



# **2023 Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Report**

***Ash Disposal Area***

***Big Stone Plant***

***Big Stone City, South Dakota***

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## Acronyms

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Description</b>
ADA	Ash Disposal Area
CCR	Coal Combustion Residuals
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
OTP	Otter Tail Power Company
SSI	Statistically Significant Increase

## Executive Summary

This summary provides an overview of the Groundwater Monitoring & Corrective Action Program status as required by §257.90(e)(6). The CCR unit operated under the detection monitoring program described in §257.94 at the start and at the end of the 2023 annual reporting period. The current status of the facility is detection monitoring.

The monitoring program did not identify any statistically significant increases (SSIs) over background for any of the constituents listed in Appendix III to the CCR Rule; therefore, assessment monitoring of the constituents listed in Appendix IV to the CCR Rule were not monitored. Corrective action provisions of the CCR Rule were not required.

The monitoring network continues to be refined and augmented to adjust to data collected. Recent changes to the monitoring network include the installation and baseline monitoring of new upgradient and downgradient wells to adjust to changes in the interpretation groundwater flow direction.

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# 1.0 Introduction

Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) operates the Big Stone Plant (Big Stone), located near Big Stone City, South Dakota. Big Stone is a coal-fired electrical generating plant, the operation of which results in coal combustion residuals (CCR) as a by-product. Management of CCR from plant operations includes placing CCR in an on-site landfill, referred to as the Ash Disposal Area (ADA). The ADA is required to comply with the provisions of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) CCR Rule (40 CFR Parts 257 and 261, Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities) for existing CCR landfills. The location of the ADA is shown on Figure 1.

This 2023 Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Report (Annual Report) describes the monitoring program and results for the ADA at Big Stone. The ADA is currently in detection monitoring, as described by §257.94 of the CCR Rule.

## 1.1 Purpose

As stated in Section §257.90(e), the purpose of the Annual Report is to:

- Document the status of monitoring and corrective action program for the CCR unit
- Summarize key actions completed
- Describe any problems encountered
- Discuss actions to resolve the problems
- Highlight key activities for the upcoming year

## 1.2 Status of the Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Program

Except for recently installed wells H10, H11, and H12, baseline monitoring for the network was completed in 2017, as documented in the 2017 Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Report, Ash Disposal Area (Barr, 2018). Wells H10, H11, and H12 data collection efforts are subsequently described in Section 2.1.2.

Statistical evaluation of detection monitoring results began on October 17, 2017, and continued through 2023. In 2023, the monitoring program did not identify any statistically significant increases (SSIs) over background for any of the constituents listed in Appendix III to the CCR Rule; therefore, constituents listed in Appendix IV to the CCR Rule were not monitored. Corrective action provisions of the CCR Rule were not required.

## 1.3 CCR Rule Requirements

This Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of §257.90(e) of the CCR Rule, as outlined in the following Table 1.

**Table 1 CCR Rule Requirements**

<b>CCR Rule Reference</b>	<b>Content Required in Report</b>	<b>Location</b>
§257.90(e)(1)	Map showing the CCR unit and all monitoring wells that are part of the groundwater monitoring system	Section 2.1.1 Documentation; see Figure 1
§257.90(e)(2)	Discuss any new or decommissioned monitoring wells	Section 2.1.2 Changes to Monitoring System; Appendix A
§257.90(e)(3)	All monitoring data obtained under §257.90 through §257.98; provide the number and date groundwater samples were collected, and the monitoring (i.e., detection or assessment)	Section 2.2 Monitoring and Analytical Results; Table 2, Figure 2, Figure 4, Appendix B, Appendix C
§257.90(e)(4)	Discuss any transition between monitoring programs	Not applicable – no transition between monitoring programs was necessary
§257.90(e)(5)	Other information specified in §257.90 through §257.98	Throughout report
§257.90(e)(6)	Overview at beginning of annual report	Executive Summary

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## 2.0 Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Program

This section documents the status of the groundwater monitoring and corrective action program for the ADA for 2023. The groundwater monitoring system is described in Section 2.1, the monitoring and analytical results are described in Section 2.2, key actions completed and problems encountered are described in Section 2.3, and key activities planned for 2024 are described in Section 2.4.

### 2.1 Groundwater Monitoring System

#### 2.1.1 Documentation

Figure 1 shows an aerial image of the ADA and all upgradient (background) and downgradient monitoring wells, including the well identification numbers, that are part of the groundwater monitoring system, as required by §257.90(e)(1). Further details on the monitoring system and the ADA monitoring wells can be found in the Groundwater Monitoring System Report, Big Stone Plant Ash Disposal Area (Barr, 2016).

#### 2.1.2 Changes to Monitoring System

One upgradient monitoring well H12 was installed east of the cooling pond on September 14, 2023 to provide a representative upgradient well for the area upgradient of H6 and H8 based on recent groundwater flow interpretations (Figure 1; Appendix A). Baseline sample collection began on October 17, 2023 and will continue in spring 2024.

In 2022, two downgradient monitoring wells were installed (H10 and H11). Baseline sample collection for these wells began on May 15, 2023. Additional baseline samples were collected on June 12, August 21, and October 17, 2023. Baseline samples were also collected on December 11, 2023; however, the lab results from that event are not available at this time. Baseline sample collection will continue in spring 2024.

### 2.2 Monitoring and Analytical Results

Groundwater samples were collected from monitoring wells H2OX, H3OX, H4OX, H6, H8, and H9 during two semiannual sampling events and from H8 for one verification resampling event. A total of 12 groundwater samples (six monitoring wells and two sampling events) were collected and analyzed for the constituents listed in Appendix III (Part 257) in 2023 under the detection monitoring program, consistent with the requirements of §257.94(c). An elevated total dissolved solids (TDS) concentration was observed in the sample collected from monitoring well H8 during the spring 2023 detection monitoring event. Monitoring well H8 was subsequently resampled for TDS on July 21, 2023. The resampled results indicated that TDS concentrations were not statistically significantly higher than background. Dates of sampling are reported on the field data sheets, and analytical laboratory reports are presented in Appendix B. Results are summarized in Table 2 from samples collected at monitoring wells previously included in the detection monitoring program. Results from samples collected at newly-installed monitoring wells are



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summarized in Table 3. Groundwater flow data, as required by §257.93(c), are presented in Figure 2, Figure 4, and Appendix C.

## 2.3 Key Actions Completed/Problems Encountered

The following key actions were completed for the groundwater monitoring program during 2023:

- Completed semiannual groundwater sampling under the detection monitoring program.
- Statistical analysis was conducted according to the Statistical Analysis Plan, Appendix B of the CCR Groundwater Sampling and Analysis Plan (Carlson McCain, 2017).
- Determined, pursuant to §257.93(h), that a statistically significant increase (SSI) over background levels occurred for Calcium at downgradient monitoring well H6 during the fall 2022 detection monitoring sampling event. A successful Alternative Source Demonstration (ASD) was completed for this SSI in April of 2023 finding the SSI was attributed to an error in sampling. The written ASD is provided in Appendix E.
- Determined, pursuant to §257.93(h), that no statistically significant increase over background levels occurred for any of the constituents listed in Appendix III at any downgradient monitoring well during the 2023 detection monitoring sampling events.
- A partial closure of approximately 7.7 acres of the landfill was completed in 2023.

## 2.4 Key Activities for Upcoming Year

The following key groundwater monitoring program activities are planned for 2024:

- Continue the detection monitoring program in accordance with the CCR Rule.
- Evaluate analytical results from the 2024 semiannual detection monitoring events for SSIs according to the Statistical Analysis Plan (Carlson McCain, 2017).
- Continue collection of background water samples from monitoring wells H10, H11, and H12. Appendix III and Appendix IV parameters will be analyzed.
- Update the Groundwater Monitoring Network to include monitoring wells H10, H11, and H12.

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## 3.0 References

Barr, 2018. 2017 Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Report, Big Stone Plant Ash Disposal Area. Prepared for Otter Tail Power Company. January 2018.

Barr, 2016. Groundwater Monitoring System Report, Big Stone Plant Ash Disposal Area. Prepared for Otter Tail Power Company. December 2016.

Carlson McCain, 2017. CCR Groundwater Sampling and Analysis Plan (Including Statistical Method Selection and Certification), Big Stone Plant Ash Disposal Area. Prepared for Otter Tail Power Company. October 2017.

## Tables

**Table 2  
Detection Monitoring Well Groundwater Analytical Data Summary  
Big Stone Plant  
Offer Tail Power Company**

Location			H2OX	H2OX	H3OX	H3OX	H4OX	H4OX	H6	H6	H8	H8	H8	H9	H9	
Date			5/15/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	7/21/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	10/17/2023	
Sample Type			N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Resample	N	N	N	
Parameter	Analysis Location	Units														
Appendix III Parameters																
Boron, total	Lab	mg/l	0.251	0.258	6.540	7.310	0.518	0.564	3.260	2.350	3.020	--	3.360	1.100	1.230	
Calcium, total	Lab	mg/l	229.0	521.0	364.0	405.0	330.0	321.0	36.60	64.70	125.0	--	128.0	488.0	640.0	
Chloride	Lab	mg/l	4.1	3.5	66.0	65.3	42.8	41.7	3.2	< 3 U	4.3	--	3.4	40.9	81.6	
Fluoride	Lab	mg/l	0.350	0.320	0.430	0.370	0.530	0.480	0.500	0.430	0.550	--	0.510	0.360	0.310	
pH	Lab	pH units	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.7	7.6	7.4	--	7.5	6.9	7.0	
pH	Field	pH units	6.74	6.52	6.62	6.43	6.61	6.52	7.54	7.56	7.24	--	7.22	6.71	6.62	
Solids, total dissolved	Lab	mg/l	3850	3610	3160	2880	2140	2160	536	558	5270 R 951 H 964 H	1050	973	2580	2900	
Sulfate, as SO4	Lab	mg/l	1950	1720	1490	1340	1050	987	93.0	80.6	359	--	321	1510	1620	
Groundwater elevation	Field	ft amsl	1097.68	1096.64	1088.36	1087.26	1091.98	1091.17	1089.94	1082	1077.03	1071.48	1074.63	1079.46	1074.64	

-- Not analyzed/Not available.

N Sample Type: Normal Detection Monitoring

H Recommended sample preservation, extraction or analysis holding time was exceeded.

R The data are unusable. The samples results are rejected due to serious deficiencies in meeting QC criteria. The analyte may or may not be present in the sample.

U The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected.

**Table 3**  
**New Well Groundwater Analytical Data Summary**  
**Big Stone Plant**  
**Otter Tail Power Company**

Location		H10	H10	H10	H10	H11	H11	H11	H11	H12
Date		5/15/2023	6/12/2023	8/21/2023	10/17/2023	5/15/2023	6/12/2023	8/21/2023	10/17/2023	10/17/2023
Sample Type		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Parameter	Units									
Appendix III										
Boron, Total	mg/l	0.292	0.284	0.298	0.358	0.232	0.247	0.245	0.271	0.402
Calcium, Total	mg/l	284.0	489.0	492.0	509.0	217.0	547.0	543.0	573.0	25.60
Chloride	mg/l	7.1	6.6	6.3	6.3	4.7	3.9	3.5	3.6	< 3 U
Fluoride	mg/l	0.200	0.180	0.180	0.190	0.140	0.130	0.140	0.140	0.290
pH	pH units	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	8.2
pH, Field	pH units	6.34	7.00	6.88	6.51	6.37	6.80	6.70	6.59	7.99
Solids, total dissolved	mg/l	4810	4820	4840	4840	4270	4230	4220	4220	197
Sulfate, as SO4	mg/l	2590	2650	2270	2590	2640	2170	2440	2580	20.8
Appendix IV										
Antimony, Total	mg/l	< 0.0025 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0005 U
Arsenic, Total	mg/l	< 0.0025 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	0.00274
Barium, Total	mg/l	0.026	0.026	0.023	0.027	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.030	0.058
Beryllium, Total	mg/l	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.00005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.0001 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U
Cadmium, Total	mg/l	< 0.0005 U	0.00025	< 0.0002 U	< 0.0005 U	0.00038	0.00035	0.00027	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0001 U
Chromium, Total	mg/l	< 0.01 U	< 0.01 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.01 U	< 0.01 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	0.00371
Cobalt, Total	mg/l	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U	0.008	0.009	0.008	< 0.005 U	< 0.005 U
Lead, Total	mg/l	< 0.0025 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.001 U	< 0.0025 U	0.00153
Lithium, Total	mg/l	0.226	0.235	0.271	0.298	0.223	0.251	0.303	0.332	< 0.02 U
Mercury, Total	mg/l	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	< 0.000005 U	0.000012
Molybdenum, Total	mg/l	0.017	< 0.015 U	0.00865	0.0123	< 0.015 U	< 0.015 U	0.00490	0.00303	0.0342
Selenium, Total	mg/l	0.00495	0.00474	0.00454	0.00379 J+	< 0.0025 U	0.00172 J+	< 0.002 U	< 0.0025 U	< 0.0005 U
Thallium, Total	mg/l	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0002 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0002 U	< 0.0002 U	< 0.0005 U	< 0.0001 U
Radium 226	pCi/l	4.42 +/- 0.989	0.390 +/- 0.250	0.290 +/- 0.217	0.0723 +/- 0.186 ND	1.27 +/- 0.422	0.171 +/- 0.205 ND	1.83 +/- 0.496	0.0392 +/- 0.107 ND	0.182 +/- 0.170 ND
Radium 228	pCi/l	0.726 +/- 0.251	0.402 +/- 0.331 ND	0.465 +/- 0.265 ND	0.238 +/- 0.287 ND	0.875 +/- 0.201	0.772 +/- 0.328	0.798 +/- 0.293 UB	0.538 +/- 0.242	0.465 +/- 0.228
Radium, combined (226+228) [Barr Calculation]	pCi/l	5.15 +/- 1.02	0.792 +/- 0.415 q	0.755 +/- 0.340 q	0.310 +/- 0.342 ND	2.15 +/- 0.467	0.943 +/- 0.387 q	1.83 +/- 0.496	0.577 +/- 0.265 q	0.647 +/- 0.284 q
Other										
Groundwater elevation, Field	ft amsl	1079.81	1078.28	1075.36	1073.73	1082.58	1082.19	1079.29	1078.43	1109.26

N Sample Type: Normal Detection Monitoring

J+ The result is an estimated quantity and may be biased high.

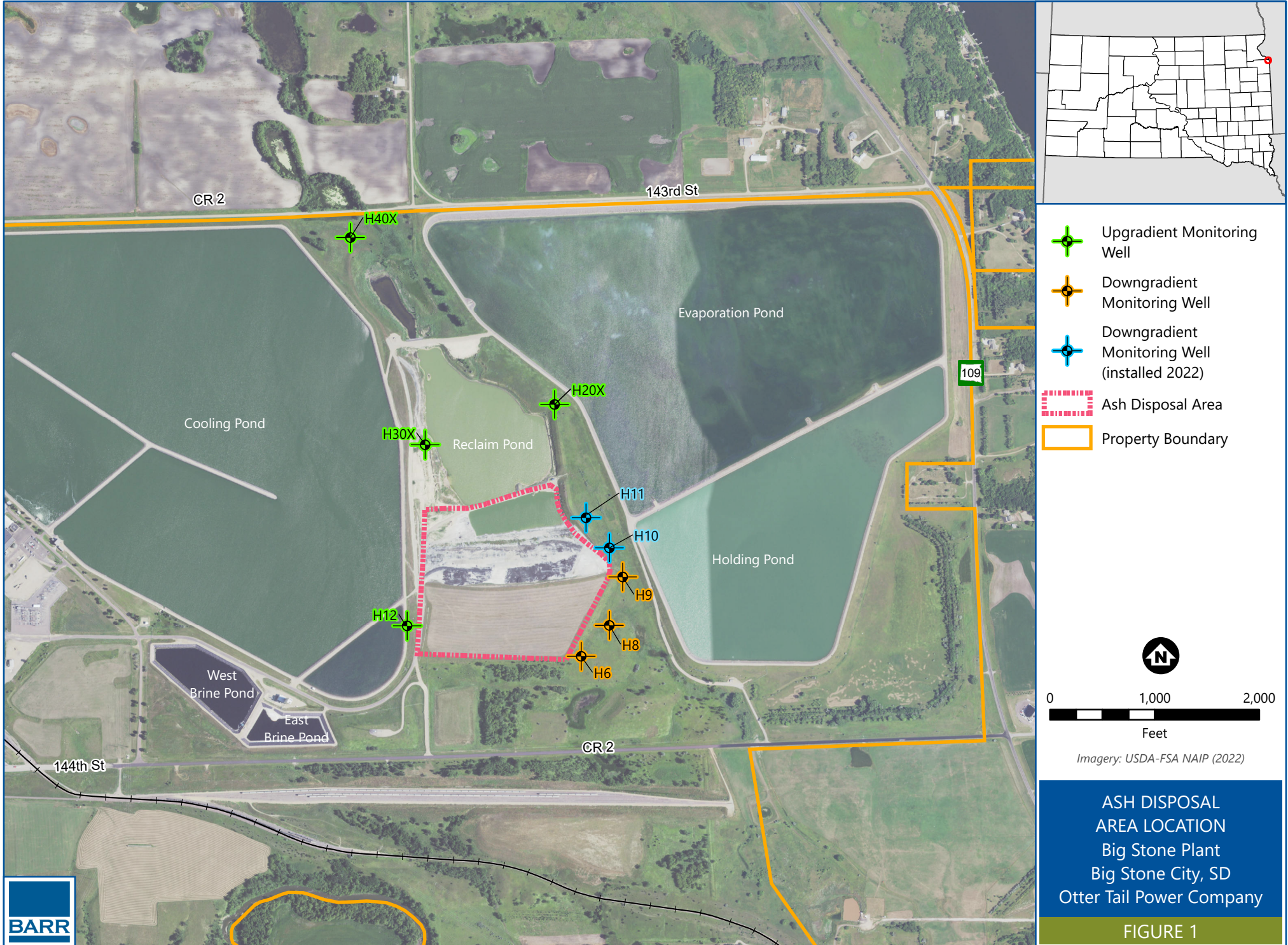
ND the analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected.

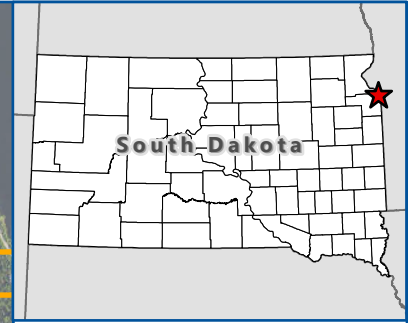
q The combined radium result includes both detected and not detected values.











U The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected.

UB The analyte was detected in one of the associated laboratory, equipment, field or trip blank samples and is considered non-detect at the concentration reported by the laboratory.

## Figures







-  Upgradient Monitoring Well
-  Downgradient Monitoring Well
-  Downgradient Monitoring Well (installed 2022)
-  Water Level Monitoring Well
-  Groundwater Contour (ft MSL, dashed where inferred)
-  Groundwater Flow Direction
-  Drain
-  Pump
-  Ash Disposal Area
-  Property Boundary

Notes:  
 \*H12 was not included in contours. Water level was not available because well was installed after Spring 2023 monitoring event.

Ponds surveyed in March 2020.


  

  
 Feet

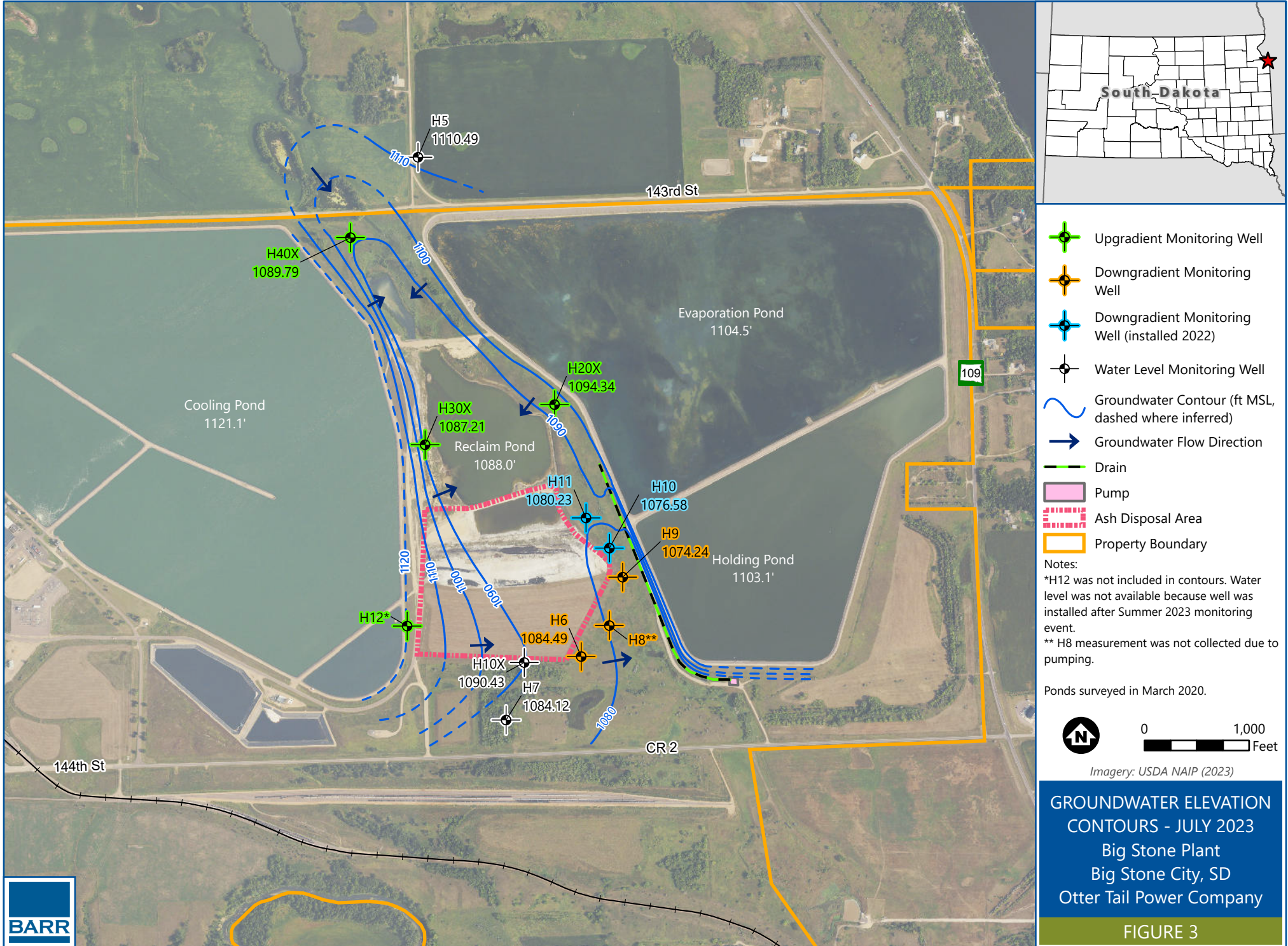
Imagery: USDA NAIP (2023)

**GROUNDWATER ELEVATION  
 CONTOURS - MAY 2023**  
 Big Stone Plant  
 Big Stone City, SD  
 Otter Tail Power Company

FIGURE 2







- Upgradient Monitoring Well
- Downgradient Monitoring Well
- Downgradient Monitoring Well (installed 2022)
- Water Level Monitoring Well
- Groundwater Contour (ft MSL, dashed where inferred)
- Groundwater Flow Direction
- Drain
- Pump
- Ash Disposal Area
- Property Boundary

Notes:  
 \*H12 was not included in contours. Water level was not available because well was installed after Summer 2023 monitoring event.  
 \*\* H8 measurement was not collected due to pumping.

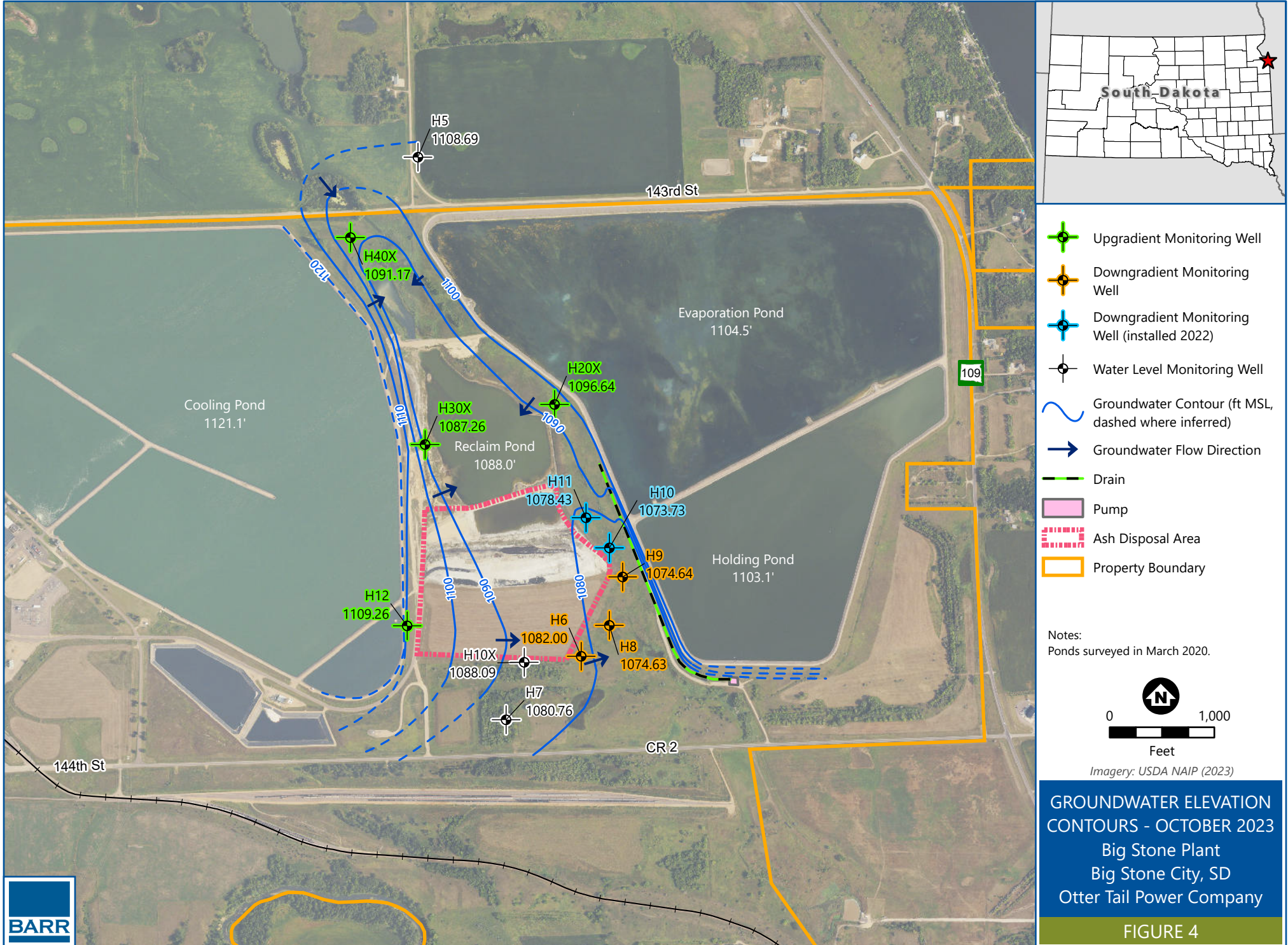
Ponds surveyed in March 2020.

Imagery: USDA NAIP (2023)

**GROUNDWATER ELEVATION  
 CONTOURS - JULY 2023**  
 Big Stone Plant  
 Big Stone City, SD  
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FIGURE 3





**GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOURS - OCTOBER 2023**  
Big Stone Plant  
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FIGURE 4



## Appendices

# Appendix A

## 2023 Well Boring Logs

# LOG OF WELL H12



Barr Engineering Co.  
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SHEET 1 OF 1

Project:	CCR Monitoring Well Network	Surface Elevation:	1124.6 ft	Top of Casing Elev.:	1127.4 ft
Project No.:	41251005	Drilling Method:	Hollow Stem Auger		
Location:	Big Stone Plant	Sampling Method:	Dual tube		
Coordinates:		Completion Depth:	30.0 ft		
Datum:	NAD83				

\\BARR\COM\PROJECTS\BISMARCK\41 SDI\25\41251005 BIG STONE STATION - CCR COMPLIANCE\FILES\H12 WELL INSTALLATION\GINT\41251005 BIG STONE H12.GPJ BARR\LIBRARY\GLB ENVIRO LOG BARR TEMPLATE.GDT

Depth, feet	Sample Type & Recovery	Sample No.	USCS	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION	WELL OR PIEZOMETER CONSTRUCTION DETAIL	Elevation, feet
0			ML		SILT WITH SAND (ML): fine to medium sand; trace coarse sand; abundant roots; Very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2); moist; non-plastic plasticity; 0% gravel, 25% sand, 75% fines, [top soil].		
1		1	CL		SANDY LEAN CLAY (CL): fine to medium sand; trace coarse sand; trace coarse gravel; gray and orange mottling; increasing silt with depth; Light olive brown (2.5Y 5/3); moist; stiff; low plasticity; 0% gravel, 30% sand, 70% fines. 1.5-1.6: Strong brown oxidation; sand increased to 40%.	<b>PRO. CASING</b> Diameter: 6" Type: Steel Interval: 2.75' ags-4.25' bgs	1120
5		2	CL			<b>RISER CASING</b> Diameter: 2" Type: PVC SCH 40 Interval: 2.5' ags-12' bgs	
10		3	SP-SM		POORLY GRADED SAND WITH SILT (SP-SM): fine to medium sand; 10% of sand fraction coarse; trace fine gravel; grain size coarsens downward; trace strong brown oxidation; Yellowish brown (10YR 5/6); moist; non-plastic plasticity; 90% sand, 10% fines.	<b>GROUT</b> Type: Bentonite Interval: 2-10' bgs	1115
15		4	CL		15: Wet.	<b>SEAL</b> Type: Bentonite chips Interval: 2-20' bgs	1110
20		5	CL		19: 1 mm organic lamination. 20-23.5: soft; gray and orange mottling; sand decreased to 20%; siltier fines.	<b>SANDPACK</b> Type: Red Flint Sand Interval: #40 10-22' bgs	
25		6	CL		23: 1" granitic gravel. 23.3-23.5: clayey sand (SC) lens; 60% coarse sand; 5-10% fine to medium sand; 35% clayey fines; red oxidation. 23.5: 0.1' poorly graded sand (SP) lens; very fine sand; trace fines.	<b>SCREEN</b> Diameter: 2" Type: PVC SCH 40 Interval: 12-22' bgs	1105
30			SP		POORLY GRADED SAND (SP): medium to coarse sand; fine to coarse gravel; Yellowish brown (10YR 5/6); wet; angular to subangular; 5% gravel, 90% sand, 5% fines.		1100
			CL		LEAN CLAY WITH SAND (CL): fine to coarse sand; fine gravel; strong brown mottling; black organics; Yellowish brown (10YR 5/4); moist; stiff; low plasticity; 5% gravel, 20% sand, 75% fines.		1095

Date Boring Started: 9/14/23 10:00 am  
 Date Boring Completed: 9/14/23 12:00 pm  
 Logged By: KJN3  
 Drilling Contractor: Dakota Technologies  
 Drill Rig: 7720DT

Remarks: Survey data provided by Otter Tail Power on October 18, 2023.  
  
 Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

## **Appendix B**

### **Laboratory Reports and Field Sheets**



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Date Reported: 4 Aug 2023

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Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

*JW Hoffman* 07 Aug 23  
Field Service Manager/Date Reviewed

*[Signature]* 04 Aug 23  
Chemistry Lab Manager/Date Reviewed

*[Signature]* 04 Aug 2023  
Quality Assurance Director/Date Reviewed

- RL = Reporting Limits
- NQ = Not Present, Qualitative Only
- PQ = Present, Qualitative Only
- ND = Not Determined

**All data for this report has been approved by MVTL Laboratory Management.**

MVTL guarantees the accuracy of the analysis done on the sample submitted for testing. It is not possible for MVTL to guarantee that a test result obtained on a particular sample will be the same on any other sample unless all conditions affecting the sample are the same, including sampling by MVTL. As a mutual protection to clients, the public and ourselves, all reports are submitted as the confidential property of clients, and authorization for publication of statements, conclusions or extracts from or regarding our reports is reserved pending our written approval.



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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7487  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 12:04  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H2OX

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.74	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 12:04	BMW
pH	* 7.3	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	1950 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:15	SS
Chloride	4.1	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:17	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	3850	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	229.0 #	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	25 May 23 12:52	RMV
Boron	0.251	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:06	RMV
Fluoride	0.350 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 6:18	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7488  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 10:49  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H30X

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.62	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 10:49	BMW
pH	* 7.2	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	1490 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:15	SS
Chloride	66.0	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:17	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	3160	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	364.0 ~	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	25 May 23 12:52	RMV
Boron	6.540 ~	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:06	RMV
Fluoride	0.430	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 6:18	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7489  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 11:15  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H40X

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.61	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 11:15	BMW
pH	* 7.1	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	1050 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:15	SS
Chloride	42.8	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:17	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	2140	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	330.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	25 May 23 13:24	RMV
Boron	0.518	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:06	RMV
Fluoride	0.530	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7490  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 12:53  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H-6

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	7.54	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 12:53	DGF
pH	* 7.7	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	93.0 @	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:33	SS
Chloride	3.2	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:34	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	536	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	36.60	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Boron	3.260	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Fluoride	0.500	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7491  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 13:34  
Sampled By: MVTl FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H-8

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	7.24	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 13:34	DGF
pH	* 7.4	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	359 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:33	SS
Chloride	4.3	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:34	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	5270	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	125.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Boron	3.020	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Fluoride	0.550	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7492  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 14:27  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H-9

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.71	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 14:27	DGF
pH	* 6.9	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Sulfate	1510 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:33	SS
Chloride	40.9	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:34	LS
Solids, Total Dissolved	2580	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	488.0 ~	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Boron	1.100	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Fluoride	0.360 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7493  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 13:02  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H-10

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.34	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 13:02	BMW
pH	* 7.0	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Radium 226	4.42	pCi/L	0.60		23 Jun 23 17:46	OL
Radium 228	0.73	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	21 Jun 23 21:31	OL
Sulfate	2590 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:33	SS
Chloride	7.1	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:34	LS
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	23 May 23 13:53	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4810	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	284.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Lithium	0.226	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Barium	0.026	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Beryllium	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Chromium	< 0.01	mg/L	0.01	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Cobalt	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Molybdenum	0.017	mg/L	0.015	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Boron	0.292	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Antimony	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Arsenic	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Cadmium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Lead	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Selenium	4.95 @	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Thallium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Fluoride	0.200 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Radium 226 subcontracted to:  
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1-612-607-1700

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7494  
Work Order #: 31-0147  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 15 May 2023 12:35  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 15 May 2023 16:29  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H-11

Temp at Receipt: 3.9C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
Water Digestions					16 May 23	KH
pH, Field	6.37	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	15 May 23 12:35	BMW
pH	* 7.0	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	16 May 23 12:27	KFL
Radium 226	1.27	pCi/L	0.60		23 Jun 23 17:46	OL
Radium 228	0.88	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	28 Jun 23 17:46	OL
Sulfate	2640 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	18 May 23 11:33	SS
Chloride	4.7	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	18 May 23 11:34	LS
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	23 May 23 13:53	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4270	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	17 May 23 9:45	CC
Calcium	217.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Lithium	0.223	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Barium	0.036	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Beryllium	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Chromium	< 0.01	mg/L	0.01	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Cobalt	0.008	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Molybdenum	< 0.015	mg/L	0.015	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Boron	0.232	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 May 23 11:41	RMV
Antimony	< 0.5	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Arsenic	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Cadmium	0.38	ug/L	0.10	SW6020B	18 May 23 23:03	KAM
Lead	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Selenium	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Thallium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	22 May 23 11:43	KAM
Fluoride	0.140	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 May 23 11:33	MDH

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Work Order #: 202331-0147  
Account Number: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

## LABORATORY NARRATIVE

INORGANIC & METALS ANALYSES:  
No problems were encountered.

AMENDED REPORT 03 AUGUST 2023:  
The report was amended to include the following details of re-analysis:

Sample 23-A7491 was re-analyzed in duplicate for total dissolved solids on 14 July 2023 when it was noticed that the result did not align with historical data. The re-analysis results were 951 mg/L and 964 mg/L. It is unknown why the originally reported results were biased.



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Analyte	LCS Spike Amt	LCS Rec %	LCS % Rec Limits	Matrix Spike Amt	Matrix Spike ID	Matrix Spike Orig Result	Matrix Spike Result	Matrix Spike Rec %	Matrix Spike % Rec Limits	MSD/ Dup Orig Result	MSD/ Dup Result	MSD Rec %	MSD/ Dup RPD	MSD/ Dup RPD Limit (<)	Known Rec (%)	Known % Rec Limits	Method Blank
Antimony ug/L	25.0	102	85-115	25.0	23A7465q	< 2.5	26.6	106	75-125	26.6	26.9	108	1.1	10	100	90-110	< 0.5
Arsenic ug/L	25.0	98	85-115	25.0	23A7465q	21.5	49.3	111	75-125	49.3	49.0	110	0.6	10	98	90-110	< 0.5
Barium mg/L	1.000	103	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	0.033	1.050	102	75-125	1.050	1.050	102	0.0	10	100	90-110	< 0.005
Beryllium mg/L	1.000	101	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	< 0.005	1.010	101	75-125	1.010	1.010	101	0.0	10	101	90-110	< 0.005
Boron mg/L	1.000	102	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	3.020	4.130	111	75-125	4.130	4.120	110	0.2	10	98	90-110	< 0.1
Cadmium ug/L	5.00	103	85-115	5.00	23A7465q	< 0.5	5.06	101	75-125	5.06	5.43	109	7.1	10	102	90-110	< 0.1
Calcium mg/L	50.00	103	85-115	50.0	23A7491q	125.0	174.0	98	75-125	174.0	174.0	98	0.0	10	100	90-110	< 0.5
Chloride mg/L	-	-	-	60.0	23-A7489	42.8	103	100	80-120	103	103	100	0.0	10	93	90-110	< 3
	-	-	-	600	23-A7516	305	906	100	80-120	906	907	100	0.1	10	93	90-110	< 3
Chromium mg/L	1.000	96	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	< 0.01	0.944	94	75-125	0.944	0.948	95	0.4	10	96	90-110	< 0.01
Cobalt mg/L	1.000	102	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	< 0.005	0.948	95	75-125	0.948	0.950	95	0.2	10	101	90-110	< 0.005
Fluoride mg/L	-	-	-	1.00	23-A7487	0.350	1.49	114	75-125	1.49	1.48	113	0.7	10	102	90-110	< 0.02
	-	-	-	1.00	23-A77492qc	0.360	1.42	106	75-125	1.42	1.47	111	3.5	10	103	90-110	< 0.02
Lead ug/L	25.0	95	85-115	25.0	23A7465q	< 5	26.5	106	75-125	26.5	26.6	106	0.4	10	99	90-110	< 0.5
Lithium mg/L	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23-A7491	0.044	1.080	104	75-125	1.080	1.080	104	0.0	10	103	90-110	< 0.02
Mercury ug/L	-	-	-	0.10	23-A7434	< 0.005	0.069	69	63-111	0.069	0.069	69	0.0	18	94	76-113	< 0.005
Molybdenum mg/L	1.000	100	85-115	1.00	23A7491q	< 0.015	1.020	102	75-125	1.020	1.020	102	0.0	10	102	90-110	< 0.015
pH units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	-	0.0	2.5	101	90-110	-
Selenium ug/L	25.0	103	85-115	25.0	23A7465q	8.70	36.1	110	75-125	36.1	39.1	122	8.0	10	102	90-110	< 0.5
Solids, Total Dissolved mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4270	4400	-	3.0	7	99	85-115	< 10
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	951	964	-	1.4	7	100	85-115	< 10
Sulfate mg/L	-	-	-	500	23-A7486	509	996	97	80-120	996	985	95	1.1	10	99	80-120	< 5
	-	-	-	50.0	23-A7516	6.2	59.0	106	80-120	59.0	59.6	107	1.0	10	99	80-120	< 5
Thallium ug/L	5.00	96	85-115	5.00	23A7465q	< 1	5.36	107	75-125	5.36	5.29	106	1.3	10	99	90-110	< 0.1

Approved by: 



# ANALYTICAL REPORT

June 28, 2023

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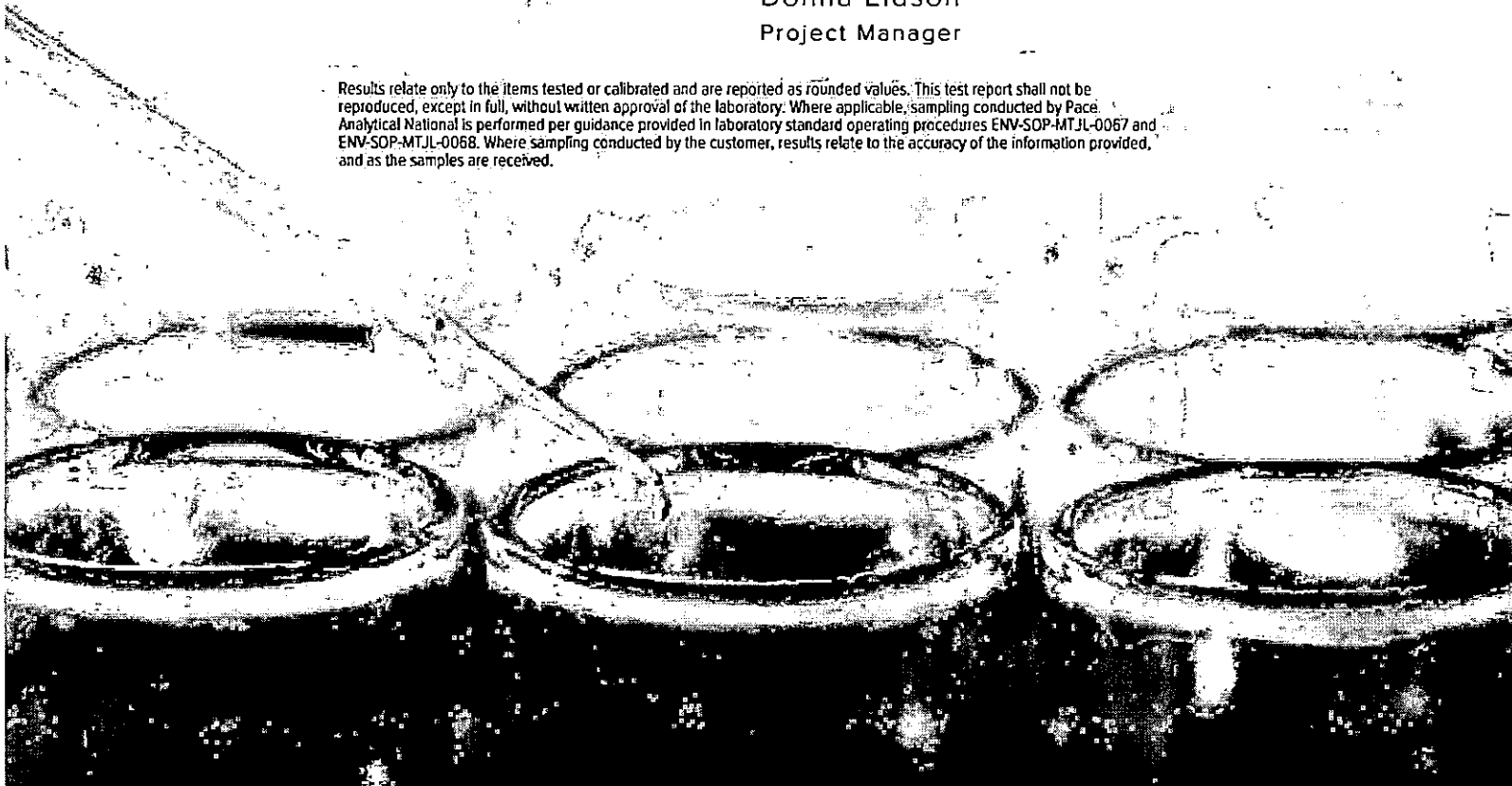
## Pace Analytical - Minnesota

Sample Delivery Group: L1618172  
 Samples Received: 05/19/2023  
 Project Number: 10653516  
 Description: 31-0147 Ottertail  
 Site: 001  
 Report To: Piper Gibbs  
 1700 Elm Street Suite 200  
 Minneapolis, MN 55414

Entire Report Reviewed By:

Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

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# SAMPLE SUMMARY

23A7493-H-10 L1618172-01 Non-Potable Water

Collected by \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time 05/15/23 13:02 Received date/time 05/19/23 09:05

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2077154	1	06/14/23 18:57	06/21/23 21:31	SNR	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2078608	1	06/22/23 12:18	06/23/23 17:46	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

23A7494-H-11 L1618172-02 Non-Potable Water

Collected by \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time 05/15/23 12:35 Received date/time 05/19/23 09:05

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2077154	1	06/14/23 18:57	06/21/23 21:31	SNR	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra 8 M	WG2078608	1	06/22/23 12:18	06/23/23 17:46	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

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# CASE NARRATIVE

All sample aliquots were received at the correct temperature, in the proper containers, with the appropriate preservatives, and within method specified holding times, unless qualified or notated within the report. Where applicable, all MDL (LOD) and RDL (LOQ) values reported for environmental samples have been corrected for the dilution factor used in the analysis. All radiochemical sample results for solids are reported on a dry weight basis with the exception of tritium, carbon-14 and radon, unless wet weight was requested by the client. All Method and Batch Quality Control are within established criteria except where addressed in this case narrative, a non-conformance form or properly qualified within the sample results. By my digital signature below, I affirm to the best of my knowledge, all problems/anomalies observed by the laboratory as having the potential to affect the quality of the data have been identified by the laboratory, and no information or data have been knowingly withheld that would affect the quality of the data.



Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

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Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.726		0.251	0.442	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154
(f) Barium	85.5			30.0-143	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154
(f) Yttrium	100			30.0-136	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	4.42		0.989	0.432	06/23/2023 17:46	WG2078608
(f) Barium-133	63.4			30.0-143	06/23/2023 17:46	WG2078608

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## SAMPLE RESULTS - 02

Collected date/time: 05/15/23 12:35

L1618172

## Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.875		0.201	0.342	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154
(f) Barium	111			30.0-143	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154
(f) Yttrium	106			30.0-136	06/21/2023 21:31	WG2077154

## Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	1.27		0.422	0.188	06/23/2023 17:46	WG2078608
(f) Barium-133	87.1			30.0-143	06/23/2023 17:46	WG2078608

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9 Sc

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3940781-1 06/21/23 21:31

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-228	0.163	J	0.134	0.245
(T) Barium	111		111	
(T) Yttrium	109		109	

L1620768-42 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1620768-42 06/21/23 21:31 • (DUP) R3940781-5 06/21/23 21:31

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-228	0.258	0.326	0.602	1.02	0.329	0.602	1	119	1.64		20	3
(T) Barium	122			108	108							
(T) Yttrium	114			109	109							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

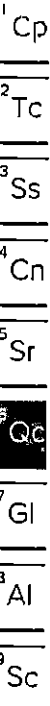
(LCS) R3940781-2 06/21/23 21:31

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-228	5.00	4.98	99.7	80.0-120	
(T) Barium			112		
(T) Yttrium			110		

L1618373-01 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1618373-01 06/21/23 21:31 • (MS) R3940781-3 06/21/23 21:31 • (MSD) R3940781-4 06/21/23 21:31

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-228	10.0	-0.124	9.11	9.19	91.1	91.9	1	70.0-130			0.874		20
(T) Barium		107			115	124							
(T) Yttrium		108			105	106							





Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3941782-1 06/23/23 17:46

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-226	0.0104	U	0.0583	0.109
(T) Barium-133	64.8		64.8	

L1620768-20 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1620768-20 06/23/23 17:46 • (DUP) R3941782-5 06/23/23 17:46

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-226	0.0818	0.160	0.270	0.0852	0.183	0.270	1	4.12	0.0142	U	20	3
(T) Barium-133	92.4			81.8	81.8							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3941782-2 06/23/23 17:46

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-226	5.01	5.72	114	80.0-120	
(T) Barium-133			69.2		

L1620768-27 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1620768-27 06/23/23 17:46 • (MS) R3941782-3 06/23/23 17:46 • (MSD) R3941782-4 06/23/23 17:46

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-226	20.0	0.133	21.8	19.9	108	98.6	1	75.0-125			9.31		20
(T) Barium-133		99.2			80.1	90.4							

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# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

## Guide to Reading and Understanding Your Laboratory Report

The information below is designed to better explain the various terms used in your report of analytical results from the Laboratory. This is not intended as a comprehensive explanation, and if you have additional questions please contact your project representative.

Results Disclaimer - Information that may be provided by the customer, and contained within this report, include Permit Limits, Project Name, Sample ID, Sample Matrix, Sample Preservation, Field Blanks, Field Spikes, Field Duplicates, On-Site Data, Sampling Collection Dates/Times, and Sampling Location. Results relate to the accuracy of this information provided, and as the samples are received.

### Abbreviations and Definitions

MDA	Minimum Detectable Activity.
Rec.	Recovery.
RER	Replicate Error Ratio.
RPD	Relative Percent Difference.
SDG	Sample Delivery Group.
(T)	Tracer - A radioisotope of known concentration added to a solution of chemically equivalent radioisotopes at a known concentration to assist in monitoring the yield of the chemical separation.
Analyte	The name of the particular compound or analysis performed. Some Analyses and Methods will have multiple analytes reported.
Dilution	If the sample matrix contains an interfering material, the sample preparation volume or weight values differ from the standard, or if concentrations of analytes in the sample are higher than the highest limit of concentration that the laboratory can accurately report, the sample may be diluted for analysis. If a value different than 1 is used in this field, the result reported has already been corrected for this factor.
Limits	These are the target % recovery ranges or % difference value that the laboratory has historically determined as normal for the method and analyte being reported. Successful QC Sample analysis will target all analytes recovered or duplicated within these ranges.
Original Sample	The non-spiked sample in the prep batch used to determine the Relative Percent Difference (RPD) from a quality control sample. The Original Sample may not be included within the reported SDG.
Qualifier	This column provides a letter and/or number designation that corresponds to additional information concerning the result reported. If a Qualifier is present, a definition per Qualifier is provided within the Glossary and Definitions page and potentially a discussion of possible implications of the Qualifier in the Case Narrative if applicable.
Result	The actual analytical final result (corrected for any sample specific characteristics) reported for your sample. If there was no measurable result returned for a specific analyte, the result in this column may state "ND" (Not Detected) or "BDL" (Below Detectable Levels). The information in the results column should always be accompanied by either an MDL (Method Detection Limit) or RDL (Reporting Detection Limit) that defines the lowest value that the laboratory could detect or report for this analyte.
Uncertainty (Radiochemistry)	Confidence level of 2 sigma.
Case Narrative (Cn)	A brief discussion about the included sample results, including a discussion of any non-conformances to protocol observed either at sample receipt by the laboratory from the field or during the analytical process. If present, there will be a section in the Case Narrative to discuss the meaning of any data qualifiers used in the report.
Quality Control Summary (Qc)	This section of the report includes the results of the laboratory quality control analyses required by procedure or analytical methods to assist in evaluating the validity of the results reported for your samples. These analyses are not being performed on your samples typically, but on laboratory generated material.
Sample Chain of Custody (Sc)	This is the document created in the field when your samples were initially collected. This is used to verify the time and date of collection, the person collecting the samples, and the analyses that the laboratory is requested to perform. This chain of custody also documents all persons (excluding commercial shippers) that have had control or possession of the samples from the time of collection until delivery to the laboratory for analysis.
Sample Results (Sr)	This section of your report will provide the results of all testing performed on your samples. These results are provided by sample ID and are separated by the analyses performed on each sample. The header line of each analysis section for each sample will provide the name and method number for the analysis reported.
Sample Summary (Ss)	This section of the Analytical Report defines the specific analyses performed for each sample ID, including the dates and times of preparation and/or analysis.

Qualifier	Description
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J	The identification of the analyte is acceptable; the reported value is an estimate.
U	Below Detectable Limits: Indicates that the analyte was not detected.

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# ACCREDITATIONS & LOCATIONS

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Alabama	40660	Nebraska	NE-OS-15-05
Alaska	17-026	Nevada	TN000032021-1
Arizona	AZ0612	New Hampshire	2975
Arkansas	88-0469	New Jersey-NELAP	TN002
California	2932	New Mexico <sup>1</sup>	TN00003
Colorado	TN00003	New York	11742
Connecticut	PH-0197	North Carolina	Env375
Florida	E87487	North Carolina <sup>1</sup>	DW21704
Georgia	NELAP	North Carolina <sup>3</sup>	41
Georgia <sup>1</sup>	923	North Dakota	R-140
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Indiana	C-TN-01	Oregon	TN200002
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Kentucky <sup>2</sup>	16	South Dakota	n/a
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Louisiana	LA018	Texas	T104704245-20-18
Maine	TN00003	Texas <sup>5</sup>	LAB0152
Maryland	324	Utah	TN000032021-11
Massachusetts	M-TN003	Vermont	VT2006
Michigan	9958	Virginia	110033
Minnesota	047-999-395	Washington	C847
Mississippi	TN00003	West Virginia	233
Missouri	340	Wisconsin	998093910
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A2LA - ISO 17025 <sup>5</sup>	1461.02	DOD	1461.01
Canada	1461.01	USDA	P330-15-00234
EPA-Crypto	TN00003		

<sup>1</sup> Drinking Water <sup>2</sup> Underground Storage Tanks <sup>3</sup> Aquatic Toxicity <sup>4</sup> Chemical/Microbiological <sup>5</sup> Mold <sup>6</sup> Wastewater n/a Accreditation not applicable

\* Not all certifications held by the laboratory are applicable to the results reported in the attached report.

\* Accreditation is only applicable to the test methods specified on each scope of accreditation held by Pace Analytical.

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## Field Service Chain of Custody Record

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By AS Date 15 May 23

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<b>Project</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Project Type:</b> Big Stone Plant CCR	<b>Name of Samplers:</b> <u>MS, DF, DS, BW</u>
<b>Report</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Carbon Copy:</b> Barr Engineering	<b>Quote Number:</b>
<b>Attn:</b> Paul Vukonich	<b>Attn:</b>	<b>Work Order Number:</b> <u>31-0147</u>
<b>Address</b> P.O. Box 496	<b>Address:</b>	<b>Lab Numbers:</b>
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496		
Phone: 218-739-8349		

Sample Information					Bottle Type										Analysis				
Lab Number	Sample ID	Unique Station ID	Date	Time	Sample Type	Sample Location	1000 HNO3 Inner Mountain	500 None	1000 none	500 HNO3	Filter? Y or N	500 H2SO4	Filter? Y or N	1000 Amber none	1000 Amber H2SO4	500 NaOH	Other: 150 H2SO4	Other 150 None	Analysis Required
A748	H2OX		15 May 23	1204	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
88	H3OX			1049	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
89	H4OX			1115	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
90	H-6			1253	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
91	H-8			1334	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
92	H-9			1427	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
93	H10			1302	GW				1	1	N			1					CCR 3&4
94	H11			1235	GW				1	1	N			1					CCR 3&4

Comments:

Samples Relinquished By: <u>[Signature]</u>			Samples Received By: <u>A. Sieder</u>		
Date: <u>15 May 23</u>	Time: <u>1629</u>	Temp: <u>3.9°C</u>	Date: <u>15 May 23</u>	Time: <u>1629</u>	Temp: <u>3.9°C</u>
Samples Relinquished into: <u>Fridge</u> Log in Cart Other:					
Samples Relinquished By:			Samples Received By:		
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date:	Time:	Temp:
Delivery: <u>Samplers</u> Other:			Seal Number(s) - If Used		
Transport: <u>Ambient</u> <u>Ice</u> Other:			Seals Intact? Yes No		

~~April~~ 2023  
MAY

## 2023 Big Stone Sampling - CCR

Landfill or ADA wells

Site	Parameter List	Well Depth (constructed)	Diameter (Inches)	Well Elevation (TOC)	Sample Equipment	Dedicated?	Pump Rate (ml/minute)	Goes Dry?	Sampling Seasons**
H2OX	CCR 3	32.20	2	1103.86	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H3OX	CCR 3	22.55	2	1095.26	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H4OX	CCR 3	27.20	2	1108.25	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H6	CCR 3	15.00	2	1097.76	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H8	CCR 3	22.05	2	1081.23	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H9	CCR 3	30.20	2	1086.21	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H10	CCR 3 and 4	35.49	2	1090.83	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below
H11	CCR 3 and 4	42.15	2	1093.24	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below

Note: Wells H10 and H11 need to be sampled 8 times for CCR this year. Background sampling like 5 years ago. We want to sample in April - November. Each event has to be about 30 days apart. Also, during every sampling event for the CCR, we will need water levels on the CCR wells not sampled.

Note: CCR sampling is for total recoverable metals. They are not filtered in the field.

CCR 3 & 4 parameters see the first two tabs labeled CCR 3 and CCR 4

CCR - Appendix III Detection Monitoring

**Field Parameters**

pH\*

\* Field and Laboratory Measurements

**Total Concentration Parameters**

**Method**

Boron	6010
Calcium	6010
Chloride	SM4500 CL E
Fluoride	EPA 300
pH	SM 4500 H+B-96
Sulfate	ASTM D516
Dissolved Solids, Total	SM 2540 C-97

Note: These are non-filtered samples.

CCR - Appendix IV - Assessment Monitoring

**Total Concentration Parameters**

	<b>Method</b>
Antimony	SW6020A
Arsenic	SW602A
Barium	SW6010C
Beryllium	SW6020A
Cadmium	SW6020A
Chromium, Total	SW6020A
Cobalt	SW6010C
Fluoride	EPA 300
Lead	SW6020A
Lithium	SW6010C
Mercury	EPA 245.7
Molybdenum	SW6020A
Selenium	SW6020A
Thallium	SW6020A
Radium 226 + 228	

Note: These are non-filtered samples.



# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc.

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## Groundwater Assessment

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: Well H2OX

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts? Yes  No   
 State ID Tag? Yes  No   
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 32.83  
 Constructed Depth: 32.20  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 6.18  
 Well Volume: 4.35 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1103.91  
 Static Water Elevation: 1097.73  
 Previous Static: 1097.82  
 Water Level After Sample: Below Pump  
 Measurement Method:  Elec. W/L  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 74 Wind: LLV Sky: Fair  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailor  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No Pumping Rate: .25 gpm  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Time Pump Began: 1141 am /  pm  
 Time Purged Dry? 1159 Time of Sampling: 1204 am /  pm  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Sample EH: 44.6  
 Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1159	6.65	3990	8.79	NA	NA	4.5	1	
							2	
1204	6.74	3976	8.32	↓	↓	-	3	Recharge
							4	
							5	

Stabilized? Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 4.6 Gallons

Comments: HCR

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Groundwater Assessment

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel:

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

BSW

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: Well H30X

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No

Protective Posts? Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 22.68

Well Casing Elevation: 1095.19

Constructed Depth: 22.55

Static Water Elevation: 1088.29

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: 1088.56

Water Level Before Purge: 6.90

Water Level After Sample: Below pump

Well Volume: 2.57 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. WLI  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 69 Wind: LEV Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment: Yes  No  Pumping Rate: .75 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No  Time Pump Began: 1033 (am) 1 pm

Time Purged Dry? 1044 Time of Sampling: 1049 (am) 1 pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: - Sample EH: 306.8

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time //	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1044	6.57	3813	10.80	NA	NA	2.75	1	
							2	
1049	6.62	3761	10.38	↓	↓	-	3	Recharge
							4	
							5	

Stabilized? Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 2.75 Gallons

Comments: recharge

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Groundwater Assessment

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Facility ID:

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: Well H40X

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts? Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes No

Repairs Necessary:

### Well Information

Well Depth: 27.48  
 Constructed Depth: 27.20  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 16.27  
 Well Volume: 1.83 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1108.22  
 Static Water Elevation: 1091.25  
 Previous Static: 1092.16  
 Water Level After Sample: Below Pump  
 Measurement Method:  (lec. WLI)  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 72 Wind: LLV Sky: Fair  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SS/A  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:  
 Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No Pumping Rate: .25 gpm  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Time Pump Began: 1102  am /  pm  
 Time Purged Dry? 1110 Time of Sampling: 1115  am /  pm  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: - Sample EH: 200.9  
 Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: NOV Phase: NOV Odor: NOV

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1110	6.56	2758	9.46	NA	NA	2	1	
							2	
1115	6.61	2674	9.11			-	3	Recharge
							4	
							5	

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 2 Gallons

Comments:

CCR

Exceptions to Protocol:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: —

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID: —

Sample ID: Well H6

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts?  Yes No  
 State ID Tag? Yes   
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes

Repairs Necessary: —

### Well Information

Well Depth: 17.92

Well Casing Elevation: NA

Constructed Depth: 17.70

Static Water Elevation: —

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 7.82

Water Level After Sample: 8.70

Well Volume: 1.65 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. W/L  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 65 Wind: L+V Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder ~~SSA~~  Disp. ~~Paper~~  ~~Wale~~ Grab Other: —

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes No

Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes

Time Pump Began: 1232 am /

Time Purged Dry? —

Time of Sampling: 1253 am /

Duplicate Sample? Yes  ID: —

Sample EH: 83.1

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

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DF

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>7</u> <u>1239</u>	<u>7.56</u>	<u>1006</u>	<u>6.65</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>1.75</u>	<u>1</u>	
<u>1246</u>	<u>7.55</u>	<u>1024</u>	<u>6.52</u>			<u>3.5</u>	<u>2</u>	
<u>1253</u>	<u>7.54</u>	<u>1015</u>	<u>6.62</u>			<u>5.25</u>	<u>3</u>	
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized?  Yes No

Amount Water Removed: 5.25 Gallons

Comments:

Exceptions to Protocol:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Well H8

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

Protective Posts?  Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 22.33

Well Casing Elevation: 1081.23

Constructed Depth: 22.05

Static Water Elevation: 1077.03

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: \_\_\_\_\_

Water Level Before Purge: 4.20

Water Level After Sample: 4.50

Well Volume: 2.96 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. W/L  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 65 Wind: LHV Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1258 am /  pm

Time Purged Dry? \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Sampling: 1334 am /  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample EH: 81.2

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
12								
1310	7.25	1552	7.68	NA	NA	3	1	
1322	7.24	1553	7.65			6	2	
1334	7.24	1553	7.66			9	3	
							4	
							5	

Stabilized?  Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 9 Gallons

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Well H9

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts?  Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 30.71

Well Casing Elevation: 1086.21

Constructed Depth: 30.20

Static Water Elevation: 1079.46

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: \_\_\_\_\_

Water Level Before Purge: 6.75

Water Level After Sample: 7.00

Well Volume: 3.91 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. WD  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 65 Wind: LHV Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method:  Grundfos  Blender SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1339 am /  pm

Time Purged Dry? \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Sampling: 1427 am /  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No

Sample EH: 107.0

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1355	6.71	3132	9.04	NA	NA	4	1	
1411	6.71	3133	9.03			8	2	
1427	6.71	3134	9.04			12	3	
							4	
							5	

Stabilized?  Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 12 Gallons

Comments:

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Exceptions to Protocol:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: H10

### Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No

Well Labeled? Yes  No

Casing Straight? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: Needs lock

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 35.49

Well Casing Elevation: 1090.83

Constructed Depth: 35.49

Static Water Elevation: 1079.81

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 11.02

Water Level After Sample:

Well Volume: 3.99 Gallons

Measurement Method: Elec. WL Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 75 Wind: Luv Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SS/T  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:

Dedicated Equipment: Yes  No

Pumping Rate: .25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1241 am / pm

Time Purged Dry? 1257

Time of Sampling: 1302 am / pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: —

Sample EH: 194.7

Sample Appearance: General: Silty Color: Turb Phase: Light Sed. Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1257	6.36	5087	8.52	NA	NA	4	1	
							2	
1302	6.34	5094	8.34	I	L	—	3	Recharge
							4	
							5	

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 4 Gallons

Comments:

Exceptions to Protocol:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:

Date: 15 May 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: H11

### Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No

Well Labeled? Yes  No

Casing Straight? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: Needs 100ft

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 42.15

Well Casing Elevation: 1093.24

Constructed Depth: 42.15

Static Water Elevation: 1082.58

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 10.66

Water Level After Sample: 37.60

Well Volume: 5.14 Gallons

Measurement Method: Elec. WL Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 75 Wind: LVV Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SS/T  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:

Dedicated Equipment: Yes  No

Pumping Rate: .25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1209 am

Time Purged Dry? 1230

Time of Sampling: 1236 am

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: —

Sample EH: 165-8

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: NO1 Phase: NO1 Odor: NO1

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1230	6.87	4334	9.02	NA	NA	5.25	1	
							2	
1235	6.37	4320	8.90	↓	↓	—	3	Recharge
							4	
							5	

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 5.25 Gallons

Comments:

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Date Reported: 10 Aug 2023

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FERGUS FALLS MN 56538-0496

Work Order #: 31-0177  
Account #: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Josh Hoffmann 10 Aug 23  
Field Service Manager/Date Reviewed

[Signature] 10 Aug 23  
Chemistry Lab Manager/Date Reviewed

[Signature] 10 Aug 2023  
Quality Assurance Director/Date Reviewed

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Report Date: 10 Aug 2023
Lab Number: 23-A7634
Work Order #: 31-0177
Account #: 006106
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER
Date Sampled: 12 Jun 2023 12:38
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL
Date Received: 12 Jun 2023 15:30
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H10

Temp at Receipt: 1.5C

Table with columns: As Received Result, Method RL, Method Reference, Date Analyzed, Analyst. Rows include MS Water Digestions, Water Digestions, pH, Field, Radium 226, Radium 228, Sulfate, Chloride, Mercury, Solids, Total Dissolved, Calcium, Lithium, Barium, Beryllium, Chromium, Cobalt, Molybdenum, Boron, Antimony, Arsenic, Cadmium, Lead, Selenium, Thallium, Fluoride.

\* Holding Time Exceeded

Radium 226 subcontracted to:
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Report Date: 10 Aug 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A7635  
Work Order #: 31-0177  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 12 Jun 2023 12:13  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 12 Jun 2023 15:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Sample Description: H11

Temp at Receipt: 1.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					13 Jun 23	KAM
Water Digestions					14 Jun 23	KH
pH, Field	6.80	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	12 Jun 23 12:13	DS
pH	* 7.0	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	13 Jun 23 10:43	KFL
Radium 226	0.17	pCi/L	0.60		13 Jul 23 19:58	OL
Radium 228	0.77	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	18 Jul 23 16:53	OL
Sulfate	2170 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	15 Jun 23 8:35	LS
Chloride	3.9	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	15 Jun 23 8:30	KRM
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	16 Jun 23 13:58	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4230	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	14 Jun 23 9:34	CC
Calcium	547.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
	~See Narrative					
Lithium	0.251	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Barium	0.035	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Beryllium	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Chromium	< 0.01	mg/L	0.01	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Cobalt	0.009	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Molybdenum	< 0.015	mg/L	0.015	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Boron	0.247	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	15 Jun 23 14:53	TMM
Antimony	< 0.5	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
Arsenic	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
Cadmium	0.35	ug/L	0.10	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
Lead	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
Selenium	1.72	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
	@ See Narrative					
Thallium	< 0.2 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	14 Jun 23 12:11	KAM
Fluoride	0.130 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	15 Jun 23 16:44	MDH

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Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

LABORATORY NARRATIVE

**INORGANIC & METALS ANALYSES:**

Due to the high concentration of calcium in the spiked sample, the matrix spike recovery was outside of acceptance range for samples 23-A7634 and 23-A7635. Results were reported based on the acceptable recoveries of calcium in the laboratory control spike and the relative percent difference between the matrix spikes.

Due to matrix composition, percent recovery of selenium was outside acceptable range in the matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate for samples 23-A7634 through 23-A7635. Data was reported based on acceptable laboratory control spike recovery and relative percent difference between matrix spikes.

No other problems were encountered.

**Quality Control Report**

Lab IDs: 23-A7634 to 23-A7635

Project: BIG STONE PLANT-CCR

Work Order: 202331-0177

Analyte	LCS Spike Amt	LCS Rec %	LCS % Rec Limits	Matrix Spike Amt	Matrix Spike ID	Matrix Spike Orig Result	Matrix Spike Result	Matrix Spike Rec %	Matrix Spike % Rec Limits	MSD/ Dup Orig Result	MSD/ Dup Result	MSD Rec %	MSD/ Dup RPD	MSD/ Dup RPD Limit (<=)	Known Rec (%)	Known % Rec Limits	Method Blank
Antimony ug/L	25.0	98	85-115	25.0	23A7635q	<0.5	25.0	100	75-125	25.0	25.4	102	1.6	10	99	90-110	<0.5
Arsenic ug/L	25.0	97	85-115	25.0	23A7635q	<1	26.8	107	75-125	26.8	27.5	110	2.6	10	97	90-110	<0.5
Barium mg/L	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	0.034	1.070	104	75-125	1.070	1.080	105	0.9	10	101	90-110	<0.005
Beryllium mg/L	1.000	103	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	<0.005	1.000	100	75-125	1.000	1.010	101	1.0	10	103	90-110	<0.005
Boron mg/L	1.000	101	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	0.237	1.300	106	75-125	1.300	1.300	106	0.0	10	99	90-110	<0.1
Cadmium ug/L	5.00	102	85-115	5.00	23A7635q	0.35	5.10	95	75-125	5.10	5.34	100	4.6	10	106	90-110	<0.1
Calcium mg/L	50.00	103	85-115	50.0	23A7616qc	533.0	570.0	74	75-125	570.0	577.0	88	1.2	10	103	90-110	<0.5
Chloride mg/L	-	-	-	60.0	23-A7635	3.9	65.8	103	80-120	65.8	67.5	106	2.6	10	95	90-110	<3
Chromium mg/L	1.000	98	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	<0.01	0.904	90	75-125	0.904	0.911	91	0.8	10	98	90-110	<0.01
Cobalt mg/L	1.000	103	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	0.009	0.964	96	75-125	0.964	0.967	96	0.3	10	102	90-110	<0.005
Fluoride mg/L				1.00	23-A7635qc	0.130	1.10	97	75-125	1.10	1.12	99	1.8	10	98	90-110	<0.02
Lead ug/L	25.0	97	85-115	25.0	23A7635q	<1	25.2	101	75-125	25.2	24.9	100	1.2	10	100	90-110	<0.5
Lithium mg/L	1.000	105	82-115	1.00	23-A7616qc	0.245	1.330	108	75-125	1.330	1.350	110	1.5	10	102	90-110	<0.02
Mercury ug/L	-	-	-	0.10	23-A7634	<0.005	0.077	77	63-111	0.077	0.079	79	2.6	18	96	76-113	<0.005
Molybdenum mg/L	1.000	98	85-115	1.00	23A7616qc	<0.015	0.995	100	75-125	0.995	1.000	100	0.5	10	101	90-110	<0.015
pH units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	-	0.0	2.5	101	90-110	-
Selenium ug/L	25.0	105	85-115	25.0	23A7635q	1.72	35.1	134	75-125	35.1	34.9	133	0.6	10	103	90-110	<0.5
Solids, Total Dissolved mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4230	4110	-	2.9	7	99	85-115	<10
Sulfate mg/L	-	-	-	5000	23-A7635	2170	6960	96	80-120	6960	7070	98	1.6	10	99	80-120	<5
Thallium ug/L	5.00	98	85-115	5.00	23A7635q	<0.2	5.17	103	75-125	5.17	5.18	104	0.2	10	99	90-110	<0.1

Calcium matrix spike recovery was outside of acceptance limits, see narrative.

Selenium matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate recoveries were outside of acceptance limits, see narrative.

Approved by: 

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By AS Date 12 June 23  
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# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories

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## Field Service Chain of Custody Record

<b>Project:</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Project Type:</b> Big Stone Plant CCR	<b>Name of Samplers:</b> DS MS
<b>Report:</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Carbon Copy:</b> Barr Engineering	<b>Quote Number:</b>
<b>Attn:</b> Paul Vukonich	<b>Attn:</b>	<b>Work Order Number:</b> 31-177
<b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 496	<b>Address:</b>	<b>Lab Numbers:</b>
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496		
<b>Phone:</b> 218-739-8349		

Sample Information					Bottle Type										Analysis				
Lab Number	Sample ID	Unique Station ID	Date	Time	Sample Type	Sample Location	1000 HNO3 Inner Mountain	500 None	1000 none	500 HNO3	Filter? Y or N	500 H2SO4	Filter? Y or N	1000 Amber none	1000 Amber H2SO4	500 NaOH	Other: 150 H2SO4	Other 150 None	Analysis Required
A1734	H10		12 June 23	1238	GW				1	1	N			1					CCR 3&4
39	H11			1213	GW				1	1	N			1					CCR 3&4

Comments:

Samples Relinquished By:				Samples Received By: <u>A. Audin</u>			
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date: <u>12 June 23</u>	Time: <u>1530</u>	Temp: <u>1.5C</u>		
Samples Relinquished into:		Fridge	Log in Cart	Other:			
Samples Relinquished By:				Samples Received By:			
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date:	Time:	Temp:		
Delivery:	Samplers	Other:		Seal Number(s) - If Used			
Transport:	Ambient	Ice	Other:		Seals Intact?	Yes	No

June 2023

## 2023 Big Stone Sampling - CCR

Landfill or ADA wells

Site	Parameter List	Well Depth (constructed)	Diameter (Inches)	Well Elevation (TOC)	Sample Equipment	Dedicated?	Pump Rate (ml/minute)	Goes Dry?	Sampling Seasons**
H2OX	CCR 3	32.20	2	1103.86	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H3OX	CCR 3	22.55	2	1095.26	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H4OX	CCR 3	27.20	2	1108.25	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H6	CCR 3	15.00	2	1097.76	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H8	CCR 3	22.05	2	1081.23	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H9	CCR 3	30.20	2	1086.21	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H10	CCR 3 and 4	35.49	2	1090.83	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below
H11	CCR 3 and 4	42.15	2	1093.24	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below

Note: Wells H10 and H11 need to be sampled 8 times for CCR this year. Background sampling like 5 years ago. We want to sample in April - November. Each event has to be about 30 days apart. Also, during every sampling event for the CCR, we will need water levels on the CCR wells not sampled.

Note: CCR sampling is for total recoverable metals. They are not filtered in the field.

CCR 3 & 4 parameters see the first two tabs labeled CCR 3 and CCR 4

1000 None  
500 H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Total  
1000 Amber None (Pace)

CCR - Appendix III Detection Monitoring

**Field Parameters**

pH\*

\* Field and Laboratory Measurements

**Total Concentration Parameters**

	<b>Method</b>
Boron	6010
Calcium	6010
Chloride	SM4500 CL E
Fluoride	EPA 300
pH	SM 4500 H+B-96
Sulfate	ASTM D516
Dissolved Solids, Total	SM 2540 C-97

Note: These are non-filtered samples.



CCR - Appendix IV - Assessment Monitoring

***Total Concentration Parameters***

	<b>Method</b>
Antimony	SW6020A
Arsenic	SW602A
Barium	SW6010C
Beryllium	SW6020A
Cadmium	SW6020A
Chromium, Total	SW6020A
Cobalt	SW6010C
Fluoride	EPA 300
Lead	SW6020A
Lithium	SW6010C
Mercury	EPA 245.7
Molybdenum	SW6020A
Selenium	SW6020A
Thallium	SW6020A
Radium 226 + 228	

Note: These are non-filtered samples.

# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc.

New Ulm, MN 56073

507 354 8517

## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DS  
MS

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:

Date: 16 June 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: H10

### Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag?  Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 3549

Constructed Depth:

Casing Diameter: 2"

Water Level Before Purge: 12.55

Well Volume: 3.74 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1090.83

Static Water Elevation: 1078.28

Previous Static: 1077.81

Water Level After Sample: 25.17

Measurement Method:  Elec. WLI  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 75° Wind: NW@8 Sky: Partly Cloudy

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: \_\_\_\_\_ gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1218 am  pm

Time Purged Dry? 1233

Time of Sampling: 1238 am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample EH: 22.76

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>1233</u>	<u>6.97</u>	<u>4923</u>	<u>8.22</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>ND</u>	<u>3.75</u>	1	
							2	
							3	
							4	
<u>1238</u>	<u>7.00</u>	<u>4916</u>	<u>8.62</u>				5	<u>check</u>

Stabiliz Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 3.75 Gallons

Comments:

Exceptions to Protocol:

# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc.

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DS  
LS

Site: \_\_\_\_\_ Otter Tail Power C \_\_\_\_\_ Stone \_\_\_\_\_

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: June 23

Unique Station ID: H11

Sample ID: \_\_\_\_\_

## Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

## Well Information

Well Depth: 42.15

Constructed Depth: \_\_\_\_\_

Casing Diameter: 2"

Water Level Before Purge: 11.05

Well Volume: 5.07 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 108

Static Water Elevation: 108

Previous Static: 108

Water Level After Sample: \_\_\_\_\_

Measurement Method:  Elec. WL  Tape

## Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 75° Wind: NW@8 Sky: Partly C

Sampling Method:  Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Time Pump Began: 11:47 7pm

Time Purged Dry? 12:08 Time of Sampling: 12:13 1pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Sample EH: 274.6

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: ✓

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Com
<u>12:08</u>	<u>6.79</u>	<u>4122</u>	<u>8.51</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
							<u>3</u>	
							<u>4</u>	
<u>12:13</u>	<u>6.80</u>	<u>4134</u>	<u>8.70</u>				<u>5</u>	

Stabiliz Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 525 Gallons

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to Protocol:

+CCR



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July 24, 2023

Todd Rieger  
MVTL Laboratories  
1126 North Front Street  
New Ulm, MN 56073

RE: Project: Work order: 31-177 Otter Tail  
Pace Project No.: 10657633

Dear Todd Rieger:

Enclosed are the analytical results for sample(s) received by the laboratory on June 15, 2023. The results relate only to the samples included in this report. Results reported herein conform to the applicable TNI/NELAC Standards and the laboratory's Quality Manual, where applicable, unless otherwise noted in the body of the report.

The test results provided in this final report were generated by each of the following laboratories within the Pace Network:

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Piper Gibbs  
piper.gibbs@pacelabs.com  
(612)607-1700  
Project Manager

Enclosures



## REPORT OF LABORATORY ANALYSIS

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### SAMPLE SUMMARY

Project: Work order: 31-177 Otter Tail  
Pace Project No.: 10657633

Lab ID	Sample ID	Matrix	Date Collected	Date Received
10657633001	23A7364 - H10	Water	06/12/23 12:38	06/15/23 10:09
10657633002	23A7364 - H11	Water	06/12/23 12:13	06/15/23 10:09

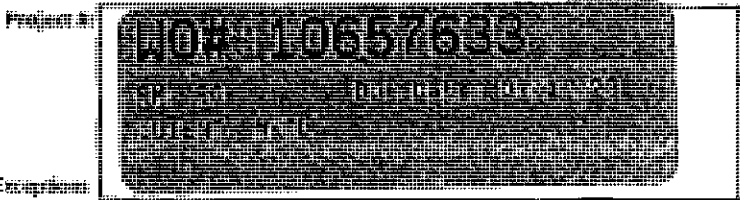
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Effective Date: 4/14/2023

Sample Condition Upon Receipt Client Name: MVTI



Courier:  FedEx  UPS  USPS  Client  
 Pace  Speedee  Commercial

Tracking Number: ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142

Custody Seal on Cooler/Box Present?  Yes  No Seals Intact?  Yes  No Biological Tissue Frozen?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Packing Material:  Bubble Wrap  Bubble Bags  None  Other Temp Blank?  Yes  No  
 Thermometer:  T1 (0461)  T2 (0436)  T3 (0459)  T4 (0402)  T5 (0178)  T6 (0235)  T7 (0042)  T8 (0775)  T9(0727)  01339252/1710 Type of Ice:  Wet  Blue  Dry  None  
 Melted

Did Samples Originate in West Virginia?  Yes  No Were All Container Temps Taken?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Temp should be above freezing to 6 °C Cooler temp Read w/Temp Blank: 1.1 °C Average Corrected Temp (no temp blank only): \_\_\_\_\_ °C  
 Correction Factor: -0.1 Cooler Temp Corrected w/temp blank: 1.0 °C  See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142  1 Container

USDA Regulated Soil:  N/A, water sample/other: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Initials of Person Examining Contents: Per 6-15-23

Did samples originate in a quarantine zone within the United States: AL, AR, AZ CA, FL, GA, ID, LA, MS, NC, NM, NY, OK, OR, SC, TN, TX, or VA (check maps)?  Yes  No Did samples originate from a foreign source (Internationally, including Hawaii and Puerto Rico)?  Yes  No

If Yes to either question, fill out a Regulated Soil Checklist (ENV-FRM-MIN4-0154) and include with SCUR/COC paperwork.

Location (Check one):	Duluth	Minneapolis	Virginia	COMMENTS
Chain of Custody Present and Filled Out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1.
Chain of Custody Relinquished?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2.
Sampler Name and/or Signature on COC?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	3.
Samples Arrived within Hold Time?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. If fecal: <input type="checkbox"/> <8 hrs <input type="checkbox"/> >8 hr, <24 <input type="checkbox"/> No
Short Hold Time Analysis (<72 hr)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. <input type="checkbox"/> Fecal Coliform <input type="checkbox"/> HPC <input type="checkbox"/> Total Coliform/E.coli <input type="checkbox"/> BOD/cBOD <input type="checkbox"/> Hex Chrom <input type="checkbox"/> Turbidity <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrate <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrite <input type="checkbox"/> Orthophos <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Rush Turn Around Time Requested?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6.
Sufficient Sample Volume?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7.
Correct Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	8. <u>AGIU's tea</u>
-Pace Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9.
Containers Intact?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Is sediment visible in the dissolved container? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Field Filtered Volume Received for Dissolved Tests?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	11. If no, write ID/Date/Time of container below: <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Is sufficient information available to reconcile the samples to the COC? Matrix: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Sample # <input type="checkbox"/> NaOH <input type="checkbox"/> HNO3 <input type="checkbox"/> H2SO4 <input type="checkbox"/> Zinc Acetate
All containers needing acid/base preservation have been checked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	Positive for Residual Chlorine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
All containers needing preservation are found to be in compliance with EPA recommendation? (HNO3, H2SO4, <2pH, NaOH >9 Sulfide, NaOH >10 Cyanide)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	pH Paper Lot # Residual Chlorine 0-6 Roll 0-6 Strip 0-14 Strip
Exceptions: VOA, Coliform, TOC/DOC Oil and Grease, DRO/8015 (water) and Dioxins/PFAS (*If adding preservative to a container, it must be added to associated field and equipment blanks--verify with PM first.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	13.
Headspace in Methyl Mercury Container?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	14. <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Extra labels present on soil VOA or WIDRO containers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	15. Pace Trip Blank Lot # (if purchased): _____
Headspace in VOA Vials (greater than 6mm)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3 Trip Blanks Present?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Trip Blank Custody Seals Present?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	

CLIENT NOTIFICATION/RESOLUTION

Person Contacted: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Manager Review: paper gibbs Date: 6/15/23

Field Data Required?  Yes  No

NOTE: Whenever there is a discrepancy affecting North Carolina compliance samples, a copy of this form will be sent to the North Carolina DEHNR Certification Office (i.e., out of hold, incorrect preservative, out of temp, incorrect containers).


Labeled By: [Signature]

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# ANALYTICAL REPORT

July 24, 2023

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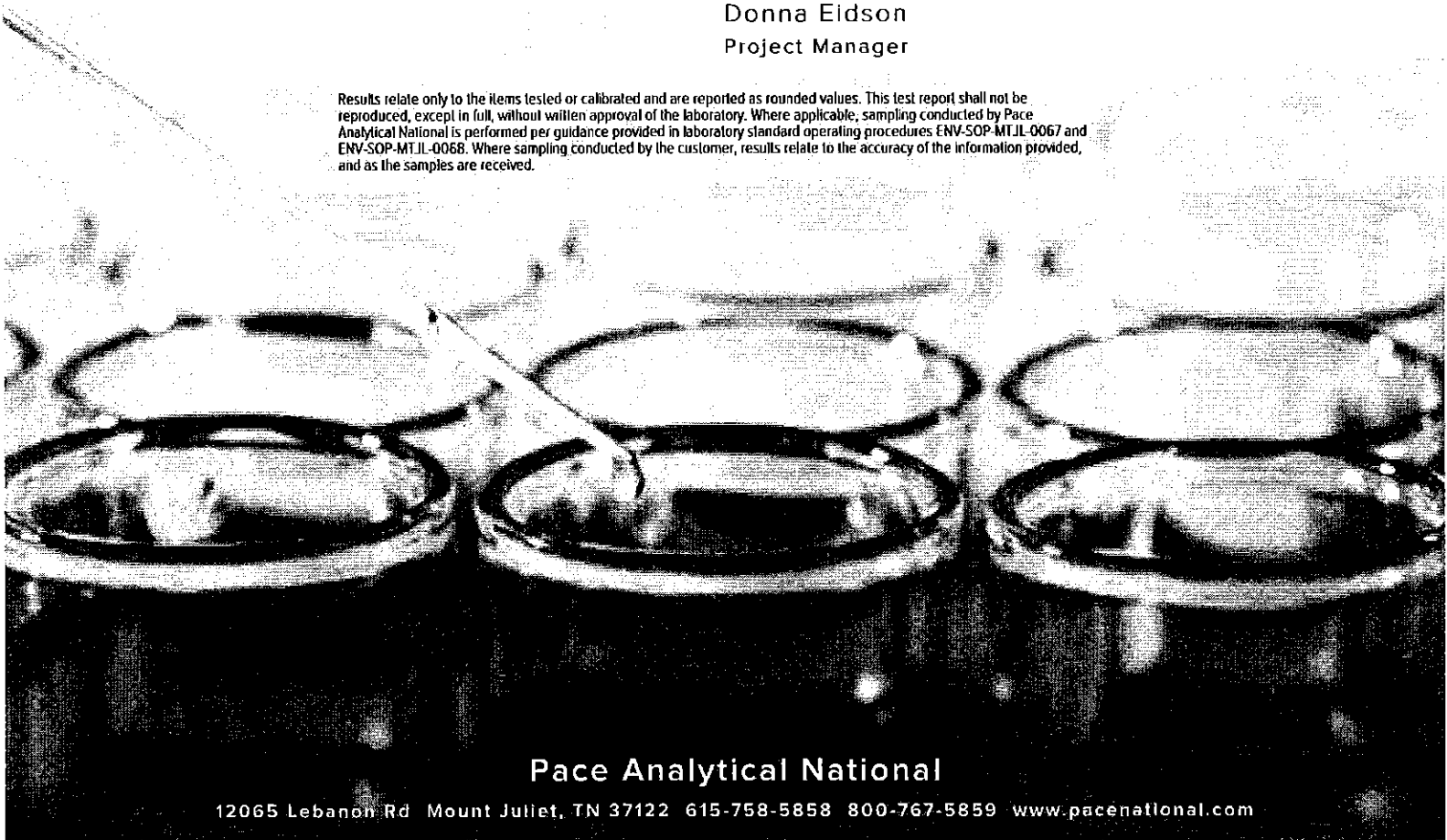
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Sample Delivery Group: L1627193  
 Samples Received: 06/17/2023  
 Project Number: 10657633  
 Description: Work Order: 31-177 Otter tail  
 Site: 001  
 Report To: Piper Gibbs

Entire Report Reviewed By:

Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

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






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# SAMPLE SUMMARY

23A7364-H10 L1627193-01 Non-Potable Water

Collected by: \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time: 06/12/23 12:38 Received date/time: 06/17/23 09:10

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2092493	1	07/11/23 10:27	07/18/23 16:53	SNR	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2093326	1	07/12/23 16:57	07/13/23 19:58	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

23A7364-H11 L1627193-02 Non-Potable Water

Collected by: \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time: 06/12/23 12:38 Received date/time: 06/17/23 09:10

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2092493	1	07/11/23 10:27	07/18/23 16:53	SNR	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2093326	1	07/12/23 16:57	07/13/23 19:58	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

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# CASE NARRATIVE

All sample aliquots were received at the correct temperature, in the proper containers, with the appropriate preservatives, and within method specified holding times, unless qualified or notated within the report. Where applicable, all MDL (LOD) and RDL (LOQ) values reported for environmental samples have been corrected for the dilution factor used in the analysis. All radiochemical sample results for solids are reported on a dry weight basis with the exception of tritium, carbon-14 and radon, unless wet weight was requested by the client. All Method and Batch Quality Control are within established criteria except where addressed in this case narrative, a non-conformance form or properly qualified within the sample results. By my digital signature below, I affirm to the best of my knowledge, all problems/anomalies observed by the laboratory as having the potential to affect the quality of the data have been identified by the laboratory, and no information or data have been knowingly withheld that would affect the quality of the data.



Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

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<sup>3</sup> Ss

<sup>4</sup> Cn

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<sup>9</sup> Sc

23A7364-H10

SAMPLE RESULTS - 01

Collected date/time: 06/12/23 12:38

L1627193

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	Uncertainty	MDA	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-228	0.402	J	0.331	0.595	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493
(I) Barium	68.1			30.0-143	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493
(I) Yttrium	93.5			30.0-136	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	Uncertainty	MDA	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-226	0.390		0.250	0.217	07/13/2023 19:58	WG2093326
(I) Barium-133	105			30.0-143	07/13/2023 19:58	WG2093326

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gl
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

23A7364-H11

SAMPLE RESULTS - 02

Collected date/time: 06/12/23 12:38

L1627193

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	Uncertainty	MDA	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-228	0.772		0.328	0.577	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493
(I) Barium	78.2			30.0-143	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493
(I) Yttrium	98.8			30.0-136	07/18/2023 16:53	WG2092493

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	Uncertainty	MDA	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-226	0.171	J	0.205	0.282	07/13/2023 19:58	WG2093326
(I) Barium-133	88.7			30.0-143	07/13/2023 19:58	WG2093326

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

7 GI

8 Al

9 Sc

WG2092493

QUALITY CONTROL SUMMARY

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

L1627193-01.02

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3951293-1 07/18/23 16:53

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-228	-0.0198	<u>U</u>	0.191	0.352
(T) Barium	87.4		87.4	
(T) Yttrium	87.3		87.3	

L1627704-06 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1627704-06 07/18/23 16:53 • (DUP) R3951293-5 07/18/23 16:53

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-228	0.466	0.421	0.756	0.0978	0.469	0.756	1	131	0.584	<u>U</u>	20	3
(T) Barium	84.6			78.9	78.9							
(T) Yttrium	117			107	107							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3951293-2 07/18/23 16:53

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-228	5.00	5.26	105	80.0-120	
(T) Barium			90.4		
(T) Yttrium			109		

L1627704-04 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1627704-04 07/18/23 16:53 • (MS) R3951293-3 07/18/23 16:53 • (MSD) R3951293-4 07/18/23 16:53

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-228	33.3	0.461	36.0	18.9	107	110	1	70 0-130			3.35		20
(T) Barium		78.2			90.7	79.3							
(T) Yttrium		101			71.0	99.4							

- 1 Cp
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- 9 Sc

WG2093326

QUALITY CONTROL SUMMARY

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

L1627193-01.02

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3948871-1 07/13/23 19:58

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-226	0.0202	J	0.0281	0.0410
(T) Barium-133	100		100	

L1627718-08 Original Sample (OS) - Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1627718-08 07/13/23 19:58 - (DUP) R3948871-5 07/13/23 19:58

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-226	0.244	0.242	0.309	0.331	0.231	0.309	1	30.2	0.259		20	3
(T) Barium-133	88.6			99.1	99.1							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3948871-2 07/13/23 19:58

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-226	5.01	4.52	90.2	80.0-120	
(T) Barium-133			93.8		

L1627704-05 Original Sample (OS) - Matrix Spike (MS) - Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1627704-05 07/13/23 19:58 - (MS) R3948871-6 07/14/23 19:10 - (MSD) R3948871-4 07/13/23 19:58

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSO Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-226	20.0	0.133	15.4	15.2	76.5	75.3	1	75.0-125			1.57		20
(T) Barium-133		86.3			91.8	95.0							

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gf
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

## Guide to Reading and Understanding Your Laboratory Report

The Information below is designed to better explain the various terms used in your report of analytical results from the Laboratory. This is not intended as a comprehensive explanation, and if you have additional questions please contact your project representative.

**Results Disclaimer** - Information that may be provided by the customer, and contained within this report, include Permit Limits, Project Name, Sample ID, Sample Matrix, Sample Preservation, Field Blanks, Field Spikes, Field Duplicates, On-Site Data, Sampling Collection Dates/Times, and Sampling Location. Results relate to the accuracy of this information provided, and as the samples are received.

### Abbreviations and Definitions

MDA	Minimum Detectable Activity.
Rec.	Recovery.
RER	Replicate Error Ratio.
RPD	Relative Percent Difference.
SDG	Sample Delivery Group.
(T)	Tracer - A radioisotope of known concentration added to a solution of chemically equivalent radioisotopes at a known concentration to assist in monitoring the yield of the chemical separation.
Analyte	The name of the particular compound or analysis performed. Some Analyses and Methods will have multiple analytes reported.
Dilution	If the sample matrix contains an interfering material, the sample preparation volume or weight values differ from the standard, or if concentrations of analytes in the sample are higher than the highest limit of concentration that the laboratory can accurately report, the sample may be diluted for analysis. If a value different than 1 is used in this field, the result reported has already been corrected for this factor.
Limits	These are the target % recovery ranges or % difference value that the laboratory has historically determined as normal for the method and analyte being reported. Successful QC Sample analysis will target all analytes recovered or duplicated within these ranges.
Original Sample	The non-spiked sample in the prep batch used to determine the Relative Percent Difference (RPD) from a quality control sample. The Original Sample may not be included within the reported SDG.
Qualifier	This column provides a letter and/or number designation that corresponds to additional information concerning the result reported. If a Qualifier is present, a definition per Qualifier is provided within the Glossary and Definitions page and potentially a discussion of possible implications of the Qualifier in the Case Narrative if applicable.
Result	The actual analytical final result (corrected for any sample specific characteristics) reported for your sample. If there was no measurable result returned for a specific analyte, the result in this column may state "ND" (Not Detected) or "BDL" (Below Detectable Levels). The information in the results column should always be accompanied by either an MDL (Method Detection Limit) or RDL (Reporting Detection Limit) that defines the lowest value that the laboratory could detect or report for this analyte.
Uncertainty (Radiochemistry)	Confidence level of 2 sigma.
Case Narrative (Cn)	A brief discussion about the included sample results, including a discussion of any non-conformances to protocol observed either at sample receipt by the laboratory from the field or during the analytical process. If present, there will be a section in the Case Narrative to discuss the meaning of any data qualifiers used in the report.
Quality Control Summary (Qc)	This section of the report includes the results of the laboratory quality control analyses required by procedure or analytical methods to assist in evaluating the validity of the results reported for your samples. These analyses are not being performed on your samples typically, but on laboratory generated material.
Sample Chain of Custody (Sc)	This is the document created in the field when your samples were initially collected. This is used to verify the time and date of collection, the person collecting the samples, and the analyses that the laboratory is requested to perform. This chain of custody also documents all persons (excluding commercial shippers) that have had control or possession of the samples from the time of collection until delivery to the laboratory for analysis.
Sample Results (Sr)	This section of your report will provide the results of all testing performed on your samples. These results are provided by sample ID and are separated by the analyses performed on each sample. The header line of each analysis section for each sample will provide the name and method number for the analysis reported.
Sample Summary (Ss)	This section of the Analytical Report defines the specific analyses performed for each sample ID, including the dates and times of preparation and/or analysis.

### Qualifier Description

J	The identification of the analyte is acceptable; the reported value is an estimate.
U	Below Detectable Limits: Indicates that the analyte was not detected.

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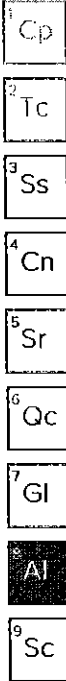
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Louisiana	AI30792	Tennessee <sup>1,4</sup>	2006
Louisiana	LA018	Texas	T104704245-20-18
Maine	TN00003	Texas <sup>5</sup>	LAB0152
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Missouri	340	Wisconsin	998093910
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A2LA – ISO 17025 <sup>5</sup>	1461.02	DOD	1461.01
Canada	1461.01	USDA	P330-15-00234
EPA-Crypto	TN00003		

<sup>1</sup> Drinking Water <sup>2</sup> Underground Storage Tanks <sup>3</sup> Aquatic Toxicity <sup>4</sup> Chemical/Microbiological <sup>5</sup> Mold <sup>6</sup> Wastewater n/a Accreditation not applicable

\* Not all certifications held by the laboratory are applicable to the results reported in the attached report.

\* Accreditation is only applicable to the test methods specified on each scope of accreditation held by Pace Analytical.



# Internal Transfer Chain of Custody

E150



Samples Pre-Logged into eCOC.

State Of Origin: MN

Cert. Needed:  Yes  No

Owner Received Date: 6/15/2023 Results Requested By: 7/17/2023

Workorder: 10657633

Workorder Name: Work order: 31-177 Otter Tail

Report To:		Subcontract To:				Requested Analysis:														
Piper Gibbs Pace Analytical Minnesota 1700 Elm Street Minneapolis, MN 55414 Phone (612)607-1700		Pace National 12065 Lebanon Rd Mt. Juliet, TN 37122 Phone (615) 758-5858				<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Radium 226/228</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 100%;"></div> </div>														
Item	Sample ID	Sample Type	Collect Date/Time	Lab ID	Matrix	Unpreserved	Preserved Containers													
1	23A7364 - H10	PS	6/12/2023 12:38	10657633001	Water	1														
2	23A7364 - H11	PS	6/12/2023 12:13	10657633002	Water	1														
3																				
4																				
5																				

6/16/23/193

LAB USE ONLY

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-02

Transfers	Released By	Date/Time	Received By	Date/Time	Comments
1	<i>[Signature]</i>	6-16-23/1615	<i>[Signature]</i>	6-17-23	-0910
2					
3					

Cooler Temperature on Receipt  °C    Custody Seal Y or N     Received on Ice Y or N     Samples Intact Y or N

\*\*\*In order to maintain client confidentiality, location/name of the sampling site, sampler's name and signature may not be provided on this COC document.  
This chain of custody is considered complete as is since this information is available in the owner laboratory.

**Sample Receipt Checklist**

COC Seal Present/Intact:  N    If Applicable

COC Signed/Accurate:  N    VOA Zero Headspace:  N

Bottles arrive intact:  N    Pres. Correct/Check:  N

Correct bottles used:  N

Sufficient volume sent:  N

RAD Screen <0.5 mR/hr:  N

2.910229





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Date Reported: 4 Aug 2023

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Work Order #: 31-0220
Account #: 006106
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Handwritten signatures and dates for Field Service Manager, Chemistry Lab Manager, and Quality Assurance Director.

- RL = Reporting Limits
NQ = Not Present, Qualitative Only
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ND = Not Determined

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Report Date: 4 Aug 2023
Lab Number: 23-A8117
Work Order #: 31-0220
Account #: 006106
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER
Date Sampled: 21 Jul 2023 11:27
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL
Date Received: 21 Jul 2023 14:10
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H8

Temp at Receipt: 1.0C

Table with 6 columns: As Received Result, Method RL, Method Reference, Date Analyzed, Analyst. Row 1: Solids, Total Dissolved, 1050 mg/L, 10, SM 2540 C-97, 25 Jul 23 9:36 CC. Note: See Narrative

RL = Reporting Limit
Analyses performed under our Minnesota Department of Health Accreditation conform to the current TNI standards.
The reporting limit was elevated for any analyte requiring a dilution as coded below:
& = Due to sample matrix # = Due to concentration of other analytes
! = Due to sample quantity + = Due to internal standard response
CERTIFICATION: MN LAB # 027-015-125 ND WN/DW # R-040



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LABORATORY NARRATIVE

**INORGANIC & METALS ANALYSES:**

In the Total Dissolved Solids analysis batch containing sample 23-A8117, there were 16 samples analyzed before a duplicate rather than 10 samples as required. Data was reported based on all other QC being acceptable.

No other problems were encountered.

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**Quality Control Report**

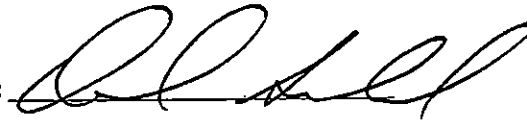
Lab ID: 23-A8117

Project: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Work Order: 202331-0220

Analyte	LCS Spike Amt	LCS Rec %	LCS % Rec Limits	Matrix Spike Amt	Matrix Spike ID	Matrix Spike Orig Result	Matrix Spike Result	Matrix Spike Rec %	Matrix Spike % Rec Limits	MSD/ Dup Orig Result	MSD/ Dup Result	MSD Rec %	MSD/ Dup RPD	MSD/ Dup RPD Limit (<)	Known Rec (%)	Known % Rec Limits	Method Blank
Solids, Total Dissolved mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	303	-	1.0	10	101	85-115	< 10

Approved by:



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## Field Service Chain of Custody Record

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By DF Date 21 July 23  
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<b>Project</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Project Type:</b> Big Stone Plant CCR	<b>Name of Samplers:</b>
<b>Report</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Carbon Copy:</b> Barr Engineering	<u>DF, BLW</u>
<b>Attn:</b> Paul Vukonich	<b>Attn:</b>	<b>Quote Number:</b>
<b>Address</b> P.O. Box 496	<b>Address:</b>	<b>Work Order Number:</b> <u>31-220</u>
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496		<b>Lab Numbers:</b>
<b>Phone:</b> 218-739-8349		

Sample Information					Bottle Type										Analysis				
Lab Number	Sample ID	Unique Station ID	Date	Time	Sample Type	Sample Location	1000 HNO3 Inner	500 None	1000 none	500 HNO3	Filter? Y or N	500 H2SO4	Filter? Y or N	1000 Amber none	1000 Amber H2SO4	500 NaOH	Other: 150 H2SO4	Other 150 None	Analysis Required
<u>AB117</u>	<u>H8</u>		<u>21 July 23</u>	<u>1127</u>	<u>GW</u>			<u>1</u>											<u>TDS only</u>

Comments: **Rush Please!**

Samples Relinquished By: <u>DF</u>			Samples Received By: <u>A. Arden</u>		
Date: <u>21 July 23</u>	Time: <u>1410</u>	Temp: <u>1.0</u>	Date: <u>21 July 23</u>	Time: <u>1410</u>	Temp: <u>1.00</u>
Samples Relinquished into: Fridge <u>Log in Cart</u> Other:					
Samples Relinquished By:			Samples Received By:		
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date:	Time:	Temp:
Delivery: <u>Samplers</u> Other:			Seal Number(s) - If Used		
Transport: Ambient <u>ice</u> Other:			Seals Intact? Yes No		



# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc.

New Ulm, MN 56073

507 354 8517

## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel: DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:                     

Date: 2 July 23

Unique Station ID:                     

Sample ID: Well H8

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:                     

Protective Posts?  Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 22.33

Constructed Depth: 22.05

Casing Diameter: 2"

Water Level Before Purge: 9.75

Well Volume: 2.05 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1081.23

Static Water Elevation: 1071.48

Previous Static:                     

Water Level After Sample: 10.00

Measurement Method:  Elec. WLI  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 77 Wind: W 1 Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SSA  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:                     

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No  Time Pump Began: 1100  am  pm

Time Purged Dry?                      Time of Sampling: 1127  am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID:                      Sample EH: 90.0

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1109	7.15	1526	9.10	NA	NA	2.25	1	
1118	7.15	1527	9.11			4.50	2	
1127	7.14	1526	9.11			6.75	3	
							4	
							5	

Stabilized?  Yes  No Amount Water Remove 6.75 Gallons

Comments:                     

Exceptions to Protocol:



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Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Josh Hollen 24 Oct 23  
Field Service Manager/Date Reviewed  
[Signature] 23 Oct 2023  
Chemistry Lab Manager/Date Reviewed  
[Signature] 23 Oct 2023  
Quality Assurance Director/Date Reviewed

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Report Date: 23 Oct 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A8447  
Work Order #: 31-0235  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 21 Aug 2023 10:35  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 21 Aug 2023 15:17  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H10

Temp at Receipt: 2.6C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					23 Aug 23	JN
Water Digestions					23 Aug 23	JN
pH, Field	6.88	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	21 Aug 23 10:35	MS
pH	* 7.0	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	22 Aug 23 13:00	HO
Radium 226	0.29	pCi/L	0.60		22 Sep 23 13:29	OL
Radium 228	0.46	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	10 Oct 23 21:14	OL
Sulfate	2270 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	24 Aug 23 9:04	LS
Chloride	6.3	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 C1 E	24 Aug 23 8:54	KRM
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	25 Aug 23 14:07	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4840	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	23 Aug 23 9:15	CC
Calcium	492.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
	~ See Narrative					
Lithium	0.271	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Barium	0.023	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Cobalt	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Boron	0.298	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Antimony	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Arsenic	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Beryllium	< 0.05	ug/L	0.05	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Cadmium	< 0.2 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Chromium	< 0.5	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Lead	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Molybdenum	8.65 @	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Selenium	4.54 @^	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Thallium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Fluoride	0.180 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 Aug 23 11:09	MDH

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+ = Due to internal standard response

CERTIFICATION: MN LAB # 027-015-125 ND HW/DW # R-040



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As Received Method Method Date
Result RL Reference Analyzed Analyst

\* Holding Time Exceeded

Radium 226 subcontracted to:
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Minneapolis, MN 55414
1-612-607-1700

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~ Sample diluted due to result above calibration of linear range.

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Report Date: 23 Oct 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A8448  
Work Order #: 31-0235  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 21 Aug 2023 10:45  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 21 Aug 2023 15:17  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H11

Temp at Receipt: 2.6C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					23 Aug 23	JN
Water Digestions					23 Aug 23	JN
pH, Field	6.70	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	21 Aug 23 10:46	DS
pH	* 6.9	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	22 Aug 23 13:00	HO
Radium 226	1.83	pCi/L	0.60		22 Sep 23 13:29	OL
Radium 228	0.80	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	10 Oct 23 21:14	OL
Sulfate	2440 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	24 Aug 23 9:04	LS
Chloride	3.5	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	24 Aug 23 8:54	KRM
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	25 Aug 23 14:07	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4220	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	23 Aug 23 9:15	CC
Calcium	543.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
	~ See Narrative					
Lithium	0.303	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Barium	0.034	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Cobalt	0.008	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Boron	0.245	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	25 Aug 23 10:06	SS
Antimony	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Arsenic	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Beryllium	< 0.1 @	ug/L	0.05	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Cadmium	0.27 @	ug/L	0.10	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Chromium	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Lead	< 1 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Molybdenum	4.90 @	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Selenium	< 2 @^	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Thallium	< 0.2 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	24 Aug 23 13:44	KAM
Fluoride	0.140 @	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	25 Aug 23 11:09	MDH

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Date Received: 21 Aug 2023 15:17  
PO #: 59601

Temp at Receipt: 2.6C

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H11

As Received Result	Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
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Work Order #: 202331-0235  
Account Number: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

## LABORATORY NARRATIVE

### INORGANIC ANALYSES:

Due to the high concentration of calcium in the spiked sample associated with samples 23-A8447 through 23-A8448, the matrix spike recovery was outside of acceptable limits. Calcium was reported based on acceptable laboratory control spike recovery and acceptable duplication of the matrix spikes.

No other problems were encountered.

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**Quality Control Report**

Lab IDs: 23-A8447 to 23-A8448

Project: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Work Order: 202331-0235

Analyte	LCS Spike Amt	LCS Rec %	LCS % Rec Limits	Matrix Spike Amt	Matrix Spike ID	Matrix Spike Orig Result	Matrix Spike Result	Matrix Spike Rec %	Matrix Spike % Rec Limits	MSD/ Dup Orig Result	MSD/ Dup Result	MSD Rec %	MSD/ Dup RPD	MSD/ Dup RPD Limit (<)	Known Rec (%)	Known % Rec Limits	Method Blank
Antimony ug/L	25.0	106	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	<0.5	27.5	110	75-125	27.5	26.4	106	4.1	10	103	90-110	<0.5
Arsenic ug/L	25.0	103	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	<0.5	26.8	107	75-125	26.8	26.9	108	0.4	10	103	90-110	<0.5
Barium mg/L	1.000	106	85-115	1.00	23A8450qc	0.030	1.040	101	75-125	1.040	1.030	100	1.0	10	100	90-110	<0.005
Beryllium ug/L	2.50	102	85-115	2.50	25251003qc	<0.05	2.66	106	75-125	2.66	2.61	104	1.9	10	106	90-110	<0.05
Boron mg/L	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23A8450qc	0.219	1.210	99	75-125	1.210	1.200	98	0.8	10	98	90-110	<0.1
Cadmium ug/L	5.00	105	85-115	5.00	25251003qc	<0.1	5.05	101	75-125	5.05	4.89	98	3.2	10	102	90-110	<0.1
Calcium mg/L	50.00	106	85-115	50.0	23A8450qc	542.0	608.0	132	75-125	608.0	594.0	104	2.3	10	102	90-110	<0.5
Chloride mg/L	-	-	-	60.0	23-A8450	3.6	64.0	101	86-117	64.0	63.0	99	1.6	5	98	90-110	<0.5
Chromium ug/L	25.0	102	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	1.03	26.7	103	75-125	26.7	26.0	100	2.7	10	104	90-110	<0.5
Cobalt mg/L	1.000	105	85-115	1.00	23A8450qc	0.010	0.995	98	75-125	0.995	0.994	98	0.1	10	100	90-110	<0.005
Fluoride mg/L	-	-	-	1.00	23-A8447	0.180	1.09	91	75-125	1.09	1.10	92	0.9	10	94	90-110	<0.02
Lead ug/L	25.0	101	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	<0.5	26.8	107	75-125	26.8	26.8	107	0.0	10	102	90-110	<0.5
Lithium mg/L	1.000	108	85-115	1.00	23-A8450qc	0.278	1.320	104	75-125	1.320	1.310	103	0.8	10	103	90-110	<0.02
Mercury ug/L	-	-	-	0.10	23-A8481	<0.005	0.073	73	63-111	0.073	0.073	73	0.0	18	98	76-113	<0.005 <0.005
Molybdenum ug/L	25.0	101	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	0.76	24.8	96	75-125	24.8	26.2	102	5.5	10	102	90-110	<0.5
pH units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	-	0.0	2.5	101	90-110	-
Selenium ug/L	25.0	106	85-115	25.0	25251003qc	<1	30.4	122	75-125	30.4	28.0	112	8.2	10	106	90-110	<0.5
Solids, Total Dissolved mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4220	4190	-	0.7	7	100	85-115	<10
Sulfate mg/L	-	-	-	500	23-A8450	2320	2900	116	68-132	2900	2850	106	1.7	5	100	80-120	<5
Thallium ug/L	5.00	101	85-115	5.00	25251003qc	<0.1	5.38	108	75-125	5.38	5.43	109	0.9	10	102	90-110	<0.1

Approved by: 

The calcium matrix spike recovery was above the acceptance limits, see narrative.



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## Field Service Chain of Custody Record

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<b>Project:</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Project Type:</b> Big Stone Plant CCR	<b>Name of Samplers:</b> MS DS
<b>Report:</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Carbon Copy:</b> Barr Engineering	<b>Quote Number:</b>
<b>Attn:</b> Paul Vukonich	<b>Attn:</b>	<b>Work Order Number:</b> 31-235
<b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 496 Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496	<b>Address:</b>	<b>Lab Numbers:</b>
<b>Phone:</b> 218-739-8349		

Sample Information					Bottle Type										Analysis				
Lab Number	Sample ID	Unique Station ID	Date	Time	Sample Type	Sample Location	1000 HNO3 Inner Mountain	500 None	1000 none	500 HNO3	Filter? Y or N	500 H2SO4	Filter? Y or N	1000 Amber None	1000 Amber H2SO4	500 NaOH	Other: 150 H2SO4	Other: 150 None	Analysis Required
AS447	H10		21 Aug 23	1035	GW			1	1	N				1					CCR 3&4
48	H11		1	1046	GW			1	1	N				1					CCR 3&4

Comments:

Samples Relinquished By: <u>[Signature]</u>			Samples Received By: <u>A. Zuercher</u>		
Date: <u>21 Aug 23</u>	Time: <u>1517</u>	Temp: <u>2.60C</u>	Date: <u>21 Aug 23</u>	Time: <u>1517</u>	Temp: <u>2.6C</u>
Samples Relinquished into: <u>Fridge</u> Log in Cart Other:			Samples Received By:		
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date:	Time:	Temp:
Delivery: <u>Samplers</u> Other:			Seal Number(s) - If Used		
Transport: <u>Ambient</u> <u>Ice</u> Other:			Seals Intact? Yes No		

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel: MS

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 21 Aug 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: H10

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 35.40

Constructed Depth: \_\_\_\_\_

Casing Diameter: 2"

Water Level Before Purge: 15.47

Well Volume: 3.26 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1090.83

Static Water Elevation: 1075.36

Previous Static: —

Water Level After Sample: 27.28

Measurement Method:  Elec. WLI  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: SE-10 Wind: 69 Sky: Fair

Sampling Method:  Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No Pumping Rate: 125 gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Time Pump Began: 1017  am  pm

Time Purged Dry? 1030 Time of Sampling: 1035  am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: — Sample EH: 166.5

Sample Appearance: General: clear Color: none Phase: none Odor: none

(3) Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1030	6.83	4552	8.73			3.25	1	
1035	6.88	4693	8.93	NA	NA	—	2	recharge
							3	
							4	
							5	

Stabiliz Yes  No Amount Water Removed: \_\_\_\_\_ Gallons

Comments:

-OK recharge

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

W.L. @ 1130 am = 23.99  
start purge @ 1132 am @ 0.75 gpm until dry @ 1150 am WL below Pump

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel: DS

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone  
 Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: 21 Aug 23  
 Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sample ID: H11

### Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No   
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No  
 Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

Protective Posts? Yes  No   
 State ID Tag? Yes  No   
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 42.15  
 Constructed Depth: —  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 13.95  
 Well Volume: 4.60 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1093.24  
 Static Water Elevation: 1079.25  
 Previous Static: 1082.58  
 Water Level After Sample: 33.68  
 Measurement Method:  Elec. WL  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 68° Wind: W@10 Sky: Clear  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder S&T  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No  
 Time Purged Dry? 10:11  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
10:04	6.66	4219	9.21	1.32	5.2	4.75	1	
							2	
							3	
							4	
10:16	6.70	4298	9.68	3.15	0.2	—	5	Recharge

Stabiliz Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 4.8 Gallons

Exceptions to Protocol:

State + CCR

WL @ 1135: 32.44

Started purge @ 1137 @ 0.25 g/min.

went dry @ 1157

August 2023

## 2023 Big Stone Sampling - CCR

Landfill or ADA wells

Site	Parameter List	Well Depth (constructed)	Diameter (Inches)	Well Elevation (TOC)	Sample Equipment	Dedicated?	Pump Rate (ml/minute)	Goes Dry?	Sampling Seasons**
H2OX	<del>CCR3</del> W L only	32.20	2	1103.86	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H3OX	<del>CCR3</del>	22.55	2	1095.26	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H4OX	<del>CCR3</del>	27.20	2	1108.25	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H6	<del>CCR3</del>	15.00	2	1097.76	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H8	<del>CCR3</del>	22.05	2	1081.23	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H9	<del>CCR3</del>	30.20	2	1086.21	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H10	CCR 3 and 4	35.49	2	1090.83	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below
H11	CCR 3 and 4	42.15	2	1093.24	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below

Note: Wells H10 and H11 need to be sampled 8 times for CCR this year. Background sampling like 5 years ago. We want to sample in April - November. Each event has to be about 30 days apart. Also, during every sampling event for the CCR, we will need water levels on the CCR wells not sampled.

Note: CCR sampling is for total recoverable metals. They are not filtered in the field.

CCR 3 & 4 parameters see the first two tabs labeled CCR 3 and CCR 4

CCR - Appendix III Detection Monitoring

**Field Parameters**

pH\*

\* Field and Laboratory Measurements

**Total Concentration Parameters**

	<b>Method</b>
Boron	6010
Calcium	6010
Chloride	SM4500 CL E
Fluoride	EPA 300
pH	SM 4500 H+B-96
Sulfate	ASTM D516
Dissolved Solids, Total	SM 2540 C-97

Note: These are non-filtered samples.

CCR - Appendix IV - Assessment Monitoring

<b>Total Concentration Parameters</b>	<b>Method</b>
Antimony	SW6020A
Arsenic	SW602A
Barium	SW6010C
Beryllium	SW6020A
Cadmium	SW6020A
Chromium, Total	SW6020A
Cobalt	SW6010C
Fluoride	EPA 300
Lead	SW6020A
Lithium	SW6010C
Mercury	EPA 245.7
Molybdenum	SW6020A
Selenium	SW6020A
Thallium	SW6020A
Radium 226 + 228	

Note: These are non-filtered samples.



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October 16, 2023

Todd Rieger  
MVTL Laboratories  
1126 North Front Street  
New Ulm, MN 56073

RE: Project: 31-0235 Otter Tail Power  
Pace Project No.: 10666268

Dear Todd Rieger:

Enclosed are the analytical results for sample(s) received by the laboratory on August 23, 2023. The results relate only to the samples included in this report. Results reported herein conform to the applicable TNI/NELAC Standards and the laboratory's Quality Manual, where applicable, unless otherwise noted in the body of the report.

The test results provided in this final report were generated by each of the following laboratories within the Pace Network:

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Piper Gibbs  
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(612)607-1700  
Project Manager

Enclosures



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### SAMPLE SUMMARY

Project: 31-0235 Otter Tail Power  
Pace Project No.: 10666268

Lab ID	Sample ID	Matrix	Date Collected	Date Received
10666268001	23A8447-H10	Water	08/21/23 10:35	08/23/23 09:54
10666268002	23A8448-H11	Water	08/21/23 10:45	08/23/23 09:54

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Effective Date: 4/14/2023

Sample Condition Upon Receipt  
 Client Name: MVTL

Project #: **WO#: 10666268**  
 PM: PG Due Date: 09/22/23  
 CLIENT: MVTL

Courier:  FedEx  UPS  USPS  Client  
 Pace  Speedee  Commercial

See Exceptions  
 Tracking Number: \_\_\_\_\_ ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142

Custody Seal on Cooler/Box Present?  Yes  No  
 Seals Intact?  Yes  No  
 Biological Tissue Frozen?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Packing Material:  Bubble Wrap  Bubble Bags  None  Other  
 Temp Blank?  Yes  No  
 Thermometer:  T1 (0461)  T2 (0436)  T3 (0459)  T4 (0402)  T5 (0178)  
 T6 (0235)  T7 (0042)  T8 (0775)  T9(0727)  01339252/1710  
 Type of Ice:  Wet  Blue  Dry  None  
 Melted

Did Samples Originate in West Virginia?  Yes  No  
 Were All Container Temps Taken?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Temp should be above freezing to 6 °C  
 Cooler temp Read w/Temp Blank: 3.4 °C  
 Average Corrected Temp (no temp blank only): \_\_\_\_\_ °C  
 Correction Factor: -0.5 Cooler Temp Corrected w/temp blank: 2.9 °C  
 See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142  1 Container

USDA Regulated Soil: ( N/A,  water) sample/other: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Initials of Person Examining Contents: ELC-23-23

Did samples originate in a quarantine zone within the United States: AL, AR, AZ CA, FL, GA, ID, LA, MS, NC, NM, NY, OK, OR, SC, TN, TX, or VA (check maps)?  Yes  No  
 Did samples originate from a foreign source (Internationally, including Hawaii and Puerto Rico)?  Yes  No

If Yes to either question, fill out a Regulated Soil Checklist (ENV-FRM-MIN4-0154) and include with SCUR/COC paperwork.

Location (Check one):	Duluth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minneapolis	Virginia	COMMENTS
Chain of Custody Present and Filled Out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		1.
Chain of Custody Relinquished?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		2.
Sampler Name and/or Signature on COC?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	3.
Samples Arrived within Hold Time?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		4. If fecal: <input type="checkbox"/> <8 hrs <input type="checkbox"/> >8 hr, <24 <input type="checkbox"/> No
Short Hold Time Analysis (<72 hr)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		5. <input type="checkbox"/> Fecal Coliform <input type="checkbox"/> HPC <input type="checkbox"/> Total Coliform/E.coli <input type="checkbox"/> BOD/cBOD <input type="checkbox"/> Hex Chrom <input type="checkbox"/> Turbidity <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrate <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrite <input type="checkbox"/> Orthophos <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Rush Turn Around Time Requested?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6.
Sufficient Sample Volume?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		7.
Correct Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	8.
-Pace Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Containers Intact?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		9.
Field Filtered Volume Received for Dissolved Tests?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	10. Is sediment visible in the dissolved container? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is sufficient information available to reconcile the samples to the COC?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		11. If no, write ID/Date/Time of container below: <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Matrix: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Other				
All containers needing acid/base preservation have been checked?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	12. Sample # <input type="checkbox"/> NaOH <input type="checkbox"/> HNO3 <input type="checkbox"/> H2SO4 <input type="checkbox"/> Zinc Acetate
All containers needing preservation are found to be in compliance with EPA recommendation? (HNO3, H2SO4, <2pH, NaOH >9 Sulfide, NaOH >10 Cyanide)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	Positive for Residual Chlorine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Exceptions: VOA, Coliform, TOC/DOC Oil and Grease, DRO/8015 (water) and Dioxins/PFAS (*If adding preservative to a container, it must be added to associated field and equipment blanks--verify with PM first.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	pH Paper Lot # Residual Chlorine 0-6 Roll 0-6 Strip 0-14 Strip
Headspace in Methyl Mercury Container?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	13.
Extra labels present on soil VOA or WIDRO containers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	14. <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Headspace in VOA Vials (greater than 6mm)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3 Trip Blanks Present?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	15.
Trip Blank Custody Seals Present?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	Pace Trip Blank Lot # (if purchased): _____

CLIENT NOTIFICATION/RESOLUTION Field Data Required?  Yes  No

Person Contacted: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comments/Resolution: Project Manager Review: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: 8/23/23

NOTE: Whenever there is a discrepancy affecting North Carolina compliance samples, a copy of this form will be sent to the North Carolina DEHNR Certification Office (i.e., out of hold, incorrect preservative, out of temp, incorrect containers).

Labeled By: ELC Line: 2

# Internal Transfer Chain of Custody

B078



Samples Pre-Logged into eCOC.

State Of Origin: MN

Cert. Needed:  Yes  No

Owner Received Date: 8/23/2023 Results Requested By: 9/22/2023

Workorder: 10666268 Workorder Name: 31-0235 Otter Tail Power

Report To		Subcontract To					Requested Analysis																									
Piper Gibbs Pace Analytical Minnesota 1700 Elm Street Minneapolis, MN 55414 Phone (612)607-1700		Pace National 12065 Lebanon Rd Mt Juliet, TN 37122 Phone (615) 758-5858					<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Radium 226/228</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 100%;"></div> </div>																									
Item	Sample ID	Sample Type	Collect Date/Time	Lab ID	Matrix	LNCO																										
1	23A8447-H10	PS	8/21/2023 10:35	10666268001	Water	1																										
2	23A8448-H11	PS	8/21/2023 10:45	10666268002	Water	1																										
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LAB USE ONLY

01  
02

Transfers					Comments				
Released By	Date/Time	Received By	Date/Time						
<i>[Signature]</i>	9/19/23 10:00	<i>[Signature]</i>	9/19/23 9:00		ship without ice				

Cooler Temperature on Receipt °C Custody Seal  or N Received on Ice  or N Samples Intact  or N

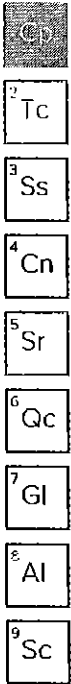
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 Sample Receipt Checklist  
 If Applicable  
 COC Seal Present/Intact:  Y  N  
 COC Signed/Annotated:  Y  N  
 Bottles arrive intact:  Y  N  
 Collect bottles used:  Y  N  
 Sufficient volume sent:  Y  N  
 RA Success <0.5 mR/hr:  Y  N  
 VSA Zero Headspace:  Y  N  
 Pres. Correct/Check:  Y  N  
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October 16, 2023



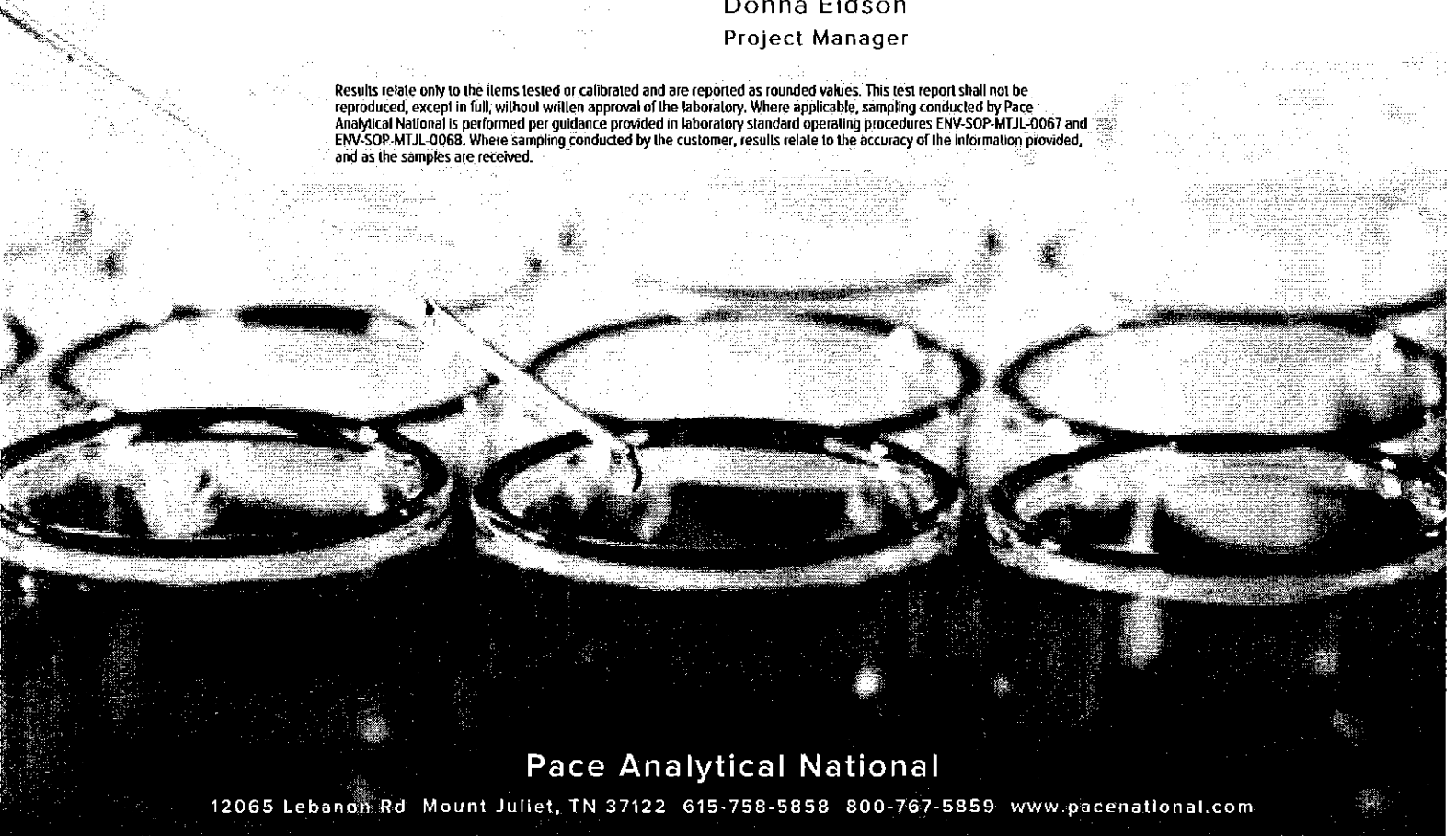
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Sample Delivery Group: L1654185  
 Samples Received: 09/08/2023  
 Project Number: 10666268  
 Description: 31-0235 Otter Tail Power  
 Site: 001  
 Report To: Piper Gibbs

Entire Report Reviewed By:

Donna Eidson  
Project Manager









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# SAMPLE SUMMARY

23A8447-H10 L1654185-01 Non-Potable Water

Collected by: \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time: 08/21/23 10:35 Received date/time: 09/08/23 09:00

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2141139	1	09/28/23 12:39	10/10/23 21:14	DDD	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2135792	1	09/20/23 16:26	09/22/23 13:29	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

23A8447-H11 L1654185-02 Non-Potable Water

Collected by: \_\_\_\_\_ Collected date/time: 08/21/23 10:45 Received date/time: 09/08/23 09:00

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2141139	1	09/28/23 12:39	10/10/23 21:14	DDD	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2135792	1	09/20/23 16:26	09/22/23 13:29	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

1 Cp

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# CASE NARRATIVE

All sample aliquots were received at the correct temperature, in the proper containers, with the appropriate preservatives, and within method specified holding times, unless qualified or notated within the report. Where applicable, all MDL (LOD) and RDL (LOQ) values reported for environmental samples have been corrected for the dilution factor used in the analysis. All radiochemical sample results for solids are reported on a dry weight basis with the exception of tritium, carbon-14 and radon, unless wet weight was requested by the client. All Method and Batch Quality Control are within established criteria except where addressed in this case narrative, a non-conformance form or properly qualified within the sample results. By my digital signature below, I affirm to the best of my knowledge, all problems/anomalies observed by the laboratory as having the potential to affect the quality of the data have been identified by the laboratory, and no information or data have been knowingly withheld that would affect the quality of the data.



Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

<sup>1</sup> Cp

<sup>2</sup> Tc

<sup>3</sup> Ss

<sup>4</sup> Cn

<sup>5</sup> Sr

<sup>6</sup> Qc

<sup>7</sup> Gl

<sup>8</sup> Al

<sup>9</sup> Sc

23A8447-H10

Collected date/time: 08/21/23 10:35

SAMPLE RESULTS - 01

L1654185

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.465	J	0.265	0.476	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139
(f) Barium	94.8			30.0-143	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139
(f) Yttrium	108			30.0-136	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	0.290		0.217	0.220	09/22/2023 13:29	WG2135792
(f) Barium-133	103			30.0-143	09/22/2023 13:29	WG2135792

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

7 Gl

8 Al

9 Sc



23A8447-H11

SAMPLE RESULTS - 02

Collected date/Time: 08/21/23 10:45

L1654185

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.798		0.293	0.518	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139
(f) Barium	75.1			30.0-143	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139
(f) Yttrium	109			30.0-136	10/10/2023 21:14	WG2141139

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	Uncertainty + / -	MDA pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	1.83		0.496	0.198	09/22/2023 13:29	WG2135792
(f) Barium-133	91.4			30.0-143	09/22/2023 13:29	WG2135792

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

7 GI

8 Al

9 Sc

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3986066-2 10/10/23 21:14

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-228	0.552		0.250	0.216
(T) Barium	90.6		90.6	
(T) Yttrium	97.8		97.8	

L1654164-06 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1654164-06 10/10/23 21:14 • (DUP) R3986066-5 10/10/23 21:14

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-228	3.28	0.527	0.888	4.84	0.426	0.642	1	38.6	2.31		20	3
(T) Barium	85.5			89.8	89.8							
(T) Yttrium	110			102	102							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3986066-1 10/09/23 21:19

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-228	5.00	5.75	115	80.0-120	
(T) Barium			88.2		
(T) Yttrium			96.6		

L1654164-02 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1654164-02 10/10/23 21:14 • (MS) R3986066-3 10/10/23 21:14 • (MSD) R3986066-4 10/10/23 21:14

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-228	16.7	4.01	19.8	20.5	94.7	98.6	1	70.0-130			3.18		20
(T) Barium		107			84.9	75.5							
(T) Yttrium		106			110	100							

- 1 Cp
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- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

WG2135792

QUALITY CONTROL SUMMARY

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

L1654185-01.02

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3977554-1 09/22/23 13:29

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB Uncertainty +/-	MB MDA pCi/l
Radium-226	0.107	J	0.0977	0.123
(T) Barium-133	62.4		62.4	

L1654251-06 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1654251-06 09/22/23 13:29 • (DUP) R3977554-5 09/22/23 13:29

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original Uncertainty +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP Uncertainty +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	Dilution	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-226	0.177	0.231	0.331	0.0924	0.222	0.374	1	63.0	0.265	U	20	3
(T) Barium-133	90.1			69.8	69.8							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3977554-2 09/22/23 13:29

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-226	5.01	4.85	96.9	80.0-120	
(T) Barium-133			73.3		

L1654251-01 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1654251-01 09/22/23 13:29 • (MS) R3977554-3 09/22/23 13:29 • (MSD) R3977554-4 09/22/23 13:29

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-226	20.0	1.09	20.0	19.6	94.3	92.5	1	75.0-125			1.77		20
(T) Barium-133		85.8			83.7	60.8							

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# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

## Guide to Reading and Understanding Your Laboratory Report

The information below is designed to better explain the various terms used in your report of analytical results from the Laboratory. This is not intended as a comprehensive explanation, and if you have additional questions please contact your project representative.

**Results Disclaimer** - Information that may be provided by the customer, and contained within this report, include Permit Limits, Project Name, Sample ID, Sample Matrix, Sample Preservation, Field Blanks, Field Spikes, Field Duplicates, On-Site Data, Sampling Collection Dates/Times, and Sampling Location. Results relate to the accuracy of this information provided, and as the samples are received.

### Abbreviations and Definitions

MDA	Minimum Detectable Activity.
Rec.	Recovery.
RER	Replicate Error Ratio.
RPD	Relative Percent Difference.
SDG	Sample Delivery Group.
(T)	Tracer - A radioisotope of known concentration added to a solution of chemically equivalent radioisotopes at a known concentration to assist in monitoring the yield of the chemical separation.
Analyte	The name of the particular compound or analysis performed. Some Analyses and Methods will have multiple analytes reported.
Dilution	If the sample matrix contains an interfering material, the sample preparation volume or weight values differ from the standard, or if concentrations of analytes in the sample are higher than the highest limit of concentration that the laboratory can accurately report, the sample may be diluted for analysis. If a value different than 1 is used in this field, the result reported has already been corrected for this factor.
Limits	These are the target % recovery ranges or % difference value that the laboratory has historically determined as normal for the method and analyte being reported. Successful QC Sample analysis will target all analytes recovered or duplicated within these ranges.
Original Sample	The non-spiked sample in the prep batch used to determine the Relative Percent Difference (RPD) from a quality control sample. The Original Sample may not be included within the reported SDG.
Qualifier	This column provides a letter and/or number designation that corresponds to additional information concerning the result reported. If a Qualifier is present, a definition per Qualifier is provided within the Glossary and Definitions page and potentially a discussion of possible implications of the Qualifier in the Case Narrative if applicable.
Result	The actual analytical final result (corrected for any sample specific characteristics) reported for your sample. If there was no measurable result returned for a specific analyte, the result in this column may state "ND" (Not Detected) or "BDL" (Below Detectable Levels). The information in the results column should always be accompanied by either an MDL (Method Detection Limit) or RDL (Reporting Detection Limit) that defines the lowest value that the laboratory could detect or report for this analyte.
Uncertainty (Radiochemistry)	Confidence level of 2 sigma.
Case Narrative (Cn)	A brief discussion about the included sample results, including a discussion of any non-conformances to protocol observed either at sample receipt by the laboratory from the field or during the analytical process. If present, there will be a section in the Case Narrative to discuss the meaning of any data qualifiers used in the report.
Quality Control Summary (Qc)	This section of the report includes the results of the laboratory quality control analyses required by procedure or analytical methods to assist in evaluating the validity of the results reported for your samples. These analyses are not being performed on your samples typically, but on laboratory generated material.
Sample Chain of Custody (Sc)	This is the document created in the field when your samples were initially collected. This is used to verify the time and date of collection, the person collecting the samples, and the analyses that the laboratory is requested to perform. This chain of custody also documents all persons (excluding commercial shippers) that have had control or possession of the samples from the time of collection until delivery to the laboratory for analysis.
Sample Results (Sr)	This section of your report will provide the results of all testing performed on your samples. These results are provided by sample ID and are separated by the analyses performed on each sample. The header line of each analysis section for each sample will provide the name and method number for the analysis reported.
Sample Summary (Ss)	This section of the Analytical Report defines the specific analyses performed for each sample ID, including the dates and times of preparation and/or analysis.

### Qualifier Description

J	The identification of the analyte is acceptable; the reported value is an estimate.
U	Below Detectable Limits: indicates that the analyte was not detected.

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

7 GI

8 AI

9 Sc

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<sup>8</sup> AI

<sup>9</sup> Sc

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<sup>8</sup> Not all certifications held by the laboratory are applicable to the results reported in the attached report.

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Date Reported: 22 Nov 2023

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Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

*Josh Hollen* 22 Nov 23  
Field Service Manager/Date Reviewed

*[Signature]* 22 Nov 23  
Chemistry Lab Manager/Date Reviewed

*[Signature]* 22 Nov 2023  
Quality Assurance Director/Date Reviewed

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Lab Number: 23-A9310  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 12:10  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H2OX

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.52	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 12:10	BMW
pH	* 7.2	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	1720 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:10	SS
Chloride	3.5	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:05	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	3610	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	521.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 12:34	RMV
	~See Narrative					
Boron	0.258	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 12:34	RMV
Fluoride	0.320	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

\* Holding Time Exceeded

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A9311  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 10:22  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H30X

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.43	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 10:22	BMW
pH	* 7.2	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	1340 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:10	SS
Chloride	65.3	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	2880	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	405.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 12:34	RMV
	~See Narrative					
Boron	7.310 ~	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 12:34	RMV
Fluoride	0.370	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 9:59	RMV

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A9312  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 11:04  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H40X

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.52	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 11:04	BMW
pH	* 7.2	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	987 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:10	SS
Chloride	41.7	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	2160	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	321.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	0.564	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Fluoride	0.480	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A9313  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 11:57  
Sampled By: MVTl FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H6

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	7.56	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 11:04	DGF
pH	* 7.6	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	80.6	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:10	SS
Chloride	< 3	mg/L	3	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	558	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	64.70 @	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	? 350 @	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Fluoride	0.430	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023  
Lab Number: 23-A9314  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 12:35  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H8

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	7.22	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 12:35	DGF
pH	* 7.5	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	321 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:49	SS
Chloride	3.4	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	973	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	128.0	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	3.360	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Fluoride	0.510	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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Lab Number: 23-A9315  
Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 13:19  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H9

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.62	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 13:19	DGF
pH	* 7.0	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ E-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Sulfate	1620 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:49	SS
Chloride	81.6	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Solids, Total Dissolved	2900	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	640.0 ~	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	1.230	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Fluoride	0.310	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023  
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Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 12:34  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H10

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					24 Oct 23	JN
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.51	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 12:34	BMW
pH	* 7.2	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Radium 226	0.07	pCi/L	0.60		27 Oct 23 18:42	OL
Radium 228	0.24	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	27 Oct 23 15:46	OL
Sulfate	2590 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:49	SS
Chloride	6.3	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRM
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	24 Oct 23 14:54	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4840	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	509.0 ~	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Lithium	0.298	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Barium	0.027	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Beryllium	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Cobalt	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	0.358	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Antimony	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Arsenic	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Cadmium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Chromium	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Lead	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Molybdenum	12.3 @	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Selenium	3.79	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
	@ See Narrative					
Thallium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Fluoride	0.190	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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Radium 226 subcontracted to:  
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Work Order #: 31-0271  
Account #: 006106  
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER  
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 13:49  
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL  
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H11

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

	As Received Result		Method RL	Method Reference	Date Analyzed	Analyst
MS Water Digestions					24 Oct 23	JN
Water Digestions					19 Oct 23	JN
pH, Field	6.59	units	1.00	SM4500-H+-2011	17 Oct 23 13:49	DS
pH	* 6.9	units	1.0	SM 4500 H+ B-2000	18 Oct 23 10:53	HO
Radium 226	0.04	pCi/L	0.60		27 Oct 23 18:42	OL
Radium 228	0.54	pCi/L	3.00	EPA M9320	27 Oct 23 15:46	OL
Sulfate	2580 ~	mg/L	5.0	ASTM D516-11	19 Oct 23 11:49	SS
Chloride	3.6	mg/L	3.0	SM 4500 Cl E	19 Oct 23 10:22	KRN
Mercury	< 0.005	ug/L	0.005	EPA 245.7	24 Oct 23 14:54	RMB
Solids, Total Dissolved	4220	mg/L	10	SM 2540 C-97	19 Oct 23 9:20	CC
Calcium	573.0 ~	mg/L	0.500	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Lithium	0.332	mg/L	0.020	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Barium	0.030	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Beryllium	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Cobalt	< 0.005	mg/L	0.005	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Boron	0.271	mg/L	0.100	SW6010D	23 Oct 23 13:13	RMV
Antimony	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Arsenic	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Cadmium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Chromium	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Lead	< 2.5 @	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Molybdenum	3.03 @	ug/L	0.50	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Selenium	< 2.5	ug/L	0.5	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
	@ See Narrative					
Thallium	< 0.5 @	ug/L	0.1	SW6020B	25 Oct 23 17:15	KAM
Fluoride	0.140	mg/L	0.020	EPA 300.0	28 Oct 23 0:59	RMV

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~ Sample diluted due to result above calibration of linear range.

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Report Date: 22 Nov 2023
Lab Number: 23-A9318
Work Order #: 31-0271
Account #: 006106
Sample Matrix: GROUNDWATER
Date Sampled: 17 Oct 2023 13:19
Sampled By: MVTL FIELD PERSONNEL
Date Received: 17 Oct 2023 16:30
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Sample Description: H12

Temp at Receipt: 0.5C

Table with columns: As Received Result, Method RL, Method Reference, Date Analyzed, Analyst. Lists various chemical tests like MS Water Digestions, pH, Radium 226, etc.

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Date Reported: 22 Nov 2023

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Work Order #: 202331-0271  
Account Number: 006106  
PO #: 59601

Project Name: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

## LABORATORY NARRATIVE

### INORGANIC & METALS ANALYSES:

Due to the matrix of the spiked sample the recovery for calcium was outside of acceptance range in the matrix spike for samples 23-A9310 and 23-A9311. Data was reported based on the acceptable recovery of calcium in the laboratory control spike and the relative percent difference between matrix spikes.

Due to the high concentration of calcium in the spiked sample the recovery for calcium was outside of acceptance range in the matrix spike duplicate for samples 23-A9318. Data was reported based on the acceptable recovery of calcium in the laboratory control spike and the relative percent difference between matrix spikes.

Due to matrix composition, percent recoveries of selenium in the matrix spike and duplicate associated with samples 23-A9316 through 23-A9318 were outside acceptable range. Data reported based on acceptable laboratory control spike recovery and relative percent difference between matrix spike recoveries.

No other problems were encountered.

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## Quality Control Report

Lab IDs: 23-A9310 to 23-A9318

Project: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Work Order: 202331-0271

Analyte	LCS Spike Amt	LCS Rec %	LCS % Rec Limits	Matrix Spike Amt	Matrix Spike ID	Matrix Spike Orig Result	Matrix Spike Result	Matrix Spike Rec %	Matrix Spike % Rec Limits	MSD/ Dup Orig Result	MSD/ Dup Result	MSD Rec %	MSD/ Dup RPD	MSD/ Dup RPD Limit (<)	Known Rec (%)	Known % Rec Limits	Method Blank
Antimony ug/L	25.0	110	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	< 2.5	27.6	110	75-125	27.6	27.5	110	0.4	10	107	90-110	< 0.5
Arsenic ug/L	25.0	101	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	< 2.5	28.3	113	75-125	28.3	28.5	114	0.7	10	101	90-110	< 0.5
Barium mg/L	1.000	101	85-115	1.00	23A9317q	0.030	1.060	103	75-125	1.060	1.040	101	1.9	10	96	90-110	< 0.005
	1.000	100	85-115	1.00	23A9290fq	0.011	0.984	97	75-125	0.984	1.040	103	5.5	10	97	90-110	< 0.005
Beryllium mg/L	1.000	100	85-115	1.00	23A9317q	< 0.005	1.010	101	75-125	1.010	0.9900	99	2.0	10	101	90-110	< 0.005
	1.000	100	85-115	1.00	23A9290fq	< 0.005	1.010	101	75-125	1.010	1.010	101	0.0	10	101	90-110	< 0.005
Boron mg/L	1.000	107	85-115	1.00	23A9299q	< 0.5	1.210	121	75-125	1.210	1.170	117	3.4	10	98	90-110	< 0.1
	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23A9317q	0.271	1.390	112	75-125	1.390	1.360	109	2.2	10	99	90-110	< 0.1
	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23A9290fq	1.190	2.370	118	75-125	2.370	2.370	118	0.0	10	100	90-110	< 0.1
Cadmium ug/L	5.00	99	85-115	5.00	23A9316q	< 0.5	5.07	101	75-125	5.07	4.96	99	2.2	10	96	90-110	< 0.1
Calcium mg/L	50.00	105	85-115	50.0	23A9299q	568.0	638.0	140	75-125	638.0	611.0	86	4.3	10	102	90-110	< 0.5
	50.00	104	85-115	50.0	23A9317q	573.0	614.0	82	75-125	614.0	612.0	78	0.3	10	102	90-110	< 0.5
	50.00	102	85-115	50.0	23A9290fq	567.0	621.0	108	75-125	621.0	644.0	154	3.6	10	102	90-110	< 0.5
Chloride mg/L	-	-	-	60.0	23-A9299	3.6	65.1	102	80-120	65.1	63.6	100	2.3	10	98	90-110	< 3
	-	-	-	60.0	23-A9322	46.0	107	102	80-120	107	105	98	1.9	10	97	90-110	< 3
Chromium ug/L	25.0	101	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	< 2.5	24.9	100	75-125	24.9	25.5	102	2.4	10	103	90-110	< 0.5
Cobalt mg/L	1.000	103	85-115	1.00	23A9317q	< 0.005	0.990	99	75-125	0.990	0.960	96	3.1	10	100	90-110	< 0.005
	1.000	102	85-115	1.00	23A9290fq	< 0.005	0.968	97	75-125	0.968	0.966	97	0.2	10	101	90-110	< 0.005
Fluoride mg/L	-	-	-	0.20	a9311qc	0.370	0.560	95	80-120	0.560	0.570	100	1.8	10	102	90-110	< 0.02
Lead ug/L	25.0	100	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	< 2.5	26.7	107	75-125	26.7	26.6	106	0.4	10	101	90-110	< 0.5
Lithium mg/L	1.000	104	85-115	1.00	23-A9317	0.332	1.440	111	75-125	1.440	1.400	107	2.8	10	101	90-110	< 0.02
	1.000	102	85-115	1.00	23-A9290qc	0.145	1.160	102	75-125	1.160	1.230	108	5.9	10	101	90-110	< 0.02
Mercury ug/L	-	-	-	0.10	23-A9318	0.012	0.120	108	63-111	0.120	0.120	108	0.0	18	100	76-113	< 0.005
Molybdenum ug/L	25.0	91	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	12.3	36.3	96	75-125	36.3	36.9	98	1.6	10	91	90-110	< 0.5
pH units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	-	0.0	2.5	101	90-110	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	-	0.0	2.5	101	90-110	-

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**Quality Control Report**


Lab IDs: 23-A9310 to 23-A9318

Project: BIG STONE PLANT CCR

Work Order: 202331-0271

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Selenium ug/L	25.0	110	85-115	25.0	23A9316q	3.79	36.2	130	75-125	36.2	35.2	126	2.8	10	107	90-110	< 0.5
Solids, Total Dissolved mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	197	204	-	3.5	10	99	85-115	< 10
Sulfate mg/L	-	-	-	500	23-A9295	610	1160	110	80-120	1160	1150	108	0.9	10	103	80-120	< 5
	-	-	-	500	23-A9321	213	806	119	80-120	806	804	118	0.2	10	105	80-120	< 5
Thallium ug/L	5.00	99	85-115	5.00	23A9316q	< 0.5	5.41	108	75-125	5.41	5.41	108	0.0	10	101	90-110	< 0.1

One matrix spike and one matrix spike duplicate failed to recover acceptably for Calcium, see narrative.  
 Selenium matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate failed to recover acceptably, see narrative.

Approved by: 



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November 07, 2023

Todd Rieger  
MVTL Laboratories  
1126 North Front Street  
New Ulm, MN 56073

RE: Project: 31-0271 Ottertail Power  
Pace Project No.: 10673317

Dear Todd Rieger:

Enclosed are the analytical results for sample(s) received by the laboratory on October 20, 2023. The results relate only to the samples included in this report. Results reported herein conform to the applicable TNI/NELAC Standards and the laboratory's Quality Manual, where applicable, unless otherwise noted in the body of the report.

The test results provided in this final report were generated by each of the following laboratories within the Pace Network:

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Piper Gibbs  
piper.gibbs@pacelabs.com  
(612)607-1700  
Project Manager

Enclosures



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### SAMPLE SUMMARY

Project: 31-0271 Ottertail Power  
Pace Project No.: 10673317

Lab ID	Sample ID	Matrix	Date Collected	Date Received
10673317001	23A9316 - H10	Water	10/17/23 12:34	10/20/23 09:46
10673317002	23A9317 - H11	Water	10/17/23 13:49	10/20/23 09:46
10673317003	23A9318 - H12	Water	10/17/23 13:19	10/20/23 09:46

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DC# Title: ENV-FRM-MIN4-0150 v13\_Sample Condition Upon Receipt (SCUR)  
 Effective Date: 4/14/2023

Sample Condition Upon Receipt Client Name: Minnesota Valley Testing Project #: WO#: 10673317  
 Courier:  FedEx  UPS  USPS  Client  Pace  SpeedDee  Commercial  See Exceptions  
 Tracking Number: \_\_\_\_\_ ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142  
 PM: PG Due Date: 11/20/23  
 CLIENT: MVTL

Custody Seal on Cooler/Box Present?  Yes  No Seals Intact?  Yes  No Biological Tissue Frozen?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Packing Material:  Bubble Wrap  Bubble Bags  None  Other Temp Blank?  Yes  No  
 Thermometer:  T1 (0461)  T2 (0436)  T3 (0459)  T4 (0402)  T5 (0178) Type of Ice:  Wet  Blue  Dry  None  
 T6 (0235)  T7 (0042)  T8 (0775)  T9 (0727)  01339252/1710  Melted

Did Samples Originate in West Virginia?  Yes  No Were All Container Temps Taken?  Yes  No  N/A  
 Temp should be above freezing to 6 °C Cooler temp Read w/Temp Blank: 4.5 °C Average Corrected Temp (no temp blank only): \_\_\_\_\_ °C  
 Correction Factor: 10.1 Cooler Temp Corrected w/temp blank: 44 °C  See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142  1 Container

USDA Regulated Soil: ( N/A,  water sample/other: \_\_\_\_\_) Date/Initials of Person Examining Contents: SDS/10/23/23  
 Did samples originate in a quarantine zone within the United States: AL, AR, AZ CA, FL, GA, ID, LA, MS, NC, NM, NY, OK, OR, SC, TN, TX, or VA (check maps)?  Yes  No  
 Did samples originate from a foreign source (internationally, including Hawaii and Puerto Rico)?  Yes  No

If Yes to either question, fill out a Regulated Soil Checklist (ENV-FRM-MIN4-0154) and include with SCUR/COC paperwork.

Location (Check one):	Duluth	Minneapolis	Virginia	COMMENTS
Chain of Custody Present and Filled Out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		1.
Chain of Custody Relinquished?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		2.
Sampler Name and/or Signature on COC?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	3.
Samples Arrived within Hold Time?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		4. If fecal: <input type="checkbox"/> <8 hrs <input type="checkbox"/> >8 hr, <24 <input type="checkbox"/> No
Short Hold Time Analysis (<72 hr)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		5. <input type="checkbox"/> Fecal Coliform <input type="checkbox"/> HPC <input type="checkbox"/> Total Coliform/E.coli <input type="checkbox"/> BOD/cBOD <input type="checkbox"/> Hex Chrom <input type="checkbox"/> Turbidity <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrate <input type="checkbox"/> Nitrite <input type="checkbox"/> Orthophos <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Rush Turn Around Time Requested?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6.
Sufficient Sample Volume?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		7.
Correct Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	8.
Pace Containers Used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Containers Intact?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		9.
Field Filtered Volume Received for Dissolved Tests?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	10. Is sediment visible in the dissolved container? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is sufficient information available to reconcile the samples to the COC? Matrix: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		11. If no, write ID/Date/Time of container below: <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
All containers needing acid/base preservation have been checked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	12. Sample # <u>HV-H12</u> <input type="checkbox"/> NaOH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HNO3 <input type="checkbox"/> H2SO4 <input type="checkbox"/> Zinc Acetate
All containers needing preservation are found to be in compliance with EPA recommendation? (HNO3, H2SO4, <2pH, NaOH >9 Sulfide, NaOH >10 Cyanide)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Positive for Residual Chlorine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142 pH Paper Lot # _____
Exceptions: VOA, Coliform, TOC/DOC Oil and Grease, DRO/8015 (water) and Dioxins/PFAS (*If adding preservative to a container, it must be added to associated field and equipment blanks--verify with PM first.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	Residual Chlorine: 0-6 Roll <u>768422</u> 0-6 Strip _____ 0-14 Strip _____
Headspace in Methyl Mercury Container?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	13.
Extra labels present on soil VOA or WIDRO containers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	14. <input type="checkbox"/> See Exceptions ENV-FRM-MIN4-0142
Headspace in VOA Vials (greater than 6mm)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3 Trip Blanks Present?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	15. Pace Trip Blank Lot # (if purchased): _____
Trip Blank Custody Seals Present?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	

CLIENT NOTIFICATION/RESOLUTION  
 Person Contacted: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comments/Resolution: Paper J. Stoklos  
 Project Manager Review: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 10/23/23  
 Field Data Required?  Yes  No

NOTE: Whenever there is a discrepancy affecting North Carolina compliance samples, a copy of this form will be sent to the North Carolina DEHNR Certification Office (i.e., out of hold, incorrect preservative, out of temp, incorrect containers).  
 Labeled By: NF Line: 3







Ship To:  
 Pace National  
 12065 Lebanon Rd.  
 Mt. Juliet, TN 37122  
 Phone (615) 758-5858

INTER LABORATORY WORK ORDER # 10673317  
 (To be completed by sending lab)

Sending Project No:	10673317
Receiving Project No:	
Check Box for Consolidated Invoice:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Prepared:	10/23/23
REQUESTED COMPLETION DATE:	11/28/2023

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Sending Region	IR10-Minnesota	Sending Project Mgr.	Piper Gibbs
Receiving Region	IR850-Pace National	External Client	MVTL Laboratories
State of Sample Origin	MN	QC Deliverable	STD REPORT

All questions should be addressed to sending project manager.

Requested Reportable Units \_\_\_\_\_ Report Wet or Dry Weight? Dry Weight  IRWO Lab Need to run? Cert. Needed \_\_\_\_\_

WORK REQUESTED						
Method Description	Container Type	Quantity of containers	Preservative	Quantity of Samples	Acode	Acode Desc
raldum 226/228	BP1N	6	HNO3	3	SI-36RAD	SUB PASI RAD

Special Requirements: Report C, QC Limits (C),FR Only no EDD (0)

FOR ANALYTICAL WORK COMPLETED THIS SECTION ALSO

Return Samples to Sending Region:  Yes  No

DISPOSITION of FORM

Original sent to the receiving lab - Copy kept at the sending lab.

When work completed: Original sent to the ABM at the receiving laboratory. Copies are made to corporate as needed.



# ANALYTICAL REPORT

November 07, 2023



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## Pace Analytical - Minnesota

Sample Delivery Group: L1669578  
 Samples Received: 10/24/2023  
 Project Number: 10673317  
 Description: 31-0271 Ottertail Power

Report To: Piper Gibbs

Entire Report Reviewed By:

Donna Eidson  
Project Manager










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# SAMPLE SUMMARY

23A9316 - H10 L1669578-01 Non-Potable Water

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2157309	1	10/24/23 21:37	10/27/23 15:46	DDD	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2158333	1	10/26/23 11:44	10/27/23 18:42	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

Collected by  
Collected date/time: 10/17/23 12:34  
Received date/time: 10/24/23 09:00

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

23A9317 - H11 L1669578-02 Non-Potable Water

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2157309	1	10/24/23 21:37	10/27/23 15:46	DDD	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2158333	1	10/26/23 11:44	10/27/23 18:42	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

Collected by  
Collected date/time: 10/17/23 13:49  
Received date/time: 10/24/23 09:00

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

23A9318 - H12 L1669578-03 Non-Potable Water

Method	Batch	Dilution	Preparation date/time	Analysis date/time	Analyst	Location
Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320	WG2157309	1	10/24/23 21:37	10/27/23 15:46	DDD	Mt. Juliet, TN
Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M	WG2158333	1	10/26/23 11:44	10/27/23 18:42	RGT	Mt. Juliet, TN

Collected by  
Collected date/time: 10/17/23 13:19  
Received date/time: 10/24/23 09:00

7 Gf

8 Al

9 Sc

# CASE NARRATIVE

All sample aliquots were received at the correct temperature, in the proper containers, with the appropriate preservatives, and within method specified holding times, unless qualified or notated within the report. Where applicable, all MDL (LOD) and RDL (LOQ) values reported for environmental samples have been corrected for the dilution factor used in the analysis. All radiochemical sample results for solids are reported on a dry weight basis with the exception of tritium, carbon-14 and radon, unless wet weight was requested by the client. All Method and Batch Quality Control are within established criteria except where addressed in this case narrative, a non-conformance form or properly qualified within the sample results. By my digital signature below, I affirm to the best of my knowledge, all problems/anomalies observed by the laboratory as having the potential to affect the quality of the data have been identified by the laboratory, and no information or data have been knowingly withheld that would affect the quality of the data.



Donna Eidson  
Project Manager

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Qc

7 Gl

8 Al

9 Sc

23A9316 - H10

SAMPLE RESULTS - 01

Collected date/time: 10/17/23 12:34

L1669578

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	2 sigma CE	TPU	MDA	Lc	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	+/-	pCi/l	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-228	0.238	J	0.287		0.506		10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(f) Barium	94.4					30.0-143	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(f) Yttrium	111					30.0-136	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	2 sigma CE	TPU	MDA	Lc	Analysis Date	Batch
	pCi/l		+/-	+/-	pCi/l	pCi/l	date / time	
RADIUM-226	0.0723	U	0.186		0.328		10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333
(f) Barium-133	72.0					30.0-143	10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gl
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

23A9317 - H11

SAMPLE RESULTS - 02

Collected date/time: 10/17/23 13:49

L1669578

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	2 sigma CE +/-	TPU +/-	MDA pCi/l	Lc pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.538		0.242		0.418		10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(I) Barium	116					30.0-143	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(I) Yttrium	103					30.0-136	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gf
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	2 sigma CE +/-	TPU +/-	MDA pCi/l	Lc pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	0.0392	U	0.107		0.203		10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333
(I) Barium-133	88.5					30.0-143	10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333



23A9318 - H12

SAMPLE RESULTS - 03

Collected date/time: 10/17/23 13:19

L1669578

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	2 sigma CE +/-	TPU +/-	MDA pCi/l	Lc pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-228	0.465		0.228		0.395		10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(1) Barium	120					30.0-143	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309
(1) Yttrium	84.7					30.0-136	10/27/2023 15:46	WG2157309

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gl
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Analyte	Result pCi/l	Qualifier	2 sigma CE +/-	TPU +/-	MDA pCi/l	Lc pCi/l	Analysis Date date / time	Batch
RADIUM-226	0.182	J	0.170		0.196		10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333
(1) Barium-133	95.3					30.0-143	10/27/2023 18:42	WG2158333

WG2157309

Radiochemistry by Method 904/9320

QUALITY CONTROL SUMMARY

L1669578-01.02.03

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3993619-1 10/27/23 15:46

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB 2 sigma CE +/-	MB MDA pCi/l	MB Lc pCi/l
Radium-228	-0.113	<u>U</u>	0.152	0.278	
(T) Barium	112		112		
(T) Yttrium	130		130		

- 1 Cp
- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gl
- 8 Al
- 9 Sc

L1662857-12 Original Sample (OS) - Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1662857-12 10/27/23 15:46 • (DUP) R3993619-5 10/27/23 15:46

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original 2 sigma CE +/-	Original MDA pCi/l	Original Lc pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP 2 sigma CE +/-	DUP MDA pCi/l	DUP Lc pCi/l	DUP RPD %	DUP RER %	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-228	0.565	0.302	0.525		0.195	0.303	0.541		97.4	0.864	<u>U</u>	20	3
(T) Barium	115				132	132							
(T) Yttrium	119				130	130							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3993619-2 10/27/23 15:46

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-228	5.00	5.13	103	80.0-120	
(T) Barium			140		
(T) Yttrium			135		

L1663046-03 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1663046-03 10/27/23 15:46 • (MS) R3993619-3 10/27/23 15:46 • (MSD) R3993619-4 10/27/23 15:46

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-228	16.7	0.215	18.9	18.0	112	106	1	70.0-130			5.14		20
(T) Barium		130			140	137							
(T) Yttrium		62.1			94.0	99.9							

WG2158333

QUALITY CONTROL SUMMARY

L1669578-01,02,03

Radiochemistry by Method SM7500Ra B M

Method Blank (MB)

(MB) R3996031-1 10/27/23 17:17

Analyte	MB Result pCi/l	MB Qualifier	MB 2 sigma CE + / -	MB MDA pCi/l	MB Lc pCi/l
Radium-226	-0.00314	<u>U</u>	0.00869	0.0367	
(T) Barium-133	58.0		58.0		

1 Cp

2 Tc

3 Ss

4 Cn

5 Sr

6 Gc

7 Gl

8 Al

9 Sc

L1662857-11 Original Sample (OS) • Duplicate (DUP)

(OS) L1662857-11 10/27/23 18:42 • (DUP) R3996031-5 10/27/23 18:42

Analyte	Original Result pCi/l	Original 2 sigma CE + / -	Original MDA pCi/l	Original Lc pCi/l	DUP Result pCi/l	DUP 2 sigma CE + / -	DUP MDA pCi/l	DUP Lc pCi/l	DUP RPD %	DUP RER	DUP Qualifier	DUP RPD Limits %	DUP RER Limit
Radium-226	0.260	0.220	0.235		0.0920	0.255	0.425		95.5	0.499	<u>U</u>	20	3
(T) Barium-133	91.5				73.3	73.3							

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

(LCS) R3996031-2 10/27/23 18:42

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	LCS Result pCi/l	LCS Rec. %	Rec. Limits %	LCS Qualifier
Radium-226	5.00	5.68	114	80.0-120	
(T) Barium-133			64.9		

L1662857-01 Original Sample (OS) • Matrix Spike (MS) • Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD)

(OS) L1662857-01 10/27/23 18:42 • (MS) R3996031-3 10/27/23 18:42 • (MSD) R3996031-4 10/27/23 18:42

Analyte	Spike Amount pCi/l	Original Result pCi/l	MS Result pCi/l	MSD Result pCi/l	MS Rec. %	MSD Rec. %	Dilution	Rec. Limits %	MS Qualifier	MSD Qualifier	RPD %	MS RER	RPD Limits %
Radium-226	20.0	0.249	21.4	21.8	106	108	1	75.0-125			1.99		20
(T) Barium-133		76.2			83.3	83.2							

# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

## Guide to Reading and Understanding Your Laboratory Report

The information below is designed to better explain the various terms used in your report of analytical results from the Laboratory. This is not intended as a comprehensive explanation, and if you have additional questions please contact your project representative.

**Results Disclaimer -** Information that may be provided by the customer, and contained within this report, include Permit Limits, Project Name, Sample ID, Sample Matrix, Sample Preservation, Field Blanks, Field Spikes, Field Duplicates, On-Site Data, Sampling Collection Dates/Times, and Sampling Location. Results relate to the accuracy of this information provided, and as the samples are received.

### Abbreviations and Definitions

MDA	Minimum Detectable Activity.
Rec	Recovery.
RER	Replicate Error Ratio.
RPD	Relative Percent Difference.
SDG	Sample Delivery Group.
(T)	Tracer - A radioisotope of known concentration added to a solution of chemically equivalent radioisotopes at a known concentration to assist in monitoring the yield of the chemical separation.
Analyte	The name of the particular compound or analysis performed. Some Analyses and Methods will have multiple analytes reported.
Dilution	If the sample matrix contains an interfering material, the sample preparation volume or weight values differ from the standard, or if concentrations of analytes in the sample are higher than the highest limit of concentration that the laboratory can accurately report, the sample may be diluted for analysis. If a value different than 1 is used in this field, the result reported has already been corrected for this factor.
Limits	These are the target % recovery ranges or % difference value that the laboratory has historically determined as normal for the method and analyte being reported. Successful QC Sample analysis will target all analytes recovered or duplicated within these ranges.
Original Sample	The non-spiked sample in the prep batch used to determine the Relative Percent Difference (RPD) from a quality control sample. The Original Sample may not be included within the reported SDG.
Qualifier	This column provides a letter and/or number designation that corresponds to additional information concerning the result reported. If a Qualifier is present, a definition per Qualifier is provided within the Glossary and Definitions page and potentially a discussion of possible implications of the Qualifier in the Case Narrative if applicable.
Result	The actual analytical final result (corrected for any sample specific characteristics) reported for your sample. If there was no measurable result returned for a specific analyte, the result in this column may state "ND" (Not Detected) or "BDL" (Below Detectable Levels). The information in the results column should always be accompanied by either an MDL (Method Detection Limit) or RDL (Reporting Detection Limit) that defines the lowest value that the laboratory could detect or report for this analyte.
Uncertainty (Radiochemistry)	Confidence level of 2 sigma.
Case Narrative (Cn)	A brief discussion about the included sample results, including a discussion of any non-conformances to protocol observed either at sample receipt by the laboratory from the field or during the analytical process. If present, there will be a section in the Case Narrative to discuss the meaning of any data qualifiers used in the report.
Quality Control Summary (Qc)	This section of the report includes the results of the laboratory quality control analyses required by procedure or analytical methods to assist in evaluating the validity of the results reported for your samples. These analyses are not being performed on your samples typically, but on laboratory generated material.
Sample Chain of Custody (Sc)	This is the document created in the field when your samples were initially collected. This is used to verify the time and date of collection, the person collecting the samples, and the analyses that the laboratory is requested to perform. This chain of custody also documents all persons (excluding commercial shippers) that have had control or possession of the samples from the time of collection until delivery to the laboratory for analysis.
Sample Results (Sr)	This section of your report will provide the results of all testing performed on your samples. These results are provided by sample ID and are separated by the analyses performed on each sample. The header line of each analysis section for each sample will provide the name and method number for the analysis reported.
Sample Summary (Ss)	This section of the Analytical Report defines the specific analyses performed for each sample ID, including the dates and times of preparation and/or analysis.

### Qualifier Description

J	The identification of the analyte is acceptable; the reported value is an estimate.
U	Below Detectable Limits; indicates that the analyte was not detected.

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# ACCREDITATIONS & LOCATIONS

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Kentucky <sup>2</sup>	16	South Dakota	n/a
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A2LA - ISO 17025 <sup>5</sup>	1461.02	DOD	1461.01
Canada	1461.01	USDA	P330-15-00234
EPA-Crypto	TN00003		

<sup>1</sup> Drinking Water <sup>2</sup> Underground Storage Tanks <sup>3</sup> Aquatic Toxicity <sup>4</sup> Chemical/Microbiological <sup>5</sup> Mold <sup>6</sup> Wastewater n/a Accreditation not applicable  
<sup>\*</sup> Not all certifications held by the laboratory are applicable to the results reported in the attached report.  
<sup>\*</sup> Accreditation is only applicable to the test methods specified on each scope of accreditation held by Pace Analytical.

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- 2 Tc
- 3 Ss
- 4 Cn
- 5 Sr
- 6 Qc
- 7 Gl
- A1
- 9 Sc





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INTER LABORATORY WORK ORDER # 10673317  
 (To be completed by sending lab)

Sending Project No:	10673317
Receiving Project No:	
Check Box for Consolidated Invoice:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Prepared:	10/23/23
REQUESTED COMPLETION DATE:	11/28/2023

Sending Region	IR10-Minnesota	Sending Project Mgr.	Piper Gibbs
Receiving Region	IR850-Pace National	External Client	MVTL Laboratories
State of Sample Origin	MN	QC Deliverable	STD REPORT

All questions should be addressed to sending project manager.

Requested Reportable Units \_\_\_\_\_ Report Wet or Dry Weight? Dry Weight  IRWO Lab Need to run? Cert. Needed \_\_\_\_\_

WORK REQUESTED						
Method Description	Container Type	Quantity of containers	Preservative	Quantity of Samples	Acode	Acode Desc.
raidum 226/228	BP1N	6	HNO3	3	SI-38RAD	SUB PASI RAD

Special Requirements: Report C, QC Limits (C),FR Only no EDD (0)

FOR ANALYTICAL WORK COMPLETED THIS SECTION ALSO

Return Samples to Sending Region:  Yes  No

DISPOSITION of FORM

Original sent to the receiving lab - Copy kept at the sending lab.

When work completed: Original sent to the ABM at the receiving laboratory. Copies are made to corporate as needed.

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By AD Date 17 Oct 23  
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## Field Service Chain of Custody Record

<b>Project</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Project Type:</b> Big Stone Plant CCR	<b>Name of Samplers:</b> JH, DF, BW, DS
<b>Report:</b> Otter Tail Power Company	<b>Carbon Copy:</b> Barr Engineering	<b>Quote Number:</b>
<b>Attn:</b> Paul Vukonich	<b>Attn:</b>	<b>Work Order Number:</b> 31-271
<b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 496	<b>Address:</b>	<b>Lab Numbers:</b>
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496		
<b>Phone:</b> 218-739-8349		

Sample Information					Bottle Type										Analysis				
Lab Number	Sample ID	Unique Station ID	Date	Time	Sample Type	Sample Location	1000 HNO3 Inner Mountain	500 None	1000 none	500 HNO3	Filter? Y or N	500 H2SO4	Filter? Y or N	1000 HNO3 Pace	1000 Amber H2SO4	500 NaOH	Other: 150 H2SO4	Other: 150 None	Analysis Required
A0310	H2OX		17 Oct 23	1210	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
11	H3OX			1027	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
12	H4OX			1104	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
13	H6			1157	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
14	H8			1235	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
15	H9			1319	GW				1	1	N								CCR 3
16	H10			1234	GW				1	1	N			2					CCR 3&4
17	H11			1349	GW				1	1	N			2					CCR 3&4
18	H12			1319	GW				1	1	N			2					CCR 3&4

Comments:

Samples Relinquished By: <u>DF</u>			Samples Received By: <u>A. Sueder</u>		
Date: <u>17 Oct 23</u>	Time: <u>1630</u>	Temp: <u>05°C</u>	Date: <u>17 Oct 23</u>	Time: <u>1630</u>	Temp: <u>0.5°C</u>
Samples Relinquished into: <u>Fridge</u> Log in Cart Other:					
Samples Relinquished By:			Samples Received By:		
Date:	Time:	Temp:	Date:	Time:	Temp:
Delivery: <u>Samplers</u> Other:			Seal Number(s) - If Used		
Transport: <u>Ambient</u> <u>Ice</u> Other:			Seals Intact? Yes No		



October 2023

## 2023 Big Stone Sampling - CCR

Landfill or ADA wells

Site	Parameter List	Well Depth (constructed)	Diameter (Inches)	Well Elevation (TOC)	Sample Equipment	Dedicated?	Pump Rate (ml/minute)	Goes Dry?	Sampling Seasons**
H2OX	CCR 3	32.20	2	1103.86	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H3OX	CCR 3	22.55	2	1095.26	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H4OX	CCR 3	27.20	2	1108.25	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H6	CCR 3	15.00	2	1097.76	Bladder	Yes	100	Yes	April & Oct
H8	CCR 3	22.05	2	1081.23	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H9	CCR 3	30.20	2	1086.21	Bladder	Yes	100	No	April & Oct
H10	CCR 3 and 4	35.49	2	1090.83	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below
H11	CCR 3 and 4	42.15	2	1093.24	Bladder	Yes	100		See highlighted note below

Note: Wells H10 and H11 need to be sampled 8 times for CCR this year. Background sampling like 5 years ago. We want to sample in April - November. Each event has to be about 30 days apart. Also, during every sampling event for the CCR, we will need water levels on the CCR wells not sampled.

Note: CCR sampling is for total recoverable metals. They are not filtered in the field.

CCR 3 & 4 parameters see the first two tabs labeled CCR 3 and CCR 4

CCR - Appendix III Detection Monitoring

**Field Parameters**

pH\*

\* Field and Laboratory Measurements

**Total Concentration Parameters**

	<b>Method</b>
Boron	6010
Calcium	6010
Chloride	SM4500 CL E
Fluoride	EPA 300
pH	SM 4500 H+B-96
Sulfate	ASTM D516
Dissolved Solids, Total	SM 2540 C-97

Note: These are non-filtered samples.

CCR - Appendix IV - Assessment Monitoring

<b>Total Concentration Parameters</b>	<b>Method</b>
Antimony	SW6020A
Arsenic	SW602A
Barium	SW6010C
Beryllium	SW6020A
Cadmium	SW6020A
Chromium, Total	SW6020A
Cobalt	SW6010C
Fluoride	EPA 300
Lead	SW6020A
Lithium	SW6010C
Mercury	EPA 245.7
Molybdenum	SW6020A
Selenium	SW6020A
Thallium	SW6020A
Radium 226 + 228	

Note: These are non-filtered samples.

# Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc.

New Ulm, MN 56073

507 354 8517

## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: Well H2OX

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts? Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes No

Repairs Necessary:

### Well Information

Well Depth: 32-83  
 Constructed Depth: 32.20  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 7.22  
 Well Volume: 4.17 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1103.91  
 Static Water Elevation: 1096.69  
 Previous Static: 1096.58  
 Water Level After Sample: Below pump  
 Measurement Method:  Elec. WLV  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 51 Wind: LLV Sky: Fair  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SSM Disp. Bailer Whale Grab Other:  
 Dedicated Equipment:  Yes No  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes No  
 Time Purged Dry? 1205  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: -  
 Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None  
 Pumping Rate: .25 gpm  
 Time Pump Began: 1148  am  pm  
 Time of Sampling: 1210  am  pm  
 Sample EH: 152.2

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>1205</u>	<u>6.52</u>	<u>3850</u>	<u>9.57</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>4.25</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
<u>1210</u>	<u>6.52</u>	<u>3849</u>	<u>9.59</u>	<u>↓</u>	<u>↓</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Recharge</u>
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized? Yes  No  Amount Water Removed: 4.25 Gallons

Comments:

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Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel:

Bw

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: Well H3OX

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts? Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 22-68

Well Casing Elevation: 1095.19

Constructed Depth: 22.55

Static Water Elevation: 1087.19

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: 1087.28

Water Level Before Purge: 8-00

Water Level After Sample: Below pump

Well Volume: 2.39 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. Well  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 47 Wind: LVV Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailor  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: 25 gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Bw 17 Oct 23

Time Pump Began: 1007  am  pm

Time Purged Dry? 1017

Time of Sampling: 1022  am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample EH: 328.2

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>1017</u>	<u>6.40</u>	<u>3465</u>	<u>12.97</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
<u>1022</u>	<u>6.43</u>	<u>3479</u>	<u>13.36</u>	<u>↓</u>	<u>↓</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Recharge</u>
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized?  Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 2.5 Gallons

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Groundwater Assessment

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel: BW

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: Well H4OX

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts? Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 27.48

Well Casing Elevation: 1108.22

Constructed Depth: 27.20

Static Water Elevation: 1091.14

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: 1091.11

Water Level Before Purge: 17.08

Water Level After Sample: Below pump

Well Volume: 1.70 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. WL  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 50 Wind: LEV Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes No

Pumping Rate: .25 gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes No

Time Pump Began: 1052 am 1 pm

Time Purged Dry? 1059

Time of Sampling: 1104 am 1 pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: —

Sample EH: 261.7

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>7</u> <u>1059</u>	<u>6.51</u>	<u>2580</u>	<u>9.14</u>	<u>NT</u>	<u>NT</u>	<u>1.75</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
<u>1104</u>	<u>6.52</u>	<u>2571</u>	<u>9.10</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Recharge</u>
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 1.75 Gallons

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: Well H6

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts?  Yes No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 17.92  
 Constructed Depth: 17.70  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 15.76  
 Well Volume: 0.35 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: NA  
 Static Water Elevation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Previous Static: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Water Level After Sample: below pump  
 Measurement Method:  Elec. Well  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 55 Wind: SE 7 Sky: Sunny  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder  Disp. Baller \_\_\_\_\_ Whale \_\_\_\_\_ Grab \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dedicated Equipment:  Yes No  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes No  
 Time Purged Dry: 1152  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sample Appearance: General: Sl. Cloudy Color: Tan Phase: None Odor: None  
 Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm  
 Time Pump Began: 1150 am / pm  
 Time of Sampling: 1157 am / pm  
 Sample EH: 101.3

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
2 1152	7.56	977	13.26	NA	NA	0.35	1	
							2	
							3	
							4	
1157							5	Recharge

Stabilized? Yes  No Amount Water Removed: 0.35 Gallons

Comments:

- Insufficient volume for recharge reading

Exceptions to Protocol:

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DF

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: —

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID: —

Sample ID: Well H8

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts?  Yes  No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:

### Well Information

Well Depth: 22.33

Well Casing Elevation: 1081.23

Constructed Depth: 22.05

Static Water Elevation: 1074.63

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 6.60

Water Level After Sample: 9.25

Well Volume: 2.57 Gallons

Measurement Method: Elec. W/L Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 55 Wind: SE 7 Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method: Grundfos ~~Bladder SBT~~ Disp. Baller Whale Grab Other:

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1202 am /

Time Purged Dry? —

Time of Sampling: 1235 am /

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: —

Sample EH: 106.2

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1213	7.24	1474	11.01	NA	NA	2.75	1	
1224	7.23	1475	11.02			5.5	2	
1235	7.22	1475	11.02			8.25	3	
							4	
							5	

Stabilized?  Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 8.25 Gallons

Comments:

Exceptions to Protocol:



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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DF

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: —

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID: —

Sample ID:

Well H9

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes No

Protective Posts?  Yes No  
 State ID Tag? Yes  No  
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:

### Well Information

Well Depth: 30.71

Well Casing Elevation: 1086.21

Constructed Depth: 30.20

Static Water Elevation: 1074.64

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 11.57

Water Level After Sample: 15.60

Well Volume: 3.12 Gallons

Measurement Method: ~~Elec. Well~~ Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 55 Wind: SE 7 Sky: Sunny

Sampling Method: Grundfos ~~Bladder SPT~~ Disp. Baller Whale Grab Other:

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes No

Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1240 am /  PM

Time Purged Dry: —

Time of Sampling: 1319 am /  PM

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No ID: —

Sample EH: 121.7

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
1253	6.62	3340	9.97	NA	NA	3.25	1	
1306	6.62	3340	9.97			6.50	2	
1311	6.62	3343	9.96			9.75	3	
							4	
							5	

Stabilized?  Yes No

Amount Water Removed: 9.75 Gallons

Comments:

Exceptions to Protocol:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Site: Offer Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Sampling Personnel:

BW

Facility ID:

Date: 17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID: H10

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No

Well Labeled?  Yes  No

Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:

Protective Posts? Yes  No

State ID Tag? Yes  No

Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

### Well Information

Well Depth: 38-53

Well Casing Elevation: 1090.83

Constructed Depth: 35.49

Static Water Elevation: 1073.73

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: —

Water Level Before Purge: 17.10

Water Level After Sample: Below pump

Well Volume: 3-50 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. WLV  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 52 Wind: LCV Sky: Fair

Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other:

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: .25 gpm

Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1215 am  pm

Time Purged Dry? 1229

Time of Sampling: 1234 am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: —

Sample EH: 217-9

Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: NOX Phase: NOX Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>14</u>								
<u>1229</u>	<u>6.47</u>	<u>4989</u>	<u>9.37</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>3-5</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
<u>1234</u>	<u>6.51</u>	<u>4986</u>	<u>9.38</u>			<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Recharge</u>
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 3-5 Gallons

Comments:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DS

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID:

Date:

17 Oct 23

Unique Station ID:

Sample ID:

H11

### Well Condition

Well Locked?  Yes  No  
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts? Yes  No   
 State ID Tag? Yes  No   
 Grout Seal Intact?  Yes  No

Repairs Necessary:

### Well Information

Well Depth: 44.32  
 Constructed Depth: 42.15  
 Casing Diameter: 2"  
 Water Level Before Purge: 14.81  
 Well Volume: 4.81 Gallons

Well Casing Elevation: 1093.24  
 Static Water Elevation: 1078.42  
 Previous Static: NA  
 Water Level After Sample: 38.42  
 Measurement Method:  Elec. WLI  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 57° Wind: SE 7 Sky: Clear  
 Sampling Method: Grundfos  Bladder SST  Disp. Baller  Whale  Grab  Other:  
 Dedicated Equipment  Yes  No Pumping Rate: 0.25 gpm  
 Well Purged Dry?  Yes  No Time Pump Began: 1324 am  pm  
 Time Purged Dry? 1344 Time of Sampling: 1349 am  pm  
 Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: - Sample EH: 95.0  
 Sample Appearance: General: Clear Color: None Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>1344</u>	<u>6.50</u>	<u>4485</u>	<u>9.12</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	
							<u>2</u>	
							<u>3</u>	
							<u>4</u>	
<u>1349</u>	<u>6.59</u>	<u>4477</u>	<u>9.89</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Recheck</u>

Stabilized? Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 5

Gallons

Comments:

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## Groundwater Assessment

Sampling Personnel:

DS

Site: Otter Tail Power Co./ Big Stone

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 7/23/23

Unique Station ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample ID: H12

### Well Condition

Well Locked? Yes  No   
 Well Labeled?  Yes  No  
 Casing Straight?  Yes  No

Protective Posts? Yes  No   
 State ID Tag? Yes  No   
 Grout Seal Intact? Yes  No

Repairs Necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Well Information

Well Depth: 2263

Well Casing Elevation: NA

Constructed Depth: 24.00

Static Water Elevation: I

Casing Diameter: 2"

Previous Static: \_\_\_\_\_

Water Level Before Purge: 18.14

Water Level After Sample: 18.97

Well Volume: 0.73 Gallons

Measurement Method:  Elec. WL  Steel Tape

### Sampling Information

Weather Conditions: Temp: 57° Wind: SE 7 Sky: Clear

Sampling Method:  Grundfos  Bladder SS/T  Disp. Bailer  Whale  Grab  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated Equipment:  Yes  No

Pumping Rate: \_\_\_\_\_ gpm

Well Purged Dry? Yes  No

Time Pump Began: 1316 am  pm

Time Purged Dry? \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Sampling: 1319 am  pm

Duplicate Sample? Yes  No  ID: —

Sample EH: -18.3

Sample Appearance: General: S/Cloudy Color: S/Tan Phase: None Odor: None

Time	pH	Specific Cond.	Temp °C	D. O. mg/L	Turbidity NTU	Gallons Removed	SEQ #	Comments:
<u>1313</u>	<u>8.00</u>	<u>319</u>	<u>11.33</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>0.75</u>	<u>1</u>	
<u>1316</u>	<u>8.00</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>11.30</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>2</u>	
<u>1319</u>	<u>7.99</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>11.29</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>2.25</u>	<u>3</u>	
							<u>4</u>	
							<u>5</u>	

Stabilized?  Yes  No

Amount Water Removed: 2.25 Gallons

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to Protocol: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Groundwater Level Measurements

Sampling Personnel:

DS  
MS

Site: Otter Tail Power - Big Stone Plant

Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 12 June 23

Well Number	Well 10	Well 11	Well 12	Well 1	H1OX	H1INT	H2OX
Unique Station ID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Date	12 June 23						
Time	1042	1040	1038	1035	1041	1040	1107
Well Casing Elevation	1098.7	1104	1071.89	1090.71	1115.89	1115.81	1103.86
Depth to Water	17.01	94.55	66.84	65.30	22.96	23.70	7.40
Static Elevation	1081.69	1009.45	1005.05	1025.41	1092.93	1092.11	1096.46
Casing Diameter	4"	4"	4"	4"	2"	2"	2"
Well Depth	47.01	127.22	112.40	78.00	32.33	60.15	32.83
Well Volume	19.60	21.35	29.77	8.30	1.52	5.94	4.14
Well Locked	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Well Labeled	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Well Straight	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Protective Posts	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	yes / (no)
Grout Seal Intact	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no
Dedicated Equipment	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no

Well Number	H2INT	H3OX	H3INT	H4OX	H4INT	H5	H6
Unique Station ID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Date	12 June 23						
Time	1108	1124	1125	1111	1112	1050	1045
Well Casing Elevation	1103.91	1095.26	1095.17	1108.25	1108.61	1122.8	1097.76
Depth to Water	61.50	7.76	27.92	17.13	17.10	11.38	10.69
Static Elevation	1042.41	1087.5	1067.25	1091.12	1091.51	1111.42	1087.07
Casing Diameter	2"	2"	2"	2"	2"	2"	2"
Well Depth	62.45	22.68	54.42	27.48	60.10	44.99	17.92
Well Volume	0.15	7.76	4.32	1.19	7.01	5.48	1.17
Well Locked	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Well Labeled	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Well Straight	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Protective Posts	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no
Grout Seal Intact	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)
Dedicated Equipment	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	(yes) / no	yes / (no)	yes / (no)	(yes) / no













## **Appendix C**

### **Groundwater Flow Calculations**

# Big Stone Ash Disposal Area Groundwater Velocity Calculation

Date 5/15/2023

Kh	2.10E-04	cm/s	Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)
	5.95E-01	ft/day	
n	0.25		Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

	Top of Casing Elevation (1)	Depth to Water	Water Level Elevation
	ft amsl	ft below TOC	ft amsl
H3OX	1095.26	6.90	1088.36
H9	1086.21	6.75	1079.46

(1) Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

horizontal distance, ft

	H3OX
H9	2272.3

difference in WL elevation, ft

	H3OX
H9	8.90

horizontal gradient, ft/ft

	H3OX
H9	0.00392

V, ft/d

	H3OX
H9	0.00933

V, ft/yr

	H3OX
H9	3.4

V avg, ft/y

<b>3.4</b>
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# Big Stone Ash Disposal Area Groundwater Velocity Calculation

Date 6/12/2023

Kh	2.10E-04	cm/s	Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)
	5.95E-01	ft/day	
n	0.25		Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

	Top of Casing Elevation (1)	Depth to Water	Water Level Elevation
	ft amsl	ft below TOC	ft amsl
H3OX	1095.26	7.76	1087.50
H9	1086.21	10.29	1075.92

(1) Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

horizontal distance, ft

	H3OX
H9	2272.3

difference in WL elevation, ft

	H3OX
H9	11.58

horizontal gradient, ft/ft

	H3OX
H9	0.00510

V, ft/d

	H3OX
H9	0.01213

V, ft/yr

	H3OX
H9	4.4

V avg, ft/y

<b>4.4</b>
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# Big Stone Ash Disposal Area Groundwater Velocity Calculation

Date 7/21/2023

<b>Kh</b>	2.10E-04	cm/s	<i>Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)</i>
	5.95E-01	ft/day	
<b>n</b>	0.25		<i>Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)</i>

	<b>Top of Casing Elevation (1)</b>	<b>Depth to Water</b>	<b>Water Level Elevation</b>
	ft amsl	ft below TOC	ft amsl
<b>H3OX</b>	1095.26	8.05	1087.21
<b>H9</b>	1086.21	11.97	1074.24

(1) *Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)*

**horizontal distance, ft**

	<b>H3OX</b>
<b>H9</b>	2272.3

**difference in WL elevation, ft**

	<b>H3OX</b>
<b>H9</b>	12.97

**horizontal gradient, ft/ft**

	<b>H3OX</b>
<b>H9</b>	0.00571

**V, ft/d**

	<b>H3OX</b>
<b>H9</b>	0.01359

**V, ft/yr**

	<b>H3OX</b>
<b>H9</b>	5.0

**V avg, ft/y**

<b>5.0</b>
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# Big Stone Ash Disposal Area Groundwater Velocity Calculation

Date 10/17/2023

Kh	2.10E-04	cm/s	Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)
	5.95E-01	ft/day	
n	0.25		Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

	Top of Casing Elevation (1)	Depth to Water	Water Level Elevation
	ft amsl	ft below TOC	ft amsl
H3OX	1095.26	8.00	1087.26
H9	1086.21	11.57	1074.64

(1) Groundwater Monitoring System Report (Barr, 2016)

## horizontal distance, ft

	H3OX
H9	2272.3

## difference in WL elevation, ft

	H3OX
H9	12.62

## horizontal gradient, ft/ft

	H3OX
H9	0.00555

## V, ft/d

	H3OX
H9	0.01322

## V, ft/yr

	H3OX
H9	4.8

## V avg, ft/y

<b>4.8</b>
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## **Appendix D**

### **Additional Groundwater Elevations**

**Appendix D**  
**Additional 2023 Water Elevations**  
**Big Stone Plant**  
**Otter Tail Power Company**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Well Casing Elevation ft AMSL</b>	<b>6/12/2023 ft AMSL</b>	<b>7/21/2023 ft AMSL</b>	<b>8/21/2023 ft AMSL</b>
H10	1090.83	1078.28	1076.58	1075.36
H11	1093.24	1082.19	1080.23	1079.29
H1INT	1115.81	1092.11	1089.7	1088.9
H1OX	1115.89	1092.93	1090.43	1089.52
H2I	1103.91	1042.41	1042.34	1042.35
H2OX	1103.86	1096.46	1094.34	1093.26
H3I	1095.17	1067.25	1067.05	1067.06
H3OX	1095.26	1087.5	1087.21	1087.98
H4I	1108.61	1091.51	1089.63	1090.78
H4OX	1108.25	1091.12	1089.79	1089.68
H5	1122.8	1111.42	1110.49	1110.34
H6	1097.76	1087.07	1084.49	1084.09
H7	1106.06	1086.8	1084.12	1082.39
H8	1081.23	1072.52	1071.48	1074.93
H9	1086.21	1075.92	1074.24	1075.58
WELL 1	1090.71	1025.41	1025.33	1024.68
WELL 10	1098.7	1081.69	--	1080.52
WELL 11	1104	1009.45	1009.21	1005.83
WELL 12	1071.89	1005.05	1005.59	1005.77

**Notes:**

-- Not Measured

## **Appendix E**

### **Alternative Source Demonstration: Calcium, Fall of 2022**



# **Alternative Source Demonstration: Calcium, Fall 2022**

## ***Big Stone Plant***

Prepared for  
Otter Tail Power Co.

April 2023

## Certification

I hereby certify that the written demonstration provided herein, supported by the data in the referenced documents, is accurate and consistent with our review of the groundwater and other data collected to date, as required under the CCR Rule (§257.94(e)(2)). Based on this review I have determined that a source other than the CCR unit regulated under the CCR Rule at the Site caused the statistically significant increase over the background for calcium in monitoring well H6 that is downgradient from that unit.



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April 25, 2023

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Date

# Alternative Source Demonstration: Calcium, Fall 2022

April 2023

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## Abbreviations

ADA	Ash Disposal Area
ASD	Alternative Source Demonstration
CCR	Coal Combustion Residuals
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
OTP	Otter Tail Power Company
SAP	Sampling and Analysis Plan
SSI	Statistically Significant Increase
TDS	Total Dissolved Solids



# 1 Introduction

Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) operates the Big Stone Plant (Big Stone), located near Big Stone City, South Dakota. Big Stone is a coal-fired electrical generating plant, the operation of which results in coal combustion residuals (CCR) as a by-product. Management of CCR from plant operations includes placing CCR in an on-site landfill, referred to as the Ash Disposal Area (ADA). The ADA is required to comply with the provisions of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) CCR Rule (40 CFR Parts 257 and 261, Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities) for existing CCR landfills.

A statistically significant increase (SSI) over background was identified for calcium at downgradient monitoring well H6 during the fall 2022 detection monitoring event.

Well	Parameter	Fall 2022 Concentration	Interwell Prediction Limit	Intrawell Prediction Limit
H6	Calcium	748 mg/L	543 mg/L	62.1 mg/L

The CCR Rule §257.94(e)(2) allows for an alternative source demonstration (ASD) in the event of an identified SSI in an appendix III water quality parameter in a downgradient monitoring well:

*The owner or operator may demonstrate that a source other than the CCR unit caused the statistically significant increase over background levels for a constituent or that the statistically significant increase resulted from error in sampling, analysis, statistical evaluation, or natural variation in groundwater quality. The owner or operator must complete the written demonstration within 90 days of detecting a statistically significant increase over background levels to include obtaining a certification from a qualified professional engineer verifying the accuracy of the information in the report.*

The purpose of this work is to evaluate the data collected as part of the fall 2022 monitoring event, along with historical data, to demonstrate that the SSI is the result of a source other than the CCR unit or due to natural variation in groundwater quality or an error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation. This report provides written documentation of an ASD supporting continuation of detection monitoring in accordance with §257.94(e)(2) of the CCR Rule.

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## 2 ASD Hypotheses

### 2.1 Sampling Error

Based on field notes and discussion with field staff, proper low-flow sampling methods consistent with the Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP, Carlson McCain, 2017) were not used during sample collection at H6 during the fall 2022 detection monitoring event. Specifically, the well was not purged and allowed to stabilize prior to sample collection. In addition, due to seasonal constraints of low water level and winter conditions, the well could not be resampled once the error was discovered.

A dedicated bladder pump is installed in monitoring well H6 for sampling. During the fall 2022 sampling event, the water level was below the level of the pump intake. The pump was removed for sampling, and a sample was collected using a disposable bailer.

The preamble to the CCR Rule (VI(K)(3)) notes that “Groundwater sampling should be conducted utilizing EPA protocol low stress (low-flow) purging and sampling methodology, including measurement and stabilization of key indicator parameters prior to sampling.” Well stabilization is conducted prior to groundwater sampling in order to obtain a sample representative of aquifer conditions. Properly constructed and developed groundwater monitoring wells allow for the collection of representative samples with low turbidity (U.S. EPA, 1986, 1992). However, even correctly installed wells can produce turbid samples in certain geologic materials. Thus, purging and stabilization are necessary to yield reproducible sampling results. Due to limited recharge, monitoring well H6 was not sufficiently purged and did not stabilize during the fall 2022 sampling.

Monitoring well H6 has been documented as being slow to recharge (Barr, 2016), and recent dry climatic conditions have resulted in a lowered water table. Obtaining sufficient groundwater volume for analysis at H6 has proven challenging, particularly during the drier fall season. As a result, the sample sent for laboratory chemical analysis in fall 2022 consisted of the initial draw of water from the well without stabilization. Although field parameters were not measured due to the limited volume, the sample was noted to be cloudy with heavy sediment, suggesting a high turbidity. Attempts were made to resample well H6 to obtain a more representative sample. However, water levels in the well remained low, with insufficient volume for sampling and analysis.

In summary, because of limited water availability at monitoring well H6, the sampling protocol was changed from the SAP, yielding a sample with a high concentration of suspended solids, which is not representative of typical aquifer conditions. Therefore, the SSI is attributed to error in sampling.

### 2.2 Chemistry Inconsistent with CCR

The previous section concluded that the SSI was the result of a non-representative sample with high turbidity, indicating the presence of suspended solids. The CCR Rule requires measurement of “total recoverable metals” because suspended and colloidal particles can also be a means of transport for contaminants. However, the suspended solids responsible for the calcium SSI at monitoring well H6 are

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believed to be natural aquifer material and not mobilized CCR contaminants, as indicated by the behavior of additional groundwater parameters. Further details supporting this hypothesis are provided below.

If the ADA is the source of a release to groundwater that caused the SSI for calcium at H6, elevated concentrations of other parameters indicative of a CCR release should appear at about the same time because an ADA release would contain a mixture of multiple CCR parameters. Conversely, if concentrations in H6 are not elevated for the remaining CCR parameters, it is unlikely that the elevated calcium is the result of a release from the ADA.

The other six appendix III detection monitoring parameters (boron, chloride, fluoride, pH, sulfate, and total dissolved solids (TDS)) in the fall 2022 sample from H6 were measured at concentrations consistent with previous values (Figure 1). The lack of an increase in other appendix III indicator parameters is evidence that the calcium SSI at H6 did not result from an ADA release.

More specifically, if the elevated suspended solids at H6 are associated with CCR, other total recoverable metals associated with CCR would increase along with calcium. Among the CCR detection monitoring parameters, only calcium and boron are measured in the total recoverable metals fraction. Despite the tenfold increase in calcium concentration, boron decreased slightly between spring and fall 2022 (Figure 1). Therefore, elevated calcium and apparent elevated suspended solids are unlikely to be associated with a release from the ADA.

The shallow geology at Big Stone is composed of glacial till from the Late Wisconsin Des Moines Lobe, consisting largely of lean clay with seams and lenses or zones of sand and silt (Barr, 2016). Till in this area is generally calcareous (Gilbertson, 1990). Therefore, the aquifer contains fine-grained, calcium-bearing material, and this material is more likely to be transported by groundwater into monitoring wells if low-flow sampling methods are not used.

In summary, the H6 sample that exhibited a calcium SSI did not have elevated concentrations of other parameters that would be expected with a release from the ADA. In addition, high calcium is consistent with solids from the aquifer matrix. Therefore, the sample chemistry supports the hypothesis that a release from the ADA did not cause the SSI.

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## 3 Conclusion

The concentration of calcium in the sample from monitoring well H6 in fall 2022 was not representative of long-term groundwater quality. Instead, the SSI is attributed to an error in sampling. Due to low water volume at monitoring well H6 during the fall 2022 detection monitoring event, the well was not sufficiently purged and was sampled using a bailer. As a result, the sample contained a high amount of suspended solids, and the concentration of calcium in the total available metals fraction was anomalously high. Moreover, the other six appendix III detection monitoring parameters (boron, chloride, fluoride, pH, sulfate, and TDS) in the fall 2022 sample from H6 were measured at concentrations consistent with previous values, which contradicts a release from the ADA as the cause of the SSI. Therefore, the calcium SSI is attributed to a source other than the Ash Disposal Area.

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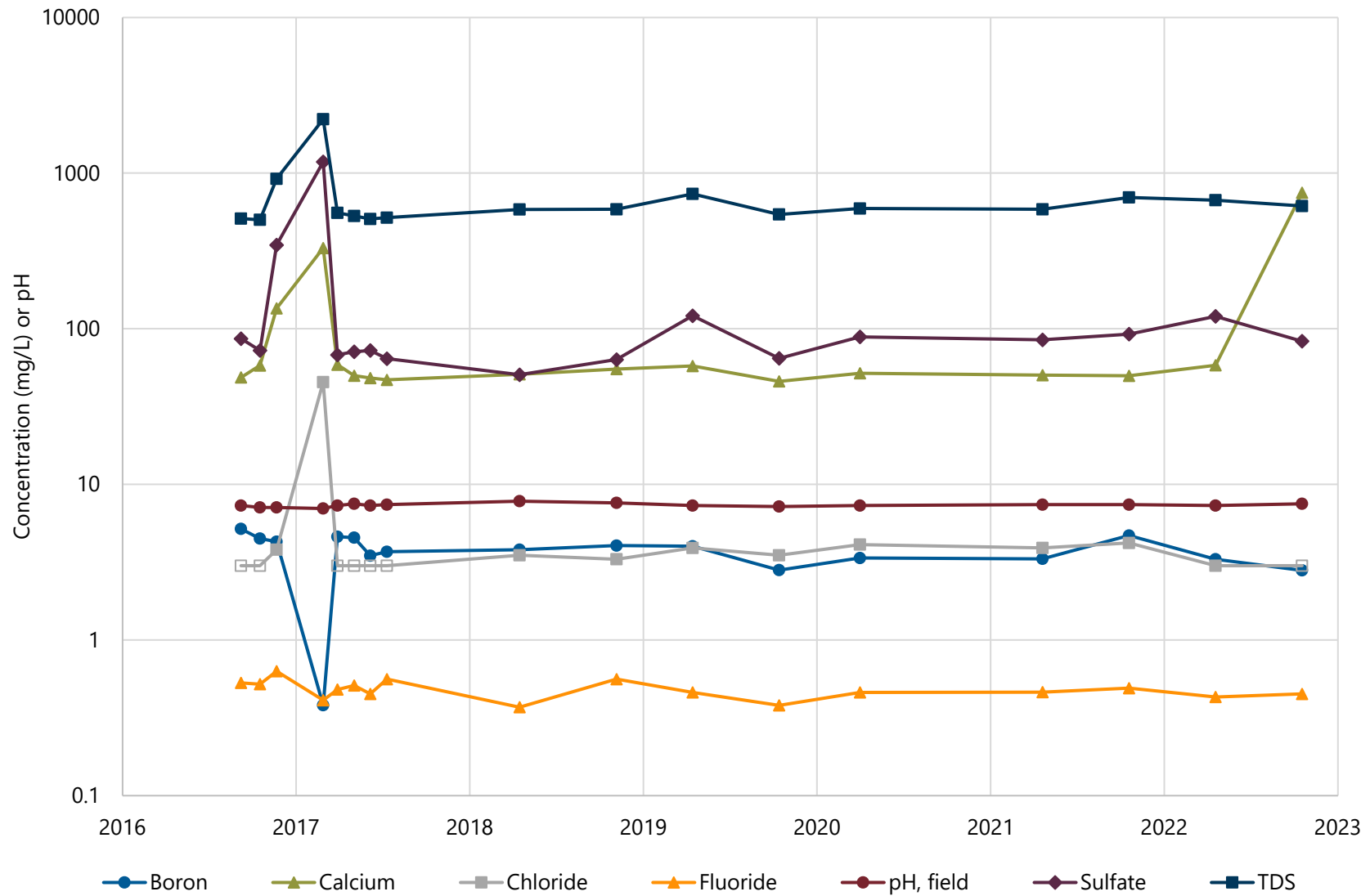
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**Figure**



**Figure 1** Concentrations of appendix III parameters at H6