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# CHEMICAL ANALYSIS REPORT

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# REMARKS



Please note that the detection limits for some Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons were increased due to matrix interferences encountered during analysis.

# RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Sediment/Soil



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Sample ID	A1	A2	А3	A4	B1
Sample Date Sample Time ALS ID	02 09 06 15:30 1	02 09 06 15:40 2	02 09 06 15:50 3	02 09 06 16:00 4	02 09 06 16:10 5
Physical Tests Moisture %	6.5	2.8	15.7	2.3	2.4
	0.0	2.0	10.7	2.5	2.4
Non-Halogenated Volatiles Benzene Ethylbenzene Styrene Toluene meta- & para-Xylene	- - - -		<0.04 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05		
ortho-Xylene CWS Fraction 1 (C6-10) CWS Fraction 1-BTEX	- - -	- - -	<0.05 <30 <30	:	:
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons Acenaphthene Acenaphthylene Anthracene Benz(a)anthracene Benzo(a)pyrene	<0.02 <0.01 <0.02 <0.02 <0.02	- - - -	<0.005 <0.005 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	: : :	-
Benzo(b)fluoranthene Benzo(g,h,i)perylene Benzo(k)fluoranthene Chrysene Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	<0.03 <0.02 <0.02 <0.02 <0.01	- - - -	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.005	-	- - -
Fluoranthene Fluorene Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene Naphthalene Phenanthrene	<0.02 0.05 <0.02 <0.05 0.09	- - -	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	:	:
Pyrene 2-Methylnaphthalene	<0.02 0.18	-	<0.01 <0.01	-	-
Extractable Hydrocarbons CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16) CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34) CWS Fraction 4 (C34-50)	218 1240 98	<50 93 <50	<50 <50 <50	<50 161 <50	<50 <50 <50

Remarks regarding the analyses appear at the beginning of this report. CWS = CCME - Canada Wide Standards. Results are expressed as milligrams per dry kilogram except where noted. < = Less than the detection limit indicated.

# RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Sediment/Soil



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Sample Date Sample Time ALS ID	02 09 06 16:20 6	02 09 06 16:30 7	02 09 06 16:40 8	02 09 06 16:50 9	02 09 06 17:00 10
Physical Tests Moisture %	2.2	5.4	2.1	17.8	5.4
Non-Halogenated Volatiles  Benzene Ethylbenzene Styrene Toluene meta- & para-Xylene	<0.04 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05		-	<0.04 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05 <0.05	-
ortho-Xylene CWS Fraction 1 (C6-10) CWS Fraction 1-BTEX	<0.05 <30 <30	- - -	- - -	<0.05 <30 <30	:
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons Acenaphthene Acenaphthylene Anthracene Benz(a)anthracene Benzo(a)pyrene	<0.005 <0.005 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	: : :	- - - -	<0.005 <0.005 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	-
Benzo(b)fluoranthene Benzo(g,h,i)perylene Benzo(k)fluoranthene Chrysene Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.005	- - - - -	- - - -	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.005	-
Fluoranthene Fluorene Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene Naphthalene Phenanthrene	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	- - - -	- - - - -	<0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01 <0.01	-
Pyrene 2-Methylnaphthalene	<0.01 <0.01	:	-	<0.01 <0.01	:
Extractable Hydrocarbons CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16) CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34) CWS Fraction 4 (C34-50)	<50 <50 <50	<50 115 <50	<50 64 <50	<50 <50 <50	112 235 <50

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# RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Sediment/Soil



Sample ID	B7
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Physical Tests Moisture %	4.8
Extractable Hydrocarbons CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16) CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34) CWS Fraction 4 (C34-50)	50 140 <50

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# Appendix 1 - QUALITY CONTROL - Replicates



Sediment/Soil	B3	B3	
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Physical Tests Moisture %	5.4	4.9	
Extractable Hydrocarbons CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16) CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34) CWS Fraction 4 (C34-50)	<50 115 <50	<50 110 <50	

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#### Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY



Outlines of the methodologies utilized for the analysis of the samples submitted are as follows

#### Moisture in Sediment/Soil

This analysis is carried out gravimetrically by drying the sample at 103 C for a minimum of six hours.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 14 days Reference: Puget

For more detail see ALS Environmental "Collection & Sampling Guide"

#### Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons in Sediment/Soil

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846, Methods 3545, 3630 & 8270, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure uses an automated system (Accelerated Solvent Extractor - ASE) to extract a subsample of the sediment/soil with a 1:1 mixture of hexane and acetone. The extract is then solvent exchanged to toluene and undergoes a silica gel clean-up to remove sample components that could potentially interfere with the analysis. The final extract is analysed by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS).

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 14 days Extract: 40 days

Reference: EPA

For more detail see ALS Environmental "Collection & Sampling Guide"

#### Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Sediment/Soil (Canada-Wide Standard)

This analysis is carried out in accordance with the "Reference Method for the Canada-Wide Standard for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil - Tier 1 Method, Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, December 2000." The various extraction fractions are analysed as follows:

CWS Fractions 1 and 1-BTEX:

This procedure involves the extraction of a subsample of the sediment/soil with methanol. Aliquots of the methanol extract are then analysed by capillary column gas chromatography with flame-ionization detection (GC/FID) for CWS Fraction 1, and by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS) for the BTEX compounds.

CWS Fractions 2, 2-PAH, 3, 3-PAH, 4 and 4G-SG:

The procedure uses an automated system at high temperature and pressure

# Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued



(Accelerated Solvent Extractor - ASE) or a Soxhlet system to extract a subsample of the sediment/soil with a 1:1 mixture of hexane and acetone. The extract is concentrated and undergoes a silica-gel clean-up to remove polar material. The final extract is analysed by high temperature capillary column gas chromatography with flame ionization detection (GC/FID). CWS Fractions 4G and 4G-SG (Gravimetric Heavy Hydrocarbons) are analysed gravimetrically.

Reported results may include any or all of the following:

#### CWS Fraction 1 (C6-10):

sum of all petroleum hydrocarbon compounds that elute between nC6 and nC10 obtained by GC/FID analysis

#### CWS Fraction 1-BTEX:

CWS Fraction 1 (C6-10), minus BTEX compounds

# CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16):

sum of all petroleum hydrocarbon compounds that elute between nC10 and nC16 obtained by GC/FID analysis

#### CWS Fraction 2-PAH:

CWS Fraction 2 (C10-16), minus selected PAH compounds (Naphthalene)

#### CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34):

sum of all petroleum hydrocarbon compounds that elute between nC16 and nC34 obtained by GC/FID analysis

#### CWS Fraction 3-PAH:

CWS Fraction 3 (C16-34), minus selected PAH compounds

#### CWS Fraction 4 (C34-50):

sum of all petroleum hydrocarbon compounds that elute between nC34 and nC50 obtained by GC/FID analysis

#### CWS Fraction 4G (GHH):

Results obtained by gravimetric analysis.

#### CWS Fraction 4G-SG (GHH + SG):

Results obtained by gravimetric analysis after silica gel clean-up

#### Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 7 days for CWS Fraction 1

14 days for CWS Fractions 2, 3, 4, 4G & 4G-SG

Extract: 7 days for all CWS Fractions

Reference: CCME

For more detail see ALS Environmental "Collection & Sampling Guide"

# Volatile Organic Compounds and Volatile Hydrocarbons in Sediment/Soil

This analysis involves the extraction of a subsample of the sediment/soil with methanol. Aliquots of the methanol extract are then analyzed for Volatile Hydrocarbons (VH) by capillary column gas chromatography with flame-ionization detection (GC/FID) and for specific Volatile Organic

# Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued



Compounds (VOC) by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS). The methanol extraction and VH analysis are carried out in accordance with the British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks (BCMELP) Analytical Method for Contaminated Sites "Volatile Hydrocarbons in Solids by GC/FID" (Version 2.1 July 1999). The VOC analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846, Method 8260, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 7 days Extract: 40 days

Reference: BCMELP

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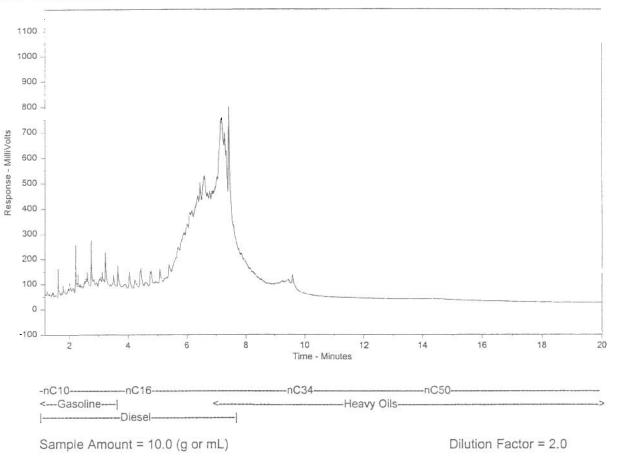
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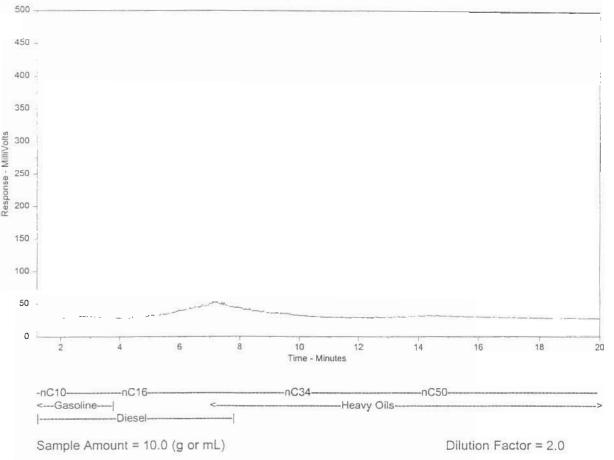
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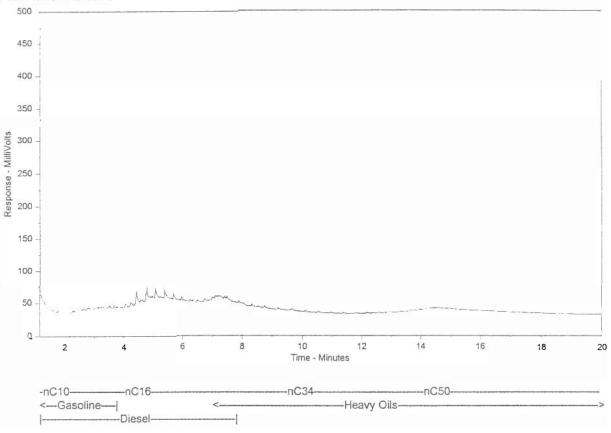
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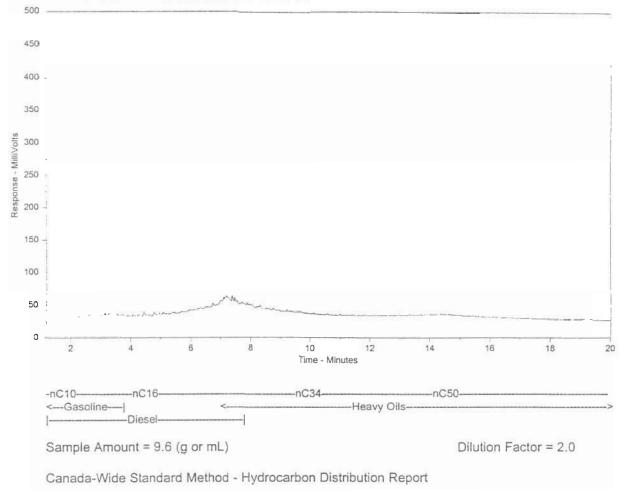
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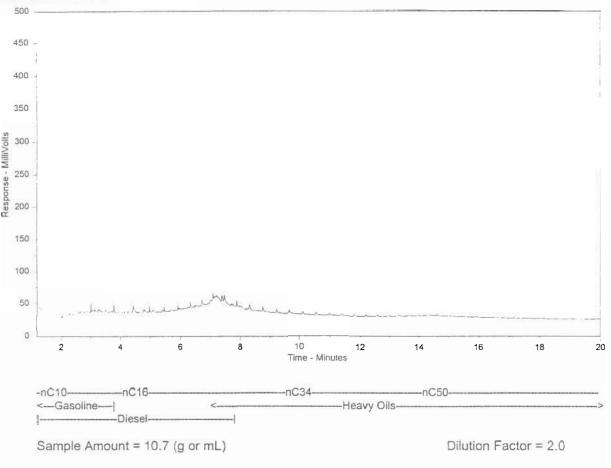
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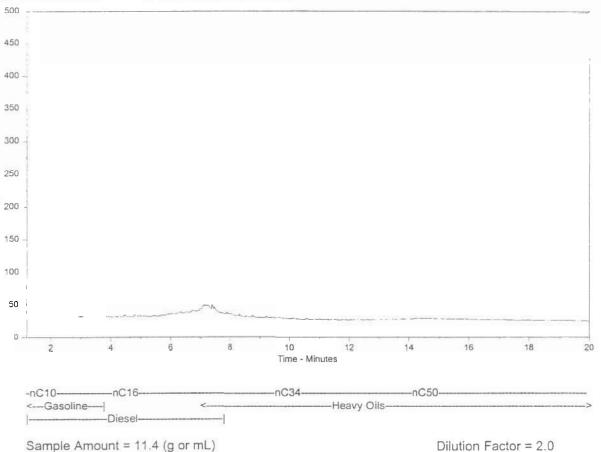
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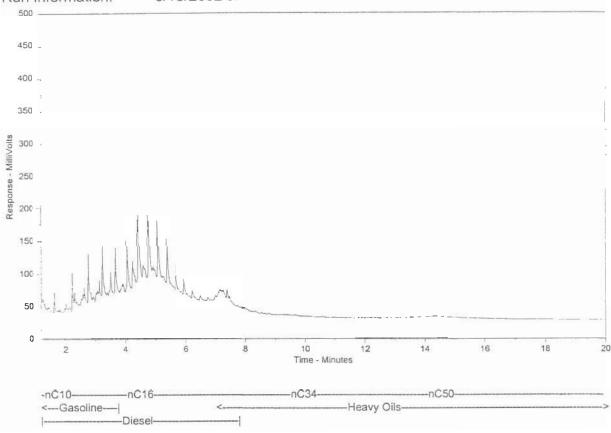
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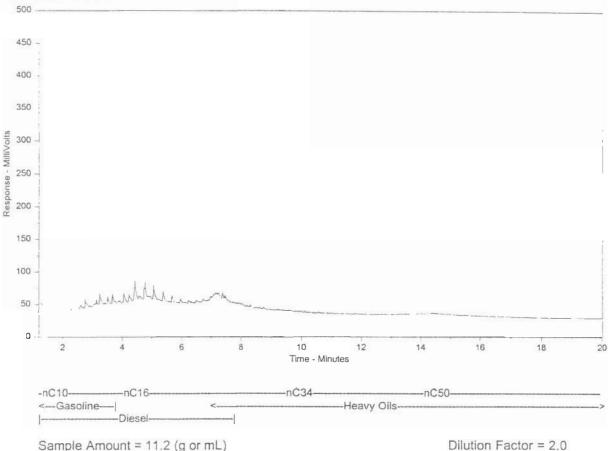
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# Appendix E Acronyms

#### APPENDIX E - ACRONYOMS

GLL	Gartner Lee Limited
Teck Cominco	Teck Cominco Ltd.
NWT Spill Hotline	Contact number servicing both the Northwest Territories and Nunavut
DFO	Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans
ALS	Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. of Vancouver, BC Accredited by the Canadian Association for Environmental Analytical Laboratories
Site	Polaris Mine, Little Cornwallis Island, Nunavut
Spill	The release of petroleum hydrocarbon impacted water to the environment in June 2002
"40 m Zone"	Hydrocarbon impacted area of beach
"60 m Zone"	The beach area to south of the 40 m Zone. No longer impacted by hydrocarbons.
"175 m Zone"	The beach area to north of the 40 m Zone. Small spotty hydrocarbon impacted areas on surface.
PHC	Petroleum hydrocarbons
PID	Photoionization detector used to measure concentrations of organic vapours
ppm	parts per million; equivalent to mg/kg and μg/g
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride
QA/QC	quality assurance/quality control

# Federal Environmental Quality Terms

CCME	Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment is the major inter-governmental forum in Canada for discussion and joint action on environmental issues of national and international concern.
CEQG	Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines for air, and surface water and drinking water, sediment, soil and tissue residue developed by CCME
PHC CWS	Canada-wide standards for petroleum hydrocarbons in soil developed by CCME
SQG <sub>HH</sub>	Soil Quality Guidelines for human health
$SQG_E$	Soil Quality Guidelines for the health of the environment
RL/PL	Sol quality guidelines for Residential or Parkland Land use activities
IL	Sol quality guidelines for Industrial Land use activities
ISQG	Interim Sediment Quality Guidelines for protection of aquatic life
PEL	Probable Effects Level for sediment quality; a concentration at which adverse biological effects frequently occur.
MWAL	Guidelines for the protection of marine water aquatic life

# APPENDIX E - ACRONYOMS

# Chemical Compounds

LPH	Liquid Petroleum Hydrocarbon
LNAPL	Light non-aqueous phase liquids; includes LPH that float on water
NAPL	Non-aqueous phase liquids; includes LPH that float or sink
VPH	Volatile Petroleum Hydrocarbon; gasoline for example; encompasses the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C6 to C10.
BETX	Benzene, Ethylbenzene, Toluene and Xylene are volatile petroleum hydrocarbons
EPH	Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon; diesel for example
PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
F1	PHC fraction in soil encompasses the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C6 to C10. Constituents include the volatile fraction of most hydrocarbons mixtures (including gasoline).
F2	PHC fraction in soil encompasses the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C11 through C16. Constituents are semi-volatile petroleum hydrocarbons and include constituents of gasoline and diesel fuels.
F3	PHC fraction in soil encompasses the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C17 through C34. Constituents include typical lubricating oils and greases, heavy fuel oils, road oils and asphalt.
F4	PHC fraction in soil encompasses ranges of equivalent carbon numbers from C35 through C50+. Constituents often make up a significant proportion of crude oils.
LEPH	Light Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon encompassing the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C10 through C19 less the contribution of PAH parameters for which guidelines exist
НЕРН	Heavy Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon encompassing the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C19 through C32 less the contribution of PAH parameters for which guidelines exist
ТЕН	Total Extractable Hydrocarbon in soil is a summation of F2 and F3 or LEPH plus HEPH, encompassing the range of equivalent carbon numbers from C10 to C32
EPHw10-19	Extractable Hydrocarbons in water encompassing the ranges of equivalent carbon numbers C10 to C19.