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#### **MEMORANDUM**

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

Sydney Tar Ponds Agency - Tar Cell, Sysco Site

**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 June, 2009. Jennifer Andrews and Reg Peters of ALL-TECH Environmental Services Cape Breton Limited (ALL-TECH) performed all air monitoring activities.

Weather conditions on the day of sampling:

- Mainly sunny

- Temperature: approximately 26°C

- Wind Direction: Southwest

**Comments:** Air monitoring was delayed until 0730 hours due to high humidity, and began at 0930 hours when weather conditions were within instrument specifications. Air monitoring was performed during AECOM's construction activities.

All downwind and upwind measurements of  $PM_{10}$  were below the established Site Action Level for this parameter of  $180 \ \mu g/m^3$ .

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 Jennifer Andrews 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 – Tar Cell, Sysco Site 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2009

Sample No. & Air Monitoring Location	Time of Day	PM₁₀ Action Level (µg/m³)	Average Result (μg/m³)	Wind Direction	Relative Position	Description of Activity	Observations that may affect sample
1 20m North of railway maintenance building (N46°08.845′ W060°11.629′)	0930	180	10	Southwest	Upwind	Background	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
2 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	0930	180	9	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
3 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	0945	180	8	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
4 20m North of railway maintenance building (N46°08.845′ W060°11.629′)	1000	180	10	Southwest	Upwind	Background	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
5 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1000	180	8	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity

Sample No. & Air Monitoring Location	Time of Day	PM₁₀ Action Level (µg/m³)	Average Result (μg/m³)	Wind Direction	Relative Position	Description of Activity	Observations that may affect sample
6 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1040	180	18	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
7 20m North of railway maintenance building (N46°08.845′ W060°11.629′)	1100	180	7	Southwest	Upwind	Background	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
8 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1100	180	5	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
9 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1120	180	5	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
10 20m North of railway maintenance building (N46°08.845′ W060°11.629′)	1200	180	11	Southwest	Upwind	Background	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity
11 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1200	180	4	Southwest	Downwind	Equipment in operation	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity

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12 30m Northwest of new truck scale (N46°09.343′ W060°11.679′)	1245	180	20	Southwest	Downwind	No activity observed on site	No observations seen to affect sampling integrity

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

# Summary of Downwind $PM_{10}$ Action Levels

Average PM <sub>10</sub> Concentration (μg/m³)	Averaging Period (Hours)	Downwind Action Level (μg/m³)
9	1	125
10	4	85

## **VOC Monitoring**

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