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The samples collected for particulate matter ( $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$  and TSP), dustfall and  $SO_2$ ,  $NO_2$  and  $O_3$  were analyzed at an accredited laboratory. All parameters were compared with the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality Sulphur Dioxide and Suspended Particulates, and the National Ambient Air Quality Objectives (NAAQOs) established under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). The 2010 Q1 and Q2 air quality monitoring results indicated that there were no exceedances for any of the monitored parameters, and results were indicative of background concentrations associated with undeveloped areas.

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Terminology used in this document is defined where it is first used. The following list will assist readers who may choose to review only portions of the document.

<b>Air Quality Standards</b>	Objectives for maximum concentrations of criteria air contaminants in the atmosphere developed to ensure long-term protection of public health and the environment.
<b>Ambient Air Quality</b>	The outdoor air quality at a particular site.
<b>ASTM</b>	American Society for Testing and Materials.
<b>BCMoE</b>	British Columbia Ministry of Environment.
<b>Criteria Air Contaminants</b>	Contaminants for which environmental regulatory agencies have established ambient air concentration limits.
<b>Fugitive Dust</b>	Particulate matter, often sand or mineral dust, released to the atmosphere by mechanical disruption of soil or by wind scouring.
<b>Inhalable particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub>)</b>	PM <sub>10</sub> particles are airborne particles that have a diameter of 10 µm or less and are thus a subset of total suspended particulate. The majority of PM <sub>10</sub> particles are from fugitive dust sources. PM <sub>10</sub> can enter the respiratory system and have been linked to health problems.
<b>Oxides of Nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>)</b>	NO <sub>x</sub> gas primarily consists of nitrogen oxide (NO) and nitrogen dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> ). The gases are emitted with exhaust from combustion engines and products from blasting operations. NO <sub>x</sub> can be converted to nitric acid in the atmosphere and thus contribute to acid deposition.
<b>Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>)</b>	A colourless, odourless reactive gas naturally found in the earth's stratosphere, where it absorbs the ultraviolet component of incoming solar radiation that could be harmful to life on earth. It is also found near earth's surface where pollutants emitted from human activities react in the presence of sunlight to form ozone. How sunny weather and stagnant conditions favour ozone formulation. The principal pollutants involved in these reactions are NO <sub>x</sub> , volatile organic carbon (VOC) and carbon monoxide (CO).
<b>Respirable particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)</b>	PM <sub>2.5</sub> particles are a subset of PM <sub>10</sub> and are defined as particles with a diameter less than 2.5 µm. These particles are small enough to enter deep into the respiratory system. The majority of PM emitted in diesel engine exhaust is PM <sub>2.5</sub> .
<b>Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)</b>	Fossil fuel contains a small amount of organic compounds. During fuel combustion, the sulphur is oxidized and emitted as SO <sub>2</sub> gas with the engine exhaust. In the atmosphere, SO <sub>2</sub> can further oxidize to sulphate particles, which contribute to acid deposition.
<b>TSP</b>	Total suspended particulates (TSP) are solid matter or liquid droplets from smoke, dust, fuel ash, or condensing vapours that can be suspended in the air.
<b>USEPA</b>	United States Environmental Protection Agency. The USEPA has promulgated a variety of guidelines, objectives, emission factors, air dispersion modelling procedures and statutes for the protection of ambient air quality.

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As required in the Project Certificate, the locations for the instruments used to measure the above parameters along with the monitoring objectives were reviewed with Mr. Dave Fox (Air Protection Management Analyst North, Environment Canada, Yellowknife).

Chapter 2 of this report provides the results from the particulate matter (both suspended particulate matter and dustfall) measurements, and Chapter 3 of this report provides the results from the passive ambient air quality samplers for  $\text{SO}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{O}_3$ . Chapter 4 provides a brief discussion of the results.

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## 2. Particulate Matter

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Particulate matter is a criteria air quality contaminant (CAC) associated with mining and mineral processing operations. It is generated by mobile equipment, crushing, blasting, bulk handling and storage and other associated mineral processing and construction activities. As part of the ambient air quality compliance monitoring program, particulate matter was monitored in Q1 and Q2 2010 at various locations for the concentration of suspended particulate matter and dustfall.

### 2.1 SUSPENDED PARTICULATE MATTER

Suspended particulate matter (SPM) in ambient air generally is a complex, multi-phase system of all airborne solid and low vapour pressure liquid particles having aerodynamic particle sizes from 0.01 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  in diameter and larger. SPM concentrations in ambient air were monitored using two Partisol samplers located on the butte near the Doris camp. The site selection, methods and results are presented below.

#### 2.1.1 Site Selection

As with any type of ambient air monitoring study, the validity of conclusions depends on representativeness of the sample data. Therefore, the sampling location and the siting of the ambient air samplers are important.

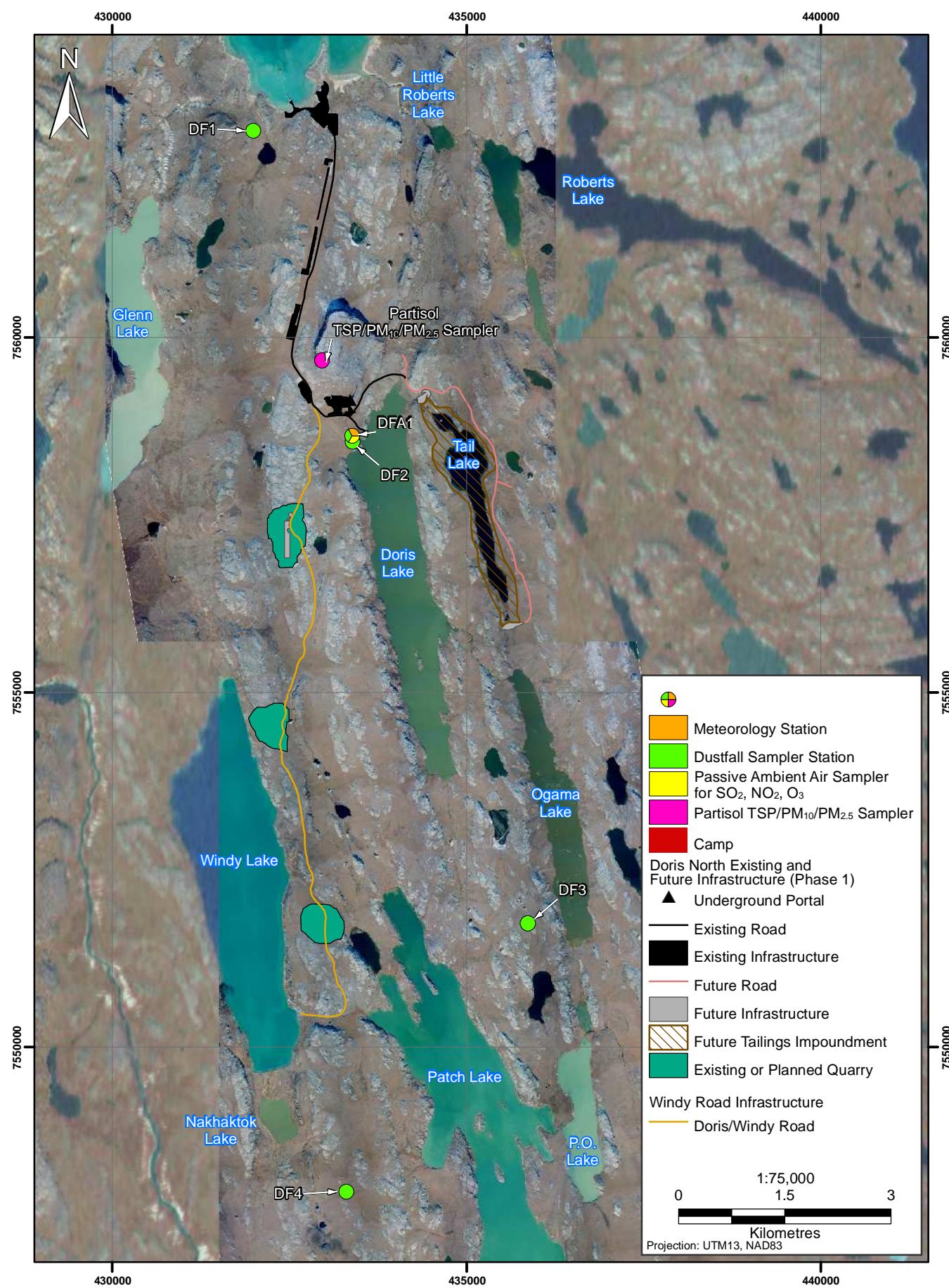
Nunavut does not have established siting requirements for ambient air samplers. Therefore, the siting criteria from the British Columbia Ministry of Environment (BC MoE 2009) and the US EPA methods (US EPA 2009 and US EPA 1999) were used.

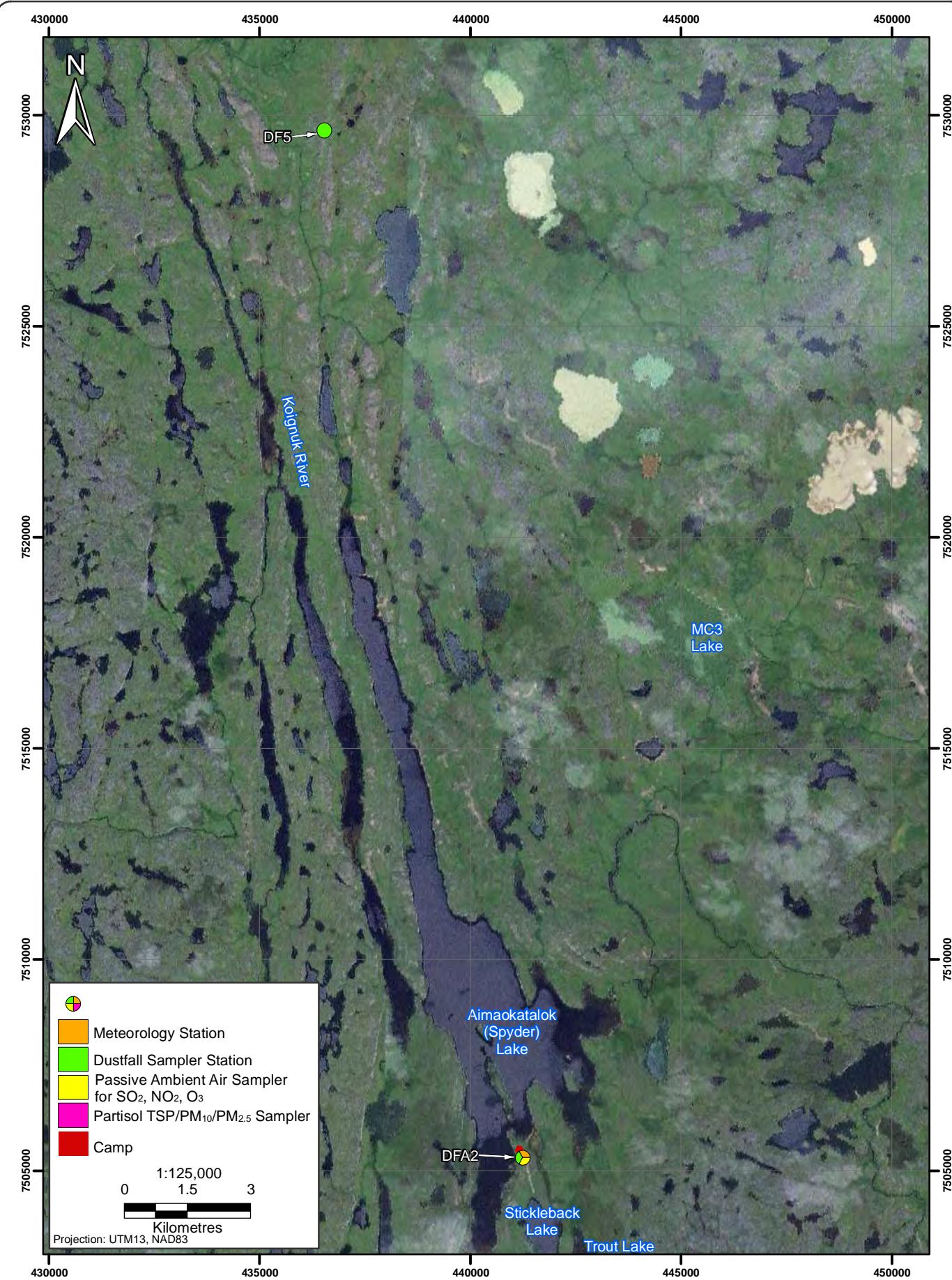
Additional factors, not specified in standard site selection criteria, were also considered. Due to the very cold climate the Partisol samplers were installed inside a temperature controlled shelter. As a result the sample schedule interruptions potentially caused by cold weather, wet conditions and excess humidity (filter conditioning), air leaks and pump malfunctioning were minimized. The Partisol air sampler location is free from obstructions and nearby pollutant sources that may cause interference in suspended particulate monitoring (Figure 2-1.1 and Plates 2-1.1 and 2.1-2).

#### 2.1.2 Monitoring Method

Suspended particulate matter is being monitored by the Partisol ambient air samplers in three forms; TSP,  $\text{PM}_{10}$  and  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ . The Partisol plus model 2025 ambient air sampler monitors TSP and the Partisol Sequential Dichotomous Model 2025D ambient air sampler monitors  $\text{PM}_{10}$  and  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  simultaneously (Plate 2.1-3). The Partisol instruments are widely used in Canada for compliance monitoring programs and are recognized as reference equivalent methods by the US EPA (US EPA 2009).

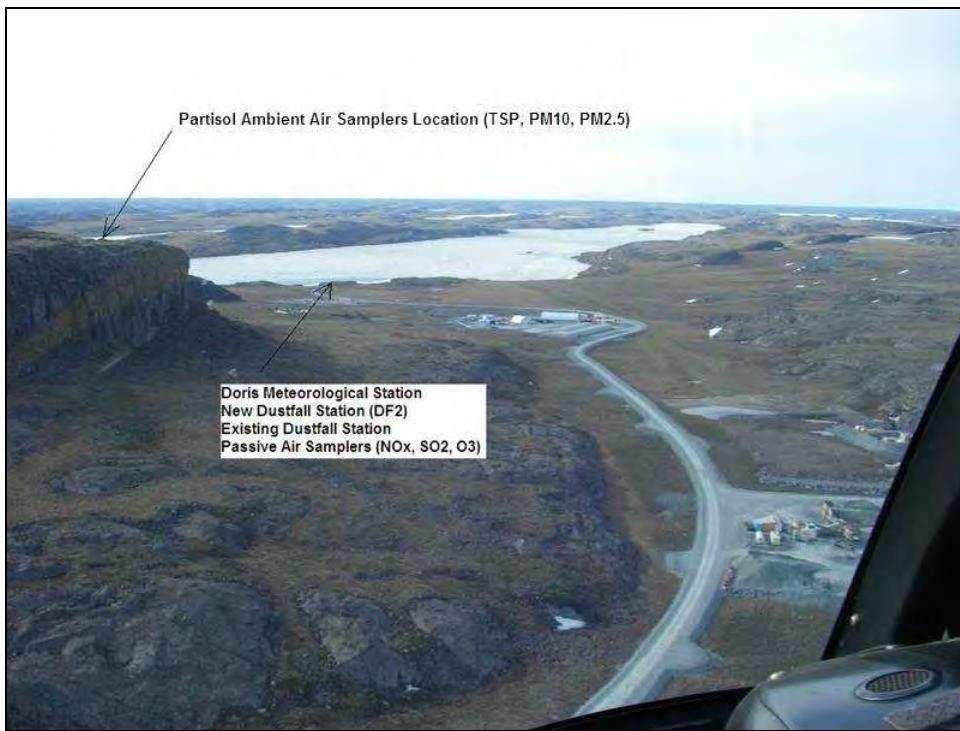
The Partisol ambient air samplers draw a particulate-laden ambient air stream through a size-selective inlet, and then through a 47 mm diameter filter. A built-in pump provides the vacuum required to pull the air flow through the sample filter and a volume flow controller monitors and automatically adjusts the flow rate (Figure 2.1-2). The filters, approved for use with the Partisol ambient air samplers, were the Pallflex TX40H120-WW teflon coated fibre glass type. The Partisol air sampler filters are pre and post weighted at a laboratory that is accredited by the Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation (CALA).





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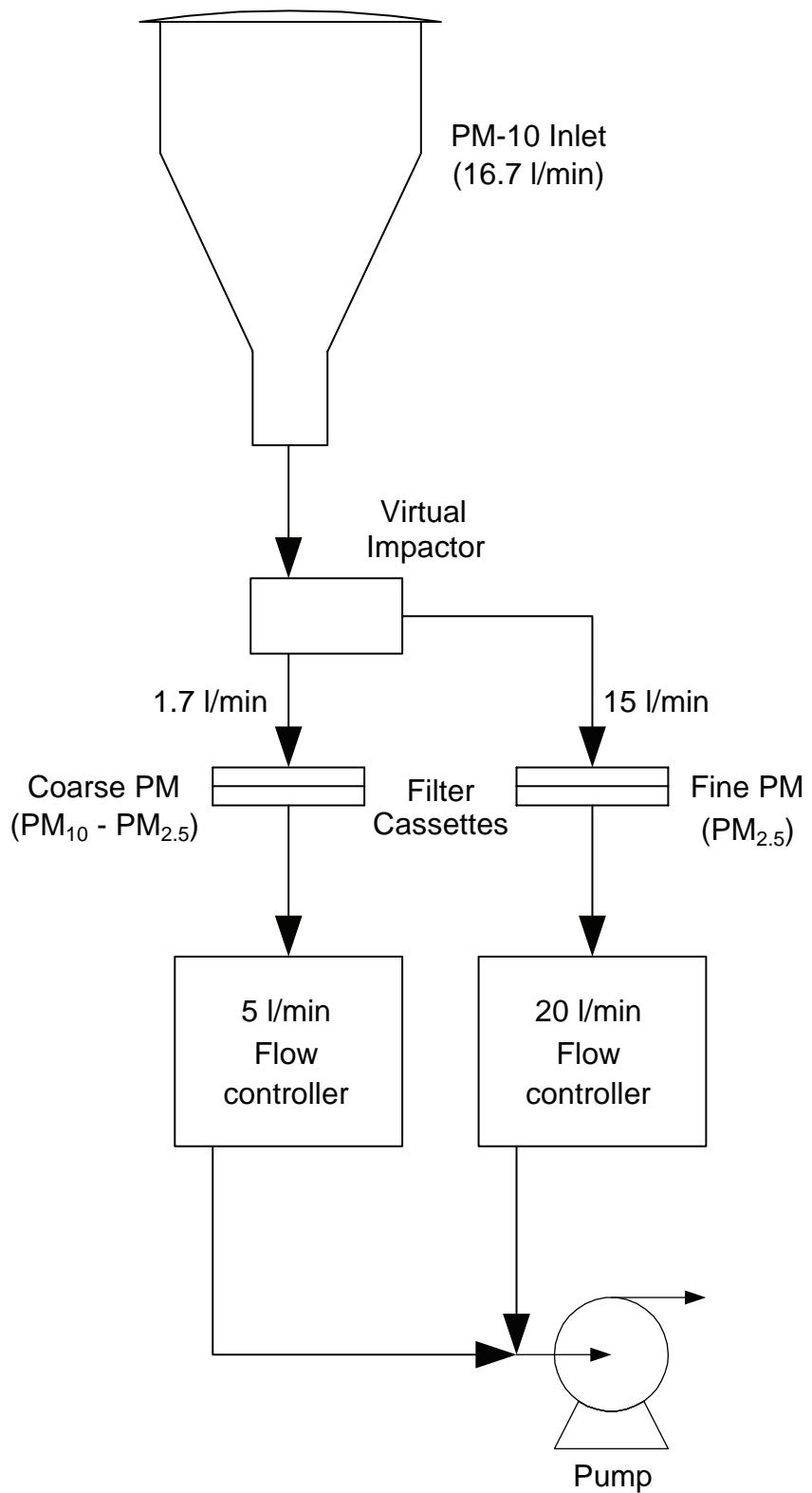
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*Plate 2.1-1. The Partisol ambient air samplers are located at the top of a butte that is approximately 660 m north of the Doris camp. Doris Lake is shown in the background of this photograph.*



*Plate 2.1-2. Temperature controlled shelter housing the Partisol ambient air samplers, early July 2010.*



Source: Thermo Fisher Scientific, 2007



Plate 2.1-3. Inside the temperature controlled shelter the Partisol sampler for TSP is shown on the left and the PM<sub>10</sub>/PM<sub>2.5</sub> sampler is on right.

The filter exchange is performed using pneumatic pressure from the sample pump, and does not involve any special electromechanical components, belts or motors. New filter cassettes from the supply magazine (left) are pushed up and rightward to the sampling position, while the previous cassette is moved to the storage magazine (right, Plate 2.1-4). The supply and storage magazines are covered to seal off the filter cassettes thereby protecting them from environmental interferences during sampling operations.

The Partisol Plus 2025 TSP sampler (the instrument on left at Plate 2.1-3) monitors only TSP therefore, the instrument does not split the incoming ambient air and all sampling air goes through one filter.

The Partisol ambient air samplers at the Doris project are programmed to follow Environment Canada's National Air Pollution Surveillance (NAPS) schedule. The NAPS program requires 24-hour sampling every six days for particulate matter monitoring.

### 2.1.3 Results and Comparison

The following are results from the ambient air quality sampling program for suspended particulate matter monitored from January to June 2010. Table 2.1-1 summarizes the results from the Partisol 2025 Dichotomous sampler which provides ambient PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations. The PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations are representative of baseline conditions in an undisturbed remote area. There are no ambient air quality standards in Nunavut for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> therefore the Northwest Territories and Canada-Wide Standards were used to compare PM<sub>2.5</sub> and the British Columbia and Ontario standards for PM<sub>10</sub>. The Canada-Wide Standards were created by the Canadian Council for Ministers of the Environment (CCME 2000). The PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations from this reporting period were low compare to the guidelines (Table 2.1.1). The trends can be seen in Figure 2.1-3.

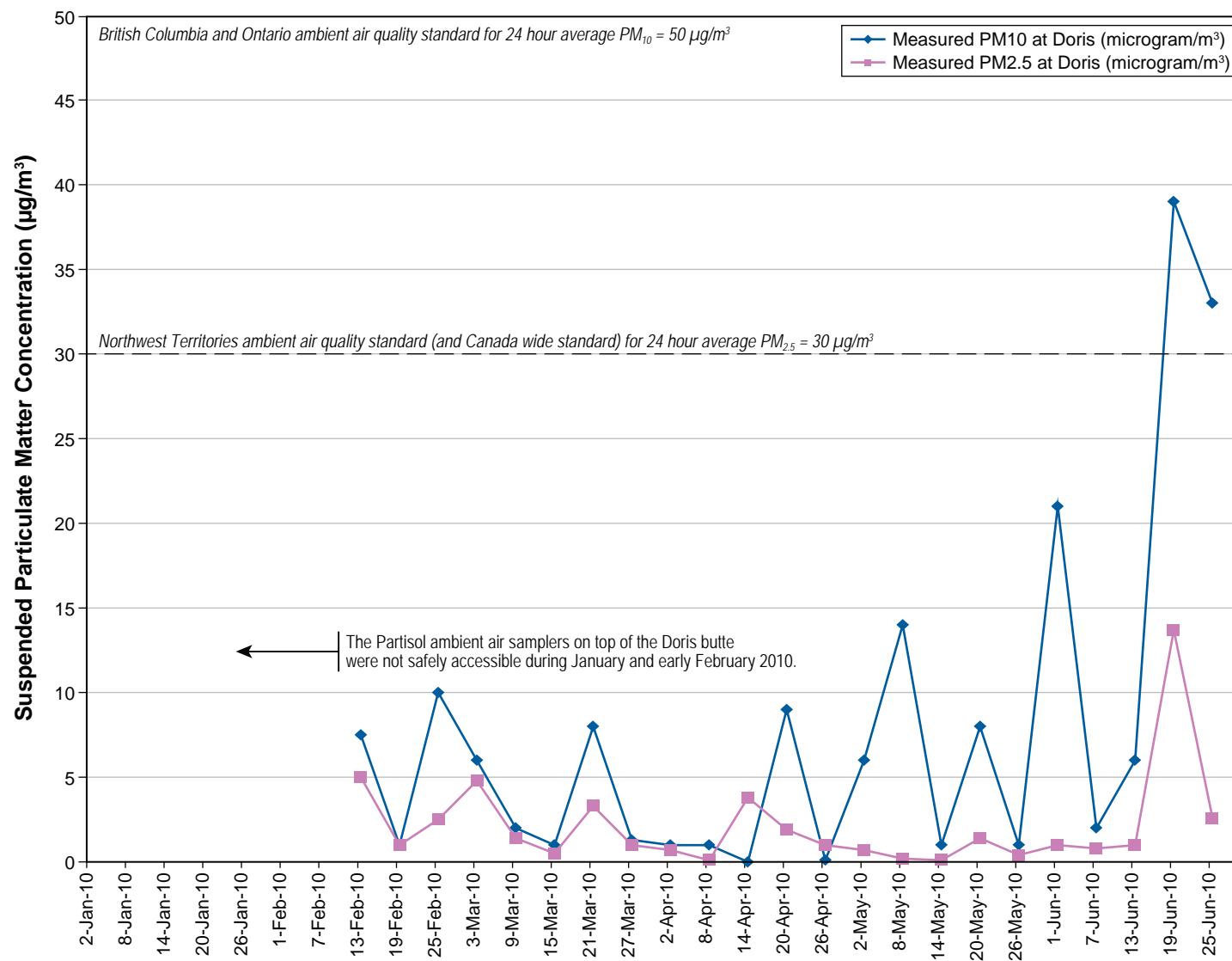


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Plate 2.1-4. The Partisol air sampler filters are contained in a magazine on the left side of the unit. The filters laden with suspended particulate matter are contained in a magazine on the right side of the unit (PM<sub>10</sub> at front and PM<sub>2.5</sub> at rear).

Table 2.1-1. PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Results Summary

Day	Sample Date	Measured PM <sub>10</sub> at Doris (microgram/m <sup>3</sup> )	Measured PM <sub>2.5</sub> at Doris (microgram/m <sup>3</sup> )
Saturday	2-Jan-2010	n/a	n/a
Friday	8-Jan-2010	n/a	n/a
Thursday	14-Jan-2010	n/a	n/a
Wednesday	20-Jan-2010	n/a	n/a
Tuesday	26-Jan-2010	n/a	n/a
Monday	1-Feb-2010	n/a	n/a
Sunday	7-Feb-2010	n/a	n/a
Saturday	13-Feb-2010	7.5	5
Friday	19-Feb-2010	1	1
Thursday	25-Feb-2010	10	2.5
Wednesday	3-Mar-2010	6	4.8
Tuesday	9-Mar-2010	2	1.4
Monday	15-Mar-2010	1	0.5
Sunday	21-Mar-2010	8	3.3
Saturday	27-Mar-2010	1.3	1

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**Table 2.1-1. PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Results Summary (completed)**

Day	Sample Date	Measured PM <sub>10</sub> at Doris (microgram/m <sup>3</sup> )	Measured PM <sub>2.5</sub> at Doris (microgram/m <sup>3</sup> )
Friday	2-Apr-2010	1	0.7
Thursday	8-Apr-2010	1	0.1
Wednesday	14-Apr-2010	invalid	3.8
Tuesday	20-Apr-2010	9	1.9
Monday	26-Apr-2010	0.1	1
Sunday	2-May-2010	6	0.7
Saturday	8-May-2010	14	0.2
Friday	14-May-2010	1	0.1
Thursday	20-May-2010	8	1.4
Wednesday	26-May-2010	1	0.4
Tuesday	1-Jun-2010	21	1
Monday	7-Jun-2010	2	0.8
Sunday	13-Jun-2010	6	1
Saturday	19-Jun-2010	39	13.7
Friday	25-Jun-2010	33	2.6
<b>Guidelines *</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Average</b>		<b>8.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>

\* National Ambient Air Quality Objectives for Particulate Matter (Health Canada 1998)

n/a= not available because the Partisol ambient air samplers on top of the Doris butte were not safely accessible during January and early February 2010.

Table 2.1-2 summarizes the results from the Partisol Plus 2025 sampler which monitors TSP concentrations. None of the 24 hour TSP concentrations exceeded the Health Canada - National Ambient Air Quality Objective (NAAQO) or the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality (Nunavut 2002) of 120 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

**Table 2.1-2. Total Suspended Particulate (TSP) Results Summary**

	Sample Date	Measured TSP at Doris (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Saturday	2-Jan-2010	n/a
Friday	8-Jan-2010	n/a
Thursday	14-Jan-2010	n/a
Wednesday	20-Jan-2010	n/a
Tuesday	26-Jan-2010	n/a
Monday	1-Feb-2010	n/a
Sunday	7-Feb-2010	n/a
Saturday	13-Feb-2010	2.5
Friday	19-Feb-2010	1.7
Thursday	25-Feb-2010	6.8

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Table 2.1-2. Total Suspended Particulate (TSP) Results Summary (completed)

	Sample Date	Measured TSP at Doris ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
Wednesday	3-Mar-2010	7.3
Tuesday	9-Mar-2010	2.4
Monday	15-Mar-2010	4.5
Sunday	21-Mar-2010	3.7
Saturday	27-Mar-2010	1.3
Friday	2-Apr-2010	1.5
Thursday	8-Apr-2010	0.5
Wednesday	14-Apr-2010	10.9
Tuesday	20-Apr-2010	1.4
Monday	26-Apr-2010	0.2
Sunday	2-May-2010	2.9
Saturday	8-May-2010	4.1
Friday	14-May-2010	1.1
Thursday	20-May-2010	2.5
Wednesday	26-May-2010	1.1
Tuesday	1-Jun-2010	0.4
Monday	7-Jun-2010	0.9
Sunday	13-Jun-2010	1.5
Saturday	19-Jun-2010	13.9
Friday	25-Jun-2010	2.3
<b>TSP Objective</b>		120 *
<b>TSP Average</b>		3.3

\* 24-hr limit specified in Canadian Ambient Air Quality Objective and the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality.

n/a= not available because the Partisol ambient air samplers on top of the Doris butte were not safely accessible during January and early February 2010.

Overall, the 24-hour suspended particulate matter concentrations were low. The nearest NAPS suspended particulate matter monitoring station to the Project is Yellowknife, NWT station, and the PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual averages were 6 and 3  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in 2006, respectively. The only suspended particulate matter monitoring station operated by NAPS in Nunavut is located in Iqaluit and this station monitors PM<sub>10</sub>. The annual average at Iqaluit station for PM<sub>10</sub> was 14  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in 2006. During the first six months of 2010, average PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations at the Doris North project site were similar to NAPS Yellowknife station and PM<sub>10</sub> was lower than at NAPS Iqaluit station.

TSP concentrations at the Project site were lower than PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> which is inaccurate because PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are subsets of TSP; therefore, the TSP concentration should be equal or higher than PM<sub>10</sub> concentration. A leak test and a flow audit were performed during the periodical site visit, and the cause of these low TSP concentrations is currently being investigated and any problems with equipment or sampling procedures will be alleviated once identified. TSP concentrations are not monitored by NAPS in this region therefore there is no regional data to compare with.

## 2.2 DUSTFALL

The purpose of the dustfall monitoring program is to quantify the amount of dust deposition near the Project site and compare the results to the available criteria and standards.

In addition to the original five dustfall monitoring stations, in June 2010 two new dustfall stations were established in the south end of the belt. Two dustfall stations, collocated with meteorological stations, use an Alberta Environment sampling method (Alberta AMD 1989), and the remaining five stations use the ASTM 2004 method.

### 2.2.1 Site Selection

The two dustfall monitoring stations, which use the Alberta Environment method, are collocated at the Doris North and Boston automated meteorological stations. The remaining five dustfall stations followed the ASTM 2004 site selection recommendations. Three dustfall stations are located in the central and south portions of the belt (Figure 2.1-1a and 2.1-1b). Dominant wind directions as well as present and potential future project activities were considered during the site selection process. There are no obstructions or local sources of air pollutants near the new stations. In addition, the relatively flat topography allows for the collection of representative data (Figure 2.1-1a and 2.1-1b). The dustfall monitoring stations are in open areas that are free of structures higher than 1 m within a 20 m radius of the collection container.

### 2.2.2 Monitoring Method

Dustfall (settleable particulate matter) was monitored at the five dustfall monitoring stations by using the ASTM D1739-98 sampling method (ASTM 2004). The dustfall monitoring stations collect particles small enough to pass through a 1 mm screen and large enough to settle by virtue of their weight.

This method requires containers of a standard size and shape, which are sealed in a laboratory. The containers were installed on a 2 m pole, surrounded by a windscreens and were each exposed to the atmosphere for about 30 days. All dustfall results were prorated by the laboratory to a 30-day average, so that they could be compared with standards. Monthly samples were sent to the laboratory for analysis of total, soluble and insoluble particulate matter. The stations which use the ASTM method (DF1-DF5) have two dustfall collectors at each station. One of the containers is analyzed in the laboratory for particulates (total, soluble and insoluble) and anions (sulphate, nitrate, chloride, and ammonia) and the other for total metals and various cations. Because algae are an interference for dustfall measurements the deionized water in the dustfall containers also contains algaecide. The windscreens around the sample container improves the dustfall collection efficiency and bird spikes are used to minimize contaminants from bird faeces (Plate 2.2-1).

The two dustfall stations, which are collocated with Doris and Boston meteorological stations, were operated in accordance to the Alberta Environment sampling method (Alberta AMD 1989). Each station consisted of one dustfall collector. Monthly samples were sent to the laboratory for analysis of total dustfall and total fixed dustfall. Total dustfall is defined as the amount of material left after evaporation of a sample of dustfall and its subsequent drying. Total fixed dustfall is the residue that is left after ignition of the total dustfall sample (Alberta AMD 1989).



*Plate 2.2-1. Dustfall monitoring station (DF4) near the Doris project site. For locations using the ASTM (2004) method two sample containers are required to provide a sufficient volume of sample for the various parameters (e.g. particulate, anions, cations, total metals). Locations using the Alberta Environment (AMD 1989) method only require one collector.*

### 2.2.3 Results and Comparison

The dustfall results are summarized in Tables 2.2-1 and 2.2-2. During Q1 and Q2 2010 one batch of dustfall samples was collected at the stations that followed the ASTM method (DF1 to DF5). During Q1 and Q2, seven batches of dustfall samples were collected at the Doris station using the Alberta Environment sampling method and four batches of samples were collected at the Boston station. Table 2.2-3 summarizes the dustfall limits in various jurisdictions. There is no consistency in dustfall limits among various authorities and jurisdictions. Overall, the Doris project dustfall results were lower than any of the limits listed in Table 2.2-3. This was expected and indicates typical baseline levels for an undisturbed area. The dustfall results for the Alberta Environment method are summarized in Figure 2.2-1.

**Table 2.2-1. Dustfall Results using the ASTM Method (mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/day) for July 2010**

Dustfall	DF1	DF2	DF3	DF4	DF5
Total	0.44	0.19	0.15	0.2	<0.10
Total Insoluble	0.25	<0.10	<0.10	<0.10	<0.10
Total Soluble	0.2	0.15	<0.10	0.16	<0.10

*Note: < 0.10 = Less than the detection limit of 0.10 mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/ day*

**Table 2.2-2. Dustfall Results using the Alberta Environment Method (mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/day)**

Doris Station	Oct 22, 2009 - Jan 14, 2010 <sup>1</sup>	Jan 14 - Feb 12, 2010	Feb 12 - Mar 1, 2010	Mar 1 - Apr 3, 2010	Apr 3 - May 16, 2010	May 16 - Jun 2, 2010	Jun 2 - Jul 7, 2010
Doris Total Dustfall	0.131	0.077	0.080	0.133	0.137	1.008	0.422
Doris Total Fixed Dustfall	0.104	0.077	0.040	0.090	0.087	0.673	0.275
Boston Station			Oct 22, 2009 - Mar 21, 2010 <sup>2</sup>		Mar 21 - May 17, 2010 <sup>3</sup>	May 17 - Jun 10, 2010	Jun 10 - Jul 1, 2010
Boston Total Dustfall			0.080		0.050	0.466	0.399
Boston Total Fixed Dustfall			0.067		0.040	0.399	0.315

Notes: 1. The Doris station was not accessible between October 2009 and January 2010.

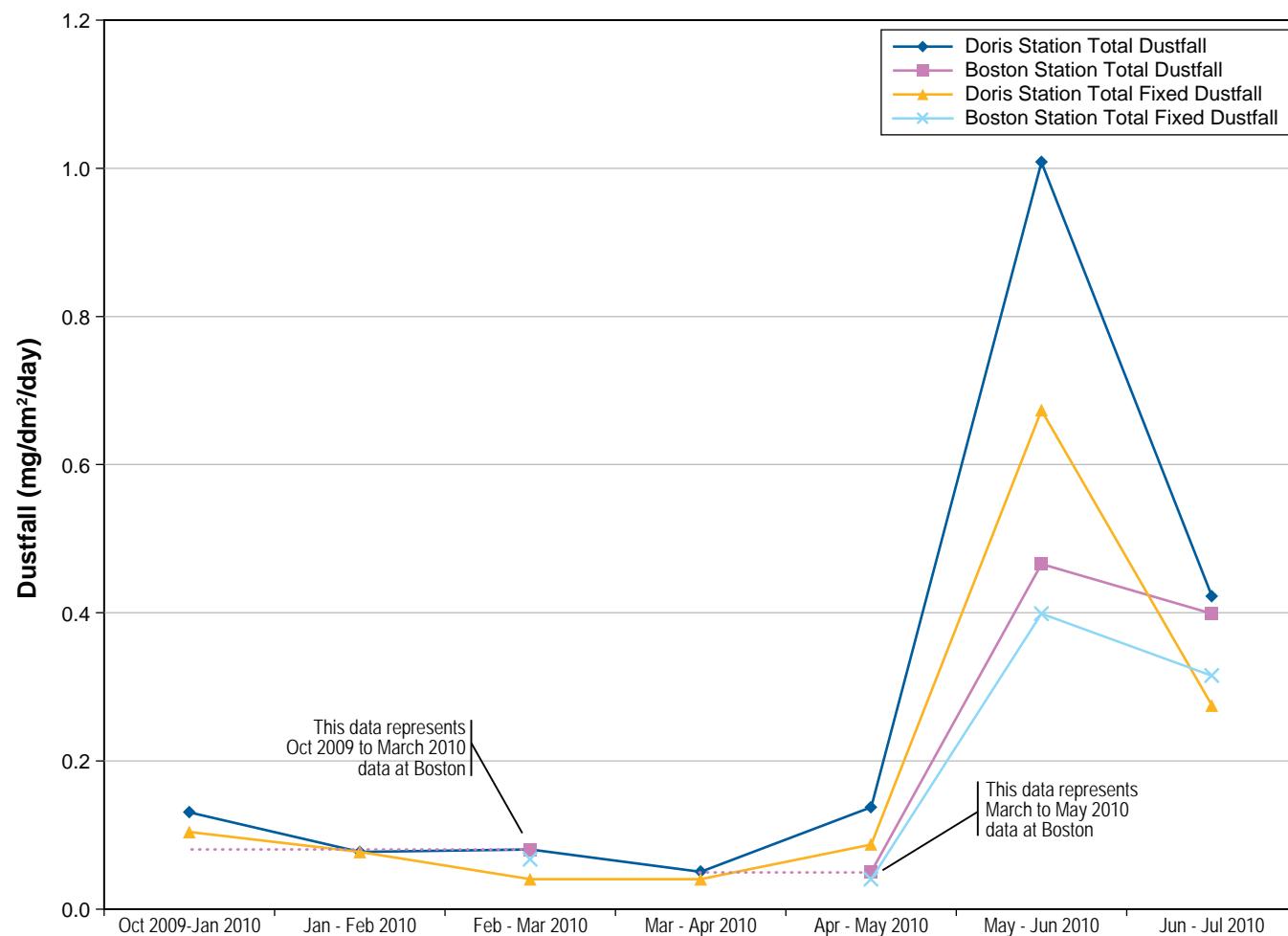
2. The Boston station was not accessible from October 2009 to March 2010 therefore the first sampling of 2010 consists of 5-month data. The Boston station was not accessible during April 2010.

3. The Boston station was not accessible in April 2010 therefore the second sampling at Boston consists of 2-month data.

**Table 2.2-3. Dustfall Limits in Several Jurisdictions**

Jurisdiction		Dustfall Criterion Level (mg/m <sup>2</sup> /day)	Comments	Dustfall Criterion Level (mg/dm <sup>2</sup> /day)
Alberta	Residential and recreational areas	175	averaged over 30 days	1.75
	Commercial and industrial areas	525	averaged over 30 days	5.25
Ontario		230	averaged over 30 days	2.3
Saskatchewan		667	averaged over 30 days	6.67
British Columbia Pollution Control Objective (BC MOE 1979)		170 to 290		1.7 to 2.9

The concentration of total metals in the dustfall samples was also analyzed and the laboratory results are summarized in Appendix III. Most of the metal concentrations were below the detection limits and the detectable metal concentrations were very low and for all intents and purposes would be considered negligible. There are no specific criteria for metal concentrations in settleable particulate matter. However, there are workplace or occupational air quality standards (e.g., industrial hygiene) for metals that are of concern with respect to human health. The metals that are a concern for human health are cadmium, lead and arsenic and the concentrations in the collected dustfall samples were negligible or below the detection limit.



Note: The Doris station was not accessible on a monthly basis between October 2009 and January 2010.  
 The Boston station was not accessible on a monthly basis between October 2009 and March 2010 and during April 2010.

Figure 2.2-1

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## 3. Ambient Air Quality Monitoring by Passive Samplers

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The passive ambient air quality samplers obtained monthly average concentrations for criteria air contaminants at the Project site. The Passive ambient air samplers were attached to with the Boston and Doris automated meteorological station towers and monitored SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub> (Figure 2.2-1).

#### 3.1 SITE SELECTION

The samplers (Plate 3.1-1) were placed in environmentally safe locations where they would not be affected by weather or damaged by wildlife. They were placed far from obstructions and there were no nearby roadways that could influence measurements. One sampler was located near the Doris meteorological station (Figure 2.2-1) and the other was located near the Boston meteorological station.



*Plate 3.1-1. The white circular device shown in this photo is the passive air sampling system on the Boston automated meteorological station.*

#### 3.2 MONITORING METHOD

Passive air sampling is a diffusive method which monitors gas or vapour pollutants from the atmosphere at a rate controlled by a physical process, such as diffusion through a static air layer or permeation through a membrane. The passive method does not involve the active movement of the air through the sampler; therefore no electric air moving pump is required. The number of days of contact between the ambient air and the permeation membrane is important. The local meteorological conditions are also used in the calculations. The meteorological parameters that are used in the PASS calculations are air temperature, wind speed and relative humidity.

The passive air monitoring sampling system (PASS) provides low detection limits, is very easy to install and does not require power. The passive sampler is kept under a rain shelter (Plate 3.2-1) on a tripod beside the Doris meteorological station. The other PASS monitoring site is located at the Boston meteorological station. Duplicate PASS samplers are collected at the Boston station for quality assurance and control purposes.



Plate 3.2-1. Passive air samplers under a rain shelter.

### 3.3 RESULTS AND COMPARISON

Monthly PASS samples were sent to Maxxam Analytical Laboratory for analysis. The PASS results and air quality guidelines are summarized in Table 3.3-1 and Table 3.3-2, respectively. The original laboratory reports are in Appendix II. The trends are presented in Figures 3.3-1 to 3.3-3.

The PASS results are expressed as monthly average concentrations; however Health Canada's National Ambient Air Quality Objectives (NAAQO) and the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality only use averaging periods of 1-hour, 24-hour and 1-year. Therefore, the PASS results cannot be directly compared with the Canadian and Nunavut ambient air quality objectives or guidelines. After a full year of data has been collected the 1 year average  $\text{SO}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{O}_3$  averages will be compared to the annual ambient air quality guidelines. This comparison will be done in the final 2010 air quality compliance report.

Overall, monthly concentrations of  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{NO}_2$  were lower than guidelines and monthly  $\text{O}_3$  concentrations were consistent and similar to levels estimated by Health Canada (1999) for areas that are not impacted by anthropogenic pollution. Based on Health Canada's guideline, reasonable estimates of background ozone for areas of Canada relatively unimpacted by anthropogenic pollution are:

- Daily 1 hr. Maximum (May - Sept.) 35 to 48 ppb (69 to 94  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ); and
- Monthly 1 hr. Average (May - Sept.) 25 to 40 ppb (49 to 78  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ).

As a result, the passive ambient air quality results are representative of baseline concentrations in an undisturbed area.

**Table 3.3-1. Passive Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Results<sup>1</sup>**

Doris Station	Units	Jan-2010	Feb-2010	Mar-2010	Apr-2010	May-2010	Jun-2010	Average
SO <sub>2</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	5.0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	1.0
	ppb	1.9	0.2	0.05	0.05	0.1	0.1	0.4
NO <sub>2</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	9.6	4.7	1.5	1.3	0.1	0.9	3.0
	ppb	5.1	2.5	0.8	0.7	0.05	0.5	1.6
O <sub>3</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	62.1	51.5	69.8	71.9	69.8	52.3	62.9
	ppb	31.7	26.3	35.6	36.7	35.6	26.7	32.1
Boston Station <sup>2</sup>	Units	Oct 2009- Mar 2010 <sup>3</sup>		Apr-2010	May-2010	Jun-2010	Average	
SO <sub>2</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>			0.3	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.3
	ppb			0.1	0.05	0.1	0.15	0.1
NO <sub>2</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>			0.1	0.1	0.1	3.4	0.9
	ppb			0.05	0.05	0.05	1.8	0.5
O <sub>3</sub>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>			54.1	68.5	61.3	52.1	59.0
	ppb			27.6	35.0	31.3	26.6	30.1

*Detection limits are (0.1 ppb) (0.26 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) for SO<sub>2</sub>, 0.1 ppb (0.188 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) for NO<sub>2</sub> and 0.1 ppb (0.196 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) for O<sub>3</sub>.*

*1 = If the samples below detection limit (lower than 0.1 ppb) the concentration was assumed as half of the detection limit (0.05 ppb) in the table and/or in the average calculations.*

*2 = The average of two duplicate samples are presented.*

*3 = The Boston station was inaccessible between October 2009 and March 2010 therefore a 5 month average is presented.*

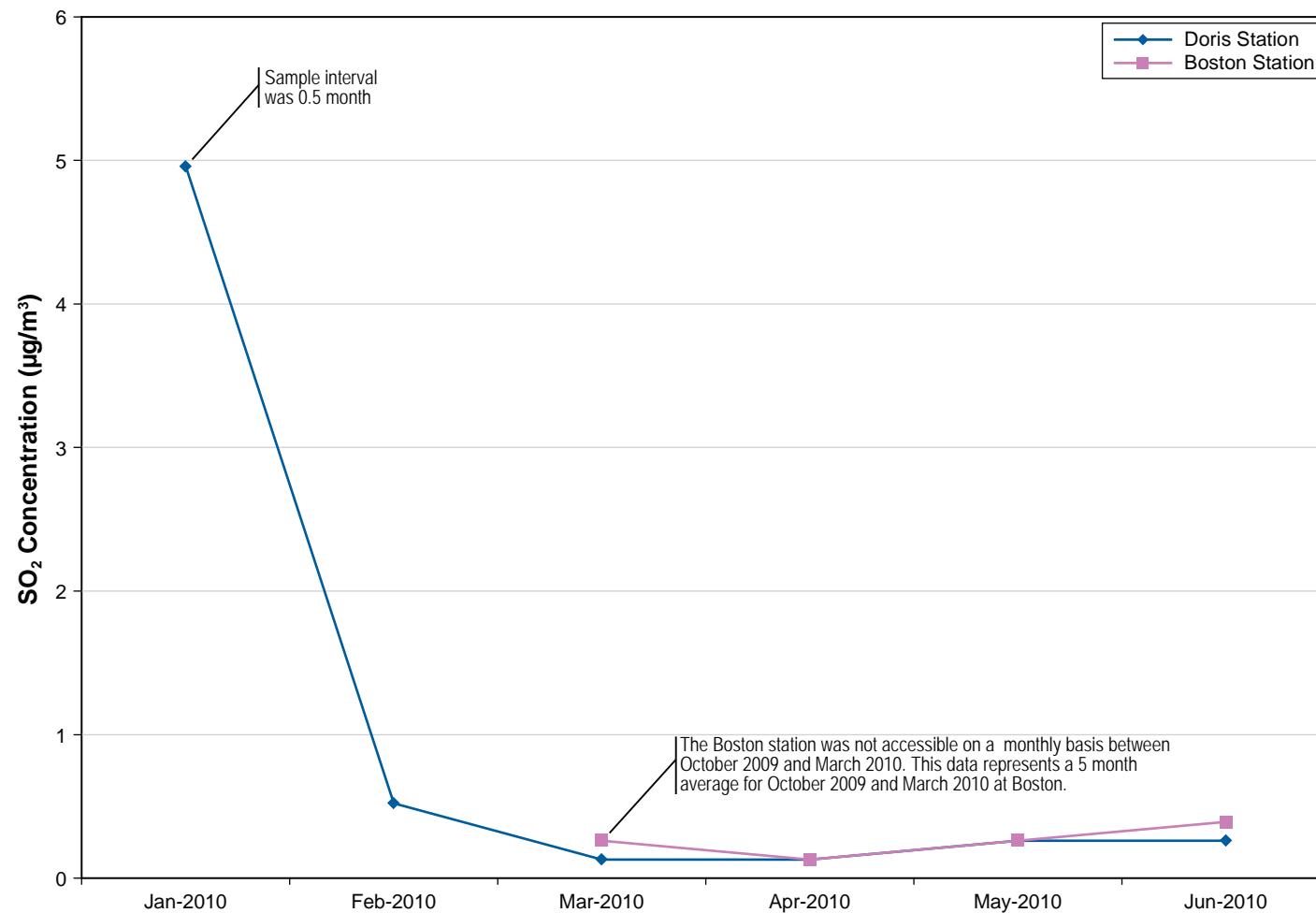
**Table 3.3-2. Ambient Air Quality Guidelines for SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>**

	Unit	Annual	Daily	1-Hour
SO <sub>2</sub> *	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	30	150	450
NO <sub>2</sub> **	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	100	200	400
O <sub>3</sub> **	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	30	50	160

*\* Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality and National Ambient Air Quality Objectives (NAAQOs) maximum desirable level.*

*\*\* National Ambient Air Quality Objectives (NAAQOs) maximum acceptable level established and reviewed based on recommendations under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA)*

Although direct comparisons cannot be made between the monthly PASS results and the NAAQO and Nunavut air quality guidelines due to the different averaging periods, the concentrations of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub> during Q1 and Q2 2010 were typically low and representative of an undisturbed area.



Note: The Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality for annual average SO<sub>2</sub> concentrations is 30 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Figure 3.3-1

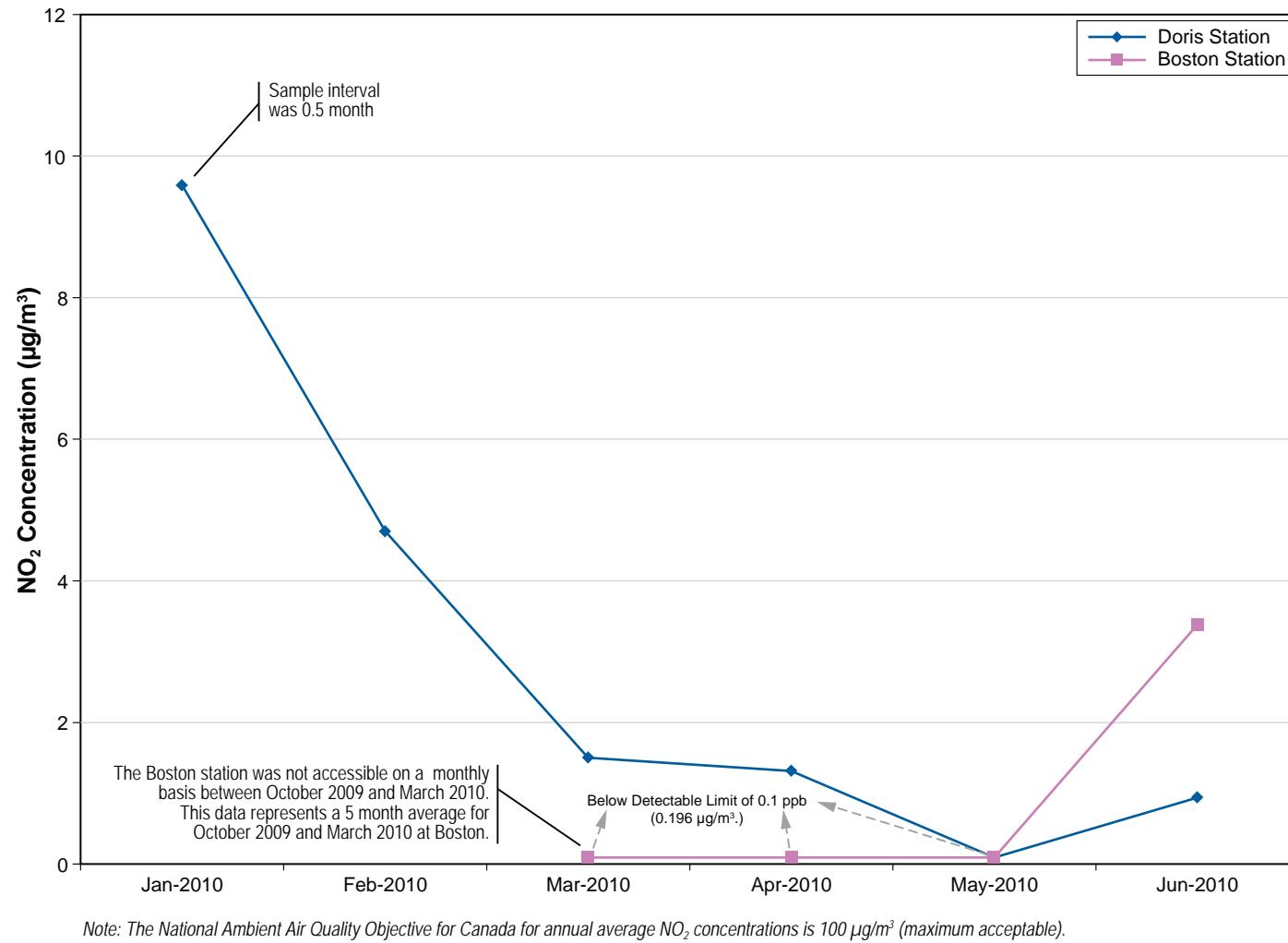
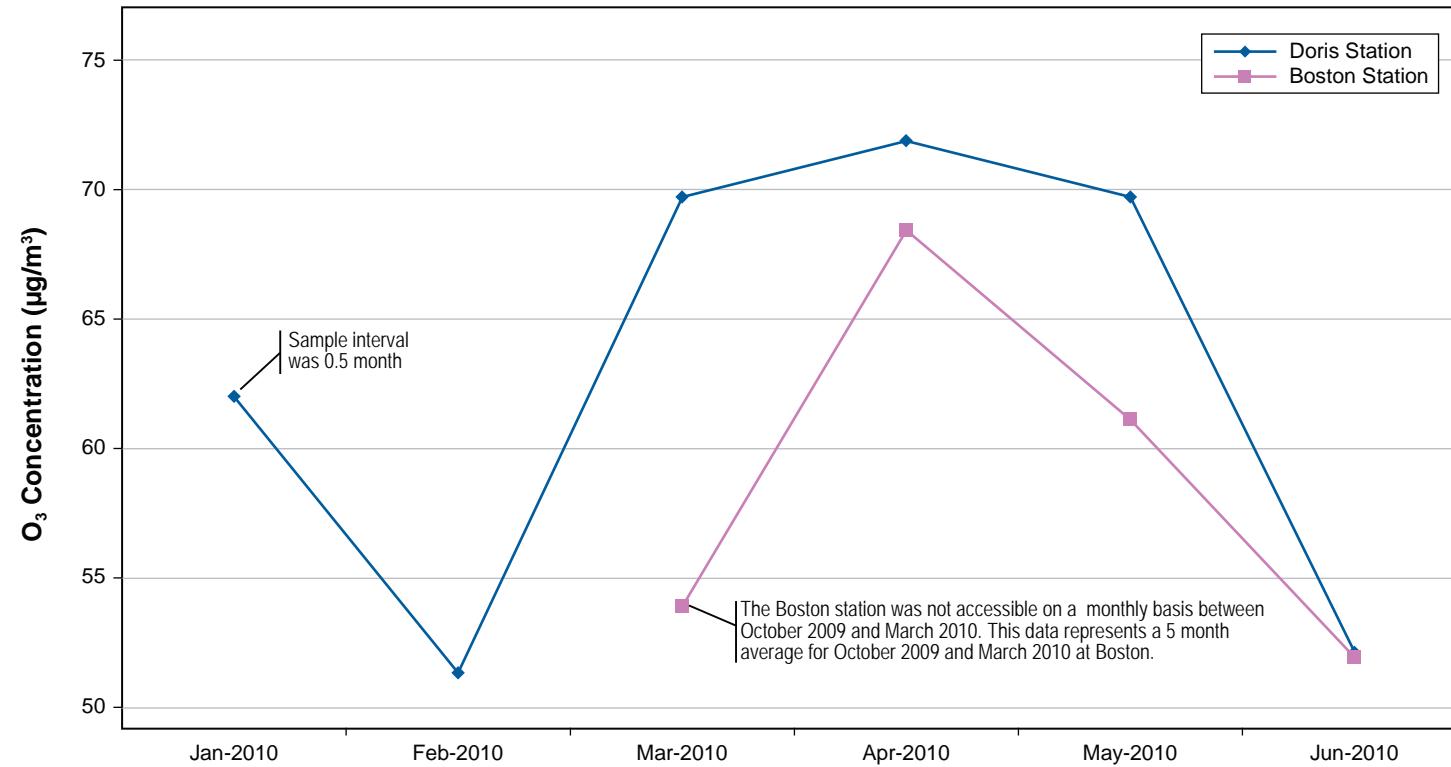


Figure 3.3-2



## Doris North Project O<sub>3</sub> Concentrations from the Passive Air Samplers

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## 4. Results and Discussion

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The ambient air quality monitoring program at the Doris North Project site was continued during the first six months of 2010. The program was improved by adding two dustfall stations to monitor baseline settleable particulate matter (dustfall) concentrations in the central and south portions of the belt. The previously installed passive ambient air monitoring and dustfall stations and the two Partisol ambient air quality samplers continued monitoring throughout the reporting period.

The Partisol ambient air quality samplers and program follows the Environment Canada - National Air Pollutant Surveillance (NAPS) schedule and allows for collection of a 24-hr sample every six days for each parameter (TSP, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>). The PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations at the Doris site were low and typical of background concentrations for remote undisturbed areas in Canada. They were also lower than the Health Canada - National Ambient Air Quality Objectives, Canada-Wide Standards and Nunavut Environmental Guidelines for Air Quality. The total suspended particulate matter concentrations at the Doris site were lower than expected; therefore, a leak test and a flow audit were performed. The sampler passed the leak test and flow audit and additional diagnostic tests are being used to determine why the results are lower than expected.

There were seven dustfall stations that were actively monitoring in the first six months of 2010. Three dustfall stations were located near the Doris site and two were located in the central and south part of the belt. All were operated according to the ASTM 1739-98 sampling method (reapproved in 2004). The other two dustfall stations located at Doris and Boston meteorological stations followed the 1985 Alberta Air Monitoring Directive Method. Dustfall results from all months and stations were below criteria from various jurisdictions. The maximum recorded dustfall concentration of 1.0 mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/day (July 2010 at Doris meteorological station) was below the Alberta (5.25 mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/day) and British Columbia (1.7 to 2.3 mg/dm<sup>2</sup>/day) limits (no criteria are available for Nunavut and Northwest Territories).

The passive ambient air quality monitoring program included monthly sampling for SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>. The maximum observed concentrations were 5.0, 9.6 and 71.9 µg/m<sup>3</sup> for SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub> respectively. The background concentrations were representative of a remote undisturbed area. Because of different averaging periods the PASS results (monthly average) cannot be directly compared with the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for Air Quality or Health Canada's National Ambient Air Quality Objectives - NAAQO (annual, 24-hour and 1-hour averages). Monthly average ozone concentrations at the Doris site were in the general range of background concentrations (49 to 78 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) estimated by Health Canada (1999) for areas not effected by anthropogenic sources. SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were lower than the National and Territorial objectives.

The ambient air quality monitoring program at the Doris site will continue with the sampling of TSP, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, monthly dustfall monitoring and passive air sampling for SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>. The Boston station with Alberta Dustfall monitoring method and passive samplers will continue if winter conditions permit access to this site. Results from Q3 and Q4 of 2010 will be included in the annual 2010 report.

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## Appendix 1

Suspended Particulate Matter Results  
(TSP, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>) from the  
Partisol Ambient Air Samplers

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SO2 Passive Analysis (1)	1	2010/02/02	2010/02/16	EINDSOP-00149	Tang Passive SO2 in

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RDL = Reportable Detection Limit				



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	Method Blank	Calculated O3	2010/02/03	<0.1		ppb	
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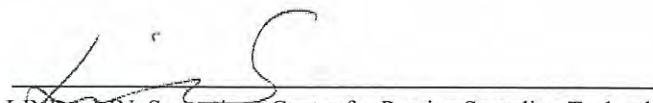
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SO2 Passive Analysis ()	1	2010/02/21	2010/02/24	EINDSOP-00149	Tang Passive SO2 in

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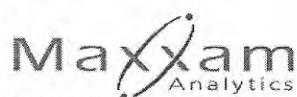
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3759864 OZ	Calibration Check	Calculated SO2	2010/02/21		101	%	95 - 105
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	Method Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/02/21	<0.1		ppb	
3764128 OZ	Calibration Check	Calculated NO2	2010/02/23		99	%	76 - 118
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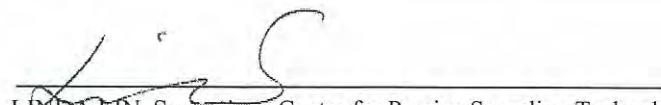
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Report Date: 2010/03/24

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**MAXXAM JOB #: B015112**

Received: 2010/03/16, 10:54

Sample Matrix: Air

# Samples Received: 1

Analyses	Quantity	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Laboratory Method	Analytical Method
NO2 Passive Analysis (1)	1	2010/03/23	2010/03/24	EINDSOP-00148	Tang Passive NO2 in
O3 Passive Analysis (1)	1	2010/03/24	2010/03/24	EINDSOP-00197	EPA 300 R2.1
SO2 Passive Analysis (1)	1	2010/03/19	2010/03/24	EINDSOP-00149	Tang Passive SO2 in

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Report Date: 2010/03/24

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Client Project #: 1009-002-02  
Site Reference: HOPE BAY (BOSTON/DORIS)  
Sampler Initials: JT

### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF AIR

Maxxam ID		T22248		
Sampling Date		2010/02/11		
Units	10DORIS-002	RDL	QC Batch	

Passive Monitoring				
Calculated NO2	ppb	2.5	0.1	3832690
Calculated O3	ppb	26.3	0.1	3837340
Calculated SO2	ppb	0.2	0.1	3824807

RDL = Reportable Detection Limit



Maxxam Job #: B015112

Report Date: 2010/03/24

RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.

Client Project #: 1009-002-02

Site Reference: HOPE BAY (BOSTON/DORIS)

Sampler Initials: JT

**General Comments**

Meteorological data from Cambridge Bay, NT station utilized.

**Results relate only to the items tested.**

Quality Assurance Report

Maxxam Job Number: PB015112

QA/QC Batch Num Init	QC Type	Parameter	Date Analyzed yyyy/mm/dd	Value	Recovery	Units	QC Limits
3824807 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated SO2	2010/03/19		98	%	95 - 105
	Spiked Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/03/19		100	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/03/19	<0.1		ppb	
3832690 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated NO2	2010/03/23		102	%	76 - 118
	Spiked Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/03/23		101	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/03/23	<0.1		ppb	
3837340 OZ	Calibration Check	Calculated O3	2010/03/24		100	%	91 - 107
	Spiked Blank	Calculated O3	2010/03/24		102	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated O3	2010/03/24	<0.1		ppb	

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Report Date: 2010/05/05

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**MAXXAM JOB #: B026701**

Received: 2010/04/28, 09:39

Sample Matrix: Air

# Samples Received: 3

Analyses	Quantity	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Laboratory Method	Analytical Method
NO2 Passive Analysis (1)	3	2010/05/05	2010/05/05	EINDSOP-00148	Tang Passive NO2 in
O3 Passive Analysis (1)	3	2010/05/05	2010/05/05	EINDSOP-00197	EPA 300 R2.1
SO2 Passive Analysis (1)	3	2010/04/29	2010/05/05	EINDSOP-00149	Tang Passive SO2 in

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Sampler Initials: JT

### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF AIR

Maxxam ID		T82500	T82502	T82503		
Sampling Date		2010/03/01 14:00	2009/10/22 12:00	2009/10/22 12:00		
	Units	10DORIS-003	09BOSTON-010	09BOSTON-010 DUP	RDL	QC Batch

Passive Monitoring						
Calculated NO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	0.8	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	3931920
Calculated O <sub>3</sub>	ppb	35.6	29.9	25.3	0.1	3932278
Calculated SO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	3921887

RDL = Reportable Detection Limit



Maxxam Job #: B026701  
Report Date: 2010/05/05

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Sampler Initials: JT

**General Comments**

Doris Sample Dates: 2010/03/01 - 204/04/03  
Boston Sample Dates: 2009/10/22 - 2010/03/21

**Results relate only to the items tested.**

Quality Assurance Report  
 Maxxam Job Number: PB026701

QA/QC Batch Num Init	QC Type	Parameter	Date Analyzed yyyy/mm/dd	Value	Recovery	Units	QC Limits
3921887 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated SO2	2010/04/29		99	%	95 - 105
	Spiked Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/04/29		98	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/04/29	<0.1		ppb	
3931920 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated NO2	2010/05/05		101	%	76 - 118
	Spiked Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/05/05		98	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/05/05	<0.1		ppb	
3932278 OZ	Calibration Check	Calculated O3	2010/05/05		98	%	91 - 107
	Spiked Blank	Calculated O3	2010/05/05		100	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated O3	2010/05/05	<0.1		ppb	

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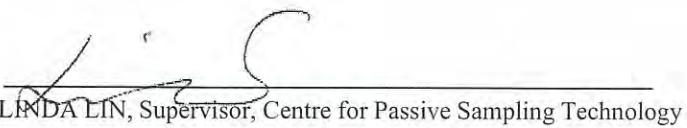
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**Report Date: 2010/08/18**

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**MAXXAM JOB #: B065899**

Received: 2010/08/04, 08:53

Sample Matrix: Air

# Samples Received: 9

Analyses	Quantity	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Laboratory Method	Analytical Method
Determination of Dustfall	6	2010/08/12	2010/08/12	EINDSOP-00180	AMD 32020
Determination of Dustfall-mg/cm <sup>2</sup> /30 days	6	2010/08/12	2010/08/12		see department
Exposure (Number of days)	6	2010/08/12	2010/08/12		see department
NO <sub>2</sub> Passive Analysis (1)	9	2010/08/10	2010/08/18	EINDSOP-00148	Tang Passive NO <sub>2</sub> in
O <sub>3</sub> Passive Analysis (1)	9	2010/08/11	2010/08/18	EINDSOP-00197	EPA 300 R2.1
SO <sub>2</sub> Passive Analysis (1)	9	2010/08/09	2010/08/18	EINDSOP-00149	Tang Passive SO <sub>2</sub> in

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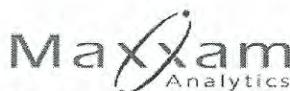
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Sampler Initials: JT

### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF AIR

Maxxam ID		V92056		V92089		V92090	V92091		
Sampling Date		2010/04/03		2010/05/16		2010/06/02	2010/03/21		
Units		10DORIS-004	RDL	10DORIS-005	RDL	10DORIS-006	10BOSTON-003	RDL	QC Batch

Industrial									
Exposure	days	43	1	17	1	35	57	1	4175872
Dustfall Determination									
Total Dustfall	mg	5	1	14	3	12	2	1	4173361
Total Dustfall (30 day)	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> /30day	0.041	0.001	0.301	0.003	0.126	0.015	0.001	4173362
Total Fixed Dustfall	mg	3	1	9	3	8	2	1	4173361
Total Fixed Dustfall (30 day)	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> /30day	0.026	0.001	0.201	0.003	0.082	0.012	0.001	4173362
Passive Monitoring									
Calculated NO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	0.7	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.5	<0.1	0.1	4166901
Calculated O <sub>3</sub>	ppb	36.7	0.1	35.6	0.1	26.7	34.6	0.1	4172168
Calculated SO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	DAMAGED	0.1	4162847
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit									

Maxxam ID		V92092		V92184		V92185			
Sampling Date		2010/03/21		2010/05/17		2010/06/10			
Units		10BOSTON-003DUP	RDL	10BOSTON-005	RDL	10BOSTON-006	RDL	QC Batch	

Industrial									
Exposure	days		1	24	1	21	1	4175872	
Dustfall Determination									
Total Dustfall	mg		1	9	2	11	1	4173361	
Total Dustfall (30 day)	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> /30day		0.001	0.139	0.002	0.199	0.001	4173362	
Total Fixed Dustfall	mg		1	8	2	5	1	4173361	
Total Fixed Dustfall (30 day)	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> /30day		0.001	0.119	0.002	0.094	0.001	4173362	
Passive Monitoring									
Calculated NO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1	1.6	0.1	4166901	
Calculated O <sub>3</sub>	ppb	35.3	0.1	33.0	0.1	25.7	0.1	4172168	
Calculated SO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	4162847
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit									



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### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF AIR

Maxxam ID		V92249	V92250		
Sampling Date		2010/05/17	2010/06/10		
	Units	10BOSTON-005 (DUP)	10BOSTON-006 (DUP)	RDL	QC Batch
<b>Passive Monitoring</b>					
Calculated NO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	<0.1	1.9	0.1	4166901
Calculated O <sub>3</sub>	ppb	29.5	25.7	0.1	4172168
Calculated SO <sub>2</sub>	ppb	0.1	0.2	0.1	4162847
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit					



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#### General Comments

Sample Exposure Dates are as follows:

10Doris004: 2010/04/03 - 2010/05/16

10Doris005: 2010/05/16 - 2010/06/02

10Doris006: 2010/06/02 - 2010/07/07

10Boston002: 2010/03/02 - 2010/05/17

10Boston003: 2010/03/02 - 2010/05/17

10Boston005: 2010/05/17 - 2010/06/10

10Boston006: 2010/06/10 - 2010/07/01

10Boston005 (DUP): 2010/05/17 - 2010/06/10

10Boston006 (DUP): 2010/06/10 - 2010/07/01

Sample: V92091 was returned to the lab missing barrier. - DF

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Quality Assurance Report  
 Maxxam Job Number: PB065899

QA/QC Batch Num Init	QC Type	Parameter	Date Analyzed yyyy/mm/dd	Value	Recovery	Units	QC Limits
4162847 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated SO2	2010/08/09		100	%	95 - 105
	Spiked Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/08/09		103	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated SO2	2010/08/09	<0.1		ppb	
4166901 DF4	Calibration Check	Calculated NO2	2010/08/10		99	%	76 - 118
	Spiked Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/08/10		96	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated NO2	2010/08/10	<0.1		ppb	
4172168 OZ	Calibration Check	Calculated O3	2010/08/12		102	%	91 - 107
	Spiked Blank	Calculated O3	2010/08/12		99	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Calculated O3	2010/08/12	<0.1		ppb	
4173361 OZ	Calibration Check	Total Dustfall	2010/08/12		102	%	N/A
	Method Blank	Total Dustfall	2010/08/12	<1		mg	
		Total Fixed Dustfall	2010/08/12	<1		mg	
RPD [V92056-01]		Total Dustfall	2010/08/12	NC		%	N/A
		Total Fixed Dustfall	2010/08/12	NC		%	N/A

N/A = Not Applicable

Duplicate: Paired analysis of a separate portion of the same sample. Used to evaluate the variance in the measurement.

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Method Blank: A blank matrix containing all reagents used in the analytical procedure. Used to identify laboratory contamination.

NC (RPD): The RPD was not calculated. The level of analyte detected in the parent sample and its duplicate was not sufficiently significant to permit a reliable calculation.

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# DORIS NORTH GOLD MINE PROJECT

Air Quality Compliance Report

Q1 and Q2, 2010

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## Appendix 2

Passive Ambient Air Quality Results

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Report Date: 2010/07/29

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**MAXXAM JOB #: B058541**

Received: 2010/07/16, 15:42

Sample Matrix: Filter

# Samples Received: 34

Analyses	Quantity	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Laboratory	Method	AnalyticalMethod
MassDetermination(ug/filter)	34	N/A	2010/07/29	EINDSOP-00151		EPA2.12 Monitoring
MassDetermination(ug/m³) (1)	33	N/A	2010/07/29	EINDSOP-00151		EPA2.12 Monitoring
Volume	33	N/A	2010/07/29	N/A		seederpartement

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### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF FILTER

MaxxamID		V50474		V79267	V79268	V79269	V79270	V79271		
SamplingDate		2010/05/14		2010/05/20	2010/05/26	2010/06/01	2010/06/07	2010/06/13		
Units		TSP: 13270	QC Batch	TSP: 15479	TSP: 089982	TSP: 090584	TSP: 027324	TSP: 054431	RDL	QC Batch

.										
Volume	m3	25.30	4141150	25.30	25.30	25.40	25.30	25.40	0.01	4141151
<b>PM2.5/10</b>										
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	1.1	4141149	2.5	1.1	0.4	0.9	1.5	0.1	4141149
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	29	4141147	63	28	11	24	37	3	4141147
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit										

MaxxamID		V79272	V79273	V79274	V79275	V79276	V79277		
SamplingDate		2010/06/19	2010/06/25	2010/07/01	2010/07/07	2010/07/13	2010/05/14		
Units		TSP: 098266	TSP: 091292	TSP: 091297	TSP: 058034	TSP: 089946	PM2.5: 20700	RDL	QC Batch

.										
Volume	m3	25.30	25.40	25.30	25.30	25.30	22.80	0.01	4141151	
<b>PM2.5/10</b>										
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	13.9	2.3	1.3	2.0	2.4	<0.1	0.1	4141149	
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	352	59	32	50	61	<3	3	4141147	
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit										

MaxxamID		V79278	V79279	V79280	V79281	V79282	V79283		
SamplingDate		2010/05/20	2010/05/26	2010/06/01	2010/06/07	2010/06/13	2010/06/19		
Units		PM2.5: 13293	PM2.5: 076152	PM2.5: 090549	PM2.5: 14316	PM2.5: 084094	PM2.5: 20606	RDL	QC Batch

.										
Volume	m3	22.80	22.70	22.80	22.80	22.80	22.80	0.01	4141151	
<b>PM2.5/10</b>										
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	1.4	0.4	1.0	0.8	1.0	13.7	0.1	4141149	
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	32	8	22	19	23	312	3	4141147	
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit										



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### RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF FILTER

MaxxamID		V79284	V79285	V79286		V79287		V79288	
SamplingDate		2010/06/25	2010/07/01	2010/07/07		2010/07/13		2010/05/14	
	Units	PM2.5: 15072	PM2.5: 14087	PM2.5: 20636	QC Batch	PM2.5: 46850	RDL	PM10: 27802	RDL QC Batch

.									
Volume	m3	22.70	22.80	22.80	4141151	22.80	0.01	2.50	0.01 4141150
<b>PM2.5/10</b>									
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	2.6	0.6	3.2	4141149	3.3	0.1	<1	1 4141148
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	59	14	73	4141147	75	3	<3	3 4141146
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit									

MaxxamID		V79289	V79290	V79291	V79292	V79293	V79294		
SamplingDate		2010/05/20	2010/05/26	2010/06/01	2010/06/07	2010/06/13	2010/06/19		
	Units	PM10: 24945	PM10: 098000	PM10: 076204	PM10: 053122	PM10: 058030	PM10: 076324	RDL	QC Batch

.									
Volume	m3	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	0.01	4141150
<b>PM2.5/10</b>									
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	8	<1	12	2	6	39	1	4141148
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	19	<3	31	5	14	98	3	4141146
RDL = Reportable Detection Limit									

MaxxamID		V79295	V79318	V79320	V79321	V79322		
SamplingDate		2010/06/25	2010/07/01	2010/07/07	2010/07/13			
	Units	PM10: 027820	PM10: 20619	PM10: 083499	PM10: 090554	BLANK	RDL	QC Batch

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Volume	m3	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50		0.01	4141150
<b>PM2.5/10</b>								
ParticulateMatter	ug/m3	33	6	37	23		1	4141148
ParticulateMatter	ug/filter	82	16	92	57	6	3	4141146
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**General Comments**

**Results relate only to the items tested.**



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QA/QC	Batch	Num	Init	QC Type	Parameter	Date Analyzed	Value	Recovery	Units	QC Limits
						yyyy/mm/dd				
4141146	LL	CalibrationCheck		ParticulateMatter		2010/07/29		100	%	N/A
4141147	LL	CalibrationCheck		ParticulateMatter		2010/07/29		100	%	N/A

Calibration Check: A calibration standard analyzed at different times to evaluate on-going calibration accuracy.

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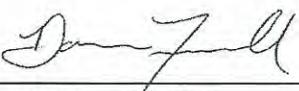


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# DORIS NORTH GOLD MINE PROJECT

Air Quality Compliance Report

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## Appendix 3

### Dustfall Analysis Results



Environmental Division

Certificate of Analysis

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