

#### **SDG NARRATIVE**

USEPA
SDG # ME2975
CASE # 51900
CONTRACT # 68HERH20D0011
SOW# SFAM01.1
LAB NAME: Alliance Technical Group, LLC
LAB CODE: ACE
LAB ORDER ID # Q1204
MODIFIED ANALYSIS # 3114.1

#### A. Number of Samples and Date of Receipt

20 Water samples were delivered to the laboratory intact on 01/28/2025, 01/30/2025, 01/31/2025, 02/01/2025 & 02/04/2025.

#### **B. Parameters**

Test requested for Metals CLP MS = Aluminum, Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Calcium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Iron, Lead, Magnesium, Manganese, Nickel, Potassium, Selenium, Silver, Sodium, Thallium, Vanadium, Zinc, Hardness, total, Mercury, Cyanide.

#### C. Cooler Temp

Indicator Bottle: Presence/Absence

Cooler: 3.1°C, 2.9°C, 3.3°C, 3.6°C, 2.3°C, 1.8°C, 1.3°C, 2.1°C, 2.8°C.

# D. Detail Documentation (related to Sample Handling Shipping, Analytical Problem, Temp of Cooler etc):

Issue 1: A "P" or "M" prefix was listed at the beginning of a CLP sample ID.

#### E. Corrective Action taken for above:

Resolution 1: To maintain COC integrity, ASB requests no changes to the Sample IDs. The laboratory will note the issue in the SDG Narrative and proceed with the analysis of the samples.

#### F. Analytical Techniques:

All analyses were based on CLP Methodology by method SFAM01.1.



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#### **G.** Calculation:

### **Calculation for ICP-MS Water Sample:**

Concentration or Result (
$$\mu$$
g/L) = C x  $\underline{Vf}$  x DF  $\underline{Vi}$ 

Where,

C = Instrument value in ppb (The average of all replicate integrations)

Vf = Final digestion volume (mL)

Vi = Initial aliquot amount (mL) (Sample amount taken in prep)

DF = Dilution Factor

#### **Example Calculation For Sample ME2975 For Antimony:**

If 
$$C = 0.11 \text{ ppb}$$
  
Vf = 50 ml

Vi = 50 ml

DF = 1

Concentration or Result (
$$\mu$$
g/L) = 0.11 x  $\underline{50}$  x 1  $\underline{50}$ 

$$=~0.11~\mu g/L$$

=  $0.11 \mu g/L$  (Reported Result with Signification)

#### **Calculation for Hg Water Sample:**

Concentration or Result ( $\mu$ g/L) = C x DF

Where,

C = Instrument response in  $\mu$ g/L from the calibration curve.

DF = Dilution Factor

#### **Example Calculation For Sample ME2975:**

If 
$$C = 0.0575 \text{ ppb}$$

$$DF = 1$$

Concentration or Result ( $\mu g/L$ ) = 0.0575 x 1

$$= 0.0575 \ \mu g/L$$



=  $0.058 \mu g/L$  (Reported Result with Signification)

#### **Calculation for CN Water Sample:**

Concentration or Result (
$$\mu$$
g/L) = C x Vf Vi Vi

Where,

C = Instrument response in  $\mu$ g/L CN from the calibration curve.

Vf = Final prepared (absorbing solution) volume (mL)

Vi = Initial aliquot amount (mL) (Sample amount taken in prep)

DF = Dilution Factor

#### **Example Calculation For Sample ME29B4:**

If C = 86.9569 ppb Vf = 50 ml Vi = 50 mlDF = 1

Concentration or Result ( $\mu$ g/L) = 86.9569 x  $\frac{50}{50}$  x 1

 $= 86.9569 \mu g/L$ 

= 87 μg/L (Reported Result with Signification)

#### H. QA/QC

Calibrations met requirements. Interference check met requirements. Blank analyses did not indicate any presence of contamination. Laboratory Control sample was within control limits. Spike sample did meet requirements except for Selenium and Mercury. Duplicate sample did meet requirements. Serial Dilution did meet requirements except for Manganese.

Chemical or Physical interference effect was suspected and the data for all affected analytes in the sample received and associated with this serial dilution were flagged.

Collision cell is being used to remove potential interferences. The analytes Na, Mg, Al, K, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, As are being analyzed with collision cell and analytes Be, B, Ca, Ti, Se, Sr, Zr, Mo, Ag, Cd, Sn, Sb, Ba, Tl, Pb, U are being analyzed with Non-Collision Cell. Helium gas is used for the Collision Cell analysis.



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Internal Standard Association for ICP-MS analysis.

Internal Standard Association for ICP-IVI		
Target Analyte	Associated Internal Standard	
Aluminum	45Sc	
Antimony	159Tb	
Arsenic	89Y	
Barium	159Tb	
Beryllium	6Li	
Cadmium	159Tb	
Calcium	45Sc	
Chromium	45Sc	
Cobalt	45Sc	
Copper	45Sc	
Iron	45Sc	
Lead	209Bi	
Magnesium	45Sc	
Manganese	45Sc	
Nickel	45Sc	
Potassium	45Sc	
Selenium	89Y	
Silver	159Tb	
Sodium	45Sc	
Thallium	209Bi	
Vanadium	45Sc	
Zinc	45Sc	



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I certify that the data package is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract both technically and for completeness, for other than the conditions detailed above. Release of the data contained in this hard copy data package has been authorized by the Laboratory Director or his designee, as verified by the following signature.

Signature	Name: Nimisha Pandya
Date	Title: Document Control Officer

Date: 08/08/2023	MA: 3114.1	Title: ICP-MS Analysis with Hardness
Method Source: SFAM01.1	Method: ICP-MS	
Matrix: Aqueous/Water		
Summary of Modification		

The purpose of this modified analysis is to analyze aqueous/water samples by ICP-MS with the additional calculated analyte Hardness. Unless specifically modified by this modification, all analyses, Quality Control (QC), and reporting requirements specified in the SOW listed in your current EPA agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

# I. Analyte Modifications

Analyte	CAS Number	CRQL (mg/L)
Hardness (total)	Hardness	3.3

II. Calibration and QC Requirements	Not applicable
III. Preparation and Method Modifications	Not applicable
IV. Special Reporting Requirements	Not applicable

The Laboratory shall:

- Report Hardness (total) in units of mg/L on Form 1, calculated from the calcium and magnesium results using Equation 4F in Exhibit G, Section 3.2.
- The instructions for reporting Hardness by ICP-AES apply to these ICP-MS analyses. All applicable AnalyteGroupID and AnalysisGroupID data elements shall be reported. Report AnalyteGroup for Hardness, and any necessary AnalysisGroup nodes.
- Report the reported results for Hardness (total) in the EDD with AnalyteType = "Derived" and ClientAnalyteID = "Hardness" for the field samples, field blanks, and PT samples only.
- Ensure the SDG Narrative is updated as stated in the SOW, including any technical and administrative problems encountered and the resolution or corrective actions taken. These problems may include interference problems encountered during analysis, dilutions, re-analyses and/or re-preparations performed, and problems with the analysis of samples. Also, include a discussion of any SOW Modified Analyses, including a copy of the approved modification form with the SDG Narrative.
- Report the "J" and "U" qualifiers in accordance with the requirements in Exhibit B, Section 3.4.3.2.4.2, using the modified CRQL.

Not applicable