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Headspace Vapor Characterization of Hanford Waste Tank AX-103: Results from Samples Collected on 6/21/95

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Summary

This report describes the analytical results of vapor samples taken from the headspace of the waste storage tank 241-AX-103 (Tank AX-103) at the Hanford Site in Washington State. The results described in this report were obtained to characterize the vapors present in the tank headspace and to support safety evaluations and tank farm operations. The results include air concentrations of selected inorganic and organic analytes and grouped compounds from samples obtained by Westinghouse Hanford Company (WHC) and provided for analysis to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL). Analyses were performed by the Vapor Analytical Laboratory (VAL) at PNNL. Analyte concentrations were based on analytical results and, where appropriate, sample volumes provided by WHC. A summary of the inorganic analytes, permanent gases, and total non-methane hydrocarbons is listed in Table S.1. The three highest concentration analytes detected in SUMMA™ canister and triple sorbent trap (TST) samples are also listed in Table S.1. Detailed descriptions of the analytical results appear in the text.

Table S.1 Summary Results of Samples to Characterize the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95

<u>Category</u>	<u>Sample Medium</u>	<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Vapor^(a) Concentration</u>	<u>Units</u>
Inorganic Analytes ^(b)	Sorbent Traps	NH ₃	42 ± 2	ppmv
		NO ₂	≤ 0.07	ppmv
		NO	0.34 ± 0.07	ppmv
		H ₂ O	15.2 ± 0.4	mg/L
Permanent Gases	SUMMA™ Canister	CO ₂	434	ppmv
		CO	< 12	ppmv
		CH ₄	< 12	ppmv
		H ₂	< 98	ppmv
		N ₂ O	24	ppmv
Volatile Organics (TO-14)	SUMMA™ Canister	Trichlorofluoromethane	0.060	ppmv
		Methyl Alcohol	0.045	ppmv
		Acetone	0.026	ppmv
Semi-Volatile Organics	Sorbent Traps	Trichlorofluoromethane	0.022	ppmv
		Acetone	0.013	ppmv
		Acetonitrile	0.005	ppmv

(a) Vapor concentrations were determined using sample-volume data provided by WHC and are based on averaged data. Result qualifications are described in Chapter 2 and Appendices A through E.

(b) Inorganic analyte concentrations are based on dry tank air at standard temperature and pressure (STP).

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Glossary

% D	% Difference
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CCV	continuing calibration verification
COC	chain-of-custody
C _v	concentration by volume
DIW	deionized water
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
GC/FID	gas chromatography/flame ionization detector
GC/MS	gas chromatography/mass spectrometry
GC/TCD	gas chromatography/thermal conductivity detection
IC	ion chromatography
IL	impact level
IS	internal standard
MDL	method detection limit
NIST	National Institute for Standards and Technology
PNL	previous designation for Pacific Northwest Laboratory
PNNL	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
ppbv	part per billion by volume
ppm	parts per million
ppmv	part per million by volume
QA	quality assurance
RPD	relative percent difference
RSD	relative standard deviation
SAP	sample and analysis plan
SCIC	suppressed-conductivity ion chromatography
SRM	standard reference material
STP	standard temperature and pressure
SUMMA™	stainless steel, passivated interior canister
TEA	triethanolamine
TIC	tentatively identified compound
TNMOC	total nonmethanic organic compounds
TST	triple sorbent trap
UHP	ultra high purity
VAL	Vapor Analytical Laboratory
VSS	vapor sampling system
WHC	Westinghouse Hanford Company

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1.0 Introduction

This report describes the results of vapor samples taken from the headspace of waste storage tank 241-AX-103 (Tank AX-103) at the Hanford Site in Washington State. Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL)^(a) contracted with Westinghouse Hanford Company (WHC) to provide sampling devices and analyze samples for inorganic and organic analytes collected from the tank headspace and ambient air near the tank. The analytical work was performed by the PNNL Vapor Analytical Laboratory (VAL) by the Tank Vapor Characterization Project. Work performed was based on a sample and analysis plan (SAP) prepared by WHC. The SAP provided job-specific instructions for samples, analyses, and reporting. The SAP for this sample job was "Vapor Sampling and Analysis Plan" (Homi 1995), and the sample job was designated S5029. Samples were collected by WHC on June 21, 1995, using the Vapor Sampling System (VSS), a truck-based sampling method using a heated probe inserted into the tank headspace.

Sampling devices and controls provided for this job included 12 sorbent trains for selected inorganic analytes (6 sample trains, 3 trip blanks, and 3 field blanks), 5 SUMMA[™] canisters for permanent gases and volatile organic analytes (3 samples and 2 ambient canisters), and 16 triple sorbent traps (TSTs) for semi-volatile organic analytes (12 samples, 2 field blanks, and 2 trip blanks). The samples and controls were provided to WHC on June 14, 1995. Exposed samples and controls were returned to PNNL on June 26, 1995. Samples and controls were handled, stored, and transported using chain-of-custody (COC) forms to ensure sample quality was maintained.

Samples and controls were handled and stored as per PNNL technical procedure PNL-TVP-07^(b), and, upon return to PNNL, were logged into PNNL Laboratory Record Book 55408. Samples were stored at the VAL under conditions (e.g., ambient, refrigerated) required by technical procedures. Access to the samples was controlled and limited to PNNL staff trained in the application of specific technical procedures to handle samples for the tank vapor characterization project. Analyses were performed in the 300 Area at Hanford; specific analytical methods are described in the text. In summary, sorbent traps for inorganic analytes were either weighed (for water analysis) or weighed and desorbed with the appropriate aqueous solutions for analyzing inorganic analytes by either selective electrode or ion chromatography (IC).

Tank headspace samples were analyzed for

- *permanent gases* using gas chromatography/thermal conductivity detection (GC/TCD)
- *total non-methane hydrocarbons* using cryogenic preconcentration followed by gas chromatography/flame ionization detection (GC/FID)

(a) Pacific Northwest Laboratory is operated for the U. S. Department of Energy by Battelle under Contract DE-AC06-76RLO 1830. The previous name for the laboratory was Pacific Northwest Laboratory (PNL). The former name is used when previously published documents are referenced.

(b) PNL-TVP-07, Rev. 0, October 1994, *Sample Shipping and Receiving Procedure for PNL Waste Tank Samples*, PNL Technical Procedure, Tank Vapor Project, Richland, Washington.

- *volatile organic analytes* analyses using cryogenic preconcentration followed by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS)
- *semi-volatile organic analytes* (TST samples) using thermal desorption followed by GC/MS.

This report provides summary and detailed analytical information related to the samples and controls. Section 2.0 provides a summary of analytical results. Section 3.0 provides conclusions. Descriptions of samples, analytical methods, quality assurance (QA) and quality control issues, and detailed sample results are provided for each category of samples and analyses in Appendices A, B, C, D, and E. Appendix F contains the completed COC forms.

2.0 Analytical Results

Samples obtained by WHC from the headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95 (Sample Job S5029) were analyzed in the PNNL VAL. Summarized results are described in this section; details of samples, analyses, and data tables are provided in the attached appendixes.

2.1 Inorganic Analytes

The vapor concentrations of selected inorganic analytes, NH_3 , NO_2 , NO , and vapor mass concentration (primarily H_2O), were determined. The average and one standard deviation of concentration results from inorganic sorbent sample trains used to sample headspace vapors were 42 ± 2 ppmv (NH_3), ≤ 0.07 ppmv (NO_2), 0.34 ± 0.07 ppmv (NO), and 15.2 ± 0.4 mg/L (primarily H_2O). The vapor concentration results were based on six samples for each compound. Three of six NO samples were excluded from the average result; in total, 21 of 24 samples were successfully analyzed and used in the averages. Representative field blanks were also analyzed and used to correct data. Two of the four average concentration results exceeded the minimum of the expected ranges (see Table A.1): NH_3 and H_2O . The precision of results, based on one standard deviation of all samples, was $\leq \pm 5\%$ (within the target level of $\pm 25\%$) for analytes exceeding expected ranges. The estimated accuracies of vapor concentrations, assuming negligible sample volume uncertainty, were 90 to 110% (within the target range of 70 to 130%) for analytes exceeding the expected ranges. These uncertainties were confirmed by evaluation of spikes and continuing calibration standards (NH_3) and evaluation of the variability of field blanks (H_2O). No procedural deviations were noted. Data and additional information on samples, analyses, and results are described in Appendix A. The COC form used to control samples, 008895, is included in Appendix F.

2.2 Permanent Gases

The complete results of the permanent-gas analysis of Tank AX-103 can be found in Appendix B of this report. In summary, carbon dioxide (434 ppm) and nitrous oxide (24 ppm) were observed in the tank headspace samples, and carbon dioxide in the tank headspace samples was at a higher concentration than observed in the ambient air.

2.3 Total Non-Methane Hydrocarbons

TO-12 gas analysis for total non-methane hydrocarbons was not conducted on the AX-103 tank headspace samples.

2.4 Volatile Organic Analytes

The complete results of the SUMMA™ analysis of Tank AX-103 can be found in Appendix D of this report. In summary, 3 target analytes above the 5-ppbv reporting cutoff and 1 TIC above the 10-ppbv reporting cutoff were detected in the tank headspace samples. The total concentration of all

the compounds identified in the tank headspace sample was found to be 0.52 mg/m³. SUMMA™ canister PNL 268 was analyzed in replicate for target analytes and TICs to determine analytical precision. Two of 3 target analytes and the single TIC had relative percent differences (RPDs) of less than 10%. No compounds were observed in the two ambient air samples.

2.5 Semi-Volatile Organic Analytes

The complete results of the sorbent trap analysis of Tank AX-103 can be found in Appendix E of this report. In summary, 3 target analytes above the 5-ppbv reporting cutoff and no TICs above the 10-ppbv reporting cutoff were detected in the tank headspace samples. The total concentration of all the compounds identified in the tank headspace samples was found to be 0.17 mg/m³. Triple sorbent trap (TST) sample PNL 072 was analyzed in replicate for target analytes and TICs to determine analytical precision. All 3 target analytes had RPDs of less than 10%.

2.6 Comparison of Organic Results

Table 2.1 contains a comparison of the SUMMA™ and TST analytical results for target analytes and TICs. The compounds identified in this table were observed in two or more of the tank headspace samples of the respective sampling method. Unknown compounds identified during the respective analysis were not included in this comparison. The RPD is based on comparing the TST results to the SUMMA™ results. For example, a smaller TST value would be identified as a negative RPD.

The analytical results of the SUMMA™ and TST samples identified 3 target analytes common to both analysis. All 3 of the compounds were higher in the SUMMA™ samples.

Table 2.1. Comparison of Mean Values for Positively Identified and Quantitated Target Analytes^(a) and Tentatively Identified Compounds and Estimated Concentrations^(b) for Triple Sorbent Traps and SUMMATM Canister Collected from the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95

Target Analytes	CAS No.	S5029 ^(c) TST Results		S5029 ^(c) SUMMA TM Results		Relative Percent Difference
		(mg/m ³)	St Dev	(mg/m ³)	St Dev	
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	0.01	(d)	0.02	0.01	-67
Acetone	67-64-1	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.01	-80
Trichlorofluoromethane	75-69-4	0.13	0.06	0.37	0.04	-96
Tentatively Identified Compounds^(b)						
Methyl Alcohol	67-56-1	<0.01		0.06	0.01	

(a) TO-14 plus 14 additional target analytes.

(b) Semi-quantitative estimate calculated using concentration of closest eluting internal standard

(c) WHC sample job number.

(d) Standard deviation not meaningful for this analyte; compound observed in only two TST samples.

na Not applicable

3.0 Conclusions

The concentrations of inorganic and organic analytes were determined from samples of the headspace of Tank AX-103 on June 21, 1995 (Sample Job S5029). The vapor concentrations were based either on whole-volume samples (SUMMA™ canisters) or on sorbent traps exposed to sample flow. In the case of the canisters, the concentrations were based on analytical results and tracking of dilution/concentration of sample volumes obtained directly from the canisters. In the case of the sorbent traps, concentrations were based on analytical results and sample volumes reported by WHC. Known sampling and analytical variances from established quality assurance requirements, where significant, were documented in this report, as required by the SAP (Homi 1995). No immediate notifications (phone and electronic memo) were provided because analytical results indicated no specific analytes exceeded the notification levels; notification levels and notification procedures are described in the SAP (Homi 1995).

4.0 Reference and Further Reading

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Appendix A

Tank Vapor Characterization:

Inorganic Analytes

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Tank Vapor Characterization: Inorganic Analytes

Solid sorbent traps, prepared in multi-trap sampling trains, were supplied to Westinghouse Hanford Company (WHC) for sampling the tank headspace using the Vapor Sampling System (VSS). Blanks, spiked blanks (when requested), and exposed samples were returned to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) for analysis. Analyses were performed to provide information on the tank headspace concentration of the following analytes: ammonia (NH_3), nitrogen dioxide (NO_2), nitric oxide (NO), and water (H_2O). Procedures were similar to those developed previously during sample jobs performed with the VSS connected to the headspace of Tank C-103 (Ligotke et al. 1994). During those sample jobs, control samples provided validation that the samples effectively trapped NH_3 and mass. Samples were prepared, handled, and disassembled as described in Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-09^(a). Analytical accuracy was estimated based on procedures used. Sample preparation and analyses were performed following PNNL quality assurance (QA) impact level (IL) II requirements.

A.1 Sampling Methodology

Standard glass tubes containing sorbent materials to trap vapors of selected analytes of NH_3 , NO , NO_2 , and H_2O (supplied by SKC Inc., Eighty Four, Pennsylvania) were obtained, prepared, and submitted for vapor sampling. The sorbent traps were selected based on their use by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to perform workplace monitoring and because of available procedures and verification results associated with that particular application. The typical sorbent traps used consisted of a glass tube containing a sorbent material specific to the compound of interest. In general, the tubes contained 2 sorbent layers, or sections; the first layer was the primary trap, and the second layer provided an indication of breakthrough. In the tubes, sorbent layers are generally held in packed layers separated by glass wool. The sorbent traps, having glass-sealed ends, were received from the vendor.

The type and nominal quantity of sorbent material varied by application. Sorbent traps were selected for the tank sample job and included the following products. The NH_3 sorbent traps contained carbon beads impregnated with sulfuric acid; nominally, 500 mg were contained in the primary and 250 mg in the breakthrough sections. The NH_3 was chemisorbed as ammonium sulfate $[(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4]$. The NO_2 traps contained a zeolite impregnated with triethanolamine (TEA), with 400 mg in the primary and 200 mg in the breakthrough sections. The NO_2 was absorbed and disproportionated to equi-molar quantities of nitrite ions (NO_2^-) and nitrate ions (NO_3^-). Glass tubes containing 800 mg of an oxidant such as chromate were used to convert NO to NO_2 . The converted NO was then collected as nitrite and nitrate in an NO_2 trap. The water traps contained 300 mg of silica gel in the primary and 150 mg in the breakthrough sections.

(a) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 10/94. *Sorbent Trap Preparation for Sampling and Analysis: Waste Tank Inorganic Vapor Samples*, PNL-TVP-09 (Rev. 0), PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.

Sorbent trains provided to trap inorganic compounds included all or some of the following: samples, spiked samples, spares, blanks, and spiked blanks. Sorbent trains were prepared from same-lot batches, with the oxidizer sections of the NO_x sorbent trains having been stored previously in a freezer. After sample preparation, sorbent trains were stored at $\leq 10^{\circ}\text{C}$ because of handling recommendations for the oxidizer tubes attached to some samples. After receipt of exposed and radiologically cleared samples from WHC and disassembly of the sorbent trains, samples were provided to the analytical laboratory at ambient temperature.

The sorbent traps were prepared in multi-trap sorbent trains configured so sample flow passed in order through the traps, targeting specific analytes, and then through a desiccant trap. The specific order of traps within the various sorbent trains is described in Section A.4. The ends of the glass-tube traps were broken, and the traps were weighed and then connected to each other using uniform lengths of 3/8-in. perfluoroalkoxy-grade Teflon® tubing. The tubing was heated in hot air and forced over the open ends of the traps to form a tight seal. The inlets of the sorbent trains each consist of a short section of tubing having a 3/8-in. stainless steel Swagelok® nut, sealed using a Swagelok® cap. The trailing ends of the sorbent trains (the downstream end of the traps containing silica gel) were each sealed with red plastic end caps provided by the manufacturer. The sorbent-tube trains remained sealed other than during the actual sampling periods. During vapor sampling, C-Flex® tubing was provided by WHC to connect the downstream ends of the sorbent trains to the sampling manifold exhaust connections.

A.1.1 Concentration Calculations. The concentrations of target compounds in the tank headspace were determined from sample results, assuming effective sample transport to the sorbent traps. Concentration, in parts per million by volume (ppmv), was determined by dividing the mass of the compound, in μmol , by the volume of the dried tank air sampled in mol. The micromolar sample mass was determined by dividing the compound mass, in μg , by the molecular weight of the compound, in g/mol. The molar sample volume was determined, excluding water vapor, by dividing the standard sample volume (at 0°C and 760 torr), in L, by 22.4 L/mol. For example, the concentration by volume (C_v) of a 3.00-L sample containing 75.0 μg of NH₃ equals

$$C_v = \frac{75.0 \mu\text{g}}{17.0 \text{ g/mol}} \left[\frac{3.00 \text{ L}}{22.4 \text{ L/mol}} \right]^{-1} = 32.9 \text{ ppmv} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

This calculational method produces concentration results that are slightly conservative (greater than actual) because the volume of water vapor in the sample stream is neglected. The volume of water vapor is not included in the measured sampled volume because of its removal in desiccant traps upstream of the mass flowmeter. However, the bias is generally expected to be small. For a tank headspace temperature of 35°C , the magnitude of the bias would be about 1 to 6%, assuming tank headspace relative humidities of 20 to 100%, respectively. The concentration of mass (determined gravimetrically) was also per dry-gas volume at standard conditions.

A.2 Analytical Procedures

The compounds of interest were trapped using solid sorbents and chemisorption (adsorption of water vapor). Analytical results were based on extraction and analysis of selected ions. Analytical procedures used are specified in the text. All were compiled in PNL-MA-599.

A.2.1 Ammonia Analysis. The sorbent material from the NH_3 -selective sorbent traps was placed into labeled 20-mL glass scintillation vials. Vials containing front-, or primary-, section sorbent material were treated with 10.0 mL of deionized water (DIW), and vials containing back-up-section sorbent material were treated with 5.0 mL of DIW. After extraction, the NH_3 sorbent traps were analyzed using the selective ion electrode procedure PNL-ALO-226^(a). Briefly, this method includes 1) preparing a 1000- $\mu\text{g/mL}$ (ppm) NH_3 stock standard solution from dried reagent-grade NH_4Cl and DIW, 2) preparing 0.1-, 0.5-, 1.0-, 10-, and 100-ppm NH_3 working calibration standards by serial dilution of the freshly made stock standard, 3) generating an initial calibration curve from the measured electromotive force signal versus NH_3 concentration data obtained for the set of working standards, 4) performing a calibration-verification check, using a mid-range dilution of a certified National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST)-traceable 0.1 M NH_4Cl standard from an independent source, after analyzing every 5 or 6 samples, 5) continuing this sequence until all samples of the batch have been measured, including duplicates and spiked samples, and 6) remeasuring the complete set of calibration standards (at the end of the session). Emf signal measurements obtained for samples are compared to those for standards, either graphically or algebraically (using linear regression) to determine NH_3 concentration in the samples.

A.2.2 Nitrite Analysis. The sorbent traps for NO_2 and NO were desorbed in an aqueous TEA and n-butanol solution and analyzed by suppressed-conductivity ion chromatography (SCIC) for nitrite according to PNL-ALO-212, Rev. 1^(b) modified to obviate interferences by concentrations of non-target analytes. Specifically, the modifications used were 1) eluent 1.44 mM Na_2CO_3 + 1.8 mM NaHCO_3 at 2.0 mL/min, 2) 1 guard column (AG4A) and 2 separator columns (AS4A) in series instead of just 1 separator column, and 3) all standards, samples, and blanks injected into the IC sample loop through 0.45- μm syringe filters.

For the analysis, the sorbent materials were placed into labeled 20-mL glass scintillation vials. To each vial, 3.0 mL of desorbing solution (15 g TEA + 1 mL n-butanol in 1.0 L of DIW) was added. Primary sorbent-tube sample materials and back-up (breakthrough) sorbent-trap materials were analyzed separately using identical procedures. Each analytical session was conducted as follows. Working nitrite standards (0, 0.1, 0.25, and 0.5 ppm) were prepared by diluting a stock nitrite standard with desorbing solution. An initial calibration curve was prepared from the instrument response (chromatographic peak height) versus nitrite standard concentration data for the set of working standards. A calibration verification check using 1 of the midrange standards was

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- (a) Procedure entitled "Ammonia (Nitrogen) in Aqueous Samples," PNL-ALO-226, in the *Analytical Chemistry Laboratory (ACL) Procedure Compendium*, Vol. 3: Inorganic Instrumental Methods. Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, Washington.
- (b) Procedure entitled "Determination of Inorganic Anions by Ion Chromatography," PNL-ALO-212, in the *Analytical Chemistry Laboratory (ACL) Procedure Compendium*, Vol. 3: Inorganic Instrumental Methods. Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, Washington.

performed after the analysis of every 6 samples. If the instrument response indicated that sample nitrite concentration was outside the calibration range (> 0.5 ppm nitrite), the sample was diluted with desorbing solution and reanalyzed. After all samples of a batch were analyzed, the complete set of calibration standards was remeasured to verify consistent instrument response, and the analytical session was terminated.

Instrument responses (peak height) observed for samples were compared to those for standards to determine the nitrite concentration of the samples. Because NO_2 and NO converted to NO_2 were collected on the sorbent as equal quantities of nitrite and nitrate, and the analysis was specific for nitrite, the molar masses of NO_2 and NO were determined by doubling the analytically determined molar mass of nitrite.

A.2.3 Mass (Water) Analysis. Sorbent traps used to make each sample train were weighed using a semi-micro mass balance, after labeling and breaking the glass tube ends, without plastic end caps. After receipt of exposed samples, the sorbent traps were again weighed to determine the change in mass. Records of the measurements were documented on sample-preparation data sheets. The mass concentration, generally roughly equal to the concentration of water, was determined by dividing the combined change in mass from all traps in a sorbent train by the actual volume of gas sampled. Blanks were included to provide information on uncertainty.

A.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

Analytical work was performed according to quality levels identified in the project QA plan and several PNNL documents. The samples were analyzed following PNNL Impact Level II. The PNNL documents include PNL-MA-70 (Part 2), PNL-ALO-212, PNL-ALO-226, and MCS-046. A summary of the analysis procedures and limits for the target inorganic compounds is provided in Table A.1. The table also shows generic expected notification ranges and describes related target analytical precision and accuracy levels for each analyte; the information in the table is based on the data quality objective assessment by Osborne et al. (1995). From the table, it can be seen that the method detection limit (MDL) required to resolve the analyte at one-tenth of the recommended exposure limit for each of the target analytes is achieved using current procedures and with a vapor-sample volume of 3 L and a desorption-solution volume of 3 mL (10 mL for NH_3).

The accuracy of concentration measurements depends on potential errors associated with both sampling and analysis (see Section A.4). Sampling information, including sample volumes, was provided by WHC; sample-volume uncertainty was not provided. The uncertainty of analytical results, which depends on the method used, was estimated to be within allowable tolerances (Osborne et al. 1995; Table A.1). For NH_3 analyses, the accuracy of laboratory measurements by selective ion electrode was estimated to be $\pm 5\%$ relative, independent of concentration at $1 \mu\text{g/mL}$ or greater levels. The uncertainty includes preparation of standards, purity of the ammonium salt used to prepare standards, potential operator bias, ambient temperature variations, etc. Working standards are traceable to NIST-traceable standard reference material (SRM) by using an independent calibration verification standard certified to be NIST traceable. Nitrite analyses (for NO_2 and NO) are performed using certified but not NIST-traceable SRM; this is because NIST does not make a nitrite SRM. Based on experience in comparing nitrite working standards prepared from several different sources and factors mentioned for NH_3 above, the estimated maximum bias for samples derived from

Table A.1 Analytical Procedures, Detection Limits, and Expected Notification Levels for Selected Inorganic Analytes^(a)

Analyte	Formula	Procedure	MDL ^(b) (μ g)	MDL ^(b) (ppmv)	Expected Range ^(c) (ppmv)	Notification Level ^(c) (ppmv)
Ammonia	NH ₃	PNL-ALO-226	0.1	0.5	≥ 2	≥ 150
Nitrogen Dioxide	NO ₂	PNL-ALO-212	0.02	0.02	≥ 0.1	≥ 10
Nitric oxide	NO	PNL-ALO-212	0.02	0.02	≥ 2	≥ 50
Mass (water) ^(d)	n/a	PNL-TVP-09	0.6 mg	0.2 mg/L	≥ 3 mg/L	n/a

- (a) Analytical precision and accuracy targets for results in the expected ranges equal $\pm 25\%$ and 70 to 130%, respectively (Osborne et al. 1995).
- (b) MDL is defined as the vapor concentration that can be detected with an uncertainty equal to about the magnitude of the measurement. The uncertainty is expected to reduce to about one-quarter of the magnitude of the measurement at a concentration of 4 times the MDL. The MDLs were based on the assumption that 3 L of vapor are sampled; if greater volumes of vapor are sampled, correspondingly smaller MDLs may be obtainable. Determination of the MDLs was also based on desorbing-solution volumes of 10 mL for NH₃ and 3 mL for NO and NO₂. The MDL for water was based on the typical variation in the mass change of 5-trap field-blank sorbent trains that accompany samples to the field.
- (c) As per Table 7-1 in Osborne et al. (1995). Notification levels require verbal and written reports to WHC on completion of preliminary analyses.
- (d) The vapor-mass concentration, thought to be largely water vapor, is determined gravimetrically.
n/a = not applicable.

sampling for NO₂ is $\pm 10\%$, and for samples derived from sampling for NO, it is $\pm 5\%$ relative. The accuracy of measurements of sample mass is typically ± 0.1 mg, or much less than 1% of the mass changes of most samples. The analytical accuracy of measurements of the change in mass of sorbent trains, based on the variability in mass change of field-blank sorbent trains, is determined for each sample job and is typically about ± 1 mg per 5-trap sorbent train.

A.4 Inorganic Sample Results

Samples were obtained by WHC from the tank headspace of Tank AX-103 on June 21, 1995 using the VSS. The sample job designation number was S5029. Unexposed samples were prepared by PNNL, submitted to WHC for the sample job, and then returned to PNNL and analyzed to provide information on the concentrations of NH₃, NO₂, NO, and mass (primarily H₂O). Samples were controlled using chain-of-custody 008895 (Appendix F). The inorganic samples were received from WHC on June 26, 1995; the sample volume information was also received on June 26. Analyses were completed on June 27, 1995 (gravimetric, 6-day hold time), June 28, 1995 (ammonia, 7-day hold time), and June 30, 1995 (nitrite, 9-day hold time).

A list of samples, sampling information, sample volumes, and gravimetric results is shown in Table A.2. The types of sample trains used and the order of sorbent traps within each train are also shown in the table. For example, the sorbent train NH₃/NO_x/H₂O contained an NH₃ trap at the inlet end, an NO_x series in the middle (Section A.4.2), and a desiccant trap at the outlet end. Analytical

mass and concentration results are shown in Table A.3. Sample volumes were provided by WHC; sample-volume uncertainty was not provided. Tank headspace concentration results (Table A.3) are based on this information, and the listed uncertainties equal plus or minus one standard deviation of the individual results from each set of samples. Percentage relative standard deviation (RSD) may be determined by dividing the standard deviation by the average result and multiplying by 100. Where analytical results from samples were nearly indistinguishable from those of blanks, indicating very low vapor concentrations of the analyte, the concentration results (Table A.3) are listed as "less-than-or-equal-to" a probable maximum value determined by subtracting the average of the blanks less one standard deviation from the average of the samples plus one standard deviation. Results of control samples, such as trip blanks, field blanks, and spiked blanks, are discussed in this section. Spiked blanks, when used, were transported to the field but not opened. Spiked samples, when used, were opened in the field and used to collect tank vapors. Sample results were not corrected for the percentage recoveries of spiked blanks.

A.4.1 Ammonia Results. The concentration of NH_3 was 42 ± 2 ppmv, based on all six samples. The blank-corrected NH_3 quantities in the sorbent traps ranged from 5.0 to 5.9 μmol in front sections; NH_3 was not found ($\leq 0.01 \mu\text{mol}$) in back sorbent sections. Blank corrections, $\leq 0.07 \mu\text{mol}$ in front and $\leq 0.04 \mu\text{mol}$ in back sections, were about 1% of collected quantities. The analyses of two samples were duplicated and each yielded a repeatability of $\pm 2\%$. One sample leachate was spiked after initial analysis with roughly the quantity of NH_3 in the sample and yielded a percentage recovery of 96%. The continuing calibration verification standard, using NIST-traceable material, yielded percentage recoveries of 101, 103, and 101% during the analytical session. A 5-point calibration was performed over an NH_3 range of 0.1 to 1000 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. Although spiked blanks were not tested, the percentage recoveries of three sets of blanks spiked with 12.2, 22.3, and 46.4 $\mu\text{mol NH}_3$ were 101 ± 4 , 109 ± 2 , and $104 \pm 1\%$, respectively, during previous sample jobs (Clauss et al. 1994; Ligothke et al. 1994).

A.4.2 Nitrogen Oxides Results. Measurements of NO_2 and NO were made using six 5-segment $\text{NH}_3/\text{NO}_x/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ sorbent-trap trains (the NO_x trains consisted of NO_2 trap, oxidizer, NO_2 trap). Related sample jobs, performed using the VSS in BY-104, -105, and -106 both with and without NO_x trains protected by a leading NH_3 trap (e.g., Clauss et al. 1994), indicated that the presence of the upstream NH_3 traps resulted in NO concentrations that were about 1.3- to 1.6-fold less than those from unprotected NO_x traps. The NO_2 concentrations were also potentially less following an NH_3 trap.

The concentrations of NO_2 and NO were ≤ 0.07 and 0.34 ± 0.07 ppmv, respectively, based on all six samples. Blank-corrected NO_2 quantities in the sorbent traps averaged $\leq 0.0049 \mu\text{mol}$ (NO_2 samples) and $0.0226 \mu\text{mol}$ (NO samples). Nitrite blank levels used to correct data were $0.0129 \pm 0.0025 \mu\text{mol}$ in front (6 of 12 blanks analyzed) and $0.0058 \pm 0.0006 \mu\text{mol}$ in back (4 of 12 blanks analyzed) sorbent sections. The analyses of two samples were duplicated and all yielded repeatabilities of $\pm 0\%$ and $\pm 1\%$. Two sample leachates were spiked with 0.25 ppm NO_2^- and yielded percentage recoveries of 91 and 99%. The NO results were based on three of six samples; an analytical systems performance problem, confirmed by the results of control samples interspersed throughout the sets of samples, indicated loss of quality control on the fourth through sixth NO samples. The affected samples were excluded from the result (see Table A.3). A 4-point calibration was performed over a concentration range of 0 to 0.5 $\mu\text{g NO}_2^-$ per mL in the desorbing matrix. Although spiked blanks were not tested, blanks spiked with 0.0064, 0.047, 0.11, and 0.74 $\mu\text{mol NO}_2^-$

Table A.2 List of PNNL Inorganic Samples, Controls, and Gravimetric Results Obtained from a Heated Tube Inserted into the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95

Sample Port and Volume Information ^(a)						
Sample Number	Sorbent Type	Sample Port	Flow Rate (mL/min)	Duration (min)	Volume (L)	Mass Gain (g)
<u>Samples:</u>						
S5029-A23-U09	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Train	1	200	15.0	3.00	0.0458
S5029-A24-U10	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Train	2	200	15.0	3.00	0.0468
S5029-A25-U11	NH ₃ /H ₂ O/H ₂ O Train	3	200	15.0	3.00	0.0476
S5029-A26-U12	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Train	4	200	15.0	3.00	0.0449
S5029-A27-U13	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Train	5	200	15.0	3.00	0.0453
S5029-A28-U14	NH ₃ /H ₂ O/H ₂ O Train	6	200	15.0	3.00	0.0482
<u>Controls:</u>						
S5029-A29-U15	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Trip Blank	n/a ^(b)	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0049
S5029-A30-U16	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Trip Blank	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0047
S5029-A31-U17	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Trip Blank	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0050
S5029-A32-U24	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Field Blank	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0004
S5029-A33-U25	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Field Blank	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0008
S5029-U34-U26	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O Field Blank	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0008

(a) Sampling information and dry-gas sample volumes, corrected to 0°C and 760 torr, were provided by WHC. Uncertainty values were not provided with sample-volume results.

(b) n/a = not applicable.

during previous sample jobs yielded percentage recoveries of 153 ± 14 , 103 ± 4 , 106 ± 8 , and $111 \pm 7\%$, respectively (Clauss et al. 1994; Ligothe et al. 1994).

A.4.3 Gravimetric Results. The mass concentration of material collected in the 4- and 5-trap sorbent trains, believed to be primarily water vapor, was 15.2 ± 0.4 mg/L. The result was based on an average mass gain of 45.7 mg from all six (NH₃/NO_x/H₂O and NO_x/H₂O) sample trains. The blank correction applied to the results was - 0.7 mg per train, based on a mass gain of 0.7 ± 0.2 mg per three 5-trap field-blank sorbent trains. A control mass was measured and indicated a measurement accuracy of ± 0.1 mg. Although no spiked blanks were tested, the percentage recovery of mass from three blank H₂O traps spiked with 51 mg water was $103 \pm 2\%$ during a previous sample job (Clauss et al. 1994).

Table A.3 Inorganic Vapor Sample Results Obtained from a Heated Tube Inserted into the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95

Sample	Analytical Results (μmol)			Sample Volume (L)	Vapor ^(b) Concentration (ppmv)
	Front Section	Back Section	Total ^(a) Blank-Corrected		
<u>NH₃ Samples:</u>			<u>5.56^(c)</u>	<u>3.00^(c)</u>	<u>42 + 2^(c)</u>
S5029-A23-U09	5.06	NA ^(d)	4.99	3.00	37
S5029-A24-U10	5.60	0.04	5.53	3.00	41
S5029-A25-U11	5.64	NA	5.57	3.00	42
S5029-A26-U12	5.89	0.04	5.82	3.00	43
S5029-A27-U13	5.64	NA	5.57	3.00	42
S5029-A28-U14	5.94	NA	5.87	2.98	44
<u>NO₂ Samples:</u>			<u>≤ 0.0049</u>	<u>3.00</u>	<u>≤ 0.07</u>
S5029-A23-U09	0.0156	0.0074	n/a ^(d)	3.00	n/a
S5029-A24-U10	0.0138	0.0078	n/a	3.00	n/a
S5029-A25-U11	0.0130	NA	n/a	3.00	n/a
S5029-A26-U12	0.0148	NA	n/a	3.00	n/a
S5029-A27-U13	0.0149	NA	n/a	3.00	n/a
S5029-A28-U14	0.0141	NA	n/a	3.00	n/a
<u>NO Samples:</u>			<u>0.0226</u>	<u>3.00</u>	<u>0.34 + 0.07</u>
S5029-A23-U09	0.0382	NA	0.0253	3.00	0.38
S5029-A24-U10	0.0382	NA	0.0253	3.00	0.38
S5029-A25-U11	0.0302	NA	0.0173	3.00	0.26
S5029-A26-U12	0.0286	NA	0.0157 x	3.00	0.23 x
S5029-A27-U13	0.0241	0.0076	0.0112 x	3.00	0.17 x
S5029-A28-U14	0.0229	0.0050	0.0100 x	3.00	0.15 x
<u>Gravimetric Samples:</u>			<u>45.7 mg</u>	<u>3.00</u>	<u>15.2 $\pm$ 0.4 mg/L</u>
S5029-A23-U09	n/a	n/a	45.1	3.00	15.0
S5029-A24-U10	n/a	n/a	46.1	3.00	15.4
S5029-A25-U11	n/a	n/a	46.9	3.00	15.6
S5029-A26-U12	n/a	n/a	44.2	3.00	14.7
S5029-A27-U13	n/a	n/a	44.6	3.00	14.9
S5029-A28-U14	n/a	n/a	47.5	3.00	15.8

- (a) Total blank-corrected analyte masses (nitrite for NO₂ and NO) were determined, when significant, by subtracting the quantity of analyte found in blanks from that found in samples. The level of analytes found in blanks is described in the subsections of Section A.4.
- (b) Blank-corrected vapor concentrations were calculated using WHC-reported dry-air sample volumes (Table A.2). In the calculation for concentration, the nitrite values (listed) were doubled to account for unanalyzed nitrate. Sample results were not corrected for percentage recovery of spiked samples or spiked blanks.
- (c) Underlined values represent the average of the set samples. Concentration uncertainty equals ± 1 standard deviation (absolute) for each set of samples. Percent RSD may be determined by dividing standard deviation by the average and multiplied by 100. The use of " $\leq$ " is defined in Section A.4.
- (d) NA = not analyzed; n/a = not applicable; x = not included in determination of average concentration. NO_x sorbent traps not preceded by an NH₃ trap. Only selected back sorbent sections were analyzed. Results show back sections of ammonia and nitrite samples contain insignificant quantities of the analytes.

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Appendix B

Tank Vapor Characterization:

Permanent Gases

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B.1 Sampling Methodology

Before sending SUMMA™ canisters out to the field for sampling, the canisters are cleaned and verified contaminant free according to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-02^(a). The cleaning procedure uses an EnTech 3000 cleaning system that controls 1) filling the canisters with purified humid air and 2) evacuating, for several cycles with applied heat, before allowing the canister to evacuate overnight. The canister is filled a final time with purified humid air for analysis by PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-01^(b), which is a modification of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) compendium Method TO-14. If the canister is verified as clean and free of TO-14 and unknown contaminants to a level of 5 parts per billion by volume (ppbv), the canister is evacuated to 5 mtorr, tagged, and stored for use in the field. Before sending the canisters out to the field for sampling, the canister vacuum is measured to determine if any leakage has occurred. If the vacuum has remained constant during storage, the canisters are prehumidified with 100 µL of distilled water and labeled with a field-sampling identification. Canisters stored more than 30 but less than 60 days are re-evacuated and rehumidified before use. If stored more than 60 days, the canisters are recleaned and validated before use.

B.2 Analytical Procedure

The SUMMA™ canister samples were analyzed for permanent gases according to PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-05^(c) with the exceptions listed in the following text and in the Quality Assurance/Quality Control section of this report. This method was developed in-house to analyze permanent gases, defined as hydrogen (H₂), carbon dioxide (CO₂), carbon monoxide (CO), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O), by gas chromatograph/thermal conductivity detection (GC/TCD). Aliquots of sampled air are drawn directly from each canister into a 5-mL gas-tight syringe and injected into a Hewlett-Packard 5890 GC/TCD fitted with a loop injector valve and a column switching valve. An aliquot of 5 mL is used so that the 1.0-mL injection loop is completely purged with sample air, ensuring that no dilution of the sample takes place within the injection loop. One set of GC conditions is used to analyze for CO, CO₂, N₂O, and CH₄ using Helium (He) as the carrier gas. A second GC analysis is performed for H₂ (using nitrogen as the carrier gas) to enhance the signal sensitivity and lower the detection limit for this analyte. The permanent gases and the derived method detection limit (MDL) are listed in Table B.1.

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Table B.1 Analytical Procedures and Detection Limits for Permanent Gases

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Procedure</u>	<u>MDL</u> <u>(ppmv)</u>
Carbon Dioxide	CO ₂	PNL-TVP-05	25
Carbon Monoxide	CO	PNL-TVP-05	25
Methane	CH ₄	PNL-TVP-05	25
Hydrogen	H ₂	PNL-TVP-05	25
Nitrous Oxide	N ₂ O	PNL-TVP-05	25

B.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

Standards for the permanent-gas analysis were blended from commercially prepared and certified standards for each of the analytes reported in Table B.1. The instrument was calibrated for CO, CO₂, N₂O, and CH₄ over a range of 25 to 700 parts per million by volume (ppmv) using standards at five different concentrations and He as a carrier gas. A similar procedure was followed for H₂, except the carrier gas was changed to N₂. A least-squares linear-regression routine was applied to the calibration data set to generate the best-line fit for each compound.

Each analyte was quantitated by direct comparison of sample analyte peaks to the calibration plot generated for the compound. An MDL for the instrument has not been determined. The lowest calibration standard for each analyte is reported as the MDL. Before and after each sample analysis set, a gas standard was run to evaluate system performance and to measure system accuracy. The calculated concentration of the individual gases in the standards fell within $\pm 25\%$ of the expected concentrations. One sample was run in duplicate to provide a measure of method precision. Results of the replicate analysis are presented in Table B.2. An N₂ reagent blank, an ambient air sample collected ~ 10 m upwind of Tank AX-103, and the ambient air collected through the VSS were used as method blanks and used to determine the potential for analyte interferences in the samples.

B.4 Permanent Gases Sample Results

Table B.2 list results of the permanent-gas analysis from samples collected from the headspace of Tank AX-103, ambient air collected ~ 10 m upwind of the tank, and ambient air collected through the VSS. Analysis of the samples was conducted on June 27, 1995. Carbon dioxide (434 ppm) and nitrous oxide (24 ppm) were detected in the tank headspace samples. Carbon dioxide in the headspace was at a higher concentration than observed in the ambient air. A replicate analysis was performed on SUMMA™ canister PNL 268; however, only the results from the first analysis are included in the average concentration reported for the tank headspace samples.

Table B.2 Permanent Gas Analysis Results for Samples Collected from the Headspace of Tank AX-103 and for Ambient Air and Ambient Air Through the VSS Collected Near Tank AX-103 in SUMMA™ Canisters on 6/21/95

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Sample Matrix</u>	<u>PNNL Canister Number</u>	<u>Sample Concentration (ppmv)</u>	<u>Average Concentration (ppmv)^(a)</u>
<u>CO₂ Samples:</u>				
S5029-A04-267	Tank	267	433	434
S5029-A06-269	Tank	269	435	
S5029-A05-268	Tank	268	435	
S5029-A05-268	Tank ^(b)	268	434	
S5029-A01-265	Ambient Air - Upwind	265	410	
S5029-A02-266	Ambient Air - VSS	266	335	
<u>CO Samples:</u>				
S5029-A04-267	Tank	267	<12	<12
S5029-A06-269	Tank	269	<12	
S5029-A05-268	Tank	268	<12	
S5029-A05-268	Tank ^(b)	268	<12	
S5029-A01-265	Ambient Air - Upwind	265	<12	
S5029-A02-266	Ambient Air - VSS	266	<12	
<u>CH₄ Samples:</u>				
S5029-A04-267	Tank	267	<12	<12
S5029-A06-269	Tank	269	<12	
S5029-A05-268	Tank	268	<12	
S5029-A05-268	Tank ^(b)	268	<12	
S5029-A01-265	Ambient Air - Upwind	265	<12	
S5029-A02-266	Ambient Air - VSS	266	<12	
<u>H₂ Samples:</u>				
S5029-A04-267	Tank	267	<98	<98
S5029-A06-269	Tank	269	<98	
S5029-A05-268	Tank	268	<98	
S5029-A05-268	Tank ^(b)	268	<98	
S5029-A01-265	Ambient Air - Upwind	265	<98	
S5029-A02-266	Ambient Air - VSS	266	<98	
<u>N₂O Samples:</u>				
S5029-A04-267	Tank	267	24	24
S5029-A06-269	Tank	269	23	
S5029-A05-268	Tank	268	24	
S5029-A05-268	Tank ^(b)	268	24	
S5029-A01-265	Ambient Air - Upwind	265	<12.6	
S5029-A02-266	Ambient Air - VSS	266	<12.6	

(a) Average concentrations are reported for the tank matrix and do not include duplicate analysis results or the ambient air results.

(b) Analytical duplicate of tank sample used to determine analytical precision.

Appendix C

Tank Vapor Characterization:

Total Non-Methane Hydrocarbons

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C.2 Analytical Procedure

The SUMMA™ canister samples were analyzed according to PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-08^(c), which is similar to EPA compendium Method TO-12. The method detection limits in the sub mg/m^3 are required to determine total nonmethane organic compounds (TNMOC) concentration in the tank samples.

The method uses an EnTech 7000 cryoconcentration system interfaced with a Hewlett-Packard 5890 gas chromatograph/flame ionization detector (GC/FID). The EnTech concentrator is used to pull a metered volume of 50 to 100 mL of sample air from the SUMMA™ canister mounted on an EnTech 7016CA 16-canister autosampler. The sample is cryogenically concentrated, and constituents are trapped in a stainless steel tube containing glass beads and Tenax. The glass bead/Tenax trap is heated to 180°C and purged with ultra high purity (UHP) helium (He). The purged TNMOCs are carried by a UHP He stream to the GC equipped with an FID where gross organic content is detected and measured.

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The GC oven is programmed to run at a 150°C isothermal temperature. Chromatographic separation is not needed in this method since quantitation is from the entire FID response over the run time.

Twenty-four hours before the analysis, the SUMMA™ canister samples are pressurized with purified air (supplied by Aadco Instruments, Inc., 1920 Sherwood St., Clearwater, Florida 34625). The starting pressure was first measured using a calibrated diaphragm gauge (Cole Parmer), then pressurized to a level exactly twice the original pressure. For example, if the canister had a starting pressure of 740 torr, it was pressurized to 1480 torr. The sample dilution was taken into account when calculating the analysis results.

C.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

This method requires user calibration (category 2 measuring and test equipment) of the analytical system in accordance with PAP-70-1201, Calibration Control.

The TNMOC is calibrated by using propane as the calibration standard and using that response factor as an external standard method. The instrument calibration mixture for the PNL-TVP-08 analysis consists of National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) 99.999% propane analyzed using a 5-point, multilevel, linear regression curve.

A NIST 3-part per million by volume (ppmv) propane standard is analyzed as a calibration check with appropriate blanks and samples run subsequently. The initial calibration is used to quantify the samples.

Immediately before running the analysis sequence, a leak-check procedure, which includes evacuating the transfer lines and monitoring the pressure, must be performed on the sample manifold tower. The control limits on this test require that the change in pressure is <1.5 psi, and the absolute pressure after evacuation is <3 psi for each manifold position specified in the sequence table. If this criterion is not met, it must be corrected before the samples are analyzed.

Before the tank samples were analyzed, a diagnostic check was performed on the GC/FID instrument by running a system cleanliness procedure and an instrument continuing calibration as described in PNL-TVP-08. First, 2 blank volumes of Aadco purified air were analyzed to check the cleanliness of the system. This demonstrates through the analysis of a zero-air blank that the level of interference is acceptable in the analytical system. The system should be cleaned to 0.1 mg/m³ of TNMOCs. Second, an instrument continuing calibration run using 100-mL UHP propane analyzed using the response factor as an external standard method, followed by one blank volume of Aadco air.

C.3.1 Quantitation Results of Target Analytes. The mg/m³ was derived from the 5-point multilevel calibration curve from the propane standard using the following equation:

$$\text{mg/m}^3 = \frac{(\text{ng TNMOC}) \times (\text{dilution factor})}{\text{mL sampled volume}} \quad (\text{C.1})$$

The ng/m³ concentrations are calculated from mg/m³ using the equation:

$$\text{ng/m}^3 \text{ TNMOC} = \frac{(\text{ng TNMOC})}{(\text{mL sampled})} \times \text{Dilution Factor} \times \frac{(\text{mg})}{(1 \times 10^6 \text{ mL})} \times \frac{(1 \times 10^6 \text{ mL})}{(\text{m}^3)} \quad (\text{C.2})$$

C.4 Total Non-Methane Hydrocarbons Sample Results

The SUMMA™ canister samples collected during this tank sampling event were not analyzed for TO-12 analytes.

Appendix D

Tank Vapor Characterization: Volatile Organic Analytes

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D.1 Sampling Methodology

Before sending SUMMA™ canisters out to the field for sampling, the canisters are cleaned and verified contaminant free according to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-02^(a). The cleaning procedure uses an EnTech 3000 cleaning system that controls 1) filling the canisters with purified humid air and 2) evacuating, for several cycles with applied heat, before allowing the canister to evacuate overnight. The canister is filled a final time with purified humid air for analysis by PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-01^(b), which is a modification of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) compendium Method TO-14. If the canister is verified as clean, free of TO-14 and unknown contaminants to a level of 5 parts per billion by volume (ppbv), the canister is evacuated to 5 mtorr, tagged, and stored for use in the field. Before sending the canisters out to the field for sampling, the canister vacuum is measured to determine if any leakage has occurred. If the vacuum has remained constant during storage, the canisters are prehumidified with 100 µL of distilled water and labeled with a field-sampling identification. Cleaned canisters stored more than 30 but less than 60 days are re-evacuated and rehumidified before use. If stored more than 60 days, the canisters are recleaned and validated before use.

D.2 Analytical Procedure

The SUMMA™ canister sample was analyzed according to PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-03^(c), which is a modified version of EPA compendium Method TO-14. The method uses EnTech 7000 cryoconcentration systems interfaced with a 5972 Hewlett-Packard benchtop gas chromatography/ mass spectrometry (GC/MS). The EnTech concentrator is used to pull a metered volume of sample air from the SUMMA™ canister, cryogenically concentrate the air volume, then transfer the volume to the GC/MS for analysis. A 100-mL volume of sample is measured and analyzed from the tank headspace. The organic components in the sampled air are separated on an analytical column, J&W Scientific DB-1 phase, 60-m by 0.32-mm internal diameter with 3-µm film thickness. The GC oven is programmed to run a temperature gradient beginning at 40°C, hold for 5 min, and ramp at 4°C per min to a final temperature of 260°C, with a 5-min hold. Twenty-four hours before the analysis, the SUMMA™ canister samples were pressurized with purified air (supplied by Aadco Instruments, Inc., 1920 Sherwood St., Clearwater, Florida 34625). The starting pressure was first measured using a calibrated diaphragm gauge (Cole Parmer), then pressurized to a level

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- (a) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 8/94. *Cleaning SUMMA™ Canisters and the Validation of the Cleaning Process*, PNL-TVP-02 (Rev. 0), PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.
 - (b) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 8/94. *Determination of TO-14 Volatile Organic Compounds in Ambient Air Using SUMMA™ Passivated Canister Sampling and Gas Chromatographic-Mass Spectrometric Analysis*, PNL-TVP-01 (Rev. 0), PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.
 - (c) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 8/94. *Determination of TO-14 Volatile Organic Compounds in Hanford Tank Headspace Samples Using SUMMA™ Passivated Canister Sampling and Gas Chromatographic-Mass Spectrometric Analysis*, PNL-TVP-03 (Rev. 0), PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.

exactly twice the original pressure. For example, if the canister had a starting pressure of 740 torr, it was pressurized to 1480 torr. This dilution was an effort to improve the precision of the analysis. The sample dilution was taken into account when calculating the analysis results.

The instrument calibration mixture consists of 53 organic analytes. These 53 compounds that are directly quantified in this analysis make up the target analyte list (these 53 compounds will be referred to as target analytes). A summary of the target analytes is provided in Table D.1. The calibration mixture was prepared by blending a commercially prepared calibration mixture with a mixture created using a Kin-Tek® permeation-tube standard generation system. The operation of the permeation-tube system follows the method detailed in PNNL Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-06^(a). The standard calibration mix was analyzed using four aliquot sizes ranging from 30 mL to 200 mL, and a response factor for each compound was calculated. The GC/MS response for these compounds has been previously determined to be linearly related to concentration. Performance-based detection limits for the target analytes will be developed as a pool of calibration data becomes available. Currently, the nominal detection limit of 5 ppbv is used.

Table D.1 Target Organic Analytes

Dichlorodifluoromethane	p-Xylene
Chloromethane	m-Xylene
1,2-Dichloro-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	Styrene
Vinyl Chloride	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane
Bromomethane	o-Xylene
Chloroethane	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene
Trichlorofluoromethane	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene
1,1-Dichloroethene	1,3-Dichlorobenzene
Methylene Chloride	1,4-Dichlorobenzene
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	1,2-Dichlorobenzene
1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene
Chloroform	2-Butanone
1,2-Dichloroethane	Acetone
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	Acetonitrile
Benzene	Heptane
Carbon Tetrachloride	Tetrahydrofuran
1,2-Dichloropropane	Pyridine
Trichloroethene	Butanenitrile
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	Cyclohexane
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	Decane
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Hexane
Toluene	4-Methyl-2-pentanone
1,2-Dibromoethane	Propanenitrile
Tetrachloroethylene	Cyclohexanone
Chlorobenzene	Propanol
Ethylbenzene	

(a) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 8/94. *Preparation of TO-14 Volatile Organic Compounds Gas Standards*, PNL-TVP-06 (Rev. 0). PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.

D.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

Before the tank sample was analyzed, a diagnostic check was performed on the GC/MS instrument by running an instrument "high-sensitivity tune," as described in PNL-TVP-03. Upon satisfactory completion of the instrument diagnostic check, a blank volume of purified nitrogen was analyzed to check the cleanliness of the system. The instrument was then calibrated using a standard gas mixture containing 39 volatile organic compounds listed in EPA compendium Method TO-14 and an additional 14 tank-related compounds. A gas mixture containing bromochloromethane, 1,4-difluorobenzene, chlorobenzene- d_5 , and bromofluorobenzene was used as an internal standard (IS) for all blank, calibration standard, and sample analyses. Analyte responses from sample components, ISs, and standards were obtained from the extracted ion plot from their selected mass ion. The calibration was generated by calculating the relative response ratios of the IS to calibration standard responses and plotting the ratios against the ratio of the calibration-standard concentration (in ppbv) to the IS concentration. Once it is determined that the relative response is linear with increasing concentration, an average response factor is calculated for each target analyte and used to determine the concentration of target compounds in each sample. Method blanks are analyzed before and after calibration standards and tank headspace samples are analyzed.

D.3.1 Quantitation Results of Target Analytes. The quantitative-analysis results for the target analytes were calculated using the average response factors generated using the IS method described above and in PNL-TVP-03. The conversion from ppbv to mg/m^3 assumes standard temperature and pressure (STP) conditions of 760 torr and 273K and was calculated directly from the following equation:

$$\text{mg}/\text{m}^3 = \frac{(\text{ppbv}/1000) \times \text{g mol wt of compound}}{22.4 \text{ L/mol}} \quad (\text{D.1})$$

D.3.2 Identification and Quantitation of Tentatively Identified Compounds. The tentatively identified compounds (TICs) are determined by mass-spectral interpretation and comparison of the spectra with the EPA/National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) and WILEY electronic mass spectra libraries. Chromatographic peaks with an area count greater than, or equal to, one-tenth of the total area count of the nearest eluting IS are tentatively identified and quantitatively estimated. This is roughly equivalent to 10 ppbv, depending on the relative response factor of the individual TIC as compared with the nearest elution IS. The quality of the mass-spectral searches was then reviewed by the principal investigators before the identification was assigned to each chromatographic peak.

The concentration of each TIC was estimated using a relative response factor calculated using the total peak area for the nearest eluting IS. The IS peak area was used to calculate a response factor using the IS concentration in mg/m^3 :

$$\text{Response Factor} = \frac{\text{IS conc. (mg}/\text{m}^3)}{\text{IS peak area}} \quad (\text{D.2})$$

The calculated response factor was then multiplied by the TIC peak area to give an estimated concentration for that compound.

The ppbv concentrations are calculated from mg/m^3 and the molecular weight of the analyte.

$$\text{TIC in ppbv} = \frac{\text{TIC (mg/m}^3\text{)} \times 22.4 \text{ L/mol} \times 1000}{\text{TIC g mol wt}} \quad (\text{D.3})$$

The IS level added to all blank, standard, and sample injections was 104 ppbv for bromochloromethane, 101 ppbv for 1,4-difluorobenzene, 98.5 ppbv for chlorobenzene- d_5 , and 104 ppbv for bromofluorobenzene. The IS concentrations were converted from ppbv to mg/m^3 at STP using a molecular weight of 129.39 (g/mol) for bromochloromethane, 114.09 for 1,4-difluorobenzene, 117.6 for chlorobenzene- d_5 , and 175.00 for bromofluorobenzene. All calculated sample concentrations were multiplied by a factor of 2 to account for the dilution step described in Section D.2.

D.4 Volatile Organic Sample Results

Five SUMMA™ canisters were returned to the laboratory on June 26, 1995, under WHC chain of custody 008894 (see Appendix F). Analysis of the samples was conducted on June 29, 1995.

The results from the GC/MS analysis of the tank headspace SUMMA™ samples are presented in Table D.2. The results of replicate analyses on a single SUMMA™ canister are presented in Table D.3. A representative total ion chromatogram showing the identity of major constituents is given in Figure D.1

Table D.2 lists the quantitative results for compounds listed as target analytes and tentatively identified compounds (TICs). Three target analytes above the 5-ppbv reporting cutoff and 1 TIC above the 10-ppbv reporting cutoff were detected in the tank headspace samples. Trichlorofluoromethane, (0.37 mg/m^3), acetone (0.07 mg/m^3), and acetonitrile (0.02 mg/m^3) accounted for 100% of the target analytes and 88% of the total concentration identified by both the target and TIC analyses. The total concentration of the target analytes was found to be 0.46 mg/m^3 . The only TIC observed in these samples was methyl alcohol (0.06 mg/m^3). The total concentration of all the compounds identified was 0.52 mg/m^3 .

SUMMA™ canister PNL 268 was analyzed in replicate for target analytes and TICs to determine analytical precision. The RPD results are presented in Table D.3. The RPD was calculated for analytes detected above the detection limit and found in both replicates. Two of the 3 target analytes and the TIC had a RPD of less than 10%.

No compounds were identified in the ambient air collected upwind of Tank AX-103 and ambient air collected through the VSS sample.

The absolute area of the four ISs decreased over the analysis set to a level requiring reporting, based on procedure PNL-TVP-03, Rev. 0 requirements. Changes in IS area may indicate the instrument was not operating correctly. In this case, the changes in IS areas were caused by water-induced instrument fatigue. This problem is routinely observed with the 5792 Hewlett-Packard GC/MS system because of its poor pumping capacity.

To better understand the importance of the IS area changes, the CCV standard run was evaluated after the samples were analyzed. The CCV standard is an absolute evaluation of the instrument performance relative to the initial calibration. With the exceptions noted above, the

relative response factors generated from the final CCV standard agreed well with those in the initial calibration, indicating that although there was a noted change in absolute areas, this change did not significantly effect the relative response factors. Thus, the data strongly suggests that the instrument was within calibration specifications when the sample analysis was completed. Therefore, the results are valid.

Table D.2. Positively Identified and Quantitated Target Analytes^(a) and Tentatively Identified Compounds and Estimated Concentrations^(b), for Samples from the Headspace in Tank AX-103 in SUMMATM Canisters collected on 6/21/95.

Target Analytes	CAS No.	Mol Wt	Ret Time	S5-029-A04.267 ^(c)		S5-029-A05.268 ^{(c)(d)}		S5-029-A06.269 ^(c)		Mean and Standard Deviations			
				PNL 267 ^(e)		PNL 268 ^{(d)(e)}		PNL 269 ^(e)		(mg/m ³)	St Dev	(ppbv)	St Dev
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	41.1		0.02	11	0.02	12	0.03	14	0.02	0.01	12	1.7
Acetone	67-64-1	58.1		0.06	24	0.07	27	0.07	26	0.07	0.01	26	1.6
Trichlorofluoromethane	75-69-4	137.4		0.33	55	0.37	60	0.41	66	0.37	0.04	60	5.7
Tentatively Identified Compound^(f)													
Methyl Alcohol	67-56-1	32	6.5	0.06	39	0.08	57	0.06	39	0.06	0.01	45	10.3

- (a) TO-14 plus 14 additional target analytes.
(b) Semi-quantitative estimate calculated using concentration of closest eluting IS.
(c) WHC sample identification number.
(d) Replicates of this sample are found in Table D.3.
(e) PNL SUMMATM canister number.
(f) Obtained by mass spectral interpretation and comparison with the EPA/NIST and WILEY Library.

Table D.3. Positively Identified and Quantitated Target Analytes^(a) and Tentatively Identified Compounds and Estimated Concentrations^(b) of Replicate Analysis of a Single SUMMATM Canister Collected from the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95

Target Analytes	CAS No.	Mol Wt	Ret Time	S5-029-A05.268 ^(c)		S5-029-A05.268 ^(c)		Relative Percent Difference %
				PNL 268 ^(d) (mg/m ³)	(ppbv)	PNL 268 ^(d) (mg/m ³)	(ppbv)	
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	41.1		0.02	12	0.03	14	40.0
Acetone	67-64-1	58.1		0.07	27	0.07	28	0.0
Trichlorofluoromethane	75-69-4	137.4		0.37	60	0.39	64	5.3
Tentatively Identified Compound^(e)								
Methyl Alcohol	67-56-1	32	6.5	0.08	57	0.08	53	7.7

(a) TO-14 plus 14 additional target analytes.

(b) Semi-quantitative estimate calculated using concentration of closest eluting IS.

(c) WHC sample identification number.

(d) PNL SUMMATM canister number.

(e) Obtained by mass spectral interpretation and comparison with the EPA/NIST and WILEY Libraries.

Figure D.1a Total Ion Chromatogram (2 - 30 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103
SUMMA™ Canister Sample S5029-A04-267 Collected on 6/21/95

Figure D.1b Total Ion Chromatogram (30 - 58 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103
SUMMA™ Canister Sample S5029-A04-267 Collected on 6/21/95

Appendix E

Tank Vapor Characterization: Semi-Volatile Organic Analytes

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E.1 Sampling Methodology

Samples are collected on Supelco 300 graphite based triple sorbent traps (TSTs). Before field deployment, each trap is heated to 380°C under inert gas flow for a minimum of 60 min. Tubes are prepared in batches with each tank sampling job constituting one batch. One tube is selected from each batch and run immediately to verify cleanliness. All remaining tubes in the batch receive equal amounts of 3 surrogate compounds (hexafluorobenzene, toluene-d8, and bromobenzene-d5). One per batch tube is run immediately to verify successful addition of surrogate spikes to that batch. Tubes are then placed in individually labeled plastic shipping tubes (Supelco TD³), which are sealed with gasketed end caps, thus providing a rugged, headspace-free shipping and storage medium. As a precautionary measure, sample tubes are kept in refrigerated storage before and after sampling.

E.2 Analytical Procedure

The Supelco 300 tubes were analyzed according to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Technical Procedure PNL-TVP-10^(a), with the exceptions noted in Section E.4. The method employs Supelco Carbotrap™ 300 traps for sample collection and preconcentration. The traps are ground-glass tubes (11.5 cm long X 6 mm OD, 4 mm ID) containing a series of sorbents arranged in order of increasing retentivity. Each trap contains 300 mg of Carbotrap™ C, 200 mg of Carbotrap™ B, and 125 mg of Carbosieve™ S-III. The first 2 sorbents are deactivated graphite with limited sorption power for less volatile compounds. The final trapping stage, the Carbosieve™ S-III, is a graphitized molecular sieve used to retain the most volatile components, including some permanent gases such as Freon-12. Following sample collection and addition of internal standard (IS), the traps are transferred to a Dynatherm ACEM 900 thermal desorber unit for analysis. The trap on the ACEM 900 is then desorbed by ballistic heating to 350°C with the sample then transferred to a smaller focusing trap. A 10:1 split is used during the transfer with 10% of the sample analyzed and the rest retained for reanalysis. The split sample collected on a second identical Carbotrap™ 300 trap is used for repeat analysis on at least 1 sample per batch. Since the IS also follows the same path, quantitation may be performed directly on the repeat run without changing the calibration. Following desorption from the Carbotrap™ 300 trap, the analyte is transferred to a long, thin focusing trap filled with the same type of trapping materials as the Carbotrap™ 300 traps and in approximately the same ratios. The purpose of the focusing trap is to provide an interface to a capillary gas chromatography (GC) column, which may be thermally desorbed at a helium (He) flow rate compatible with the column and mass spectrometry (MS) interface (1.2 mL/min). The focusing trap is ballistically heated to thermally desorb components onto a capillary GC column. The column is subsequently temperature programmed to separate the method analytes, which are then detected by MS.

(a) Pacific Northwest Laboratory. 7/95. *Determination of Volatile Organic Compounds in Hanford Waste Tank Headspace Samples Using Triple Sorbent Trap Sampling and Gas Chromatograph-Mass Spectrometer Analysis*, PNL-TVP-10 (Rev. 0), PNL Technical Procedure, Richland, Washington.

The instrument calibration mixture for the TST analysis consists of 52 organic analytes. These 52 compounds that are directly quantified in this analysis make up the target analyte list (these 52 compounds will be referred to as target analytes). A summary of the target analytes is provided in Table E.1. The calibration mixture is prepared in common with the mixture used for the SUMMA™ analysis (see Section D.2). The standard calibration mix was analyzed using 4 aliquot sizes ranging from 100 mL to 1200 mL, and a response factor for each compound was calculated. Volumes of standard added to the traps are measured by pressure difference on a SUMMA™ canister of known volume. The GC/MS response for these compounds has been previously determined to be linearly related to concentration. Performance-based detection limits for the target analytes will be developed as a pool of calibration data becomes available. Currently, the nominal detection limit of 5 parts per billion by volume (ppbv) is used.

Table E.1 Target Organic Analytes

<i>Dichlorodifluoromethane</i>	m-Xylene
<i>Chloromethane</i>	Styrene
<i>1,2-Dichloro-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane</i>	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane
<i>Vinyl Chloride</i>	o-Xylene
<i>Chloroethane</i>	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene
<i>Trichlorofluoromethane</i>	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene
1,1-Dichloroethene	1,3-Dichlorobenzene
Methylene Chloride	1,4-Dichlorobenzene
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	1,2-Dichlorobenzene
1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene
Chloroform	2-Butanone
1,2-Dichloroethane	<i>Acetone</i>
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<i>Acetonitrile</i>
Benzene	Heptane
Carbon Tetrachloride	Tetrahydrofuran
1,2-Dichloropropane	Pyridine
Trichloroethene	Butanenitrile
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	Cyclohexane
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	Decane
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Hexane
Toluene	4-Methyl-2-pentanone
1,2-Dibromoethane	Propanenitrile
Tetrachloroethylene	Cyclohexanone
Ethylbenzene	Propanol
p-Xylene	Chlorobenzene

Note: Compounds shown in italics have an exceptionally high volatility. They are routinely included in the standard and are quantified, but have a restricted linear dynamic range because of the potential for trap breakthrough.

E.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

Before the tank sample was analyzed, a diagnostic check was performed on the GC/MS instrument by running a full auto tune, as described in PNL-TVP-10. Upon satisfactory completion of the instrument diagnostic check, a blank tube was analyzed to check the cleanliness of the system. The instrument was then calibrated using a 300-mL volume of standard gas mixture containing 52 compounds shown in Table E.1. A gas mixture containing difluorobenzene, chlorobenzene- d_5 , and 1,4 bromofluorobenzene was used as an IS for all calibration standard and sample analyses. Analyte responses from sample components, ISs, and standards were obtained from the extracted ion plot from their selected mass ion. A continuing calibration was generated by calculating the relative response ratios of the IS to calibration standard responses and plotting the ratios against the ratio of the calibration-standard concentration (in ppbv) to the IS concentration. Once it is determined that the relative response is linear with increasing concentration, an average response factor is calculated for each target analyte and used to determine the concentration of target compounds in each sample.

E.3.1 Quantitation Results of Target Analytes. The quantitative-analysis results for the target analytes were calculated directly from the calibration curve generated using the IS method described above and in PNL-TVP-10. It should be noted that the relative response factor value for tetrachloroethylene, 1-2-dibromoethane, and toluene were calculated using the first IS, not the second IS, which is nearest in retention time to these compounds. The second IS will be used to calculate the relative response factor for these compounds for subsequent analyses. The conversion from ppbv to mg/m^3 assumes standard temperature and pressure (STP) conditions of 760 torr and 273K and was calculated directly from the following equation:

$$\text{mg}/\text{m}^3 = \frac{(\text{ppbv}/1000) \times \text{g mol wt of compound}}{22.4 \text{ L/mol}} \quad (\text{E.1})$$

E.3.2 Identification and Quantitation of Tentatively Identified Compounds. The tentatively identified compounds (TICs) are determined by mass-spectral interpretation and comparison of the spectra with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) and WILEY Libraries, which are a part of the Hewlett-Packard 5971/5972 instrument operating system. Chromatographic peaks with an area count greater than, or equal to, one-tenth of the total area count of the nearest eluting IS are tentatively identified and quantitatively estimated. The quality of the mass-spectral searches was then reviewed by the principal investigators before the identification was assigned to each chromatographic peak.

The concentration of each TIC was estimated using a relative response factor calculated using the total peak area for the nearest eluting IS. The IS peak area was used to calculate a response factor using the IS concentration in mg/m^3 :

$$\text{Response Factor} = \frac{\text{IS conc. (mg}/\text{m}^3)}{\text{IS peak area}} \quad (\text{E.2})$$

The calculated response factor was then multiplied by the TIC peak area to give an estimated concentration for that compound.

The ppbv concentrations are calculated from mg/m^3 and the molecular weight of the analyte.

$$\text{TIC in ppbv} = \frac{\text{TIC (mg/m}^3\text{)} \times 22.4 \text{ L/mol} \times 1000}{\text{TIC g mol wt}} \quad (\text{E.3})$$

The IS concentrations were converted from ppbv to mg/m^3 at STP using a molecular weight of 114.09 for 1,4-difluorobenzene, 117.6 for chlorobenzene- d_5 , and 174.0 for 1,4 bromofluorobenzene.

E.4 Semi-Volatile Organic Sample Results

Sixteen TSTs consisting of 12 samples, 2 field blanks, and 2 trip blanks were returned to the laboratory on June 26, 1995 under WHC chain of custody 008905. Samples were analyzed on August 16, 1995.

The results from the GC/MS analysis of the tank headspace TST samples are presented in Table E.2. The results of replicate analyses on a single TST are presented in Table E.3.

Table E.2 lists the quantitative results for compounds listed as target analytes and TICs. Three target analytes above the 5-ppbv reporting cutoff and no TICs above the 10-ppbv reporting cutoff were detected in the tank headspace samples. Trichlorofluoromethane, (0.13 mg/m^3), acetone (0.03 mg/m^3), and acetonitrile (0.01 mg/m^3) accounted for 100% of the compounds identified by both the target and TIC analyses. The total concentration of the target analytes was 0.17 mg/m^3 .

Triple sorbent trap sample PNL 072 was analyzed in replicate for target analytes and TICs to determine analytical precision. The RPD results are presented in Table E.3. The RPD was calculated for analytes detected above the detection limit and was found in both replicates. All 3 target analytes had RPDs of less than 10%.

Quality control checks looked good except for surrogate recovery on the first sample, which was unusually low. All other surrogates and ISD checks were satisfactory. Continuing calibrations were marginal but usable. The second trip blank was found to have a missing end-cap gasket. This probably explains some of the target compounds found during the analyses run that were not present in the other blanks. Also, of particular importance was trichlorofluoromethane, which was present in the second trip blank at a level exceeding that in any of the samples. The other field and trip blanks were generally satisfactory. However, all four blanks showed a prominent unknown at about 10 minutes, which could not be identified, and the component was not present in the samples.

Acetone showed unacceptably large deviations (greater than 35%) from the initial continuing calibration to the first and second continuing calibration checks. The permeation tube with the calibration standard used for computing the acetone response factor was found to be empty shortly after this analysis was run. The calibration for acetone must therefore be considered questionable.

Approximately 16 hours passed between injections of tank sample S5-029-A49-078 and tank sample S5-029-A50-079. Also, approximately 14 hours passed between injections of the Surrogate Check and Surrogate Standard. These time delays should have no effect on data because the samples were bracketed by acceptable continuing calibration samples.

Since Method PNL-TVP-10 was developed as a new analytical procedure before extensive implementation, some procedural deviations have occurred as noted below:

1. A system blank was not run after the samples and before the continuing calibration. A change was made subsequent to the analysis of Tank AX-103 to include laboratory blanks containing ISs as spacers between standards and low-level samples of field blanks. Those will be done to verify absolutely that no analyte carryover has occurred from the continuing calibration standard. No carryover was observed in the field blanks for Tank AX-103. Subsequent analyses using the more rigorous procedure have shown no evidence of any detectable carryover for the compounds reported here.
2. Procedure PNL-TVP-10 states that four ISs are used for quantification. One of those standards, bromochloromethane, was removed from the methods before analysis of the tank samples. Bromochloromethane has been found to exhibit unacceptably erratic behavior as an internal standard for the TST method. The next revision of the procedure will reflect this change.
3. Additional surrogates, including benzene-d6, ethyl benzene-d10, and dodecane-d26, were added to the sorbent tubes before sending the tubes to the field. These compounds were used strictly for method development and were not included in the final version of PNL-TVP-10 Rev. 0.

Table E.2. Positively Identified and Quantitated Target Analytes^(a) and Tentatively Identified Compounds and Estimated Concentrations^(b) for Triple Sorbent Traps Collected from the Headspace of Tank AX-103 on 6/21/95.

Target Analytes	CAS No.	Mol Wt	Ret Time	S5029-A40.069 ^(c)		S5029-A43.072 ^{(c)(d)}		S5029-A42.071 ^(e)		Mean and Standard Deviations			
				PNL 069 ^(e)		PNL 072 ^(e)		PNL 071 ^(e)		(mg/m ³)	St Dev (g)	(ppbv)	St Dev (g)
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	41.1		0.01	5	0.01	6	<0.01	< 5	0.01	(g)	5	(g)
Acetone	67-64-1	58.08		0.03	10	0.06	22	0.01	6	0.03	0.03	13	8.6
Trichlorofluoromethane	75-69-4	137.4		0.17	28	0.16	26	0.07	11	0.13	0.06	22	9.6

Tentatively

Identified Compound^(f)

No Compounds Identified

- (a) TO-14 plus 14 additional target analytes.
- (b) Semi-quantitative estimate calculated using concentration of closest eluting IS.
- (c) WHC sample identification number.
- (d) Replicate of this sample is found in Table E.3.
- (e) PNL sample number.
- (f) Obtained by mass spectral interpretation and comparison with the EPA/NIST and WILEY Libraries.
- (g) Mean and/or standard deviation are not meaningful for this analyte.

Table E.3. Positively Identified and Quantitated Target Analytes^(a) and Tentatively Identified Compounds and Estimated Concentrations^(b)
Results of Replicate Analysis of a Single Triple Sorbent Trap Collected from the Headspace of Tank SX-101 on 7/21/95

Target Analytes	CAS No.	ol Wt	Ret Time	S5029-A43.072 ^(c)		S5029-A43.072 ^(c)		Relative Percent Difference
				PNL 072 ^(d)	(mg/m ³) (ppbv)	PNL 072 ^(d)	(mg/m ³) (ppbv)	
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	41.1		0.01	6	0.01	7	0.0
Acetone	67-64-1	58.1		0.06	22	0.06	22	0.0
Trichlorofluoromethane	75-69-4	137.4		0.16	26	0.16	26	0.0
Tentatively Identified Compound ^(e)								
No Compounds Identified								

- (a) TO-14 plus 14 additional target analytes.
 (b) Semi-quantitative estimate calculated using concentration of closest eluting IS.
 (c) WHC sample identification number.
 (d) PNL sample number.
 (e) Obtained by mass spectral interpretation and comparison with the EPA/NIST and WILEY Libraries.

Figure E.1a Total Ion Chromatogram (0 - 20 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103 Triple Sorbent Trap
Sample S5029-A43-072 Collected on 6/21/95

Figure E.1b Total Ion Chromatogram (21 - 37 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103 Triple Sorbent Trap Sample S5029-A43-072 Collected on 6/21/95

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Figure E.1c Total Ion Chromatogram (37 - 53 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103 Triple Sorbent Trap
Sample S5029-A43-072 Collected on 6/21/95

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Figure E.1d Total Ion Chromatogram (54 - 69 min) for Hanford Waste Tank AX-103 Triple Sorbent Trap
Sample S5029-A43-072 Collected on 6/21/95

Appendix F

Tank Vapor Characterization: Chain of Custody Sample Control Forms

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Project Designation/Sampling Locations 200 West Tank Farm
241-AX-103 Tank Vapor Sample SAF S5-029
(VSS Truck)

Collection date 06 - ²¹ ~~14~~ - 95
Preparation date 04 - 27 - 95

Ice Chest No.

Field Logbook No. WHC- N-647-10

Bill of Lading/Airbill No. N/A

Offsite Property No. N/A

Method of Shipment Government Truck

Shipped to PNL

Possible Sample Hazards/Remarks Unknown at time of sampling

Sample Identification

S5-029 - A23 . U09 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 1)	Line # 9
S5-029 - A24 . U10 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 2)	Line # 10
S5-029 - A25 . U11 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 3)	Line # 8
S5-029 - A26 . U12 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 4)	Line # 10
S5-029 - A27 . U13 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 5)	Line # 9
S5-029 - A28 . U14 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Sorbent Trap # 6)	Line # 10
S5-029 - A29 . U15	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Trip Blank # 1)	
S5-029 - A30 . U16	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Trip Blank # 2)	
S5-029 - A31 . U17	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Trip Blank # 3)	
S5-029 - A32 . U24 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Field Blank # 1)	Line # 8
S5-029 - A33 . U25 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Field Blank # 2)	Line # 9
S5-029 - A34 . U26 -	NH ₃ /NO _x /H ₂ O (Trap Field Blank # 3)	Line # 10

[] Field Transfer of Custody			[] Chain of Possession			(Sign and Print Names)	
Relinquished By	Date	Time	Received By	Date	Time		
G W Dennis <i>G.W. Dennis</i>	06-12-95	1335	J A Edwards <i>J A Edwards</i>	06-12-95	1335		
J A Edwards <i>J A Edwards</i>	06-14-95	1040	Tim Utecht <i>Tim Utecht</i>	06-14-95	1040		
Tim Utecht <i>Tim Utecht</i>	6-26-95	1030	J A Edwards <i>J A Edwards</i>	6-26-95	1030		
J A Edwards <i>J A Edwards</i>	6-27-95	0930	G.W. Dennis <i>G.W. Dennis</i>	6-27-95	0930		
G.W. Dennis <i>G.W. Dennis</i>	6-27-95	1315	S.O. Slate <i>S.O. Slate</i>	6-27-95	1315		

Final Sample Disposition

Comments:

PNL (only) Checklist	Pick-up / Delivery	Comments:
Media labeled and checked?	☒ Y / ☐ N	
Letter of instruction?	☒ Y / ☐ N	
Media in good condition?	☒ Y / ☐ N	
COC info/signatures complete?	☒ Y / ☐ N	
Sorbents shipped on ice? (<5°C)	☒ Y / ☐ N	
Rad release stickers on samples?	☐ Y / ☒ N	
Activity report from 222S?	☐ Y / ☒ N	
COC copy for LRB, RIDS filed?	☐ Y / ☒ N	
COC copy for sorbent follow-on?	☐ Y / ☒ N/A	
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241-AX-103 Tank Vapor Sample SAF S5-029
(VSS Truck)

Collection date 06 - 21 - 95

Preparation date 06 - 14 - 95

Ice Chest No.

Field Logbook No. WHC- H-647-10

Bill of Lading/Airbill No.

N/A

Offsite Property No. N/A

Method of Shipment

Government Truck

Shipped to

PNL

Possible Sample Hazards/Remarks Unknown at time of sampling

Sample Identification

S5-029 - A01 . 265 -
S5-029 - A02 . 266 -Ambient Air SUMMA #1 Upwind of AX-103
Ambient Air SUMMA #2 Through Port 15S5-029 - A04 . 267
S5-029 - A05 . 268
S5-029 - A06 . 269SUMMA #3 Port 11
SUMMA #4 Port 13
SUMMA #5 Port 15

[] Field Transfer of Custody			[] Chain of Possession			(Sign and Print Names)	
Relinquished By	Date	Time	Received By	Date	Time		
J A Edwards <i>[Signature]</i>	06-14-95	1050	Tim Utecht <i>[Signature]</i>	06-14-95	1050		
Tim Utecht <i>[Signature]</i>	6-26-95	1030	J A Edwards <i>[Signature]</i>	06-26-95	1030		

Final Sample Disposition

Comments:

PNL (only) Checklist	Pick-up / Delivery	Comments:
Media labeled and checked?	☒ / N	
Letter of instruction?	☒ / N	
Media in good condition?	☒ / ☒ N	
COC info/signatures complete?	☒ / ☒ N	
Rad release stickers on samples?	☒ / ☒ N	
Activity report from 222S?	☒ / ☒ N	
COC copy for LRB, RIDS filed?	☒ / ☒ N	

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Project Designation/Sampling Locations 200 West Tank Farm
241-AX-103 Tank Vapor Sample SAF S5-029
(VSS Truck)
Ice Chest No.
Erico Hi/Lo thermometer No. PNL-T-002
Bill of Lading/Airbill No. N/A
Method of Shipment Government Truck
Shipped to WHC
Possible Sample Hazards/Remarks Unknown at time of sampling

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Collection date 06 - 21 - 95
Preparation date 06 - 09 - 95
Field Logbook No. WHC- H-147-10

Offsite Property No. N/A

Sample Identification

S5-029 - A35 . 064	Collect PNL Triple Sorbent Trap (TST) Sample # 1	Line # <u>2</u>
S5-029 - A36 . 065	PNL TST Sample # 2	Line # <u>2</u>
S5-029 - A37 . 066	PNL TST Sample # 3	Line # <u>2</u>
S5-029 - A38 . 067	Open, close & store PNL TST Field Blank # 1	In VSS truck
S5-029 - A39 . 068	PNL TST Sample # 4	Line # <u>8</u>
S5-029 - A40 . 069	PNL TST Sample # 5	Line # <u>2</u>
S5-029 - A41 . 070	PNL TST Sample # 6	Line # <u>4</u>
S5-029 - A42 . 071	PNL TST Sample # 7	Line # <u>6</u>
S5-029 - A43 . 072	PNL TST Sample # 8	Line # <u>8</u>
S5-029 - A44 . 073	PNL TST Sample # 9	Line # <u>2</u>
S5-029 - A45 . 074	Open, close & store PNL TST Field Blank # 2	In VSS truck
S5-029 - A46 . 075	PNL TST Sample # 10	Line # <u>4</u>
S5-029 - A47 . 076	PNL TST Sample # 11	Line # <u>6</u>
S5-029 - A48 . 077	PNL TST Sample # 12	Line # <u>8</u>
S5-029 - A49 . 078	Store PNL TST Trip Blank # 1	None
S5-029 - A50 . 079	Store PNL TST Trip Blank # 2	None

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Relinquished By	Date	Time	Received By	Date	Time
J A Edwards <i>J A Edwards</i>	06-14-95	1040	Tim Utecht <i>Tim Utecht</i>	06-14-95	1040
<i>Tim Utecht</i>	06-21-95	1030	<i>J A Edwards</i>	06-21-95	1030

Final Sample Disposition

Comments:

PNL (only) Checklist

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Letter of instruction?	☒ Y	☒ N
Media in good condition?	☒ Y	☒ N
COC info/signatures complete?	☒ Y	☒ N
Sorbents shipped on ice? (<5°C)	☒ Y	☒ N
Hi/Lo thermometer - reset @ 5°C	☒ Y	☒ N
Hi/Lo thermometer - <u>Keep upright!</u>	☒ Y	☒ N
Rad release stickers on samples?	☒ Y	☒ N
Activity report from 222S?	☒ Y	☒ N
COC copy for LRB, RIDS filed?	☒ Y	☒ N

POC *(Signature)* POC *(Signature)*

Comments:

Hi 6 °C / Lo 6 °C (at delivery from PNL to WHC)
Hi 17 °C / Lo 5 °C (upon return to PNL from WHC)

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Brenda Thornton	K6-80
Darlene Varley	K1-06
Katherine Savard	K9-04

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Larry Pennington	S7-21
Luther Buckley	R2-12

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Carol Babel	S7-54
Jim Thompson	S7-54