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July 21, 2023

Mr. Josh Peters  
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**Subject: Data Validation Report  
E Palestine Site - ER  
EPA Contract No.: 68HE0519D0005  
Task Order/Task Order Line Item No.: 68HE0520F0032/0001EB201  
Document Tracking No. 1911**

Dear Mr. Peters:

Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech) is submitting this data validation report for 122 air samples (including 10 field duplicate and 12 field blank samples) collected at the E Palestine Site – ER. The samples were collected on April 12 and 13, 2023, and were analyzed for acrylates by Eurofins Analytics, LLC. The final laboratory data package was received on July 11, 2023.

Analytical data were evaluated in general accordance with the Tetra Tech *Quality Assurance Project Plan East Palestine Train Derailment Site, East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, EPA Region 5, Revision 3* (April 2023), the Tetra Tech *Quality Assurance Project Plan, Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START V), EPA Region 5, Revision 4* (August 2022), and the EPA *National Functional Guidelines for Organic Superfund Methods Data Review* (November 2020).

No rejection or qualification of results was required for this data package. The results may be used as reported by the laboratory.

If you have any questions regarding this data validation report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jessica  
O'Sullivan

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**ATTACHMENT**

**DATA VALIDATION REPORT  
EUROFINS ANALYTICS, LLC  
REPORT NOS. B104-245, B104-246, B107-113, AND B107-123**

**DATA VALIDATION CHECKLIST – STAGE 2A  
EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1911a	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC, Ashland VA
Laboratory Report No.	B104-245	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Method 1450M	
Analyses	29 air samples (including two field duplicates, one method blank, and one field blank)		
Samples and Matrix	04/12/2023		
Collection Date(s)	EPD-PB-WA-02-041223-1/EPD-PB-WA-022-041223-1		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-CM-14-041223-1/EPD-PB-CM-144-041223-1		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-01-041223-1 EPD-PB-FB-01-041223-1		

**INTRODUCTION**

This checklist summarizes the Stage 2A validation performed on the subject laboratory report, in accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) *Guidance for Labeling Externally Validated Laboratory Analytical Data for Superfund Use* (January 2009). Analytical data were evaluated in general accordance with the Tetra Tech *Quality Assurance Project Plan East Palestine Train Derailment Site, East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, EPA Region 5, Revision 3* (April 2023), the Tetra Tech *Quality Assurance Project Plan, Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START V), EPA Region 5, Revision 4* (August 2022), the EPA *National Functional Guidelines for Organic Superfund Methods Data Review* (November 2020).

**OVERALL EVALUATION**

No rejection or qualification of results was required for this data package. The results may be used as reported by the laboratory.

**DATA VALIDATION CHECKLIST – STAGE 2A  
EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

**Data completeness:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	<p>Level II SDG did not have required QC forms thus a level IV package was reviewed.</p> <p>The results for the field blank were reported in units of micrograms (µg) while the other sample results were reported in units of µg, milligram per cubic meter (mg/m<sup>3</sup>), and parts per million (ppm) (volume) in the laboratory report and only ppm in the electronic data deliverable (EDD).</p> <p>A unique sample ID not provided for LCSD. Unique IDs are needed to keep from overwriting QC sample IDs when EDDs are uploaded to the client database. The LCSD ID (in the Samp_No and Lab_Samp_No fields) in the EDD were manually revised to match the laboratory report.</p> <p>The extraction date information in the EDD did not match the laboratory report or was blank. The project management team confirmed that this information was not needed in the EDD; therefore, all extraction date information except the field header was deleted from the EDD.</p> <p>The sample analysis time was reported as a default value of 12 AM or 00:00 hours for the LCSD in the analysis date field. The analysis date was correct. The sample analysis time for the LCSD was not required for the EDD; therefore, this value was not manually revised.</p>

**Sample preservation, receipt, and holding times:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	The second page of the COC did not have a signature, date, or time for sample receipt at the laboratory.

**Method blanks:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

**Field blanks:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	

**Surrogates and labeled compounds:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
NA	

**MS/MSDs:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
NA	

**Laboratory duplicates:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
NA	

**Field duplicates:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	

**LCs/LCSDs:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	

**DATA VALIDATION CHECKLIST – STAGE 2A  
EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

**Sample dilutions:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Re-extraction and reanalysis:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**MDLs/RLs:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	Method detection limits were not reported. Non-detect sample results are reported as less than the reporting limit in the laboratory report and at the reporting limit (flagged U) in the EDD and attached qualified data table.

**Tentatively identified compounds:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Other [none]:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

**Overall Qualifications:**

See results summary pages attached for changes to the laboratory qualifiers based upon this validation. The following is a list of qualifiers and definitions that may be used for the validation of this data package:

J	The analyte was positively identified; the associated value is the approximate concentration of the analyte in the sample.
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NJ	The analysis indicates the presence of an analyte that has been “tentatively identified” and the associated value is the approximate concentration of the analyte in the sample.
R	The sample result is rejected as unusable due to serious deficiencies in one or more quality control criteria. The analyte may or may not be present in the sample.
U	The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected at or above the associated value (reporting limit).
UJ	The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected at or above the associated value (reporting limit), which is considered approximate due to deficiencies in one or more quality control criteria.
NF	The tentatively identified compound was manually searched for but was not found in the sample.

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EUROFINS ANALYTICS REPORT NO. B104-245

Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-PB-BKBA-01-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-BKBA-02-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-144-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-C-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0088	U			0.0088 ppm	0.0088	U
EPD-PB-FB-01-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-01-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-05-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-06-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-07-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-UW-G-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-01-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
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EPD-PB-WA-05-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-041223-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U



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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1911b	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC, Ashland VA
Laboratory Report No.	B104-246	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Method 1450M	
Analyses	32 air samples (including three field duplicates, two method blanks, and two field blanks)		
Samples and Matrix	04/12/2023		
Collection Date(s)	EPD-PB-OD-04-041223-2/EPD-PB-OD-044-041223-2 EPD-PB-WA-06-041223-2/EPD-PB-WA-066-041223-2 EPD-PB-OD-02-041223-2/EPD-PB-OD-022-041223-2 EPD-PB-MB-02-041223-2 EPD-PB-MB-03-041223-2 EPD-PB-FB-02-041223-2 EPD-PB-FB-03-041223-2		
Field Duplicate Pairs			
Field QC Blanks			

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**OVERALL EVALUATION**

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	

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Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	

**DATA VALIDATION CHECKLIST – STAGE 2A  
EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

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EUROFINS ANALYTICS REPORT NO. B104-246

Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-PB-BKBA-01-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-BKBA-02-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-C-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-FB-02-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-FB-03-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-02-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-03-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-022-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-044-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-05-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
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EPD-PB-WA-04-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-05-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-066-041223-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U

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Laboratory Report No.	B107-113	Analyses	
Analyses	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Method 1450M		
Samples and Matrix	32 air samples (including three field duplicates, two method blanks, and two field blanks)		
Collection Date(s)	04/13/2023		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-CM-08-041323-2/EPD-PB-CM-088-041323-2 EPD-PB-CM-07-041323-2/EPD-PB-CM-077-041323-2 EPD-PB-WA-05-041323-2/EPD-PB-WA-055-041323-2		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-03-041323-2 EPD-PB-MB-02-041323-2 EPD-PB-FB-03-041323-2 EPD-PB-FB-02-041323-2		

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**Sample preservation, receipt, and holding times:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
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**Method blanks:**

<b>Within Criteria</b>	<b>Exceedance/Notes</b>
Y	



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**Field blanks:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	

**Surrogates and labeled compounds:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**MS/MSDs:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Laboratory duplicates:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Field duplicates:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	

**LCs/LCSDs:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
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**Sample dilutions:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Re-extraction and reanalysis:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**MDLs/RLs:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	Method detection limits were not reported. Non-detect sample results are reported as less than the reporting limit in the laboratory report and at the reporting limit (flagged U) in the EDD and attached qualified data table.

**Tentatively identified compounds:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

**Other [none]:**

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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R	The sample result is rejected as unusable due to serious deficiencies in one or more quality control criteria. The analyte may or may not be present in the sample.
U	The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected at or above the associated value (reporting limit).
UJ	The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected at or above the associated value (reporting limit), which is considered approximate due to deficiencies in one or more quality control criteria.
NF	The tentatively identified compound was manually searched for but was not found in the sample.

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Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-PB-BKBA-01-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-BKBA-02-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0090	U			0.0090 ppm	0.0090	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-077-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-088-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-C-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0090	U			0.0090 ppm	0.0090	U
EPD-PB-FB-02-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-FB-03-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-02-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-03-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
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EPD-PB-OD-04-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
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EPD-PB-WA-055-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-041323-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U

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Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1911d	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC, Ashland VA
Laboratory Report No.	B107-123	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Method 1450M	
Analyses	29 air samples (including two field duplicates, one method blank, and one field blank)		
Samples and Matrix	04/13/2023		
Collection Date(s)	EPD-PB-WA-03-041323-1/EPD-PB-WA-033-041323-1		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-OD-01-041323-1/EPD-PB-OD-011-041323-1		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-01-041323-1 EPD-PB-FB-01-041323-1		

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**OVERALL EVALUATION**

No rejection or qualification of results was required for this data package. The results may be used as reported by the laboratory.

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EPD-PB-OD-011-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0089	U			0.0089 ppm	0.0089	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0089	U			0.0089 ppm	0.0089	U
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EPD-PB-WA-033-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-PB-WA-04-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0089	U			0.0089 ppm	0.0089	U
EPD-PB-WA-05-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0089	U			0.0089 ppm	0.0089	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-041323-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U