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July 27, 2023

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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. 1972**

Dear Mr. Peters:

Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech) is submitting these data validation reports for one hundred and two air samples, including eleven field blanks and eight field duplicate pairs collected at the E Palestine Site. The samples were collected on May 29-30, 2023, and were analyzed for acrylates (for only n-Butyl acrylate or both 2-Ethylhexyl acrylate and n-Butyl acrylate) by Eurofins Analytics, LLC at their Ashland, VA laboratory. The final laboratory data package was received on June 13, 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 *National Functional Guidelines (NFG) for Organic Superfund Methods Data Review* (November 2020).

No rejection of results was required for this data package. The results may be used as qualified based on the findings of this validation effort.

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

Sincerely,

**Tom
Hahne**

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ATTACHMENT

**DATA VALIDATION REPORTS
EUROFINS ANALYTICS, LLC REPORT NOS.
B151-021, B151-022, B152-008 AND B152-009**

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

Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1972a	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC – Ashland, VA
Laboratory Report No.	B151-021		
Analyses	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by NIOSH Method 1450M		
Samples and Matrix	Twenty nine air samples, including two field blanks and two field duplicate pairs		
Collection Date(s)	05/29/2023		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-CM-09-052923-1/EPD-PB-CM-099-052923-1 EPD-PB-CM-11-052923-1/EPD-PB-CM-111-052923-1		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-01-052923-1 & EPD-PB-FB-01-052923-1		

INTRODUCTION

This checklist summarizes the Stage 2A validation performed on the subject laboratory report, 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 *National Functional Guidelines (NFG) 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 completeness:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	<p>The results for the field blanks were reported in units of micrograms (µg) while the other sample results were reported in units of µg, milligram per cubic meter (mg/m³), and parts per million (ppm) (volume) in the laboratory report and only ppm in the electronic data deliverable (EDD).</p> <p>The extraction date information in the EDD was blank for all field samples. 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>A unique sample was 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 the match the laboratory report.</p>

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

Data completeness (continued):

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	The sample analysis time was reported as a default value of 12 AM or 00:00 hours for the LCSD in the analysis data 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.

Sample preservation, receipt, and holding times:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	The chain of custody was amended to add a badge number for EPD-PB-FB-01-052923-1.

Method blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Field blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None

Surrogates and labeled compounds:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

MS/MSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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

Laboratory duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Field duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

LCSs/LCSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

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.

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

Tentatively identified compounds:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Other [None]:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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.
J+	The analyte was positively identified; the associated value is the approximate concentration of the analyte in the sample and may be biased high.
J-	The analyte was positively identified; the associated value is the approximate concentration of the analyte in the sample and may be biased low.
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.

E PALESTINE SITE - ER AIR ANALYTICAL RESULTS SUMMARY
EUROFINS ANALYTICS, LLC REPORT NO. B151-021

Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-PB-BKBA-01-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-BKBA-02-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-099-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-111-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-G-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-FB-01-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-01-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-05-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-06-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-07-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-UW-C-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-01-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-02-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-03-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-04-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-05-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-052923-1	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U

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

Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1972b	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC – Ashland, VA
Laboratory Report No.	B151-022		
Analyses	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by NIOSH Method 1450M		
Samples and Matrix	Thirty two air samples, including four field blanks and three field duplicate pairs		
Collection Date(s)	05/29/2023		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-OD-01-052923-2/EPD-PB-OD-011-052923-2 EPD-PB-OD-06-052923-2/EPD-PB-OD-066-052923-2 EPD-PB-WA-03-0529-2/EPD-PB-WA-033-052923-2		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-02-052923-2, EPD-PB-MB-03-052923-2, EPD-PB-FB-02-052923-2 & EPD-PB-FB-03-052923-2		

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, Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START V), EPA Region 5, Revision 4* (August 2022), Tetra Tech *Quality Assurance Project Plan East Palestine Train Derailment Site East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, EPA Region 5, Revision 3* (April 2023), and the EPA *National Functional Guidelines (NFG) 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 completeness:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	<p>The results for the field blanks were reported in units of micrograms (μg) while the other sample results were reported in units of μg, milligram per cubic meter (mg/m^3), and parts per million (ppm) (volume) in the laboratory report and only ppm in the electronic data deliverable (EDD).</p> <p>A unique sample was 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 the match the laboratory report.</p>

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Data completeness (continued):

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	<p>The extraction date information in the EDD was blank for all field samples. 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 data 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:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Method blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Field blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Surrogates and labeled compounds:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

MS/MSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Laboratory duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Field duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

LCSs/LCSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Sample dilutions:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Re-extraction and reanalysis:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

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	

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:

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E PALESTINE SITE - ER AIR ANALYTICAL RESULTS SUMMARY
EUROFINS ANALYTICS, LLC REPORT NO. B151-022

Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-PB-BKBA-01-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-BKBA-02-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-G-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-FB-02-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-FB-03-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-02-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-03-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-011-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-05-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-06-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-066-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-07-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-UW-C-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-01-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-02-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-03-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-033-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-04-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-05-052923-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-052923-2	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.	1972c	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC – Ashland, VA
Laboratory Report No.	B152-008	Analyses	
		2-Ethylhexyl acrylate and n-butyl acrylate by laboratory standard operating procedure (SOP) IHGC-P029	
Samples and Matrix	Nine air samples, including one field blank		
Collection Date(s)	05/30/2023		
Field Duplicate Pairs	NA		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-ST-FB-053023-1		

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, Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START V), EPA Region 5, Revision 4* (August 2022), Tetra Tech’s *Quality Assurance Project Plan East Palestine Train Derailment Site East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, EPA Region 5, Revision 3* (April 2023), and the EPA *National Functional Guidelines (NFG) 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 completeness:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	<p>The results for the field blanks were reported in units of micrograms (µg) while the other sample results were reported in units of µg, milligram per cubic meter (mg/m³), and parts per million (ppm) (volume) in the laboratory report and only ppm in the electronic data deliverable (EDD).</p> <p>The laboratory report included the following note: “The method reference, Rohm & Haas IH9805 is referenced to the AIHA certification as IHGC-P029.” The method is referred to by the abbreviation “Rohm & Haas IH9805” or “IHGC-P029.”</p> <p>The extraction date information in the EDD was blank for all field samples. 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>

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	A unique sample was 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 the match the laboratory report.
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Data completeness (continued):

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	The sample analysis time was reported as a default value of 12 AM or 00:00 hours for the LCSD in the analysis data 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.

Sample preservation, receipt, and holding times:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Method blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Field blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Surrogates and labeled compounds:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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EPA REGION 5 START CONTRACT**

MS/MSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Laboratory duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Field duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

LCSs/LCSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Sample dilutions:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Re-extraction and reanalysis:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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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	

Overall Qualifications:

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U	The analyte was analyzed for but was not detected at or above the associated value (reporting limit).
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Sample_ID	Method	CAS#	Analyte	Lab_Result	Lab_Qual	MDL	RL	Units	VAL_Result	VAL_Qual
EPD-ST-8H-DW-G-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.014	U			0.014 ppm	0.014	U
EPD-ST-8H-DW-G-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-ST-8H-UW-C-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.014	U			0.014 ppm	0.014	U
EPD-ST-8H-UW-C-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-01-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.015	U			0.015 ppm	0.015	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-01-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.01	U			0.01 ppm	0.01	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-02-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.015	U			0.015 ppm	0.015	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-02-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.01	U			0.01 ppm	0.01	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-03-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.014	U			0.014 ppm	0.014	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-03-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-04-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.015	U			0.015 ppm	0.015	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-04-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.01	U			0.01 ppm	0.01	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-05-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.014	U			0.014 ppm	0.014	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-05-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.009	U			0.009 ppm	0.009	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-06-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	0.015	U			0.015 ppm	0.015	U
EPD-ST-8H-WA-06-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.01	U			0.01 ppm	0.01	U
EPD-ST-FB-053023-1	IHGC-P029	103-11-7	2-Ethylhexyl acrylate	2.8	U			2.8 ug	2.8	U
EPD-ST-FB-053023-1	IHGC-P029	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	1.3	U			1.3 ug	1.3	U

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Site Name	E Palestine Site - ER	TO/TOLIN No.	68HE0520F0032/0001EB201
Document Tracking No.	1972d	Laboratory	Eurofins Analytics, LLC – Ashland, VA
Laboratory Report No.	B152-009		
Analyses	n-Butyl acrylate analysis by NIOSH Method 1450M		
Samples and Matrix	Thirty two air samples, including four field blanks and three field duplicate pairs		
Collection Date(s)	05/29/2023		
Field Duplicate Pairs	EPD-PB-WA-02-053023-2/EPD-PB-WA-022-053023-2 EPD-PB-CM-08-053023-2/EPD-PB-CM-088-053023-2 EPD-PB-WA-05-053023-2/EPD-PB-WA-055-053023-2		
Field QC Blanks	EPD-PB-MB-02-053023-2, EPD-PB-MB-03-053023-2, EPD-PB-FB-02-053023-2, & EPD-PB-FB-03-053023-3		

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, Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START V), EPA Region 5, Revision 4* (August 2022), Tetra Tech’s *Quality Assurance Project Plan East Palestine Train Derailment Site East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, EPA Region 5, Revision 3* (April 2023), and the EPA *National Functional Guidelines (NFG) 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 completeness:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	<p>The results for the field blanks were reported in units of micrograms (µg) while the other sample results were reported in units of µg, milligram per cubic meter (mg/m³), and parts per million (ppm) (volume) in the laboratory report and only ppm in the electronic data deliverable (EDD).</p> <p>A unique sample was 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 the match the laboratory report.</p>

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Data completeness (continued):

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Y	<p>The extraction date information in the EDD was blank for all field samples. 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 data 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:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	The chain of custody was updated to correct the start and stop time for EPD-PB-FB-03-053023-2 to “11:10”.

Method blanks:

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Y	None.

Field blanks:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
Y	None.

Surrogates and labeled compounds:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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MS/MSDs:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

Laboratory duplicates:

Within Criteria	Exceedance/Notes
NA	

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EPD-PB-BKBA-02-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-06-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-07-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-08-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-088-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-09-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-10-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-11-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-12-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-CM-14-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-DW-H-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-FB-02-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-FB-03-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-02-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-MB-03-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	2	U			2 ug	2	U
EPD-PB-OD-01-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-02-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-03-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-04-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-05-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-06-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-OD-07-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-UW-D-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-01-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-02-053023-2	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-04-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-05-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-055-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U
EPD-PB-WA-06-053023-2	NIOSH Method 1450M	141-32-2	n-Butyl acrylate	0.0091	U			0.0091 ppm	0.0091	U