery	Limits
Toluene-d8	102	70-130



Client Sample ID: RAD2-022323 Lab ID#: 2302589-02A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030146sim Date of Collection: 2/23/23 9:10:00 AM Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/2/23 04:50 AM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	Not Detected	Not Detected

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30230 minutes.

		Wethod
Surrogates	%Recovery	Limits
Toluene-d8	101	70-130



Client Sample ID: RAD3-022323 Lab ID#: 2302589-03A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030147sim Date of Collection: 2/23/23 8:30:00 AM Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/2/23 05:16 AM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.089

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30170 minutes.

		Wethod	
Surrogates	%Recovery	Limits	
Toluene-d8	102	70-130	



Client Sample ID: RAD4-022323 Lab ID#: 2302589-04A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

 File Name:
 c030148sim
 Date of Collection: 2/23/23 8:50:00 AM

 Dil. Factor:
 1.00
 Date of Analysis: 3/2/23 05:43 AM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.089

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30170 minutes.

		Method
Surrogates	%Recovery	Limits
Toluene-d8	102	70-130



Client Sample ID: RAD5-022323 Lab ID#: 2302589-05A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

 File Name:
 c030149sim
 Date of Collection: 2/23/23 8:40:00 AM

 Dil. Factor:
 1.00
 Date of Analysis: 3/2/23 06:10 AM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount	
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)	
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	0.18	0.085	

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30120 minutes.

		Wethod
Surrogates	%Recovery	Limits
Toluene-d8	101	70-130



Client Sample ID: Lab Blank Lab ID#: 2302589-06A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030134sim Date of Collection: NA

Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/1/23 11:29 PM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

	Rpt. Limit	Rpt. Limit	Amount	Amount	
Compound	(ug)	(ug/m3)	(ug)	(ug/m3)	
Trichloroethene	0.10	0.048	Not Detected	Not Detected	_

Temperature = 77.0F, duration time = 30240 minutes.

Surrogates	%Recovery	Method Limits
Toluene-d8	104	70-130



Client Sample ID: CCV Lab ID#: 2302589-07A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030131sim Date of Collection: NA

Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/1/23 10:08 PM

Date of Extraction: NA

Compound %Recovery

Trichloroethene 111

Container Type: NA - Not Applicable

Surrogates%RecoveryMethod LimitsToluene-d810670-130



Client Sample ID: LCS Lab ID#: 2302589-08A

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030132sim Date of Collection: NA

Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/1/23 10:35 PM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

Compound%RecoveryLimitsTrichloroethene10270-130

Container Type: NA - Not Applicable

Surrogates%RecoveryMethod LimitsToluene-d810370-130



Client Sample ID: LCSD Lab ID#: 2302589-08AA

VOCS BY PASSIVE SAMPLER - GC/MS

File Name: c030133sim Date of Collection: NA

Dil. Factor: 1.00 Date of Analysis: 3/1/23 11:02 PM

Date of Extraction: 3/1/23

Compound%RecoveryLimitsTrichloroethene10470-130

Container Type: NA - Not Applicable

Surrogates%RecoveryMethod
LimitsToluene-d810470-130



Air Toxics

Passive Sorbent Chain of Custody

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Case Seal #:

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ATTACHMENT BData Validation Memorandum



Data Validation Report

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Project: Dick Morgan – Precision Engineering Remedial Investigation

February 2023 Radiello Air Samples

GEI File No: 25806-001-00 **Date:** April 11, 2023

This report documents the results of a United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)-defined Stage 2A data validation (USEPA Document 540-R-08-005; USEPA 2009) of analytical data from the analyses of air samples collected as part of the February 2023 sampling event, and the associated laboratory quality control (QC) samples. The samples were obtained from the Precision Engineering site located at 1231 S Director Street in Seattle, Washington.

OBJECTIVE AND QUALITY CONTROL ELEMENTS

GeoEngineers, Inc. (GeoEngineers) completed the data validation consistent with the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Organic Superfund Methods Data Review (USEPA, 2020) (National Functional Guidelines) to determine if the laboratory analytical results meet the project objectives and are usable for their intended purpose. Data usability was assessed by determining if:

- The samples were analyzed using well-defined and acceptable methods that provide detection and reporting limits below applicable regulatory criteria;
- The precision and accuracy of the data are well-defined and sufficient to provide defensible data; and
- The quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures utilized by the laboratory meet acceptable industry practices and standards.

The data validation included review of the following QC elements:

- Data Package Completeness
- Chain-of-Custody Documentation
- Holding Times
- Surrogate Recoveries
- Method Blanks
- Laboratory Control Samples/Laboratory Control Sample Duplicates
- Continuing Calibrations (CCALs)

VALIDATED SAMPLE DELIVERY GROUPS

This data validation summary included review of the sample delivery group (SDG) listed below in Table 1.

TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF VALIDATED SAMPLE DELIVERY GROUPS

Laboratory SDG	Samples Validated
2302589	RAD1-022323, RAD2-022323, RAD3-022323, RAD4-022323, RAD5-022323

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS PERFORMED

Eurofins Air Toxics, Inc. (Eurofins) located in Folsom, California, performed laboratory analysis on the air samples using the following method:

■ Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) by GC/MS collected on Charcoal-based Passive Samplers

DATA VALIDATION SUMMARY

The results for each of the QC elements are summarized below.

DATA PACKAGE COMPLETENESS

Eurofins analyzed the air samples evaluated as part of this data validation. The laboratory provided the required deliverables for the data validation. The laboratory followed adequate corrective action processes and the identified anomalies were discussed in the case narrative.

Chain-of-Custody Documentation

Chain-of-custody (COC) forms were provided with the laboratory analytical reports. The COC documentation parameters were met.

Holding Times

The holding time is defined as the time that elapses between sample collection and sample analysis. Maximum holding time criteria exist for each analysis to help ensure that the analyte concentrations found at the time of analysis reflect the concentration present at the time of sample collection.

Established holding times were met for the requested analyses.

Surrogate Recoveries

A surrogate compound is a compound that is chemically similar to the organic analytes of interest, but unlikely to be found in an environmental sample. Surrogates are used for organic analyses and are added to the samples, standards, and blanks to serve as an accuracy and specificity check of each analysis. The surrogates are added at a known concentration and percent recoveries are calculated following analysis.

The surrogate recoveries for field samples were within the laboratory control limits.

Method Blanks

Method blanks are analyzed to ensure that laboratory procedures and reagents do not introduce measurable concentrations of the analytes of interest. Method blanks were analyzed with each batch of



samples, at a frequency of 1 per 20 samples. None of the analytes of interest were detected above the reporting limits in the method blanks.

Laboratory Control Samples/Laboratory Control Sample Duplicates

A laboratory control sample (LCS) is a blank sample that is spiked with a known amount of analyte and then analyzed. An LCS is similar to an MS, but without the possibility of matrix interference. As there is no actual sample matrix (such as soil or groundwater) in the analysis, the analytical expectations for accuracy and precision are usually more rigorous and qualification would apply to the samples in the batch, instead of the parent sample only.

Laboratory control sample analyses should be performed once per analytical batch or every 20 field samples, whichever is more frequent. The recovery criteria for laboratory control samples are specified in the laboratory documents, as are the relative percent difference (RPD) control limits for LCS/LCSD sample sets.

The frequency requirements were met for each analysis, and the percent recovery and RPD values were within the proper control limits.

Continuing Calibrations (CCALs)

The continuing calibrations were conducted according to the laboratory methods and consisted of the appropriate number of standards. The percent difference (%D) and relative response factors (RRF) were within the internal laboratory control limits, or the control limits stated in the National Functional Guidelines (USEPA 2020).

OVERALL ASSESSMENT

As was determined by this data validation, the laboratory followed the specified analytical methods. Accuracy was acceptable, as demonstrated by the surrogate and LCS/LCSD percent recovery values. Precision was acceptable, as demonstrated by the LCS/LCSD RPD values.

No analytical results were qualified. The data are acceptable for the intended use.

REFERENCES

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). 2009. "Guidance for Labeling Externally Validated Laboratory Analytical Data for Superfund Use," EPA-540-R-08-005. January 2009.
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