

## **APPENDIX 2**

**2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**

**Garrow Lake Effluent Discharge Monitoring**

**by**

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November 10, 2005

Prairie & Northern Region  
Environment Canada  
Room 200, 4999 98<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
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**Attention: Peter Blackall, Regional Director of Environmental Protection**

Dear Peter Blackall;

**Re: Polaris Mine 2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter MMER Report**

Please find attached the Metal Mining Effluent Regulation (MMER) Report for Polaris Mine for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2005. As Polaris is a remote mine and operations on the site have ceased, collection of MMER and Environmental Effects Monitoring (EEM) data for this year was conducted by small field crews stationed onsite for the first part of the season, and then by flying scientists/ technicians to site on a weekly basis for the latter part of the season. Field crews were onsite when flow initiated in Garrow Creek on approximately June 25, 2005. Flow continued through July and August, and Garrow Creek was observed to be frozen on September 13, 2005.

The MMER effluent characterization monitoring, bioassay testing, and environmental effects monitoring were conducted throughout the quarter. Due to the short season of flow, two sets of acute and sublethal toxicity tests were conducted within the quarter on July 16 and August 9, 2005, corresponding to the dates of EEM quarterly water quality monitoring samples collected at effluent, exposure and reference stations. A quarterly effluent sample plus acute and sublethal toxicity samples were also collected on July 6, 2005, but due to fog conditions at the mine, the toxicity samples did not make it to the labs within holding times and were discarded. The effluent sample was analyzed for the MMER and EEM parameters. No exposure or reference samples were collected on July 6, 2005, since Garrow Bay was still ice-covered.

MMER water quality monitoring was conducted on a weekly basis throughout most of the season. Between August 20 – 23 and after August 27, 2005, access to the site was not possible due to weather conditions. Ken Russell and Jenny Ferone were informed of failed sampling attempts and were updated with weather and safety conditions at the site on a regular basis. On September 13, 2005, a quarterly event with acute toxicity testing was planned. However, upon arrival onsite, it was observed that Garrow Creek (final discharge point) was frozen. A chronology of the 2005 sampling season is presented in Appendix I.

There were no exceedances of MMER Schedule 4 Limits for the 2005 season, and there was no acute toxicity in Rainbow trout and *Daphnia* tests. Holding times for nitrate and alkalinity were exceeded in the July 6, 2005 sample due to an oversight by the ALS lab. This situation is explained in a letter from ALS provided in Appendix J, and is not likely to influence the results.

The following information is included in our 2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter MMER Report:

- Table 1a – Concentrations Of Effluent For MMER Schedule 4 Sampled Weekly
- Table 1b – Monthly Mean Concentrations Of Effluent For MMER Schedule 4
- Table 1c – Mass Loading Of Deleterious Substance For Each Day Sampled
- Table 1d – Mass Loading Per Calendar Month For Each Deleterious Substance
- Table 2 – Results of Acute Lethality Tests and *Daphnia* Magna Monitoring Tests
- Table 3 – Effluent Characterization Water Quality Results (studies conducted under Part 1, Section 4) (Effluent Characterization) (Table 3, Table 5)
- Table 4 – Water Quality Monitoring in Exposure and Reference Stations (Results of studies conducted under Part 1, Section 7)
- Table 5 – QAQC of Effluent and Water Quality Data

#### Additional Appendices

- Appendix A – Information specified by Section 8.1 of Reference Method EPS 1/Rm/13: 96 hr acute rainbow trout test
- Appendix B – Information specified by Section 8.1 of Reference Method EPS 1/Rm/14: 72 hr acute *Daphnia magna* test
- Appendix C – 7-d Topsmelt Growth and Survival Sublethal Toxicity Test
- Appendix D – 92-h Echinoderm Fertilization Sublethal Toxicity Test
- Appendix E – 7-d Sublethal *Champia* (Algae) Sublethal Toxicity Test
- Appendix F – Results of Effluent Characterization, as per Paragraph 15(1)(a)
- Appendix G – Acute Toxicity Testing Reports
- Appendix H – Sublethal Toxicity Testing Reports
- Appendix I – Polaris 2005 Sampling Event Chronology
- Appendix J – Letter from ALS explaining missed holding times of alkalinity and nitrate for July 6, 2005 sample

The MMER and EEM data required to be reported in electronic format were submitted electronically through the RISS online system on November 10 2005. In addition to this hardcopy report, an electronic pdf version of this report is being emailed to you (e-mailed November 10, 2005).

If you have any questions regarding the annual report or aspects of the application of the MMER to the Polaris Mine, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by B. Donald*

Bruce Donald

Attachments: 2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Regulatory Data Tables

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## **Polaris Mine 2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter MMER Report**

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## 2005 3rd QUARTER MMER REPORT

LOCATION - FINAL DISCHARGE POINT FROM GARROW LAKE (GARROW LAKE DAM SIPHONS)

**Table 1a. CONCENTRATIONS OF EFFLUENT FOR MMER SCHEDULE 4 SAMPLED WEEKLY**

Sample Taken During The		DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE (mg/L) <sup>1</sup>								pH <sup>1</sup>	Collection Method
Week of	Sample Taken	Arsenic	Copper	Cyanide	Lead	Nickel	Zinc	TSS	Radium 226 <sup>1</sup>		
3-Jul-05	6-Jul-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00024	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00017	0.00060	0.0127	4	0.0050	7.49	Grab
10-Jul-05	13-Jul-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00061	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00230	0.00088	0.0205	<i>3.0</i>	<i>0.0050</i>	7.48	Grab
10-Jul-05	16-Jul-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00042	0.0444	0.00042	0.00081	0.0179	<i>3.0</i>	0.0090	7.59	Grab
17-Jul-05	23-Jul-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00047	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00024	0.00105	0.0325	<i>3.0</i>	<i>0.0050</i>	7.56	Grab
24-Jul-05	30-Jul-05	0.00021	0.00050	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00020	0.00141	0.0405	<i>3.0</i>	<i>0.0050</i>	7.70	Grab
31-Jul-05	6-Aug-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00052	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00047	0.00166	0.0356	<i>3.0</i>	<i>0.0050</i>	7.65	Grab
7-Aug-05	13-Aug-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00052	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00111	0.00149	0.0310	<i>3.0</i>	0.0080	7.79	Grab
14-Aug-05	24-Aug-05 <sup>3</sup>	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00101	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00093	0.00474	0.0905	4.8	0.0090	8.13	Grab
21-Aug-05	27-Aug-05	<i>0.00020</i>	0.00079	<i>0.0050</i>	0.00076	0.00356	0.0680	3.7	0.0100	7.92	Grab
28-Aug-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>
4-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>
11-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>
18-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>
25-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>

Note<sup>1</sup> - All concentrations are in mg/L except Radium 226 which is Bq/L and pH which is in pH units

Note<sup>2</sup> - "nd" refers to no effluent discharge to sample

Note<sup>3</sup> - due to weather conditions samples could not be collected the week of August 14th, two sets were collected the following week.

*Concentrations in italicized font are less than the detection limit shown.*

**Table 1b. MONTHLY MEAN CONCENTRATIONS OF EFFLUENT FOR MMER SCHEDULE 4**

MONTH OF	MONTHLY <b>MEAN</b> CONCENTRATION <sup>1</sup> OF DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE <sup>3</sup>							
	Arsenic	Copper	Cyanide	Lead	Nickel	Zinc	TSS	Radium 226
July/04	0.0002	0.00045	0.0129	0.00066	0.00095	0.0248	3	0.0058
August/04	0.0002	0.00071	0.00500	0.00082	0.00286	0.0563	3.6	0.0080
September/04	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>	nd <sup>2</sup>

Note<sup>1</sup> - All concentrations are in mg/L except Radium 226 which is Bq/L

Note<sup>2</sup> - "nd" refers to no effluent discharge to sample

Note<sup>3</sup> - Monthly Mean Concentrations - the **MEAN** value of the concentrations measured in all water samples collected during each month when a deleterious substance is deposited.

**Table 1c. MASS LOADING OF DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE FOR EACH DAY SAMPLED**

Sample Taken		DAILY MASS LOADING OF DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE (kg/day) <sup>1</sup>								Average Daily
During The	Date									Flow Rate
Week of	Sample Taken	Arsenic	Copper	Cyanide	Lead	Nickel	Zinc	TSS	Radium 226 <sup>1</sup>	(m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>4</sup>
3-Jul-05	6-Jul-05	0.002	0.002	0.042	0.001	0.005	0.108	34	42,353	8,471
10-Jul-05	13-Jul-05	0.001	0.002	0.018	0.008	0.003	0.075	11	18,178	3,636
10-Jul-05	16-Jul-05	0.001	0.001	0.148	0.001	0.003	0.060	10	30,086	3,343
17-Jul-05	23-Jul-05	0.001	0.003	0.027	0.001	0.006	0.177	16	27,214	5,443
24-Jul-05	30-Jul-05	0.000	0.001	0.011	0.000	0.003	0.092	7	11,299	2,260
31-Jul-05	6-Aug-05	0.001	0.003	0.034	0.003	0.011	0.240	20	33,734	6,747
7-Aug-05	13-Aug-05	0.002	0.006	0.056	0.012	0.017	0.348	34	89,872	11,234
14-Aug-05	24-Aug-05 <sup>3</sup>	0.004	0.018	0.089	0.017	0.084	1.604	85	159,501	17,722
21-Aug-05	27-Aug-05	0.003	0.010	0.063	0.010	0.045	0.856	47	125,830	12,583
28-Aug-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25-Sep-05	nd <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note<sup>1</sup> - Mass Loading is in kilograms per day of the deleterious substance deposited except Radium 226 which is in Bq per day

Note<sup>2</sup> - "nd" refers to no effluent discharge to sample

Note<sup>3</sup> - August 24 data are presented in the week of the August 14th

Note<sup>4</sup> - Discharge for August 6 is an estimate pending verification by Teck Cominco.

**Table 1d. MASS LOADING PER CALENDAR MONTH FOR EACH DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE**

CALENDAR MONTH OF	MASS LOADING <sup>1</sup> FOR DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE (kg/month) <sup>2</sup>								Average Weekly Flow Rate <sup>3</sup> (m <sup>3</sup> /week)	Total Monthly Volume <sup>4</sup> (m <sup>3</sup> /month)
	Arsenic	Copper	Cyanide	Lead	Nickel	Zinc	TSS	Radium 226 <sup>2</sup>		
July/04	0.03	0.06	1.53	0.08	0.12	3.16	483.14	800,602	32,412	143,540
August/04	0.07	0.29	1.87	0.32	1.21	23.62	1,438.14	3,169,267	84,501	374,218
September/04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note<sup>1</sup> - Total Mass Loading for Calendar month calculated by multiplying the Average Daily Mass Loading for the Month x # days in the month

Note<sup>2</sup> - Mass loading units are in kg per month except Radium 226, which is in Bq per month

Note<sup>3</sup> - Average Weekly Flow Rate calculated by multiplying Average Daily Flow Rate x 7 days per week

Note<sup>4</sup> - Total Monthly Volume calculated by multiplying Average Daily Flow Rate for the month x days in month

Table 2

RESULTS OF ACUTE LETHALITY TESTS AND  
*DAPHNIA MAGNA* MONITORING TESTS

Date Sample Collected	Effluent Acutely Lethal to Rainbow Trout (yes or no)	Effluent Acutely Lethal to <i>Daphnia magna</i> (yes or no)
16-Jul-05	No	No
6-Aug-05	No	No

Non-compliance Information

If effluent was non-compliant with the authorized limits set out in Schedule 4, indicate the cause(s) of non-compliance and remedial measures planned or implemented. Also indicate remedial measures planned or implemented in response to the failure of acute lethality tests.

There were no non-compliant concentrations, and no failed acute lethality toxicity tests during 2005 3rd Quarter for Polaris Mine.

**Table 3. 2005 3rd Quarter Polaris Mine Effluent Characterization Results (Part 1, Section 4)**

Effluent Characterization from Final Discharge Point - Garrow Lake Former Dam / Syphons

Northing: 75°22'32"

Easting: 96°48'37"

Teck Cominco Metals Limited - Polaris Mine (Little Cornwallis Island) FDP Name: Garrow Lake Syphons					
Facility Name:	Teck Cominco Metals Limited - Polaris Mine (Little Cornwallis Island)				
FDP Name:	Garrow Lake Syphons				
Sample ID:	G Creek	G-Creek	G-Creek		
Sampling Date:	6-Jul-05	16-Jul-05	6-Aug-05		
Sample Method:	Grab	Grab	Grab		
Parameter	Units				Detection Limit Methods <sup>1</sup>
Hardness	mg/L	149	184	375	0.54 - 5.4 Calculation - EPA Method 3005A, ICPOES (EPA Method 6010B) <sup>4</sup>
Alkalinity, Total	mg/L	28.1	29.2	52.5	2.0 Colourimetry - APHA Method 2320 (potentiometric titration)
Aluminum, Total	mg/L	<0.20	0.0085	<0.20	0.001 - 0.2 ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Cadmium, Total	mg/L	0.000034	0.000044	0.000097	0.000020 SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Iron, Total	mg/L	0.012	0.043	0.014	0.010 SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Mercury, Total	mg/L	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010	0.000010 Cold Vapour Atomic Florescence Spectrophotometry
Molybdenum, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.0050 ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Ammonia Nitrogen	mg/L	0.036	0.037	<0.020	0.020 APHA Method 4500-NH3 (selective ion electrode)
Nitrate Nitrogen	mg/L	0.032	<0.050	0.072	0.025 - 0.050 APHA Method 4110 (determination of inorganic ions by ion chromatography)
Arsenic, Total	mg/L	<0.00020	<0.00020	<0.00020	0.00020 Hydride-Vapour Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry
Copper, Total	mg/L	0.000240	0.000424	0.000516	0.000050 Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Cyanide, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	0.0444	<0.0050	0.0050 Colourimetry - APHA Method 4500-CN (cyanate hydrolysis using an ammonia selective electrode)
Lead, Total	mg/L	0.000166	0.000415	0.000467	0.000050 Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Nickel, Total	mg/L	0.000601	0.000807	0.00166	0.000050 Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Zinc, Total	mg/L	0.0127	0.0179	0.0356	0.00050 Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	4.0	<3.0	<3.0	3.0 Gravimetry - APHA Method 2540 (filtration through glass fibre filter)
Radium-226 (a)	Bq/L	0.0050	0.009	<0.0050	0.0050 Radio Chemistry <sup>5</sup>
pH	pH units	7.49	7.59	7.65	0.010 APHA Method 4500-H (pH electrode meter)

## Notes:

&lt; = Less than the detection limit indicated.

(a) Results are expressed as Becquerels per litre (Bq/L). This analysis is subcontracted to SRC, Saskatoon.

<sup>1</sup>Original data reports are available upon request<sup>2</sup>SPR-IDA = Suspended Particulate Resin consisting of immobilized iminodiacetate on a divinyl benzene polymer is used to chelate and preconcentrate metals in seawater (preparation technique).<sup>3</sup>Instrumental analysis is by ICPMS = Inductively Coupled Mass Spectrometry.<sup>4</sup>This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" 20th Edition 1998, published by the American Public Health Association, and with procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846 published by the USEPA. The procedures may involve preliminary sample treatment by acid digestion, using either hotplate or microwave oven, or filtration (EPA Method 3005A).

Instrumental analysis is by inductively coupled plasma - optical emissions spectrophotometry ICPOES (EPA Method 6010B).

<sup>5</sup>All radium isotopes in the sample solution are separated by coprecipitation with lead sulfate. The precipitate is redissolved and the radium isotopes are separated by coprecipitation with barium sulfate. The precipitate is filtered and mounted on a stainless steel disk. It is then counted on an alpha spectrometer. The radium 226 alpha energy is distinct and the peak can be clearly identified.

**Table 4. 2005 3rd Quarter Polaris Mine Water Quality Monitoring Results (Part 1, Section 7)**

Station:	Exposure Area		Reference Area				
Description: Northing: Easting:	Garrow Bay at Mouth of Garrow Creek Confluence		Garrow Bay ~1km NE of exposure station (confluence with Garrow Creek).				
	75°22'15"		75°22'40"				
	96°48'30"		96°47'12"				
Facility Name:	Teck Cominco Metals Limited - Polaris Mine (Little Cornwallis Island)		Teck Cominco Metals Limited - Polaris Mine (Little Cornwallis Island)				
FDP Name:	Garrow Lake Syphons		Garrow Lake Syphons				
Area Name:	Garrow Bay Exposure		Garrow Bay Reference				
Sample ID:	G-BAY	G-Bay (b)	T-BAY REF	Ref			
Sampling Date:	16-Jul-05	6-Aug-05	16-Jul-05	6-Aug-05			
Sample Method:	Grab	Grab	Grab	Grab			
Parameters	Units	Detection Limit Methods <sup>1</sup>					
Hardness	mg/L	215	385	271	840	0.54-5.4	Calculation - EPA Method 3005A, ICPOES (EPA Method 6010B) <sup>4</sup>
Alkalinity, Total	mg/L	44.2	63.2	23.0	53.5	2.0	Colourimetry - APHA Method 2320 (potentiometric titration)
Aluminum, Total	mg/L	0.0519	<0.10	0.0619	<0.10	0.001-0.2	ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Cadmium, Total	mg/L	0.000051	0.000081	<0.000020	<0.000020	0.000020	SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Iron, Total	mg/L	0.207	0.015	0.217	0.011	0.010	SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Mercury, Total	mg/L	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010	0.000010	Cold Vapour Atomic Florescence Spectrophotometry
Molybdenum, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.0050	ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Ammonia Nitrogen	mg/L	0.048	<0.020	<0.020	<0.020	0.020	APHA Method 4500-NH3 (selective ion electrode)
Nitrate Nitrogen	mg/L	<0.050	0.092	<0.050	0.0261	0.025	APHA Method 4110 (determination of inorganic ions by ion chromatography)
Arsenic, Total	mg/L	<0.00020	<0.00020	0.00050	0.00024	0.00020	Hydride-Vapour Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry
Copper, Total	mg/L	0.000748	0.000608	0.000563	0.000305	0.000050	Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Cyanide, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.0050	Colourimetry - APHA Method 4500-CN (cynate hydrolosis using an ammonia selective electrode)
Lead, Total	mg/L	0.00147	0.000517	0.000690	0.000078	0.000050	Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Nickel, Total	mg/L	0.00126	0.00188	0.000554	0.000412	0.000050	Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Zinc, Total	mg/L	0.0154	0.0224	0.00323	0.00122	0.00050	Chelation SPR-IDA <sup>2</sup> , ICPMS <sup>3</sup>
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	16.7	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0	3.0	Gravimetry - APHA Method 2540 (filtration through glass fibre filter)
Radium-226 (a,b)	Bq/L	0.010	n/a	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.0050	Radio Chemistry <sup>5</sup>
pH	pH units	7.64	7.96	7.40	7.89	0.010	APHA Method 4500-H (pH electrode meter)
Water Temperature <sup>6</sup>	°C	0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.2	n/a	Field - Campbell Scientific Hydrolab Model H20, or YSI Meter Model 85
Dissolved Oxygen <sup>6</sup>	mg/L	13.2	11.6	15.2	13.9	n/a	Field - Campbell Scientific Hydrolab Model H20, or YSI Meter Model 85

**Notes**

The Garrow Bay exposure area (mouth of the creek), and Garrow Bay reference area were frozen during the July 6, 2005 sampling event.

< = Less than the detection limit indicated.

(a) Results are expressed as Becquerels per litre (Bq/L). This analysis is subcontracted to SRC, Saskatoon.

(b) n/a for August 6, 2005 sample = not available, the sample was lost during analysis by SRC with no additional sample remaining to repeat the analysis.

<sup>1</sup>Original data reports are available upon request

<sup>2</sup>SPR-IDA = Suspended Particulate Resin consisting of immobilized iminodiacetate on a divinyl benzene polymer is used to chelate and preconcentrate metals in seawater (preparation technique).

<sup>3</sup>Instrumental analysis is by ICPMS = Inductively Coupled Mass Spectrometry.

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<sup>5</sup>All radium isotopes in the sample solution are separated by coprecipitation with lead sulfate. The precipitate is redissolved and the radium isotopes are separated by coprecipitation with barium sulfate. The precipitate is filtered and mounted on a stainless steel disk. It is then counted on an alpha spectrometer. The radium 226 alpha energy is distinct and the peak can be clearly identified.

<sup>6</sup>Temperature and dissolved oxygen data are estimated pending verification by Teck Cominco.

**Table 5. 2005 3rd Quarter Polaris Mine QAQC Sample Results<sup>1</sup> Including Field Duplicates, Field Blanks, and Transport Blanks.**

Sample Type:		Field Duplicate	Original Sample		Field Duplicate	Original Sample		Field Duplicate	Original Sample	
Sample ID:		Dup	G Creek		DUP	G-Creek		Dup	Ref	
Location:		Garrow Lake Syphons			Garrow Lake Syphons			Garrow Bay Reference		
Description:		Final Discharge Point			Final Discharge Point			~1km NE of confluence with Garrow Creek		
Sampling Date:		6-Jul-05			16-Jul-05			6-Aug-05		
	Parameter	RPD <sup>2</sup> (%)			RPD <sup>2</sup> (%)			RPD <sup>2</sup> (%)		
Parameters	Units									
Hardness	mg/L	140	149	6.0	187	184	1.6	852	840	1.4
Alkalinity, Total	mg/L	28.0	28.1	0.4	29.0	29.2	0.7	53.8	53.5	0.6
Aluminum, Total	mg/L	<0.10	<0.20	n/a	0.0087	0.0085	2.4	<0.10	<0.10	n/a
Cadmium, Total	mg/L	0.000040	0.000034	17.6	0.000049	0.000044	11.4	<0.000020	<0.000020	n/a
Iron, Total	mg/L	0.013	0.012	8.3	0.043	0.043	0.0	0.011	0.011	0.0
Mercury, Total	mg/L	<0.000010	<0.000010	n/a	<0.000010	<0.000010	n/a	<0.000010	<0.000010	n/a
Molybdenum, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	n/a	<0.0050	<0.0050	n/a	<0.0050	<0.0050	n/a
Ammonia Nitrogen	mg/L	0.032	0.036	11.1	0.044	0.037	18.9	<0.020	<0.020	n/a
Nitrate Nitrogen	mg/L	0.028	0.032	12.5	<0.050	<0.050	n/a	0.0348	0.0261	33.3
Arsenic, Total	mg/L	0.00021	<0.00020	n/a	<0.00020	<0.00020	n/a	<0.00020	0.00024	n/a
Copper, Total	mg/L	0.000295	0.000240	22.9	0.000376	0.000424	11.3	0.000321	0.000305	5.2
Cyanide, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	n/a	0.0058	0.0444	86.9	<0.0050	<0.0050	n/a
Lead, Total	mg/L	0.000241	0.000166	45.2	0.000409	0.000415	1.4	0.000062	0.000078	20.5
Nickel, Total	mg/L	0.000673	0.000601	12.0	0.000819	0.000807	1.5	0.000460	0.000412	11.7
Zinc, Total	mg/L	0.0136	0.0127	7.1	0.0185	0.0179	3.4	0.00165	0.00122	35.2
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	<3.0	4.0	n/a	<3.0	<3.0	n/a	<3.0	<3.0	n/a
Radium-226 (a,b)	Bq/L	<0.0050	0.0050	n/a	<0.0050	0.009	n/a	0.0060	<0.0050	n/a
pH	pH units	7.62	7.49	1.7	7.58	7.59	0.1	7.80	7.89	1.1
Salinity	o/oo	<1.0	<1.0	n/a	<1.0	<1.0	n/a	4.6	4.6	0.0
Calcium, Total	mg/L	16.5	19.1	13.6	21.4	21.1	1.4	58.1	57.6	0.9
Magnesium, Total	mg/L	24.0	24.6	2.4	32.3	31.9	1.3	172	169	1.8

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>QAQC samples were collected during each EEM monitoring event. At least one field duplicate and/or one blank sample was collected during each event.

<sup>2</sup>RPD = Relative Percent Difference = [Absolute value (DUP-ORIG)/ORIG]\*100%

Cells in grey shading have RPD values >50% for co-located field duplicates

<sup>3</sup>Distilled water from onsite distiller, stored for 1 year in jerry cans onsite.

<sup>4</sup>Commercial distilled water transported to mine site.

**QAQC Results**

A total of 3 duplicate samples and 5 blank samples were collected during the 2005 EEM program at Polaris mine. All RPD values were less than 50%, with the exception of one measurement of cyanide on July 16, 2005. Cyanide is not used in the process and is typically measured at less than the detection limit. With the exception of the aforementioned cyanide measurement, which is questionable, the data generally indicate good reproducibility between co-located field duplicates (i.e., low measurement and analytical variability).

Blank samples from the on-site distilled water that had been stored indicated relatively high levels of zinc, copper, and lead. This contamination was considered to be a result of the storage procedure and metal leaching from the metal jerry cans that the water was stored in for the year. The transport blanks using commercial distilled water indicated low concentrations of all parameters (i.e., typically less than, or slightly higher than detection limits), which reveals no background contamination issues with the analysis.

**Table 5. 2005 3rd Quarter Polaris Mine QAQC Sample Results<sup>1</sup> Including Field Duplicates, Field Blanks, and Transport Blanks.**

Sample Type:		Field Blank	Field Blank	Field Blank	ALS Travel Blank	ALS Travel Blank
Sample ID:						
Location:		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Description:		Distilled Water <sup>3</sup>	Distilled Water <sup>3</sup>	Distilled Water <sup>3</sup>	Distilled Water <sup>4</sup>	Distilled Water <sup>5</sup>
Sampling Date:		6-Jul-05	16-Jul-05	6-Aug-05	24-Aug-05	24-Aug-05
Parameter						
Parameters	Units					
Hardness	mg/L	3.07	<0.54	0.85	<0.50	<0.50
Alkalinity, Total	mg/L	3.2	<2.0	<2.0	<2.0	<2.0
Aluminum, Total	mg/L	<0.0010	<0.0050	<0.10	<0.0010	<0.0010
Cadmium, Total	mg/L	<0.000050	<0.000020	<0.000050	<0.000020	<0.000050
Iron, Total	mg/L	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010
Mercury, Total	mg/L	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010	<0.000010
Molybdenum, Total	mg/L	<0.000050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.000050	<0.000050
Ammonia Nitrogen	mg/L	<0.020	<0.020	<0.020	-	-
Nitrate Nitrogen	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	-	-
Arsenic, Total	mg/L	<0.00020	<0.00020	<0.00020	<0.00020	<0.00020
Copper, Total	mg/L	0.00484	0.00167	0.0244	<0.000050	<0.00010
Cyanide, Total	mg/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	-	-
Lead, Total	mg/L	0.00212	0.00607	0.0445	<0.000050	<0.000050
Nickel, Total	mg/L	<0.00010	<0.000050	<0.00050	<0.000050	<0.00010
Zinc, Total	mg/L	0.0080	0.00440	0.0040	<0.00050	<0.0010
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0
Radium-226 (a,b)	Bq/L	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	-	-
pH	pH units	6.27	5.59	6.17	5.51	5.53
Salinity	o/oo	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0
Calcium, Total	mg/L	1.23	0.084	0.341	<0.050	<0.050
Magnesium, Total	mg/L	<0.10	<0.10	<0.10	<0.050	<0.050

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### **APPENDIX A**

- i. Information specified by Section 8.1 of Reference Method EPS 1/Rm/13: 96 hr acute rainbow trout test

### **APPENDIX B**

- i. Information specified by Section 8.1 of Reference Method EPS 1/Rm/14: 72 hr acute *Daphnia magna* test

### **APPENDIX C**

- i. Information specified in Schedule 5 of the MMER (June 2002) for Reference Method EPAW 95-EPA West Coast: 7-day Topsmelt Survival and Growth Tests.

### **APPENDIX D**

- i. Information specified in Schedule 5 of the MMER (June 2002) for Reference Method EPS 1/Rm/27-EC: 92 hr Echinoderm (sand dollar) Fertilization Test

### **APPENDIX E**

- i. Information specified in Schedule 5 of the MMER (June 2002) for Reference Method EPA/600/4-91-003, Method 1009.0: Algae (*Champia parvula*) 7-day Sublethal Growth Tests

### **APPENDIX F**

- i. Results of Effluent Characterization, as per Paragraph 15(1)(a)

### **APPENDIX G**

- ii. Acute toxicity testing laboratory reports

### **APPENDIX H**

- i. Sublethal toxicity testing laboratory reports

### **APPENDIX I**

- i. Polaris 2005 Sampling Event Chronology

### **APPENDIX J**

- i. Letter from ALS explaining missed holding times for July 6, 2005 sample

## **APPENDIX A**

### **96-h Acute Rainbow Trout Toxicity Test**

### **Section 8.1.1 Effluent**

- i. Name & location of operation generating the effluent
  - Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
  - Final Discharge Point for Garrow Lake is geo referenced as 75° 22' 32" N, 97° 48' 37" W.
- ii. Date & time of sampling
  - Samples for monthly acute toxicity testing were collected
  - Test 1: Saturday July 16, 2005 – 0900h
  - Test 2: Saturday August 6, 2005 – 1000h
- iii. Type of sample
  - Final effluent water
- iv. Brief description of sampling point
  - 20m downstream of the siphon discharge point at Garrow Lake dam
- v. Sampling method
  - Water was collected from at least 15cm below the surface using a water pump with silicon tubing
  - Water was collected from the upstream direction
  - The pump was flushed with site water for at least one minute prior to sample collection
  - 2 x 20L sample bottles were filled
- vi. Name of person submitting samples
  - Blake Hamer (Gartner Lee) Test 1
  - Brenda Bolton (Gartner Lee) Test 2
- vii. Labeling/coding of sample (Sample IDs)
  - Test 1 – G-Creek\_Acute\_071605
  - Test 2 – Garrow Creek
- viii. Date & time of sample receipt
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were received:
    - Test 1 – Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1045h
    - Test 2 – Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1015h
- ix. Temperature upon sample receipt at laboratory
  - Test 1 – 12.7 °C
  - Test 2 – 19.0 °C

### **Section 8.1.2 Test Facilities and Conditions**

- i. Test type & method
  - 96-hour Rainbow Trout LC<sub>50</sub>
- ii. Indications of deviations from requirements in Sections 2 to 7 of Method EPS 1/RM/13
  - No deviations from requirements
- iii. Name and city of testing laboratory
  - EVS Environment Consultants, North Vancouver, BC
- iv. Source of test species
  - Sun Valley
- v. Percent mortality of fish in stock tank(s)
  - Test 1: 0.1%
  - Test 2: 0.1%
- vi. Species of test organism
  - Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)
- vii. Date and time for start of definitive test
  - Test 1: July 21, 2005 – 1035h
  - Test 2: August 11, 2005 – 1500h
- viii. Person(s) performing the test and verifying the results

- Test 1: Marriah Grey, Robert Harrison, Julianna Kalocai
- Test 2: Anja Fouche, Robert Harrison, Julianna Kalocai
- ix. pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and conductivity of unadjusted, undiluted effluent
  - Test 1: pH - 7.3, T - 15.0 °C, DO - 10.4 mg/L, C – 1445 µmhos/cm
  - Test 2: pH - 7.4, T - 15.0 °C, DO - 10.1 mg/L, C – 2510 µmhos/cm
- x. Confirmation that no adjustment of sample or solution pH occurred
  - Test 1: No pH adjustment
  - Test 2: No pH adjustment
- xi. Indication of aeration of test solutions before introduction of fish
  - Test 1: 6.5 ± 1 mL/min/L for 30mins
  - Test 2: 6.5 ± 1 mL/min/L for 30mins
- xii. Concentrations and volumes tested
  - Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used were:
  - Control (0%) - 10 L (test 1&2)
  - 6.25% - 10 L (test 1&2)
  - 12.5% - 10 L (test 1&2)
  - 25% - 10 L (test 1&2)
  - 50% - 10 L (test 1&2)
  - 100% - 10 L (test 1&2)
- xiii. Measurements of dissolved oxygen, pH and temperature

Sample Collection Date	Test Concentration  (% v/v)	Temperature (0hr)  (°C)	Temperature (48 hr)  (°C)	Dissolved Oxygen (0hr)  (mg/L)	Dissolved Oxygen (48hr)  (mg/L)	pH (0hr) pH units	pH (48hr) pH units	Conductivity (0hr)  umhos/cm
Test 1 16-Jul-05	0 (Control)	15	15	10.1	9.7	7	6.7	37
	6.25	15	15	10.1	9.5	7.1	6.8	194
	12.5	15	15	10.1	9.8	7.1	6.8	301
	25	15	15	10.1	9.8	7.1	6.8	418
	50	15	15	10.1	9.8	7.2	6.9	775
	100	15	15	10.2	9.8	7.3	7	1445
Test 2 19-Aug-05	0 (Control)	15	15	10.1	9.3	7	7	40
	6.25	15	15	10.1	9.4	7	7	323
	12.5	15	15	10.1	9.4	7	7.1	535
	25	15	15	10.1	9.6	7	7.1	827
	50	15	15	10.1	9.6	7.2	7.2	1373
	100	15	15	10.1	9.7	7.4	7.3	2510

- xiv. Number of fish added to each test vessel
  - 10 fish/ 10 L vessel (Test 1 & 2)
- xv. Mean and range of fork length of control fish at end of test
  - Test 1: 30 mm (25 – 33)
  - Test 2: 31 mm (27 – 35)
- xvi. Mean wet weight of individual control fish at end of the test
  - Test 1: 0.29 g (0.20 – 0.37)
  - Test 2: 0.33 g (0.22 – 0.46)
- xvii. Estimated loading density of fish in test solutions
  - Test 1: 0.29 g/L
  - Test 2: 0.33 g/L

### **Section 8.1.3 Results**

- i. Number of mortalities of fish in each test solution
  - Results were the same for Test 1, and Test 2, except where noted
  - Control (0%) - 0
  - 6.25% - 0
  - 12.5% - 0
  - 25% - 0
  - 50% - 0
  - 100% - 0
- ii. Number of control fish showing atypical/stressed behaviour
  - None in Test 1 or Test 2
- iii. Mean mortality rate in solutions of effluent and control water
  - Results were the same for Test 1 and Test 2
  - Control (0%) - 0%
  - 6.25% - 0%
  - 12.5% - 0%
  - 25% - 0%
  - 50% - 0%
  - 100% - 0%
- iv. Estimate of 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> in multi-concentration tests
  - Results were the same for Test 1 and Test 2
  - 96hr LC<sub>50</sub> concentration > 100% effluent
- v. Most recent 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> for reference toxicity test(s)
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: SDS
  - Test 1 & 2: (Jul-12-03) 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 24mg/L SDS, 95% CL = 18-32mg/L
- vi. Reference toxicant warning limits (mean +/- 2SD)
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: SDS
  - Test 1 & 2: 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 29 +/- 12 mg/L SDS

## **APPENDIX B**

### **72-h Acute *Daphnia magna* Toxicity Test**

### **Section 8.1.1 Effluent**

- i. Name & location of operation generating the effluent
  - Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
  - Final Discharge Point for Garrow Lake is geo referenced as 75° 22' 32" N, 97° 48' 37" W.
- ii. Date & time of sampling
  - Samples for monthly acute toxicity testing were collected
  - Test 1: Saturday July 16, 2005 – 0900h
  - Test 2: Saturday August 6, 2005 – 1000h
- iii. Type of sample
  - Final effluent water
- iv. Brief description of sampling point
  - 20m downstream of the siphon discharge point at Garrow Lake dam
- v. Sampling method
  - Water was collected from at least 15cm below the surface using a water pump with silicon tubing
  - Water was collected from the upstream direction
  - The pump was flushed with site water for at least one minute prior to sample collection
  - 2 x 20L sample bottles were filled
- vi. Name of person submitting samples
  - Blake Hamer (Gartner Lee) Test 1
  - Brenda Bolton (Gartner Lee) Test 2
- vii. Labeling/coding of sample (Sample IDs)
  - Test 1 – G-Creek\_Acute\_071605
  - Test 2 – Garrow Creek
- viii. Date & time of sample receipt
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were received:
    - Test 1 – Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1045h
    - Test 2 – Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1015h
- ix. Temperature upon sample receipt at laboratory
  - Test 1 – 12.7 °C
  - Test 2 – 19.0 °C

### **Section 8.1.2 Test Facilities and Conditions**

- ii. Test type & method
  - 48-hour *Daphnia magna* LC<sub>50</sub>
- iii. Indications of deviations from requirements in Sections 2 to 7 of Method EPS 1/RM/13
  - No deviations from requirements
- iv. Name and city of testing laboratory
  - EVS Environment Consultants, North Vancouver, BC
- v. Species of test organism
  - *Daphnia magna*
- vi. Date and time for start of definitive test
  - Test 1: July 19, 2005 – 1600h
  - Test 2: August 11, 2005 – 1030h
- vii. Person(s) performing the test and verifying the results
  - Test 1: Shiva Behnia, Julianna Kalocai
  - Test 2: Shiva Behnia, Julianna Kalocai
- viii. pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and conductivity of unadjusted, undiluted effluent
  - Test 1: pH - 7.3, T – 21.0 °C, DO - 10.8 mg/L, C – 1566 µmhos/cm
  - Test 2: pH - 7.5, T - 21.0 °C, DO - 10.8 mg/L, C – 2850 µmhos/cm

- ix. Confirmation that no adjustment of sample or solution pH occurred
  - Test 1: No pH adjustment
  - Test 2: No pH adjustment
- x. Indication of any adjustment of hardness of effluent sample
  - Test 1: No hardness adjustment (initial hardness = 160 mg/L)
  - Test 2: No hardness adjustment (initial hardness = 300 mg/L)
- xi. Indication of any aeration of sample
  - Test 1: 25-50 mL/min/L for 12mins
  - Test 2: 25-50 mL/min/L for 15mins
- xii. Concentrations and volumes tested
  - Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used for both Test 1 and Test 2 were:
    - Control (0%) - 200 mL
    - 6.25% - 200 mL
    - 12.5% - 200 mL
    - 25% - 200 mL
    - 50% - 200 mL
    - 100% - 200 mL

xiii. Measurements of dissolved oxygen, pH and temperature

Sample Collection Date	Test Concentration  (% v/v)	Temperature (0hr)  (°C)	Temperature (48 hr)  (°C)	Dissolved Oxygen (0hr)  (mg/L)	Dissolved Oxygen (48hr)  (mg/L)	pH (0hr) pH units	pH (48hr) pH units	Conductivity (0hr)  umhos/cm	Hardness (0hr)  (mg/L)
Test 1 16-Jul-05	0 (Control)	20	21	9.1	8.7	7.6	7.6	344	94
	6.25	20	21	9.1	8.7	7.6	7.6	426	
	12.5	20	21.5	9	8.7	7.6	7.7	505	
	25	20.5	21.5	9	8.7	7.6	7.7	648	
	50	20.5	21	9	8.7	7.4	7.7	954	
	100	21	21.5	8.9	8.7	7.4	7.5	1566	
Test 2 19-Aug-05	0 (Control)	20	21	9.1	8.6	7.4	7.6	354	94
	6.25	20	21	9	8.5	7.4	7.7	505	
	12.5	20.5	21	9	8.5	7.5	7.7	654	
	25	20.5	21	8.9	8.5	7.5	7.7	990	
	50	21	21	8.9	8.5	7.5	7.6	1582	
	100	21	21	8.9	8.5	7.6	7.6	2850	

- xiv. Estimates of time to first brood, average number of neonates per brood, and percent mortality during the seven-day period prior to the test
  - Test 1: 8 days to brood, >34 neonates/brood, 0% mortality in 7d prior to test
  - Test 2: 7 days to brood, >29 neonates/brood, 0% mortality in 7d prior to test
- xv. Number of neonates per test vessel and milliliters of solution per daphnid
  - Methods for all tests and dilution series were the same:
    - 10 neonates per vessel
    - 200 mL of solution per vessel
    - 20 mL of solution per daphnid

### **Section 8.1.3 Results**

- i. Number of dead and/or immobile daphnids in each test solution including controls
  - Results were the same for Test 1 and Test 2
  - Control (0%) - 0 dead / immobile
  - 6.25% - 0 dead / immobile
  - 12.5% - 0 dead / immobile
  - 25% - 0 dead / immobile
  - 50% - 0 dead / immobile
  - 100% - 0 dead / immobile
- ii. For single-concentration test the number of daphnids dead in each of three replicate effluent solutions and in each of three replicate control solutions at end of test. Also report the mean value.
  - Single concentration test was not conducted, dilution series tests were conducted
- iii. Estimate of 48-h LC<sub>50</sub> and 95% confidence limits in multi-concentration tests, 48-h EC<sub>50</sub> for immobilization and 95% confidence limits, indication of statistical method on which results are based.
  - Test 1: 48-h LC<sub>50</sub> = > 100% effluent
  - Test 2: 48-h LC<sub>50</sub> = > 100% effluent
- iv. Most recent 48-h LC<sub>50</sub> for reference toxicant test(s), reference chemical(s), date test initiated, historic geometric mean LC<sub>50</sub> and warning limits.
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Zinc
  - Test 1: (Jul-19-05) 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 426 µg/L Zinc, 95% CL = 362 – 504 µg/L
  - Test 2: (Aug-15-05) 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 481 µg/L Zinc, 95% CL = 388 – 597 µg/L
- v. Reference toxicant warning limits (mean +/- 2 SD)
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Zinc
  - Test 1: 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 445 (+/- 280) µg/L Zinc
  - Test 2: 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> = 445 (+/- 280) µg/L Zinc

## **APPENDIX C**

### **7-d Topsmelt Growth and Survival Toxicity Test**

### **Effluent Sample**

- i. Name & location of operation generating the effluent
  - Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
  - Final Discharge Point for Garrow Lake is geo referenced as 75° 22' 32" N, 97° 48' 37" W.
- ii. Date & time of sampling
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were collected:
    - Test 1 – Saturday July 16, 2005 – 0900h
    - Test 2 – Saturday August 6, 2005 – 1000h
- iii. Type of sample
  - Final effluent water from final discharge point
- iv. Brief description of sampling point
  - 20m downstream of the siphon discharge point at Garrow Lake dam
- v. Sampling method
  - Water was collected from at least 15cm below the surface using a water pump with silicon tubing
  - Water was collected from the upstream direction
  - The pump was flushed with site water for at least one minute prior to sample collection
  - 3 x 20L sample bottles were filled
- vi. Name of person submitting samples
  - Blake Hamer (Gartner Lee) Tests 1
  - Brenda Bolton (Gartner Lee) Test 2
- vii. Labeling/coding of sample (Sample IDs)
  - Test 1 – G-Creek\_Sublethal\_071605
  - Test 2 – Garrow Creek
- viii. Date & time of sample receipt
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were received:
    - Test 1 – Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1045h
    - Test 2 – Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1015h
- ix. Temperature upon sample receipt at laboratory
  - Test 1 – 12.7 °C
  - Test 2 – 19.0 °C

### **Test Organisms Imported from External Supplier**

- i. Species of test organism
  - Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*)
- ii. Name and city of testing laboratory
  - EVS Environment Consultants, North Vancouver, BC
- iii. Source of test species
  - Aquatic Bio Systems (ABS), Fort Collins, Colorado
- iv. Date test species acquired on
  - Test 1 – July 19, 2005
  - Test 2 – August 9, 2005
- v. Indications of deviations from EC guidance on the importation of test organisms
  - No deviations from EC requirements
- vi. Percent mortality of fish in 24-hour period preceding the test
  - Test 1 - <10% mortality in approximately 450 fish upon receipt
  - Test 2 - <10% mortality in approximately 450 fish upon receipt
- vii. Age at start of test
  - Test 1 – 10 days post-hatch
  - Test 2 – 10 days post-hatch

- viii. Unusual appearance, behaviour, or treatment of larvae before their use in the test
  - Nothing unusual noted for any test
- ix. Confirmation that larvae are actively feeding and swimbladders are not inflated
  - All tests - Larvae actively feeding and swimbladders not inflated
- x. Confirmation that temperature change was  $<3^{\circ}\text{C}$  and dissolved oxygen was maintained at  $>6\text{mg/L}$  during transport
  - Temperature change was  $<2^{\circ}\text{C}$  and dissolved oxygen supersaturated  $\text{mg/L}$  during transport
- xi. Test organism acclimation rate at the testing laboratory
  - For both tests: Organisms were received on the day of set-up
  - Organisms were received in holding water conditions of  $\text{DO}=\text{supersaturated}$ ,  $\text{pH} = 7.3$ ,  $T = 21^{\circ}\text{C}$ , salinity = 33ppt
  - Organisms were acclimated to EVS water holding conditions of  $\text{DO} = 7.5 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $\text{pH} = 7.8$ ,  $T=20^{\circ}\text{C}$  salinity = 28-29ppt,
  - Acclimation was conducted in the lab on the day of the test by adding lab seawater at approximately 30 min. intervals. The differences between the water quality upon receipt and EVS holding conditions were minor.

### **Test Facilities and Conditions**

- i. Test type & method
  - 7-day Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) Survival and Growth Toxicity Test
  - Static renewal
  - Sample water was renewed daily
  - Reference Method - EPA/600/R-95/136 (EPAW 95-EPA West Coast)
- ii. Dates or test days during test when subsamples or multiple samples were renewed
  - Samples were renewed daily for all tests (Test Day 1,2,3,4,5,6)
  - Three subsamples were used on days i) 0-1; ii) 2-3; and iii) 4-5-6-7
- iii. Indications of deviations from requirements in Sections 11 of Method EPA/600/R-95/136 (EPAW 95-EPA West Coast)
  - No deviations from requirements
  - Salinity controls were run
  - Sample water salinity for
    - Test 1 was 6 ppt
    - Test 2 was 1.0 ppt
- iv. Date and time for start of definitive test
  - Test 1 Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1430h
  - Test 2 Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1500h
- v. Date for test completion
  - Test 1 July 26, 2005
  - Test 2 August 16, 2005
- vi. Test vessel description
  - For all tests was a 600mL beaker
- vii. Person(s) performing the test and verifying the results
  - Test 1: Testing and overall setup conducted by: Jenny Shao and QA/QC by: Julianna Kalokai
  - Test 2: Testing and overall setup conducted by: Jenny Shao and QA/QC by: Julianna Kalokai
- viii. pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and conductivity of unadjusted, undiluted effluent
  - Test 1:  $\text{pH} 7.7$ ,  $T 20.0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\text{DO} 11.1 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $C 1520 \mu\text{mhos/cm}$
  - Test 2:  $\text{pH} 7.7$ ,  $T 20.0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\text{DO} 9.8 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $C 2700 \mu\text{mhos/cm}$
- ix. Confirmation that no adjustment of sample or solution pH occurred
  - For both tests, no pH adjustment

- x. Indication of aeration of test solutions before introduction of fish
  - For both tests, no pre-aeration was conducted, none was required
- xi. Indication that EC guidance document for salinity adjustment was followed
  - The following was done for all 3 tests:
    - No deviations from EC guidance document on preparation of hypersaline brine (HSB)
    - HSB prepared from natural seawater concentrated to 90ppt (by filtering to at least 10  $\mu\text{m}$  before placing it into the freezer and then freezing/refreezing to remove frozen layer and concentrate salts in the hypersaline brine)
    - No deviations from EC guidance document for salinity adjustment of sample
    - HSB was added to samples to salinity adjust them to ~30ppt
    - For a 200mL volume the concentrations were prepared by adding:
      - Test 1: 143mL of effluent + 57mL of HSB for the highest concentration. This solution was then diluted using natural seawater for the lower test concentrations (i.e., 50% of the highest concentration + 50% of the dilution water, repeated for subsequent dilutions).
      - Test 2: 135mL of effluent + 65mL of HSB for the highest concentration. This solution was then diluted using natural seawater for the lower test concentrations (i.e., 50% of the highest concentration + 50% of the dilution water, repeated for subsequent dilutions).
- xii. Type and source of control/dilution water
  - For all 3 tests, control/dilution water was UV-sterilized, 0.45 $\mu\text{m}$ -filtered natural seawater from the Vancouver Aquarium
- xiii. Concentrations and volumes tested:
  - Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used were:
  - For Test 1:
    - Control (0%) - 200 mL
    - Salinity Control (0%) - 200 mL
    - 4.5% - 200mL
    - 8.9% - 200mL
    - 17.9% - 200mL
    - 35.7% - 200mL
    - 71.4% - 200mL
  - For Test 2:
    - Control (0%) - 200 mL
    - Salinity Control (0%) - 200 mL
    - 4.2% - 200mL
    - 8.4% - 200mL
    - 16.9% - 200mL
    - 33.7% - 200mL
    - 67.4% - 200mL
- xiv. Number of replicated per concentration
  - For both tests: 5 replicates per concentration
- xv. Number of organisms added to each test vessel
  - For both tests: 5 fish per vessel
- xvi. Manner and rate of exchange of test solutions
  - For both tests: Daily renewal
- xvii. Measurements of dissolved oxygen, pH and temperature, and salinity for each 24 hr period

- Test 1: See attached photocopied pages 1 and 2 of original laboratory report
- Test 2: See attached photocopied pages 3 and 4 of original laboratory report

## Results

- Number and % of mortalities of fish in each test solution. Note that this data is presented in units of number of SURVIVORS and % MORTLITY. (Data is entered from original handwritten tables in lab reports)

- Test 1: Totals from all 5 replicates are presented:

Concentration (% effluent v/v)	Replicate	Number of Survivors - Day of Test							% Mortality on the Day of Test						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Control	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brine Control	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.5%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.9%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
17.9%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35.7%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
71.4%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- Test 2: Totals from all 5 replicates are presented:

Concentration (% effluent v/v)	Replicate	Number of Survivors - Day of Test							% Mortality - Day of Test						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Control	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Concentration (% effluent v/v)	Replicate	Number of Survivors - Day of Test							% Mortality - Day of Test						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Brine Control	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	E	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	0	0	20	0	0	0	20
4.2%	A	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	20	0	0	0	20
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
8.4%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16.9%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	20	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	0	0	20	0	0	0	20
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
33.7%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	D	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	20	0	0	0	0
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
67.4%	A	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	B	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
	C	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
	D	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
	E	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20

- ii. Average dry weight (mg) per original fish in test vessel. No preservation of fish was used. Fish were dried and then weighed.

- Test 1: Mean dry weight (mg) of each replicate and overall means are presented:

Concentration (% effluent v/v)	Replicate					Overall Mean	Standard Deviation
	1	2	3	4	5		
D-Control	0.9600	1.0480	0.7560	1.0100	0.8060	0.9160	0.1284
B-Control	1.0780	1.1300	1.0720	0.9420	0.6900	0.9824	0.1775
4.5	0.7320	0.6840	0.9000	0.5200	1.0080	0.7688	0.1903
8.9	1.0120	1.1320	0.9960	0.5400	0.3960	0.8152	0.3253
17.9	0.9600	1.0280	0.9220	1.2440	0.9020	1.0112	0.1387
35.7	0.8420	1.2900	1.2400	0.9640	0.9900	1.0652	0.1916
71.4	1.2300	0.6620	0.9660	1.1000	0.5680	0.9052	0.2828

- Test 2: Mean dry weight (mg) of each replicate are presented:

Concentration	Replicate						
(% effluent v/v)	1	2	3	4	5	Overall Mean	Standard Deviation
D-Control	0.8000	0.6080	1.0980	0.7760	0.5640	0.7692	0.2105
B-Control	0.8380	1.0760	0.9920	0.8020	0.8620	0.9140	0.1155
4.2	0.8120	0.9280	0.9700	1.0420	0.5720	0.8648	0.1837
8.4	0.8980	0.8560	0.7120	1.0200	1.0200	0.9012	0.1285
16.9	0.9820	0.8880	0.6860	0.5780	0.6420	0.7552	0.1718
33.7	0.7260	0.9700	0.7060	0.6300	0.7240	0.7512	0.1284
67.4	1.0340	0.8380	0.6120	0.8640	0.7040	0.8104	0.1615

- iii. Estimate of 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> (95% CL)
  - Test 1: 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> concentration > 71.4% effluent (highest concentration tested due to dilution for salinity adjustment)
  - Test 2: 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> concentration > 67.4% effluent (highest concentration tested due to dilution for salinity adjustment)
  - Quantal statistic methods not applicable
- iv. Estimate of 7-d IC<sub>25</sub> (95% CL) for growth
  - Test 1: 7-d IC<sub>25</sub> concentration > 71.4% effluent (highest concentration tested due to dilution for salinity adjustment)
  - Test 2: 7-d IC<sub>25</sub> concentration > 67.4% effluent (highest concentration tested due to dilution for salinity adjustment)
- v. Current reference toxicity tests (95% CL) for 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> for survival and 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> for growth
  - Test 1 :Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Copper
    - Test conducted on July 19, 2005, same day as effluent test
    - Reference toxicant test was conducted on the same batch of externally supplied topsmelt used in the effluent test and under the same experimental conditions as the effluent test
    - 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> survival = 117 mg/L Cu, 95% CL = 100-136 mg/L
    - 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> growth = 116 mg/L Cu, 95% CL = 81-156 mg/L
  - Test 2 :Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Copper
    - Test conducted on August 9, 2005, same day as effluent test
    - Reference toxicant test was conducted on the same batch of externally supplied topsmelt used in the effluent test and under the same experimental conditions as the effluent test
    - 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> survival = 103 mg/L Cu, 95% CL = 91-118 mg/L
    - 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> growth = 95 mg/L Cu, 95% CL = 75-127 mg/L
- vi. Reference toxicity warning limits (+/- SD) for 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> for survival and 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> for growth
  - Test 1: Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Copper
    - 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> survival = 133 ± 39mg/L Cu
    - 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> growth = 132 ± 46mg/L Cu
  - Test 2: Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Copper
    - 7-d LC<sub>50</sub> survival = 132 ± 40mg/L Cu,
    - 7-d IC<sub>50</sub> growth = 133 ± 40mg/L Cu

## **APPENDIX D**

### **92-h Echinoderm Fertilization Test**

## **Reporting Requirements for Reference Method EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm Cell)**

### **Effluent Sample**

- i. Name & location of operation generating the effluent
  - Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
  - Final Discharge Point for Garrow Lake is geo referenced as 75° 22' 32" N, 97° 48' 37" W.
- ii. Date & time of sampling
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were collected:
    - Test 1 – Saturday July 16, 2005 – 0900h
    - Test 2 – Saturday August 6, 2005 – 1000h
- iii. Type of sample
  - Final effluent water
- iv. Brief description of sampling point
  - 20m downstream of the siphon discharge point at Garrow Lake dam
- v. Sampling method
  - Water was collected from at least 15cm below the surface using a water pump with silicon tubing
  - Water was collected from the upstream direction
  - The pump was flushed with site water for at least one minute prior to sample collection
  - 4 x 20L sample bottles were filled
- vi. Name of person submitting samples
  - Blake Hamer (Gartner Lee) Tests 1
  - Brenda Bolton (Gartner Lee) Test 2
- x. Labeling/coding of sample (Sample IDs)
  - Test 1 – G-Creek\_Sublethal\_071605
  - Test 2 – Garrow Creek
- xi. Date & time of sample receipt
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were received:
    - Test 1 – Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1045h
    - Test 2 – Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1015h
- xii. Temperature upon sample receipt at laboratory
  - Test 1 – 12.7 °C
  - Test 2 – 19.0 °C

### **Test Organisms**

- i. Species of test organism
  - Sandollar Echinoid (*Dendraster excentricus*)
- ii. Name and city of testing laboratory
  - EVS Environment Consultants, North Vancouver, BC
- iii. Source of test species
  - Westwind Sealab, Victoria BC
  - All adults providing gametes are from the same population and source
  - Gametes are spawned in-house at EVS
- iv. Date test species acquired on
  - Test 1: July 19, 2005
  - Test 2: August 9, 2005
- v. Holding time and conditions for adults
  - Test 1: Adults received at the testing laboratory the day of the test.
  - Test 2: Adults received at the testing laboratory the day of the test.
- vi. Indications of deviations from EC guidance on the importation of test organisms
  - Test 1: No deviations from EC requirements
  - Test 2: No deviations from EC requirements
- vii. Weekly percent mortality of adults being held over 7d preceding test

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- Test 1: <2% per day over the 7 days preceding the test
- Test 2: <2% per day over the 7 days preceding the test
- viii. Age of test organisms
  - Test 1: < 4 hours after spawning
  - Test 3: < 4 hours after spawning
- ix. Unusual appearance, behaviour, or treatment of adults or gametes before test start, or anything unusual about the test
  - Test 1: Organisms appear healthy, in good condition, nothing unusual about test organisms or test
  - Test 2: Organisms appear healthy, in good condition, nothing unusual about test organisms or test

### **Test Facilities and Conditions**

- i. Test type & method
  - Echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) Fertilization Toxicity Test
  - Static
  - Reference Method – EPS1/RM/27 with 1997 amendments
- ii. Test duration
  - Test 1: 10:10 min (10min sperm + 10min sperm & egg)
  - Test 2: 10:10 min (10min sperm + 10min sperm & egg)
- iii. Date and time for start of definitive test
  - Test 1: Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1514h
  - Test 2: Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 1723h
- iv. Test vessel description
  - Test 1: 16 x 125mm test tubes
  - Test 2: 16 x 125mm test tubes
- v. Person(s) performing the test and verifying the results
  - Test 1: Testing by Shawn Seguin; QA/QC reviewed by Julianna Kalokai.
  - Test 2: Testing by Shawn Seguin; QA/QC reviewed by Julianna Kalokai.
- vi. Indication of rate and duration of pre-aeration of test solutions before initiation of test
  - Test 1: No pre-aeration
  - Test 2: No pre-aeration
- vii. Confirmation that no adjustment of sample or solution pH occurred
  - Test 1: No pH adjustment
  - Test 2: No pH adjustment
- viii. Procedure for sample filtration
  - Test 1: No sample filtration
  - Test 2: No sample filtration
- ix. Procedure for preparation of hypersaline brine (HSB) as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment – July 1997
  - Test 1: Hypersaline brine (HSB) was prepared from natural seawater concentrated to 90ppt (by filtering to at least 10 µm before placing it into the freezer and then freezing/refreezing to remove frozen layer and concentrate salts in the hypersaline brine). HSB was added to samples to salinity adjust them to 30ppt. For a 10mL volume the concentrations were prepared by adding 7.28mL of effluent + 2.72mL of HSB for the highest concentration. This solution was diluted using natural seawater for the lower test concentrations (i.e., 50% of the highest concentration + 50% of the dilution water, repeated for subsequent dilutions). No deviations from EC guidance document (July 1997) for salinity adjustment of sample.
  - Test 2: Hypersaline brine (HSB) was prepared from natural seawater concentrated to 90ppt (by filtering to at least 10 µm before placing it into the freezer and then freezing/refreezing to remove frozen layer and concentrate salts in the hypersaline brine). HSB was added to samples to salinity adjust them to 30ppt. For a 10mL volume the concentrations were prepared by adding 7.13mL of effluent + 2.87mL of HSB for

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the highest concentration. This solution was diluted using natural seawater for the lower test concentrations (i.e., 50% of the highest concentration + 50% of the dilution water, repeated for subsequent dilutions). No deviations from EC guidance document (July 1997) for salinity adjustment of sample.

- x. Procedure for salinity adjustment as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment – July 1997
  - No deviations from EC guidance for salinity adjustment
  - Test 1: salinity adjusted from 3.0 to 28 ppt
  - Test 2: salinity adjusted from 1.0 to 29 ppt
- xi. Type and source of control/dilution water
  - Test 1: UV-sterilized, 0.45µm-filtered natural seawater from the Vancouver Aquarium
  - Test 2: UV-sterilized, 0.45µm-filtered natural seawater from the Vancouver Aquarium
- xii. Concentrations and volumes tested
  - Test 1: Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used were:
    - Control (0%) - 10mL
    - Salinity Control (0%) - 10mL
    - 4.6% - 10mL
    - 9.1% - 10mL
    - 18.2% - 10mL
    - 36.4% - 10mL
    - 72.8% - 10mL
  - Test 2: Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used were:
    - Control (0%) - 10mL
    - Salinity Control (0%) - 10mL
    - 4.5% - 10mL
    - 8.9% - 10mL
    - 17.8% - 10mL
    - 35.6% - 10mL
    - 71.3% - 10mL
- xiii. Number of replicated per concentration
  - Test 1: 4 replicates per treatment concentration
  - Test 2: 4 replicates per treatment concentration
- xiv. Number of organisms per container
  - Test 1: 2000 eggs per vessel (100 counted)
  - Test 2: 2000 eggs per vessel (100 counted)
- xv. Measurements of pH and dissolved oxygen in sample water before use
  - Test 1: pH 8.2, DO 8.5
  - Test 3: pH 8.3, DO 8.5
- xvi. Measurements of pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity during test
  - Test 1: pH – 7.9 – 8.3, T - 15.0°C, DO - 8.5mg/L, salinity - 28ppt
  - Test 2: pH – 7.5 – 8.4, T - 15.0°C, DO – 7.8 – 8.5mg/L, salinity - 29ppt

## **Results**

- i. Number and % of fertilized eggs in each test concentration
  - Test 1: (Number is equal to percent since totals were 100)
    - Control (0%): # Fert = 64, 60, 66, 69
    - 4.6%: # Fert = 56, 51, 52, 53
    - 9.1%: # Fert = 39, 37, 37, 36
    - 18.2%: # Fert = 33, 28, 29, 30
    - 36.4%: # Fert = 39, 39, 37, 36

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- 72.8%: # Fert = 20, 16, 21, 21
- Test 2: (Number is equal to percent since totals were 100)
  - Control (0%): # Fert = 88, 81, 85, 86
  - Salinity Control: # Fert = 91, 86, 85, 87
  - 4.5%: # Fert = 82, 80, 79, 78
  - 8.9%: # Fert = 76, 77, 77, 76
  - 17.8%: # Fert = 64, 59, 63, 61
  - 35.6%: # Fert = 50, 54, 54, 53
  - 71.3%: # Fert = 37, 40, 37, 35
- ii. Estimate of IC<sub>25</sub> (95% CL) for fertilization success
  - Test 1: IC<sub>25</sub> concentration = 5.2 (4.4 – 6.0)% v/v effluent
  - Test 2: IC<sub>25</sub> concentration = 15.6 (13.6 – 18.3)% v/v effluent
  - Quantitative statistic used to generate IC<sub>25</sub> values was log-linear interpolation (200 resamples) calculated in ToxCalc v5.0.23 (for both Test 1 and Test 2)
- iii. Current reference toxicity tests (95% CL) for IC<sub>50</sub> for fertilization
  - Test 1: Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate
    - Test conducted on July 19, 2005, same day as effluent test
    - Reference test conducted under same conditions
    - IC<sub>50</sub> for fertilization = 5.8 mg/L SDS, 95% CL = (5.2 – 6.5)mg/L
  - Test 2: Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate
    - Test conducted on August 9, 2005, same day as effluent test
    - Reference test conducted under same conditions
    - IC<sub>50</sub> for fertilization = 3.9 mg/L SDS, 95% CL = (3.6 – 4.1) mg/L
- iv. Reference toxicant warning limits (+/- 2SD) for IC<sub>50</sub> for fertilization
  - Test 1: 3.6 +/- 4.4 mg/L SDS
  - Test 2: 3.9 +/- 4.3 mg/L SDS

## **APPENDIX E**

### **7-d Sublethal *Champia* (Algae) Toxicity Test**

# **Reporting Requirements for Reference Method EPA/600/4-91-003, Method 1009.0**

## **(Champia)**

### **Effluent Sample**

- i. Name & location of operation generating the effluent
  - Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
  - Final Discharge Point for Garrow Lake is geo referenced as 75° 22' 32" N, 97° 48' 37" W.
- ii. Date & time of sampling
  - Samples for yearly sublethal toxicity testing were collected:
    - Test 1 – Saturday July 16, 2005 – 0900h
    - Test 2 – Saturday August 6, 2005 – 1000h
- iii. Type of sample
  - Final effluent water
- iv. Brief description of sampling point
  - 20m downstream of the siphon discharge point at Garrow Lake dam
- v. Sampling method
  - Water was collected from at least 15cm below the surface using a water pump with silicon tubing
  - Water was collected from the upstream direction
  - The pump was flushed with site water for at least one minute prior to sample collection
  - 1 x 4L sample bottles were filled
- vi. Name of person submitting samples
  - Blake Hamer (Gartner Lee) Tests 1
  - Brenda Bolton (Gartner Lee) Test 2
- vii. Temperature of water upon receipt at lab
  - Test 1: 18°C
  - Test 2: 22°C
- xiii. Labeling/coding of sample (Sample IDs)
  - Test 1 – G-Creek Sublethal 071605
  - Test 2 – Garrow Creek
- xiv. Date & time of sample receipt
  - Samples for sublethal toxicity testing were received:
    - Test 1 – Tuesday July 19, 2005 – 1300h
    - Test 2 – Tuesday August 9, 2005 – 0900h

### **Test Organisms**

- i. Species of test organism
  - Algae (*Champia parvula*)
- ii. Name and city of testing laboratory
  - Test 1: Stantec Consulting Ltd, Guelph Ontario
  - Saskatchewan Research Council [SRC], Saskatoon, SK
- iii. Source of test species and health of organisms
  - Test 1
    - Source was Stantec in-house culture
    - Batch number CH05-07
    - Sexually mature male and female branches
    - Females have trichogynes, males have sori with spermatia
    - No organisms exhibiting unusual appearance, behaviour or undergoing unusual treatment were used in the test
  - Test 2
    - Sexually mature male and female branches
    - Obtained from USEPA, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Newport Oregon, 1995
    - Appear in excellent health, nothing unusual

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- Females have trichogynes, males have sori with spermatia
- iv. Any unusual appearance, behaviour, or treatment of test organisms, before their use in test
  - Test 1 and Test 2
    - Nothing unusual about the appearance, behaviour, or treatment of test organisms, before their use in test; everything is normal
    - Nothing unusual about the tests

### **Test Facilities and Conditions**

- i. Test type & method
  - Test 1:
    - Test of Sexual Reproduction using the Red Macroalga *Champia parvula*, EPA-821-R-02-014, October 2002 Method 1009.0, with Canadian adaptations (Environment Canada 1998, 1999)
  - Static, non-renewal
  - 48-hour exposure, followed by 7 day recovery period for cystocarp development
- Test 2:
  - Test of Sexual Reproduction using the Red Macroalga *Champia parvula*, Reference Method - EPA/600/4-91/003, Method 1009.0
  - Static, non-renewal
  - 2 day exposure, followed by 5-7 day recovery period for cystocarp development
- ii. Date and time for start of definitive test
  - Test 1: Tuesday July 19, 2005 17:45h
  - Test 3: Tuesday August 9, 2005 – time not noted but lab notes state tests started within 72 hrs of collection
- xviii. Date for test completion
  - Test 1 – July 28, 2005
  - Test 2 – August 16, 2005
- iii. Test vessel description
  - Test 1: 270mL transparent polystyrene cups with polystyrene lids
  - Test 2: 270mL transparent polystyrene cups with polystyrene lids
- iv. Person(s) performing the test and verifying the results
  - Test 1: E. Jonczyk/ K. Johnson
  - Tests 2: Mary Moody
- v. Indication of pre-aeration of test solutions
  - Test 1: No pre-aeration
  - Test 2: No pre-aeration
- vi. Confirmation that no pH adjustment of sample or solution occurred
  - Test 1: No pH adjustment
  - Test 2: - No pH adjustment
- vii. Indication that EC guidance document for salinity adjustment was followed
  - Test 1:
    - No deviations from EC guidance document on preparation of hypersaline brine (Environment Canada Salinity Adjustment Guidance Document, revised Dec. 2001)
    - HSB prepared from natural seawater at 90ppt (by filtering to at least 10 µm before placing it into the freezer and then freezing/refreezing to remove frozen layer and concentrate salts in the hypersaline brine)
    - No deviations from EC guidance document for salinity adjustment of sample
    - Salinity adjustment (for a 1000mL volume): 660mL effluent + 330mL HSB + 10mL test nutrient solution

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- Salinity of samples adjusted from 0ppt to 32ppt
  - Test 2:
    - No deviations from EC guidance document on preparation of hypersaline brine (May 2001)
    - HSB prepared from natural seawater at 90ppt (by filtering to at least 10 µm before placing it into the freezer and then freezing/refreezing to remove frozen layer and concentrate salts in the hypersaline brine)
    - No deviations from EC guidance document for salinity adjustment of sample
    - Salinity adjustment: 600mL effluent + 260mL HSB + 8.6 ml test nutrient solution
- Salinity of samples adjusted from 2ppt to 30ppt
- viii. Type and source of control/dilution water
- Test 1:
    - Natural seawater collected from Pointe-du-Chene in Shediac Bay, New Brunswick.
    - No chemicals added.
    - Filtered to 0.45µm prior to use
  - Test 2
    - Natural seawater collected at the Pacific Environmental Center, Environment Canada, North Vancouver, BC
    - Filtered to 0.2µm and autoclaved prior to use
    - Salinity adjusted as per EC guidance document to 30ppt with HSB from the same source
- ix. Type and quantity of any chemicals added to the control dilution water
- Test 1: No chemicals added to dilution water. 10 mL of test nutrients.
  - Test 3: No chemicals added. Test nutrients as described in Test Method USEPA/600/4-91/003, Method 1009.0 were added at concentration of 10mL/L, analytical grade, 8.6 mL added
- x. Concentrations and volumes of test solutions
- Concentrations (% effluent volume / total volume) tested and total volumes used were:
  - Tests 1:
    - Control (Natural Seawater) (0%) - 100mL
    - Salinity Control Brine (0%) - 100mL
    - 2.1% - 100mL
    - 4.4% - 100mL
    - 8.3% - 100mL
    - 16.5% - 100mL
    - 33% - 100mL
    - 66% - 100mL
  - Tests 2:
    - Control (Natural Seawater) (0%) - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - Salinity Control Brine (0%) - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - 4.38% - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - 8.75% - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - 17.5% - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - 35% - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
    - 70% - 100mL, 4.5cm depth
- xi. Number of replicates per concentration
- Tests 1 & 2: 3 replicates per concentration
- xii. Number of organisms per test chamber
- Tests 1 & 2: 5 female branches + 2 male branches per chamber

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- xiii. Measurements of pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity of sample before use
- Test 1 (unadjusted effluent): pH – 8.0, T – 22.0 °C, DO – 10.2mg/L, salinity - 0ppt
  - Test 1 (before use): pH – 8.0, T – 22.5 °C, DO – 7.0mg/L, salinity - 32ppt
  - Test 2 (unadjusted sample): pH - 7.75, T – 23.0 °C, DO – 8.6mg/L, salinity - 2ppt
  - Test 2 (before use): pH – 8.35, T – 23.0 °C, DO – 7.6mg/L, salinity - 30ppt
- xiv. Measurements of pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity of test solution and controls at 0hr, 48hr, and the beginning and end of recovery period
- Test 1: See attached photocopied page 5 of original laboratory report
  - Test 2: See attached photocopied pages 6 of original laboratory report

### **Results**

- i. Number and % mortality of female plants after recovery in each test solution
- Totals from all 3 replicates are presented:
  - Test 1:
    - Control (0%): 0 (0%) mortality
    - Salinity Control (0%): 0 (0%) mortality
    - 2.1%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 4.4%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 8.3%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 16.5%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 33%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 66%: 0 (0%) mortality
  - Test 2:
    - Control (0%): 0 (0%) mortality
    - Salinity Control (0%): 0 (0%) mortality
    - 4.38%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 8.75%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 17.5%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 35%: 0 (0%) mortality
    - 70%: 0 (0%) mortality
- ii. Mean number of cystocarps per plant in each replicate of each test concentration
- Test 1: (Replicates are A, B, and C)
    - Control (0%): A) 26.8, B) 27.2, C) 26.4
    - Salinity Control (0%): A) 27.6, B) 27.4, C) 28.4
    - 2.1%: A) 29.4, B) 29.0, C) 30.0
    - 4.4%: A) 26.2, B) 26.8, C) 27.4
    - 8.3%: A) 27.6, B) 27.2, C) 28.0
    - 16.5%: A) 25.4, B) 26.4, C) 26.6
    - 33%: A) 18.4, B) 15.0, C) 18.4
    - 66%: A) 0.4, B) 0.2, C) 0.2
  - Test 2: (Replicates are A, B, and C)
    - Control (0%): A) 104.0, B) 74.2, C) 79.6
    - Salinity Control (0%): A) 103.8, B) 84.6, C) 99.0
    - 4.38%: A) 89.8, B) 70.0, C) 82.6
    - 8.75%: A) 86.6, B) 98.4, C) 93.6
    - 17.5%: A) 95.6, B) 94.0, C) 88.4
    - 35%: A) 91.8, B) 88.8, C) 67.2
    - 70%: A) 35.0, B) 36.6, C) 28.4

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- iii. Estimate of IC<sub>25</sub> (95% CL) for cystocarp development
  - Test 1: IC<sub>25</sub> concentration = 24.6 (22.2 – 27.2)% effluent v/v
  - Quantal statistic method was linear interpolation determined using ToxStat 3.5
    - Test 2: IC<sub>25</sub> concentration = 45.3 (27.5 – 52.4)% effluent v/v
  - Quantal statistic method was linear interpolation (200 resamples) determined using ToxCalc v5.0.23
- iv. Current reference toxicity tests (95% CL) for IC<sub>50</sub> for cystocarp development
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate
    - Test 1: Test conducted on July 19, 2005, same day as effluent test
      - Reference toxicant test was conducted under the same experimental conditions as the effluent test
      - IC<sub>50</sub> cystocarp development = 0.134 mg/L SDS, 95% CL = (0.123 – 0.143) mg/L
    - Test 2: Test conducted on August 17, 2005, within 30 days of effluent test
      - Reference toxicant test was conducted under the same experimental conditions as the effluent test
      - IC<sub>50</sub> cystocarp development = 1.31mg/L SDS, 95% CL = (1.20 - 1.41) mg/L
- v. Reference toxicant warning limits (+/- 2SD) for IC<sub>50</sub> for cystocarp development
  - Reference toxicity tests for Toxicant: Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate
    - Test 1: 0.155 (0.112 – 0.216) mg/L SDS
    - Test 2: 1.41 (1.15 – 1.74) mg/L SDS

Pages 1 to 6 inclusive are included in the hardcopy sent in the mail. This data can also be found in the original lab reports in Appendix H.

## **APPENDIX F**

### **Results of Effluent Characterization as per Paragraph 15(1)(a)**

## **RESULTS OF EFFLUENT CHARACTERIZATION**

### **AS PER PARAGRAPH 15(1)(a)**

Nine MMER effluent samples were collected during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2005 between July 6, 2005 and August 27, 2005. “Quarterly” EEM samples were collected from the effluent, exposure, and reference stations on July 16, 2005 and August 6, 2005 and analyzed for a wider suite of elements, as per the guidance document. Monthly loadings of metals to Garrow Bay were calculated based on average weekly discharge volumes from Garrow Lake to Garrow Bay via the creek outflow. The August 6, 2005 effluent volume discharge is estimated and will be finalized by Teck Cominco.

Holding times for nitrate and alkalinity were missed during the July 6, 2005 event due to an oversight by the laboratory. The oversight is explained in Appendix I and is not likely to influence results. A quarterly event with toxicity testing was planned for this event; however, due to a delay in shipment because of weather conditions at the mine site, toxicity samples missed holding times and were discarded at the labs. The parameters that missed holding times were “quarterly” parameters, and additional measurements were taken on July 16, 2005, corresponding to acute and sublethal toxicity testing.

Due to the high Arctic, remote location of the mine, travel into or out of the mine site can be hazardous due to weather conditions such as fog and snow. As the mine has ceased operations and little infrastructure exists onsite, sampling this season was conducted by small field crews stationed onsite, or by flying technicians in on a weekly basis to collect the MMER samples. In August and September, several planned MMER sampling attempts did not proceed due to hazardous weather conditions that prevented flights from getting into the mine site or from departing Resolute Bay. MMER samples were collected at the next possible time, and Ken Russell and Jenny Ferone were kept informed of this situation. The 2005 sampling chronology is presented in Appendix I. The last sample was collected on August 27, 2005. After this event, the mine was inaccessible due to weather until September 13, 2005, when Garrow Creek (final discharge point) was frozen with no discharge.

There were no exceedances of any Schedule 4 discharge limits during the quarter.

Water samples for acute and sublethal toxicity testing were collected using a pump system from about 20 m downstream of the historic dam location on Garrow Lake, within the main flow of the creek. Acute Lethality Testing was conducted on samples collected July 16, 2005 and August 6, 2005. There were no adverse effects observed for either the 96-hr Rainbow Trout toxicity test, or the 48-hr *Daphnia magna* toxicity test. LC<sub>50</sub> values were >100% effluent for both species in all testing events.

Sublethal Toxicity Testing was conducted on samples collected July 16, 2005 and August 6, 2005. As this is considered a marine discharge, marine species were used for sublethal testing following brine adjustment of the brackish effluent (as per EC test protocols). Testing for fish (7-d Topsmelt growth and survival) and invertebrates (Sand dollar) was conducted at EVS Environment Consultants, Vancouver, BC, while algae (48-h *Champia*) testing was undertaken at Stantec Guelph, ON, for the July test, and at the Saskatchewan Research Council, Saskatoon SK, for the August test.

There were no effects observed in the Topsmelt Survival and Growth Test at the highest concentrations tested (>71.4%, and >67.4% effluent v/v).

Sublethal effects were observed for the echinoid and algal species in both tests. In the echinoid (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization test,

- the IC<sub>25</sub>'s were 5.2, and 15.6% v/v, and
- the IC<sub>50</sub>'s were 13.2, and 55% v/v

In the *Champia parvula* sexual reproduction test

- the IC<sub>25</sub>'s were 24.6, and 45.3% v/v,
- the IC<sub>50</sub> was 61.4% v/v in the second test (not reported in the first test).

Zinc is the primary contaminant of potential concern (COPC) identified in mine effluent. Concentrations of zinc during 2005 averaged 39 µg/L and ranged between 13 and 91 µg/L, which are well below the MMER effluent limit of 500µg/L. These concentrations are also lower than those measured in 2003, 128µg/L (range 48 – 186µg/L), and in 2004, 72 µg/L (range 35 – 198 µg/L), and show a decreasing pattern over the last three years. Note the CCME guideline for zinc is 30 µg/L and the BC AWQG guidelines are 7.5 and 33 µg/L, for the chronic and acute guidelines, respectively. Concentrations of zinc in Polaris mine effluent were not substantially higher than these guidelines in 2005.

On July 16, 2004 and August 6, 2005, the concentrations of zinc in the effluent were 17.9 and 35.6 µg/L, respectively. The echinoid test endpoints converted into concentrations of zinc results in values of 0.93 and 5.5 µg Zn/L for the IC<sub>25</sub>'s, and 2.4 and 19.6 µg Zn/L for the IC<sub>50</sub>. Reference toxicity tests of zinc on *Dendraster* fertilization give mean EC<sub>50</sub> concentrations of 8.5 – 60 µg Zn/L (Dinnel et al. 1983). The reported range of *Dendratster* EC<sub>50</sub>'s correspond to the August 6, 2005 IC<sub>50</sub> of 19.6 µg Zn/L. The IC<sub>50</sub> zinc concentration in the July 16, 2005 sample is lower than the literature EC<sub>50</sub>'s and may indicate that other substances in the effluent were contributing to the sublethal effects in this sample. The echinoid test is quite sensitive to zinc, with IC<sub>25</sub> (converted) zinc concentrations being less than the BC AWQG chronic guideline of 7.5 µg/L.

Endpoints for the *Champia* test in terms of zinc concentrations were 4.4 and 16.1 µg Zn/L (IC<sub>25</sub>'s), and 21.9 µg Zn/L (IC<sub>50</sub> in the August 6, 2005 sample). The reference IC<sub>25</sub> endpoint for zinc in the *Champia* test performed in-house at SRC, reported in 2003, was 27 µg Zn/L (95% confidence limits 16-42µg/L). This reference concentration is similar to the zinc concentrations corresponding to the IC<sub>25</sub> and IC<sub>50</sub> in the August 6, 2005 sample. Like the echinoid results, the IC<sub>25</sub> converted zinc concentration in the July 16, 2005 sample was lower than reference endpoints and may indicate that other substances in this sample were contributing to toxicity. *Champia* also appears to be sensitive to zinc concentrations between the BC AWQG chronic guideline of 7.5 µg/L and maximum guideline of 33 µg/L.

Given the similarity between zinc concentrations in the effluent samples and the effects concentrations of zinc in reference tests, it is likely that zinc is responsible for the sublethal effects observed in both the *Dendraster* and *Champia* tests.

Reference: Dinnel, P.A., Q.J. Stober, J.M. Link, M.W. Letourneau, W.E. Roberts, S.P. Felton, and R.E. Nakatan. 1983. Methodology and Validation of a Sperm Cell Toxicity Test for Testing Toxic Substances in Marine Waters. Final Report, FRI-UW-8306, Fisheries Research Inst., School of Fisheries, University of Washington, Seattle, WA :208. Source: EPA EcoTox database.

## **APPENDIX G**

### **Acute Toxicity Testing Laboratory Reports**

**Golder Associates Ltd.**

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04-1424-044

August 17, 2005

Azimuth Consulting Group  
218 – 2902 West Broadway  
Vancouver, BC V6K 2G8

Attention: Ms. Cheryl Mackintosh

**RE: WORK ORDERS: 0500296, 297  
TOXICITY TEST RESULTS ON THE SAMPLES COLLECTED JULY 16, 2005**

Dear Ms. Mackintosh


We are pleased to provide you with the results of the toxicity tests performed on the effluent sample identified as G-Creek-acute-071605 collected July 16, 2005. The sample was tested with the 48-h *Daphnia magna* and the 96-h rainbow trout LC50 toxicity tests. The tests were performed according to the Environment Canada protocol for conducting acute toxicity tests using *D. magna* (EPS 1/RM/14, Second Edition, 2000) and rainbow trout (EPS 1/RM/13, Second Edition, 2000). An independent EVS/Golder QA/QC review confirmed that all acceptability criteria specified by the protocol were met. The results of these tests are summarized from the appended data and are presented in Table 1.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 604-986-4331.

Yours very truly,

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
A Member of the Golder Group of Companies

**Verified By:**

  
for Jennifer Young, B.Sc.

Bioassay Team Leader – Cladoceran Team

  
QA/QC Committee:  
Cathy McPherson, B.Sc.  
Julianna Kalocai, M.Sc.

Attachment: Table 1

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**Table 1**  
**Toxicity Test Results**

SAMPLE ID	SAMPLE DATE	48h <i>Daphnia magna</i>	96-h Rainbow Trout -
		LC50 (95% CL) % (v/v)	LC50 (95% CL) % (v/v)
G-Creek-Acute-071605	July 16, 2005	>100	>100

CL – confidence limits.

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**48-h *Daphnia magna* TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimoth  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
EVS Work Order No. 0500297

EVS Analysts SXB  
Test Type 48h LC50  
Test Initiation Date 19 July 05

**SAMPLE INFORMATION**

Identification G-Creek-Acute-071605  
Amount Received 1x2L Subsampled from 1x20L RBT  
Date Collected 16 July 05  
Date Received July 19, 2005  
Temperature (°C) 21.0  
pH 7.3 @ 7.4  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 10.8 @ 8.9  
Conductivity (µmhos/cm) 1566  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 160  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) —  
Ammonia (mg/L N) —  
Chlorine (mg/L Cl) —

pH adjustment details: —

① Pre-aeration rate and duration: 12 min @ 25-50 mL/min/L

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type Moderately Hard water (July 13/05)  
Temperature (°C) 20.0  
pH 7.6  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 9.1  
Conductivity (µS/cm) 344  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 94  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 64  
Other —

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Broodstock Culture ID (in-house culture) 05 July A/B  
Age (on Day 0) < 24hr  
Days to First Brood 8  
Avg. Young/Brood (after 1<sup>st</sup> brood) 34  
% Mortality in 7 d Before Test 0  
Reference Toxicant Zinc  
Current Reference Toxicant Result

Reference Toxicant Test Date July 19, 2005  
48-h LC50 and 95% CL 426 (362-504) µg/L Zn  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
445 ± 280 µg/L Zn ; CV = 31

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0 - 21.0  
pH Range 7.4 - 7.7  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 8.7 - 9.1  
Conductivity Range (µS/cm) 344 - 1566  
Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
No. Organisms/Volume 10/200mL  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS** The 48hr LC50 of G-Creek-Acute-071605  
is > 100% (V/V).

Data Verified By Gachif

Date Verified Aug. 16/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**48-h *Daphnia magna* ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA**

Client Azimvth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500297  
 Daphnid Broodstock Batch 05 July A/B

Sample ID G-Greek-Acute-071605  
 Date Collected 16 July 05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 19 July 05 @ 16:00  
 No. Organisms/Volume 10/200 ml

Concentration % (v/v)	Number of Survivors (1 to 48 h)					Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)			Temperature (°C)			pH			Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	
	1	2	4	24	48	0	24	48	0	24	48	0	24	48	0	48
Control				10	10	9.1	8.7	8.7	20.0	21.0	21.0	7.6	7.5	7.6	344	344
6.25				10	10	9.1	8.8	8.7	20.0	21.0	21.0	7.6	7.5	7.6	426	425
12.5				10	10	9.0	8.8	8.7	20.0	21.0	21.5	7.6	7.5	7.7	505	506
25				10	10	9.0	8.7	8.7	20.5	21.0	21.5	7.6	7.5	7.7	848	647
50				10	10	8.8	8.7	8.7	20.5	21.0	21.0	7.4	7.5	7.7	958	944
100				10	10	8.9	8.7	8.7	21.0	21.0	21.5	7.4	7.4	7.5	1566	1532
Technician Initials						ML	SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	SXB	ML	SXB

Sample Description clear - colourless  
 WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hg Thermometer pH II-A-020501 DO II-A-011201 Cond. IIA-990901  
 Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Test Set Up By SXB Date Verified By Gaphi Date Verified Aug. 16/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**RAINBOW TROUT ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
EVS Work Order No. 050096

EVS Analysts MSG, RCH  
Test Type 96-h LC50  
Test Initiation Date July 21/05 @ 1035

**SAMPLE**

Identification G-Creek 071605 Acute  
Amount Received 2 x 20L  
Date Collected July 16/05  
Date Received July 19/05  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Fresh Water (dechlorinated) ✓  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 7.0  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 10.1  
Conductivity (µS/cm) 37  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 14  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 8  
Other ✓

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source San Valley  
Collection Date/Batch 062205  
Control Fish Size (mean, SD and range measured at end of test)  
Date Measured July 25/05  
Fork Length (mm) 30 ± 3 (25-33)  
Wet Weight (g) 0.29 ± 0.07 (0.20-0.37)  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date July 12/05  
Duration of Acclimation (days) 20  
96-h LC50 (and 95% CL) 24 (18 and 32)  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
29 ± 12 mg/L SDS CV: 21%

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 9.5-10.2  
Temperature Range (°C) 15  
pH Range 6.7-7.3  
Conductivity Range (µS/cm) 37-1463  
Aeration Provided? (give rate) 6.5 ± 1 mL/min/L  
Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
No. Organisms/Volume 10/10L  
Loading Density (g/L) 0.29  
Acclimation Before Testing (days) 29  
Mortality In Previous Week of Acclimation (%) 0.1  
Other ✓

**TEST RESULTS**

The 96-h LC50 is estimated to be > 100% (6/6)

Data Verified By Galpi

Date Verified Aug. 4/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
RAINBOW TROUT ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA**

**WHOLE SAMPLE WATER QUALITY**

Temp. (°C)	pH	After 30-min Pre-aeration
15		15
7.3		7.3
10.4		10.2
14.45		14.45

1. Document pH adjustment procedure (if used) under "Comments".

Client Arizona  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500296  
 Trout Batch No. and 7-d Acclimation Mortality 062205/0.1%  
 No. Fish/Volume 10/10L  
 Sample ID C7-Creek  
 Date/Time Collected July 16/05 @ 0900  
 Test Initiation Date/Time July 21/05 @ 1035

Total Pre-Aeration Time 30 min

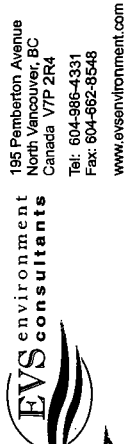
Concentration % (v/v)	Number of Survivors (1 to 96 hours)						Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)						Temperature (°C)						pH						Conductivity (µS/cm)	
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control				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.7	15	15	15	15	15	7.0	6.8	6.9	7.0	6.7	37	41		
6.25				10	10	10	10	10.1	10.0	9.8	9.6	9.5	15	15	15	15	15	7.1	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8	194	197		
12.5				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.9	9.8	9.6	9.8	15	15	15	15	15	7.1	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8	301	305		
25				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.8	15	15	15	15	15	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.8	418	423		
50				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.8	15	15	15	15	15	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.9	775	784		
100				10	10	10	10	10.2	10.0	9.6	9.8	9.8	15	15	15	15	15	7.3	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.0	1445	1463		
Technician Initials																										

WQ Instruments Used: Temperature calibrated Hg thermometer pH II-A-030302 DO II-A-3 Conductivity II-A-030383

Sample Description clear  
 Comments

Test Set Up By RCH Data Verified By Gajich Date Verified Aug. 4/05

# CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY/TEST REQUEST FORM



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VIA 3E1

Attn: Edmond Caparica

Sampled By: Blake Hamer

Collection Date (dd/mm/yy)	Time (24-h clock)	Sample Identification	Type of Each Sample	1										2										3	4	5	6	7a	7b	8	9																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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04-1424-044

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Attention: Ms. Cheryl Mackintosh

**RE: WORK ORDERS: 0500334, 335  
TOXICITY TEST RESULTS ON THE SAMPLES COLLECTED AUGUST 6, 2005**

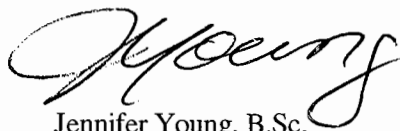
Dear Ms. Mackintosh


We are pleased to provide you with the results of the toxicity tests performed on the effluent sample identified as Garrow Creek collected August 6, 2005. The sample was tested with the 48-h *Daphnia magna* and the 96-h rainbow trout LC50 toxicity tests. The tests were performed according to the Environment Canada protocol for conducting acute toxicity tests using *D. magna* (EPS 1/RM/14, Second Edition, 2000) and rainbow trout (EPS 1/RM/13, Second Edition, 2000). An independent EVS/Golder QA/QC review confirmed that all acceptability criteria specified by the protocol were met. The results of these tests are summarized from the appended data and are presented in Table 1.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 604-986-4331.

Yours very truly,  
**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
A Member of the Golder Group of Companies

**Verified By:**

  
Jennifer Young, B.Sc.  
Bioassay Team Leader – Cladoceran Team

  
QA/QC Committee:  
Cathy McPherson, B.Sc.  
Julianna Kalocai, M.Sc.

Attachment: Table 1  
RH/clz

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**Table 1**  
**Toxicity Test Results**

SAMPLE ID	SAMPLE DATE	48h <i>Daphnia magna</i>	96-h Rainbow Trout -
		LC50 (95% CL) % (v/v)	LC50 (95% CL) % (v/v)
Garrow Creek	August 6, 2005	>100	>100

CL – confidence limits.

*Toxicity testing was carried out in accordance with applicable test methodologies and/or standards of practice. Our liability is limited solely to the cost of re-testing in the event of non-compliance with such test specifications or standards of practice. Golder/EVS accepts no responsibility or liability for the interpretation or use of these testing results by others, nor for any delay, loss, damage or interruptions of testing, collection, preparation, and delivery of samples or test results resulting from events or circumstances beyond our control.*

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**48-h *Daphnia magna* TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth Consulting Group EVS Analysts SXB  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044 Test Type 48h LC50  
EVS Work Order No. 0500335 Test Initiation Date 11 Aug 05

**SAMPLE INFORMATION**

Identification Garrow Creek  
Amount Received 5x20L  
Date Collected 06 Aug 05  
Date Received 09 Aug 05  
Temperature (°C) 21.0 → 21.0  
pH 7.5 → 7.6  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 10.8 → 8.9  
Conductivity (μmhos/cm) 2850  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) ~ 300  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) —  
Ammonia (mg/L N) —  
Chlorine (mg/L Cl) —

pH adjustment details: none  
Pre-aeration rate and duration: 15 Min @ 25 to 50 m<sup>3</sup>/min

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type moderately Hard water (July 30)  
Temperature (°C) 20.0  
pH 7.4  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 9.1  
Conductivity (μS/cm) 354  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 300 94  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 70  
Other —

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Broodstock Culture ID (in-house culture) 18 July A/B/C  
Age (on Day 0) < 24hr  
Days to First Brood 7.0  
Avg. Young/Brood (after 1<sup>st</sup> brood) 7.29  
% Mortality in 7 d Before Test 0  
Reference Toxicant Zinc  
Current Reference Toxicant Result

Reference Toxicant Test Date Aug 15, 2005  
48-h LC50 and 95% CL 481 (388-597) μg/L Zn  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
445 ± 280 μg/L Zn / CV = 31

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0-21.0  
pH Range 7.4-7.7  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 8.5-9.1  
Conductivity Range (μS/cm) 350-2850  
Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
No. Organisms/Volume 10/200ml  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS** The 48hr LC50 of Garrow Creek is >100% (V)

Data Verified By Galpin Date Verified Aug. 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**48-h *Daphnia magna* ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA**

Client Azimuth Consulting Group  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500335  
 Daphnid Broodstock Batch 18 July A/B/C

Sample ID 6-Creek Garrow Creek  
 Date Collected 06 Aug 05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 11 Aug 05 @ 10:30  
 No. Organisms/Volume 10/200 ml

Concentration % (v/v)	Number of Survivors (1 to 48 h)					Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)			Temperature (°C)			pH			Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	
	1	2	4	24	48	0	24	48	0	24	48	0	24	48	0	48
Control				10	10	9.1	8.9	8.6	20.0	21.0	21.0	7.4	7.7	7.6	354	350
6.25				10	10	9.0	8.8	8.5	20.0	21.0	21.0	7.4	7.7	7.7	505	508
12.5				10	10	9.0	8.8	8.5	20.5	21.0	21.0	7.5	7.7	7.7	654	667
25				10	10	8.9	8.8	8.5	20.5	21.0	21.0	7.5	7.7	7.7	990	992
50				10	10	8.9	8.7	8.5	20.5	21.0	21.0	7.5	7.7	7.6	1458	1593
100				10	10	8.9	8.7	8.5	21.0	21.0	21.0	7.6	7.7	7.6	2850	2760
Technician Initials				SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB

Sample Description clear - colourless  
 WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hg Thermometer pH HA-020501 DO HA-011201 Cond. HA-990901  
 Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Test Set Up By SXB Date Verified By Galpin Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**RAINBOW TROUT ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Arimuth  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
EVS Work Order No. 0500334

EVS Analysts AXF RTH  
Test Type 96-h LC50  
Test Initiation Date Aug 11/05 @ 1500

**SAMPLE**

Identification Garrow Creek  
Amount Received 5 + 20L  
Date Collected Aug 6/05  
Date Received Aug 9/05  
Other -

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Fresh Water (dechlorinated) ✓  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 7.0  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 10.1  
Conductivity (µS/cm) 40  
Hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 14  
Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) 8  
Other -

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source Sun Valley  
Collection Date/Batch 062205  
Control Fish Size (mean, SD and range measured at end of test)  
Date Measured Aug 15/05  
Fork Length (mm) 31 ± 3 (27 and 35)  
Wet Weight (g) 0.33 ± 0.08 (0.22 and 0.46)  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date July 12/05  
Duration of Acclimation (days) 20  
96-h LC50 (and 95% CL) 24 (18 and 32)  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
29 ± 12 mg/L SDS CV: 21%

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 9.0 - 10.1  
Temperature Range (°C) 15  
pH Range 6.8 - 7.4  
Conductivity Range (µS/cm) 40 - 2850  
Aeration Provided? (give rate) 6.5 ± 1 mL/min/L  
Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
No. Organisms/Volume 10 / 10L  
Loading Density (g/L) 0.33  
Acclimation Before Testing (days) 50  
Mortality In Previous Week of Acclimation (%) 0.1  
Other -

**TEST RESULTS**

The 96-h LC50 is estimated to be > 100% (0/10)

Data Verified By Qualifit

Date Verified Aug. 30/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS RAINBOW TROUT ACUTE TOXICITY TEST DATA

## WHOLE SAMPLE WATER QUALITY

Temp. (°C)	Initial	pH Adjustment <sup>1</sup>	After 30-min Pre-aeration
	15		15
pH	7.4		7.4
DO (mg/L)	10.1		10.1
Cond. (µS/cm)	2510		2510

1. Document pH adjustment procedure (if used) under "Comments".

Client Azimut  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500334  
 Trout Batch No. and 7-d Acclimation Mortality 06220510.16  
 No. Fish/Volume 10/10L  
 Sample ID Charron Creek  
 Date/Time Collected Aug 6/05 @ 1100  
 Test Initiation Date/Time Aug 11/05 @ 1500

Total Pre-Aeration Time 30 min

Concentration % (v/v)	Number of Survivors (1 to 96 hours)						Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)						Temperature (°C)						pH						Conductivity (µS/cm)	
	1	2	4	24	48	72	96	0	24	48	72	96	0	24	48	72	96	0	24	48	72	96	0	96		
control				16	10	10	10	10.1	9.2	9.4	10.0	9.3	15	15	15	15	15	7.0	7.1	6.8	6.9	7.0	410	51		
6.25				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.0	10.0	10.2	9.4	15	15	15	15	15	7.0	7.1	6.9	7.0	7.0	323	349		
12.5				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.2	10.0	10.2	9.4	15	15	15	15	15	7.0	7.1	6.9	7.1	7.1	535	571		
25				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.4	10.0	10.2	9.6	15	15	15	15	15	7.0	7.1	6.9	7.1	7.1	827	864		
50				16	10	10	10	10.1	9.4	10.2	10.3	9.6	15	15	15	15	15	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.2	1373	1431		
100				10	10	10	10	10.1	9.8	10.5	10.7	9.7	15	15	15	15	15	7.4	7.3	7.0	7.1	7.3	2510	2850		
Technician Initials																										

WQ Instruments Used: calibrated DO meter  
 Sample Description: clear  
 Comments: Re-calibrated DO meter

pH II-A-030302 DO II-A-3 Conductivity II-A-030304

Test Set Up By port Date Verified By gajich Date Verified Aug 30/05

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- 1 For composite effluent or water samples, the sample-collection date/time is the end of the compositing period.
- 2 Receiving Water (RW): Effluent (E); Elutriate (ELU); Sediment (SED); Chemical (CHEM); Stormwater (SW); Other (Please Specify)
- 3 Collapsible Carboy (CC); glass jar (GJ); Jerry Can (JC); Plastic HDPE (P); Other (Please Specify)
- 4 Please note any conditions the lab should be aware of for safety and storage concerns

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## **APPENDIX H**

### **Sublethal Toxicity Testing Laboratory Reports**



**Stantec**

Work Order : 207782  
 Sample Number : 13103

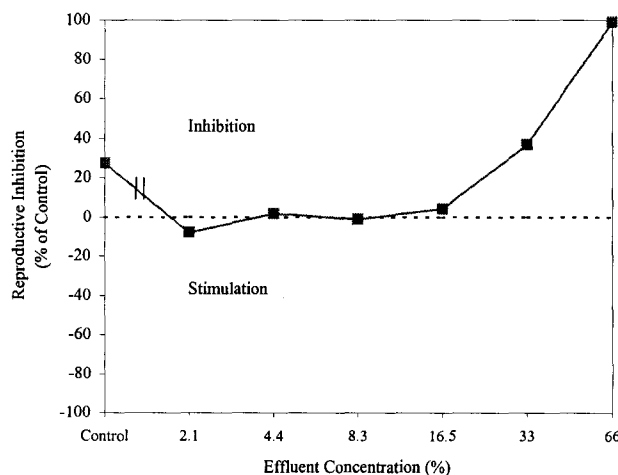
### Sample Identification

Company :	Azimuth Consulting Group Inc.	Date Collected :	2005-07-16
Location :	Vancouver, BC	Time Collected :	09:00
Substance :	G-Creek Sublethal 071605	Date Received :	2005-07-19
Sampling Method :	Grab	Time Received :	13:00
Sampled By :	B. Hamer	Date Tested :	2005-07-19
Shipped By:	Fed Ex/Rd	Lab Storage:	4±2 °C
Temp. on arrival :	18.0°C		
Sample Description:	Clear, colourless, odourless.		

### Test Results

Effect	Value	95% Confidence Limits	Statistical Method
IC25 (Reproduction)	24.6%	22.2-27.2	Linear Interpolation (Toxstat 3.5) b

*Champia parvula* Reproductive Inhibition



Note: Statistical analyses were performed using pooled control and salt control data.

Work Order Number: 207782  
Sample Number: 13103

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**Test Conditions**

Test Organism <sup>a</sup>	: <i>Champia parvula</i>	Test Vessel	: 240 mL polystyrene cup
Organism Batch Number	: CH05-07	Number of Replicates	: 3
Source	: Stantec in-house culture	Number of Organisms per Replicate	: 5 females / 2 males
Life Stage <sup>c</sup>	: Sexually mature	Test Volume (per replicate)	: 100 mL
Mean Organism Mortality	: 0% (7 days prior to testing)	Test Solution Depth	: 5 cm
Salinity Adjustment <sup>d</sup>	: Yes	Recovery Volume (per replicate)	: 200 mL
pH Adjustment	: None	Recovery Solution Depth	: 7 cm
Sample Filtration	: None	Recovery Water Filtered (prior to dilution)	: Yes (60µm)
Test Aeration (during exposure)	: None	Date of Test Initiation	: 2005-07-19
Test Aeration (during recovery)	: Yes (continuous, gentle aeration)	Time of Test Initiation	: 17:45
Photoperiod (h)	: 16 light / 8 dark	Date of Recovery Initiation	: 2005-07-21
Light Intensity	: 1000 - 1600 lux	Date of Test Completion	: 2005-07-28
Test Temperature (°C)	: 23.0 - 26.0	Test Duration	: 48 hours
Control/Dilution Water <sup>e</sup>	: Natural seawater	Recovery Duration	: 7 days
Test Type	: Static non-renewal	Analyst(s)	: EJ/KJ

<sup>a</sup> Test Organism : No organisms exhibiting unusual appearance, behaviour, or undergoing unusual treatment were used in the test. All test organisms were from the same culture.

<sup>c</sup> Life Stage : Test organisms were sexually mature males having sori with spermatia and sexually mature females having trichogynes.

<sup>d</sup> Salinity Adjustment : Salinity adjustment was performed following the procedure for Hypersaline Brine Addition (Environment Canada Salinity Adjustment Guidance Document, revised December 2001).

<sup>e</sup> Control/Dilution Water : Filtered (0.45 µm) natural seawater from Pointe-du-Chene in Shediac Bay, New Brunswick. No chemicals added.

Test Method : Test of Sexual Reproduction using the Red Macroalga *Champia parvula*. EPA-821-R-02-014, October 2002, Method 1009.0, with Canadian adaptations (Environment Canada 1998, 1999).

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**Comments**

Nutrient addition of 10 mls to the 100% salinity adjusted sample, prior to test initiation, reduced the maximum concentration tested from 66.7% to 66%.

Noted Deviation(s): The maximum test temperature of 24.0 °C, as specified by the test method, was exceeded on Day 4 of the recovery period. There were no other unusual conditions or deviations from the test protocol. The results reported relate only to the sample tested.

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**Reference Toxicant Data**

Substance :	Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate (SDS)	Historical Mean IC50 :	0.155 mg/L
Test Date :	2005-07-19	Warning Limits (± 2 SD) :	0.112-0.216
Test Duration :	48 hrs exposure, 7 days recovery	Statistical Method :	Linear Interpolation (Toxstat 3.5) <sup>b</sup>
IC50 Reproduction	0.134 mg/L	Test Conducted By :	E. Jonczyk/K. Johnson
95% Confidence Limits:	0.123-0.143	Organism Batch :	CH05-07

The reference toxicant test was conducted under conditions identical to the test.

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**References**

<sup>b</sup> West, Inc. and D. Gulley. 1996. Toxstat Release 3.5. Western Ecosystems Technology. Cheyenne, WY, U.S.A.

Date:

2005-08-25

Approved By:

  
Project Manager


Work Order : 207782  
 Sample Number : 13103

## Cystocarp Counts

Concentration (%)	Replicate	Plant 1	Plant 2	Plant 3	Plant 4	Plant 5	Replicate Mean	Treatment Mean	Standard Deviation
Control	A	19	27	34	30	24	26.8	26.8	6.98
	B	32	21	36	25	22	27.2		
	C	23	42	29	21	17	26.4		
Salt Control	A	31	26	24	18	39	27.6	27.8	7.94
	B	24	29	32	37	15	27.4		
	C	17	22	28	35	40	28.4		
2.1	A	27	24	37	25	34	29.4	29.5	7.50
	B	33	19	39	28	26	29.0		
	C	24	31	42	16	37	30.0		
4.4	A	11	29	34	22	35	26.2	26.8	8.13
	B	27	24	38	15	30	26.8		
	C	28	31	22	38	18	27.4		
8.3	A	34	30	21	25	28	27.6	27.6	7.14
	B	16	24	32	29	35	27.2		
	C	39	34	25	13	29	28.0		
16.5	A	22	26	23	13	43	25.4	26.1	8.41
	B	29	19	31	29	24	26.4		
	C	15	24	32	41	21	26.6		
33	A	13	17	12	23	27	18.4	17.3	5.55
	B	16	20	15	13	11	15.0		
	C	10	18	26	24	14	18.4		
66	A	0	1	0	1	0	0.4	0.3	0.46
	B	0	0	1	0	0	0.2		
	C	1	0	0	0	0	0.2		

## Plant Mortality Data

Concentration (%)	Exposure Period									
	♂ 0 Hours		♀ 0 Hours		♂ 48 Hours		♀ 48 Hours		♀ Test Completion	
	Number Dead	Mortality (%)	Number Dead	Mortality (%)	Number Dead	Mortality (%)	Number Dead	Mortality (%)	Number Dead	Mortality (%)
Control	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salt Control	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Test Data Reviewed By:   
 Date: 2025-08-11

Work Order : 207782

Sample : 13103

## Water Chemistry Data

Initial Water Chemistry (100% Effluent)					
	Temperature (°C)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O2 Saturation (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)
Initial Parameters:	22.0	8.0	10.2	122	0
Parameters after Salinity Adjustment <sup>1</sup> :	22.5	8.0	7.0	98	32
Chemistry after Pre-Aeration <sup>1,2</sup> :	-	-	-	-	-

Exposure Period Water Chemistry											
0 hours						48 hours					
Date & Time : 2005-07-19 17:45						Date & Time : 2005-07-21 16:00					
Analyst(s) : EJ/KJ						Analyst(s) : KJ					
Test Conc. (%)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O <sub>2</sub> Sat. (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)	Temperature (°C)	Test Conc. (%)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O <sub>2</sub> Sat. (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)	Temperature (°C)
66	7.8	7.8	106	32	22.5	66	8.8	7.7	99	31	23.0
33	7.7	7.3	102	32	22.5	33	8.9	7.0	98	31	23.0
16.5	7.7	7.2	100	32	22.5	16.5	8.7	6.9	98	31	23.0
8.3	7.7	7.1	100	32	22.5	8.3	9.1	6.9	97	31	22.0
4.4	7.7	7.3	103	32	22.5	4.4	8.7	6.8	96	30	22.5
2.1	7.7	7.0	99	32	23.0	2.1	8.9	6.6	94	30	22.0
Salt Control	7.7	5.9	83	30	24.0	Salt Control	9.0	6.2	91	30	22.0
Control	7.7	6.4	91	30	22.0	Control	9.1	6.7	95	30	22.0

Initial Water Chemistry (Recovery Water)					
	Temperature (°C)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O2 Saturation (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)
Initial Parameters:	22.0	7.5	6.6	93	30

Recovery Period Water Chemistry											
0 hours						Test Completion					
Date & Time : 2005-07-21 16:00						Date & Time : 2005-07-28 16:00					
Analyst(s) : KJ						Analyst(s) : EJ					
Test Conc. (%)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O <sub>2</sub> Sat. (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)	Temperature (°C)	Test Conc. (%)	pH	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	O <sub>2</sub> Sat. (%) <sup>*</sup>	Salinity (‰)	Temperature (°C)
66	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	66	8.0	7.4	92	30	22.0
33	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	33	8.0	7.5	93	30	22.0
16.5	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	16.5	8.0	7.3	91	30	22.0
8.3	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	8.3	8.1	7.4	92	30	22.0
4.4	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	4.4	8.0	7.5	93	30	22.0
2.1	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	2.1	8.0	7.5	93	30	22.0
Salt Control	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	Salt Control	8.1	7.5	93	30	22.0
Control	7.5	6.6	93	30	22.0	Control	7.8	7.6	95	30	22.0

Daily Temperature Monitoring										
Date:	2005-07-19	2005-07-20	2005-07-21	2005-07-22	2005-07-23	2005-07-24	2005-07-25	2005-07-26	2005-07-27	2005-07-28
Temp. (°C):	23.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	23.0	24.0	26.0	24.0	23.0	23.0

<sup>1</sup> if applicable<sup>2</sup> @ <100 bubbles/min

\* adjusted for barometric pressure

August 2005

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

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EVS Environment Consultants (a member of the Golder Group of Companies) conducted sublethal Metal Mining Effluent Regulations (MMER) toxicity testing for Azimuth Consulting Group as part of the Environmental Effects Monitoring (EEM) program for Polaris Mine.

A sample, identified as G Creek-071605, was collected from the Polaris Mine Site on July 16, 2005 in 20-L collapsible polyethylene containers. It was received at the EVS laboratory on July 19, 2005 and was stored in the dark at 4°C prior to test initiation. The sample was evaluated for toxicity using the 7-d topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test and the echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test. Toxicity testing was initiated on the day of initial sample receipt.

This report describes the methods and results of the 7-d topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) toxicity test and the echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test. The raw data and statistical analyses are provided in Appendices I and II respectively, and the chain-of-custody form is provided in Appendix III.

## 2. METHODS

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### 2.1 7-D TOPSMELT (*ATHERINOPS AFFINIS*) SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST

A static-renewal 7-d survival and growth toxicity and reference toxicant tests using topsmelt (*A. affinis*) was conducted in accordance with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA, 1995). Test conditions and methods are summarized in Table 1.

This 7-day test exposes topsmelt larvae to different concentrations of a given sample. Fish are fed on a daily basis and both survival and growth endpoints are measured at test termination. These observations are assessed in comparison to the pooled negative and brine controls.

### 2.2 ECHINODERM (*DENDRASTER EXCENTRICUS*) FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST

The echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test was conducted in accordance with Environment Canada (1992 with 1997 amendments). Test conditions and methods are summarized in Table 2.

This fertilization test involves exposing echinoderm sperm to a series of test concentrations for ten minutes, echinoderm eggs are then added allowing fertilization to occur for ten minutes. Following the ten minutes exposure time, the eggs are preserved and the number of fertilized and unfertilized eggs in each replicate are counted. These observations are assessed in comparison to the pooled negative and brine controls.

### 2.3 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Statistical analyses for all tests were conducted using the computer software program TOXCALC (version 5.0.23; Tidepool Scientific Software, 1994).

### 2.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL (QA/QC)

This study followed a comprehensive QA/QC Program to ensure full documentation and minimize possible errors in computation and reporting of results. The following general QA/QC guidelines were applied in this test: use of negative controls, use of positive controls, use of brine controls, replication, instrument calibration, water quality maintenance and

record-keeping, and use of standard operating procedures (SOPs). To ensure data and reporting meet quality standards, all data and statistical analyses were reviewed by a member of our QA/QC Committee prior to reporting the results.

Toxicity testing was carried out in accordance with applicable test methodologies and/or standards of practice. Our liability is limited solely to the cost of re-testing in the event of non-compliance with such test specifications or standards of practice. Golder/EVS accepts no responsibility or liability for the interpretation or use of these testing results by others, or for any delay, loss, damage or interruptions of testing, collection, preparation, and delivery of samples or test results resulting from events or circumstances beyond our control.

**Table 1.** 7-d Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test methods

TEST PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION
Test type	Static-renewal
Test duration	7 d
Test chamber	600-mL beaker
Test solution volume	200 mL
Number of replicate chambers per treatment	5
Number of organisms per test chamber	5
Age of test organisms at test initiation	10 d
Food	Newly hatched <i>Artemia</i> nauplii (<24 hours old)
Feeding Regime	Fed 0.5 mL/ beaker twice daily of concentrated nauplii suspension (prepared to provide 200 nauplii in 0.5 mL); no feeding at test termination
Sample manipulations (e.g. pre-aeration, pH adjustment, filtration)	Salinity-adjusted
Control/dilution water	UV-sterilized and 0.5µm-filtered natural sea water from Vancouver Aquarium, BC
Dilutions	4.5, 8.9, 17.9, 35.7, 71.4% (v/v)
Renewal of dilutions	Daily
Aeration	None
Water quality parameters and frequency	Temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and salinity daily
Temperature	20 ± 1°C
Salinity	30 ± 2 (sample adjusted with hypersaline brine [HSB]. Preparation of HSB and salinity adjustment as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment –July 1997)
Lighting	Overhead full-spectrum fluorescent lights; 538 – 1076 lux; 16:8 light:dark photoperiod
Reference toxicant	Initiated concurrently with sample using copper to generate LC50 and IC50 values; results compared to lab mean ± 2 SD
Endpoints	Survival and growth (dry weight)
Test validity	≥ 80% mean control survival; ≥ 0.85 mg/fish mean dry weight for surviving control fish
Reference protocol	US EPA (1995), EPA/600/R-95/136

**Table 2.** Echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test methods

TEST PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION
Test type	Static
Test duration	10:10 min
Test chamber	16 X 125 mm test tubes
Test solution volume	10 mL
Number of replicate chambers per treatment	4
Number of eggs per test chamber	2000
Age of test organisms	< 4 hours after spawning
Sample manipulations (e.g. pre-aeration, pH adjustment, filtration)	Salinity-adjusted
Control/dilution water	UV-sterilized and 0.5µm-filtered natural sea water from Vancouver Aquarium, BC
Dilutions	4.6, 9.1, 18.3, 36.6, 72.8% (v/v)
Renewal of dilutions	None
Aeration	None during testing
Water quality parameters and frequency	Temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and salinity
Temperature	15 ± 1°C
Salinity	30 ± 2 (sample adjusted with hypersaline brine [HSB]. Preparation of HSB and salinity adjustment as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment –July 1997)
Lighting	Ambient laboratory illumination (moderate intensity)
Reference toxicant	Initiated concurrently with test; same test methods as above using SDS to generate an EC50 value; results compared to lab mean ± 2 SD
Endpoint	Fertilization of eggs
Test validity	≥ 50% and ≤ 100% mean control fertilization
Reference protocols	Environment Canada (1992), (EPS/1/RM/27 with 1997 amendments)

### 3. RESULTS

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#### 3.1 7-D TOPSMELT (*ATHERINOPS AFFINIS*) SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST

The test results are summarized in Table 1 and the raw statistical analyses are provided in Appendix I.

The highest concentration tested was approximately 71.4% due to salinity adjustment. The mean survival in both the negative and brine controls was 100%. Mean dry weight in the pooled controls was 0.95mg. The negative and brine controls were not significantly different for both the growth and survival endpoints ( $p = 0.52$  and  $p = 1.00$ , respectively).

The *A. affinis* survival and growth toxicity test showed no adverse effects on survival or growth in all tested concentrations relative to the pooled controls ( $p \leq 0.05$ ). For the survival and growth endpoints the NOEC was 71.4, and the LOEC was  $>71.4\%$  (v/v). The LC50 for survival was  $>71.4\%$  (v/v). The IC50 and IC25 for growth were both  $>71.4\%$  (v/v).

#### 3.2 ECHINODERM (*DENDRASTER EXCENTRICUS*) FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST

The test results are summarized in Table 2 and the raw statistical analyses are provided in Appendix II.

The highest concentration tested was 72.8% due to salinity adjustment. Mean fertilization in the pooled controls was 66.9%. The negative and brine controls were not significantly different ( $p = 0.09$ ).

The *D. excentricus* fertilization toxicity test exhibited adverse effects on egg fertilization in all test concentrations relative to the pooled controls ( $p \leq 0.05$ ). The NOEC was  $<4.6$  and LOEC was 4.6 % (v/v). The IC50 and IC25 (95% confidence limits) values were 13.2 (10.6 – 17.1) and 5.2 (4.4 – 6.0) % (v/v), respectively.

#### 3.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL (QA/QC)

The tests met all passing criteria for test validity as outlined in the respective protocols. Water quality parameters during the test were all within the acceptable range of values. Point estimates for the reference toxicant tests were all within the laboratory mean  $\pm 2$  standard deviations, indicating that the tests were within acceptable limits of variability.

**Table 3.** Summary of results for the 7-d Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test

TEST CONCENTRATION (% v/v)	SURVIVAL (%)(MEAN $\pm$ SD)	GROWTH (DRY WEIGHT MG) (MEAN $\pm$ SD)
D-Control	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	0.92 $\pm$ 0.13
Brine Control	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	0.98 $\pm$ 0.18
Pooled Controls	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	0.95 $\pm$ 0.15
4.5	96.0 $\pm$ 8.9	0.77 $\pm$ 0.19
8.9	96.0 $\pm$ 8.9	0.82 $\pm$ 0.33
17.9	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	1.01 $\pm$ 0.14
35.9	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	1.07 $\pm$ 0.19
71.4	96.0 $\pm$ 8.9	0.91 $\pm$ 0.28
TEST ENDPOINT	SURVIVAL (% v/v)	GROWTH (% v/v)
NOEC	71.4	71.4
LOEC	>71.4	>71.4
LC50	>71.4	na
IC50	na	>71.4
IC25	na	>71.4

SD – Standard Deviation; na – not applicable.

**Table 4.** Summary of results for the Echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test

TEST CONCENTRATION (% v/v)	PROPORTION FERTILIZED (%) (MEAN $\pm$ SD)
Negative Control	64.8 $\pm$ 3.8
Brine Control	69.0 $\pm$ 1.8
Pooled Control	66.9 $\pm$ 3.6
4.6	53.0 $\pm$ 2.2*
9.1	37.2 $\pm$ 1.3*
18.2	30.0 $\pm$ 2.2*
36.5	23.5 $\pm$ 2.9*
72.8	19.5 $\pm$ 2.4*
TEST ENDPOINT	PROPORTION FERTILIZED %(v/v)
NOEC	<4.6
LOEC	4.6
IC50 (95% CL)	13.2 (10.6 – 17.1)
IC25 (95% CL)	5.2 (4.4 – 6.0)

\*Indicates significant difference ( $p \leq 0.05$ ) relative to the pooled controls.  
SD – Standard Deviation; CL – Confidence Limits.

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## **APPENDIX I**

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Raw Data and Statistical Analyses:

*Atherinops affinis*

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Polaris  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-064  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500258<sup>m</sup> 298

EVS Analysts JXS, SxR, MJG, AXF  
 Test Initiation Date 19-July-05

Sample	Initial Sample	Refresh Samples	
	Day 0	Day 2	Day 4
Identification	<u>G Creek 1071605</u>	<u>G Creek</u>	<u>G Creek</u>
Amount Received	<u>18 x 20L</u>	<u>1 x 20L</u>	<u>1 x 20L</u>
Date Collected	<u>16 Jul 05</u>	<u>16 Jul 05</u>	<u>16 Jul 05</u>
Date Received	<u>19 Jul 05</u>	<u>19 Jul 05</u>	<u>19 Jul 05</u>
Temperature (°C)	<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>
pH	<u>7.7 → 8.2</u>	<u>7.8 → 8.2</u>	<u>7.7 → 8.3</u>
DO (mg/L)	<u>11.1 → 7.6</u>	<u>11.0 → 7.6</u>	<u>10.8 → 7.6</u>
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	<u>1520</u>	<u>1520</u>	<u>1520</u>
Salinity (ppt)	<u>6 → 29</u>	<u>6 → 29</u>	<u>6 → 29</u>
Ammonia (mg/L N)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Chlorine (mg/L Cl)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Other	<u>① After Salinity Adjustment</u>		

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type Filtered, UV sterilized seawater  
 Temperature (°C) 20.0  
 pH 7.8  
 Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 7.5  
 Salinity 28

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source ABS  
 Date Received 19-July-05  
 Age (on Day 0) 10-d  
 Reference Toxicant Cu  
 Current Reference Toxicant Result (incl. 95% CL)

Reference Toxicant Test Date 14 Jul 05  
 7-d survival LC50 122 (106-140) 117 (100-136) 445/L Cu  
 7-d growth IC50 112 (80-149) 116 (81-156) 445/L Cu

**Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV**

7-d survival LC50 133 ± 39 445/L Cu CV=15%  
 7-d growth IC50 132 ± 46 445/L Cu CV=17%

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0 - 21.0  
 pH Range 7.7 - 8.3  
 Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 6.2 - 7.7  
 Salinity (ppt) 28 - 29.30  
 Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
 Aeration Provided? No  
 Other -

**TEST RESULTS**

Endpoint	Conc. Units	NOEC	LOEC	LC50 (95% CL)	IC50 (95% CL)	IC25 (95% CL)
Survival	<u>Y (100)</u>	<u>71.4</u>	<u>&gt; 71.4</u>	<u>771.4</u>		
Growth		<u>71.4</u>	<u>&gt; 71.4</u>		<u>&gt; 71.4</u>	<u>&gt; 71.4</u>

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Data Verified By Gulph

Date Verified Aug. 22/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)

Client Polaris

Sample ID G-Creek <sup>Sublethal</sup> 071605

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05/1430

EVS Work Order No. 0500298

Source/Date Received ABS / 19-July-05

Concentration % (v/v)	Temperature (°C)													
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7						
D-control	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.0
B-control	20.5	20.5	20.5	20.5	20.5	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
4.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
8.9	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
17.9	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
35.7	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
71.4	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
Tech. Initials	TS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML

Concentration % (v/v)	pH													
	0	old	1 new	2	3	4	5	6	7					
D-control	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0
B-control	7.9	7.7	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.0
4.5	7.9	7.7	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.7
8.9	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.7
17.9	8.0	7.8	8.1	7.7	8.0	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.1	8.0	8.1	7.7
35.7	8.1	7.9	8.1	7.8	8.1	7.9	8.1	8.0	8.2	7.9	8.2	8.0	8.2	7.8
71.4	8.2	7.9	8.2	7.8	8.2	7.9	8.3	8.0	8.3	8.0	8.2	8.0	8.3	7.8
Tech. Initials	TS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hg thermometer

pH HA-030301

Comments D 1321 HA-51

Test Set Up By TS, SXB

Data Verified By Qualif

Date Verified Aug. 17/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)

Client Polaris

Sample ID G-creek <sup>sublethal</sup> 07/605

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05 / 1430

EVS Work Order No. 050028 298

Source/Date Received ABS / 19-July-05

Concentration % (‰)	Salinity (ppt)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
D-control	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
B-control	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
4.5	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
8.9	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
17.9	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
35.7	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
71.4	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
Tech. Initials	107	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	ML	SXB	ML	107

Concentration % (‰)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
D-control	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.4
B-control	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.5	7.7	6.7	7.7	6.6	7.6	6.2
4.5	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.5	7.7	6.6
8.9	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.8	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.4	7.6	6.6	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.7
17.9	7.6	6.5	7.5	6.7	7.6	6.7	7.5	6.4	7.6	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.6
35.7	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.8	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.2
71.4	7.6	6.5	7.5	6.7	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.4
Tech. Initials	107	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	107

WQ Instruments Used: Salinity FA-020303

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Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Test Set Up By JMS, SXB

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**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Polaris  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500 ~~258~~ 298

Sample ID G-creek <sup>Sublethal</sup> 071605  
 Test Species/Batch A *affinis* /19-July-05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05/1430h  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200ml

Concentration <i>% V/V</i>	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
D-control	A	T1	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T2	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
B-control	A	T6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T7	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T8	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T9	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T10	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
4.5	A	T11	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T12	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T13	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T14	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	E	T15	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
8.9	A	T16	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T17	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T18	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T19	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T20	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
Technician Initials		TM	SXB	SXB	SXB	M7L	M7L	MT	TM	

Sample Description colorless, clear.

Data Verified By Galpin

Date Verified Aug 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Polaris  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 050058398

Sample ID G-Creek <sup>Sublethal</sup> 071605  
 Test Species/Batch 4. affinis / 19-July-05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05 / 1430h  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200ml

Y. (%) Concentration	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
17.9	A	T21	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T22	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T23	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T24	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T25	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
<del>35.9</del> <sup>res</sup> 35.7	A	T26	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T27	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T28	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T29	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T30	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
71.4	A	T31	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	T32	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	T33	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	T34	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	T35	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
Technician Initials		Taj	SXB	SXB	SXB	MIL	MIL	MIL	Taj	

Sample Description colorless clear  
 Data Verified By Gulick Date Verified Aug. 18/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST - DRY WEIGHT DATA

Client Pelamis Start Date (Day 0) 19-July-05 sublethal  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044 Sample ID G-Creek  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500288 Balance Type/Serial Number Scoutman / BP-211D

Sample ID (% $\sqrt{N}$ )	Rep.	Pan No.	Pan Weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) (pan + biomass)	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Comments (e.g., confirmation weights, organisms lost in transfer)	Tech. Init.
D-CTL	A	T1	1237.86	1242.66	5	5		AKC/103
	B	T2	1223.60	1228.84	5	5		
	C	T3	1234.30	1238.08	5	5		
	D	T4	1221.57	1226.62	5	5	confirmed 1226.58 mg ✓	
	E	T5	1215.08	1219.11	5	5		
B-CTL	A	T6	1236.55	1241.94	5	5		
	B	T7	1230.84	1236.489	5	5		
	C	T8	1223.70	1229.06	5	5		
	D	T9	1242.73	1247.44	5	5		
	E	T10	1228.47	1231.92	5	5		
4.5	A	T11	1221.11	1224.77	5	5	confirmed 1224.75 mg ✓	
	B	T12	1237.55	1240.97	5	5		
	C	T13	1221.54	1226.04	5	5		
	D	T14	1229.99	1232.59	4	4		
	E	T15	1220.90	1226.00	5	5		

1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

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**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST - DRY WEIGHT DATA**

**EVS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS**

Client Pelamis  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500188

Start Date (Day 0) 19-July-05  
 Sample ID G-creek 077605 Sublethal 07/605  
 Balance Type/Serial Number Sartorius / BP-211D

Sample ID	Rep.	Pan No.	Pan Weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) (pan + biomass)	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Comments (e.g., confirmation weights, organisms lost in transfer)	Tech. Init.
8.9	A	T16	1221.54	1226.60	5	5		AXF/12.3
	B	T17	1235.48	1241.14	5	5		
	C	T18	1237.41	1242.39	5	5		
	D	T19	1236.28	1238.98	5	5	Confirmed 1238.99 mg	
	E	T20	1219.90	1221.88	4	4		
17.9	A	T21	1227.04	1231.84	5	5		
	B	T22	1246.60	1251.74	5	5		
	C	T23	1239.07	1243.68	5	5		
	D	T24	1231.19	1237.41	5	5		
	E	T25	1229.72	1234.23	5	5		
35.7	A	T26	1230.92	1235.13	5	5	Confirmed 1235.14 mg	
	B	T27	1228.42	1234.87	5	5		
	C	T28	1231.53	1237.73	5	5		
	D	T29	1235.66	1240.48	5	5		
	E	T30	1228.20	1233.15	5	5		

1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

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**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST - DRY WEIGHT DATA**

Client Polaris Start Date (Day 0) 19-July-05  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044 Sample ID G-creek 07/05  
 EVS Work Order No. 050028 Balance Type/Serial Number Sartorius / BP-211D

Sample ID	Rep.	Pan No.	Pan Weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) (pan + biomass)	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Comments (e.g., confirmation weights, organisms lost in transfer)	Tech. Init.
71.4	A	T31	1227.99	1234.14	5	5		AYW
	B	T32	1236.90	1234.21	4	4		
	C	T33	1234.94	1239.77	5	5		
	D	T34	1230.30	1235.80	5	5		
	E	T35	1232.19	1234.503	5	5		
	A							
	B							
	C							
	D							
	E							
	A							
	B							
	C							
	D							
	E							

1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

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Test: LF-Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test

Test ID: 0500298

Species: AA-Atherinops affinis

Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast

Sample ID: G\_CREEK\_Sublethal\_071605

Sample Type: EFF2-Industrial

Start Date: 7/19/2005

End Date: 7/26/2005

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	No. Fish Weighed	Total Wgt(mg)	Tare Wgt(mg)
	1	1	D-Control	5							5	5	1237.86	1242.66
	2	2	D-Control	5							5	5	1223.6	1228.84
	3	3	D-Control	5							5	5	1234.3	1238.08
	4	4	D-Control	5							5	5	1221.57	1226.62
	5	5	D-Control	5							5	5	1215.08	1219.11
	6	1	B-Control	5							5	5	1236.55	1241.94
	7	2	B-Control	5							5	5	1230.84	1236.49
	8	3	B-Control	5							5	5	1223.7	1229.06
	9	4	B-Control	5							5	5	1242.73	1247.44
	10	5	B-Control	5							5	5	1228.47	1231.92
	11	1	4.5	5							5	5	1221.11	1224.77
	12	2	4.5	5							5	5	1237.55	1240.97
	13	3	4.5	5							5	5	1221.54	1226.04
	14	4	4.5	5							4	4	1229.99	1232.59
	15	5	4.5	5							5	5	1220.96	1226
	16	1	8.9	5							5	5	1221.54	1226.6
	17	2	8.9	5							5	5	1235.48	1241.14
	18	3	8.9	5							5	5	1237.41	1242.39
	19	4	8.9	5							5	5	1236.28	1238.98
	20	5	8.9	5							4	4	1219.9	1221.88
	21	1	17.9	5							5	5	1227.04	1231.84
	22	2	17.9	5							5	5	1246.6	1251.74
	23	3	17.9	5							5	5	1239.07	1243.68
	24	4	17.9	5							5	5	1231.19	1237.41
	25	5	17.9	5							5	5	1229.72	1234.23
	26	1	35.7	5							5	5	1230.92	1235.13
	27	2	35.7	5							5	5	1228.42	1234.87
	28	3	35.7	5							5	5	1231.53	1237.73
	29	4	35.7	5							5	5	1235.66	1240.48
	30	5	35.7	5							5	5	1228.2	1233.15
	31	1	71.4	5							5	5	1227.99	1234.14
	32	2	71.4	5							4	4	1230.9	1234.21
	33	3	71.4	5							5	5	1234.94	1239.77
	34	4	71.4	5							5	5	1230.3	1235.8
	35	5	71.4	5							5	5	1232.19	1235.03

Comments: Azimuth(Polaris) 04-1424-044

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### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7-d survival

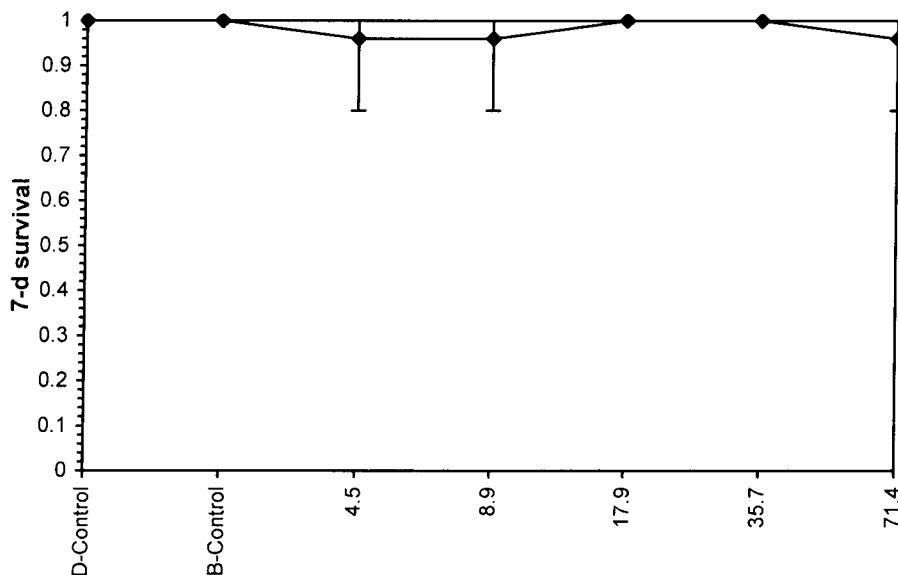
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Sample Date:	Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments: Azimuth(Polaris) 04-1424-044		

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
B-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
4.5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000
8.9	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000
17.9	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
35.7	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
71.4	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Arcsin Square Root					Rank Sum	1-Tailed Critical
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N		
D-Control	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5		
B-Control	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5		
4.5	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	25.00	16.00
8.9	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	25.00	16.00
17.9	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5	27.50	16.00
35.7	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5	27.50	16.00
71.4	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	25.00	16.00

Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates non-normal distribution (p <= 0.01)	0.59678	0.9	-2.2346	4.3922
Equality of variance cannot be confirmed				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 1.00)	0	2.306		
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Steel's Many-One Rank Test	71.4	>71.4		1.40056

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical comparisons were against the negative control.

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Aug. 18, 2005

### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7-d survival

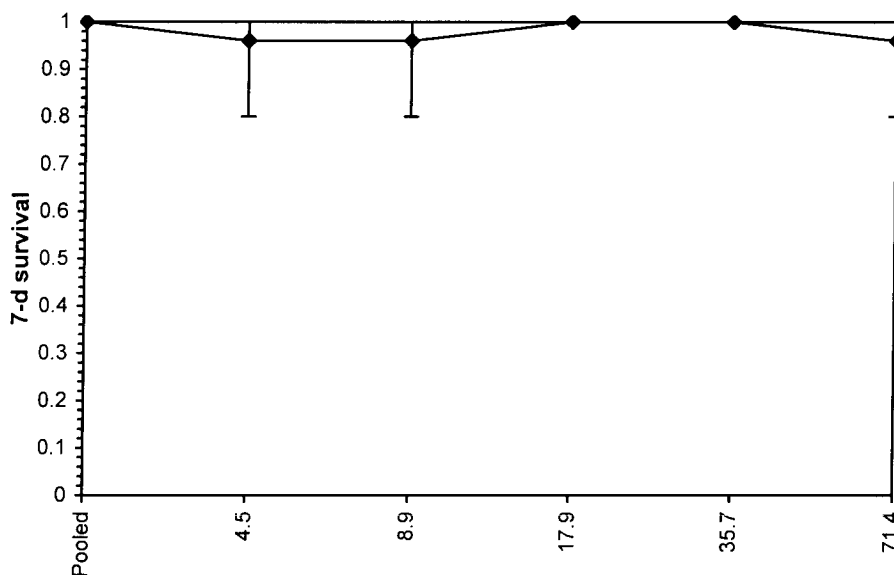
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Sample Date:	Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments: Azimuth(Polaris) 04-1424-044		

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
B-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
4.5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000
8.9	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000
17.9	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
35.7	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
71.4	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Arcsin Square Root					Rank Sum	1-Tailed Critical
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N		
Pooled	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	10		
4.5	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	35.00	21.00
8.9	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	35.00	21.00
17.9	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5	40.00	21.00
35.7	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5	40.00	21.00
71.4	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	35.00	21.00

Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates non-normal distribution (p <= 0.01)	0.58129	0.91	-2.3952	5.50568
Equality of variance cannot be confirmed				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 1.00)	0	2.306		
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test	71.4	>71.4		1.40056

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical comparisons were against the pooled controls.

### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7 Day Growth (US)

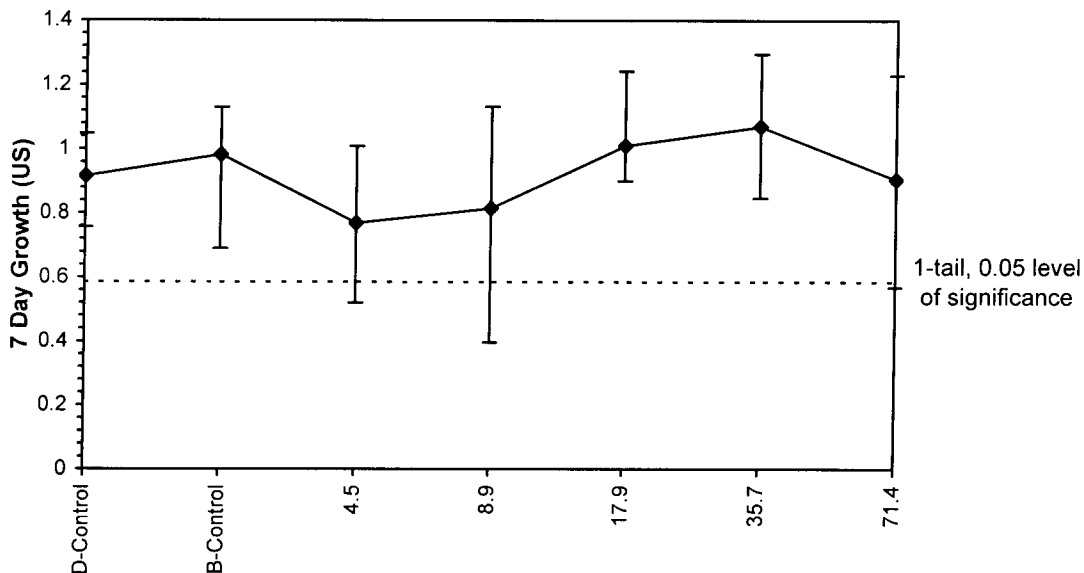
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 Sample Date: Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis  
 Comments: Azimuth(Polaris) 04-1424-044

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	0.9600	1.0480	0.7560	1.0100	0.8060
B-Control	1.0780	1.1300	1.0720	0.9420	0.6900
4.5	0.7320	0.6840	0.9000	0.5200 ✓	1.0080
8.9	1.0120	1.1320	0.9960	0.5400	0.3960 ✓
17.9	0.9600	1.0280	0.9220	1.2440	0.9020
35.7	0.8420	1.2900	1.2400	0.9640	0.9900
71.4	1.2300	0.6620 ✓	0.9660	1.1000	0.5680

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
D-Control	0.9160	0.1284	0.9160	0.7560	1.0480	14.012	5			
B-Control	0.9824	0.1775	0.9824	0.6900	1.1300	18.072	5			
4.5	0.7688	0.1903	0.7688	0.5200	1.0080	24.755	5	1.051	2.360	0.3307
8.9	0.8152	0.3253	0.8152	0.3960	1.1320	39.903	5	0.719	2.360	0.3307
17.9	1.0112	0.1387	1.0112	0.9020	1.2440	13.719	5	-0.679	2.360	0.3307
35.7	1.0652	0.1916	1.0652	0.8420	1.2900	17.985	5	-1.065	2.360	0.3307
71.4	0.9052	0.2828	0.9052	0.5680	1.2300	31.246	5	0.077	2.360	0.3307

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt			
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.96171	0.9	-0.2156	-0.8642			
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.42)					4.97608	15.0863					
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.52)					0.67773	2.306					
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)		NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Dunnett's Test		71.4	>71.4		1.40056	0.33065	0.36097	0.06323	0.04907	0.30153	5, 24

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical comparisons were against the negative control.

### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7 Day Growth (US)

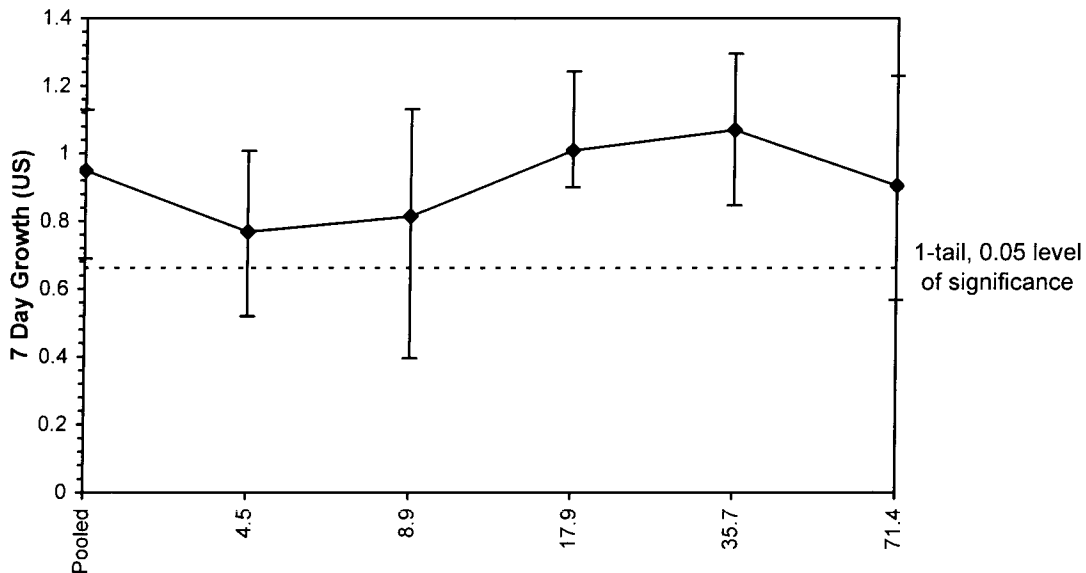
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 Sample Date: Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis  
 Comments: Azimuth(Polaris) 04-1424-044

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	0.9600	1.0480	0.7560	1.0100	0.8060
B-Control	1.0780	1.1300	1.0720	0.9420	0.6900
4.5	0.7320	0.6840	0.9000	0.5200	1.0080
8.9	1.0120	1.1320	0.9960	0.5400	0.3960
17.9	0.9600	1.0280	0.9220	1.2440	0.9020
35.7	0.8420	1.2900	1.2400	0.9640	0.9900
71.4	1.2300	0.6620	0.9660	1.1000	0.5680

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
Pooled	0.9492	0.1502	0.9492	0.6900	1.1300	15.822	10			
4.5	0.7688	0.1903	0.7688	0.5200	1.0080	24.755	5	1.547	2.462	0.2871
8.9	0.8152	0.3253	0.8152	0.3960	1.1320	39.903	5	1.149	2.462	0.2871
17.9	1.0112	0.1387	1.0112	0.9020	1.2440	13.719	5	-0.532	2.462	0.2871
35.7	1.0652	0.1916	1.0652	0.8420	1.2900	17.985	5	-0.995	2.462	0.2871
71.4	0.9052	0.2828	0.9052	0.5680	1.2300	31.246	5	0.377	2.462	0.2871

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt		
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.9613	0.91	-0.2544	-0.8676		
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.38)					5.3243	15.0863				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.52)					0.67773	2.306				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test	71.4	>71.4		1.40056	0.28714	0.30251	0.06509	0.04534	0.24132	5, 29

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical comparisons were against the ~~negative control~~ <sup>Pooled controls</sup>.

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client (Polaris) Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500250292

EVS Analysts JXS, SxB, MJC, AXF  
 Test Initiation Date 17-July-05

Sample	Initial Sample	Refresh Samples	
	Day 0	Day 2	Day 4
Identification	100 mg/L Cu Stock (05-14-001)		
Amount Received	1 x 1 L		
Date Collected	7 Mar 05		
Date Received	na		
Temperature (°C)			
pH			
DO (mg/L)			
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)			
Salinity (ppt)			
Ammonia (mg/L N)			
Chlorine (mg/L Cl)			
Other			

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type Filtered, UV sterilized seawater  
 Temperature (°C) 20.0  
 pH 7.8  
 Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 7.5  
 Salinity 28

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0 - 21.0  
 pH Range 7.7 - 8.0  
 Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 6.3 - 7.7  
 Salinity (ppt) 28  
 Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
 Aeration Provided? No  
 Other -

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source ABS  
 Date Received 19-July-05  
 Age (on Day 0) 10-d  
 Reference Toxicant Cu  
 Current Reference Toxicant Result (incl. 95% CL)  
 Reference Toxicant Test Date 19 July 05  
 7-d survival LC50 122 (106-140) 117 (100-136) µg/L Cu  
 7-d growth IC50 112 (80-147) 116 (81-156) µg/L Cu  
 Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
 7-d survival LC50 133 ± 39 µg/L Cu CV=15%  
 7-d growth IC50 132 ± 46 µg/L Cu CV=17%

**TEST RESULTS**

Endpoint	Conc. Units	NOEC	LOEC	LC50 (95% CL)	IC50 (95% CL)	IC25 (95% CL)
Survival	µg/L Cu	100	180	117 (100-136)		
Growth		56	100	122 (106-140)	116 (81-156)	83 (68-114)

Other -

Data Verified By Galfich

Date Verified Aug 22/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)

Client (Polaris) Azimuth

Sample ID Cu Reference Toxicant

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05/1440h

EVS Work Order No. 0500258 298  
RSO

Source/Date Received ABS/19-July-05

Cu (µg/L) Concentration	Temperature (°C)													
	0	old	new	2		3		4		5		6		7
0-control	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.0
32	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
56	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
100	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
180	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
320	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	20.5
								21.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
								146						
Tech. Initials	WJ	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML

Cu (µg/L) Concentration	pH													
	0	old	new	2		3		4		5		6		7
0-control	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9
32	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9
56	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9
100	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9
180	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9
320	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9
Tech. Initials	WJ	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hg thermometer

pH II-A-030301

Comments

Test Set Up By Jos. SXB

Data Verified By

Galpi

Date Verified

Aug. 17/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)

Client (Polaris) Azimoth

Sample ID Cu Reference Toxicant

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05/1440h

EVS Work Order No. 050058 298  
RSP

Source/Date Received ABS/19-July-05

Cu (mg/L) Concentration	Salinity (ppt)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
0-control	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
32	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
56	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
100	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
180	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
320	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tech. Initials	72	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	ML	SXB	ML	SXB

Cu (mg/L) Concentration	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6 7.7		7
0-control	7.5	6.8	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.6	7.7	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.9	6.2
32	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.5	7.5	6.6	7.7	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.3
56	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.8	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.5	7.7	6.5	7.7	6.7	7.7	6.6
100	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.6	7.7	6.4	7.7	6.7	7.7	6.4
180	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.6	7.7	6.5	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.6
320	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.7	7.5	6.5	7.7	—	—	—	—	—
									ML					
Tech. Initials	72	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	72

WQ Instruments Used: Salinity I-A-030303

DO I-A-814

Comments

Test Set Up By JLS SXB

Date Verified By Galt

Date Verified Aug. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client (Polaris) Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0588 298  
 RSO

Sample ID Cu Reference Toxicant  
 Test Species/Batch A. affinis/19-July-05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 19-July-05/1440h  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200ml

Cu (mg/L) Concentration	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
D-control	A	A80	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	A81	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	A82	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	A83	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	A84	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
32	A	A85	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	A86	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	A87	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	A88	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	A89	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
56	A	A91	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
	B	A92	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	A93	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	A94	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	A95	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
100	A	A66	5	3	2	2	2	2	2	
	B	A67	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	
	C	A68	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	
	D	A69	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	
	E	A70	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Technician Initials		TSB	TSB	TSB	ML	ML	ML	ML	ML	

Sample Description clear, colorless.  
 Data Verified By Galfin Date Verified Aug. 17/05

### 7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA

EVS Work Order No. 0500-~~48~~ 242  
150

No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200 ml

Cu (mg/L) Concentration	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
180	A		4	3	0	0	0	0	—	
	B	471	5	5	4	4	4	3 <sup>ML</sup>	3	
	C		5	3	2	1	0	0	—	
	D		4	2	2	1	0	0	—	
	E	472	5	3	2	2	1	1	1	
320	A		3	2	1	0	0	0	—	
	B		2	2	0	0	0	0	—	
	C		2	2	1	0	0	0	—	
	D		2	2	0	0	0	0	—	
	E		3	2	0	0	0	0	—	
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
Technician Initials		MS	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML	MS	

Data Verified By Malik Date Verified May. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**

Zimuth (Polaris)

mouth (Pola)  
04-1424-0444

0500298

19-July-05

Chemical	Reference	Toxicant
1,1,1-trichloroethane	1	1
1,1,2-trichloroethane	2	2
1,1-dichloroethane	3	3
1,2-dichloroethane	4	4
1,2-dichloroethane	5	5
1,2-dichloroethane	6	6
1,2-dichloroethane	7	7
1,2-dichloroethane	8	8
1,2-dichloroethane	9	9
1,2-dichloroethane	10	10
1,2-dichloroethane	11	11
1,2-dichloroethane	12	12
1,2-dichloroethane	13	13
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1,2-dichloroethane	29	29
1,2-dichloroethane	30	30
1,2-dichloroethane	31	31
1,2-dichloroethane	32	32
1,2-dichloroethane	33	33
1,2-dichloroethane	34	34
1,2-dichloroethane	35	35
1,2-dichloroethane	36	36
1,2-dichloroethane	37	37
1,2-dichloroethane	38	38
1,2-dichloroethane	39	39
1,2-dichloroethane	40	40
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1,2-dichloroethane	97	97
1,2-dichloroethane	98	98
1,2-dichloroethane	99	99
1,2-dichloroethane	100	100

Number	Sectioning / BP-211D

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1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

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Aug. 18/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST - DRY WEIGHT DATA**

Client

Azinath (Polaris)

EVS Project No.

04-1424-044

EVS Work Order No.

0500298

Start Date (Day 0)

19-Jul-05

Sample ID

On Reference Toxicant

Balance Type/Serial Number

Sartorius/BP-211 D

Sample ID	Rep.	Pan No.	Pan Weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) (pan + biomass)	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Comments (e.g., confirmation weights, organisms lost in transfer)	Tech. Init.
32	A	A85	1229.51	1236.23	5	5		AXF/27
	B	A86	1233.16	1239.24	5	5		
	C	A87	1234.56	1238.84	5	5		
	D	A88	1225.13	1231.48	5	5		
	E	A89	1236.28	1241.25	4	4		
56	A	A91	1245.68	1249.99	4	4		
	B	A92	1222.48	1227.32	5	5		
	C	A93	1240.76	1246.95	5	5		
	D	A94	1233.51	1239.05	5	5		
	E	A95	1239.61	1245.85	5	5		
	A							
	B							
	C							
	D							
	E							

1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

Data Verified By

Qaphi

Date Verified

Aug. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST - DRY WEIGHT DATA**

Client

Azinuth (Polaris)

EVS Project No.

04-1424-044

EVS Work Order No.

0500248

Start Date (Day 0)

19-Jul-05

Sample ID

Cu Reference Toxicant

Balance Type/Serial Number

Sintering/BP-211 D

Sample ID	Rep.	Pan No.	Pan Weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) (pan + biomass)	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Comments (e.g., confirmation weights, organisms lost in transfer)	Tech. Init.
100	A	A66	1227.36	1229.94	2	2		AKF
	B	A67	1237.38	1238.70	1	1		
	C	A68	1224.68	1228.49	4	4	confirmed 1228.25 mg	
	D	A69	1232.31	1236.61	4	4		
	E	A70	1244.03	1247.98	5	5		
180	A	A71	1239.12	1241.93	3	3	confirmed 1241.90 mg	
	B	A72	1214.89	1215.67	1	1		
	C	A73	1221.50					
	D	A74	1238.30					
	E							
	A							
	B							
	C							
	D							
	E							

1. Re-confirm weights for 10% of final weights and record under "Comments"; relative percent difference (RPD) between pairs of weights should be  $\leq 10\%$  of organism weight.

Data Verified By

Gajpich

Date Verified

Aug. 17/05

Test: LF-Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test

Test ID: RTAACu45

Species: AA-Atherinops affinis

Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast

Sample ID: REF-Ref Toxicant

Sample Type: CU-Copper

Start Date: 7/19/2005

End Date: 7/26/2005

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	No. Fish Weighed	Total Wgt(mg)	Tare Wgt(mg)
	1	1	D-Control	5							5	5	1225.71	1231.08
	2	2	D-Control	5							5	5	1228.66	1232.69
	3	3	D-Control	5							5	5	1235.2	1239.86
	4	4	D-Control	5							5	5	1233.97	1239.36
	5	5	D-Control	5							5	5	1228.91	1234
	6	1	32.0	5							5	5	1229.51	1236.23
	7	2	32.0	5							5	5	1233.16	1239.24
	8	3	32.0	5							5	5	1234.56	1238.84
	9	4	32.0	5							5	5	1225.13	1231.48
	10	5	32.0	5							4	4	1236.28	1241.25
	11	1	56.0	5							4	4	1245.68	1249.99
	12	2	56.0	5							5	5	1222.48	1227.32
	13	3	56.0	5							5	5	1240.76	1246.95
	14	4	56.0	5							5	5	1233.51	1239.05
	15	5	56.0	5							5	5	1239.61	1245.85
	16	1	100.0	5							2	2	1227.36	1229.94
	17	2	100.0	5							1	1	1237.38	1238.7
	18	3	100.0	5							4	4	1224.68	1228.24
	19	4	100.0	5							4	4	1232.31	1236.61
	20	5	100.0	5							5	5	1244.03	1247.98
	21	1	180.0	5							0	0	0	0
	22	2	180.0	5							3	3	1239.12	1241.93
	23	3	180.0	5							0	0	0	0
	24	4	180.0	5							0	0	0	0
	25	5	180.0	5							1	1	1214.89	1215.67
	26	1	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	27	2	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	28	3	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	29	4	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	30	5	320.0	5							0	0	0	0

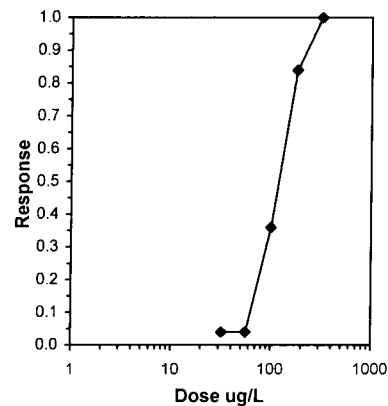
Comments: Azimuth Polaris 04-1424-044 (0500298)

Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7-d survival					
Start Date:	7/19/2005	Test ID:	RTAACu45	Sample ID:	REF-Ref Toxicant
End Date:	7/26/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	CU-Copper
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth Polaris 04-1424-044 (0500298)				
Conc-ug/L	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
32	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000
56	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
100	0.4000	0.2000	0.8000	0.8000	1.0000
180	0.0000	0.6000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2000
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

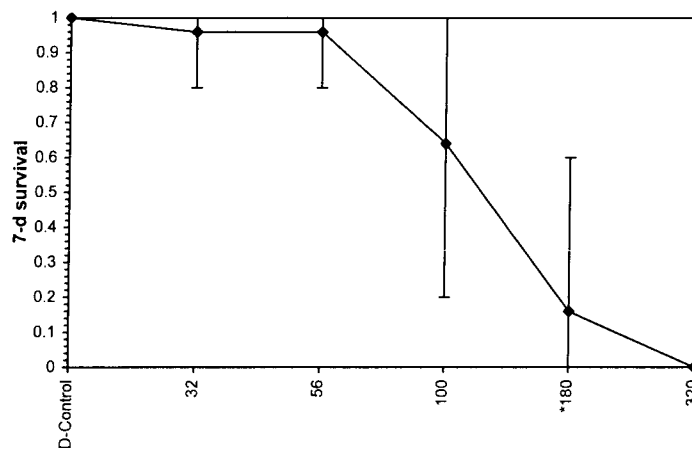
Conc-ug/L	Mean	SD	Transform: Arcsin Square Root					Rank Sum	1-Tailed Critical	Number Resp	Total Number
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N				
D-Control	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5			0	25
32	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	25.00	17.00	1	25
56	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	25.00	17.00	1	25
100	0.6400	0.3286	0.9416	0.4636	1.3453	38.004	5	17.50	17.00	9	25
*180	0.1600	0.2608	0.4053	0.2255	0.8861	71.039	5	15.00	17.00	21	25
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.2255	0.2255	0.2255	0.000	5			25	25

Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution ( $p > 0.01$ )	0.90309	0.888	0.17519	1.66432
Equality of variance cannot be confirmed				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Steel's Many-One Rank Test	100	180	134.164	

Trimmed Spearman-Kärber				
Trim Level	EC50	95% CL		
0.0%				
5.0%	116.88	100.05	136.55	
10.0%	116.41	98.86	137.08	
20.0%	117.22	94.25	145.79	
Auto-4.0%	117.04	100.39	136.44	ug/L Cu



Dose-Response Plot

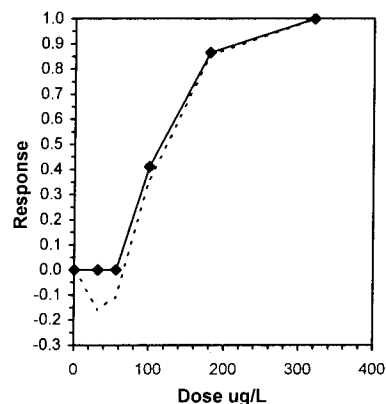


Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7 Day Growth (US)					
Start Date:	7/19/2005	Test ID:	RTAACu45	Sample ID:	REF-Ref Toxicant
End Date:	7/26/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	CU-Copper
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth Polaris 04-1424-044 (0500298)				
Conc-ug/L	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0740	0.8060	0.9320	1.0780	1.0180
32	1.3440	1.2160	0.8560	1.2700	0.9940 ✓
56	0.8620	0.9680	1.2380	1.1080	1.2480
100	0.5160	0.2640 ✓	0.7120	0.8600	0.7900
180	0.0000	0.5620	0.0000	0.0000	0.1560 ✓
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

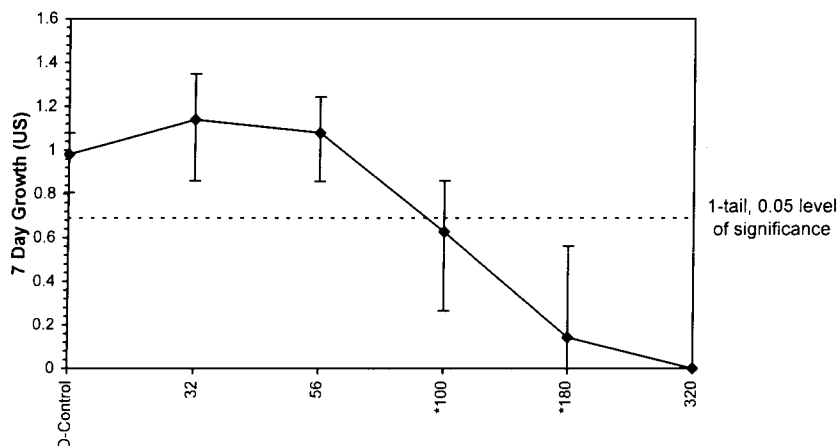
Conc-ug/L	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD	Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N				Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.9816	0.1145	0.9816	0.8060	1.0780	11.666	5				1.0675	1.0000
32	1.1360	0.2038	1.1360	0.8560	1.3440	17.943	5	-1.219	2.300	0.2913	1.0675	1.0000
56	1.0848	0.1688	1.0848	0.8620	1.2480	15.557	5	-0.815	2.300	0.2913	1.0675	1.0000
*100	0.6284	0.2409	0.6284	0.2640	0.8600	38.338	5	2.789	2.300	0.2913	0.6284	0.5887
*180	0.1436	0.2435	0.1436	0.0000	0.5620	169.535	5	6.618	2.300	0.2913	0.1436	0.1345
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.000	5				0.0000	0.0000

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic		Critical	Skew	Kurt				
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution ( $p > 0.01$ )					0.9755		0.888	0.077	-0.1953				
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances ( $p = 0.66$ )					2.41004		13.2767						
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU					
					MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df			
Dunnett's Test					56	100	74.8331	0.29126	0.29672	0.85895	0.04009	5.4E-07	4, 20

Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	ug/L	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05	61.35	6.16	30.65	67.13	-1.9529
IC10	66.70	4.93	43.95	78.27	-0.6852
IC15	72.05	5.63	55.64	91.09	0.5478
IC20	77.39	6.77	62.96	102.78	1.0777
IC25	82.74	7.81	67.65	114.17	0.9592
IC40	98.79	11.11	78.22	135.91	0.5373
IC50	115.62	14.64	80.73	156.41	0.6255 ug/L Cu



Dose-Response Plot



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## **APPENDIX II**

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Raw Data and Statistical Analyses:

*Dendraster excentricus*

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Mine)  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
EVS Work Order No. 0500299

EVS Analysts SRS  
Test Initiation Date 19 July 05

**SAMPLE**

Identification G-creek sublethal 071605  
Amount Received 3x20L  
Date Collected 16-Jul-05  
Date Received 19-Jul-05  
Temperature (°C) 14.0 <sup>Q</sup>→ 15.0  
pH 7.5 <sup>Q</sup>→ 8.2  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 11.1 <sup>Q</sup>→ 8.5  
Conductivity (μmhos/cm) 1520  
Salinity (ppt) 3.0 <sup>Q</sup>→ 28  
Ammonia (mg/L N) —  
Chlorine (mg/L Cl) —  
Other —  
① Brine Adjustment

**TEST SPECIES**

Organism Dendrosten excentricus  
Source Westwind Sea Lab  
Date Received ~~SRS~~ 19 Jul 05  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date 19 Jul 05  
IC50 (and 95% CL) 5.8 (5.2 - 6.5) mg/L  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
3.6 ± 4.4 mg/L SDS; CV = 60%

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type autoclaved; 0.45 μm filtered SW  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 7.9  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 8.5  
Salinity (ppt) 28  
Other —

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 15.0  
pH Range 7.8 ~~8.2~~ 8.3  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) ~~7.9~~ <sup>SRS</sup> 8.5  
Salinity Range (ppt) 28  
Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1  
Test Duration 10:10  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS**

Statistical comparisons were against pooled controls

IC<sub>50</sub>: 13.2 (10.8 - 16.7) % v/v

IC<sub>25</sub>: 5.2 (4.4 - 6.1) % v/v

NOEC: < 4.6 % v/v

LOEC: 4.6 % v/v

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**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST INITIAL WATER QUALITY**

Client Azimuth (Polaris Mine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500299  
 Logbook Echinoid #13 Pages 68-71

Test Initiation Date/Time 19 July 05 / 1514  
 Test Species Dendraster excentricus  
 Source/Date Received Westward Sealab / 19 July 05  
 Test Duration 10:10

Sample ID	Temperature (°C)	pH	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Comments
<u>G-Creek Sustained 071605</u>					
<u>Control</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7.9</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>Brine Control</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.3</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>4.6% v/v</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.0</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>9.1% v/v</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.1</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>18.2% <sup>SRS</sup> v/v</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.1</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>36.4% <sup>SRS</sup> v/v</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.1</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
<u>Max (22.8‰)</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8.2</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8.5</u>	
Technician Initials	<u>SRS</u>	<u>SRS</u>	<u>SRS</u>	<u>SRS</u>	

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. calibrated H<sub>2</sub> thermometer pH HA-03030 Salinity II-A-030304 DO II-A-20  
 Sample Description sample is clean with no odour.  
 Data Verified By Galpin Date Verified Aug. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST – EGG COUNT (SAMPLES)**

Client Azimuth (Polaris Mine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500299  
 Logbook Echinoid #13 Pages 68-71

Test Initiation Date/Time 19 July 05 / 1514  
 Test Species Dendroica excentricus  
 Source/Date Received 19 July 05 / Westwind Sealab  
 Test Duration 10:10  
 Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1

Sample ID % (V/V)	Replicate	Number of Fertilized Eggs	Number of Unfertilized Eggs	Comments	Tech. Initials
Control	A	64	36		SRS
	B	60	40		
	C	66	34		
	D	69	31		
G-Creek Sublethal 071605 4.6	A	56	44		SRS
	B	51	49		
	C	52	48		
	D	53	47		
G-Creek Sublethal 071605 9.1	A	39	61		SRS
	B	37	63		
	C	37	63		
	D	36	64		
G-Creek Sublethal 071605 see 18.82	A	33	67		SRS
	B	<del>38</del> 28	72		
	C	29	71		
	D	30	70		
G-Creek Sublethal 071605 36.84	A	20	80		SRS
	B	27	73		
	C	23	77		
	D	24	76		
G-Creek Sublethal 071605 Max (72.8)	A	20	80		SRS
	B	16	84		
	C	21	79		
	D	21	79		

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Date Verified

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Test: SC-Sperm Cell Fertilization test

Test ID: 0500299

Species: DE-Dendraster excentricus

Protocol: EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm Cell)

Sample ID: g\_creek sublethal 071605

Sample Type: GW-groundwater

Start Date: 7/19/2004 10:10

End Date: 7/19/2004

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Total Counted	Number Fertilized	Number Unfertilized	Notes
	1	1	D-Control	100	64	36	
	2	2	D-Control	100	60	40	
	3	3	D-Control	100	66	34	
	4	4	D-Control	100	69	31	
	5	1	B-Control	100	70	30	
	6	2	B-Control	100	68	32	
	7	3	B-Control	100	71	29	
	8	4	B-Control	100	67	33	
	9	1	4.600	100	56	44	
	10	2	4.600	100	51	49	
	11	3	4.600	100	52	48	
	12	4	4.600	100	53	47	
	13	1	9.100	100	39	61	
	14	2	9.100	100	37	63	
	15	3	9.100	100	37	63	
	16	4	9.100	100	36	64	
	17	1	18.200	100	33	67	
	18	2	18.200	100	28	72	
	19	3	18.200	100	29	71	
	20	4	18.200	100	30	70	
	21	1	36.400	100	20	80	
	22	2	36.400	100	27	73	
	23	3	36.400	100	23	77	
	24	4	36.400	100	24	76	
	25	1	72.800	100	20	80	
	26	2	72.800	100	16	84	
	27	3	72.800	100	21	79	
	28	4	72.800	100	21	79	

Comments: Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris) 04-1424-044 (0500299)

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Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized					
Start Date:	7/19/2004 10:10	Test ID:	500299	Sample ID:	g_creek sublethal 071605
End Date:	7/19/2004	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment Cc	Sample Type:	GW-groundwater
Sample Date:	7/16/2004	Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm (	Test Species:	DE-Dendroaster excentricus
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris) 04-1424-044 (0500299)				

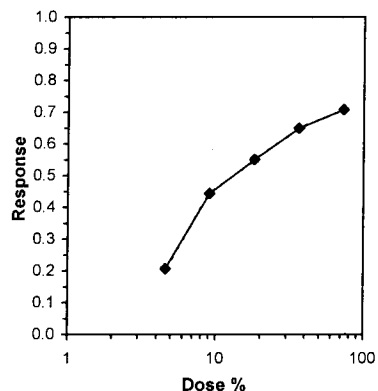
Conc-%	1	2	3	4
D-Control	0.6400	0.6000	0.6600	0.6900
B-Control	0.7000	0.6800	0.7100	0.6700
4.6	0.5600	0.5100	0.5200	0.5300
9.1	0.3900	0.3700	0.3700	0.3600
18.2	0.3300	0.2800	0.2900	0.3000
36.4	0.2000	0.2700	0.2300	0.2400
72.8	0.2000	0.1600	0.2100	0.2100

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					1-Tailed		Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N	t-Stat	Critical	MSD	N-Mean
Pooled	0.6688	0.0356	0.6688	0.6000	0.7100	5.328	8				0.6688 1.0000
*4.6	0.5300	0.0216	0.5300	0.5100	0.5600	4.076	4	8.308	2.508	0.0419	0.5300 0.7925
*9.1	0.3725	0.0126	0.3725	0.3600	0.3900	3.378	4	17.739	2.508	0.0419	0.3725 0.5570
*18.2	0.3000	0.0216	0.3000	0.2800	0.3300	7.201	4	22.080	2.508	0.0419	0.3000 0.4486
*36.4	0.2350	0.0289	0.2350	0.2000	0.2700	12.284	4	25.972	2.508	0.0419	0.2350 0.3514
*72.8	0.1950	0.0238	0.1950	0.1600	0.2100	12.208	4	28.367	2.508	0.0419	0.1950 0.2916

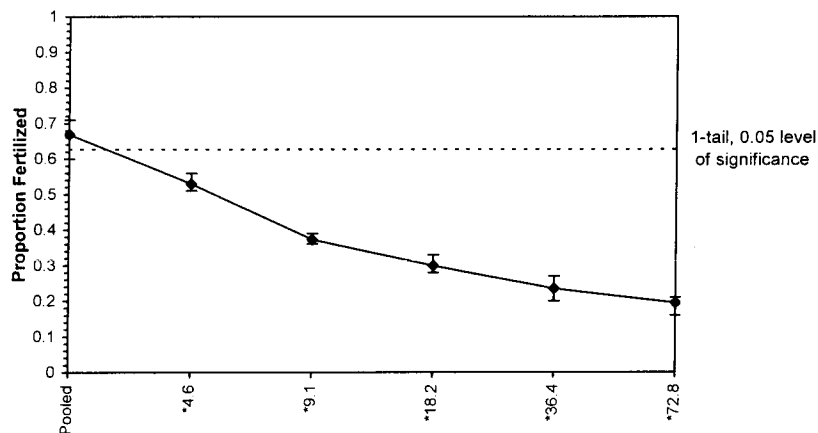
Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt		
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.96577	0.896	-0.6264	0.89125		
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.59)					3.72999	15.0863				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.09)					2.02707	2.44691				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU		
					MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test					<4.6	4.6				
					0.04189	0.06264	0.18978	0.00074	1.0E-18	5, 22

Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	%	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05*	0.515	0.065	0.376	0.746	1.1707
IC10*	1.294	0.204	0.886	2.030	1.4723
IC15*	2.475	0.454	1.574	4.227	1.0928
IC20*	4.263	0.546	2.495	5.437	-0.5325
IC25	5.229	0.268	4.417	6.073	-0.2992
IC40	8.069	0.268	7.197	8.864	-0.1114
IC50	13.159	1.074	10.756	16.853	0.9349 %v/v

\* indicates IC estimate less than the lowest concentration



Dose-Response Plot



Note: Statistical comparisons were against pooled controls

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Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized					
Start Date:	7/19/2004 10:10	Test ID:	500299	Sample ID:	g_creek sublethal 071605
End Date:	7/19/2004	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	GW-groundwater
Sample Date:	7/16/2004	Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm 1	Test Species:	DE-Dendroaster excentricus
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris) 04-1424-044 (0500299)				

Conc-%	1	2	3	4
D-Control	0.6400	0.6000	0.6600	0.6900
B-Control	0.7000	0.6800	0.7100	0.6700
4.6	0.5600	0.5100	0.5200	0.5300
9.1	0.3900	0.3700	0.3700	0.3600
18.2	0.3300	0.2800	0.2900	0.3000
36.4	0.2000	0.2700	0.2300	0.2400
72.8	0.2000	0.1600	0.2100	0.2100

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed				N	t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD	Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%					Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.6475	0.0377	0.6475	0.6000	0.6900	5.830	4				0.6475	1.0000
B-Control	0.6900	0.0183	0.6900	0.6700	0.7100	2.646	4					
*4.6	0.5300	0.0216	0.5300	0.5100	0.5600	4.076	4	6.504	2.410	0.0435	0.5300	0.8185
*9.1	0.3725	0.0126	0.3725	0.3600	0.3900	3.378	4	15.222	2.410	0.0435	0.3725	0.5753
*18.2	0.3000	0.0216	0.3000	0.2800	0.3300	7.201	4	19.235	2.410	0.0435	0.3000	0.4633
*36.4	0.2350	0.0289	0.2350	0.2000	0.2700	12.284	4	22.833	2.410	0.0435	0.2350	0.3629
*72.8	0.1950	0.0238	0.1950	0.1600	0.2100	12.208	4	25.047	2.410	0.0435	0.1950	0.3012

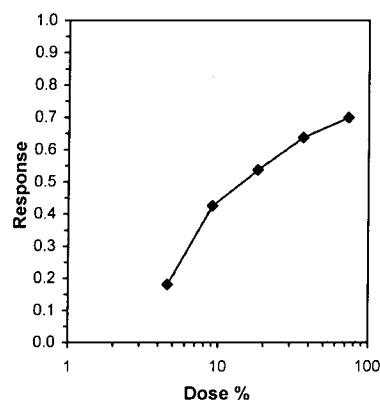
Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.98059	0.884	-0.1047	-0.1759
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.67)					3.19845	15.0863		
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.09)					2.02707	2.44691		
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Dunnett's Test					<4.6	4.6		
					0.04354	0.06724	0.12461	0.00065
					6.1E-15			
					5	18		

Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	%	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05*	0.607	0.161	0.394	1.360	2.3644
IC10*	1.584	0.557	0.927	4.356	2.4779
IC15*	3.154	0.865	1.634	6.106	0.5417
IC20	4.857	0.524	3.042	6.173	-0.5720
IC25	5.612	0.375	4.664	6.952	0.2814
IC40	8.513	0.444	7.515	10.306	1.0512
IC50	14.556	1.689	10.887	21.343	0.9377

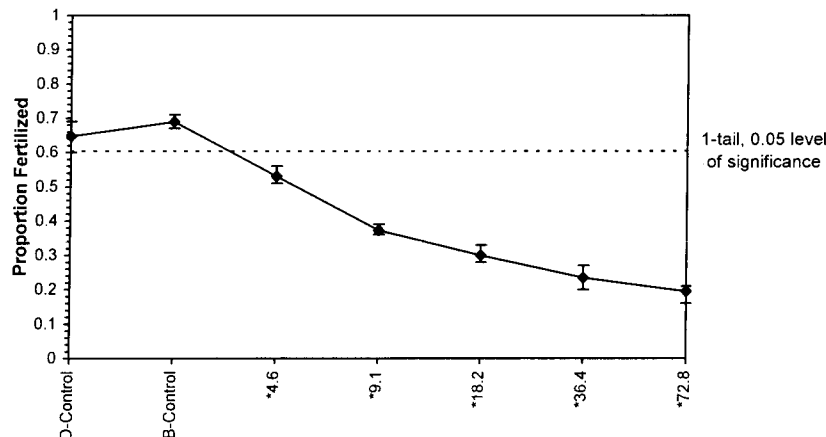
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Point	Skew
IC05*	2.3644
IC10*	2.4779
IC15*	0.5417
IC20	-0.5720
IC25	0.2814
IC40	1.0512
IC50	0.9377

\* indicates IC estimate less than the lowest concentration



Dose-Response Plot



Note: Statistical comparisons were against the dilution control

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**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Pleasant Hill) EVS Analysts SRS  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044 Test Initiation Date 19 July 05  
EVS Work Order No. 0500299

**SAMPLE**

Identification SDS Leftover Stock S-10 #05-5-008  
Amount Received 1 x 1 L  
Date Collected 17-Jun-05  
Date Received N/A  
Temperature (°C)   
pH   
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)   
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)   
Salinity (ppt)   
Ammonia (mg/L N)   
Chlorine (mg/L Cl)   
Other

**TEST SPECIES**

Organism Dendroster excentricus  
Source Westwind Sealab  
Date Received 19 July 05  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date 19 July 05  
IC50 (and 95% CL) 5.8 (5.2-6.5) mg/L SDS  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
3.6 ± 4.4 mg/L SDS, CV% = 60

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type UV sterilized, 0.45 µm filtered SW  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 7.9  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 8.5  
Salinity (ppt) 28  
Other —

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 15  
pH Range 7.8-7.9  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 8.5  
Salinity Range (ppt) 28  
Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1  
Test Duration 10:10  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS**

IC50: 5.8 (5.2-6.5) mg/L SDS  
IC25: 3.0 (2.6-3.5) mg/L SDS  
NOEC: 1.0 mg/L SDS  
LOEC: 1.8 mg/L SDS

Data Verified By

Galph

Date Verified

Aug. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST INITIAL WATER QUALITY**

Client Azimuth (Polaris Mine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500299  
 Logbook #13 Pages 68-71

Test Initiation Date/Time 19 July 05 / 1514  
 Test Species Dendraster excentricus  
 Source/Date Received Westwind Seabed / 19 July 05  
 Test Duration 10:10

Reftox

Sample ID SDS (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	pH	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Comments
Control	15	7.9	28	8.5	
1.0	15	7.8	28	8.5	
1.8	15	7.8	28	8.5	
3.2	15	7.8	28	8.5	
5.6	15	7.8	28	8.5	
10.0	15	7.8	28	8.5	
Technician Initials	SRS	SRS	SRS	SRS	

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated H<sub>2</sub> thermometer pH II-A-030301 Salinity II-A-080304 DO II-A-20

Sample Description \_\_\_\_\_

Data Verified By [Signature]

Date Verified Aug. 17/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST – EGG COUNTS (CONTROLS)**

Client Azimuth (Polaris Mine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500299  
 Logbook #13 Pages 68-71

Test Initiation Date/Time 19 July 05 / 1514  
 Test Species Dendraster excentricus  
 Test Duration 10:10  
 Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1

Concentration SDS (mg/L)	Replicate	No. Fertilized Eggs	No. Unfertilized Eggs	Comments	Tech. Initials
Reference Toxicant					
1.0	A	71	29		SRS ↓
	B	69	31		
	C	71	29		
	D	70	30		
1.8	A	56	44		
	B	60	40		
	C	62	38		
	D	60	40		
3.2	A	<del>46</del> 51	<del>44</del> 49		
	B	47	53		
	C	51	49		
	D	50	50		
5.6	A	34	66		
	B	37	63		
	C	32	68		
	D	36	64		
10	A	20	80		
	B	21	79		
	C	18	82		
	D	19	81		
Control Seawater					
Brine Control	A	70	30		SRS ↓
	B	68	32		
	C	71	29		
	D	67	33		

Data Verified By Galpin

Date Verified Aug 17/05

Test: SC-Sperm Cell Fertilization test

Species: DE-Dendraster excentricus

Sample ID: REF-Ref Toxicant

Start Date: 7/19/2005 10:10

End Date: 7/19/2005

Test ID: rtdesds051


Protocol: EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm Cell)

Sample Type: SDS-Sodium dodecyl sulfate

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Total Counted	Number Fertilized	Number Unfertilized	Notes
	1	1	D-Control	100	64	36	
	2	2	D-Control	100	60	40	
	3	3	D-Control	100	66	34	
	4	4	D-Control	100	69	31	
	5	1	1.000	100	71	29	
	6	2	1.000	100	69	31	
	7	3	1.000	100	71	29	
	8	4	1.000	100	70	30	
	9	1	1.800	100	56	44	
	10	2	1.800	100	60	40	
	11	3	1.800	100	62	38	
	12	4	1.800	100	60	40	
	13	1	3.200	100	51	49	
	14	2	3.200	100	47	53	
	15	3	3.200	100	51	49	
	16	4	3.200	100	50	50	
	17	1	5.600	100	34	66	
	18	2	5.600	100	37	63	
	19	3	5.600	100	32	68	
	20	4	5.600	100	36	64	
	21	1	10.000	100	20	80	
	22	2	10.000	100	21	79	
	23	3	10.000	100	18	82	
	24	4	10.000	100	19	81	

Comments: Azimuth Consulting Group 04-1424-044 (0500299)

  
 Aug. 17/05

Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized					
Start Date:	7/19/2005 10:10	Test ID:	rtdesds051	Sample ID:	REF-Ref Toxicant
End Date:	7/19/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	SDS-Sodium dodecyl sulfate
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm)	Test Species:	DE-Dendraster excentricus
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group 04-1424-044 (0500299)				

Conc-mg/L	1	2	3	4
D-Control	0.6400	0.6000	0.6600	0.6900
1	0.7100	0.6900	0.7100	0.7000
1.8	0.5600	0.6000	0.6200	0.6000
3.2	0.5100	0.4700	0.5100	0.5000
5.6	0.3400	0.3700	0.3200	0.3600
10	0.2000	0.2100	0.1800	0.1900

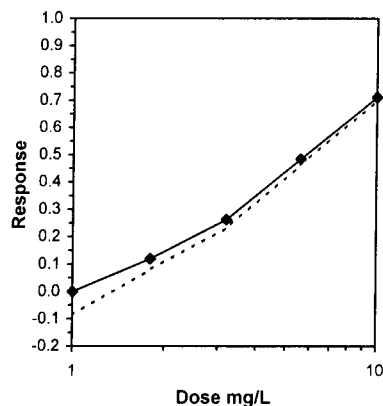
Conc-mg/L	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					1-Tailed			Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N	t-Stat	Critical	MSD	Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.6475	0.0377	0.6475	0.6000	0.6900	5.830	4				0.6750	1.0000
1	0.7025	0.0096	0.7025	0.6900	0.7100	1.363	4	-3.386	2.410	0.0391	0.6750	1.0000
*1.8	0.5950	0.0252	0.5950	0.5600	0.6200	4.230	4	3.232	2.410	0.0391	0.5950	0.8815
*3.2	0.4975	0.0189	0.4975	0.4700	0.5100	3.805	4	9.234	2.410	0.0391	0.4975	0.7370
*5.6	0.3475	0.0222	0.3475	0.3200	0.3700	6.381	4	18.468	2.410	0.0391	0.3475	0.5148
*10	0.1950	0.0129	0.1950	0.1800	0.2100	6.620	4	27.855	2.410	0.0391	0.1950	0.2889

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt						
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.96443	0.884	-0.4619	0.4979						
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.33)					5.80467	15.0863								
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Dunnett's Test					1	1.8	1.34164		0.03915	0.06046	0.15043	0.00053	1.8E-16	5, 18

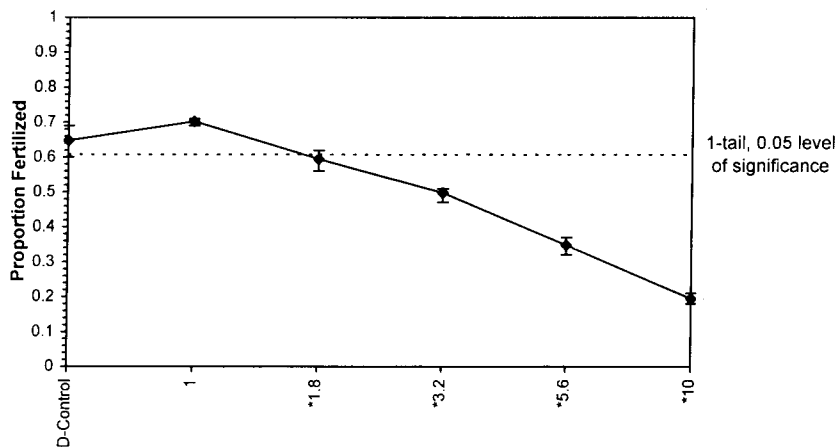
Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)

Point	mg/L	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05	1.3050	0.0620	1.1588	1.5675	0.7327
IC10	1.6566	0.1267	1.3262	2.1192	0.1987
IC15	2.0587	0.1538	1.5036	2.4959	-0.3268
IC20	2.5196	0.1504	2.0886	3.0277	-0.0752
IC25	3.0499	0.1581	2.5656	3.5441	-0.1894
IC40	4.5501	0.1485	4.0503	5.0634	-0.0472
IC50	5.8248	0.2258	5.1944	6.4999	-0.1156

mg/L SDS



Dose-Response Plot



*Qalif*  
Aug. 17, 2015

## **APPENDIX III**

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### Chain-of-Custody Form



# ***Champia parvula* Sexual Reproduction Test Results**

**for Sample E452**

for

Azimuth Consulting Group

by

Mary Moody  
Environment and Minerals Division  
Saskatchewan Research Council

## ***Champia parvula* Sexual Reproduction Test Quality Assurance Summary**

Client	Azimuth Consulting Group	SRC Sample #	E452
File #	MM478	Test Initiation Date	Aug 9/05
Analyst	M. Moody	Test Completion Date	Aug 16/05
Sample Identity/Name	Garrow Creek		

This report is based on the Report Assessment Checklist for EEM Cycle Two: Test of Sexual Reproduction using the Red Macroalga *Champia parvula*. (May 1999)

**Test Organisms, Method and Conditions** - Species: *Champia parvula*, sexually mature male and female branches, in good health, males having sori with spermatia, females having trichogynes. Method: EPA/600/4-91/003, Method 1009.0, static, non-renewal; 2-day effluent exposure followed by 5 to 7 day recovery period in control medium for cystocarp development. Exposure/Dilution Medium: natural seawater collected at Pacific Environmental Science Centre, Environment Canada, North Vancouver, B.C., filtered to 0.2µm and autoclaved before use, adjusted as necessary to salinity 30 ppt. with hypersaline brine made from the same source water. Test medium is natural seawater enriched with 10 ml/L Test Nutrient Solution. Recovery Medium is natural seawater as above, enriched with 10 ml/L Culture Nutrient Solution (method section 16.10.1.3).

**Reference Toxicant Test** - Method: EPA/600/4-91/003, Method 1009.0, static, non-renewal; 2-day toxicant exposure followed by 5 to 7 day recovery period in control medium for cystocarp development. Test conditions: performed under same experimental conditions as effluent sample. Compound: sodium dodecyl sulphate mg/L

Date of test: Aug 17/05	Historic value, warning limits $\pm 2SD$
IC <sub>50</sub> (95 % CL) mg/L 1.31 (1.20 - 1.41)	1.41 (1.15 - 1.74)

**Quality Control Data** - There was no unusual appearance or treatment of test organisms before their use in the test. There was nothing unusual about the test, no deviation from the test method or problems encountered. No control mortality was observed in any control solution during observation periods. Sample was tested within 72 hours of collection. The mean number of cystocarps per plant counted in this test must be >10 to be acceptable. Data for this test is as follows.

natural seawater controls	85.9
brine controls	95.8
pooled control cystocarp count*	90.9

\* this number used in calculation of IC values as required in EC guidance document on salinity adjustment, July 1997

### **Toxicity Test Results**

IC <sub>25</sub> (95 % CL) %v/v	45.3 (27.5 - 52.4)
Signature	<i>M. Moody</i>
Date	<i>Aug 24/05</i>

## Test Data Summary

<b>SAMPLE</b>		SRC#	<u>E452</u>
Identification/Name	<u>Garrow Creek</u>	Analyst	<u>Mary Moody</u>
Date/Time Received	<u>Aug 9/05 @ 0900</u>	Date Collected	<u>Aug 6/05</u>
		Temperature Upon Receipt (°C)	<u>22 with ice packs</u>
Test Initiation Date	<u>Aug 9/05</u>	Test Completion Date	<u>Aug 16/05</u>

### ORGANISM INFORMATION

Species	<u>Champia parvula</u>	Appearance/Health of <i>Champia</i>	<u>excellent</u>
Source	<u>sexually mature male and female branches, obtained from USEPA, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Newport, Oregon, 1995</u>		
Females, Presence of Trichogynes	<u>yes</u>	Males, Presence of Sori with Spermatia	<u>yes</u>

### TEST CONDITIONS

Test Method	<u>USEPA/600/4-91/003, Method 1009.0</u>	Dilution water	<u>Natural seawater from Pacific Environmental Science Centre, North Vancouver B.C.</u>
Test Type	<u>static, non-renewal; 2 day effluent exposure followed by 5-7 day recovery period in control medium for cystocarp development</u>		
Test Vessels (Exposure & Recovery)	<u>270 ml transparent polystyrene cups, transparent polystyrene lids</u>		
Exposure Volume / Depth	<u>100 ml / 4.5 cm</u>	Recovery Volume / Depth	<u>200 ml / 7.3 cm</u>
Replicates/Conc.	<u>3</u>	No. of organisms (female/male)	<u>5/2</u>
Number and Concentrations of Test Solutions (%v/v)	<u>Controls: (two) natural sea water, brine Tests: 70, 35, 17.5, 8.75, 4.38</u>		
Chemicals added to control/dilution water	<u>Test Nutrients as described in method cited at 10 ml/L, analytical grade</u>		

### Sample Treatment

D.O. on unadjusted sample salinity adjustment (mg/L)	<u>8.6</u>	D.O. after salinity adjustment (mg/L)	<u>7.7</u>
Aeration (duration/rate)	<u>none</u>	Filtration	<u>none</u>
Salinity Adjustment*	<u>600 mL effluent + 260 mL hypersaline brine + 8.6 mL test nutrient solution</u>		
Hypersaline Brine for Salinity Adjustment*	<u>Prepared from natural seawater, at 90 ppt salinity</u>		

\* as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment, May 2001

### Exposure Period (48 h) and Recovery Period (5-7 days)

Temperature, pH, D.O. and Salinity of test solutions and controls on following page	
Photoperiod (L:D h)	<u>16:8</u>
Agitation of tests and controls during exposure	<u>gentle rotary shaking</u>
Recovery Medium: natural sea water containing 10 ml/L Culture Nutrients (section 16.10.1.3 of cited method)	Aeration during recovery: <u>gentle aeration supplied</u>

### TOXICITY TEST RESULTS

IC <sub>25</sub> (%v/v) (95% CL)	<u>45.3 (27.5 - 52.4)</u>	IC <sub>50</sub> (%v/v), (95% CL)	<u>61.4 (50.4 - 66.6)</u>
Mean control cystocarps/female (pooled natural sea water and brine controls)	<u>90.9</u>		

Submitted By:	<u>cm moody</u>	Date:	<u>Aug 24/05</u>
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## Water Quality Data

Sample Identification/Name

Garrow Creek

SRC# E452

### INITIAL WATER QUALITY

### UNADJUSTED SAMPLE

at test start, without  
salinity adjustment

### TEST MEDIUM

### RECOVERY MEDIUM

Temperature (°C)

23

23

23

Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)

8.6

7.6

7.8

pH

7.75

8.35

8.10

Salinity (ppt):

2

30

30

Sample Description clear colourless liquid

Length of Recovery Period (days) 5

### Water Quality Data during Exposure Period (0, 48 hr) and Recovery Period (0 and end)

Concentration % (v/v)	Temperature (°C)				Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)				pH				Salinity (ppt)			
	exposure		recovery		exposure		recovery		exposure		recovery		exposure		recovery	
	0	48	0	end	0	48	0	end	0	48	0	end	0	48	0	end
Control-NSW*	23	23	23	23	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.34	8.37	8.10	7.98	30	30	30	30
Control-brine	23	23	23	23	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.11	8.59	8.10	8.01	30	30	30	30
A 70	23	23	23	23	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.05	8.54	8.10	8.03	30	30	30	30
C 17.5	23	23	23	23	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.29	8.64	8.10	8.67	30	30	30	30
E 4.38	23	23	23	23	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.34	8.47	8.10	8.05	30	30	30	30

### RECOVERY PERIOD - TEMPERATURE MONITORING (initial daily entries)

Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
23	23	23	23	23	23		

### Comments

pH before salt addition: 7.75, after salt addition 8.12

\*NSW natural sea water

*CM*

## Test Data

Sample Identification Garrow Creek

E452

Concentration % (v/v)		Rep	Mortality		Individual Plant Cystocarp Counts					mean	SD*	Comments
#			#	%	1	2	3	4	5			
Control, Natural Sea Water		A	0	0	130	80	119	96	95	104.0	20.1	Mean and SD 85.9, 23.8 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	63	86	60	60	102	74.2	19.0	
		C	0	0	95	106	54	54	89	79.6	24.2	
Control, brine		A	0	0	96	98	129	106	90	103.8	15.2	Mean and SD 95.8, 15.3 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	75	74	103	91	80	84.6	12.3	
		C	0	0	97	96	104	118	80	99.0	13.8	
E	438	A	0	0	105	60	81	103	100	89.8	19.2	Mean and SD 80.8, 17.4 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	88	53	65	84	60	70.0	15.3	
		C	0	0	103	75	85	64	86	82.6	14.5	
D	875	A	0	0	110	88	75	72	88	86.6	15.0	Mean and SD 92.9, 22.9 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	109	127	75	71	110	98.4	24.3	
		C	0	0	82	50	124	121	91	93.6	30.5	
C	17.5	A	0	0	100	138	92	71	77	95.6	24.6	Mean and SD 92.7, 19.1 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	107	107	65	100	91	94.0	17.5	
		C	0	0	99	101	63	94	85	88.4	15.5	
B	35	A	0	0	82	67	118	115	77	91.8	23.2	Mean and SD 82.6, 24.2 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	67	88	76	138	75	88.8	28.5	
		C	0	0	55	75	58	57	91	67.2	15.5	
A	70	A	0	0	35	27	40	37	36	35.0	4.8	Mean and SD 33.3, 8.3 Healthy red colour, normal growth
		B	0	0	44	41	18	40	40	36.6	10.5	
		C	0	0	22	41	23	25	31	28.4	7.9	

\* Standard Deviation

Submitted by:

*M. Hardy*

Date:

*Aug 28/05*

### Algal Reproduction Test-Reproduction

Start Date: 8/9/2005	Test ID: CP478IM	Sample ID: E452
End Date: 8/16/2005	Lab ID: SRC-Saskatchewan Research	Sample Type: effluent
Sample Date: 8/6/2005	Protocol: EPA MARINE	Test Species: CP-Champia parvula
Comments: Azimuth, Garrow Creek		

Conc-%	1	2	3
control NSW	104.0	74.2	79.6
control salt	103.8	84.6	99.0
4.38	89.8	70.0	82.6
8.75	86.6	98.4	93.6
17.5	95.6	94.0	88.4
35	91.8	88.8	67.2
70	35.0	36.6	28.4

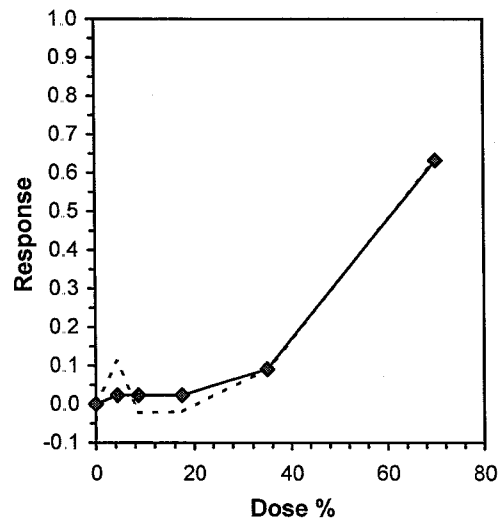
Conc-%	Mean	N-Mean	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD	Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N				Mean	N-Mean
Pooled	90.867	1.0000	90.867	74.200	104.000	14.348	6				90.867	1.0000
4.38	80.800	0.8892	80.800	70.000	89.800	12.403	3	1.401	2.602	18.693	88.778	0.9770
8.75	92.867	1.0220	92.867	86.600	98.400	6.390	3	-0.278	2.602	18.693	88.778	0.9770
17.5	92.667	1.0198	92.667	88.400	95.600	4.080	3	-0.251	2.602	18.693	88.778	0.9770
35	82.600	0.9090	82.600	67.200	91.800	16.248	3	1.151	2.602	18.693	82.600	0.9090
*70	33.333	0.3668	33.333	28.400	36.600	13.040	3	8.010	2.602	18.693	33.333	0.3668

Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution ( $p > 0.01$ )	0.95534	0.873	-0.382	-0.7392
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances ( $p = 0.41$ )	5.05585	15.0863		
The control means are not significantly different ( $p = 0.41$ )	0.91096	2.77645		

Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test	35	70	49.4975	2.85714	18.6933	0.20572	1647.03	103.188	1.5E-05	5, 15
Treatments vs Pooled Controls										

#### Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)

Point	%	SD	95% CL(Exp)		Skew
IC05	24.453	14.175	0.000	46.034	-0.2407
IC10	35.583	10.745	0.000	44.063	-1.3971
IC15	38.810	6.323	10.646	46.832	-1.1329
IC20	42.038	5.167	19.403	49.607	-1.0896
IC25	45.266	4.472	27.509	52.378	-1.0088
IC40	54.949	3.252	41.542	60.787	-1.0203
IC50	61.404	2.558	50.439	66.550	-0.9526



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Attn. Max Moody

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**AUGUST 6, 2005  
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## GLOSSARY

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<b>Control</b>	A treatment in an investigation or study that duplicates all the conditions and factors that might affect the results of the investigation, except the specific condition that is being studied. In an aquatic toxicity test, the control must duplicate all the conditions of the exposure treatment(s), but must contain no test substance. The control is used to determine the absence of measurable toxicity due to basic test conditions (e.g., quality of the dilution water, health of test organisms, or effects due to handling of test organisms). (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>Dilution water</b>	Water used to dilute the test material in an aquatic toxicity test in order to prepare either different concentrations of a test chemical or different percentages of an effluent for the various test treatments. The water (negative) control in a test is prepared with dilution water only. (Rand, 1995)
<b>Effluent</b>	Any liquid waste (e.g., industrial, municipal) discharged to the aquatic environment. (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>Endpoint</b>	The reaction of the organisms to show the effect which is intended to mark completion of the test, and also the measurement(s) or value(s) derived, that characterize the results of the test (e.g., IC <sub>p</sub> ). (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>IC<sub>p</sub></b>	The inhibiting concentration for a (specified) percent effect. It represents a point estimate of the concentration of test substance that is estimated to cause a designated percent impairment in a quantitative biological function such as the size attained by fish during a growth period. This term should be used for any toxicological test which measures a quantitative effect or change in rate, such as growth, reproduction, or respiration. (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>LC<sub>50</sub></b>	The median lethal concentration, i.e., the concentration of substance in water estimated to be lethal to 50% of the test organisms. The LC <sub>50</sub> and its 95% confidence limits are usually derived by statistical analysis of mortalities in several test concentrations, after a fixed period of exposure. The duration of exposure must be specified (e.g., 96-h LC <sub>50</sub> ). (Environment Canada, 1998)

<b>LOEC</b>	The lowest-observed-effect-concentration. This is the lowest concentration of a test substance to which organisms are exposed, that causes adverse effects on the organism which are detected by the observer and are statistically significant. For example, the LOEC might be the lowest test concentration at which growth of fish was decreased significantly from that of the control groups. LOEC is generally reserved for adverse sublethal effects but can also be used for mortality, which might sometimes be the most sensitive effect observed. (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>NOEC</b>	The no-observed-effect-concentration. This is the highest concentration of a test substance or material to which organisms are exposed, that does not cause any observed and statistically significant adverse effects on the organism. For example, the NOEC might be the highest test concentration at which growth was not decreased significantly from that of the control groups. NOEC customarily refers to adverse sublethal effects, and to the most sensitive effect unless otherwise specified. (Environment Canada, 1998)
<b>Percentage (%)</b>	A concentration expressed in parts per hundred parts. One percentage represents one unit or part of substance (e.g., effluent, elutriate, leachate or receiving water) diluted with water or medium to a total of 100 parts. Depending on the test substance, concentrations can be prepared on a weight-per-weight, weight-per-volume, or volume-per-volume basis, and are expressed as the percentage of test substance in the final sediment mixture or solution. (Environment Canada, 1999b)
<b>Quality assurance (QA)</b>	A program organized and designed to provide accurate and precise results. Included are selection of proper technical methods; tests, or laboratory procedures; sample collection and preservation; selection of limits; evaluation of data; quality control; and qualifications and training of personnel. (Rand, 1995)
<b>Quality control (QC)</b>	Specific actions required to provide information for the quality assurance program. Included are standardization, calibration, replicates, and control and check samples suitable for statistical estimates of confidence of the data. (Rand, 1995)

**Reference  
toxicant**

A standard chemical used to measure the sensitivity of the test organisms to establish confidence in the toxicity data obtained for a test substance. In most instances, a toxicity test with a reference toxicant is performed to assess the sensitivity of the organisms at the time the test substance is evaluated, and to determine the precision of results obtained by the laboratory for that chemical. (Environment Canada, 1999b)

**Significant  
difference**

A quantitative determination of the probability that two measurements of the same parameter are different, given the variability of the measurements.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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EVS Environment Consultants (a member of the Golder Group of Companies) conducted sublethal Metal Mining Effluent Regulations (MMER) toxicity testing for Azimuth Consulting Group as part of the Environmental Effects Monitoring (EEM) program for Polaris Mine.

A sample, identified as Garrow Creek, was collected from the Polaris Mine Site on August 6, 2005 in 20-L collapsible polyethylene containers. It was received at the EVS laboratory on August 9, 2005 and was stored in the dark at 4°C prior to test initiation. The sample was evaluated for toxicity using the 7-d topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test and the echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test. Toxicity testing was initiated on the day of initial sample receipt.

This report describes the methods and results of the 7-d topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) toxicity test and the echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test. The raw data and statistical analyses are provided in Appendices I and II respectively, and the chain-of-custody form is provided in Appendix III.

## 2. METHODS

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### 2.1 7-D TOPSMELT (*ATHERINOPS AFFINIS*) SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST

A static-renewal 7-d survival and growth toxicity and reference toxicant tests using topsmelt (*A. affinis*) was conducted in accordance with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA, 1995). Test conditions and methods are summarized in Table 1.

This 7-day test exposes topsmelt larvae to different concentrations of a given sample. Fish are fed on a daily basis and both survival and growth endpoints are measured at test termination. These observations are assessed in comparison to the pooled negative and brine controls.

### 2.2 ECHINODERM (*DENDRASTER EXCENTRICUS*) FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST

The echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test was conducted in accordance with Environment Canada (1992 with 1997 amendments). Test conditions and methods are summarized in Table 2.

This fertilization test involves exposing echinoderm sperm to a series of test concentrations for ten minutes, echinoderm eggs are then added allowing fertilization to occur for ten minutes. Following the ten minutes exposure time, the eggs are preserved and the number of fertilized and unfertilized eggs in each replicate are counted. These observations are assessed in comparison to the pooled negative and brine controls.

### 2.3 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Statistical analyses for all tests were conducted using the computer software program TOXCALC (version 5.0.23; Tidepool Scientific Software, 1994).

### 2.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL (QA/QC)

This study followed a comprehensive QA/QC Program to ensure full documentation and minimize possible errors in computation and reporting of results. The following general QA/QC guidelines were applied in this test: use of negative controls, use of positive controls, use of brine controls, replication, instrument calibration, water quality maintenance and

record-keeping, and use of standard operating procedures (SOPs). To ensure data and reporting meet quality standards, all data and statistical analyses were reviewed by a member of our QA/QC Committee prior to reporting the results.

Toxicity testing was carried out in accordance with applicable test methodologies and/or standards of practice. Our liability is limited solely to the cost of re-testing in the event of non-compliance with such test specifications or standards of practice. Golder/EVS accepts no responsibility or liability for the interpretation or use of these testing results by others, or for any delay, loss, damage or interruptions of testing, collection, preparation, and delivery of samples or test results resulting from events or circumstances beyond our control.

**Table 1.** 7-d Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test methods

TEST PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION
Test type	Static-renewal
Test duration	7 d
Test chamber	600-mL beaker
Test solution volume	200 mL
Number of replicate chambers per treatment	5
Number of organisms per test chamber	5
Age of test organisms at test initiation	10 d
Food	Newly hatched <i>Artemia</i> nauplii (<24 hours old)
Feeding Regime	Fed 0.5 mL/ beaker twice daily of concentrated nauplii suspension (prepared to provide 200 nauplii in 0.5 mL); no feeding at test termination
Sample manipulations (e.g. pre-aeration, pH adjustment, filtration)	Salinity-adjusted
Control/dilution water	UV-sterilized and 0.5µm-filtered natural sea water from Vancouver Aquarium, BC
Dilutions	4.2, 8.4, 16.9, 33.7, 67.4% (v/v)
Renewal of dilutions	Daily
Aeration	None
Water quality parameters and frequency	Temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and salinity daily
Temperature	20 ± 1°C
Salinity	30 ± 2 (sample adjusted with hypersaline brine [HSB]. Preparation of HSB and salinity adjustment as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment –July 1997)
Lighting	Overhead full-spectrum fluorescent lights; 538 – 1076 lux; 16:8 light:dark photoperiod
Reference toxicant	Initiated concurrently with sample using copper to generate LC50 and IC50 values; results compared to lab mean ± 2 SD
Endpoints	Survival and growth (dry weight)
Test validity	≥ 80% mean control survival; ≥ 0.85 mg/fish mean dry weight for surviving control fish
Reference protocol	US EPA (1995), EPA/600/R-95/136

**Table 2.** Echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test methods

TEST PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION
Test type	Static
Test duration	10:10 min
Test chamber	16 X 125 mm test tubes
Test solution volume	10 mL
Number of replicate chambers per treatment	4
Number of eggs per test chamber	2000
Age of test organisms	< 4 hours after spawning
Sample manipulations (e.g. pre-aeration, pH adjustment, filtration)	Salinity-adjusted
Control/dilution water	UV-sterilized and 0.5µm-filtered natural sea water from Vancouver Aquarium, BC
Dilutions	4.5, 8.9, 17.8, 35.6, 71.3% (v/v)
Renewal of dilutions	None
Aeration	None during testing
Water quality parameters and frequency	Temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and salinity
Temperature	15 ± 1°C
Salinity	30 ± 2 (sample adjusted with hypersaline brine [HSB]. Preparation of HSB and salinity adjustment as per EC guidance document on salinity adjustment –July 1997)
Lighting	Ambient laboratory illumination (moderate intensity)
Reference toxicant	Initiated concurrently with test; same test methods as above using SDS to generate an EC50 value; results compared to lab mean ± 2 SD
Endpoint	Fertilization of eggs
Test validity	≥ 50% and ≤ 100% mean control fertilization
Reference protocols	Environment Canada (1992), (EPS/1/RM/27 with 1997 amendments)

### 3. RESULTS

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#### 3.1 7-D TOPSMELT (*ATHERINOPS AFFINIS*) SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TOXICITY TEST

The test results are summarized in Table 3 and the raw statistical analyses are provided in Appendix I.

The highest concentration tested was approximately 67.4% due to salinity adjustment. The mean survival for the negative and brine controls was 92 and 88%, respectively. Mean dry weight in the pooled controls was 0.86mg. The negative and brine controls were not significantly different for both the growth and survival endpoints ( $p = 0.40$  and  $p = 0.70$ , respectively).

The *A. affinis* survival and growth toxicity test showed no adverse effects on survival or growth in all tested concentrations relative to the pooled controls ( $p \leq 0.05$ ). For the survival and growth endpoints, the NOEC was 67.4, and the LOEC was  $>67.4\%$  (v/v). The LC50 for survival was  $>67.4\%$  (v/v). The IC50 and IC25 for growth were both  $>67.4\%$  (v/v).

#### 3.2 ECHINODERM (*DENDRASTER EXCENTRICUS*) FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST

The test results are summarized in Table 4 and the raw statistical analyses are provided in Appendix II.

The highest concentration tested was 71.3% due to salinity adjustment. Mean fertilization in the pooled controls was 86%. The negative and brine controls were not significantly different ( $p = 0.30$ ).

The *D. excentricus* fertilization toxicity test exhibited adverse effects on egg fertilization in all test concentrations relative to the pooled controls ( $p \leq 0.05$ ). The NOEC was  $<4.5$  and LOEC was 4.5% (v/v). The IC50 and IC25 (95% confidence limits) values were 55.0 (49.2 – 61.1) and 15.6 (13.6 – 18.3) % (v/v), respectively.

#### 3.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL (QA/QC)

The tests met all passing criteria for test validity as outlined in the respective protocols. Water quality parameters during the test were all within the acceptable range of values. Point estimates for the reference toxicant tests were all within the laboratory mean  $\pm 2$  standard deviations, indicating that the tests were within acceptable limits of variability.

**Table 3.** Summary of results for the 7-d Topsmelt (*Atherinops affinis*) survival and growth toxicity test

TEST CONCENTRATION (% v/v)	SURVIVAL (%)(MEAN $\pm$ SD)	GROWTH (DRY WEIGHT MG) (MEAN $\pm$ SD)
Negative Control	92.0 $\pm$ 11.0	0.81 $\pm$ 0.24
Brine Control	88.0 $\pm$ 17.9	0.91 $\pm$ 0.12
Pooled Controls	90.0 $\pm$ 11.0	0.86 $\pm$ 0.18
4.2	88.0 $\pm$ 11.0	0.86 $\pm$ 0.18
8.4	96.0 $\pm$ 8.9	0.90 $\pm$ 0.13
16.9	80.0 $\pm$ 14.1	0.76 $\pm$ 0.17
33.7	92.0 $\pm$ 11.0	0.75 $\pm$ 0.13
67.4	80.0 $\pm$ 14.1	0.81 $\pm$ 0.16
TEST ENDPOINT	SURVIVAL (% v/v)	GROWTH (% v/v)
NOEC	67.4	67.4
LOEC	>67.4	>67.4
LC50	>67.4	na
IC50	na	>67.4
IC25	na	>67.4

SD – Standard Deviation; na – not applicable.

**Table 4.** Summary of results for the Echinoderm (*Dendraster excentricus*) fertilization toxicity test

TEST CONCENTRATION (% v/v)	PROPORTION FERTILIZED (%) (MEAN $\pm$ SD)
Negative Control	85.0 $\pm$ 2.9
Brine Control	87.2 $\pm$ 2.6
Pooled Controls	86.1 $\pm$ 2.8
4.5	79.8 $\pm$ 1.7*
8.9	76.5 $\pm$ 0.6*
17.8	61.8 $\pm$ 2.2*
35.6	52.8 $\pm$ 1.9*
71.3	37.2 $\pm$ 2.1*
TEST ENDPOINT	PROPORTION FERTILIZED %(v/v)
NOEC	<4.5
LOEC	4.5
IC50 (95% CL)	55.0 (49.2 – 61.1)
IC25 (95% CL)	15.6 (13.6– 18.3)

\*Indicates significant difference ( $p \leq 0.05$ ) relative to the pooled controls.  
SD – Standard Deviation; CL – Confidence Limits.

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## **APPENDIX I**

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Raw Data and Statistical Analyses:

*Atherinops affinis*

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

EVS Analysts MJG Sx B Txs RSO  
 Test Initiation Date 9 Aug 05

Sample	Initial Sample	Refresh Samples	
	Day 0	Day 2	Day 4
Identification	Garraw Creek	Garraw Creek	Garraw Creek
Amount Received	5 x 20L	5 x 20L	5 x 20L
Date Collected	6-Aug-05	6 Aug 05	6 Aug 05
Date Received	9-Aug-05	9 Aug 05	9 Aug 05
Temperature (°C)	20.0	20.0	20.0
pH	7.7 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 8.3	7.8 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 8.4	7.9 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 8.4
DO (mg/L)	9.8 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 7.6	10.0 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 7.6	10.5 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 7.6
Conductivity (μmhos/cm)	-	-	-
Salinity (ppt)	1.0 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 30.0	1.0 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 30.0	1.0 <sup>Ⓢ</sup> → 30.0
Ammonia (mg/L N)	-	-	-
Chlorine (mg/L Cl)	-	-	-
Other	Ⓢ After salinity adjustment	Ⓢ After salinity adjustment	Ⓢ After salinity adjustment

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type unsterilized filtered SW  
 Temperature (°C) 20.0  
 pH 7.9  
 Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 7.7  
 Salinity 29

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0 - 21.0  
 pH Range 7.7 ~~7.9~~ - 8.4  
 Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 6.4 - 7.7  
 Salinity (ppt) 28 - 31  
 Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
 Aeration Provided? none  
 Other -

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source ABS Inc.  
 Date Received 9-Aug-05  
 Age (on Day 0) 10 days  
 Reference Toxicant Cu  
 Current Reference Toxicant Result (incl. 95% CL)

Reference Toxicant Test Date 9 Aug 05

7-d survival LC50 103 (91-118) ~~103 (88-124)~~ μg/L Cu

7-d growth IC50 95 (75-125) (76-127) μg/L Cu

Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV

7-d survival LC50 132 ± 40 μg/L Cu CV=15%

7-d growth IC50 133 ± 40 μg/L Cu CV=15%

**TEST RESULTS**

Endpoint	Conc. Units	NOEC	LOEC	LC50 (95% CL)	IC50 (95% CL)	IC25 (95% CL)
Survival	1 (10)	67.4	767.4	> 67.4		
Growth		67.4	> 67.4		> 67.4	> 67.4

Other -

Data Verified By Chalpi

Date Verified Sept 1/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA

Client Azinuth

Sample ID G. Creek (Garra Creek)

EVS Project No. 04-1A24-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1500h

EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Source/Date Received ABS Inc / 9 Aug 05

Concentration % (v/v)	Temperature (°C)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
D-Control	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0
B-Control	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5
4.2	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0
8.4	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0
16.9	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0
33.7	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0
67.4	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5	20.0	21.0	20.0	21.0
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	SXB	SR	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML

Concentration % (v/v)	pH													
	0	old 1 New		2		3		4		5		6		7
D-Control	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.9	7.7	<del>8.0</del> 8.0	7.8	7.9	8.0	7.9	8.0
B-Control	8.0	7.9	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.7	<del>8.0</del> 8.0	7.8	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9
4.2	8.0	7.9	8.2	7.9	8.1	7.7	8.0	7.7	8.1	7.8	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9
8.4	8.0	8.0	8.2	7.9	8.1	7.8	8.0	7.8	8.1	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
16.9	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.0	8.2	7.9	8.1	7.8	8.2	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0
33.7	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.1	8.3	8.1	8.1	7.9	8.3	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1
67.4	8.3	8.1	8.4	8.1	8.4	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.4	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.1	8.1
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	SXB	SR	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	ML	ML	ML

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated 1kg Thermometer pH 030302

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Test Set Up By SXB Data Verified By Qualif Date Verified Aug 31/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA

Client Azinuth

Sample ID C. Creek C. Creek

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1500

EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Source/Date Received ABS Inc. / 9 Aug 05

Concentration (%)	Salinity (ppt)													
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6 D	7						
D-Control	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	30	31	30	28	28	29
B-Control	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	31	30	30	30	30	30	30
4.2	30	31	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	28	29
8.4	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	28	29
16.9	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	28	29
33.7	30	31	30	30	30	31	30	30	30	30	30	30	28	29
67.4	30	30	30	30	30	31	30	31	30	31	30	30	29	30
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	MSG	MSG	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	MSG	MSG	MSG

Concentration (%)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)													
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7						
D-Control	7.7	6.7	7.7	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.4	7.5	6.4
B-Control	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.4	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.6
4.2	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.4	7.6	6.4	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.6
8.4	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.4	7.5	6.4
16.9	7.7	6.6	7.6	6.4	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.5	7.5	6.6
33.7	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.8	7.6	6.8	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.5	7.6	6.5	7.5	6.6
67.4	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.4	7.6	6.4
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	MSG	MSG	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	MSG	MSG	MSG

WQ Instruments Used: Salinity AS3 HANNA IL C3

DO II-A-20

Comments used II-A-2030306

Test Set Up By SXB

Data Verified By MSG

Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Azineth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-054  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Sample ID G - Creek (Zorro Creek)  
 Test Species/Batch *Atherinops affinis*, 9 Aug 05  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 1500  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5 / 200ml

Concentration <i>Y(VI)</i>	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
0 CTL	A	1 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	2 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	C	3 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	4 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	5 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
B-CTL	A	6 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	7 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	8 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	9 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	E	10 T	5	5	4 <sup>①</sup>	4	4	4	3	
4.2	A	11 T	5	4	<sup>SXB</sup> 54	4	4	4	4	
	B	12 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	13 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	14 T	5	4	<sup>SXB</sup> 54	4	4	4	4	
	E	15 T	5	4 <sup>①</sup>	<sup>SXB</sup> 45	4	4	4	4	2 no body
8.4	A	16 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	17 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	18 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	D	19 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	20 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Technician Initials		SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	SXB	SXB	77	SXB	

Sample Description light brown, no smell

Data Verified By Gulfi

Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Sample ID Garrow Creek  
 Test Species/Batch *Atherinops affinis*  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1500  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200ml

Concentration <u>Y(100)</u>	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
16.9	A	21 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	① no dead body - <del>Technical</del> <sup>5/2</sup>
	B	22	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
	C	23	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	D	24	5	5	④ 4	4	4	4	3	
	E	25	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
33.7	A	26	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	27	5	5	5 5	4	4	4	4	
	C	28	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	29	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
	E	30	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
67.4	A	31	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	32	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	
	C	33	5	5	5	5	5	5	5 3	
	D	34	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	E	35	5 4 5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
Technician Initials		SXB	SXB	ML	SXB	SXB	SXB	TM	SXB	

Sample Description clear - colourless  
 Data Verified By Gael H Date Verified Aug 31/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## Larval Fish Toxicity Tests - Dry Weight Data

CLIENT Azimuth  
PROJECT # 04-1424-044  
WORK ORDER # 0500327  
BALANCE TYPE Sartorius BP211D

TEST TYPE 7-d Survival and Growth  
TEST SPECIES *Athermops affinis*  
TEST INITIATION DATE: 9-Aug-05

Pan No.	Rep	Sample ID: Garrow Creek % (v/v)	Survival At Start	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Pan weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) Pan + Biomass	Tech'n Initials	Comments
T-1	A	Control	5	5	4	1218.92	1222.92	RSD	Fish lost in transfer.
T-2	B		5	4	4	1231.52	1234.56	RSD	
T-3	C		5	5	5	1229.15	1234.64	RSD	
T-4	D		5	5	5	1235.47	1239.35	RSD	
T-5	E		5	4	4	1241.65	1244.47	RSD	
T-6	A	Brine Control	5	5	5	1217.25	1221.44	RSD	
T-7	B		5	5	5	1229.47	1234.85	RSD	
T-8	C		5	5	5	1233	1237.96	RSD	
T-9	D		5	4	4	1236.48	1240.49	RSD	
T-10	E		5	3	3	1237.67	1241.98	RSD	
T-11	A	4.2	5	4	4	1236.79	1240.85	RSD	
T-12	B		5	5	5	1221.62	1226.26	RSD	
T-13	C		5	5	5	1236.85	1241.7	RSD	
T-14	D		5	4	4	1231.67	1236.88	RSD	
T-15	E		5	4	4	1227.6	1230.46	RSD	
T-16	A	8.4	5	5	5	1232.12	1236.61	RSD	
T-17	B		5	5	5	1221.55	1225.83	RSD	
T-18	C		5	4	4	1226.4	1229.96	RSD	
T-19	D		5	5	5	1224.88	1229.98	RSD	
T-20	E		5	5	5	1228.72	1233.82	RSD	
T-21	A	16.9	5	5	5	1226.33	1231.24	RSD	
T-22	B		5	4	4	1227.45	1231.89	RSD	
T-23	C		5	4	4	1223.67	1227.1	RSD	
T-24	D		5	3	3	1228.16	1231.05	RSD	
T-25	E		5	4	4	1218.71	1221.92	RSD	
T-26	A	33.7	5	5	5	1229.33	1232.96	RSD	
T-27	B		5	4	4	1223.13	1227.98	RSD	
T-28	C		5	5	5	1222.55	1226.08	RSD	
T-29	D		5	4	4	1231.12	1234.27	RSD	
T-30	E		5	5	5	1230.86	1234.48	RSD	
T-31	A	67.4	5	5	5	1234.04	1239.21	RSD	
T-32	B		5	4	4	1236.02	1240.21	RSD	
T-33	C		5	3	3	1229.02	1232.08	RSD	
T-34	D		5	4	4	1231.66	1235.98	RSD	
T-35	E		5	4	4	1231.22	1234.74	RSD	
T-16	(d)						1236.52 ✓	RSD	
T-21	(d)						1231.16 ✓	RSD	
T-35	(d)						1234.81 ✓	RSD	

(d) - duplicate; pan reweighed after being placed in the oven and desiccated a second time.

Galfin  
Aug. 31/05

Test: LF-Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test

Test ID: 0500327

Species: AA-Atherinops affinis

Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast

Sample ID: Garrow\_Creek

Sample Type: EFF2-Industrial

Start Date: 8/9/2005

End Date: 8/16/2005

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	No. Fish Weighed	Total Wgt(mg)	Tare Wgt(mg)
	1	1	D-Control	5							5	4	1218.92	1222.92
	2	2	D-Control	5							4	4	1231.52	1234.56
	3	3	D-Control	5							5	5	1229.15	1234.64
	4	4	D-Control	5							5	5	1235.47	1239.35
	5	5	D-Control	5							4	4	1241.65	1244.47
	6	1	B-Control	5							5	5	1217.25	1221.44
	7	2	B-Control	5							5	5	1229.47	1234.85
	8	3	B-Control	5							5	5	1233	1237.96
	9	4	B-Control	5							4	4	1236.48	1240.49
	10	5	B-Control	5							3	3	1237.67	1241.98
	11	1	4.2	5							4	4	1236.79	1240.85
	12	2	4.2	5							5	5	1221.62	1226.26
	13	3	4.2	5							5	5	1236.85	1241.7
	14	4	4.2	5							4	4	1231.67	1236.88
	15	5	4.2	5							4	4	1227.6	1230.46
	16	1	8.4	5							5	5	1232.12	1236.61
	17	2	8.4	5							5	5	1221.55	1225.83
	18	3	8.4	5							4	4	1226.4	1229.96
	19	4	8.4	5							5	5	1224.88	1229.98
	20	5	8.4	5							5	5	1228.72	1233.82
	21	1	16.9	5							5	5	1226.33	1231.24
	22	2	16.9	5							4	4	1227.45	1231.89
	23	3	16.9	5							4	4	1223.67	1227.1
	24	4	16.9	5							3	3	1228.16	1231.05
	25	5	16.9	5							4	4	1218.71	1221.92
	26	1	33.7	5							5	5	1229.33	1232.96
	27	2	33.7	5							4	4	1223.13	1227.98
	28	3	33.7	5							5	5	1222.55	1226.08
	29	4	33.7	5							4	4	1231.12	1234.27
	30	5	33.7	5							5	5	1230.86	1234.48
	31	1	67.4	5							5	5	1234.04	1239.21
	32	2	67.4	5							4	4	1236.02	1240.21
	33	3	67.4	5							3	3	1229.02	1232.08
	34	4	67.4	5							4	4	1231.66	1235.98
	35	5	67.4	5							4	4	1231.22	1234.74

Comments: Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044

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### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7-d survival

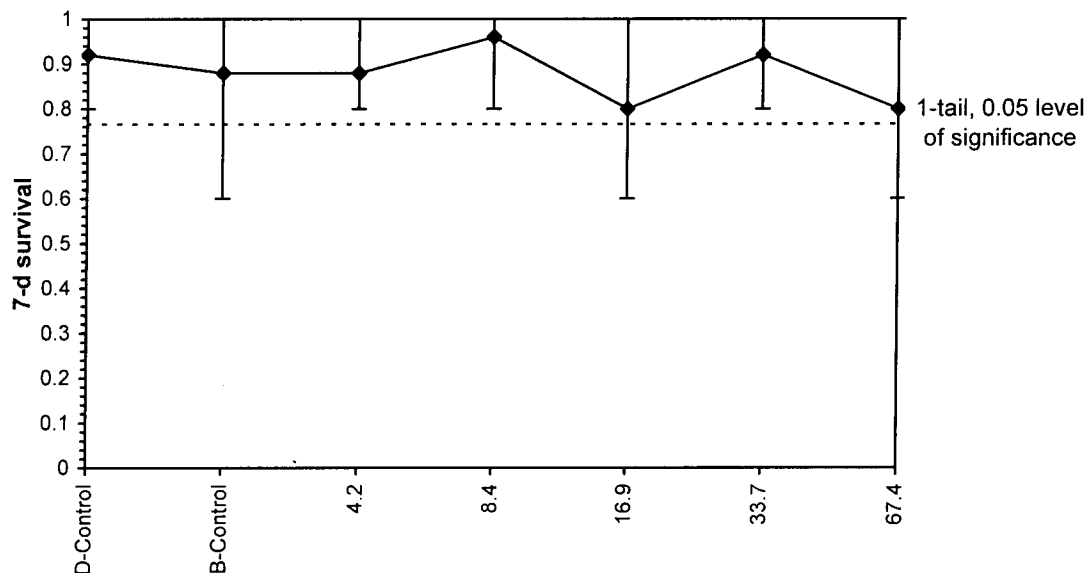
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End Date: 8/16/2005	Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Cc	Sample Type: EFF2-Industrial
Sample Date:	Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments: Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044		

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000
B-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	0.6000
4.2	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	0.8000
8.4	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000
16.9	1.0000	0.8000	0.8000	0.6000	0.8000
33.7	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000
67.4	1.0000	0.8000	0.6000	0.8000	0.8000

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Arcsin Square Root					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
D-Control	0.9200	0.1095	1.2500	1.1071	1.3453	10.434	5			
B-Control	0.8800	0.1789	1.2058	0.8861	1.3453	17.113	5			
4.2	0.8800	0.1095	1.2024	1.1071	1.3453	10.848	5	0.544	2.360	0.2068
8.4	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	-0.544	2.360	0.2068
16.9	0.8000	0.1414	1.1106	0.8861	1.3453	14.625	5	1.592	2.360	0.2068
33.7	0.9200	0.1095	1.2500	1.1071	1.3453	10.434	5	0.000	2.360	0.2068
67.4	0.8000	0.1414	1.1106	0.8861	1.3453	14.625	5	1.592	2.360	0.2068

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt			
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.94769	0.9	-0.1197	-0.6919			
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.97)					0.91421	15.0863					
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.70)					0.405	2.306					
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)		NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Dunnett's Test		67.4	>67.4		1.48368	0.154	0.171	0.03047	0.01919	0.20149	5, 24

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical analysis performed with the negative control.

### Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test-7-d survival

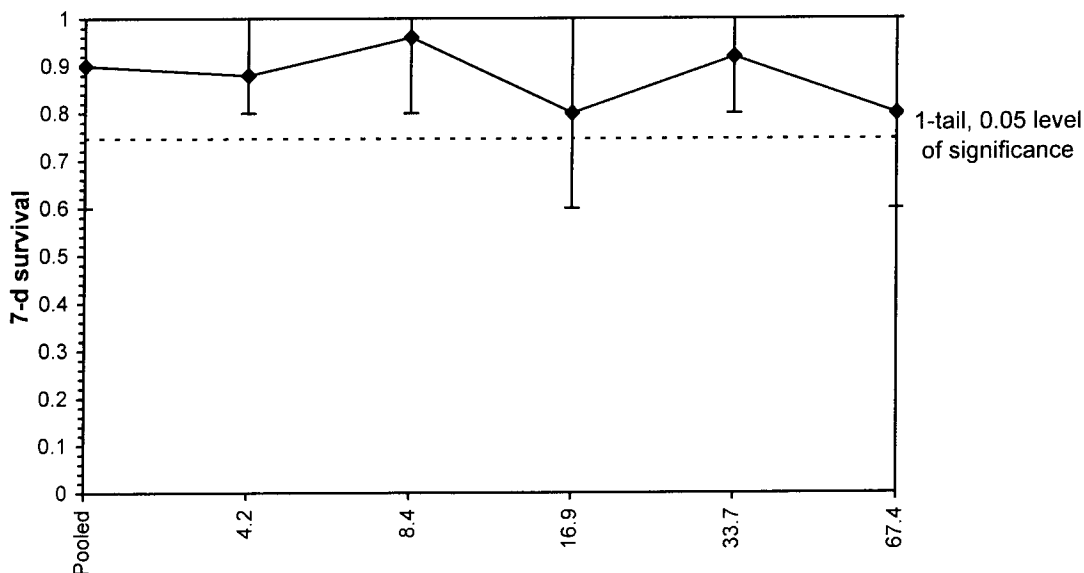
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 Sample Date:      Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast      Test Species: AA-Atherinops affinis  
 Comments: Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000
B-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	0.6000
4.2	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	0.8000
8.4	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	1.0000
16.9	1.0000	0.8000	0.8000	0.6000	0.8000
33.7	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000
67.4	1.0000	0.8000	0.6000	0.8000	0.8000

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Arcsin Square Root					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
Pooled	0.9000	0.1414	1.2279	0.8861	1.3453	13.389	10			
4.2	0.8800	0.1095	1.2024	1.1071	1.3453	10.848	5	0.315	2.462	0.1997
8.4	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5	-0.860	2.462	0.1997
16.9	0.8000	0.1414	1.1106	0.8861	1.3453	14.625	5	1.447	2.462	0.1997
33.7	0.9200	0.1095	1.2500	1.1071	1.3453	10.434	5	-0.273	2.462	0.1997
67.4	0.8000	0.1414	1.1106	0.8861	1.3453	14.625	5	1.447	2.462	0.1997

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt		
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.95136	0.91	-0.4731	-0.265		
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.95)					1.19442	15.0863				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.70)					0.405	2.306				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test	67.4	>67.4		1.48368	0.15355	0.17312	0.0295	0.02192	0.27347	5, 29

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical analysis performed with pooled controls.

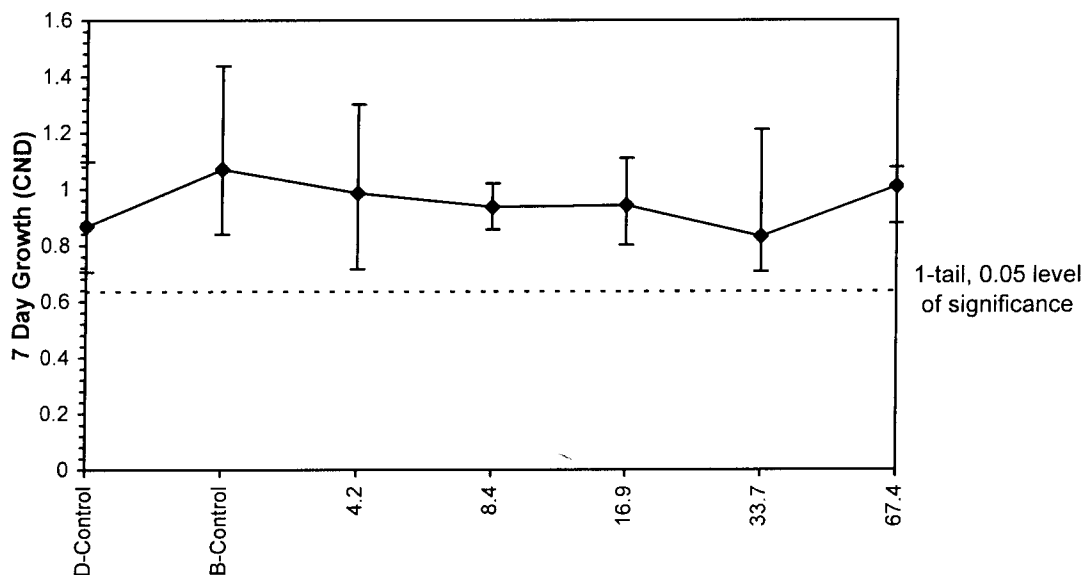
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End Date:	8/16/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment Cc	Sample Type:	EFF2-Industrial
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044				

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000 ✓	0.7600 ✓	1.0980 ✓	0.7760 ✓	0.7050 ✓
B-Control	0.8380	1.0760	0.9920	1.0025	1.4367
4.2	1.0150	0.9280	0.9700	1.3025	0.7150 ✓
8.4	0.8980	0.8560	0.8900	1.0200	1.0200
16.9	0.9820	1.1100	0.8575	0.9633	0.8025
33.7	0.7260	1.2125	0.7060	0.7875	0.7240
67.4	1.0340	1.0475	1.0200	1.0800	0.8800

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
D-Control	0.8678 ✓	0.1710	0.8678	0.7050	1.0980	19.710	5			
B-Control	1.0690	0.2230	1.0690	0.8380	1.4367	20.861	5			
4.2	0.9861	0.2110	0.9861	0.7150	1.3025	21.397	5	-1.198	2.360	0.2331
8.4	0.9368	0.0776	0.9368	0.8560	1.0200	8.280	5	-0.699	2.360	0.2331
16.9	0.9431	0.1192	0.9431	0.8025	1.1100	12.644	5	-0.762	2.360	0.2331
33.7	0.8312	0.2154	0.8312	0.7060	1.2125	25.910	5	0.371	2.360	0.2331
67.4	1.0123	0.0772	1.0123	0.8800	1.0800	7.629	5	-1.463	2.360	0.2331

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt			
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.94085	0.9	0.90895	1.11753			
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.22)					7.00651	15.0863					
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.15)					1.60103	2.306					
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)		NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Dunnett's Test		67.4	>67.4		1.48368	0.23312	0.26863	0.02377	0.02439	0.45333	5, 24

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical analysis performed w negative control using Canadian method to assess test validity criteria.

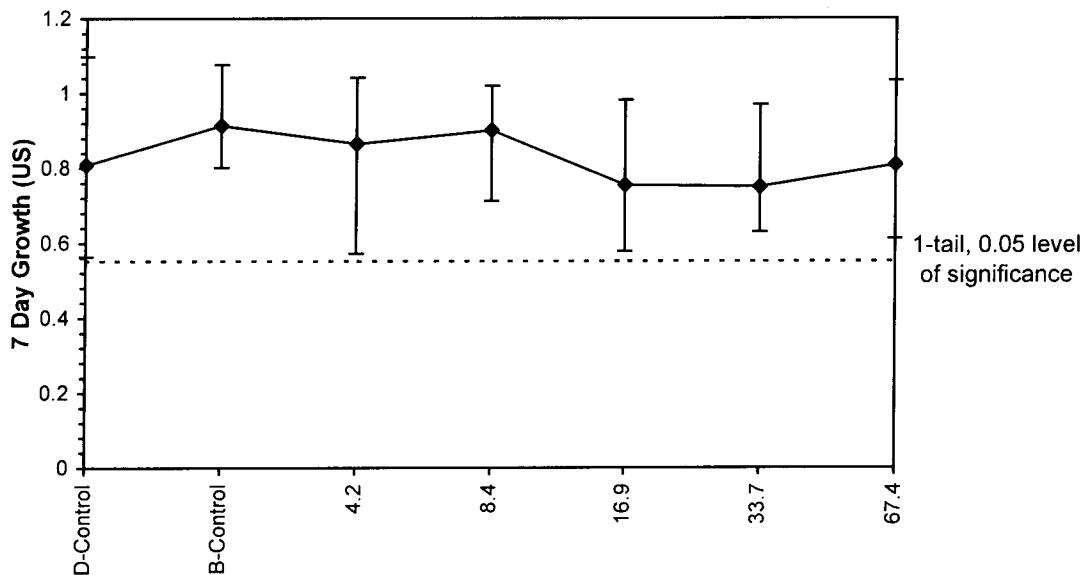
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End Date:	8/16/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment Cc	Sample Type:	EFF2-Industrial
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044				

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	0.6080	1.0980	0.7760	0.5640
B-Control	0.8380	1.0760	0.9920	0.8020	0.8620
4.2	0.8120	0.9280	0.9700	1.0420	0.5720
8.4	0.8980	0.8560	0.7120	1.0200	1.0200
16.9	0.9820	0.8880	0.6860	0.5780	0.6420
33.7	0.7260	0.9700	0.7060	0.6300	0.7240
67.4	1.0340	0.8380	0.6120	0.8640	0.7040

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
D-Control	0.8092	0.2353	0.8092	0.5640	1.0980	29.082	5			
B-Control	0.9140	0.1155	0.9140	0.8020	1.0760	12.636	5			
4.2	0.8648	0.1837	0.8648	0.5720	1.0420	21.242	5	-0.511	2.360	0.2569
8.4	0.9012	0.1285	0.9012	0.7120	1.0200	14.262	5	-0.845	2.360	0.2569
16.9	0.7552	0.1718	0.7552	0.5780	0.9820	22.750	5	0.496	2.360	0.2569
33.7	0.7512	0.1284	0.7512	0.6300	0.9700	17.097	5	0.533	2.360	0.2569
67.4	0.8104	0.1615	0.8104	0.6120	1.0340	19.927	5	-0.011	2.360	0.2569

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt		
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.96877	0.9	0.03752	-0.9001		
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.85)					1.98489	15.0863				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.40)					0.89395	2.306				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Dunnett's Test	67.4	>67.4		1.48368	0.25689	0.31747	0.01761	0.02962	0.70433	5, 24

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical analysis performed with D-control

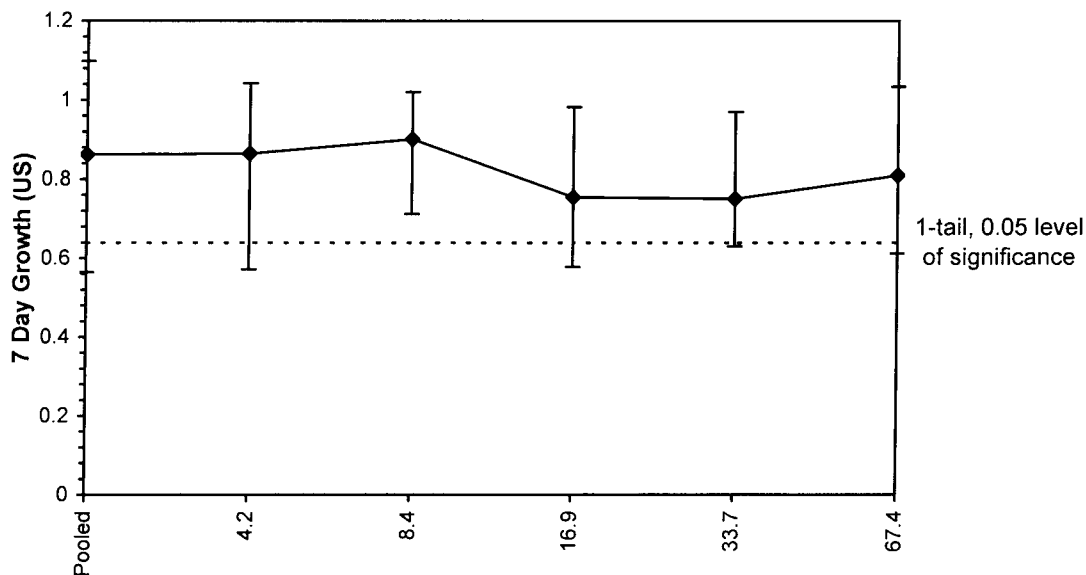
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End Date:	8/16/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment Cc	Sample Type:	EFF2-Industrial
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044				

Conc-%	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	0.6080	1.0980	0.7760	0.5640
B-Control	0.8380	1.0760	0.9920	0.8020	0.8620
4.2	0.8120	0.9280	0.9700	1.0420	0.5720
8.4	0.8980	0.8560	0.7120	1.0200	1.0200
16.9	0.9820	0.8880	0.6860	0.5780	0.6420
33.7	0.7260	0.9700	0.7060	0.6300	0.7240
67.4	1.0340	0.8380	0.6120	0.8640	0.7040

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N			
Pooled	0.8616	0.1833	0.8616	0.5640	1.0980	21.272	10			
4.2	0.8648	0.1837	0.8648	0.5720	1.0420	21.242	5	-0.035	2.462	0.2228
8.4	0.9012	0.1285	0.9012	0.7120	1.0200	14.262	5	-0.438	2.462	0.2228
16.9	0.7552	0.1718	0.7552	0.5780	0.9820	22.750	5	1.176	2.462	0.2228
33.7	0.7512	0.1284	0.7512	0.6300	0.9700	17.097	5	1.220	2.462	0.2228
67.4	0.8104	0.1615	0.8104	0.6120	1.0340	19.927	5	0.566	2.462	0.2228

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt			
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.95378	0.91	-0.1738	-0.7645			
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.96)					1.08676	15.0863					
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.40)					0.89395	2.306					
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)		NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test		67.4	>67.4		1.48368	0.22282	0.25861	0.02046	0.0273	0.59313	5, 29

Dose-Response Plot



Statistical analysis performed with pooled controls.

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

EVS Analysts SXB MJC JXS RSJ  
 Test Initiation Date 9 Aug 05

Sample	Initial Sample	Refresh Samples	
	Day 0	Day 2	Day 4
Identification	100mg/L Ctl Stock (0.5 Cu 0.01)		
Amount <sup>Lot</sup> Received Prepared	1X1L		
Date <sup>Lot</sup> Collected Prepared	1-Mar-05		
Date Received	na		
Temperature (°C)			
pH			
DO (mg/L)			
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)			
Salinity (ppt)			
Ammonia (mg/L N)			
Chlorine (mg/L Cl)			
Other			

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type UV Sterilized Filtered SW  
 Temperature (°C) 20.0  
 pH 7.9  
 Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 7.7  
 Salinity 29

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 20.0 - 20.5  
 pH Range 7.8 - 8.0  
 Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 6.4 - 7.7  
 Salinity (ppt) 28 - 31  
 Photoperiod (L:D h) 16:8  
 Aeration Provided? None  
 Other -

**TEST SPECIES INFORMATION**

Source ABS Inc  
 Date Received 9 Aug 05  
 Age (on Day 0) 10 days  
 Reference Toxicant Cu  
 Current Reference Toxicant Result (incl. 95% CL)

Reference Toxicant Test Date 9 Aug 05  
 7-d survival LC50 103 (91-118) <sup>95%</sup> µg/L Cu  
 7-d growth IC50 95 (76-127) <sup>95%</sup> µg/L Cu

Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV

7-d survival LC50 132 ± 40 µg/L Cu CV=15%  
 7-d growth IC50 133 ± 40 µg/L Cu CV=15%

**TEST RESULTS**

Endpoint	Conc. Units	NOEC	LOEC	LC50 (95% CL)	IC50 (95% CL)	IC25 (95% CL)
Survival	µg/L	56	100	103 (91-118) <del>107 (88-124) <sup>95%</sup></del>		
Growth	µg/L Cu	<del>32</del> 56 <sup>95%</sup>	<del>32</del> 100 <sup>95%</sup>		95 (76-127) <sup>95%</sup>	71 (41-91) <sup>95%</sup>

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Data Verified By Gail H

Date Verified Sept. 1/05

# EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

## 7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)

Client Azimuth

Sample ID cu Ref tox

EVS Project No. 09-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 1500

EVS Work Order No. C500327

Source/Date Received ABS Inc. 19 Aug 05

Concentration <i>Mg/L Cu</i>	Temperature (°C)													
	0	old 1 New		2		3		4		5		6		7
CTL	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5
32	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5
56	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.0	20.5
100	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.5
180	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0			
320	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0									
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	17L	17L	SRS	SRS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	17	17	17

Concentration <i>Mg/L Cu</i>	pH													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
CTL	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9
32	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0
56	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0
100	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0
180	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9			
320	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9									
				17L										
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	17L	17L	SRS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	17	17	17

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated by Thermometer pH 030302

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Test Set Up By SXB Data Verified By Chalpit Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**

**7-d *Atherinops affinis* SURVIVAL AND GROWTH TEST – WATER QUALITY DATA (EEM)**

Client Azinoth

Sample ID Cu Reftox

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05/1500

EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Source/Date Received ABS In H Aug 05

Concentration <i>µg/L Cu</i>	Salinity (ppt)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6 <sup>D</sup>		7
CTL	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	31	30	30	30	30	28	29
32	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	28	29
56	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	28	29
100	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	28	29
180	29	29	29	29	29	<del>30</del>	30	<del>30</del>	<del>30</del>	<del>30</del>	<del>30</del>			
320	29	29	29	29	29									
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	M/L	M/L	SRS	SRS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	TH	TH	TH

Concentration <i>µg/L Cu</i>	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)													
	0	1		2		3		4		5		6		7
CTL	7.7	6.8	7.7	6.6	7.6	6.8	7.6	6.6	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.6
32	7.7	6.9	7.7	6.5	7.6	6.9	7.6	6.7	7.6	6.9	7.6	6.4	7.5	6.6
56	7.7	6.8	7.7	6.7	7.6	7.0	7.6	6.8	7.6	6.9	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.4
100	7.7	6.8	7.7	6.6	7.6	7.0	7.6	6.9	7.6	7.0	7.6	6.6	7.5	6.4
180	7.7	6.9	7.7	6.5	7.6	7.1	7.6	<del>6.9</del>	<del>7.6</del>	<del>7.0</del>				
320	7.7	6.8	7.7	6.5	7.6									
Tech. Initials	SXB	SXB	SXB	M/L	M/L	SRS	SRS	SXB	SXB	SXB	SXB	TH	TH	TH

WQ Instruments Used: Salinity II-C-3

DO II-A-20

Comments Dosed II-A-01:306

Test Set Up By SXB Data Verified By Qualifit Date Verified Aug 2/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Azimuth  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Sample ID cu. left tox  
 Test Species/Batch *Atherinops affinis*  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 1500  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5/200ml

Concentration <i>Mg/L Cu</i>	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
CTL	A	36 T	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	37	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	38	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	39	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
	E	40	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
32	A	41	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	D one fish died on wall while feeding – technician error.
	B	42	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	
	C	43	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
	D	44	5	5	④4	4	4	4	4	
	E	45	5	5	4	4	4	3①	3	
56	A	46	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	B	47	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	C	48	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	D	49	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
	E	50	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
100	A	51	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	
	B	52	5	<del>3</del> 2 <sup>47</sup>	2	2	2	2	2	
	C	53	5	4	3	3	3	3	3	
	D	54	5	4	4	4	3	3	3	
	E	55	5	3	2	2	2	2	2	
Technician Initials		SXB	SXB	MLL	SXB	SXB	SXB	Tm	SXB	

Sample Description clear colourless

Data Verified By Gallagher

Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**7-d *Atherinops affinis* TOXICITY TEST – DAILY SURVIVAL DATA**

Client Azimoth  
 EVS Project No. 041424049  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500327

Sample ID Cu Ref tox  
 Test Species/Batch *Atherinops affinis*  
 Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1500  
 No. of Organisms/Volume 5 / 200ml

Concentration <i>Mg/L Cu</i>	Rep.	Pan No.	Number of Survivors – Day of Test							Comments
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
180	A	56	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	
	B		4	0	0					
	C		5	0	0					
	D		4	1	0					
	E		2	0	0					
320	A		<sup>SXB</sup> 80	0	0					
	B		2	0	0					
	C		<sup>SXB</sup> 80	0	0					
	D		<sup>SXB</sup> 80	0	0					
	E		1	0	0					
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
	A									
	B									
	C									
	D									
	E									
Technician Initials			SXB	SXB	M/L	SXB	SXB	SXB	rm	SXB

Sample Description clear - colourless  
 Data Verified By Galiff Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**Larval Fish Toxicity Tests - Dry Weight Data**

CLIENT: Azimuth  
 PROJECT #: 04-1424-044  
 WORK ORDER #: 0500327  
 BALANCE TYPE: Sartorius BP211D

TEST TYPE: 7-d Survival and Growth  
 TEST SPECIES: *Atherinops affinis*  
 TEST INITIATION DATE: 9-Aug-05

Pan No.	Rep	Sample ID: Cu ug/L	Survival At Start	Number of Survivors	Number Weighed	Pan weight (mg)	Final Weight (mg) Pan + Biomass	Tech'n Initials	Comments
T-36	A	Control	5	5	5	1227.73	1231.65	RSD	
T-37	B		5	5	5	1237.69	1243.76	RSD	
T-38	C		5	5	5	1233.73	1238.72	RSD	
T-39	D		5	4	4	1228.92	1231.78	RSD	
T-40	E		5	5	5	1227.75	1233.44	RSD	
T-41	A	32	5	5	5	1231.67	1236.17	RSD	
T-42	B		5	4	4	1224.44	1228.26	RSD	
T-43	C		5	4	4	1238.77	1241.92	RSD	
T-44	D		4	4	4	1227	1230.34	RSD	Tech error --fish killed during testing.
T-45	E		4	3	3	1236.71	1239.86	RSD	Tech error - fish killed during testing.
T-46	A	56	5	5	5	1230.75	1234.97	RSD	
T-47	B		5	5	5	1220.44	1224.77	RSD	
T-48	C		5	5	5	1226.91	1231.88	RSD	
T-49	D		5	5	5	1227.66	1232.44	RSD	
T-50	E		5	5	5	1233.65	1238.33	RSD	
T-51	A	100	5	3	3	1063.07	1065.92	RSD	
T-52	B		5	2	2	1070.3	1071.8	RSD	
T-53	C		5	3	3	1061.53	1063.78	RSD	
T-54	D		5	3	3	1059.1	1061.99	RSD	
T-55	E		5	2	2	1037.82	1038.91	RSD	
T-56	A	180	5	1	1	1044.2	1044.67	RSD	
T-57	B		5	0	0	1036.78	0	RSD	
T-58	C		5	0	0	1044.68	0	RSD	
T-59	D		5	0	0	1044.41	0	RSD	
T-60	E		5	0	0	1045.27	0	RSD	
T-61	A	320	5	0	0	0	0	RSD	
T-62	B		5	0	0	0	0	RSD	
T-63	C		5	0	0	0	0	RSD	
T-64	D		5	0	0	0	0	RSD	
T-65	E		5	0	0	0	0	RSD	
T-36	(d)						1231.53 ✓	RSD	
T-50	(d)						1238.37 ✓	RSD	
T-51	(d)						1065.88 ✓	RSD	

(d) - duplicate; pan reweighed after being placed in the oven and desiccated a second time.

QA/QC review: *Galp*  
 Sept. 1/05

Test: LF-Larval Fish Growth and Survival Test

Test ID: rtaacu46

Species: AA-Atherinops affinis

Protocol: EPAW 95-EPA West Coast

Sample ID: REF-Ref Toxicant

Sample Type: CU-Copper

Start Date: 8/9/2005

End Date: 8/16/2005

Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants

Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	No. Fish Weighed	Total Wgt(mg)	Tare Wgt(mg)
	1	1	D-Control	5							5	5	1227.73	1231.65
	2	2	D-Control	5							5	5	1237.69	1243.76
	3	3	D-Control	5							5	5	1233.73	1238.72
	4	4	D-Control	5							4	4	1228.92	1231.78
	5	5	D-Control	5							5	5	1227.75	1233.44
	6	1	32.0	5							5	5	1231.67	1236.17
	7	2	32.0	5							4	4	1224.44	1228.26
	8	3	32.0	5							4	4	1238.77	1241.92
	9	4	32.0	4							4	4	1227	1230.34
	10	5	32.0	4							3	3	1236.71	1239.86
	11	1	56.0	5							5	5	1230.75	1234.97
	12	2	56.0	5							5	5	1220.44	1224.77
	13	3	56.0	5							5	5	1226.91	1231.88
	14	4	56.0	5							5	5	1227.66	1232.44
	15	5	56.0	5							5	5	1233.65	1238.33
	16	1	100.0	5							3	3	1063.07	1065.92
	17	2	100.0	5							2	2	1070.3	1071.8
	18	3	100.0	5							3	3	1061.53	1063.78
	19	4	100.0	5							3	3	1059.1	1061.99
	20	5	100.0	5							2	2	1037.82	1038.91
	21	1	180.0	5							1	1	1044.2	1044.67
	22	2	180.0	5							0	0	1036.78	0
	23	3	180.0	5							0	0	1044.68	0
	24	4	180.0	5							0	0	1044.41	0
	25	5	180.0	5							0	0	1045.27	0
	26	1	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	27	2	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	28	3	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	29	4	320.0	5							0	0	0	0
	30	5	320.0	5							0	0	0	0

Comments: Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044

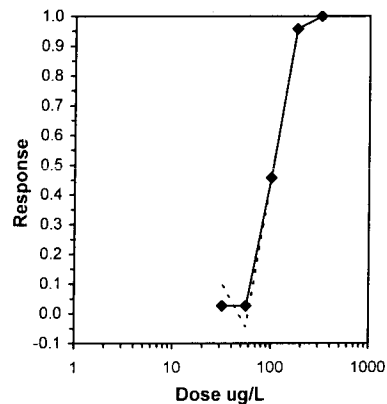
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End Date:	8/16/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	CU-Copper
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044				

Conc-ug/L	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.8000	1.0000
32	1.0000	0.8000	0.8000	1.0000	0.7500
56	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
100	0.6000	0.4000	0.6000	0.6000	0.4000
180	0.2000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

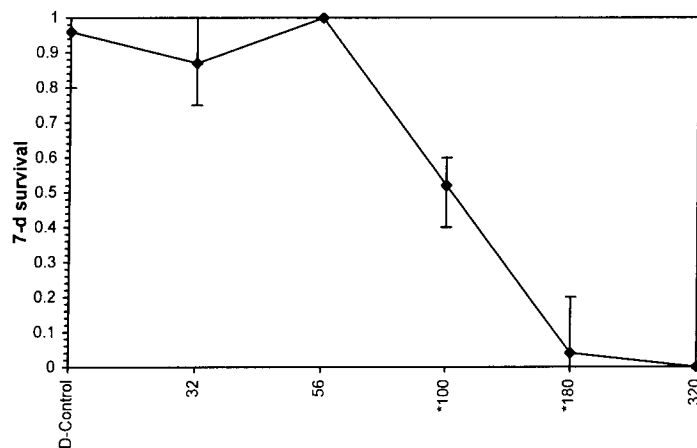
Transform: Arcsin Square Root							Rank Sum	1-Tailed Critical	Number Resp	Total Number
Conc-ug/L	Mean	SD	Mean	Min	Max	CV%				
D-Control	0.9600	0.0894	1.2977	1.1071	1.3453	8.207	5		1	25
32	0.8700	0.1204	1.1850	1.0472	1.3453	11.519	5	20.00	3	23
56	1.0000	0.0000	1.3453	1.3453	1.3453	0.000	5	30.00	0	25
*100	0.5200	0.1095	0.8055	0.6847	0.8861	13.691	5	15.00	12	25
*180	0.0400	0.0894	0.2731	0.2255	0.4636	38.990	5	15.00	24	25
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.2255	0.2255	0.2255	0.000	5		25	25

Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution ( $p > 0.01$ )	0.98032	0.888	0.05175	-0.2912
Equality of variance cannot be confirmed				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Steel's Many-One Rank Test	56	100	74.8331	

Trimmed Spearman-Kärber				
Trim Level	EC50	95% CL		
0.0%				
5.0%	103.41	90.52	118.14	
10.0%	103.63	89.27	120.30	
20.0%	104.05	85.12	127.20	
Auto-2.6%	103.48	90.82	117.90	ug/L Cu



Dose-Response Plot



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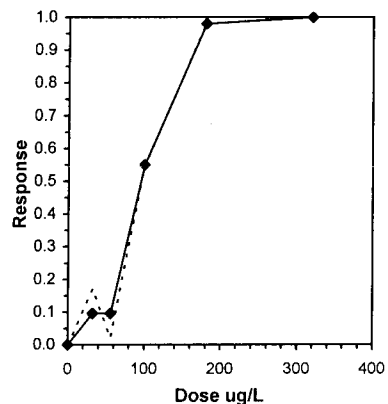
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Start Date:	8/9/2005	Test ID:	rtaacu46	Sample ID:	REF-Ref Toxicant
End Date:	8/16/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	CU-Copper
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPAW 95-EPA West Coast	Test Species:	AA-Atherinops affinis
Comments:	Azimuth - Polaris 04-1424-044				
Conc-ug/L	1	2	3	4	5
D-Control	0.7840	1.2140	0.9980	0.5720	1.1380
32	0.9000	0.7640	0.6300	0.8350	0.7875
56	0.8440	0.8660	0.9940	0.9560	0.9360
100	0.5700	0.3000	0.4500	0.5780	0.2180
180	0.0940	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Conc-ug/L	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed				N	Rank Sum	1-Tailed Critical	Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%				Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.9412	0.2633	0.9412	0.5720	1.2140	27.979	5			0.9412	1.0000
32	0.7833	0.1002	0.7833	0.6300	0.9000	12.796	5	23.00	17.00	0.8512	0.9044
56	0.9192	0.0627	0.9192	0.8440	0.9940	6.819	5	25.00	17.00	0.8512	0.9044
*100	0.4232	0.1609	0.4232	0.2180	0.5780	38.013	5	16.00	17.00	0.4232	0.4496
*180	0.0188	0.0420	0.0188	0.0000	0.0940	223.607	5	15.00	17.00	0.0188	0.0200
320	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.000	5			0.0000	0.0000

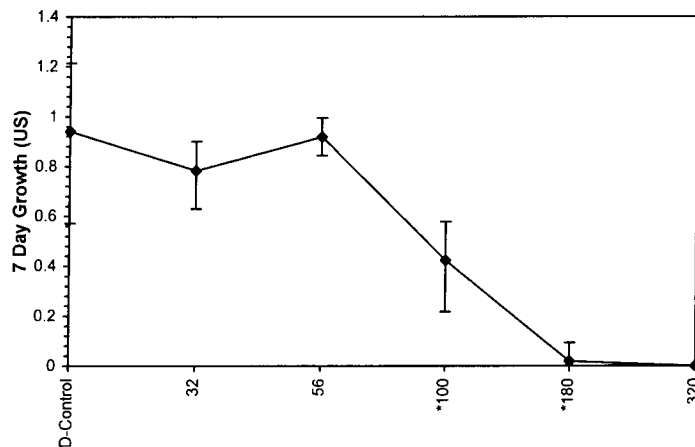
Auxiliary Tests	Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution ( $p > 0.01$ )	0.96904	0.888	-0.5637	1.29994
Bartlett's Test indicates unequal variances ( $p = 8.40E-03$ )	13.6784	13.2767		
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Steel's Many-One Rank Test	56	100	74.8331	

Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	ug/L	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05*	16.742	22.428	0.966	84.151	0.6591
IC10	56.429	21.864	0.000	72.829	0.0540
IC15	61.266	19.804	0.000	78.932	-0.6284
IC20	66.103	16.425	4.297	85.035	-1.1939
IC25	70.941	10.605	11.216	91.139	-1.6164
IC40	85.453	7.896	65.694	112.047	0.4556
IC50	95.128	8.949	75.508	127.164	0.6374

\* indicates IC estimate less than the lowest concentration



Dose-Response Plot



Galka  
Aug. 31/05

## **APPENDIX II**

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Raw Data and Statistical Analyses:

*Dendraster excentricus*

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Mine)  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-844  
EVS Work Order No. 0500328

EVS Analysts SRS, JAP  
Test Initiation Date 09 Aug 05

**SAMPLE**

Identification Garrow Creek  
Amount Received 5x20L  
Date Collected 06 Aug 05  
Date Received 09 Aug 05  
Temperature (°C) 16.0 → 15  
pH 7.3 → 8.3  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 10.0 → 8.5  
Conductivity (µmhos/cm) 2700  
Salinity (ppt) 1.0 → 29.0  
Ammonia (mg/L N) —  
Chlorine (mg/L Cl) —  
Other —

0 Brine Adjustment

**TEST SPECIES**

Organism Dendrosten excentricus  
Source Westwind Seabab  
Date Received 09 Aug 05  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date 09 Aug 05  
IC50 (and 95% CL) 3.9 (3.6-4.1) mg/L SDS  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
3.9 ± 4.3 mg/L SDS, CV = 55%

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type UV sterilized, 0.5µm filtered SW  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 8.0  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 8.5  
Salinity (ppt) 29  
Other —

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 15  
pH Range 7.8 → 8.4 → 8.5  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 7.8 → 8.5  
Salinity Range (ppt) 29 7.8  
Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1  
Test Duration 10:10  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS**

IC 50: 55.0 (49.2-61.1) %v/v  
IC 25: 15.6 (13.6-18.3) %v/v  
NOEC: < 4.5 %v/v  
LOEC: 4.5 %v/v

Statistical comparisons were against pooled controls

Data Verified By

Galpik

Date Verified

Aug. 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST INITIAL WATER QUALITY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Mine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500328  
 Logbook Echinoid #13 Pages 71-74

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1723  
 Test Species Dendroseta excentricus  
 Source/Date Received Westward Seals 19 Aug 05  
 Test Duration 10:10

Sample ID % (V/V)	Temperature (°C)	pH	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Comments
Garrow Creek - Max	15	8.3	29	8.5	
Garrow Creek - 36	15	8.1	29	8.4	
Garrow Creek - 18	15	7.9	29	8.4	
Garrow Creek - 9	15	7.9	29	8.4	
Garrow Creek - 4.5	15	7.8	29	8.4	
Cntl	15	8.0	29	8.5	
Brine Cntl	15	8.4	29	7.8	
Technician Initials	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hygrometer pH II-A-53 Salinity II-A-030303 DO II-A-20  
 Sample Description Clean with no odor  
 Data Verified By Galphin Date Verified Aug - 31 / 05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST – EGG COUNT (SAMPLES)**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Marine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500328  
 Logbook Echinoid Pages 71-74

Test Initiation Date/Time 09 Aug 05 / 1723  
 Test Species Dendaster excentricus  
 Source/Date Received Westward Sealab / 09 Aug 05  
 Test Duration 10:10  
 Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1

Sample ID	Replicate	Number of Fertilized Eggs	Number of Unfertilized Eggs	Comments	Tech. Initials
Control	A	88	12		SRS
	B	81	19		
	C	85	15		
	D	86	14		
Brine Control	A	91	9		
	B	86	14		
	C	85	15		
	D	87	13		
	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				
	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				
	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				
	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				

Data Verified By Gulph

Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST – EGG COUNT (SAMPLES)**

Client Azimutk Consulting (Polina Kh.)

Test Initiation Date/Time 09 Aug 05 / 1723

EVS Project No. 04-1424-044

Test Species Dendroica eximius

EVS Work Order No. 0500328

Source/Date Received Western Scale / 09 Aug 05

Logbook Echinoid Pages 71-74

Test Duration 10:10

Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1

Sample ID <i>Y-010</i> <i>Sagehen Creek</i>	Replicate	Number of Fertilized Eggs	Number of Unfertilized Eggs	Comments	Tech. Initials
<i>Max</i> <i>71.3%</i>	A	<i>37</i>	<i>63</i>		<i>SRS</i> ↓
	B	<i>40</i>	<i>60</i>		
	C	<i>37</i>	<i>63</i>		
	D	<i>35</i>	<i>63</i>		
<i>35.6</i> <i>36%</i>	A	<i>50</i>	<i>50</i>		
	B	<i>54</i>	<i>46</i>		
	C	<i>54</i>	<i>46</i>		
	D	<i>53</i>	<i>47</i>		
<i>17.8</i> <i>18%</i> <i>no</i>	A	<i>64</i>	<i>36</i>		
	B	<i>59</i>	<i>41</i>		
	C	<i>63</i>	<i>37</i>		
	D	<i>61</i>	<i>39</i>		
<i>8.9%</i>	A	<i>76</i>	<i>24</i>		
	B	<i>77</i>	<i>23</i>		
	C	<i>77</i>	<i>23</i>		
	D	<i>76</i>	<i>24</i>		
<i>4.5%</i>	A	<i>82</i>	<i>18</i>		
	B	<i>80</i>	<i>20</i>		
	C	<i>79</i>	<i>21</i>		
	D	<i>78</i>	<i>22</i>		
	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				

Data Verified By *Galich*

Date Verified *Aug 31 / 05*

Test: SC-Sperm Cell Fertilization test				Test ID: 0500328			
Species: DE-Dendraster excentricus				Protocol: EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm Cell)			
Sample ID: Garrow Creek				Sample Type: <del>GW-groundwater</del> Effluent			
Start Date: 8/9/2004 10:10		End Date: 8/9/2004		Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants			
Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Total Counted	Number Fertilized	Number Unfertilized	Notes
	1	1	D-Control	100	88	12	
	2	2	D-Control	100	81	19	
	3	3	D-Control	100	85	15	
	4	4	D-Control	100	86	14	
	5	1	B-Control	100	91	9	
	6	2	B-Control	100	86	14	
	7	3	B-Control	100	85	15	
	8	4	B-Control	100	87	13	
	9	1	4.500	100	78	22	
	10	2	4.500	100	79	21	
	11	3	4.500	100	80	20	
	12	4	4.500	100	82	18	
	13	1	8.900	100	76	24	
	14	2	8.900	100	77	23	
	15	3	8.900	100	77	23	
	16	4	8.900	100	76	24	
	17	1	17.800	100	61	39	
	18	2	17.800	100	63	37	
	19	3	17.800	100	59	41	
	20	4	17.800	100	64	36	
	21	1	35.600	100	53	47	
	22	2	35.600	100	54	46	
	23	3	35.600	100	54	46	
	24	4	35.600	100	50	50	
	25	1	71.300	100	35	65	
	26	2	71.300	100	37	63	
	27	3	71.300	100	40	60	
	28	4	71.300	100	37	63	

Comments: Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris Mine) 04-1424-044 (0500328)

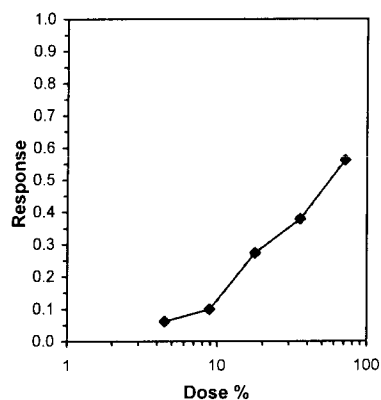
Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized					
Start Date:	8/9/2004 10:10	Test ID:	500328	Sample ID:	Garrow Creek
End Date:	8/9/2004	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:	GW-groundwater
Sample Date:	8/6/2004	Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm +	Test Species:	DE-Dendroaster excentricus
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris Mine) 04-1424-044 (0500328)				
Conc-%	1	2	3	4	
D-Control	0.8800	0.8100	0.8500	0.8600	
B-Control	0.9100	0.8600	0.8500	0.8700	
4.5	0.7800	0.7900	0.8000	0.8200	
8.9	0.7600	0.7700	0.7700	0.7600	
17.8	0.6100	0.6300	0.5900	0.6400	
35.6	0.5300	0.5400	0.5400	0.5000	
71.3	0.3500	0.3700	0.4000	0.3700	

Conc-%	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed					t-Stat	1-Tailed		Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N		Critical	MSD	Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.8500	0.0294	0.8500	0.8100	0.8800	3.463	4				0.8500	1.0000
B-Control	0.8725	0.0263	0.8725	0.8500	0.9100	3.014	4					
*4.5	0.7975	0.0171	0.7975	0.7800	0.8200	2.141	4	3.662	2.410	0.0346	0.7975	0.9382
*8.9	0.7650	0.0058	0.7650	0.7600	0.7700	0.755	4	5.929	2.410	0.0346	0.7650	0.9000
*17.8	0.6175	0.0222	0.6175	0.5900	0.6400	3.591	4	16.217	2.410	0.0346	0.6175	0.7265
*35.6	0.5275	0.0189	0.5275	0.5000	0.5400	3.589	4	22.494	2.410	0.0346	0.5275	0.6206
*71.3	0.3725	0.0206	0.3725	0.3500	0.4000	5.534	4	33.305	2.410	0.0346	0.3725	0.4382

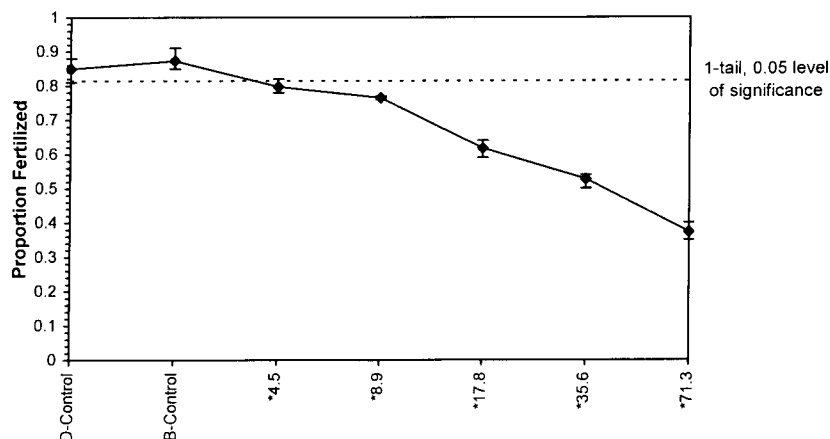
Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.96944	0.884	-0.376	-0.1401
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.37)					5.40444	15.0863		
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.30)					1.13994	2.44691		
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU
Dunnett's Test					<4.5	4.5		
					0.03455	0.04065	0.13432	0.00041
					5.3E-17	5, 18		

Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	%	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05*	2.975	1.400	0.565	7.600	0.6911
IC10	8.900	1.288	3.027	10.418	-0.8297
IC15	10.909	0.614	9.311	12.929	0.4646
IC20	13.326	0.777	11.427	15.949	0.5340
IC25	16.234	1.070	13.604	20.191	0.7205
IC40	38.524	1.817	32.550	43.489	-0.4616
IC50	56.411	2.378	49.614	64.710	0.5505

\* indicates IC estimate less than the lowest concentration



Dose-Response Plot



Note: statistical comparisons are against deletion control

Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized					
Start Date:	8/9/2004 10:10	Test ID:	500328	Sample ID:	Garrow Creek
End Date:	8/9/2004	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment Cr	Sample Type:	GW-groundwater <i>Effluent</i>
Sample Date:	8/6/2004	Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm + Test Species:	DE-Dendroaster excentricus	
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group (Polaris Mine) 04-1424-044 (0500328)				

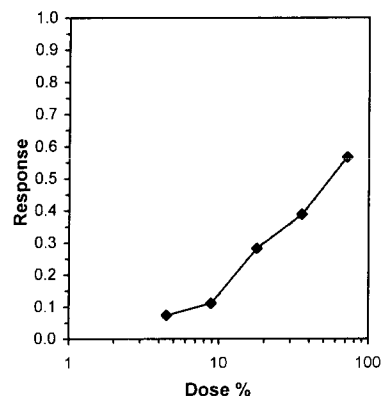
Conc-%	1	2	3	4
D-Control	0.8800	0.8100	0.8500	0.8600
B-Control	0.9100	0.8600	0.8500	0.8700
4.5	0.7800	0.7900	0.8000	0.8200
8.9	0.7600	0.7700	0.7700	0.7600
17.8	0.6100	0.6300	0.5900	0.6400
35.6	0.5300	0.5400	0.5400	0.5000
71.3	0.3500	0.3700	0.4000	0.3700

Transform: Untransformed								1-Tailed		Isotonic	
Conc-%	Mean	SD	Mean	Min	Max	CV%	N	t-Stat	Critical	MSD	Mean
Pooled	0.8613	0.0285	0.8613	0.8100	0.9100	3.310	8				0.8613
*4.5	0.7975	0.0171	0.7975	0.7800	0.8200	2.141	4	4.768	2.508	0.0335	0.7975
*8.9	0.7650	0.0058	0.7650	0.7600	0.7700	0.755	4	7.199	2.508	0.0335	0.7650
*17.8	0.6175	0.0222	0.6175	0.5900	0.6400	3.591	4	18.231	2.508	0.0335	0.6175
*35.6	0.5275	0.0189	0.5275	0.5000	0.5400	3.589	4	24.962	2.508	0.0335	0.5275
*71.3	0.3725	0.0206	0.3725	0.3500	0.4000	5.534	4	36.555	2.508	0.0335	0.3725

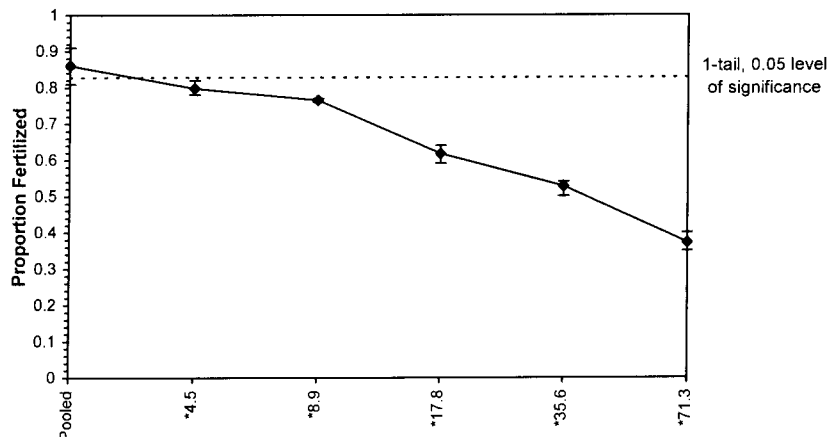
Auxiliary Tests				Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt		
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)				0.97972	0.896	-0.1255	1.3485		
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.30)				6.1116	15.0863				
The control means are not significantly different (p = 0.30)				1.13994	2.44691				
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)	NOEC	LOEC	ChV	MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df
Bonferroni t Test	<4.5	4.5		0.03354	0.03894	0.16656	0.00048	3.5E-20	5, 22

Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	%	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05*	2.163	0.950	0.835	6.375	1.2352
IC10	7.243	1.368	2.765	10.506	-0.2796
IC15	10.424	0.446	9.200	11.908	0.1462
IC20	12.777	0.574	11.163	14.753	0.1484
IC25	15.613	0.797	13.605	18.305	0.1477
IC40	37.370	1.848	30.582	42.085	-0.6715
IC50	55.010	2.043	49.176	61.090	0.1372

\* indicates IC estimate less than the lowest concentration



Dose-Response Plot



Note: statistical comparisons are against pooled controls

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS  
ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST DATA SUMMARY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Pleasant Hill)  
EVS Project No. 04-1424-044  
EVS Work Order No. 0500328

EVS Analysts SRS, JAP  
Test Initiation Date 09 Aug 05

**SAMPLE**

Identification SDS Reflex Sol'n #05-S-009  
Amount Received 1L  
Date Collected 05 Aug 05  
Date Received —  
Temperature (°C) —  
pH —  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) —  
Conductivity (µmhos/cm) —  
Salinity (ppt) —  
Ammonia (mg/L N) —  
Chlorine (mg/L Cl) —  
Other —

**TEST SPECIES**

Organism Dendrosten excentricus  
Source Westwind Sealab  
Date Received 09 Aug 05  
Reference Toxicant SDS  
Current Reference Toxicant Result  
Reference Toxicant Test Date 09 Aug 05  
IC50 (and 95% CL) 3.9 (3.6-4.1) mg/L SDS  
Reference Toxicant Warning Limits (mean ± 2SD) and CV  
3.9 ± 4.3 mg/L SDS; CV = 55%

**DILUTION/CONTROL WATER** (initial water quality)

Water Type UV sterilized, 0.5µm filtered SW  
Temperature (°C) 15  
pH 8.0  
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) 8.5  
Salinity (ppt) 29  
Other —

**TEST CONDITIONS**

Temperature Range (°C) 15  
pH Range 7.8 - 8.0  
Dissolved Oxygen Range (mg/L) 8.4 - 8.5  
Salinity Range (ppt) 29  
Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1  
Test Duration 10:10  
Other —

**TEST RESULTS**

IC 50: 3.9 (3.6-4.1) mg/L SDS  
IC 25: 2.3 (2.2-2.4) mg/L SDS  
NOEC: 1.0 mg/L SDS  
LOEC: 1.8 mg/L SDS

Data Verified By

Gail K

Date Verified

Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST INITIAL WATER QUALITY**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Marine)  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-8044  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500328  
 Logbook Calvin #13 Pages 71-74

Test Initiation Date/Time 9 Aug 05 / 1723  
 Test Species Dendroseta excentricus  
 Source/Date Received Westwind Seabed / 9 Aug 05  
 Test Duration 10:10

Reflex

Sample ID SDS (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	pH	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Comments
Ctrl	15	8.0	29	8.5	
1.0	15	7.8	29	8.4	
1.8	15	7.8	29	8.4	
3.2	15	7.8	29	8.4	
5.6	15	7.9	29	8.4	
10.0	15	7.9	29	8.4	
Technician Initials	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	SRS/JAP	

WQ Instruments Used: Temp. Calibrated Hy-Thermometer pH II-A-51 Salinity II-A-0303 DO II-A-20

Sample Description \_\_\_\_\_

Data Verified By Gail K Date Verified Aug 31/05

**EVS ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS**  
**ECHINOID FERTILIZATION TOXICITY TEST – EGG COUNTS (CONTROLS)**

Client Azimuth Consulting (Polaris Hw) Test Initiation Date/Time 09/11/05 1123  
 EVS Project No. 04-1424-044 Test Species Dendrocentrus excentricus  
 EVS Work Order No. 0500328 Test Duration 10:10  
 Logbook Echinoid Pages 71-74 Sperm:Egg Ratio 2000:1

Reflex

Concentration SDS (mg/L)	Replicate	No. Fertilized Eggs	No. Unfertilized Eggs	Comments	Tech. Initials
<b>Reference Toxicant</b>					
1.0	A	88	12		SRS
	B	84	16		
	C	89	11		
	D	87	13		
1.8	A	75	25		
	B	<del>74</del> 73	27		
	C	<del>72</del> 74	26		
	D	73	27		
3.2	A	49	51		
	B	52	48		
	C	53	47		
	D	49	51		
5.6	A	26	74		
	B	28	72		
	C	26	74		
	D	27	73		
10.0	A	16	84		
	B	11	89		
	C	14	86		
	D	15	85		
<b>Control Seawater</b>					
Ctrl	A	88	12		SRS
	B	81	19		
	C	85	15		
	D	86	14		

Data Verified By Galt

Date Verified Aug 31/05

Test: SC-Sperm Cell Fertilization test				Test ID: rtdesds052			
Species: DE-Dendraster excentricus				Protocol: EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm Cell)			
Sample ID: REF-Ref Toxicant				Sample Type: SDS-Sodium dodecyl sulfate			
Start Date: 8/9/2005 10:10				End Date: 8/9/2005			
				Lab ID: BCEVS-EVS Environment Consultants			
Pos	ID	Rep	Group	Total Counted	Number Fertilized	Number Unfertilized	Notes
	1	1	D-Control	100	88	12	
	2	2	D-Control	100	81	19	
	3	3	D-Control	100	85	15	
	4	4	D-Control	100	86	14	
	5	1	1.000	100	88	12	
	6	2	1.000	100	84	16	
	7	3	1.000	100	89	11	
	8	4	1.000	100	87	13	
	9	1	1.800	100	75	25	
	10	2	1.800	100	73	27	
	11	3	1.800	100	74	26	
	12	4	1.800	100	73	27	
	13	1	3.200	100	49	51	
	14	2	3.200	100	52	48	
	15	3	3.200	100	53	47	
	16	4	3.200	100	49	51	
	17	1	5.600	100	26	74	
	18	2	5.600	100	28	72	
	19	3	5.600	100	26	74	
	20	4	5.600	100	27	73	
	21	1	10.000	100	16	84	
	22	2	10.000	100	11	89	
	23	3	10.000	100	14	86	
	24	4	10.000	100	15	85	

Comments: Azimuth Consulting Group 04-1424-044 (0500328)

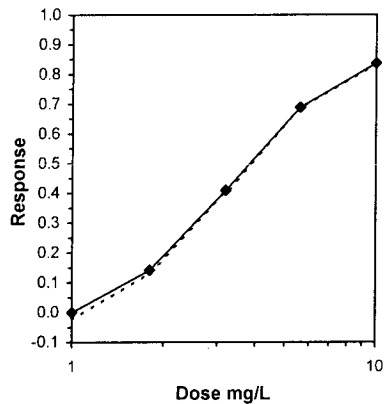
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Sperm Cell Fertilization test-Proportion Fertilized				
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End Date:	8/9/2005	Lab ID:	BCEVS-EVS Environment C	Sample Type:
Sample Date:		Protocol:	EPS1/RM/27-EC 92 (Sperm	Test Species:
Comments:	Azimuth Consulting Group 04-1424-044 (0500328)			
Conc-mg/L	1	2	3	4
D-Control	0.8800	0.8100	0.8500	0.8600
1	0.8800	0.8400	0.8900	0.8700
1.8	0.7500	0.7300	0.7400	0.7300
3.2	0.4900	0.5200	0.5300	0.4900
5.6	0.2600	0.2800	0.2600	0.2700
10	0.1600	0.1100	0.1400	0.1500

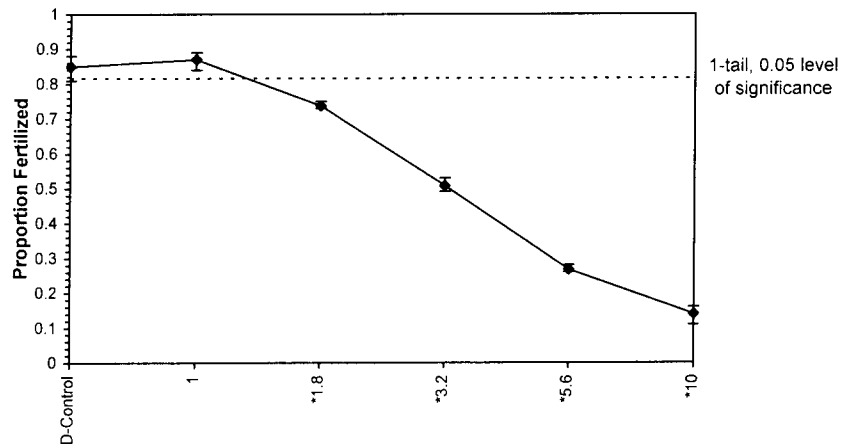
Conc-mg/L	Mean	SD	Transform: Untransformed				N	t-Stat	1-Tailed Critical	MSD	Isotonic	
			Mean	Min	Max	CV%					Mean	N-Mean
D-Control	0.8500	0.0294	0.8500	0.8100	0.8800	3.463	4				0.8600	1.0000
1	0.8700	0.0216	0.8700	0.8400	0.8900	2.483	4	-1.412	2.410	0.0341	0.8600	1.0000
*1.8	0.7375	0.0096	0.7375	0.7300	0.7500	1.298	4	7.941	2.410	0.0341	0.7375	0.8576
*3.2	0.5075	0.0206	0.5075	0.4900	0.5300	4.062	4	24.176	2.410	0.0341	0.5075	0.5901
*5.6	0.2675	0.0096	0.2675	0.2600	0.2800	3.579	4	41.118	2.410	0.0341	0.2675	0.3110
*10	0.1400	0.0216	0.1400	0.1100	0.1600	15.430	4	50.118	2.410	0.0341	0.1400	0.1628

Auxiliary Tests					Statistic	Critical	Skew	Kurt					
Shapiro-Wilk's Test indicates normal distribution (p > 0.01)					0.95791	0.884	-0.5718	-0.0762					
Bartlett's Test indicates equal variances (p = 0.43)					4.8475	15.0863							
Hypothesis Test (1-tail, 0.05)					NOEC	LOEC	ChV	TU					
					MSDu	MSDp	MSB	MSE	F-Prob	df			
Dunnett's Test					1	1.8	1.34164	0.03414	0.04017	0.38111	0.0004	3.8E-21	5, 18

Log-Linear Interpolation (200 Resamples)					
Point	mg/L	SD	95% CL(Exp)	Skew	
IC05	1.2507	0.0219	1.1728	1.3194	0.2839
IC10	1.5329	0.0430	1.4377	1.6889	1.2146
IC15	1.8323	0.0408	1.7124	1.9570	0.2306
IC20	2.0553	0.0391	1.9513	2.1828	0.4191
IC25	2.2959	0.0426	2.1872	2.4359	0.3093
IC40	3.1375	0.0735	2.9274	3.3760	0.1213
IC50	3.8600	0.0706	3.6272	4.0719	-0.0638



Dose-Response Plot



## **APPENDIX III**

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### Chain-of-Custody Form



## 0742



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- 1 For composite effluent or water samples, the sample collection date/time is the **end** of the compositing period.
- 2 Receiving Water (RW): Effluent (E); Elutriate (ELU); Sediment (SED); Chemical (CHEM); Stormwater (SW); Other (Please Specify)
- 3 Collapsible Carboy (CC); glass jar (GJ); Jerry Can (JC); Plastic HDPE (P); Other (Please Specify)
- 4 Please note any conditions the lab should be aware of for safety and storage concerns

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Please see instructions for completion on back of form

## **APPENDIX I**

### **Polaris 2005 Sampling Event Chronology**

## Appendix I - Polaris 2005 Sampling and Event Chronology

Because mine activities at the Polaris Mine Site ceased during the 2005 season, collection of the MMER and EEM data was conducted by small field crews stationed on-site for limited time periods (early season) and then by flying technicians into the site on a weekly basis in the latter part of the season. Because of the remote location of the high Arctic mine site and the unpredictable weather conditions, sample shipping and transport issues typically arise throughout the season. This season there were several flight attempts into the mine site during the latter part of the season that were unsuccessful due to hazardous weather conditions. The following is a chronology of the 2005 MMER/EEM sampling program, including sample attempts that were prevented due to weather conditions and/or shipping difficulties.

Date	Event Type	Observation/ Comments
Sat. Jun-25-05	-	Flow initiated in Garrow Creek
Wed. Jun-29-05	Monthly/Quarterly	FDP accessible; exposure (Garrow Bay) and reference (Garrow Bay) stations were ice covered precluding sample collection; no exceedances of MMER Schedule 4 limits; T-Hg, alkalinity and nitrate were analyzed after holding times due to an oversight by the ALS lab; a letter explaining this oversight was included in the 2nd quarter report. The EVS and Stantech labs were not able to accommodate a toxicity testing program for this event, as samples would have arrived during a statutory holiday (i.e., Friday July 1, 2005)
Wed. Jul-06-05	Monthly/Quarterly Failed attempt for collecting toxicity samples	FDP accessible; exposure (Garrow Bay) and reference (Garrow Bay) stations were ice covered precluding sample collection; no exceedances of MMER Schedule 4 limits; alkalinity and nitrate were analyzed after holding time due to an oversight by the ALS lab; a letter explaining this oversight is included in the 3rd quarter report Samples for toxicity testing were collected. However, due to fog conditions at the mine site, the flight into and out of the mine site was delayed and missed the connecting flight out of Resolute Bay. Toxicity samples missed holding times and were discarded by the labs, or stopped en-route.
Wed. Jul-13-05	Weekly	A weekly sample was collected as the program schedule was adjusted to Saturday collections to enable sample delivery to the labs earlier in the week (i.e., Tuesday). Although this shipping schedule adds an extra day in transit, if there are no weather delays, then samples should arrive at the labs within the holding time for all toxicity tests.
Sat. Jul-16-05	Monthly/Quarterly Acute Toxicity Sublethal Toxicity	All effluent and water quality monitoring stations were accessible for sample collection. Samples arrived at the labs on Tuesday July 19, 2005 within holding times for all tests. No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits. No acute toxicity.
Sat. Jul-23-05	Weekly	No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits.
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Sat. Aug-06-05	Monthly/Quarterly Acute Toxicity Sublethal Toxicity	All effluent and water quality monitoring stations were accessible for sample collection. Samples arrived at the labs on Tuesday August 9, 2005 within holding times for all tests. No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits. No acute toxicity.
Sat. Aug-13-05	Weekly	No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits.
Sat. Aug-20-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	Flight to Polaris Mine site from Resolute was attempted but did not land due to thick fog and therefore unsafe landing conditions. Jenny Ferone and Ken Russell were notified of this and the following failed attempts on August 29, 2005.
Sun. Aug-21-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	Flight to Polaris Mine site from Resolute was attempted but did not land due to thick fog and therefore unsafe landing conditions. Jenny Ferone and Ken Russell were notified of this and the following failed attempts on August 29, 2005.
Mon. Aug-22-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	Fog conditions from satellite photos indicated weather was the same or worse than the previous 2 days. No flight attempted over to site due to unsafe landing conditions. Jenny Ferone and Ken Russell were notified of this and the following failed attempts on August 29, 2005.
Tue. Aug-23-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	Fog conditions from satellite photos indicated weather was the same or worse than the previous 3 days. No flight attempted over to site due to unsafe landing conditions. Jenny Ferone and Ken Russell were notified of this and the following failed attempts on August 29, 2005.
Wed. Aug-24-05	Weekly	The sample attempt made on Wed August 24, 2005, was successful, following the failed attempts since the previous Saturday. No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits.
Sat. Aug-27-05	Weekly	No exceedances of Schedule 4 limits.

Date	Event Type	Observation/ Comments
Wed. Aug-31-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	An attempt to fly into Polaris was made. However, due to fog conditions at the mine site, and the plane was unable to land. Ken Russell and Jenny Ferone were notified of this failed attempt on September 1, 2005.
Sat. Sep-03-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	Thick fog and poor visibility prevented the plane from leaving Resolute. Ken Russell and Jenny Ferone were notified of this failed attempt on September 6, 2005.
Wed. Sep-07-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	The planned flight into Polaris was cancelled by the pilot due to snow conditions (5-10cm) in Resolute and potentially unsafe conditions for landing at the mine site. Ken Russell and Jenny Ferone were notified of this failed attempt on September 7, 2005.
Sat. Sep-10-05	Failed attempt for Weekly sample	A monthly chemistry plus acute toxicity testing event was planned. However, due to blowing snow conditions, it was deemed by the pilot too hazardous to land an aircraft at the mine site. Ken Russell (Environment Canada) was informed on September 13, 2005.
Tue. Sep-13-05	-	A monthly chemistry plus acute toxicity testing event was planned. However, upon arrival at the mine site, the creek was found to be frozen. Ken Russell was informed on September 13, 2005

## **APPENDIX J**

**Letter from ALS explaining missed holding times for July 6, 2005 sample**



August 5, 2005

Mr. Bruce Donald  
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Dear Mr. Donald,

**RE: Concerns Regarding Analytical Service**

This is in response to email correspondence dated July 29, 2005 through August 3, 2005 expressing concerns over the services provided by ALS Environmental on some Teck Cominco / Azimuth Consulting Group submissions from late June and early July. The examples noted in the emails and the overall concerns over the service provided are taken very seriously by ALS Environmental, and this response letter will hopefully help to address the concerns that were expressed.

In order to provide some clarity and to help resolve the various items of concerns, the following are some of the details that relate to the individual concerns expressed in the emails.

- 1) missed analyses for samples submitted,
- 2) missed holding times for Nitrate, Mercury, Alkalinity.

**Details of Expressed Concerns**

**Missed Analysis / Missed Holding Times for Samples Submitted for 2 Submissions:**

Polaris MMER (ALS W1416) analysed for pH, Salinity, Total Cyanide, Ammonia, Total Suspended Solids, Radium 226 and total metals

Date / Time Received: Monday, July 11, 2005 @ 10:10 am.

Date / Time Reported: Monday, July 25, 2005 @ 2:23 pm for all but the Radium 226 via email  
Wednesday, July 27, 2005 @ 2:42 pm for all analysis via email

Polaris MMER (ALS W1458) analysed for pH, Salinity, Total Cyanide, Ammonia, Total Suspended Solids, Radium 226 and total metals including Mercury

Date / Time Received: Tuesday, July 12, 2005 @ 9:30 am.

Date / Reported: Monday, July 25, 2005 @ 2:23 pm for all but the Radium 226 via email  
Wednesday, July 27, 2005 @ 2:42 pm for all analysis via email.

On July 28, 2005, Cheryl Mackintosh of Azimuth Consulting Group called Leanne Harris and expressed concern over the fact that the Mercury analysis for W1416 was missing. Upon investigation, it was



discovered that the Mercury was missed at the time of receipt; although it was indicated on the chain of custody. The Mercury analysis for this sample was completed at Ms. Mackintosh's request, but it should be noted that it was one day past the recommended holding time of 28 days for Mercury analysis in water.

On July 29, 2005, Ms. Mackintosh emailed Ms. Harris to inquire about the missing analysis of Nitrate and Alkalinity on the two above referenced submissions. The 48 hour recommended holding time for Nitrate had been exceeded prior to receipt of the samples, but the analysis was carried out as per request. The 14 day holding time for Alkalinity had been exceeded by the time the analysis was completed.

Ms. Mackintosh indicated in subsequent email correspondence that these samples had been identified in an email as MMER monthly samples; which meant that they should have been analysed for a fuller suite of analyses. ALS missed the analysis requests and in future will work toward improved communication internally to prevent a similar situation from occurring again.

The results for the Mercury and Alkalinity analysis with holding time exceedences were compared to other routine monitoring results. Historically, the samples compare well with previous submissions analysed within the holding times. Future submissions will be analysed within the appropriate holding times for Mercury and Alkalinity as long as the samples are received with sufficient time to do the analysis. For the Nitrate analysis, with the very short holding time of 48 hours, these samples will not be able to reach a lab within the holding time due to the remote nature of the site. The recommended holding time for these analyses is usually based on studies done with chemically active samples (such as waste waters or discharge samples), which chemically change over short periods of time. While there is no way to tell exactly how these samples are changing over time (without doing a detailed study that incorporates time studies), in general clean water samples from groundwater or surface water sources usually don't have a large amount of chemical activity.

Hopefully, this letter has summarized and addressed the concerns that have been raised. Most of the issue relates to communication. Increased effort in ensuring that there is excellent communication between our staff and the client, as well as thorough communication internally, helps to yield a successful project.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention as it helps us to assess our operation and continuously adjust and improve. Please feel free to contact either of the undersigned if you would like to discuss the matter further.

Sincerely,

Joyce Chow, B. Sc.  
Branch Manager

Heather Ross-Easton, B.Sc.  
Client Services Representative

cc: Cheryl Mackintosh, Azimuth Consulting Group Inc.  
Patrick Allard, Azimuth Consulting Group Inc.  
Randy Baker, Azimuth Consulting Group Inc.