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### **MEMORANDUM**

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0630 to 1830

TP6D-SP-0065 STPA NO.

26<sup>th</sup> May, 2009 Real-time Air Monitoring Results SUBJECT:

Sydney Tar Ponds Agency - Access Roads, South Pond

**FINAL REPORT** 

Attached is a summary of Real-time particulate (as PM<sub>10</sub>) results for air monitoring performed on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May, 2009. David Reeves and Nigel MacLean of ALL-TECH Environmental Services Cape Breton Limited (ALL-TECH) performed all air monitoring activities.

Weather conditions on the day of sampling:

- Mainly cloudy

- Temperature: approximately 8°C

- Wind Direction: Northwest

Comments: ALL-TECH was on-Site at 0630 hours and sampling began as soon as there was site activity. Air monitoring was performed during AECOM's construction activities.

All downwind and upwind measurements of PM<sub>10</sub> were below the established Site Action Level for this parameter of 155 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

All downwind and upwind measurements of Total Volatile Organic Compounds (TVOC) were below the established Site Action Level for this parameter of 0.66 ppm. Each measurement is the average of a 15 minute sample. A minimum of 2 samples were taken downwind and 1 sample upwind every hour. All measurements were found to be below the detection limit of the instrument. Levels above detection limit will be noted in the table below.

Due to operational criteria, during periods of precipitation (snow and rain) and high humidity, TVOC sampling is halted and resumes after the precipitation has ended.

This report has been prepared by Nigel MacLean and reviewed by Dianne Theriault. If you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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## Real-time Airborne PM<sub>10</sub> Concentration Results Sydney Tar Ponds Agency – Access Roads, South Pond 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2009

| Sample No. &<br>Air<br>Monitoring<br>Location                       | Time<br>of<br>Day | PM₁₀<br>Action<br>Level<br>(µg/m³) | Average<br>Result<br>(μg/m³) | Wind<br>Direction | Relative<br>Position | Description of Activity                                  | Observations<br>that may<br>affect sample                  |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 1<br>25m East of<br>Walker St. And<br>Ferry St.<br>intersection     | 0700              | 155                                | 4                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 2<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0700              | 155                                | 1                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | No activity observed on site                             | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 3<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0730              | 155                                | 3                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 4<br>25m East of<br>Walker St. And<br>Ferry St.<br>intersection     | 0800              | 155                                | 4                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 5<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0800              | 155                                | 4                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 6<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0830              | 155                                | 9                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |

| Sample No. &<br>Air<br>Monitoring<br>Location                        | Time<br>of<br>Day | PM₁₀<br>Action<br>Level<br>(µg/m³) | Average<br>Result<br>(µg/m³) | Wind<br>Direction | Relative<br>Position | Description of Activity                                  | Observations<br>that may<br>affect sample                  |
|--|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 7<br>30m East of Dodd<br>St. and<br>Dorchester St.<br>intersection   | 0900              | 155                                | 6                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 8<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection  | 0900              | 155                                | 13                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 9<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection  | 0930              | 155                                | 7                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 10<br>30m East of Dodd<br>St. and<br>Dorchester St.<br>intersection  | 1000              | 155                                | 5                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 11<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1000              | 155                                | O                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 12<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1030              | 155                                | 6                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 13<br>30m East of Dodd<br>St. and<br>Dorchester St.<br>intersection  | 1100              | 155                                | 5                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |

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|--|-------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 14<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1100              | 155  | 16                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 15<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1130              | 155  | 40                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 16<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1200              | 155  | 10                           | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 17<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1200              | 155  | 18                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | No activity observed on site                             | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 18 30m North of Terminal Rd. and Prince St. intersection             | 1230              | 155  | 17                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 19<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1300              | 155  | 15                           | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 20<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1300              | 155  | 19                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |

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|--|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| 21<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1330              | 155                                | 11                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 22<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1400              | 155                                | 13                           | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 23<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1400              | 155                                | 13                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 24<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1430              | 155                                | 13                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Machinery in operation                                   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 25<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1500              | 155                                | 17                           | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 26<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1500              | 155                                | 9                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |
| 27<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1530              | 155                                | 21                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity |

| Sample No. &<br>Air<br>Monitoring<br>Location                        | Time<br>of<br>Day | PM <sub>10</sub><br>Action<br>Level<br>(µg/m³) | Average<br>Result<br>(μg/m³) | Wind<br>Direction | Relative<br>Position | Description of Activity                                  | Observations<br>that may<br>affect sample                  |
|--|-------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 28<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1600              | 155  | 12                           | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations<br>seen to affect<br>sampling<br>integrity |
| 29<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1600              | 155  | 9                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 30<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1630              | 155  | 64                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | Dust from<br>material being<br>dumped                      |
| 31<br>65m South of<br>Ritchie St. and<br>Dodd St.<br>intersection    | 1700              | 155  | 5                            | Northwest         | Upwind               | Background   | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 32<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1700              | 155  | 41                           | Northwest         | Downwind             | Dump trucks,<br>dozer, roller,<br>excavator<br>operating | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |
| 33<br>30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1745              | 155  | 7                            | Northwest         | Downwind             | No activity<br>observed on<br>site                       | No observations seen to affect sampling integrity          |

Notes: Air sample duration for each monitoring event was 15 minutes.

# **Comparison of Downwind Daily Results for Dust Budget**

| Location   | Duration        | Dust Budget Value (μg/m³) | Dust Budget Exceedance Value (μg/m³) |
|--|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0700 to<br>0759 | 2                         | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0800 to<br>0859 | 9                         | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 0900 to<br>0959 | 19                        | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1000 to<br>1059 | 27                        | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1100 to<br>1159 | 56                        | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1200 to<br>1259 | 74                        | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1300 to<br>1359 | 89                        | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1400 to<br>1459 | 102                       | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1500 to<br>1559 | 117                       | 990                                  |

| Location   | Duration        | Dust Budget Value<br>(μg/m³) | Dust Budget Exceedance Value (μg/m³) |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1600 to<br>1659 | 154                          | 990                                  |
| 30m North of<br>Terminal Rd. and<br>Prince St.<br>intersection | 1700 to<br>1759 | 178                          | 990                                  |

# **VOC Monitoring**

| Monitoring Method         | Yes | No |
|---------------------------|-----|----|
| Sustained Odours Observed |     | •  |
| P.I.D. Required           | •   |    |