

## ANNUAL REPORT

Date	Nov 2 2005
Year being reported	2005
Licence number	NWB2PEL0507
Licensee	BHP Billiton
Mailing address	PO Box 49223 Van Stn Bentall Centre Vancouver, BC V7X 1L2                      NOTE - THIS IS A NEW ADDRESS!
Location of undertaking	45 km south of Kugaaruk 90 4' 29" W 68 7" 43"
Name of Undertaking (if applicable):	Amaruk Project

The Licensee **must** provide the following information:

i	<p>A summary report of water use and waste disposal activities, including, but not limited to: methods of obtaining water; sewage and greywater management; solid and hazardous waste management.</p> <p>General: Water use was confined to the camp for the purposes of washing and drinking. Water Acquisition System: A gasoline centrifugal pump was periodically used to fill 2 - 200 gallon tanks linked in series. These tanks fed an electric pump that pressurised the camp's internal plumbing. The centrifugal pump had a inch footvalved suction sealed in two layers of standard aluminum window screening. Pump capacity was 70 gallons per minute. Greywater: greywater from kitchen and ablution facilities was contained in a passive sump excavated in sand. This sand assisted the regular percolation of sump fluids. Just prior to seasonal camp closure and in anticipation of possible cold-weather operations in 2006, an insulated and heat-traced tank was set into the ground in place of the original open depression. This will eventually be outfitted with a discharge line to allow periodic pumping of the tank contents to a surface location further upland. ( A scope of work outline for 2006, to be submitted later, will detail these together). Sewage: Septic sewage was confined to two latrine pits excavated in deep sand. Latrine pits were periodically treated with a commercial lye product designed for the purpose and buried at the seasonal close of the camp at the end of August. Solid waste: Food leftovers and packaging was burned in a simple burning barrel and non-flammables were bagged and sent to Kugaaruk. Hazardous Waste: Hydrocarbon spills were the only potential source of hazardous waste. Three 45 gallon spill kits were provided at the camp while the helicopters carried portable units. All crew members were trained on site in effective spill management.</p>
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ii	<p data-bbox="363 268 1284 300">A list of unauthorized discharges and a summary of follow-up actions taken</p> <p data-bbox="363 331 938 363">No spills or unauthorised discharges occurred.</p>
iii	<p data-bbox="363 1115 1333 1146">Revisions to the Spill Contingency Plan and Abandonment and Restoration Plan</p> <p data-bbox="363 1178 1192 1209">Revisions were submitted earlier at the request of the Waterboard.</p>

iv	<p>Progressive reclamation work undertaken</p> <p>Latrine pits used for the 2005 program were buried prior to seasonal abandonment of the camp at the end of August.</p> <p>Empty fuel drums were progressively removed from site and flown to Churchill whenever backhaul space was available.</p>				
v	<p>Results of the Monitoring Program including:</p> <table> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 932 422 1360">1</td><td data-bbox="422 932 1360 1360"> <p>A summary, in cubic metres, of the daily quantities of water utilized for domestic and industrial operations.</p> <p>All consumption was domestic.</p> <p>July average = 2.284 cu m per day</p> <p>August average = 2.223 cu m per day</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 1360 422 1885">2</td><td data-bbox="422 1360 1360 1885"> <p>The GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all locations where sources of water are utilized.</p> <p>Camp Supply Pump -90 4' 30"W 68 7' 42"</p> </td></tr> </table>	1	<p>A summary, in cubic metres, of the daily quantities of water utilized for domestic and industrial operations.</p> <p>All consumption was domestic.</p> <p>July average = 2.284 cu m per day</p> <p>August average = 2.223 cu m per day</p>	2	<p>The GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all locations where sources of water are utilized.</p> <p>Camp Supply Pump -90 4' 30"W 68 7' 42"</p>
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	3	<p>The GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all locations where wastes associated with industrial operations are deposited.</p> <p>Sump -90 4' 33"W 68 7' 42"N  Outhouses -90 4' 38" W 68 7' 44"N</p>
	4	<p>Any additional sampling and/or analysis that was requested by an Inspector.</p> <p>Though it was not requested, two water tests were conducted for drinking water pathogens  See attachments</p>
vi		<p>Any other details on water use or waste disposal requested by the Board by November 1 of the year being reported</p>

Vii	Any responses or follow-up actions on inspection/compliance reports
viii	<p>Any additional information as appropriate</p> <p>Work on the project in 2005 was confined to the construction of a camp, caching of fuel and helicopter-supported mapping and sampling. No drilling was performed.</p> <p>All crew members were trained in spill management by BHPB's Health, Safety and Environment manager.</p> <p>The generator was removed from site for the winter</p> <p>Current drummed fuel inventories on site:</p> <p>jet B - 168</p> <p>p50 Diesel - 69</p> <p>empty drums - 238</p> <p>Attachments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- camp facilities plan</li> <li>- camp photo</li> </ul>

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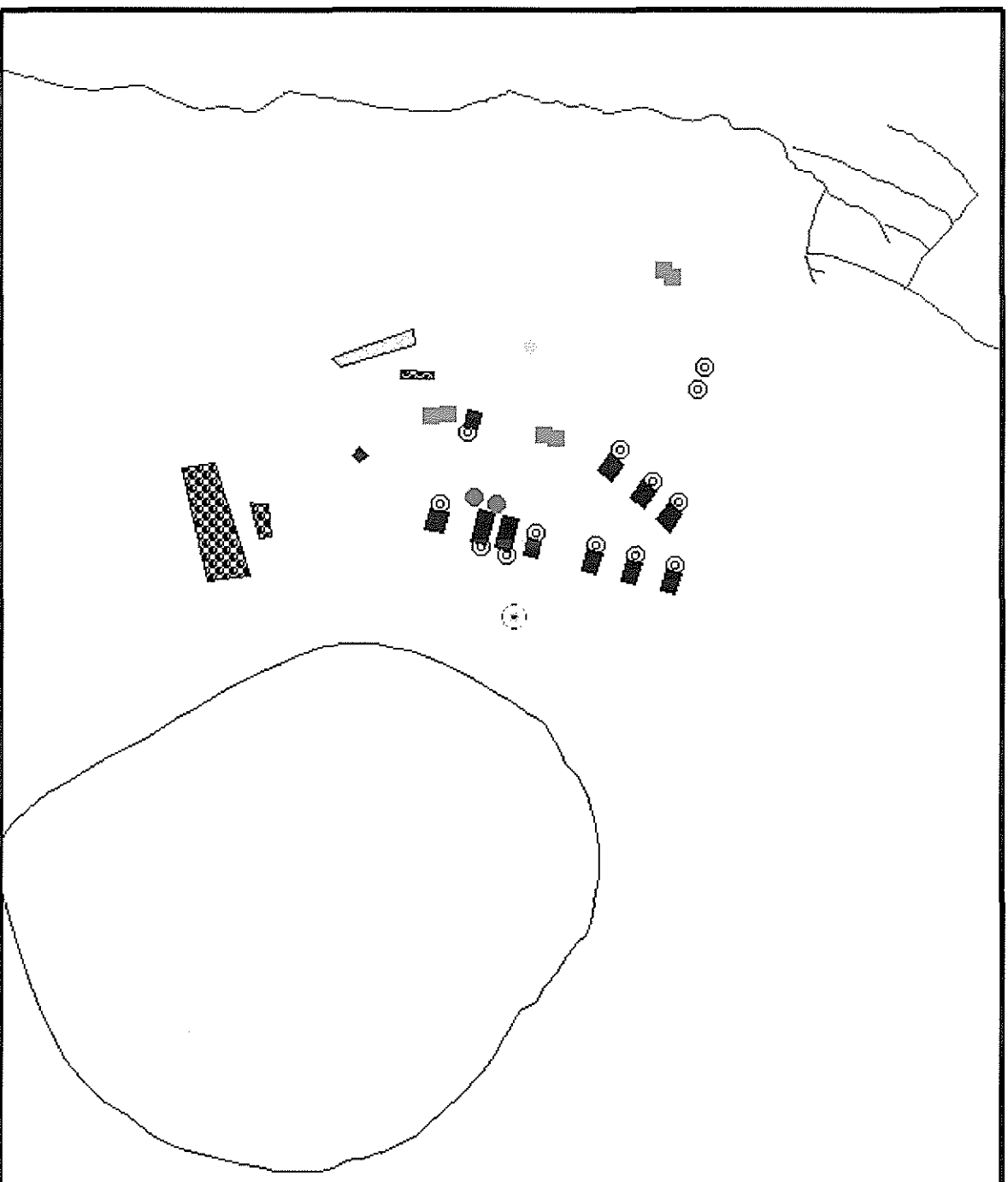
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# Layout of Amaruk Camp



	Creek.shp
	Sample storage.shp
	Fuel storage.shp
	Lake.shp
	Tents.shp
	Amaruk camp points.shp
	Fuel Drum
	Incinerator
	Mustar Station
	Past Outhouse
	Sample Storage
	Sump

# Aerial View of Camp





# CHEMICAL ANALYSIS REPORT

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**Date:** August 3, 2005

**ALS File No.** W1692

**Report On:** Pelly Bay J.V. Water Analysis

**Report To:** BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc.  
2300 - 1111 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, BC  
V6E 4M3

**Attention:** Mr. Martin H. Lenters

**Received:** July 18, 2005

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**ALS ENVIRONMENTAL**

**per:**

Can Dang, B.Sc. - Project Chemist  
Andre Langlais, M.Sc. - Project Chemist



File No. W1692

**REMARKS**



The water as represented by the samples submitted met the Canadian Drinking Water Guidelines for all parameters analysed with the exception of Manganese which is limited for aesthetic purposes rather than health considerations. See the guidelines attached or contact ALS Environmental if you require any additional information.

Please note that the samples were received at ALS Environmental 4 days later after collection. Since the recommended holding time for Coliform Bacteria analysis is 30 hours at maximum, the bacteriological analysis was not performed on the samples. Mr. Martin Lenters was notified.

File No. W1692

**RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Water**



Sample ID	Amaruk 101	Amaruk 102
Sample Date	05-07-14	05-07-14
Sample Time	07:00	07:00
ALS ID	1	2

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**Physical Tests**

Colour	(CU)	<5.0	<5.0
Conductivity	(uS/cm)	105	104
Total Dissolved Solids		46	46
Hardness	CaCO3	10.5	10.3
pH		7.08	6.86
Turbidity	(NTU)	1.03	0.54

**Dissolved Anions**

Alkalinity-Total		CaCO3	4.9	4.8
Chloride	Cl		28.9	29.0
Fluoride	F		0.042	0.042
Sulphate	SO4		<0.50	<0.50

**Nutrients**

Nitrate Nitrogen	N	<0.10	<0.10
Nitrite Nitrogen	N	<0.10	<0.10

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Remarks regarding the analyses appear at the beginning of this report.  
Results are expressed as milligrams per litre except for pH, Colour (CU),  
Conductivity (umhos/cm), and Turbidity (NTU).  
< = Less than the detection limit indicated.

File No. W1692

**RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Water**



Sample ID	Amaruk 101	Amaruk 102
Sample Date	05-07-14	05-07-14
Sample Time	07:00	07:00
ALS ID	1	2

**Total Metals**

Aluminum	T-Al	0.022	0.022
Antimony	T-Sb	<0.00050	<0.00050
Arsenic	T-As	0.00012	0.00011
Barium	T-Ba	<0.020	<0.020
Boron	T-B	<0.10	<0.10
Cadmium	T-Cd	<0.00020	<0.00020
Calcium	T-Ca	1.69	1.63
Chromium	T-Cr	<0.0020	<0.0020
Copper	T-Cu	0.0021	0.0020
Iron	T-Fe	0.044	0.039
Lead	T-Pb	0.0017	0.0017
Magnesium	T-Mg	1.53	1.50
Manganese	T-Mn	0.0521	0.0518
Mercury	T-Hg	<0.00020	<0.00020
Potassium	T-K	1.03	1.01
Selenium	T-Se	<0.0010	<0.0010
Sodium	T-Na	16.6	16.5
Uranium	T-U	<0.00010	<0.00010
Zinc	T-Zn	<0.050	<0.050

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Conductivity (umhos/cm), and Turbidity (NTU).  
< = Less than the detection limit indicated.



## Appendix 1 - REGULATORY CRITERIA

### Health Canada

Summary of Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality, April 2003. Please see the guidelines for further details. All limits are Maximum Acceptable Concentration (MAC) unless otherwise indicated. Limits are expressed as mg/L except for pH, Turbidity, Colour and Bacteriological Tests.

		Lower Limit	Upper Limit		Notes
<b>Physical Tests</b>					
Colour	(CU)	-	15	CU	1
Total Dissolved Solids		-	500	mg/L	1
pH		6.5	8.5		1
Turbidity	(NTU)	-	5	NTU	1, 2
<b>Dissolved Anions</b>					
Chloride	Cl	-	250	mg/L	1
Fluoride	F	-	1.5	mg/L	
Sulphate	SO <sub>4</sub>	-	500	mg/L	1, 3
<b>Nutrients</b>					
Nitrate Nitrogen	N	-	10	mg/L	
Nitrite Nitrogen	N	-	1	mg/L	
<b>Total Metals</b>					
Antimony	T-Sb	-	0.006	mg/L	4, 5
Arsenic	T-As	-	0.025	mg/L	4
Barium	T-Ba	-	1	mg/L	
Boron	T-B	-	5	mg/L	4
Cadmium	T-Cd	-	0.005	mg/L	
Chromium	T-Cr	-	0.05	mg/L	
Copper	T-Cu	-	1	mg/L	1, 6
Iron	T-Fe	-	0.3	mg/L	1
Lead	T-Pb	-	0.01	mg/L	6, 5
Manganese	T-Mn	-	0.05	mg/L	1
Mercury	T-Hg	-	0.001	mg/L	
Selenium	T-Se	-	0.01	mg/L	
Sodium	T-Na	-	200	mg/L	1
Uranium	T-U	-	0.02	mg/L	4
Zinc	T-Zn	-	5	mg/L	1, 6

1 Aesthetic Objective (AO) (taste, odour, appearance, etc.)

2 1 NTU maximum allowed for water entering distribution systems.

3 There may be a laxative effect in some individuals when sulphate levels exceed 500 mg/L.

4 Interim Maximum Acceptable Concentration (IMAC)

5 First drawn water may be high, flush system before sampling.

6 At point of consumption.

## Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY



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

### Colour in Water

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2120 "Color". Colour (true colour) is determined by filtering a sample through a 0.45 micron membrane filter followed by analysis of the filtrate using the platinum-cobalt colourimetric method. The analysis is carried out without pH adjustment.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 days

Reference: APHA

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

### Conductivity in Water

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2510 "Conductivity". Conductivity is determined using a conductivity electrode.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 28 days

Reference: APHA

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

### Solids in Water

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2540 "Solids". Solids are determined gravimetrically. Total dissolved solids (TDS) and total suspended solids (TSS) are determined by filtering a sample through a glass fibre filter, TDS is determined by evaporating the filtrate to dryness at 180 degrees celsius, TSS is determined by drying the filter at 104 degrees celsius. Total solids are determined by evaporating a sample to dryness at 104 degrees celsius. Fixed and volatile solids are determined by igniting a dried sample residue at 550 degrees celsius.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 7 days

Reference: APHA

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

### Conventional Parameters in Water

These analyses are carried out in accordance with procedures described in "Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes" (USEPA), "Manual for the Chemical Analysis of Water, Wastewaters, Sediments and Biological Tissues" (BCMOE), and/or "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" (APHA). Further details are available on request.

## **Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued**



### **pH in Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 4500-H "pH Value". The pH is determined in the laboratory using a pH electrode.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 hours

Reference: APHA

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

### **Turbidity of Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2130 "Turbidity". Turbidity is determined by the nephelometric method.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 days

Reference: APHA

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

### **Alkalinity in Water by Colourimetry**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from EPA Method 310.2 "Alkalinity". Total Alkalinity is determined using the methyl orange colourimetric method.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 14 days

Reference: APHA

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

### **Dissolved Anions in Water by Ion Chromatography**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 4110 "Determination of Anions by Ion Chromatography" and EPA Method 300.0 "Determination of Inorganic Anions by Ion Chromatography". Anions are determined by filtering the sample through a 0.45 micron membrane filter and injecting the filtrate onto a Dionex IonPac AG17 anion exchange column with a hydroxide eluent stream. Anions routinely determined by this method include: bromide, chloride, fluoride, nitrate, nitrite and sulphate.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 28 days (bromide, chloride, fluoride, sulphate)

Sample: 2 days (nitrate, nitrite)

Reference: APHA and EPA

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

**Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued**



**Metals in Water**

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 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 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 atomic absorption/emission spectrophotometry (EPA Method 7000 series), inductively coupled plasma - optical emission spectrophotometry (EPA Method 6010B), and/or inductively coupled plasma - mass spectrometry (EPA Method 6020).

**Recommended Holding Time:**

Sample:	6 months
Reference:	EPA
For more detail see:	ALS "Collection & Sampling Guide"

**Mercury in Water**

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 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure involves a cold-oxidation of the acidified sample using bromine monochloride prior to reduction of the sample with stannous chloride. Instrumental analysis is by cold vapour atomic fluorescence spectrophotometry (EPA Method 245.7).

**Recommended Holding Time:**

Sample:	28 days
Reference:	EPA
For more detail see	ALS Environmental "Collection & Sampling Guide"

**Results contained within this report relate only to the samples as submitted.**

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**End of Report**



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**Date:** September 20, 2005

**ALS File No.** W3523

**Report On:** Amaruk Camp Water Analysis

**Report To:** BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc.  
2300 - 1111 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, BC  
V6E 4M3

**Attention:** Mr. Martin H. Lenters

**Received:** August 26, 2005

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**ALS ENVIRONMENTAL**

**per:**

Can Dang, B.Sc. - Project Chemist  
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File No. W3523

**REMARKS**



The water as represented by the samples submitted met the Canadian Drinking Water Guidelines for all parameters analysed. See the guidelines attached or contact ALS Environmental if you require any additional information.

File No. W3523

**RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Water**



Sample ID	Amaruk 103	Amaruk 104
Sample Date	05-08-25	05-08-25
Sample Time	10:00	10:15
ALS ID	1	2

**Physical Tests**

Colour	(CU)	<5.0	<5.0
Conductivity	(uS/cm)	112	117
Total Dissolved Solids		62.0	66
Hardness	CaCO3	10.0	12.0
pH		7.93	7.93
Turbidity	(NTU)	0.17	0.24

**Dissolved Anions**

Alkalinity-Total		CaCO3	5.1	7.9
Chloride	Cl		29.0	28.8
Fluoride	F		0.069	0.075
Sulphate	SO4		<0.50	<0.50

**Nutrients**

Nitrate Nitrogen	N	<0.10	<0.10
Nitrite Nitrogen	N	<0.10	<0.10

**Bacteriological Tests**

E. coli	<1.0	<1.0
Coliform Bacteria - Fecal	<1	<1
Coliform Bacteria - Total	<1.0	<1.0

Remarks regarding the analyses appear at the beginning of this report.

< = Less than the detection limit indicated.

Coliform results are expressed as Colony Forming Units (CFU) per 100 mL.

Results are expressed as milligrams per litre except for pH, Colour (CU),

Conductivity (umhos/cm), and Turbidity (NTU).

File No. W3523

**RESULTS OF ANALYSIS - Water**



Sample ID	Amaruk 103	Amaruk 104
Sample Date	05-08-25	05-08-25
Sample Time	10:00	10:15
ALS ID	1	2

**Total Metals**

Aluminum	T-Al	<0.010	<0.010
Antimony	T-Sb	<0.00050	<0.00050
Arsenic	T-As	<0.00010	<0.00010
Barium	T-Ba	<0.020	<0.020
Boron	T-B	<0.10	<0.10
Cadmium	T-Cd	<0.00020	<0.00020
Calcium	T-Ca	1.56	1.54
Chromium	T-Cr	<0.0020	<0.0020
Copper	T-Cu	0.0027	0.0047
Iron	T-Fe	<0.030	0.041
Lead	T-Pb	0.0010	0.0014
Magnesium	T-Mg	1.50	1.98
Manganese	T-Mn	0.0021	0.0025
Mercury	T-Hg	<0.00020	<0.00020
Potassium	T-K	1.04	1.05
Selenium	T-Se	<0.0010	<0.0010
Sodium	T-Na	14.7	14.8
Uranium	T-U	<0.00010	<0.00010
Zinc	T-Zn	<0.050	<0.050

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### Health Canada

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April 2003. Please see the guidelines for further details.  
All limits are Maximum Acceptable Concentration (MAC) unless  
otherwise indicated. Limits are expressed as mg/L except for  
pH, Turbidity, Colour and Bacteriological Tests.

		Lower Limit		Upper Limit	Notes
<b>Physical Tests</b>					
Colour	(CU)	-		15 CU	1
Total Dissolved Solids		-		500 mg/L	1
pH		6.5		8.5	1
Turbidity	(NTU)	-		5 NTU	1, 2
<b>Dissolved Anions</b>					
Chloride	Cl	-		250 mg/L	1
Fluoride	F	-		1.5 mg/L	
Sulphate	SO <sub>4</sub>	-		500 mg/L	1, 3
<b>Nutrients</b>					
Nitrate Nitrogen	N	-		10 mg/L	
Nitrite Nitrogen	N	-		1 mg/L	
<b>Bacteriological Tests</b>					
E. coli		0	MPN	-	4, 5
Coliform Bacteria - Total		0	MPN	-	4, 5
<b>Total Metals</b>					
Antimony	T-Sb	-		0.006 mg/L	6, 7
Arsenic	T-As	-		0.025 mg/L	6
Barium	T-Ba	-		1 mg/L	
Boron	T-B	-		5 mg/L	6
Cadmium	T-Cd	-		0.005 mg/L	
Chromium	T-Cr	-		0.05 mg/L	
Copper	T-Cu	-		1 mg/L	1, 8
Iron	T-Fe	-		0.3 mg/L	1
Lead	T-Pb	-		0.01 mg/L	8, 7
Manganese	T-Mn	-		0.05 mg/L	1
Mercury	T-Hg	-		0.001 mg/L	
Selenium	T-Se	-		0.01 mg/L	
Sodium	T-Na	-		200 mg/L	1
Uranium	T-U	-		0.02 mg/L	6
Zinc	T-Zn	-		5 mg/L	1, 8

1 Aesthetic Objective (AO) (taste, odour, appearance, etc.)

2 1 NTU maximum allowed for water entering distribution systems.

3 There may be a laxative effect in some individuals when sulphate levels exceed 500 mg/L.

4 For Semi-public and Private Drinking Water Systems - no sample should contain E. coli or Total Coliform Bacteria.

5 For Public Drinking Water Systems - no sample should contain E. coli and no consecutive sample or no more than 10% should show the presence of Total Coliform Bacteria.

6 Interim Maximum Acceptable Concentration (IMAC)

7 First drawn water may be high, flush system before sampling.

8 At point of consumption.

## **Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY**



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

### **Colour in Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2120 "Color". Colour (true colour) is determined by filtering a sample through a 0.45 micron membrane filter followed by analysis of the filtrate using the platinum-cobalt colourimetric method. The analysis is carried out without pH adjustment.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 days

Reference: APHA

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

### **Conductivity in Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2510 "Conductivity". Conductivity is determined using a conductivity electrode.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 28 days

Reference: APHA

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

### **Solids in Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2540 "Solids". Solids are determined gravimetrically. Total dissolved solids (TDS) and total suspended solids (TSS) are determined by filtering a sample through a glass fibre filter, TDS is determined by evaporating the filtrate to dryness at 180 degrees celsius, TSS is determined by drying the filter at 104 degrees celsius. Total solids are determined by evaporating a sample to dryness at 104 degrees celsius. Fixed and volatile solids are determined by igniting a dried sample residue at 550 degrees celsius.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 7 days

Reference: APHA

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### **pH in Water**

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 4500-H "pH Value". The pH is determined in the laboratory using a pH electrode.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 hours

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## Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued



Reference: APHA

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

### Turbidity of Water

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 2130 "Turbidity". Turbidity is determined by the nephelometric method.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 2 days

Reference: APHA

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

### Alkalinity in Water by Colourimetry

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from EPA Method 310.2 "Alkalinity". Total Alkalinity is determined using the methyl orange colourimetric method.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 14 days

Reference: APHA

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

### Dissolved Anions in Water by Ion Chromatography

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 4110 "Determination of Anions by Ion Chromatography" and EPA Method 300.0 "Determination of Inorganic Anions by Ion Chromatography". Anions are determined by filtering the sample through a 0.45 micron membrane filter and injecting the filtrate onto a Dionex IonPac AG17 anion exchange column with a hydroxide eluent stream. Anions routinely determined by this method include: bromide, chloride, fluoride, nitrate, nitrite and sulphate.

Sample: 2 days (bromide, chloride, fluoride, sulphate)

Sample: 2 days (nitrate, nitrite)

Reference: APHA and EPA

Laboratory Location: ALS Environmental, Vancouver

### E. coli and Total Coliform Bacteria in Water by Enzyme Substrate

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 9223 "Enzyme Substrate Coliform Test". E. coli and Total Coliform are determined simultaneously. The sample is mixed with a mixture hydrolyzable substrates and then sealed in a multi-well packet. The packet is incubated for 18 or 24 hours and then the number of wells exhibiting a positive response are counted. The final result is obtained by comparing the positive responses to a probability table.

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## Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued



Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 1 day

Reference: APHA

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

### Coliform Bacteria in Water by Membrane Filtration

This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from APHA Method 9222 "Membrane Filter Technique for Members of the Coliform Group". Coliform bacteria is determined by colony counting. A known sample volume is filtered through a 0.45 micron membrane filter. The test involves an initial 24 hour incubation of the filter with the appropriate growth medium, positive results require further testing (up to an additional 48 hours) to confirm and quantify the total and fecal coliform. This method is used for non-turbid water with a low background bacteria level.

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 1 day

Reference: APHA

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

### Metals in Water

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 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 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 atomic absorption/emission spectrophotometry (EPA Method 7000 series), inductively coupled plasma - optical emission spectrophotometry (EPA Method 6010B), and/or inductively coupled plasma - mass spectrometry (EPA Method 6020).

Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 6 months

Reference: EPA

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### Mercury in Water

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 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure involves a cold-oxidation of the acidified sample using bromine monochloride prior to reduction of the sample with stannous chloride. Instrumental analysis is by cold vapour atomic fluorescence spectrophotometry (EPA Method 245.7).

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**Appendix 2 - METHODOLOGY - Continued**



Recommended Holding Time:

Sample: 28 days

Reference: EPA

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