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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ES1 Background

RGS Environmental Pty Ltd (RGS) was commissioned by Hansen Bailey Environmental Consultants (Hansen Bailey), on behalf of Anglo American Metallurgical Coal Pty Ltd (Anglo American) to complete a geochemical impact assessment of the overburden and coal reject material associated with the Drayton South Coal Project (the Project). Anglo American is seeking Project Approval under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* to facilitate the extraction of coal within Exploration Licence 5460 for a period of 27 years. For the purpose of this assessment, both overburden and interburden materials are generally termed overburden.

The Project will allow for the continuation of mining at Drayton Mine by the development of open cut and highwall mining operations within the Drayton South area, whilst continuing to utilise the existing infrastructure and equipment from Drayton Mine.

ES2 Scope of Work

The scope of work for this Project was to complete a geochemical impact assessment to address the geochemical characteristics of overburden and coal reject material within the study area. The scope of work included:

- A review of any existing geological/geochemical assessments/data in the area and delineation of additional overburden sampling and testing requirements;
- Design of a suitable geochemical sampling and testing program for overburden and coal reject materials. The program utilised exploration drill core samples derived from ongoing drilling programs;
- Coordination of static laboratory analysis of samples delivered to ALS Brisbane;
- Completion of kinetic leach column tests at the RGS in-house laboratory; and
- Preparation of a geochemical impact assessment report specific to the Project.

ES3 Sampling and Testing Program

Thirty overburden samples and six potential coal reject (coal seam roof and floor) samples were obtained from five drill holes selected to provide lateral and vertical coverage of the overburden and potential coal reject materials likely to be generated by the Project. In addition, a further two composite samples of roof and floor materials and coal reject materials were obtained from the coal quality laboratory and represented composite drill core material from four boreholes spanning the five target seams planned to be mined. The sampling strategy was based on existing knowledge of the geology/stratigraphy of the site and from the results of previous geochemical assessment work. All overburden samples were transferred to ALS Brisbane laboratory by Anglo American personnel for sample preparation and geochemical characterisation tests as described below.

A series of static geochemical tests were completed on individual and composite overburden and coal reject samples at ALS Brisbane as coordinated by RGS. Five composite overburden samples were then subjected to kinetic leach column tests over a period of 12 weeks at the RGS in-house laboratory in Brisbane. All leachate collected from the kinetic leach column tests was analysed at ALS Brisbane.

ES4 Conclusions

RGS has completed a geochemical impact assessment of representative overburden and coal reject materials for the Project. The findings of the assessment align well with those of a previous desktop geochemical assessment completed in January 2010. It is concluded that:

- Overburden and most coal reject materials are expected to have very low oxidisable sulfur content, significant excess Acid Neutralising Capacity, and be classified as Non-Acid Forming;
- Overburden and most coal reject materials are likely to have a high factor of safety with respect to potential acid generation;
- The concentration of total metals in overburden materials is well below applied guideline criteria for soils and is unlikely to present any environmental issues associated with revegetation and rehabilitation;
- Overburden and coal reject materials reporting to emplacement areas will generate pH neutral to slightly alkaline run-off/seepage with low and moderate salinity values, respectively, following surface exposure. The salinity of run-off/seepage from these materials is expected to decrease with time;
- The concentration of trace metals in run-off and seepage from most overburden and coal reject material is likely to be low with some minor exceptions (molybdenum and selenium);
- Overall, the risk of potentially significant water quality impacts from overburden and coal reject materials is low;
- Some overburden and most coal reject materials may be sodic and have structural stability problems related to potential dispersion and erosion; and
- There is a low probability of spontaneous combustion either in situ or for coal, overburden and coal reject materials at Drayton South.

ES5 Potential Management Measures

The ongoing management of overburden and coal reject materials for the Project should consider the geochemistry of these materials with respect to their potential risk to cause harm to the environment and their suitability for use in construction and revegetation. It is therefore suggested that management measures include:

- Pre-stripping topsoil from areas to be disturbed for use in final rehabilitation activities (surface cover or vegetation growth medium); and
- Implementing practical site rehabilitation practices for potentially sodic overburden and coal reject materials to limit the risk of dispersion and erosion of surface materials at emplacement areas (e.g. utilise a topsoil cover as part of final rehabilitation).

Surface water and seepage from overburden and coal reject emplacement areas should be monitored to ensure that key water quality parameters remain within appropriate criteria. It is therefore suggested that:

- Monitoring of surface run-off and seepage from the proposed overburden and coal reject emplacement areas for pH, electrical conductivity, total suspended solids on a quarterly basis and dissolved trace metals and sulfate on an annual basis.

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Acid	A measure of hydrogen ion (H^+) concentration; generally expressed as pH.
ABA	Acid Base Account. Evaluation of the balance between acid generation and acid neutralisation processes. Generally determines the maximum potential acidity (MPA) and the inherent acid neutralising capacity (ANC), as defined below.
ANC	Acid Neutralising Capacity, expressed as kg H_2SO_4 per tonne of sample.
ANC/MPA Ratio	Ratio of the acid neutralising capacity and maximum potential acidity of a sample. Used to assess the risk of a sample generating acid conditions.
AMD	Acid and Metalliferous Drainage from mine waste materials characterised by low pH, elevated metal concentrations, high sulfate concentrations and high salinity.
CHPP	Coal Handling and Preparation Plant.
eCEC	Effective Cation Exchange Capacity. The amount of exchangeable major cations in a sample expressed as meq/100g.
EC	Electrical Conductivity, expressed as $\mu S/cm$.
ESP	Exchangeable Sodium Percentage. The proportion of exchangeable sodium in a sample compared to the cation exchange capacity, expressed as a percentage. Used to assess the risk of a material being dispersive/erosive.
Kinetic test	Procedure used to measure the geochemical/weathering behaviour of a sample of mine material over time.
MPA	Maximum Potential Acidity calculated by multiplying the total sulfur content of a sample by 30.6 (stoichiometric factor) and expressed as kg H_2SO_4 per tonne.
NAF	Non Acid Forming. Geochemical classification criterion for a sample that will not generate acid conditions.
NAPP	Net Acid Producing Potential expressed as kg H_2SO_4 per tonne. Calculated by subtracting the ANC from the MPA.
Overburden	Material that overlies a coal resource and must be removed to mine the coal.
PAF	Potentially Acid Forming. Geochemical classification criterion for a sample that has the potential to generate acid conditions.
(Coal) Reject	Mixture of coarse and finely ground materials from which the desired mineral (coal) values have been largely extracted.
Static test	Procedure for characterising the geochemical nature of a sample at one point in time. Static tests may include measurements of mineral and chemical composition of a sample and the Acid Base Account.
(Coal) Tailing	Finely ground materials from which the desired mineral (coal) values have been largely extracted.
Total Sulfur	Total sulfur content of a sample generally measured using a 'Leco' analyser expressed as % S.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

RGS Environmental Pty Ltd (RGS) was commissioned by Hansen Bailey Environmental Consultants (Hansen Bailey), on behalf of Anglo American Metallurgical Coal Pty Ltd (Anglo American) to complete a geochemical impact assessment of the overburden and coal reject material associated with the Drayton South Coal Project (the Project). The purpose of the assessment is to form part of an Environmental Assessment (EA) being prepared by Hansen Bailey to support an application for a contemporary Project Approval under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* 1979 (EP&A Act) to facilitate the continuation of the existing Drayton Mine by the development of an open cut and highwall coal mining operation and associated infrastructure within the Drayton South area.

In October 2011, Part 3A of the EP&A Act was repealed. However, the Project has been granted the benefit of transitional provisions, and as such, is a development to which Part 3A applies.

The scope of work completed by RGS for this assessment included:

- A review of any existing geological/geochemical assessments/data in the area and delineation of additional overburden sampling and testing requirements;
- Design of a suitable geochemical sampling and testing program for overburden and coal reject materials. The program utilised exploration drill core samples derived from ongoing drilling programs;
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1.1 Project Description

Drayton Mine is managed by Anglo Coal (Drayton Management) Pty Ltd which is owned by Anglo American. Drayton Mine commenced production in 1983 and currently holds Project Approval 06_0202 (dated 1 February 2008) that expires in 2017 at which time the operation will have to close.

The Project will allow for the continuation of mining at Drayton Mine by the development of open cut and highwall mining operations within the Drayton South mining area while continuing to utilise the existing infrastructure and equipment from Drayton Mine.

The Project is located approximately 10 km north west of the village of Jerrys Plains and approximately 13 km south of the township of Muswellbrook in the Upper Hunter Valley of New South Wales (NSW). The Project is predominately situated within the Muswellbrook Shire Local Government Area (LGA), with the south west portion falling within the Singleton LGA. **Attachment A (Figure 1)** illustrates the location of the Project. The Project is located within close proximity to two thoroughbred horse studs, two power stations and several existing coal mines.

The Project will extend the life of Drayton Mine by a further 27 years ensuring the continuity of employment for its workforce, the ongoing utilisation of its infrastructure and the orderly rehabilitation of Drayton Mine's completed mine areas.

Anglo American is seeking Project Approval under Part 3A of the EP&A Act to facilitate the extraction of coal by both open cut and highwall mining methods within Exploration Licence (EL) 5460 for a period of 27 years. The Project Application Boundary (Project Boundary) is shown in **Attachment A (Figure 1)**.

The Project generally comprises:

- The continuation of operations at Drayton Mine as presently approved with minor additional mining areas within the East, North and South Pits;
- The development of an open cut and highwall mining operation extracting up to 7 Mtpa of ROM coal over a period of 27 years;
- The utilisation of the existing Drayton Mine workforce and equipment fleet (with an addition of a highwall miner and coal haulage fleet);
- The Drayton Mine fleet consists of at least a dragline, excavators, fleet of haul trucks, dozers, graders, water carts and associated supporting equipment.
- The use of Drayton Mine's existing voids for rejects and tailings disposal and water storage to allow for the optimisation of the Drayton Mine final landform;
- The utilisation of the existing Drayton Mine infrastructure including the Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP), rail loop and associated loadout infrastructure, workshops, bath houses and administration offices;
- The construction of a transport corridor between Drayton South and Drayton Mine;
- The utilisation of the Antiene Rail Spur off the Main Northern Railway to transport product coal to the Port of Newcastle for export (120km haul distance by rail);
- The diversion of a section of Edderton Road; and
- The installation of water management and power reticulation infrastructure for Drayton South.

All access to the Project will continue to be via the Drayton Mine Access Road off Thomas Mitchell Drive and will use the transport corridor to travel between Drayton Mine and Drayton South. An emergency entry / exit will be required to be developed and maintained off Edderton Road for health and safety purposes only.

The conceptual layout of the Project is shown in **Attachment A (Figure 2)**.

1.2 Study Area

The study area includes the proposed mining areas at Drayton South (see **Attachment A, Figure 2**), which builds upon a previously completed desktop assessment completed in 2010 (RGS 2010b). This assessment does not address Drayton Mine.

1.3 Report Structure

The report structure is as follows:

- **Section 2.0** describes the existing geology within the study area;
- **Section 3.0** outlines the methodology adopted for the desktop review and the sampling and testing program;
- **Section 4.0** provides a summary of the main findings of the desktop assessment;
- **Section 5.0** outlines the geochemical results obtained for overburden and coal reject testing;
- **Section 6.0** describes the potential implications for overburden management;
- **Section 7.0** provides the main conclusions and potential management measures for overburden and coal reject materials generated from the Project;
- **Section 8.0** lists the references used in the assessment: and

- **Section 9.0** outlines the limitations of the assessment.

1.4 Related Studies

The studies which are to be read in conjunction with this assessment include the following:

- The EA soil and land capability impact assessment;
- The EA surface water impact assessment;
- The EA groundwater impact assessment; and
- The EA stygofauna impact assessment.

2.0 GEOLOGY

The Project will target five main coal seams as part of a proposed open cut and highwall mining program. The typical stratigraphic profile of the key mining areas associated with the Project, as indicated from the geological model is provided in **Attachment A (Figure 3)**. The five coal seams are listed in order of increasing depth as the Whybrow, Redbank Creek, Wambo, Whynot and Blakefield seams, respectively. These seams are located in the upper part of the Jerrys Plains Subgroup of the Wittingham Coal Measures. The Whybrow seam is part of the Mt Leonard Formation and the remaining four seams form part of the Malabar Formation. The Mt Leonard Formation is a mainly coarse classic unit with lithologies ranging from massive sandstone to conglomerate with intercalated thin coal seams. The Malabar Formation is about 160 m thick and typically consists of sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, coal and minor claystone (Pratt, 1995; SCJV, 2005). A brief description of the five coal seams targeted by the Project is provided below.

2.1 Whybrow Seam

The Whybrow seam typically occurs as a single horizon immediately below the Denman Formation and is characterised by an approximately 0.25 m thick tuffaceous claystone band in the centre of the seam. The seam can vary in thickness from 2.5 to 4 m and is intruded throughout the eastern limb of the Calool Syncline. The overburden/interburden lithology associated with the seam is mainly sandstone.

2.2 Redbank Creek Seam

The Redbank Creek seam is located immediately below the Althorpe Claystone and contains two major tuff bands, which can divide the seam into three recognisable plies, the lowest of which ('C' ply) is the most prospective. The overall thickness of the seam is generally between 4 and 6 m, but in some cases up to 20 m. The interburden lithology below this seam is typically sandstone.

2.3 Wambo Seam

The Wambo Creek seam typically occurs midway between the overlying Redbank Creek seam and underlying Whynot seam. It is generally less than 0.5 m thick, but where split, the lower split can be up to 0.8 m thick. Some intrusion occurs in the western part of the study area. The interburden lithology associated with this seam is typically characterised by sandstone, siltstone and shale.

2.4 Whynot Seam

The Whynot seam is a low ash thermal coal seam averaging about 2 m in thickness and lying approximately 15 to 25 m below the Redbank Creek seam. The Whynot seam contains no characteristic stone bands. The resource area is divided by an extensive north west to south east trending intrusion and thins eastwards. The interburden lithology associated with this seam is typically characterised by sandstone, siltstone, mudstone and shale.

2.5 Blakefield Seam

The Blakefield seam typically occurs 20 m below the Whynot seam and has an average thickness of 2.2 m. The north eastern part of the study area is characterised by seam intrusion. The interburden lithology associated with this seam is typically characterised by sandstone, mudstone and tuff.

As stated above, the Project target seams are located within the upper part of the Jerrys Plains Subgroup of the Wittingham Coal Measures. Other mining operations in the vicinity of the Project area generally mine seams either from the stratigraphically deeper Greta Coal Measures such as Drayton Mine and Bayswater No. 2 Pit (AGE, 2009) or from deeper seams in the Wittingham Coal Measures such as Mt Arthur Coal, Bayswater No. 3 and Bengalla Mine (Hansen Bailey, 2009).

Table 1
Typical Overburden and Coal Seam Thickness within the Study Area

Coal Seam (splits)	Typical Coal Seam Thickness (m)	Overburden / Interburden Thickness (m)
Whybrow	2.5-4	50
Redbank Creek	4-6	15-20
Wambo	0.5	20
Whynot	2	15
Blakefield	2.2	20-30

3.0 METHODOLOGY

3.1 Desktop Review

RGS has worked closely with Hansen Bailey/Anglo American personnel to develop an appropriate sampling and testing program for representative samples of overburden and coal reject materials as part of the geochemical impact assessment. A sampling and geochemical testing protocol report was provided to Hansen Bailey in January 2011 (RGS, 2011) prior to the site visit and sampling taking place. The detailed methodology used for the sampling and testing program is described at **Section 3.3**. RGS personnel coordinated the sampling program with Anglo American personnel and representative (drill core) samples of overburden and coal reject materials were collected and transferred to ALS Brisbane laboratory for static geochemical testing. Selected samples of overburden and coal reject materials were also subjected to kinetic leach column testing at RGS' in-house laboratory and collected leachates were tested at ALS Brisbane laboratory. All geochemical test work programs completed on the overburden and coal reject samples were co-ordinated by RGS personnel.

RGS has previously completed a review of available geochemical, geological and water quality data associated with the Project. Relevant information was supplied to RGS by Hansen Bailey and Anglo American personnel. Supplied information was used in the current assessment for the development of an overburden and coal reject sampling and geochemical testing program. This process enabled RGS to make efficient use of existing data as well as current exploration drilling programs to develop an effective sampling and geochemical testing program for the Project.

3.2 Site Visit

RGS personnel (Alan Robertson) completed a site visit to the study area on 14 January 2011. This included meetings with key Project geological (exploration) personnel, and providing supervision of the initial drill core sampling program. The site visit enabled RGS to gain an understanding of the Project layout and proposed overburden and coal reject emplacement strategy. The site visit also provided additional rigour to the geochemical assessment process and ensured that results interpretation and final conclusions were robust and based on a sound sampling and testing methodology.

3.3 Sampling and Testing Program

3.3.1 Sampling Program

There are no specific regulatory requirements regarding the number of samples required to be obtained and tested for overburden materials at coal mines in NSW. As such, existing technical guidelines for geochemical assessment of mine waste in Australia (AMIRA, 2002; DITR, 2007 and ACARP, 2008) and worldwide (INAP, 2009) have been used by RGS as a framework for developing the sampling (and testing) program for the Project.

Thirty overburden samples and six potential coal reject (coal seam roof and floor) samples were obtained from five drill holes selected to provide lateral and vertical coverage of the overburden and potential coal reject materials likely to be generated by the Project. In addition, a further two composite samples of roof and floor materials and coal reject materials were obtained from the coal quality laboratory (ALS Maitland) and represented composite drill core material from four boreholes spanning the five target seams planned to be mined. The two composite samples were prepared in order to obtain sufficient sample mass for the required geochemical analysis. The location of the drill holes used for geochemical sampling is shown in **Attachment A (Figure 4)**.

The sampling strategy was based on existing knowledge of the geology/stratigraphy of the site and from the results of previous geochemical assessment work as described in **Section 4.0**. Additional sampling considerations included the potential for significant environmental or health impacts; size of operation; sample representation requirements; material volumes; level of confidence in predictive ability; and cost. Anglo American provided a suitably qualified person (Senior Geologist) to supervise the collection of representative samples of the required range of overburden and coal reject materials. RGS provided the relevant laboratory chain of custody documentation and instructions to allow Anglo

American personnel to collect and dispatch of the relevant drill core samples to ALS Brisbane laboratory for geochemical characterisation tests as described in **Section 3.3.2**.

3.3.2 Geochemical Testing Program

Static Tests

The drill core samples received by ALS Brisbane were prepared (crushed, split, sub-sampled and pulverised) prior to being subjected to a series of geochemical tests. The geochemical test program was designed to assess the degree of risk from oxidation of pyrite, acid generation, and leaching of soluble metals and salts. The assessment also included characterisation of standard soil parameters including salinity, cation exchange capacity, and major metal compositions. A summarised overview of a typical geochemical assessment program for mine waste materials is provided in **Attachment B**.

All of the 38 samples collected were subjected to initial Acid Base Account (ABA) geochemical testing as part of an initial screening process. Specifically, each sample was tested for:

- pH and Electrical Conductivity (EC) (1:5);
- Total sulfur;
- Acid neutralising capacity (ANC); and
- Net acid producing potential (NAPP).

Eight selected samples were also tested for sulfur speciation (Chromium Reducible Sulfur) tests. After the results of the ABA tests were received and reviewed, 15 samples were chosen for multi-element testing that was completed on solid and soluble fractions of pulverised composite samples. Composite samples were tested for:

- pH and EC (1:5);
- Alkalinity (1:5);
- Total metals (Al, As, B, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mn, Mo, N, Ni, P, Sb, Se, Zn) in solids;
- Total cations (Ca, Mg, Na, K) and Exchangeable cations (Ca, Mg, Na, K);
- Soluble metals (Al, As, B, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mn, Mo, Ni, P, Sb, Se, Zn) in 1:5 water extracts;
- Soluble cations (Ca, Mg, Na, K) and soluble anions (Cl, SO₄);
- Cation Exchange Capacity (eCEC); and
- Exchangeable Sodium Percentage (ESP).

KLC Tests

A total of five KLC tests were completed on various overburden and coal reject materials obtained from the study area at the RGS in-house laboratory. For drill core samples, the KLC test material comprised crushed material passing nominal 10 mm sieve size. For other samples, the sample material was used in the KLC tests as received.

The KLC tests commenced in April 2011 and were completed July 2011. Approximately 1 to 2 kg dry weight of each sample was used in each of the KLC tests, which were operated with fortnightly deionised water addition and leachate collection for 12 weeks. Heat lamps were used on a daily basis to simulate sunshine and ensure that the KLC test materials were unsaturated and subject to oxidising conditions, between leaching events. All leachate collected was sent to ALS Brisbane for analysis of parameters including:

- pH and EC;
- Acidity and alkalinity;
- Soluble metals (Al, B, As, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mn, Mo, Ni, Sb, Se and Zn);
- Soluble cations (Ca, Mg, Na and K); and
- Soluble anions (Cl, SO₄).

KLC test results and trends are presented at **Attachment C** and a copy of all the geochemical results received from ALS Brisbane for the KLC tests is provided at **Attachment D**.

4.0 REVIEW OF EXISTING GEOCHEMICAL DATA

A recent desktop geochemical assessment of overburden and potential coal reject materials was completed for the Project (RGS, 2010b). The assessment relied upon a number of existing sources of information including Hansen Bailey (2009), Envirosciences (1992), and AGE (2009); and found that:

- Overburden material in the study area is likely to be geochemically benign, with very low total sulfur content, excess neutralising capacity and therefore, negligible acid generating potential. This material should contain low concentrations of total metals and is likely to generate alkaline surface runoff/seepage with relatively low concentrations of soluble salts and trace metals;
- Whilst it is possible that material associated with uneconomic coal seams could be less benign than bulk overburden of the Project, this material is likely to make up a very small proportion of the total overburden volume reporting to storage facilities;
- Some overburden is likely to be sodic, prone to dispersion and erosion, and unlikely to be suitable for rehabilitation purposes without amelioration measures;
- Coal rejects derived from the target seams are likely to contain relatively low concentrations of total sulfur, a significant proportion of which is likely to be present as (non-acid forming) organic sulfur. It is expected that the risk of acid generation from coal rejects will be low; and
- The concentration and solubility of environmentally significant metals in coal rejects is likely to be low and within applicable soil and water quality guideline concentrations.

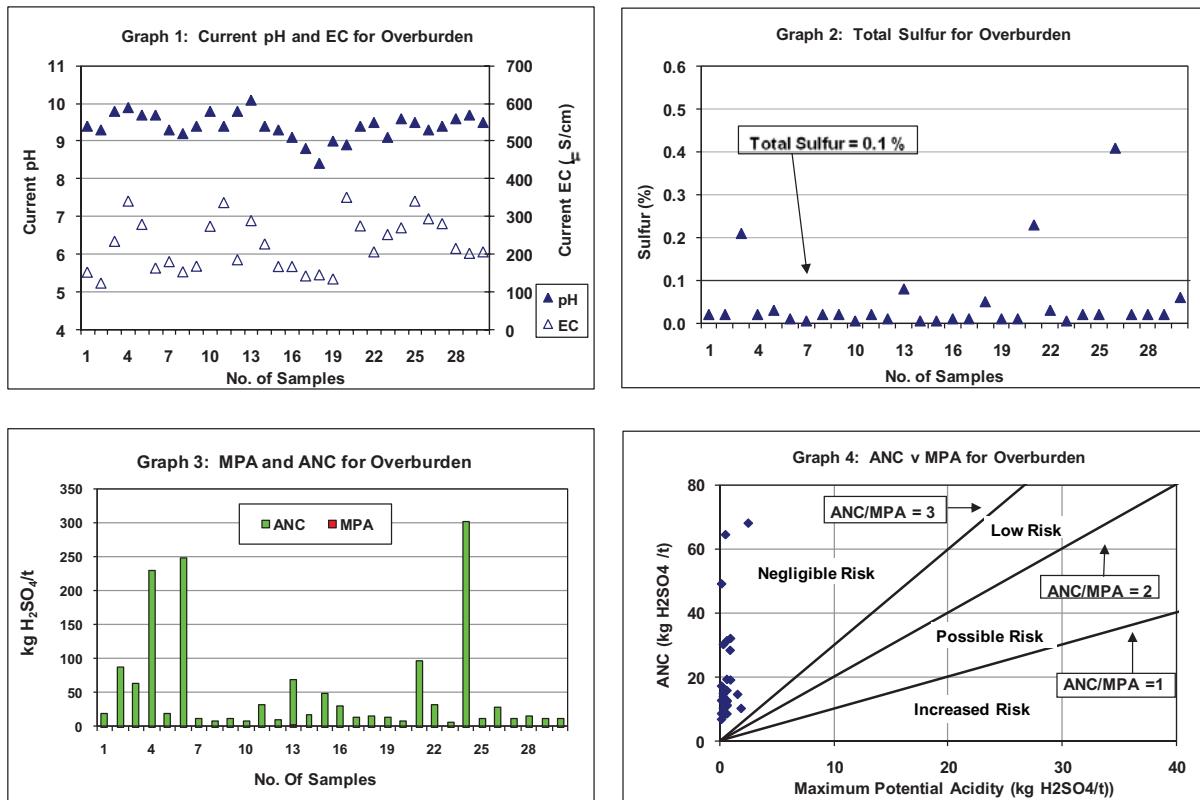
5.0 GEOCHEMICAL TEST RESULTS

5.1 Acid Base Account Results

5.1.1 Overburden

Acid Base Account (ABA) test results for the 30 drill core samples representing overburden materials from Drayton South are summarised below and presented in **Table 2** and **Graphs 1, 2, 3 and 4**.

- pH:** The current pH_{1:5} of the overburden samples range from 8.4 to 10.1 and is moderately alkaline (median pH 9.4) (**Graph 1**).
- EC:** The current EC_{1:5} of the overburden samples range from 123 to 351 µS/cm and is typically low (median of 211 µS/cm) (**Graph 1**).
- Total sulfur:** The total sulfur content of the overburden samples is typically very low and ranges from <0.01 to 0.41 % (median 0.02 %). All but three overburden samples have total sulfur values less than 0.1 % (**Graph 2**).
- Chromium Reducible Sulfur:** The sulfidic sulfur content of a selection (3) of the overburden samples was determined using the Chromium Reducible Sulfur (CRS) test. The results shown in **Table 2** indicate that most of the total sulfur is non-sulfidic.
- Maximum potential acidity (MPA):** Based on the total sulfur content and sulfidic sulfur content of the samples (where available), the MPA that could be generated by the overburden samples is negligible, ranging from 0.2 to 2.5 kg H₂SO₄/t (median 0.6 kg H₂SO₄/t) (**Graph 3**).
- ANC:** The ANC value for the samples ranges from 6.6 to 303 kg H₂SO₄/t and is typically moderate (median 16.3 kg H₂SO₄/t) (**Graph 3**).
- NAPP:** The calculated NAPP value for the samples ranges from -302.4 to -6.4 kg H₂SO₄/t and is typically negative (median -15.9 kg H₂SO₄/t).



**Table 2: Acid-Base Account Results for Overburden Materials**

ALS Laboratory Sample ID	Date	Sample Name	Sample Interval (m)		Lithology	Sample Type	pH ¹	EC ¹ (µS/cm)	Total Sulfur (%)	CRS	MPA ²	ANC ²	NAPP ² (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	ANC/NAPP ratio	Sample Classification ³
			From	To											
Overburden															
EB1104975-001	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 001	28.25	28.81	0.56	Sandstone		9.4	152	0.020	-	0.6	19.1	-18.5	31.2
EB1104975-002	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 002	37.09	37.44	0.35	Sandstone	Interburden	9.3	123	0.020	-	0.6	87	-86.4	142.0
EB1104975-003	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 003	60.23	60.62	0.39	Sandstone/Silt	Interburden	9.8	234	0.210	0.016	0.5	64.4	-63.9	131.4
EB1104975-004	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 004	66.59	67.10	0.51	Tuff	Interburden	9.9	341	0.020	-	0.6	230	-229.4	375.5
EB1104975-005	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 005	78.26	78.70	0.44	Sandstone	Interburden	9.7	279	0.030	-	0.9	18.9	-18.0	20.6
EB1104975-006	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 006	94.06	94.53	0.47	Sandstone	Interburden	9.7	163	0.010	-	0.3	248	-247.7	809.8
EB1104977-001	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 001	53.69	54.09	0.40	Sandstone	Interburden	9.3	180	0.005	-	0.2	12.5	-12.3	81.6
EB1104977-002	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 002	62.83	63.15	0.32	Sandstone	Interburden	9.2	153	0.020	-	0.6	8.3	-7.7	13.6
EB1104977-003	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 003	68.69	69.10	0.41	Claystone	Interburden	9.4	168	0.020	-	0.6	10.8	-10.2	17.6
EB1104977-004	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 004	83.46	83.79	0.33	Tuff	Interburden	9.8	274	0.005	-	0.2	8.4	-8.2	54.9
EB1104977-005	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 005	104.72	105.21	0.49	Claystone	Interburden	9.4	337	0.020	-	0.6	31.2	-30.6	50.9
EB1104977-006	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 006	123.91	124.28	0.37	Sandstone/Siltstone	Interburden	9.8	185	0.010	-	0.3	10.1	-9.8	33.0
EB1104977-007	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 007	138.65	139.02	0.37	Dolomite	Interburden	10.1	289	0.080	-	2.5	68	-65.6	27.8
EB1104981-001	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 001	17.46	17.88	0.42	Sandstone	Interburden	9.4	227	0.005	-	0.2	17	-16.8	111.0
EB1104981-002	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 002	25.02	25.37	0.35	Sandstone	Interburden	9.3	167	0.005	-	0.2	49	-48.8	320.0
EB1104981-003	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 003	28.71	29.11	0.40	Sandstone	Interburden	9.1	167	0.010	-	0.3	30	-29.7	98.0
EB1104981-004	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 004	39.76	40.07	0.31	Siltstone	Interburden	8.8	142	0.010	-	0.3	14.7	-14.4	48.0
EB1104981-005	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 005	54.08	54.44	0.36	Sandstone	Interburden	8.4	145	0.050	-	1.5	14.4	-12.9	9.4
EB1104981-006	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 006	60.81	61.24	0.43	Sandstone	WA1 Overburden	9.0	134	0.010	-	0.3	13.7	-13.4	44.7
EB1104978-001	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 001	15.42	15.83	0.41	Claystone	WA1 Overburden	8.9	351	0.010	-	0.3	7.9	-7.6	25.8
EB1104978-002	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 002	20.27	20.96	0.69	Sandstone	WA1 Overburden	9.4	275	0.230	0.006	0.2	96.8	-96.6	526.8
EB1104978-003	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 003	23.76	24.30	0.54	Siltstone/Sandstone	WA1 Overburden	9.5	206	0.030	-	0.9	31.9	-31.0	34.7
EB1104980-001	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 001	18.10	18.61	0.51	Sandstone/Siltstone	WA1 Overburden	9.1	252	0.005	-	0.2	6.6	-6.4	43.1
EB1104980-004	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 004	25.53	25.82	0.29	Sandstone	WA2 Interburden	9.6	270	0.020	-	0.6	303	-302.4	494.7
EB1104980-005	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 005	27.75	28.05	0.30	Claystone	WA2 Interburden	9.5	341	0.020	-	0.6	12.5	-11.9	20.4
EB1104978-005	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 005	26.87	27.46	0.59	Sandstone	WA2 Overburden	9.3	294	0.410	0.029	0.9	28.2	-27.3	31.8
EB1104978-006	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 006	31.58	31.95	0.37	Siltstone	WA2 Overburden	9.4	281	0.020	-	0.6	11.1	-10.5	18.1
EB1104980-007	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 007	32.00	32.37	0.37	Siltstone	WN1 Interburden	9.6	215	0.020	-	0.6	15.6	-15.0	25.5
EB1104980-008	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 008	38.50	39.00	0.50	Siltstone	WN1 Interburden	9.7	202	0.020	-	0.6	12.2	-11.6	19.9
EB1104978-007	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 007	38.19	38.54	0.35	Claystone/Siltstone	WN3 Overburden	9.5	206	0.060	-	1.8	10	-8.2	5.4

Notes

1. Current pH, EC, Alkalinity and Acidity provided for 1:5 sample:water extracts

2. MPA = Maximum potential acidity; ANC = Acid neutralising capacity; and NAPP = Net acid producing potential.

3. Sample classification detail provided in report text.

Graph 3 illustrates that the ANC value significantly exceeds the MPA value in all overburden samples tested and consequently, all of the overburden samples have negative NAPP values.

Graph 4 shows a plot of ANC versus MPA for the overburden samples. The ANC/MPA ratio of the samples ranges from 5.4 to 810 and is typically very high (median 122.2). ANC/MPA ratio lines have been plotted on the graph to illustrate the factor of safety associated with the samples. Generally those samples with an ANC/MPA ratio of greater than 2 are considered to have a low to negligible risk of acid generation and a high factor of safety in terms of potential for acid generation (DITR, 2007; INAP, 2009). The results indicate that 100% of the overburden samples tested have negligible risk of acid generation and a very high factor of safety.

The ABA results presented in this section have been used to classify the acid forming nature of the 30 overburden samples as shown in **Table 2**. The geochemical criteria used by RGS to classify the acid forming nature of the overburden samples are provided in **Table 3**.

Table 3
Geochemical Classification Criteria for Overburden Materials

Geochemical Classification	Total or Sulfidic Sulfur [#] (%)	NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	ANC/MPA Ratio	Number of Samples	% of Total Samples
NAF - Barren ¹	≤ 0.1	-	-	30	100
Non Acid Forming (NAF)	≥ 0.1	< -5	≥ 2	0	0
Uncertain	≥ 0.1	> -5 and < +5	<2	0	0
Potentially Acid Forming	≥ 0.1	> +5	<2	0	0

Notes:

[#]If total sulphur or sulfidic sulfur is less than or equal to 0.1 %, the NAPP and ANC/MPA ratio are not required for material classification as the sample is essentially barren of sulfur.

The results in **Table 3** indicate that all of the overburden samples tested fall in the NAF-Barren geochemical classification category. Overall, from an acid-base perspective, the overburden material tested can generally be regarded as a NAF-barren unit. Most overburden material also has significant excess buffering capacity that should be available to more than adequately buffer the negligible amount of acid that could theoretically be produced.

The results of the ABA tests on representative samples of overburden materials and any potential implications for overburden management at the Project are discussed further in **Section 6.0**.

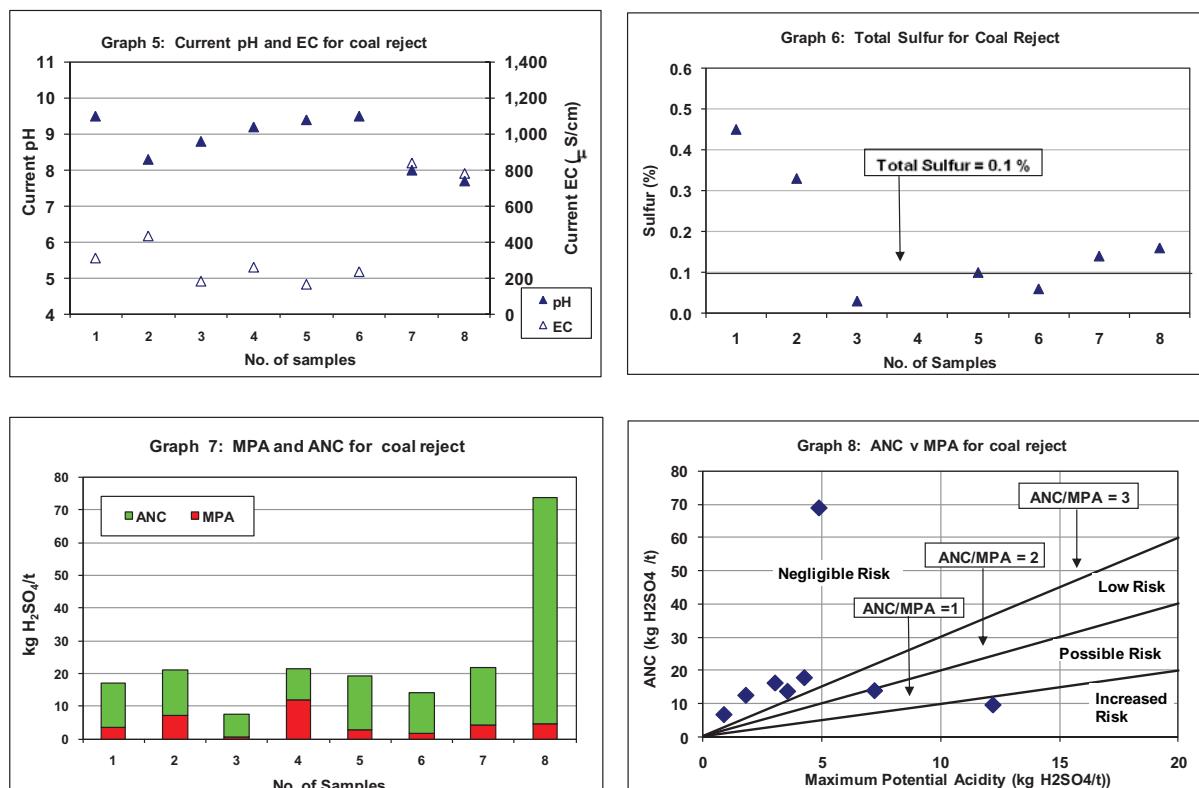
5.1.2 Coal Reject Material

ABA test results for eight samples of coal reject material from Drayton South are summarised below and presented in **Table 4** and **Graphs 5, 6, 7 and 8**.

- pH:** The current pH_{1:5} of the potential reject samples range from 7.7 to 9.5 and is moderately alkaline (median pH 9.0) (**Graph 5**).
- EC:** The current EC_{1:5} of the potential reject samples range from 167 to 842 µS/cm and is typically low (median 287.5 µS/cm) (**Graph 5**).
- Sulfur:** The total sulfur content of the reject samples range from 0.03 to 0.86 %. The sulfidic sulfur content of a selection (3) of the coal reject samples was determined using the CRS test. The results shown in **Table 4** indicate that approximately half of the total sulfur is non-sulfidic.

¹A sample classified as NAF can be further described as 'barren' if the total sulfur content is less than or equal to 0.1 per cent, as the sample essentially has negligible acid generating capacity.

- **MPA:** Based on the total sulfur content, the MPA that could be generated by the coal reject samples range from 0.9 to 12.2 kg H₂SO₄/t and is low (median 2.8 kg H₂SO₄/t) (**Graph 7**).
- **ANC:** The ANC value for the potential reject samples range from 6.7 to 68.9 kg H₂SO₄/t and is moderate (median 13.8 kg H₂SO₄/t) (**Graph 7**).
- **NAPP:** The calculated NAPP value for the potential reject samples range from -66.3 to +2.6 kg H₂SO₄/t and are typically negative (median -10.4 kg H₂SO₄/t).



Graph 7 illustrates that the MPA value in most of the coal reject samples is low and six of the eight samples have an MPA value < 5 kg H₂SO₄/t. The ANC value exceeds the MPA value in all but one of the coal reject samples tested (sample DD1150 EO, 006 WA2 Floor) and consequently, seven out of eight coal reject samples have negative NAPP values. **Graph 8** shows a plot of ANC versus MPA for the coal reject samples. The ANC/MPA ratio of the samples ranges from 0.8 to 26.8 and is typically elevated (median 6.0). ANC/MPA ratio lines have been plotted on the graph to illustrate the factor of safety associated with the samples. Generally those samples with an ANC/MPA ratio of greater than 2 are considered to have a negligible risk of acid generation and a high factor of safety in terms of potential for acid generation (DITR, 2007; INAP, 2009). The results indicate that seven of the eight coal reject samples tested have a low to negligible risk of acid generation and a high factor of safety.

The eight individual coal reject samples tested have been classified according to the geochemical classification criteria previously presented in **Table 3**, as shown in the geochemical results presented at **Table 4**. The results show that seven of the eight samples are classified as NAF-Barren or NAF. One of the eight samples has been classified as Uncertain due to the slightly positive NAPP value and low ANC / MPA ratio.

Overall, from an acid-base perspective, the coal reject materials tested can generally be regarded as a NAF unit. Most coal reject material also has significant excess buffering capacity that should be

available to more than adequately buffer the low to negligible amount of acid that could theoretically be produced.

The results of the ABA tests on representative samples of coal reject materials and any potential implications for coal reject management at the Project are discussed further in **Section 6.0**.

Table 4: Acid-Base Account Results for Coal Reject Materials

ALS Laboratory Sample ID	Date	Sample Name	Sample Interval (m)		Lithology	Sample Type	pH ¹ (μ S/cm)	EC ¹ (μ S/cm)	Total Sulfur	CRS	MPA ²	ANC ²	NAPP ² (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	ANC/MPA ratio	Sample Classification ³
			From	To											
Coal Rejects															
EB1104978-004	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 004	25.00	25.39	0.39	Siltstone	WA1 Floor	9.5	313	0.45	0.117	3.6	13.7	-10.1	3.8
EB1104980-003	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 003	20.93	21.28	0.35	Claystone	WA1 Floor	8.3	436	0.33	0.236	7.2	13.9	-6.7	1.9
EB1104980-002	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 002	19.73	20.02	0.29	Claystone	WA1 Roof	8.8	184	0.03	-	0.9	6.7	-5.8	7.3
EB1104980-006	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 006	29.47	29.81	0.34	Claystone	WA2 Floor	9.2	262	0.86	0.398	12.2	9.6	2.6	0.8
EB1104978-008	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 008	39.75	40.22	0.47	Siltstone/Sandstone	WN3 Floor	9.4	167	0.10	-	3.1	16.2	-13.1	5.3
EB1104980-009	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 009	42.86	43.13	0.27	Carb. Claystone	WN3 Floor	9.5	237	0.06	-	1.8	12.5	-10.7	6.8
EB1105959-001	23/03/11	Composite of DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A and DD1146				SCK Coal Reject		8.0	842	0.14	0.062	1.9	17.8	-15.9	9.4
EB1105959-002	23/03/11	Composite of DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A and DD1146				SCK Roof/Floor		7.7	784	0.16	0.084	2.6	68.9	-66.3	26.8

Notes

1. Current pH, EC, Alkalinity and Acidity provided for 1:5 sample:water extracts
2. MPA = Maximum potential acidity, ANC = Acid neutralising capacity; and NAPP = Net acid producing potential.
3. Sample classification detail provided in report text.

5.2 Multi-Element Concentration in Solids

Multi-element scans are completed to identify any elements (particularly metals) present in a mine waste material at concentrations that may be of environmental concern with respect to revegetation and surface water/seepage quality. The results are compared to relevant guideline criteria to determine any concerns related to mine operation and final rehabilitation so that management measures can be developed if required. For total metal concentrations in overburden or potential coal reject materials in NSW, there are no specific guidelines and/or regulatory criteria for metal concentrations in mine waste materials. In the absence of these and to provide relevant context, RGS has compared the total metal concentration in overburden and coal reject materials (solids) to health-based investigation levels (HIL(E)) that apply to soils in parks, recreational open spaces and playing fields (NEPC, 1999a). The applicability of this guideline stems from the potential final land use of the mine following closure (e.g. ecological values and agricultural activities).

Seven individual overburden samples and eight coal reject samples were selected and subjected to multi-element test work. The list of theselected samples is provided at **Table 5**.

Table 5
Overburden and Coal Reject Samples Selected for Multi-Element Tests

ALS Laboratory Sample ID	Date	Sample Name	Sample Interval (m)			Lithology	Sample Type
			From	To	Depth		
EB1104975-001	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 001	28.25	28.81	0.56	Sandstone	Interburden
EB1104975-003	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 003	60.23	60.62	0.39	Sandstone/Silt	Interburden
EB1104977-003	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 003	68.69	69.10	0.41	Claystone	Interburden
EB1104977-004	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 004	83.46	83.79	0.33	Tuff	Interburden
EB1104978-002	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 002	20.27	20.96	0.69	Sandstone	WA1 Overburden
EB1104978-004	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 004	25.00	25.39	0.39	Siltstone	WA1 Floor
EB1104978-005	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 005	26.87	27.46	0.59	Sandstone	WA2 Overburden
EB1104978-008	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 008	39.75	40.22	0.47	Siltstone/Sandstone	WN3 Floor
EB1104980-002	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 002	19.73	20.02	0.29	Claystone	WA1 Roof
EB1104980-003	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 003	20.93	21.28	0.35	Claystone	WA1 Floor
EB1104980-006	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 006	29.47	29.81	0.34	Claystone	WA2 Floor
EB1104980-009	15/03/11	DD1150 EO 009	42.86	43.13	0.27	Carb. Claystone	WN3 Floor
EB1022785-033	2/03/11	DD1163 EO 003	28.71	29.11	0.40	Sandstone	Interburden
EB1105959-001	23/03/11	Composite of DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A and DD1146				SCK Coal Reject	
EB1105959-002	23/03/11	Composite of DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A and DD1146				SCK Roof/Floor	

The results from multi-element testing (total metals) of the overburden and coal reject samples are presented in **Table 6**. The acquired data indicates that the overburden materials have total metal concentrations in solids well within the applied NEPC guideline criteria for soils.

5.3 Effective Cation Exchange Capacity and Sodicity

The eCEC results presented in **Table 6** indicate that the eCEC of the overburden and coal reject samples is moderate to high and ranges from 7.5 to 42.6 meq/100g (median 23.9 meq/100g).

The ESP results presented in **Table 6** indicate that the sodicity of overburden samples is low in the sandstone material, but can be elevated in the mudstone and tuff. The ESP in the coal reject samples is relatively high and ranges from 10.8 to 24.3 % (median of 13.7 %).

The results of the eCEC and ESP tests on overburden and coal reject samples and any potential implications for management of these materials at Drayton South are discussed further in **Section 6.0**.

5.4 Multi-Elements in Water Extracts

5.4.1 Overburden

There are no specific regulatory criteria for metal concentrations in leachate derived from overburden and coal reject materials on mine sites in NSW. As such, RGS has compared the multi-element results in water extracts from overburden and potential coal reject samples with Australian guidelines to provide some context for discussion of test results (ANZECC, 2000 and NEPC, 1999b).

The results from multi-element (soluble metal) testing of water extracts (1:5 solid:water) from the 15 overburden and coal reject samples are presented at **Table 7**. The extracts are typically neutral to alkaline and range from pH 7.7 to 9.8. The samples have relatively low EC values (152 to 842 µS/cm) with a median EC of 262 µS/cm; generally indicating low salinity and low concentrations of dissolved solids.

The dominant major soluble cation is sodium and the dominant major soluble anions are typically bicarbonate, chloride and sulfate. The concentration of soluble sulfate is relatively low (4 to 122 mg/L) and remains well below the applied ANZECC (2000) water quality guideline criterion (1,000 mg/L).

The concentration of most trace metals tested in the water extracts is relatively low, predominantly below the analytical detection limit, and below the applied water quality guideline criteria where these exist. The exceptions are molybdenum (Mo) and Selenium (Se), which are present at a slightly elevated concentration in a few of the water extract samples, with respect to the applied Australian ANZECC (2000) water quality guideline value for livestock drinking water. The results indicate that most metals are sparingly soluble at the neutral to alkaline pH of the water extracts.

A review of available groundwater and surface water data at Saddlers Creek indicates that the water extract results described above are reasonably consistent with background water quality data.

Any implications of these results for management of overburden and coal reject materials at emplacement areas are discussed in **Section 6.0**.

Table 6: Multi-Element (Total Metal) Results for Overburden and Coal Reject Materials

		Overburden		Coal Reject	
Parameters	Material description → NEPC ¹ Health-Based Investigation Level	Sandstone/Silt Interburden (DD1158 EO 001)	Sandstone/WA1 Interburden (DD1156 EO 003)	Sandstone/WA2 Overburden (DD1163 EO 003)	Silicate/WA1 Floor (DD1150 EO 002)
Elements	All units mg/kg				
Aluminium (Al)	-	2,920	3,740	3,530	4,230
Antimony (Sb)	5	-	<5	<5	<5
Arsenic (As)	5	200	12	<5	6
Boron (B)	50	6,000	<50	<50	<50
Cadmium (Cd)	1	40	<1	<1	<1
Calcium (Ca)	10	-	6,260	32,800	2,790
Chromium (Cr) total	2	*	14	8	9
Cobalt (Co)	2	200	36	21	<2
Copper (Cu)	5	2,000	16	21	30
Iron (Fe)	50	-	51,000	22,500	110,000
Lead (Pb)	5	600	10	8	12
Magnesium (Mg)	10	-	3,800	9,870	4,540
Manganese (Mn)	5	3,000	837	367	2,200
Molybdenum (Mo)	2	-	<2	<2	<2
Nickel (Ni)	2	600	36	28	24
Potassium (K)	10	-	950	1,120	1,550
Selenium (Se)	5	-	<5	<5	<5
Sodium (Na)	10	-	340	880	470
Zinc (Zn)	5	14,000	64	67	132
Exchangeable Cations					All units meq/100g (except Exchangeable Sodium Percentage (%))
Exch. Calcium	0.1	-	9.7	20.1	1.8
Exch. Magnesium	0.1	-	6	6.3	4.3
Exch. Potassium	0.1	-	0.6	0.5	1
Exch. Sodium	0.1	-	0.8	2.4	1.4
Cation Exchange Capacity	0.1	-	17	29.3	8.4
Exchangeable Sodium Percentage	0.1 %	-	4.6	8.1	17.3
Calcium/Magnesium Ratio	0.1 %	-	1.6	3.2	0.4

Notes < indicates less than the analytical detection limit.

1. NEPC (1999a). National Environmental Protection Council (NEPC), National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure (NEPM). Guideline on investigation levels for soil and groundwater. Hill-E; parks, recreation open space and playing fields.

* Guideline level for Cr(VI) = 200 mg/kg. Guideline level for Cr(III) = 24% of total Cr.

**Table 7: Multi-Element Results for Water Extracts from Overburden and Coal Reject Materials**

Parameters	Material description ->	Overburden						Coal Reject					
		Detection Limit	Guideline Levels ¹	Sandstone Interburden (DD1158 EO 001)	Sandstone/Silt Interburden (DD1158 EO 003)	Sandstone Interburden (DD1156 EO 004)	Siltstone WA1 Floor (DD1151 EO 004)	Claystone WA1 Floor (DD1150 EO 003)	Siltstone WA2 Floor (DD1150 EO 006)	Claystone/WA1 Root (DD1150 EO 002)	Siltstone/Sandstone WN3 Floor (DD1151 EO 008)	Claystone WN3 Floor (DD1150 EO 009)	SCK Coal Reject
pH	0.1 pH Unit	-	9.4	9.8	9.4	9.8	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.5	8.3	8.8	9.4
Electrical Conductivity	1 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$	-	152	234	168	274	167	294	275	313	436	184	262
Total Alkalinity (mgCaCO ₃ /L)	0.2 mg/L	-	648	2,040	270	490	<1	938	7,860	1,202	552	510	476
Bicarbonate Alkalinity (mgCaCO ₃ /L)	0.2 mg/L	-	592	1,890	260	346	139	938	7,720	1,144	534	496	476
Carbonate Alkalinity (mgCaCO ₃ /L)	0.2 mg/L	-	58	144	10	144	<0.2	<0.2	135	58	19	14	<0.2
Major Ions													
Calcium (Ca)	2	1,000	4	<2	<2	2	4	14	<2	<2	2	<2	<2
Magnesium (Mg)	2	-	4	<2	<2	<2	<2	14	<2	<2	2	<2	<2
Sodium (Na)	2	-	22	52	32	<2	<2	64	50	84	70	48	54
Potassium (K)	2	-	<2	4	<2	2	12	<2	6	<2	2	6	2
Chloride (Cl)	2	-	10	8	<2	<2	26	<2	<2	<2	12	16	22
Sulfate (SO ₄)	2	1,000	22	20	16	<2	38	100	30	54	100	46	54
Metals													
Aluminium (Al)	0.2	5	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2
Antimony (Sb)	0.02	-	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Arsenic (As)	0.02	0.5	0.240	0.040	0.020	0.040	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Boron (B)	0.2	5	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2
Cadmium (Cd)	0.02	0.01	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Chromium (Cr)	0.02	1 / -	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Cobalt (Co)	0.02	1	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Copper (Cu)	0.02	1 / 0.5	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Iron (Fe)	0.2	-	<0.2	<0.2	0.4	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	0.4
Lead (Pb)	0.02	0.1	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Manganese (Mn)	0.02	-	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	0.0
Molybdenum (Mo)	0.02	0.15	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.02	<0.02	0.2	<0.02	0.02	0.04	<0.02	0.06
Nickel (Ni)	0.02	1	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	0.06	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Selenium (Se)	0.02	0.02	0.02	<0.02	0.04	<0.02	0.02	0.04	<0.02	0.02	0.26	<0.02	0.02
Zinc (Zn)	0.02	20	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02

Notes: < Indicates concentration less than the detection limit.

1. The first guideline level shown refers to ANZECC (2000) and the second to NEPC (1999). Where the two guidelines limits for a given element are in agreement, only one value is shown. A dash '-' represents no trigger value provided for this element.

a. ANZECC and ARMCANZ, Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality. Australian and New Zealand Environment Conservation Council and Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand, Canberra, ACT (2000). Livestock drinking water (cattle).

b. NEPC (1999b), National Environment Protection Council (NEPC). National Environmental Protection Measure (NEPM) Guideline on investigation levels for soil and groundwater. Groundwater Investigations Levels (Agricultural: Livestock).

5.5 KLC Tests

KLC tests were completed for three composite overburden samples and two coal reject samples using the methodology described in **Section 3.3.2**. The makeup of the three composite overburden samples and two coal reject samples is provided at **Table 8**. The composite reject samples for KLC tests (KLC4 and KLC5) were collected by Anglo American personnel from four boreholes DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A, DD1146 spanning the five target seams (Whybrow, Redbank Creek, Wambo, Whynot and Blakefield) planned to be mined at Drayton South. The samples were prepared at the ALS coal quality laboratory in Maitland, NSW. KLC4 is a composite of samples from within the seam and KLC5 is a composite of roof and floor samples from each seam.

Table 8
Overburden and Coal Reject Samples Selected for KLC Tests

ALS Laboratory Sample ID	Date	Sample Name	Sample Interval (m)			Lithology	Sample Type	KLC Test Number
			From	To	Depth			
Overburden								
EB1104975-001	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 001	28.25	28.81	0.56	Sandstone	Interburden	1
EB1104975-002	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 002	37.09	37.44	0.35	Sandstone	Interburden	
EB1104975-003	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 003	60.23	60.62	0.39	Sandstone/Silt	Interburden	
EB1104975-004	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 004	66.59	67.10	0.51	Tuff	Interburden	
EB1104975-005	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 005	78.26	78.70	0.44	Sandstone	Interburden	
EB1104975-006	2/03/11	DD1158 EO 006	94.06	94.53	0.47	Sandstone	Interburden	
EB1104977-001	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 001	53.69	54.09	0.40	Sandstone	Interburden	
EB1104977-002	2/03/11	DD1156 EO 002	62.83	63.15	0.32	Sandstone	Interburden	
EB1104978-003	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 003	23.76	24.30	0.54	Siltstone/Sandstone	WA1 Overburden	2
EB1104978-005	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 005	26.87	27.46	0.59	Sandstone	WA2 Overburden	
EB1104978-006	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 006	31.58	31.95	0.37	Siltstone	WA2 Overburden	
EB1104978-007	15/03/11	DD1151 EO 007	38.19	38.54	0.35	Claystone/Siltstone	WN3 Overburden	
Coal Rejects								
EB1105959001	23/03/11	DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A, DD1146					SCK Coal Reject	4
EB1105959002	23/03/11	DD1123, DD1126, DD1126A, DD1146					SCK Roof/Floor	5

5.5.1 KLC Test Results

The geochemical results and trends obtained for the two KLC tests on composite overburden samples are presented in **Attachment C**. **Tables KLC1 to KLC5** provide KLC test data, selected components of which are shown graphically in **Figures KLC1 to KLC5**. The KLC test results obtained over the 12 week test period indicate that:

- Leachate from the KLC tests ranges from pH neutral (6.61) to moderately alkaline (9.55) and typically has excess alkalinity. Leachate from overburden generally has a more alkaline pH value than leachate from coal reject;
- The EC value of leachate from the KLC tests ranges from 48 to 4,140 µS/cm. Leachate from overburden typically has a low EC value (< 500 µS/cm) whilst leachate from coal rejects typically has a higher EC value (> 1000 µS/cm), although for all leachate samples the EC value tends to decrease with time;

- The acidity of leachate from the KLC tests is low and ranges from <1 to 5 mg CaCO₃/L². The acidity of leachate from overburden is typically less than the analytical detection limit whereas the acidity from coal rejects is measurable.
- The alkalinity of leachate from the KLC tests on both overburden and coal reject ranges from 4 to 84 mg CaCO₃/L and is fairly consistent over the 12 week test period;
- The concentrations of soluble calcium and magnesium in leachate from the KLC tests have been used to calculate the residual ANC in these KLC test materials. The results indicate that most of the originally measured ANC ($\geq 96\%$) remains in the composite samples and should continue to provide excess alkalinity for a significant period of time;
- The concentration of soluble sulfate in leachate from the KLC tests has been used to calculate the residual sulfur content of the sample materials. The results show that $\geq 87\%$ of the total sulfur content of each sample remains in the samples after 12 weeks of leaching;
- The concentration of soluble sulfate in leachate from the KLC tests is low and for overburden remains at an order of magnitude lower than the applied ANZECC (2000) water quality guideline for this anion (1,000 mg/L). For coal reject, the sulfate concentration in leachate is higher but still remains within the guideline value; and
- The concentration of soluble trace metals in leachate from the KLC tests is low and remains well within applied (ANZECC (2000)/NEPC (1999b³)) water quality guidelines for all metals tested for except for molybdenum and selenium concentration which are slightly elevated in leachate from some samples, although elevated concentrations tend to decrease over time.

Potential implications of these results with respect to management of overburden and coal reject materials at the Project are discussed in **Section 6.0**.

5.6 Spontaneous Combustion

Drayton Mine's operations are within the Greta Coal Measures, which occur several hundred metres below the Wittingham Coal Measures, which are present at Drayton South. There are several differences in the coal and sediments of these two coal measures, one of which is the amount of sulfur present, specifically pyritic sulfur.

For spontaneous combustion to occur, a heat source and fuel are required. The spontaneous combustion issues at Drayton Mine relate primarily to pyrite (iron sulphide) oxidising (exothermic reaction) in the presence of combustible material (coal and/or other highly carbonaceous material). At Drayton South the sulfur content is much lower (generally well under 0.5% as demonstrated by coal reject results in **Section 5.1.2**) than Drayton Mine and most of the sulfur is organic with very minor pyritic. Within the interburden / overburden there is very little sulfur with several samples returning results below the level of detection i.e. <0.01%. There is therefore very low probability for spontaneous combustion *in situ* or in spoil dumps.

Coal left in stockpiles for an extended period of time, especially if uncompacted and exposed to wind, is a separate issue. There is a low probability for coals to be stockpiled for extended periods, but excessive time periods and favourable conditions can lead to spontaneous combustion in most coals.

² The units of mg/L CaCO₃ have been used for both alkalinity and acidity results in this report to facilitate data comparison.

³There are no guidelines and regulatory criteria specifically related to runoff and seepage from overburden spoil and coal reject materials since guidelines (and regulatory criteria) will depend upon the end-use and receiving environment. Therefore, to provide relevant context, RGS has compared the soluble concentration of each element leached from KLC test materials to NEPC (1999b) investigation levels for groundwater and ANZECC (2000) livestock drinking water guidelines. These guidelines allow for concentrations of individual parameters appropriate for an industrial facility in a rural area and are more appropriate (in the context of the project) than guidelines designed for water to be used for human consumption or being directly discharged into an aquatic environment (e.g. stream, river or lake).

6.0 DISCUSSION

6.1 Acid Base Account Test Results

The results of the ABA tests presented in **Section 5.1**, indicate that all (100%) of overburden material tested is NAF and has a high factor of safety with respect to potential acid generation. The overburden samples tested have very low ($\leq 0.1\%$) total oxidisable sulfur content and are therefore classified as NAF-barren. Most overburden materials also appear to have a significant acid buffering capacity (moderate to high ANC value), which is more than enough to buffer the negligible amount of acidity that could theoretically be generated from these materials. Overall, from an acid-base perspective, the overburden material tested can be regarded as a NAF unit containing excess neutralising capacity.

The results of the ABA tests indicate that the overwhelming majority of the coal reject material tested is NAF and has a high factor of safety with respect to potential acid generation. In particular, the composite coal reject samples, which provide the most representative samples of coal reject material, have very low total oxidisable sulphur content ($< 0.1\%$). The composite samples also have significant acid buffering capacity (moderate to high ANC value), which is more than enough to buffer the negligible amount of acidity that could theoretically be generated from these materials. Overall, from an acid-base perspective, the coal reject material tested can also be regarded as a NAF unit containing excess neutralising capacity.

Calculation of residual ANC remaining in the composite overburden and coal reject materials used in KLC tests indicates that much of the original measured ANC remains in these materials and is likely to continue to provide excess alkalinity for a significant period of time.

The concentration of soluble sulfate in leachate from the KLC tests is lower in the overburden samples than the coal reject samples and the sulfate generation rate shows some variability but is relatively consistent over the 12 week test period. The sulfate generation rate for each of the composite overburden and coal reject samples used in the KLC tests has been calculated as shown in **Table 9**.

Table 9
Oxidation Rates for Overburden and Potential Coal Reject Materials

KLC Sample Name	Sulfate Generation Rate (mg/kg/week)	Oxidation Rate (kg O ₂ /m ³ /s)
Composite Overburden(KLC1)	15.6	2.3×10^{-8}
Composite Overburden(KLC2)	18.2	2.7×10^{-8}
Composite Overburden(KLC3)	8.1	1.2×10^{-8}
Composite Coal reject (KLC4)	15.5	2.3×10^{-8}
Composite Coal reject (KLC5)	63.1	9.3×10^{-8}

The sulfate generation rate from the overburden KLC samples ranges from 8.1 to 63.1 mg/kg/week which suggests that the rate of sulfide oxidation is low to moderate in these materials (equivalent to an oxidation rate ranging from 1.2 to 9.3×10^{-8} kg O₂/m³/s). Results of previous KLC test work completed as part of a mining industry sponsored study program (AMIRA, 1995) indicate that mine materials with an oxidation rate of $< 5 \times 10^{-8}$ kg O₂/m³/s and low to moderate ANC levels have a high factor of safety and are likely to generate pH neutral to alkaline leachate. Hence, of the five composite overburden and coal reject samples tested, only sample KLC5 has a slightly higher oxidation rate than the value

described above. However, the oxidation rate in this material appears to be diminishing with time and this material also has a high ANC value and is therefore extremely unlikely to generate acid leachate.

Overall it is expected that the overburden and coal reject materials generated at Drayton South will have a very low risk of generating Acid and Metalliferous Drainage (AMD).

6.2 Multi-Element Composition and Water Quality

6.2.1 Multi-Element Composition

The multi-element compositions of overburden and coal reject samples are presented at **Section 5.2**, along with a comparison with applied guideline concentrations. The acquired data indicate that all total metal concentrations in overburden and coal reject samples are well below the applied NEPC (1999a) HIL(E) guideline values, where such guideline values exist. Hence, overburden and coal reject materials represented by the samples should not present a significant risk to the environment with respect to total metal concentrations in solids.

6.2.2 Water Quality

Static and KLC test results indicate that initial and ongoing surface run-off/seepage from overburden and coal reject materials is likely to be pH neutral to slightly alkaline. The dominant major soluble cation is sodium and the dominant major soluble anions are typically bicarbonate, chloride and sulfate. The concentration of all of these ions in run-off and seepage is expected to decrease over time. In addition, the salinity of surface run-off and seepage from overburden is expected to be low and from coal reject is expected to be elevated, although the salinity of surface run-off and seepage from both materials is likely to decrease with time. The concentration of soluble sulfate in surface run-off and seepage is expected to be low for overburden and remain well within the applied water quality guideline (ANZECC, 2000) concentration for this anion. For coal reject, the sulfate concentration in surface runoff and seepage is expected to be higher, but still remain within the guideline value. Hence, the risk of potential impact on the quality of surface and groundwater from the Project should be low for overburden and coal reject materials, although this finding should be confirmed by the ongoing water quality monitoring program for surface water and groundwater at Drayton South.

Most trace metals in overburden and coal reject are sparingly soluble at the predicted neutral to slightly alkaline pH of surface run-off/seepage and dissolved concentrations are expected to be low compared to the applied water quality guideline criteria (ANZECC, 2000; and NEPC, 1999b) livestock drinking water guidelines. Minor exceptions include soluble molybdenum and selenium concentrations, which could be slightly elevated in initial surface runoff and seepage from overburden and coal reject materials. It is therefore recommended that these elements are included in the water quality monitoring program for overburden and coal reject emplacement areas.

A review of available groundwater and surface water data at Saddlers Creek indicates that the water extract results described above are reasonably consistent with background water quality data.

6.3 Revegetation and Rehabilitation

The following discussion provides some context to the soil chemistry of overburden materials, should these report to final overburden and coal reject emplacement surfaces. From a soil chemistry view point, the overburden and potential coal reject materials are likely to be pH neutral to slightly alkaline. The overburden materials will generally have low salinity levels compared to coal reject materials, although salinity levels in coal reject should diminish over time. Both overburden and coal reject materials display moderate to high eCEC values, which should not hinder revegetation.

The ESP results presented in **Table 6** indicate that the sodicity of overburden samples is low in the sandstone material, but can be elevated in the mudstone and tuff. The ESP in the coal reject samples is relatively high and ranges from 10.8 to 24.3 % (median 13.7 %).

Where the EC is relatively low, such as in the overburden samples, soils are considered sodic if the ESP value is between 6% and 14%, and strongly sodic if the ESP is 15% or more (Isbell, 2002; and Northcote and Skene, 1972). Materials classified as sodic may be prone to dispersion and erosion. Hence, some overburden materials (mudstone and tuff) likely to report to overburden emplacement areas at Drayton South may have structural stability problems related to potential dispersion. The ESP values indicate that sandstone is less sodic and may be more suitable for revegetation and rehabilitation activities (in final landform surfaces or as a growth medium) for the Project. It is therefore recommended that sandstone be preferentially placed at the outer surfaces of overburden emplacement areas. If it is not practical for this to occur, it is recommended that the rehabilitation practices for potentially sodic overburden at Drayton South include a topsoil cover as part of final rehabilitation to limit the risk of dispersion and erosion of surface materials.

Coal reject materials are likely to be sodic and prone to dispersion and erosion. However, it is understood that these materials will report to the North Void area at Drayton Mine and will be covered with spoil as part of final rehabilitation to limit the risk of dispersion and erosion of surface materials.

6.4 Spontaneous Combustion

There is a very low probability of spontaneous combustion *in situ* or in spoil dumps at Drayton South. Coal rejects also have a low propensity to spontaneously combust and will be used to backfill the North Void area at Drayton Mine. There is a low probability for coals to be stockpiled for extended periods, however excessive time periods and favourable conditions can lead to spontaneous combustion in most coals.

7.0 CONCLUSIONS AND POTENTIAL MANAGEMENT MEASURES

7.1 *Conclusions*

RGS has completed a geochemical impact assessment of representative overburden and coal reject materials for the Project. The findings of the assessment align well with those of the previous desktop geochemical assessment completed by RGS in January 2010. It is concluded that:

- Overburden and most coal reject materials are expected to have very low oxidisable sulfur content, significant excess ANC, and be classified as NAF;
- Overburden and most coal reject materials are likely to have a high factor of safety with respect to potential acid generation;
- The concentration of total metals in overburden materials is well below applied guideline criteria for soils and is unlikely to present any environmental issues associated with revegetation and rehabilitation;
- Overburden and coal reject materials reporting to emplacement areas will generate pH neutral to slightly alkaline run-off/seepage with low and moderate salinity values, respectively, following surface exposure. The salinity of run-off/seepage from these materials is expected to decrease with time;
- The concentration of trace metals in run-off and seepage from most overburden and coal reject material is likely to be low with some minor exceptions (molybdenum and selenium);
- Overall, the risk of potentially significant water quality impacts from overburden and coal reject materials is low;
- Some overburden and most coal reject materials may be sodic and have structural stability problems related to potential dispersion and erosion; and
- There is a low probability of spontaneous combustion either *in situ* or for coal, overburden and coal reject materials at Drayton South.

7.2 *Management Recommendations*

The ongoing management of overburden and coal reject materials at Drayton South should consider the geochemistry of these materials with respect to their potential risk to cause harm to the environment and their suitability for use in construction and revegetation. As such the following recommendations are put forward:

- Pre-stripping topsoil from areas to be disturbed for use in final rehabilitation activities (surface cover or vegetation growth medium); and
- Implementing practical site rehabilitation practices for potentially sodic overburden and coal reject materials to limit the risk of dispersion and erosion of surface materials at emplacement areas (e.g. utilise a topsoil cover as part of final rehabilitation).

Surface water and seepage from overburden and coal reject emplacement areas should be monitored to ensure that key water quality parameters remain within appropriate criteria. It is therefore recommended that:

- Monitoring of surface run-off and seepage from the proposed overburden and coal reject emplacement areas for pH, EC, TSS be undertaken on a quarterly basis and for dissolved trace metals and sulphate on an annual basis.

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9.0 LIMITATIONS

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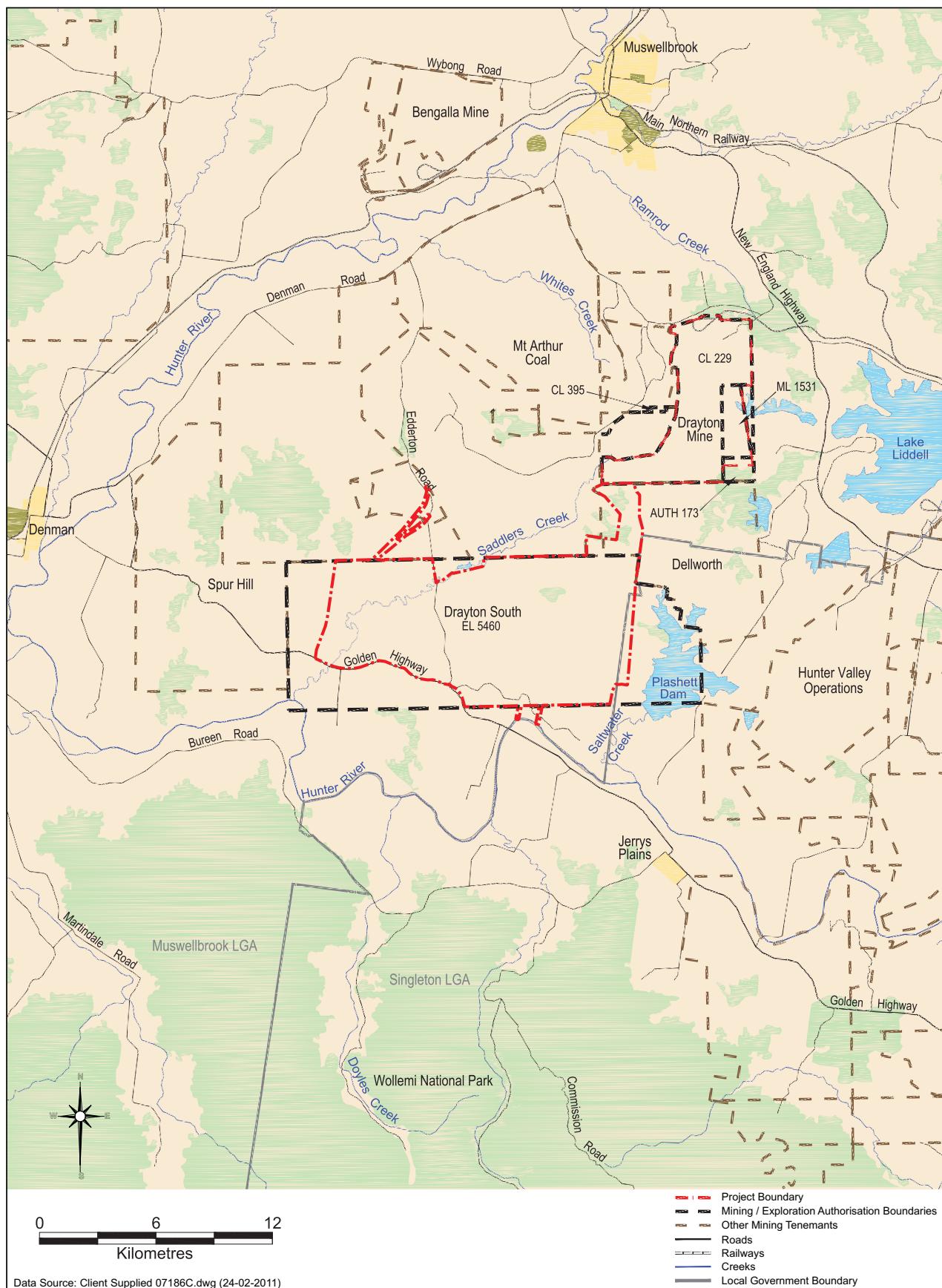


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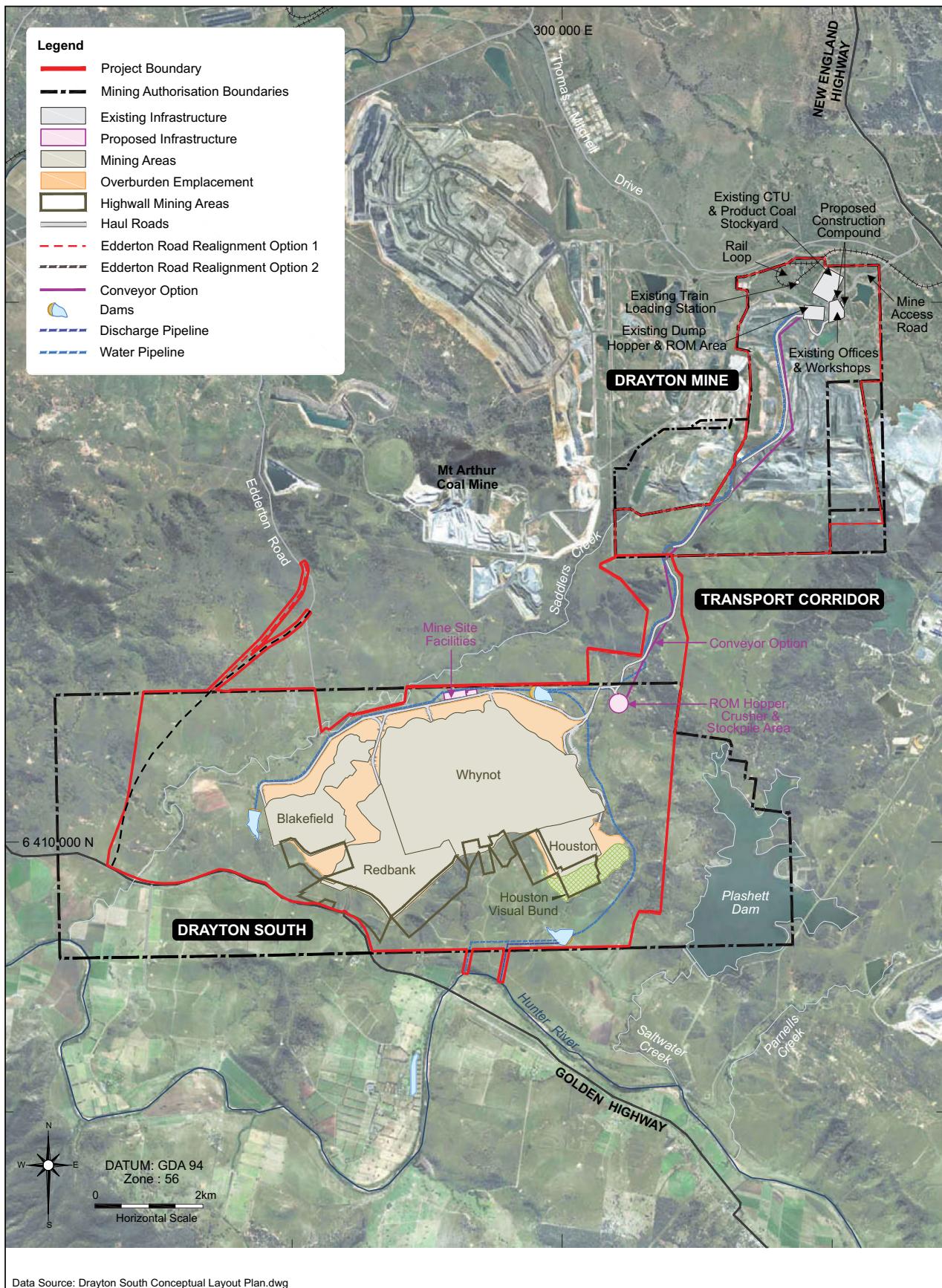


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GEOCHEMICAL ASSESSMENT OF
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DRAYTON SOUTH COAL PROJECT

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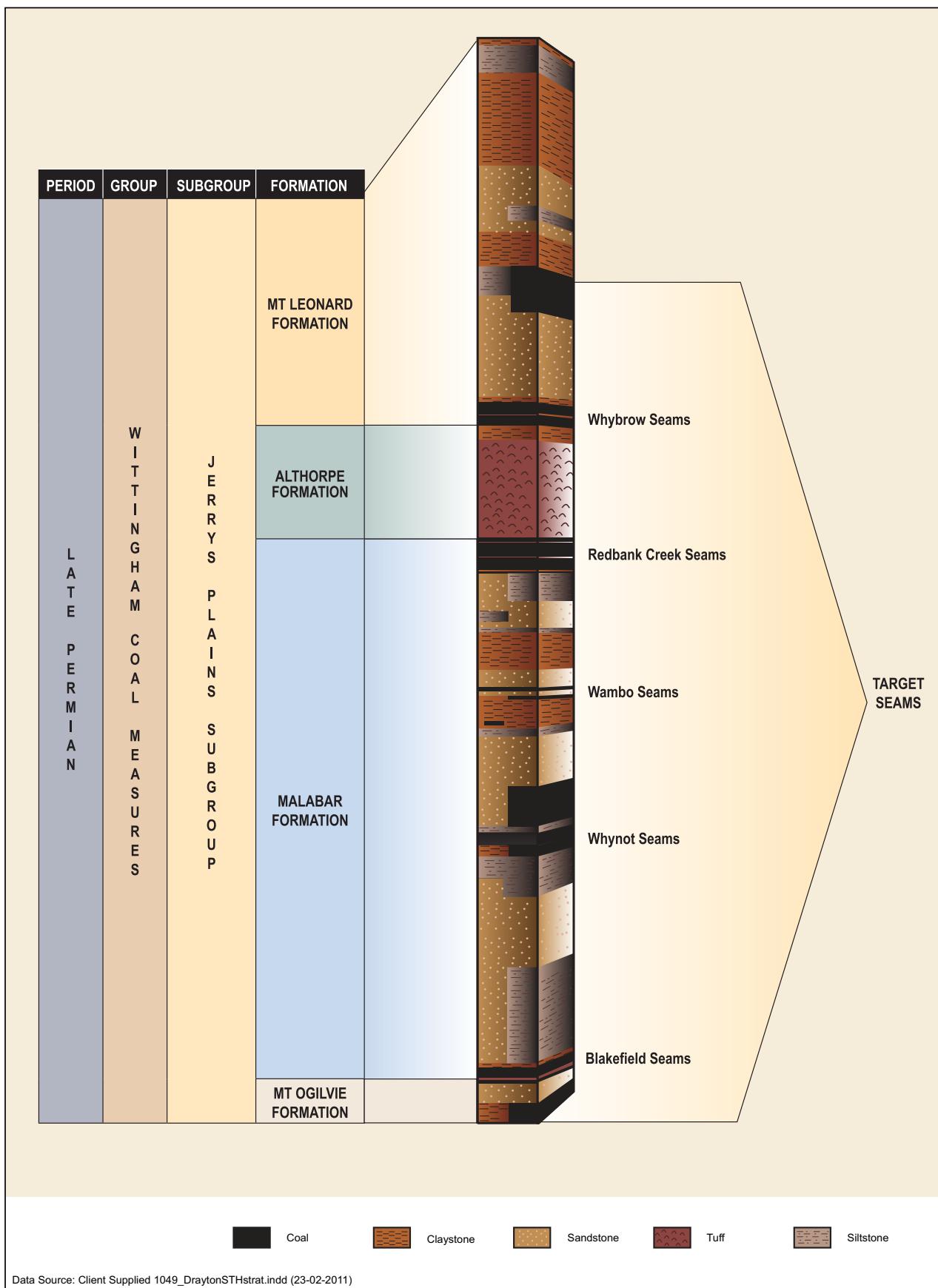
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Figure: 2

CONCEPTUAL
 PROJECT LAYOUT

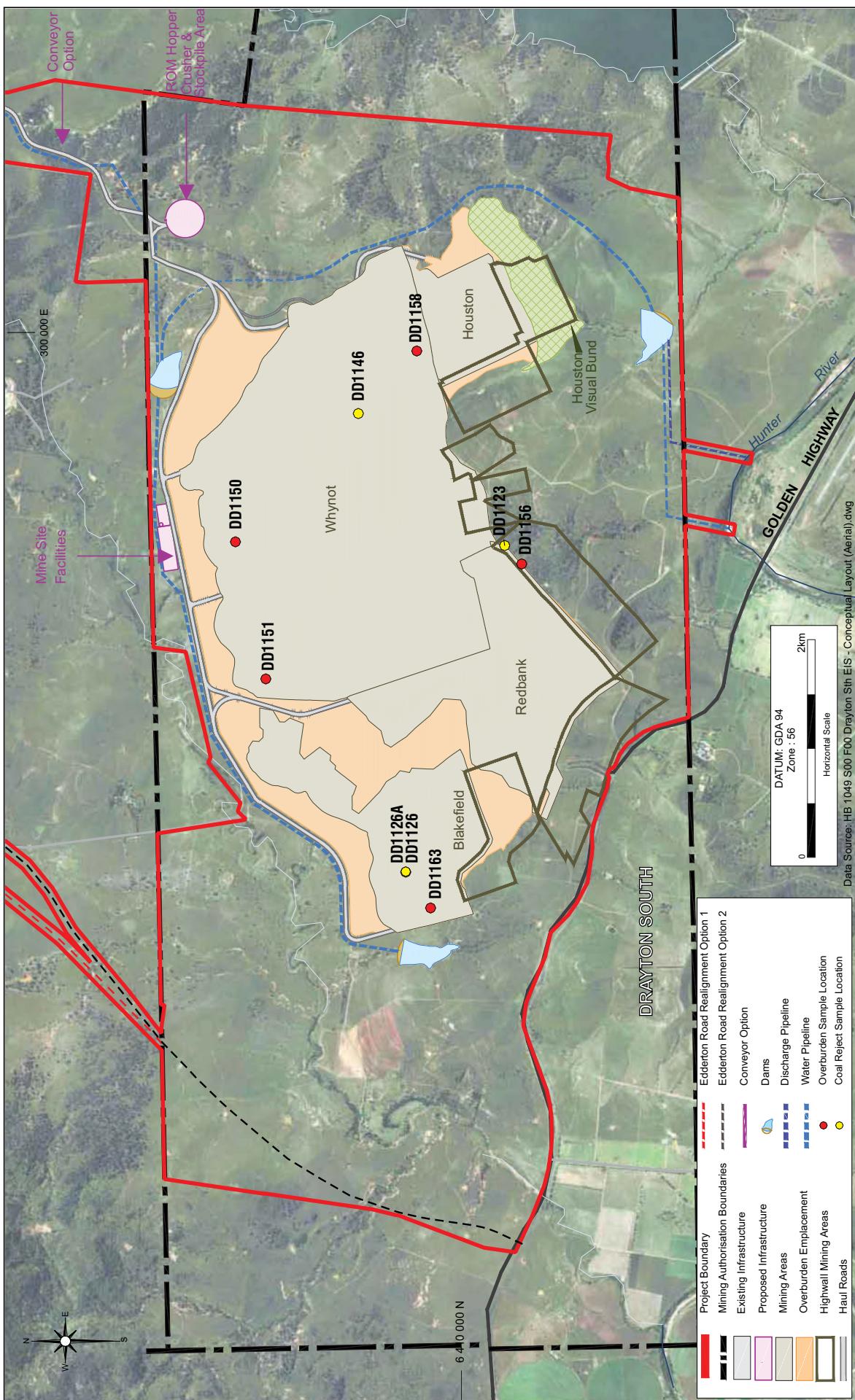


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Figure: 3
INDICATIVE STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN

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DRILL HOLE LOCATIONS USED FOR GEOCHEMICAL SAMPLING PROGRAM

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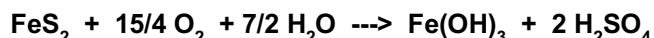
Geochemical Assessment of Mine Waste Materials

ATTACHMENT B

GEOCHEMICAL ASSESSMENT OF MINE WASTE MATERIALS

ACID GENERATION AND PREDICTION

Acid generation is caused by the exposure of sulfide minerals, most commonly pyrite (FeS_2), to atmospheric oxygen and water. Sulfur assay results are used to calculate the maximum acid that could be generated by the sample by either directly determining the pyritic S content or assuming that all sulfur not present as sulfate occurs as pyrite. Pyrite reacts under oxidising conditions to generate acid according to the following overall reaction:



According to this reaction, the maximum potential acidity (MPA) of a sample containing 1%S as pyrite would be 30.6 kg $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{t}$. The chemical components of the acid generation process consist of the above sulfide oxidation reaction and acid neutralization, which is mainly provided by inherent carbonates and to a lesser extent silicate materials. The amount and rate of acid generation is determined by the interaction and overall balance of the acid generation and neutralisation components.

Net Acid Producing Potential

The net acid producing potential (NAPP) is used as an indicator of materials that may be of concern with respect to acid generation. The NAPP calculation represents the balance between the maximum potential acidity (MPA) of a sample, which is derived from the sulphide sulfur content, and the acid neutralising capacity (ANC) of the material, which is determined experimentally. By convention, the NAPP result is expressed in units of kg $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{t}$ sample. If the capacity of the solids to neutralise acid (ANC) exceeds their capacity to generate acid (MPA), then the NAPP of the material is negative. Conversely, if the MPA exceeds the ANC, the NAPP of the material is positive. A NAPP assessment involves a series of analytical tests that include:

Determination of pH and EC

pH and EC measured on 1:5 w/w water extract. This gives an indication of the inherent acidity and salinity of the waste material when initially exposed in a waste emplacement area.

Total Sulfur Content and Maximum Potential Acidity

Total sulfur content is determined by the Leco high temperature combustion method. The total sulfur content is then used to calculate the MPA, which is based on the assumption that the entire sulfur content is present as reactive pyrite. Direct determination of the pyritic sulfur content can provide a more accurate estimate of the MPA.

Acid Neutralising Capacity

By addition of acid to a known weight of sample, then titration with NaOH to determine the amount of residual acid. The ANC measures the capacity of a sample to react with and neutralise acid. The ANC can be further evaluated by slow acid titration to a set end-point in the Acid Buffering Characteristic Curve (ABCC) test through calculation of the amount of acid consumed and evaluation of the resultant titration curve.

Net Acid Producing Potential

Calculated from the MPA and ANC results. The NAPP represents the balance between a sample's inherent capacities to generate and neutralise acid. If the MPA is greater than the ANC then the NAPP is positive. If the MPA is less than the ANC then the sample then the NAPP is negative.

Net Acid Generation

The net acid generation (NAG) test involves the addition of hydrogen peroxide to a sample of mine rock or process residue to oxidise reactive sulfide, then measurement of pH and titration of any net acidity produced by the acid generation and neutralisation reactions occurring in the sample. A significant NAG result (*i.e.* final $\text{NAG}_{\text{pH}} < 4.5$) indicates that the sample is potentially acid forming (PAF) and the test provides a direct measure of the net amount of acid remaining in the sample after all acid generating and acid neutralising reactions have taken place. A $\text{NAG}_{\text{pH}} > 4.5$ indicates that the sample is non-acid forming (NAF). The NAG test provides a direct assessment of the potential for a material to produce acid after a period of exposure and weathering and is used to refine the results of the theoretical NAPP predictions. The NAG test can sometimes be used as a stand-alone test at some hard rock mines, but is recommended that this only be considered after site specific calibration work is carried out. The NAG test can generate false positive results for waste materials from coal mines containing elevated organic carbon and is currently not used by RGS for coal mine wastes.

ASSESSMENT OF ELEMENT ENRICHMENT AND SOLUBILITY

In mineralised areas it is common to find a suite of enriched elements that have resulted from natural geological processes. Multi-element scans are carried out to identify any elements that are present in a material (or readily leachable from a material) at concentrations that may be of environmental concern with respect to surface water quality, revegetation and public health. The samples are generally analysed for the following elements:

Major elements Al, Ca, Fe, K, Mg, Na and S.

Minor elements As, B, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, F, Hg, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pb, Sb, Se and Zn.

The concentration of these elements in samples can be directly compared with relevant state or national environmental and health based concentration guideline criteria to determine the level of significance. Water extracts are used to determine the immediate element solubilities under the existing sample pH conditions of the sample. The following tests are normally carried out:

Multi-element Composition of Solids

Multi-element composition of solid samples determined using a combination of ICP-mass spectroscopy (ICP-MS), ICP-optical emission spectroscopy (OES), and atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS).

Multi-element Composition of Water Extracts (1:5 sample:deionised water)

Multi-element composition of water extracts from solid samples determined using a combination of ICP-mass spectroscopy (ICP-MS), ICP-optical emission spectroscopy (OES), and atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS).

Under some conditions (*e.g.* low pH) the solubility and mobility of common environmentally important elements can increase significantly. If element mobility under initial pH conditions is deemed likely and/or subsequent low pH conditions may occur, kinetic leach column test work may be completed on representative samples.

KINETIC LEACH COLUMN TESTS

Kinetic leach column tests can be used to provide information on the reaction kinetics of mine waste materials. The major objectives of kinetics tests are to:

- Provide time-dependent data on the kinetics and rate of acid generation and acid neutralising reactions under laboratory controlled (or onsite conditions);
- Investigate metal release and drainage/seepage quality; and
- Assess treatment options such as addition of alkaline materials.

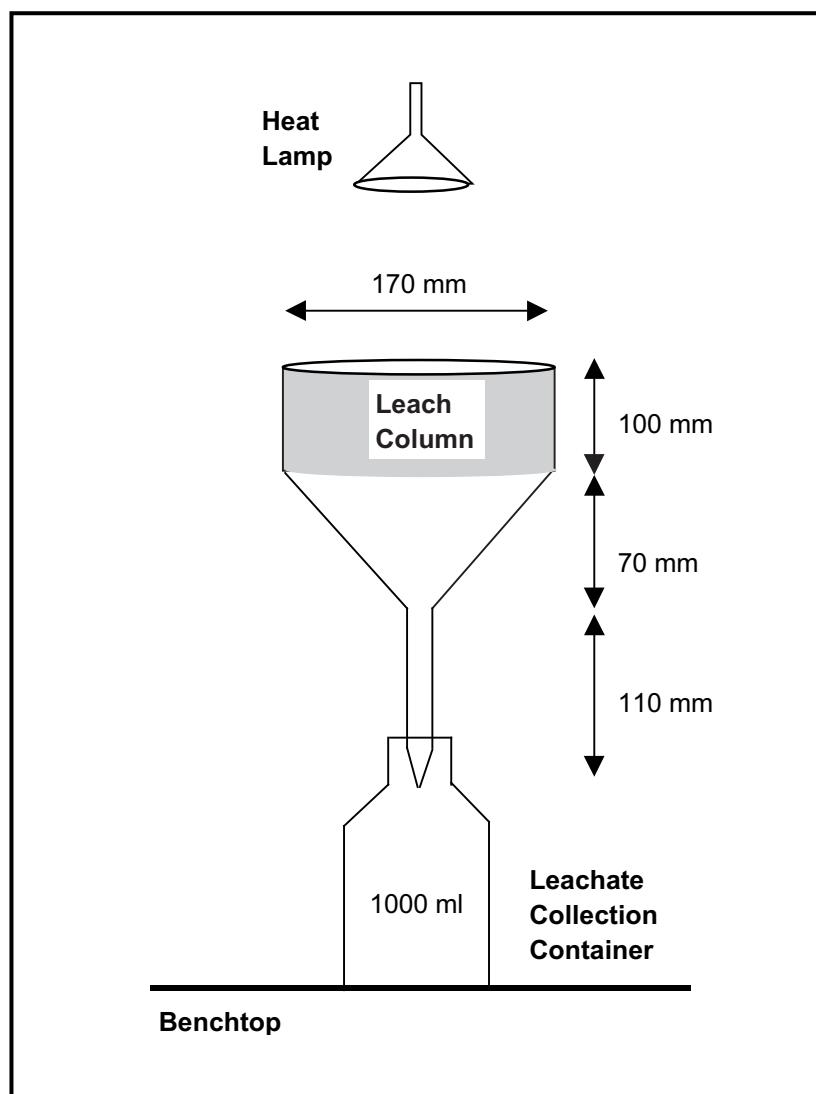
The kinetic tests simulate the weathering process that leads to acid and base generation and reaction under laboratory controlled or site conditions. The kinetic tests allow an assessment of the acid forming characteristics and indicate the rate of acid generation, over what period it will occur, and what management controls may be required.

In kinetic column leach tests, water is added to a sample and the mixture allowed to leach products and by-products of acid producing and consuming reactions. Samples of leachate are then collected and analysed. Intermittent water application is applied to simulate rainfall and heat lamps are used to simulate sunshine. These tests provide real-time information and may have to continue for months or years. Monitoring includes trends in pH, sulfate, acidity or alkalinity, and metals, for example. The pH of the collected leachate simulates the acid drainage process, acidity or alkalinity levels indicate the rate of acid production and acid neutralisation, and sulfate production can be related to the rate of sulfide oxidation. Metal concentration data provides an assessment of metal solubility and leaching behaviour.

Figure A1 shows the kinetic leach column set up used by RGS adapted from AMIRA, 2002. The columns are placed under heat lamps to allow the sample to dry between water additions to ensure adequate oxygen ingress into the sample material.

Approximately 2 to 3 kg of sample is generally used in the leach columns and depending on the physical nature of the material and particle size can be used on an as-received basis (*i.e.* no crushing as with process residues) or crushed to nominal 5 to 10 mm particle size (as with overburden). The sample in the column is initially leached with deionised water at a rate of about 500 ml/kg of sample and the initial leachate from the columns collected and analysed. Subsequent column leaching is carried out at a rate of about 500 ml/kg per month and again collected and analysed. The leaching rate can be varied to better simulate expected site conditions or satisfy test program data requirements. The column must be exposed to drying conditions in between watering events. The residual water content and air void content in the column can be determined by comparing the wet and dry column weights. A heat lamp is generally used above the sample during daylight hours to maintain the leach column surface temperature at about 30°C.

Figure A1
Kinetic Leach Column Setup



Reference:

AMIRA (2002). AMIRA International. ARD Test Handbook. Project P387A Prediction & Kinetic Control of Acid Mine Drainage. Ian Wark Institute and Environmental Geochemistry International Pty Ltd. May 2002, Melbourne, VIC.

ATTACHMENT C**Kinetic Leach Column Test Results and Trends****RGS**

Table KLC1
KLC1 Test Results: Overburden 1

Sample Weight (kg)	1.1	Total S (%)	0.042	ANC (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	86		
pH(1:5)	9.5	S _{CR} (%)	0.016	NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	-85.5		
EC(1:5) (µS/cm)	203	MPA (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	0.5	ANC:MPA ratio	175.5		
Date	29-Apr-11	13-May-11	27-May-11	10-Jun-11	29-Jun-11	15-Jul-11	
Leach Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Volume Collected (L)	0.78	0.79	0.70	0.55	0.67	0.73	
Cum. Volume (L)	0.78	1.57	2.27	2.82	3.49	4.22	
Pore Volumes	0.6	1.2	1.7	2.1	2.6	3.1	
pH	9.52	9.27	9.29	9.55	9.44	9.24	
EC (µS/cm)	188	194	421	351	116	78	
Acidity (mg/L)*	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	
Alkalinity (mg/L)*	46	31	67	84	43	24	
Net Alkalinity (mg/L)*	46	31	67	84	43	24	
Dissolved elements (mg/L)						Guideline Levels ¹	
Al	0.16	0.28	0.02	0.12	1.11	0.77	5
As	0.036	0.016	0.107	0.083	0.019	0.009	0.5
B	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	5
Ca	1	1	2	1	0.5	0.5	1000
Cd	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.01
Cl	12	15	33	14	4	2	-
Co	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1
Cr	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1 / -
Cu	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	1 / 0.5
Fe	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	0.14	0.09	-
K	2	1	3	3	1	1	-
Mg	1	1	2	1	0.5	0.5	-
Mn	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	-
Mo	0.069	0.131	0.204	0.173	0.05	0.027	0.15
Na	36	37	90	77	28	15	-
Ni	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.004	0.002	0.001	1
Pb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.1
SO ₄	26	35	96	66	21	9	1,000
Sb	<0.001	<0.001	0.004	0.004	0.001	<0.001	-
Se	<0.01	0.01	0.03	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	0.02
Zn	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	20
RESULTS**							
SO ₄ Release Rate	18	25	61	33	13	6	
Cumulative SO ₄ Release	18	44	104	138	150	156	
Ca Release Rate	1	1	1	1	0	0	
Cumulative Ca Release	1	1	3	3	4	4	
Mg Release Rate	0.7	0.7	1.3	1	0	0	
Cumulative Mg Release	0.7	1.4	3	3	4	4	
Residual ANC (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Residual Sulfur (%)	98.5	96.5	91.7	89.1	88.0	87.6	
SO ₄ /(Ca+Mg) molar ratio	4.1	5.5	7.6	10.4	6.6	2.8	

< indicates less than the analytical detection limit.

* Acidity and Alkalinity data calculated in mg CaCO₃/L

** SO₄, Ca and Mg release rates calculated in mg/kg/flush.

Total S = Total Sulfur, S_{CR} = Chromium Reducible Sulfur, MPA = Maximum Potential Acidity, ANC = Acid Neutralising Capacity, and NAPP = Net Acid Producing Potential

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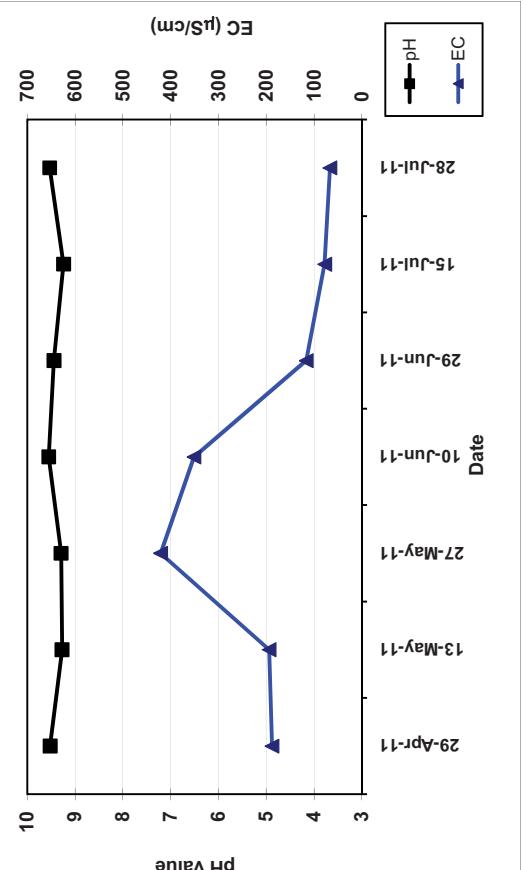
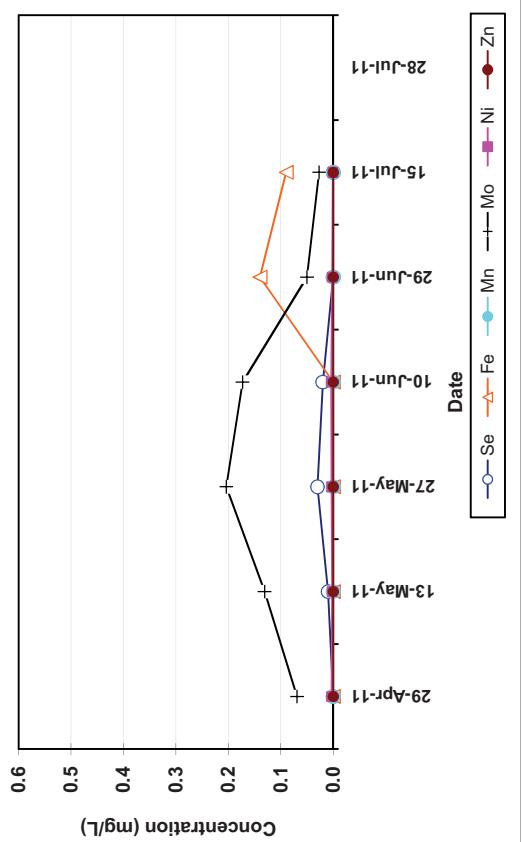
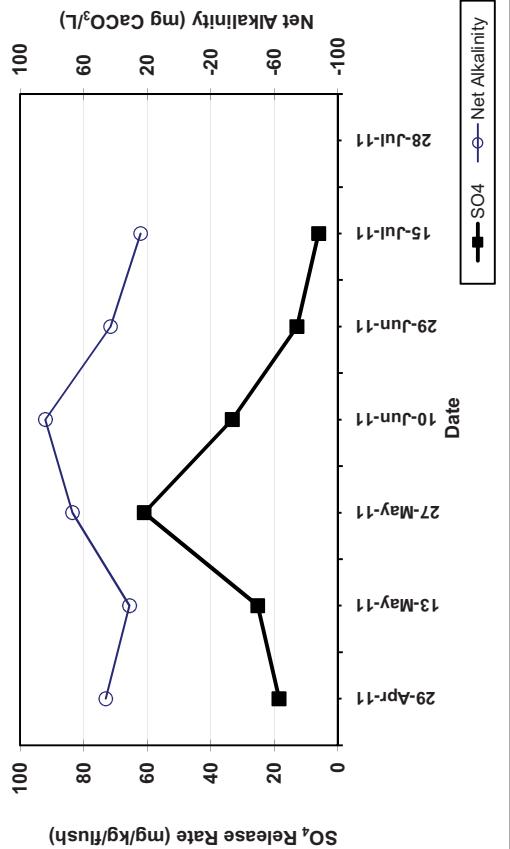
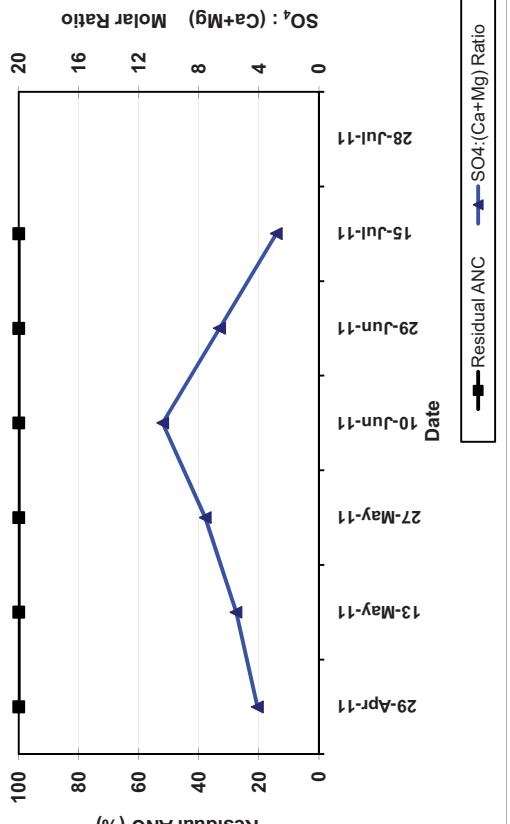
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Table KLC2
KLC2 Test Results: Overburden 2

Sample Weight (kg)	1.4	Total S (%)	0.19	ANC (kg H₂SO₄/t)	18.9		
pH(1:5)	9.4	S _{CR} (%)	0.073	NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	-16.7		
EC(1:5) (µS/cm)	260	MPA (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	2.2	ANC:MPA ratio	8.5		
Date	29-Apr-11	13-May-11	27-May-11	10-Jun-11	29-Jun-11		
Leach Number	1	2	3	4	5		
Volume Collected (L)	0.78	0.80	0.71	0.60	0.63		
Cum. Volume (L)	0.78	1.58	2.29	2.89	3.52		
Pore Volumes	0.6	1.2	1.7	2.1	2.6		
pH	7.86	9.12	8.77	9.34	9.09		
EC (µS/cm)	239	405	470	354	320		
Acidity (mg/L)*	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1		
Alkalinity (mg/L)*	29	26	35	32	28		
Net Alkalinity (mg/L)*	29	26	35	32	28		
Dissolved elements (mg/L)					Guideline Levels¹		
Al	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.22	0.48	1.81	5
As	0.005	0.004	0.01	0.008	0.004	0.004	0.5
B	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	5
Ca	3	3	3	2	1	0.5	1000
Cd	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.001	0.01
Cl	26	65	70	44	42	23	-
Co	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	1
Cr	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	1 / -
Cu	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	1 / 0.5
Fe	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	0.06	0.12	0.49	-
K	1	2	2	2	1	2	-
Mg	2	4	4	2	2	1	-
Mn	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.007	-
Mo	0.008	0.023	0.024	0.014	0.022	0.022	0.15
Na	40	72	88	71	69	50	-
Ni	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.004	1
Pb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.1
SO ₄	32	57	82	71	73	58	1,000
Sb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	-
Se	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.02
Zn	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	20
RESULTS**							
SO ₄ Release Rate	18	33	41	31	33	27	
Cumulative SO ₄ Release	18	50	92	122	155	182	
Ca Release Rate	2	2	2	1	0	0	
Cumulative Ca Release	2	3	5	6	6	6	
Mg Release Rate	1	2	2	1	1	0	
Cumulative Mg Release	1	3	5	6	7	8	
Residual ANC (%)	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Residual Sulfur (%)	99.7	99.1	98.4	97.9	97.3	96.9	
SO ₄ /(Ca+Mg) molar ratio	2.1	2.5	3.6	5.6	7.1	11.3	

< indicates less than the analytical detection limit.

* Acidity and Alkalinity data calculated in mg CaCO₃/L

** SO₄, Ca and Mg release rates calculated in mg/kg/flush.

Total S = Total Sulfur, S_{CR} = Chromium Reducible Sulfur, MPA = Maximum Potential Acidity, ANC = Acid Neutralising Capacity, and NAPP = Net Acid Producing Potential

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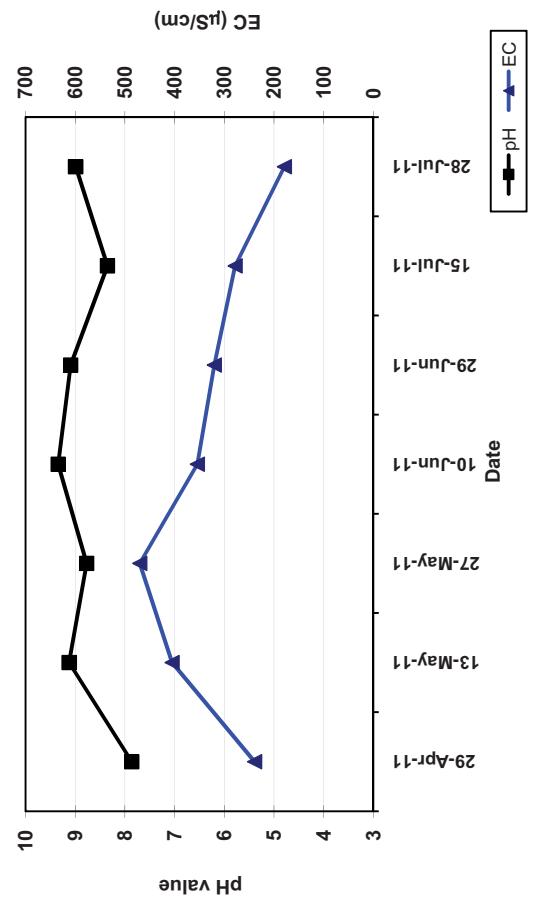
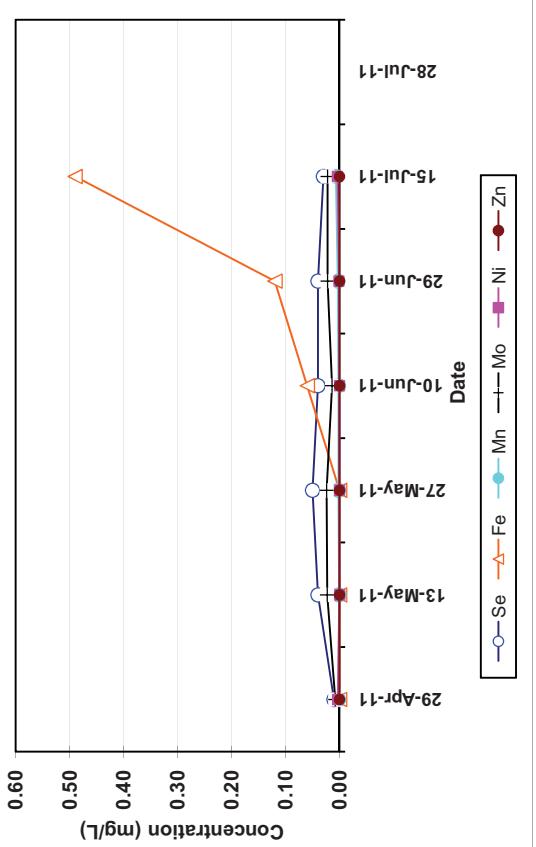
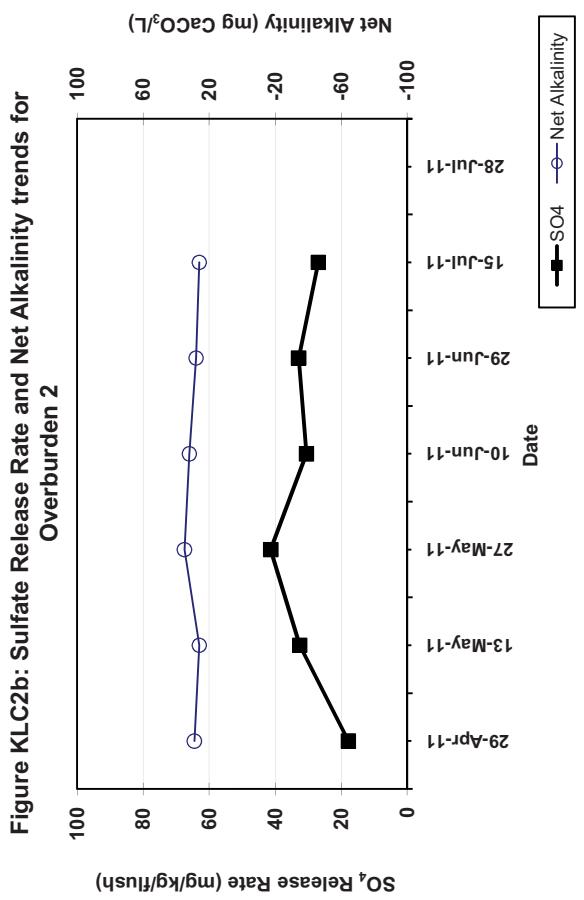
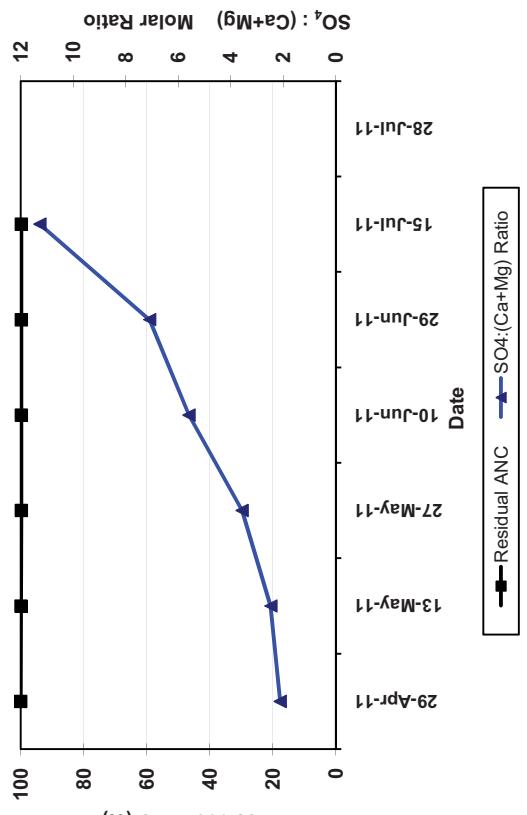
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Table KLC3
KLC3 Test Results: Overburden 3

Sample Weight (kg)	1.5	Total S (%)	0.03	ANC (kg H₂SO₄/t)	22.4	
pH(1:5)	8.3	S _{CR} (%)		NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	-21.4	
EC(1:5) (μS/cm)	561	MPA (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	1.0	ANC:MPA ratio	22.2	
Date	29-Apr-11	13-May-11	27-May-11	10-Jun-11	29-Jun-11	
Leach Number	1	2	3	4	5	
Volume Collected (L)	0.76	0.80	0.71	0.80	0.99	
Cum. Volume (L)	0.76	1.56	2.27	3.06	4.06	
Pore Volumes	0.7	1.4	2.0	2.7	3.5	
pH	7.67	8.00	7.85	8.95	9.00	
EC (μS/cm)	196	122	246	112	48	
Acidity (mg/L)*	<1	1	<1	<1	<1	
Alkalinity (mg/L)*	22	11	15	18	14	
Net Alkalinity (mg/L)*	22	10	15	18	14	
Dissolved elements (mg/L)					Guideline Levels¹	
Al	0.04	0.02	<0.01	0.04	0.38	5
As	0.005	0.002	0.003	0.004	0.003	0.5
B	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	5
Ca	3	2	5	2	1	1000
Cd	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.01
Cl	26	15	33	9	4	-
Co	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1
Cr	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1 / -
Cu	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1 / 0.5
Fe	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	-
K	2	2	3	3	2	-
Mg	3	2	7	3	2	-
Mn	0.002	0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	-
Mo	0.016	0.02	0.036	0.028	0.012	0.007
Na	30	19	33	19	10	-
Ni	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	1
Pb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.1
SO ₄	24	19	49	32	18	1,000
Sb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	-
Se	0.01	<0.01	0.03	0.01	<0.01	0.02
Zn	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	20
RESULTS**						
SO ₄ Release Rate	12	10	23	17	12	7
Cumulative SO ₄ Release	12	22	45	62	74	81
Ca Release Rate	2	1	2	1	1	1
Cumulative Ca Release	2	3	5	6	7	7
Mg Release Rate	2	1	3.3	2	1	1
Cumulative Mg Release	2	3	6	7	9	10
Residual ANC (%)	100	100	100	100	100	100
Residual Sulfur (%)	99	98	95	94	92	92
SO ₄ /(Ca+Mg) molar ratio	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.7	1.2

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* Acidity and Alkalinity data calculated in mg CaCO₃/L

** SO₄, Ca and Mg release rates calculated in mg/kg/flush.

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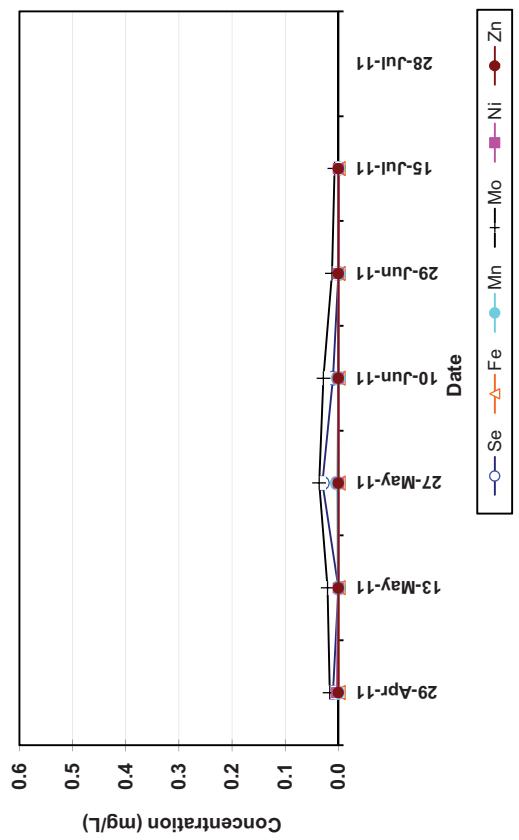
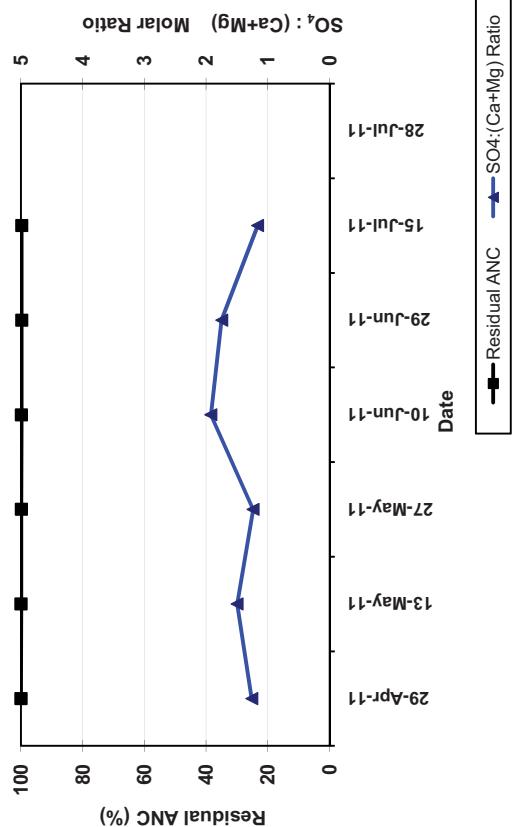
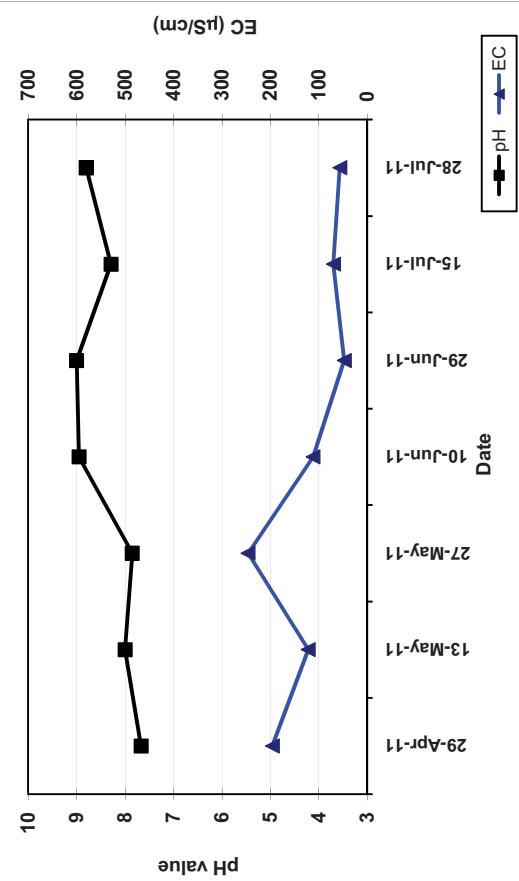
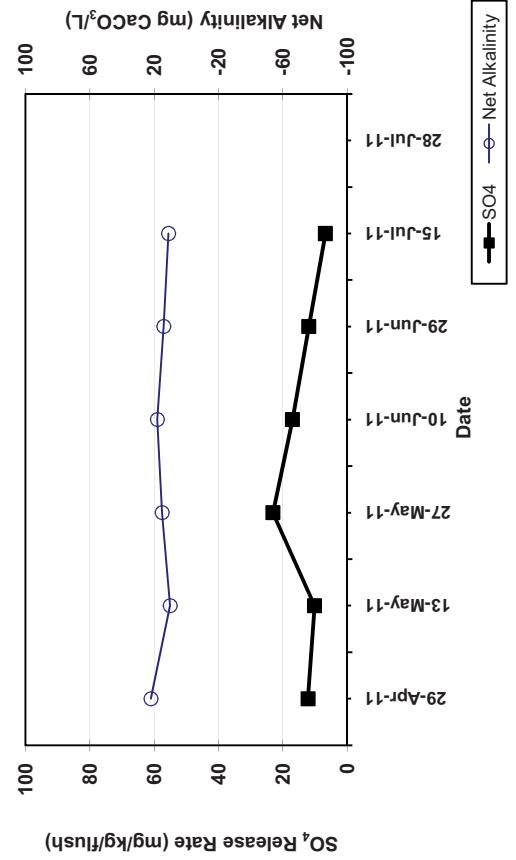
Figure KLC3c: Soluble Metal Trends for Overburden 3**Figure KLC3d: Residual ANC and $\text{SO}_4:(\text{Ca}+\text{Mg})$ Trends for Overburden 3****Figure KLC3a: pH and EC trends for Overburden 3****Figure KLC3b: Sulfate Release Rate and Net Alkalinity trends for Overburden 3**

Table KLC4
KLC4 Test Results: Coal Reject

Sample Weight (kg)	1.8	Total S (%)	0.14	ANC (kg H₂SO₄/t)	17.8
pH(1:5)	8.0	S _{CR} (%)	0.062	NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	-13.5
EC(1:5) (μS/cm)	842	MPA (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	4.3	ANC:MPA ratio	4.2
Date	29-Apr-11	13-May-11	27-May-11	10-Jun-11	29-Jun-11
Leach Number	1	2	3	4	5
Volume Collected (L)	0.58	0.60	0.77	0.51	0.59
Cum. Volume (L)	0.58	1.18	1.95	2.46	3.05
Pore Volumes	0.4	0.9	1.4	1.8	2.3
pH	7.34	7.63	7.23	7.60	7.75
EC (μS/cm)	1,290	4,140	1,389	1,223	1,331
Acidity (mg/L)*	<1	2	3	3	2
Alkalinity (mg/L)*	15	57	12	11	21
Net Alkalinity (mg/L)*	15	55	9	8	19
28-Jul-11					
15-Jul-11					
Guideline Levels¹					
Dissolved elements (mg/L)					
Al	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
As	0.037	0.049	0.012	0.035	0.004
B	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Ca	24	107	32	25	30
Cd	<0.0001	0.0002	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Cl	635	1410	531	457	450
Co	0.002	0.005	0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Cr	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Cu	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.002	<0.001
Fe	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
K	10	26	13	11	11
Mg	28	138	42	41	36
Mn	0.044	0.136	0.035	0.031	0.030
Mo	0.005	0.018	0.008	0.008	0.010
Na	239	523	211	210	205
Ni	0.005	0.009	0.002	0.003	0.002
Pb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SO₄	43	130	40	70	95
Sb	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Se	0.15	0.22	0.06	0.14	0.03
Zn	<0.005	0.009	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
RESULTS**					
SO₄ Release Rate	14.3	45	18	21	32
Cumulative SO₄ Release	14.3	59	76	97	129
Ca Release Rate	8.0	36.7	14.0	7.3	10.1
Cumulative Ca Release	8.0	44.6	58.7	66.0	76.1
Mg Release Rate	9.3	47.3	18.4	12.0	12.1
Cumulative Mg Release	9.3	56.6	75.0	87.0	99.1
Residual ANC (%)	100	98	97	97	97
Residual Sulfur (%)	100	99	98	98	97
SO₄/(Ca+Mg) molar ratio	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4

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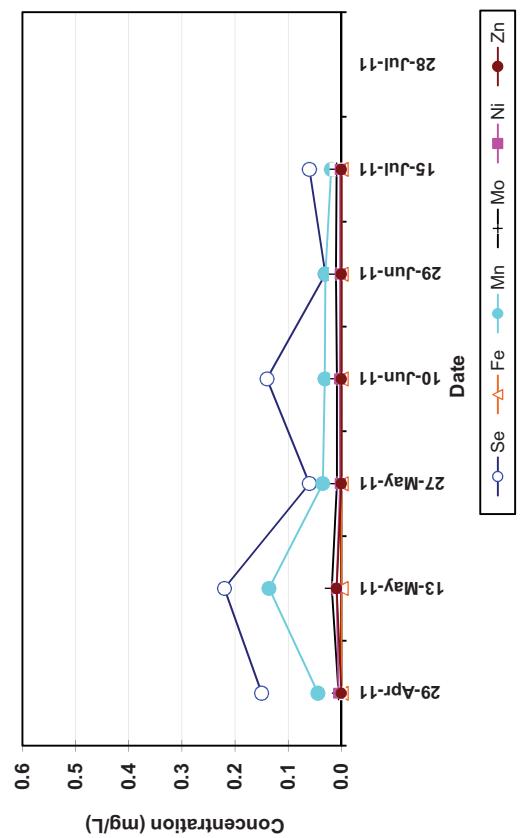
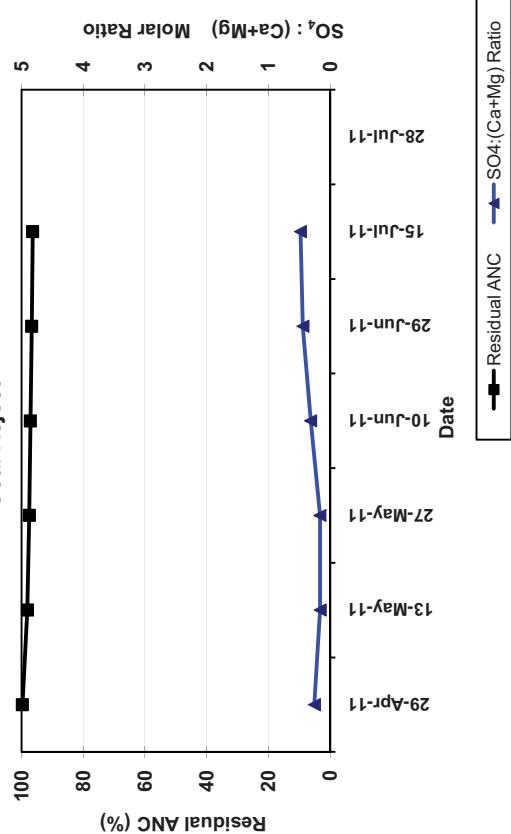
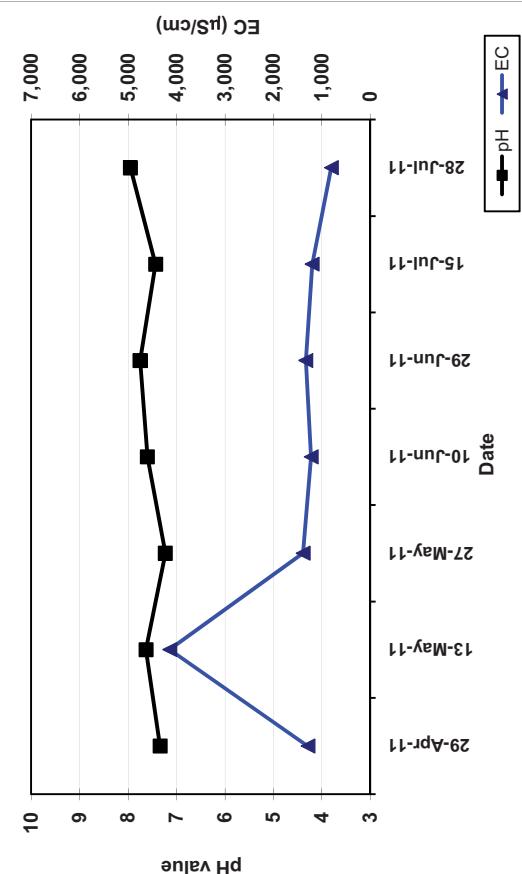
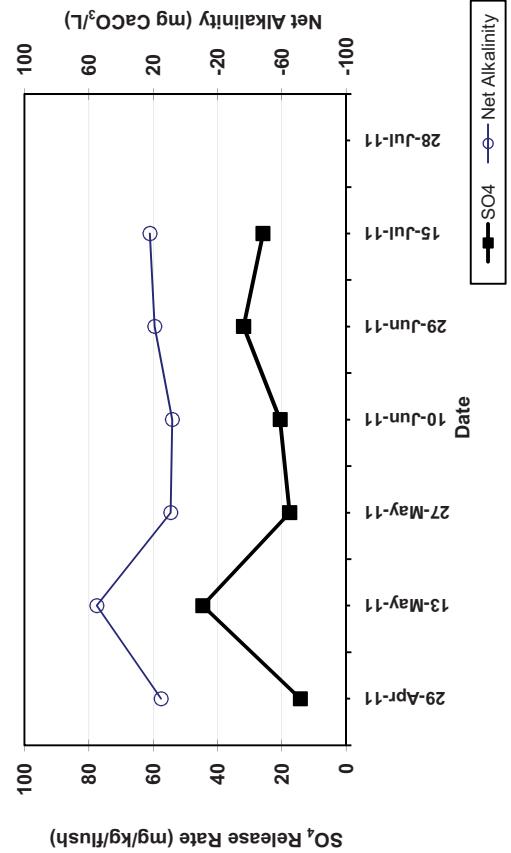
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Table KLC5
KLC5 Test Results: Coal Reject

Sample Weight (kg)	1.5	Total S (%)	0.16	ANC (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	68.9	
pH(1:5)	7.7	S _{CR} (%)	0.084	NAPP (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	-64.0	
EC(1:5) (μ S/cm)	784	MPA (kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t)	4.9	ANC:MPA ratio	14.1	
Date	29-Apr-11	13-May-11	27-May-11	10-Jun-11	29-Jun-11	15-Jul-11
Leach Number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Volume Collected (L)	0.65	0.68	0.90	0.52	0.66	0.59
Cum. Volume (L)	0.65	1.33	2.23	2.75	3.41	4.00
Pore Volumes	0.6	1.2	1.9	2.4	3.0	3.5
pH	6.61	7.62	7.54	7.45	7.96	7.86
EC (μ S/cm)	2,140	2,440	957	821	685	539
Acidity (mg/L)*	4	5	3	2	2	2
Alkalinity (mg/L)*	4	45	51	30	39	48
Net Alkalinity (mg/L)*	0	40	48	28	37	46
Dissolved elements (mg/L)						Guideline Levels ¹
Al	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.02	0.02	5
As	0.051	0.012	0.016	0.025	0.014	0.5
B	0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	5
Ca	39	60	15	12	9	1000
Cd	0.0016	0.0004	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.01
Cl	855	877	285	149	74	30
Co	0.078	0.043	0.01	0.005	0.002	1
Cr	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	1 / -
Cu	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	1 / 0.5
Fe	0.16	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	-
K	11	23	8	7	6	-
Mg	38	61	15	10	9	-
Mn	0.205	0.165	0.044	0.02	0.007	-
Mo	0.002	0.018	0.016	0.029	0.023	0.15
Na	496	481	219	153	127	-
Ni	0.108	0.096	0.021	0.008	0.004	1
Pb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.1
SO ₄	390	324	157	176	194	1,000
Sb	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	-
Se	0.26	0.11	0.05	0.07	0.01	0.02
Zn	0.2	0.036	0.007	<0.005	<0.005	20
RESULTS**						
SO ₄ Release Rate	175	152	97	63	89	55
Cumulative SO ₄ Release	175	327	424	487	575	631
Ca Release Rate	17	28.1	9.3	4.3	4.1	2.8
Cumulative Ca Release	17	46	55	59	63	66
Mg Release Rate	17.0	28.6	9.3	3.6	4.1	2.4
Cumulative Mg Release	17.0	45.6	54.9	58.5	62.6	65.1
Residual ANC (%)	100	100	99	99	99	99
Residual Sulfur (%)	96	93	91	90	88	87
SO ₄ /(Ca+Mg) molar ratio	1.6	0.8	1.6	2.6	3.4	3.4

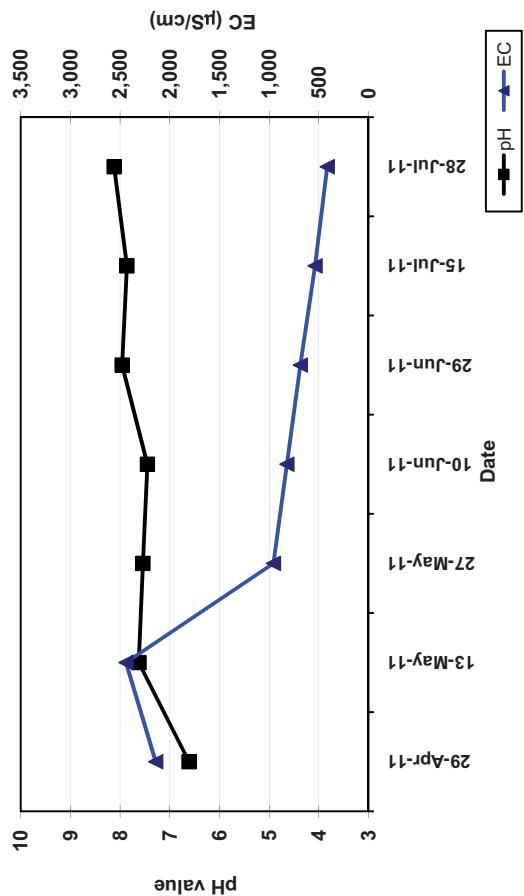
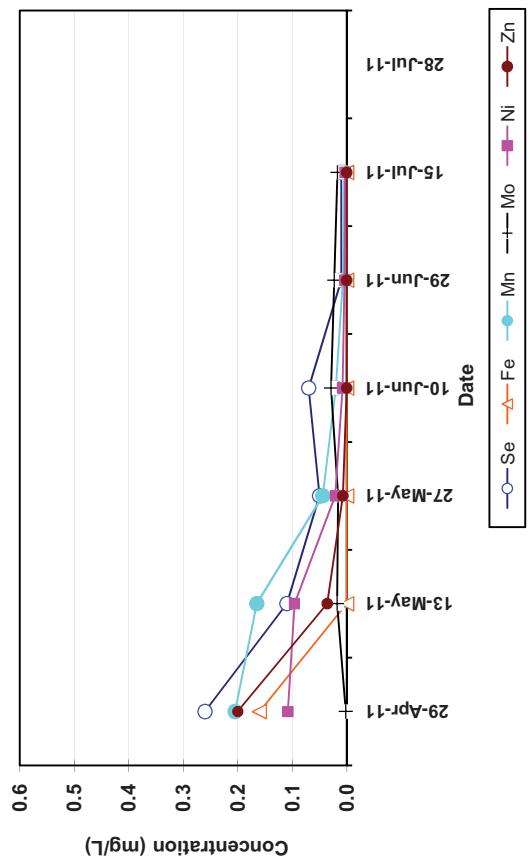
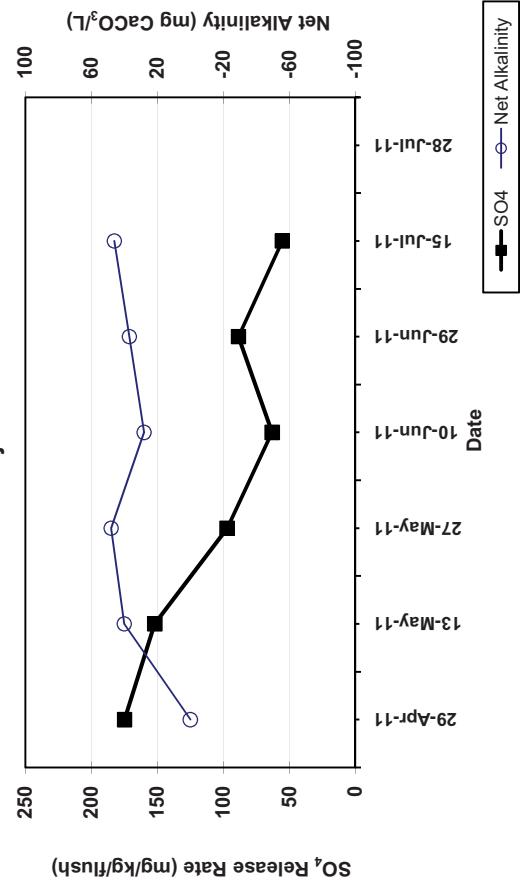
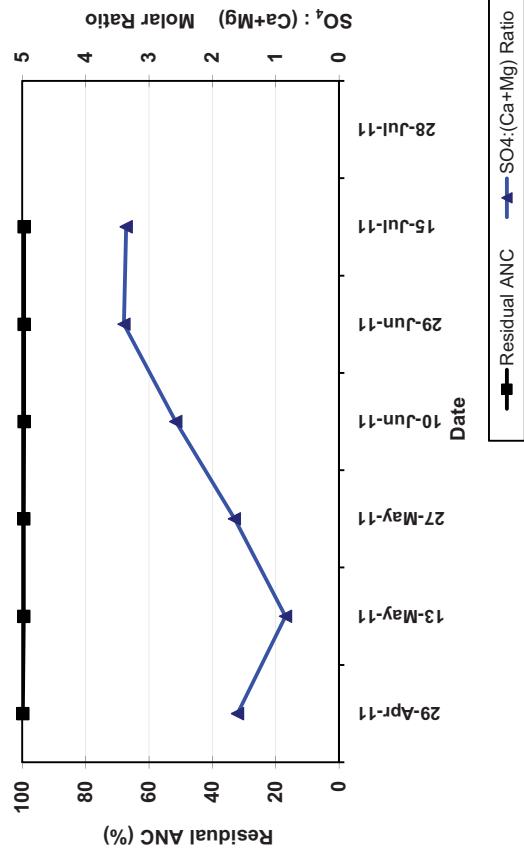
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Client sample ID		DD1158 EO 001		DD1158 EO 002		DD1158 EO 003		DD1158 EO 004		DD1158 EO 005	
Client sampling date / time		28.25 - 28.81 02-MAR-2011 15:00		37.09 - 37.44 02-MAR-2011 15:00		60.23 - 60.62 02-MAR-2011 15:00		66.59 - 67.1 02-MAR-2011 15:00		78.26 - 78.7 02-MAR-2011 15:00	
Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Unit	EB1104975-001	EB1104975-002	EB1104975-003	EB1104975-004	EB1104975-005	EB1104975-005	EB1104975-005	EB1104975-005
EA002 : pH (Soils)											
pH Value	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.4		9.3		9.8		9.9	
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential											
^ Acid Production Potential (APP)	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	0.6		<0.5		6.5		<0.5	
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-18.5		-86.5		-57.8		-229	
EA010: Conductivity											
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	1	µS/cm	152		123		234		341	
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity											
ANC as H ₂ SO ₄	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	19.1		87.0		64.4		230	
^ ANC as CaCO ₃	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	2.0		8.9		6.6		23.4	
Fizz Rating	---	0	Fizz Unit	0		2		2		3	
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO											
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---	0.01	%	0.02		0.02		0.21		0.02	
										0.03	



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Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Unit	EB1104975-006
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.7
pH Value	---	---	---	---
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	<0.5
^ Acid Production Potential (APP)	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-247
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	---	---	---
EA010: Conductivity	---	1	µS/cm	163
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	---	---	---
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	---	---	---
ANC as H₂SO₄	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	248	---
^ ANC as CaCO₃	0.1	% CaCO ₃	25.2	---
Fizz Rating	0	Fizz Unit	3	---
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	0.01	%	0.01	---
Sulfur -Total as S (LECO)	0.01	%	0.01	---

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	Client sample ID	DD1156 EO 001 53.69 - 54.09	DD1156 EO 002 62.83 - 63.15	DD1156 EO 003 68.69 - 69.1	DD1156 EO 004 83.46 - 83.79	DD1156 EO 005 104.72 - 105.21
Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date / time	02-MAR-2011 15:00	02-MAR-2011 15:00	02-MAR-2011 15:00	02-MAR-2011 15:00
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.3	9.2	9.4
pH Value	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.3	9.2	9.4
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-12.5	-7.7	-10.2
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-12.5	-7.7	-3.4
EA010: Conductivity	---	1	µS/cm	180	153	168
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	1	µS/cm	180	153	274
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄	12.5	8.3	10.8
ANC as H ₂ SO ₄	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	12.5	8.3	8.4
^ ANC as CaCO ₃	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.3	0.8	0.9
Fizz Rating	---	0	Fizz Unit	0	0	0
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	---	0.01	%	<0.01	0.02	0.02
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---	0.01	%	<0.01	0.02	0.02



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Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	Client sampling date / time	DD1156 EO 006	DD1156 EO 007
EA002 : pH (Soils)		123.91 - 124.28	02-MAR-2011 15:00	138.65 - 139.02	02-MAR-2011 15:00
pH Value	0.1	pH Unit	9.8	10.1	
EA009: Nett Acid Production Potential	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-9.7	-65.7	
^ Net Acid Production Potential					
EA010: Conductivity	1	µS/cm	185	289	
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C					
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	10.1	68.0	
ANC as H₂SO₄					
^ ANC as CaCO₃	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.0	6.9	
Fizz Rating	0	Fizz Unit	0	2	
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	0.01	%	0.01	0.08	
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)					

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	Client sample ID	DD1151 EO 001 15.42 - 15.83	DD1151 EO 002 20.27 - 20.96	DD1151 EO 003 23.76 - 24.3	DD1151 EO 004 25 - 25.39	DD1151 EO 005 26.87 - 27.46
Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time [15-MAR-2011]	LOR	Unit	[15-MAR-2011]	[15-MAR-2011]
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	8.9	9.4	9.5
pH Value	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-7.6	-89.8	-31.0
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential	---	1	µS/cm	351	275	<0.5
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	1	µS/cm	351	206	9.3
EA010: Conductivity	---	1	µS/cm	351	313	294
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	7.9	31.9	28.2
ANC as H₂SO₄	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	0.8	3.2	2.9
^ ANC as CaCO₃	---	0	Fizz Unit	0	2	2
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	---	0.01	%	0.01	0.23	0.45
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---	0.01	%	0.01	0.03	0.41



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		Client sampling date / time	LOR	pH Unit	31.58 - 31.95	38.19 - 38.54				
EA002 : pH (Soils)										
pH Value	----	0.1	pH Unit	9.4		9.5		9.4		
EA009: Nett Acid Production Potential	----	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-10.3		-7.9		-13.0		
^ Net Acid Production Potential	----									
EA010: Conductivity	----	1	µS/cm	281		206		167		
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	----									
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	----	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	11.1		10.0		16.2		
ANC as H₂SO₄	----									
^ ANC as CaCO₃	----	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.1		1.0		1.6		
Fizz Rating	----	0	Fizz Unit	0		0		0		
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	----	0.01	%	0.02		0.06		0.10		
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	----									

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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: **SOIL**

	Client sample ID	DD1150 EO 001 18.1 - 18.61 [15-MAR-2011]	DD1150 EO 002 19.73 - 20.02 [15-MAR-2011]	DD1150 EO 003 20.93 - 21.28 [15-MAR-2011]	DD1150 EO 004 25.53 - 25.82 [15-MAR-2011]	DD1150 EO 005 27.57 - 28.05 [15-MAR-2011]		
Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Unit	EB1104980-001	EB1104980-002	EB1104980-003	EB1104980-004	EB1104980-005
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.1	8.8	8.3	9.6	9.5
pH Value	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.1	8.8	8.3	9.6	9.5
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-6.6	-5.7	-3.7	-303	-11.9
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-6.6	-5.7	-3.7	-303	-11.9
EA010: Conductivity	---	1	µS/cm	252	184	436	270	341
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	1	µS/cm	252	184	436	270	341
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄	6.6	6.7	13.9	303	12.5
ANC as H₂SO₄	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	6.6	6.7	13.9	303	12.5
^ ANC as CaCO₃	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	0.7	0.7	1.4	30.9	1.3
Fizz Rating	---	0	Fizz Unit	0	0	4	4	0
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	---	0.01	%	<0.01	0.03	0.33	0.02	0.02
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---	0.01	%	<0.01	0.03	0.33	0.02	0.02



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		Client sample ID		DD1150 EO 006		DD1150 EO 007		DD1150 EO 008		DD1150 EO 009	
		Client sampling date /time		29.47 - 29.81 [15-MAR-2011]		32 - 32.37 [15-MAR-2011]		38.5 - 39 [15-MAR-2011]		42.86 - 43.13 [15-MAR-2011]	
Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Unit	EB1104980-006	EB1104980-007	EB1104980-008	EB1104980-009	EB1104980-008	EB1104980-009	EB1104980-008	EB1104980-009
EA002 : pH (Soils)		0.1	pH Unit	9.2		9.6		9.7		9.5	
pH Value		---		0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	16.9	-15.0	-11.6	-10.6	---	---
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential		---		---		262	215	202	237	---	---
^ Net Acid Production Potential		---		1	µS/cm						---
EA010: Conductivity		---									---
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C		---									---
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity		---		0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄	9.6	15.6	12.2	12.5	---	---
ANC as H ₂ SO ₄		---			equiv./t						---
^ ANC as CaCO ₃		0.1		0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.0	1.6	1.2	1.3	---	---
Fizz Rating		0	Fizz Unit	0		0	0	0	0		---
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO		0.01	%	0.86		0.02	0.02	0.06	0.06		---
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)		---									---



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: **SOIL**

Client sample ID		DD1163 EO 001 17.46 -17.88		DD1163 EO 002 25.02 - 25.37		DD1163 EO 003 28.71 - 29.11		DD1163 EO 004 39.76 - 40.07		DD1163 EO 005 54.08 - 54.44	
Client sampling date / time		02-MAR-2011 15:00		02-MAR-2011 15:00		02-MAR-2011 15:00		02-MAR-2011 15:00		02-MAR-2011 15:00	
Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Unit	EB1104981-001		EB1104981-002		EB1104981-003		EB1104981-004	
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.4		9.3		9.1		8.8	
pH Value	---										8.4
EA009: Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-17.0		-49.0		-29.6		-14.4	
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---										-12.8
EA010: Conductivity	---	1	µS/cm	227		167		167		142	
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---										145
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄	17.0		49.0		30.0		14.7	
ANC as H₂SO₄	---		equiv./t								14.4
^ ANC as CaCO₃	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.7		5.0		3.1		1.5	
Fizz Rating	---	0	Fizz Unit	0		2		2		0	
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	---	0.01	%	<0.01		<0.01		0.01		0.01	
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---										0.05



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Sub-Matrix: soil

Sub-Matrix: soil	Client sample ID	DD1163 EO 006	-----	-----
Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date / time	02-MAR-2011 15:00	-----
	LOR	Unit	EB1104981-006	-----
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	9.0
pH Value	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-13.3
EA009: Nett Acid Production Potential	---	1	µS/cm	134
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	13.7
EA010: Conductivity	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.4
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	0	Fizz Unit	0
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.01	%	0.01
ANC as H₂SO₄	---	0.1	%	-----
^ ANC as CaCO₃	---	0	%	-----
Fizz Rating	---	0	%	-----
EO0421: Total Sulfur by LECO	---	0.01	%	-----
Sulfur - Total as S (LECO)	---	0.01	%	-----



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	CAS Number	Client sample ID	Client sampling date /time	EB1104975-1	EB1104975-3	EB1104977-3	EB1104977-4	EB1104978-2
	LOR	Unit		09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00
				EB1107153-001	EB1107153-002	EB1107153-003	EB1107153-004	EB1107153-005	EB1107153-006
EA026 : Chromium Reducible Sulfur	----	0.005	%	----	0.016	----	----	----	0.006
Chromium Reducible Sulphur	----	0.1	meq/100g	9.7	20.1	1.8	10.4	21.5	21.5
ED007: Exchangeable Cations	----	0.1	meq/100g	6.0	6.3	4.3	8.9	3.5	3.5
^ Exchangeable Calcium	----	0.1	meq/100g	0.6	0.5	0.8	1.0	0.5	0.5
^ Exchangeable Magnesium	----	0.1	meq/100g	0.8	2.4	1.4	4.7	1.6	1.6
^ Exchangeable Potassium	----	0.1	meq/100g	17.0	29.3	8.4	25.1	27.2	27.2
^ Exchangeable Sodium	----	0.1	%	4.6	8.1	17.3	18.9	6.0	6.0
^ Cation Exchange Capacity	----	0.1	%	----	----	----	----	----	----
^ Exchangeable Sodium Percent	----	0.1	%	----	0.016	----	----	----	0.006
ED037: Alkalinity	----	1	mg/kg	3240	10200	1350	2450	39300	39300
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/kg	2960	9450	1300	1730	38600	38600
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/kg	288	721	48	721	673	673
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/kg	----	----	----	----	----	----
ED040S : Soluble Sulfate by ICPAES	14808-79-8	10	mg/kg	110	100	80	20	150	150
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-	14808-79-8	10	mg/kg	110	100	80	20	150	150
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser	16887-00-6	10	mg/kg	50	40	60	60	170	170
ED093S: Soluble Major Cations	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	20	<10	<10	<10	20	20
Calcium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	20	<10	<10	<10	20	20
Magnesium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	110	260	160	270	250	250
Sodium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	20	20	30	30	30	30
Potassium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	----	----	----	----	----	----
ED093T: Total Major Cations	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	340	880	470	1300	900	900
Sodium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	950	1120	1550	1260	900	900
Potassium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	6260	32800	3320	2790	38600	38600
Calcium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	3800	9870	4540	1540	3750	3750
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES	7429-90-5	1	mg/kg	<1	2	9	6	<1	<1
Aluminium	7440-36-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Antimony	7440-38-2	0.1	mg/kg	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Arsenic	7440-42-8	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Boron	7440-43-9	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Cadmium	7440-47-3	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Chromium	7440-48-4	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Cobalt	7440-50-8	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Copper	7439-89-6	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Iron	7439-92-1	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Lead	7439-92-1	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1



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Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	EB1104975-1		EB1104977-3		EB1104977-4		EB1104978-2	
			Client sampling date /time	Unit	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-001	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-003	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-004
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES -Continued										
Manganese	7439-98-5	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.1	mg/kg	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.1	mg/kg	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
EG005T: Total Metals by ICP-AES										
Aluminium	7429-90-5	50	mg/kg	2920	3740	3530	4230	4230	4230	6480
Antimony	7440-36-0	5	mg/kg	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Arsenic	7440-38-2	5	mg/kg	12	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	17
Boron	7440-42-8	50	mg/kg	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
Cadmium	7440-43-9	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Chromium	7440-47-3	2	mg/kg	14	8	9	9	9	9	31
Cobalt	7440-48-4	2	mg/kg	36	20	21	21	21	21	13
Copper	7440-50-8	5	mg/kg	16	21	30	5	5	5	12
Iron	7439-89-6	50	mg/kg	51000	22500	110000	1110	1110	1110	17400
Lead	7439-92-1	5	mg/kg	10	8	12	52	52	52	10
Manganese	7439-96-5	5	mg/kg	837	367	2200	<5	<5	<5	558
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	2	mg/kg	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2
Nickel	7440-02-0	2	mg/kg	36	28	24	24	24	24	28
Selenium	7782-49-2	5	mg/kg	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Zinc	7440-66-6	5	mg/kg	64	67	132	104	104	104	41



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Compound	CAS Number	CAS Number	Client sample ID	Client sampling date /time	EB1104978-4	EB1104978-5	EB1104978-8	EB1104980-2	EB1104980-3
	LOR	Unit		09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	
				EB1107153-006	EB1107153-007	EB1107153-008	EB1107153-009	EB1107153-010	
EA026 : Chromium Reducible Sulfur									
Chromium Reducible Sulphur	.....	0.005	%	0.117	0.029	.....	.....	.....	0.236
ED007: Exchangeable Cations									
^ Exchangeable Calcium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	18.4	19.7	2.9	5.8	11.5	11.5
^ Exchangeable Magnesium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	9.2	5.4	6.0	14.4	24.5	24.5
^ Exchangeable Potassium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	0.4	0.4	0.7	1.2	1.0	1.0
^ Exchangeable Sodium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	3.4	2.0	2.6	3.6	5.6	5.6
^ Cation Exchange Capacity	.....	0.1	meq/100g	31.4	27.4	12.2	25.0	42.6	42.6
^ Exchangeable Sodium Percent	.....	0.1	%	10.8	7.3	21.6	14.4	13.2	13.2
ED037: Alkalinity									
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	.....	1	mg/kg	6010	4690	1830	2550	2760	2760
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/kg	5720	4690	1730	2680	2670	2670
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/kg	288	<1	96	72	96	96
ED040S : Soluble Sulfate by ICPAES									
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-	14808-79-8	10	mg/kg	270	500	210	230	300	300
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser									
Chloride	16887-00-6	10	mg/kg	120	130	80	140	80	80
ED093S: Soluble Major Cations									
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	10	70	<10	<10	<10	<10
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	10	70	<10	<10	<10	<10
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	420	320	270	240	350	350
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	10	30	10	10	10	10
ED093T: Total Major Cations									
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	1000	720	820	960	1410	1410
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	690	730	1550	1920	1440	1440
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	9370	9720	6380	2330	3790	3790
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	2340	2180	8250	4990	5470	5470
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES									
Aluminium	7429-90-5	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	4	1	<1	<1
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.1	mg/kg	1.4	<0.1	0.2	0.3	<1	<1
Boron	7440-42-8	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Copper	7440-50-8	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Iron	7439-89-6	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Lead	7439-92-1	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1



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 Client : RGS ENVIRONMENTAL PTY LTD
 Project : DRAYTON SOUTH

Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	EB1104978-4		EB1104978-5		EB1104978-8		EB1104980-2		EB1104980-3	
			Client sampling date /time	LOR	Unit	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-006	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-007	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-008	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-009
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES -Continued												
Manganese	7439-98-5	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		0.1		0.1		<0.1		<0.1
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.1	mg/kg	0.1		1.0		<0.1		<0.1		0.2
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		0.3		<0.1		<0.1		<0.1
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.1	mg/kg	0.1		0.2		0.1		1.3		0.2
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		<0.1		<0.1		<0.1		<0.1
EG005T: Total Metals by ICP-AES												
Aluminium	7429-90-5	50	mg/kg	4190		3620		6220		12400		9940
Antimony	7440-36-0	5	mg/kg	<5		7		<5		<5		<5
Arsenic	7440-38-2	5	mg/kg	8		6		<5		<5		7
Boron	7440-42-8	50	mg/kg	<50		<50		<50		<50		<50
Cadmium	7440-43-9	1	mg/kg	<1		<1		3		<1		<1
Chromium	7440-47-3	2	mg/kg	12		40		9		17		21
Cobalt	7440-48-4	2	mg/kg	15		74		19		17		24
Copper	7440-50-8	5	mg/kg	15		84		20		29		30
Iron	7439-89-6	50	mg/kg	5860		6060		163000		17400		12800
Lead	7439-92-1	5	mg/kg	6		22		13		8		13
Manganese	7439-96-5	5	mg/kg	78		141		2000		33		192
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	2	mg/kg	<2		<2		<2		<2		<2
Nickel	7440-02-0	2	mg/kg	64		283		20		40		204
Selenium	7782-49-2	5	mg/kg	<5		<5		<5		<5		<5
Zinc	7440-66-6	5	mg/kg	41		150		144		42		109



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	EB1104980-6		EB1104980-9		EB1022785-33	
			Client sampling date /time	Unit	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	09-APR-2011 15:00	EB1107153-012
EA026 : Chromium Reducible Sulfur								
Chromium Reducible Sulphur	.....	0.005	%	0.398	.....	.....	.....	.....
ED007: Exchangeable Cations								
^ Exchangeable Calcium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	4.8	4.7	3.5	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Magnesium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	6.9	9.9	2.8	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Potassium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	0.7	1.6	1.1	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Sodium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	2.0	4.2	<0.1	.....	.....
^ Cation Exchange Capacity	.....	0.1	meq/100g	14.3	20.4	7.5	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Sodium Percent	.....	0.1	%	13.7	20.7	0.7	.....	.....
ED037: Alkalinity								
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	.....	1	mg/kg	2380	2350	697	.....	.....
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/kg	2380	2450	697	.....	.....
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/kg	<1	96	<1	.....	.....
ED040S : Soluble Sulfate by ICPAES								
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-	14808-79-8	10	mg/kg	270	170	190	.....	.....
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser								
Chloride	16887-00-6	10	mg/kg	60	110	<10	.....	.....
ED093S: Soluble Major Cations								
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	10	<10	20	.....	.....
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	20	<10	10	.....	.....
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	270	170	<10	.....	.....
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	30	10	60	.....	.....
ED093T: Total Major Cations								
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	690	1150	40	.....	.....
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	1220	2460	1160	.....	.....
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	1570	1250	1170	.....	.....
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	3160	5060	2290	.....	.....
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES								
Aluminium	7429-90-5	1	mg/kg	<1	18	<1	.....	.....
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	1.0	<0.1	.....	.....
Boron	7440-42-8	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	<1	.....	.....
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	.....	.....
Copper	7440-50-8	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Iron	7439-89-6	1	mg/kg	<1	2	<1
Lead	7439-92-1	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	EB1104980-6		EB1104980-9		EB1022785-33	
			Client sampling date /time	LOR	Unit	EB1107153-011	EB1107153-012	09-APR-2011 15:00
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES -Continued								
Manganese	7439-98-5	0.1	mg/kg	0.1		<0.1	0.5	
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.1	mg/kg	0.3		<0.1	<0.1	
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		<0.1	0.3	
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		0.1	0.1	
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1		<0.1	<0.1	
EG005T: Total Metals by ICP-AES								
Aluminium	7429-90-5	50	mg/kg	6280		12200	4030	
Antimony	7440-36-0	5	mg/kg	<5		<5	<5	
Arsenic	7440-38-2	5	mg/kg	<5		5	14	
Boron	7440-42-8	50	mg/kg	<50		<50	<50	
Cadmium	7440-43-9	1	mg/kg	<1		<1	<1	
Chromium	7440-47-3	2	mg/kg	12		11	15	
Cobalt	7440-48-4	2	mg/kg	9		4	18	
Copper	7440-50-8	5	mg/kg	25		29	26	
Iron	7439-89-6	50	mg/kg	13000		18200	20500	
Lead	7439-92-1	5	mg/kg	11		16	23	
Manganese	7439-96-5	5	mg/kg	125		139	392	
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	2	mg/kg	<2		<2	<2	
Nickel	7440-02-0	2	mg/kg	36		14	76	
Selenium	7782-49-2	5	mg/kg	<5		<5	<5	
Zinc	7440-66-6	5	mg/kg	60		105	105	



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- ANC Fizz Rating: 0-None; 1-Slight; 2-Moderate; 3-Strong; 4-Very Strong.



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: SOIL	CAS Number	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time	Client sample ID	SCK Coal Reject	SCK Roof/Floor
EA002 : pH (Soils)	---	0.1	pH Unit	8.0	7.7	---
pH Value	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /t	-13.6	-64.1	---
EA009: Nett Acid Production Potential	---	1	µS/cm	842	784	---
^ Net Acid Production Potential	---	0.5	kg H ₂ SO ₄ equiv./t	17.8	68.9	---
EA010: Conductivity	---	0.1	% CaCO ₃	1.8	7.0	---
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	0	Fizz Unit	0	2	---
EA013: Acid Neutralising Capacity	---	0.01	%	0.14	0.16	---
ANC as H₂SO₄	---					
^ ANC as CaCO₃	---					
Fizz Rating	---					
ED042T: Total Sulfur by LECO	---					
Sulfur - Total ss (LECO)	---					

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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time	Unit	Coal Reject		Roof and Floor	
				27-MAR-2011 15:00	EB1107132-001	27-MAR-2011 15:00	EB1107132-002
EA026 : Chromium Reducible Sulfur							
Chromium Reducible Sulphur	.....	0.005	%	0.062	0.084	.....	.....
ED007: Exchangeable Cations							
^ Exchangeable Calcium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	8.1	4.9	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Magnesium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	11.5	5.9	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Potassium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	0.7	0.6	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Sodium	.....	0.1	meq/100g	3.6	3.7	.....	.....
^ Exchangeable Sodium Percent	.....	0.1	%	15.2	24.3	.....	.....
ED037: Alkalinity							
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	.....	1	mg/kg	2020	6900	.....	.....
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO3	71-52-3	1	mg/kg	2020	6900	.....	.....
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO3	3812-32-6	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	.....	.....
ED040S : Soluble Sulfate by ICPAES							
Sulfate as SO4-2-	14808-79-8	10	mg/kg	110	610	.....	.....
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser							
Chloride	16887-00-6	10	mg/kg	1230	690	.....	.....
ED093S: Soluble Major Cations							
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	80	50	.....	.....
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	80	50	.....	.....
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	600	690	.....	.....
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	70	50	.....	.....
ED093T: Total Major Cations							
Sodium	7440-23-5	10	mg/kg	990	1330	.....	.....
Potassium	7440-09-7	10	mg/kg	1150	1090	.....	.....
Calcium	7440-70-2	10	mg/kg	5460	16800	.....	.....
Magnesium	7439-95-4	10	mg/kg	3620	9430	.....	.....
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES							
Aluminium	7429-90-5	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	.....	.....
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.1	mg/kg	0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Boron	7440-42-8	1	mg/kg	<1	<1	.....	.....
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Copper	7440-50-8	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	.....	.....
Iron	7439-89-6	1	mg/kg	<1	<1
Lead	7439-92-1	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.1	mg/kg	0.1	0.1



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: PULL

Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time	LOR	Unit	Client sample ID	Coal Reject	Roof and Floor	
					27-MAR-2011 15:00	27-MAR-2011 15:00	27-MAR-2011 15:00	EB1107132-001
EG005S : Soluble Metals by ICPAES -Continued								
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.1	mg/kg	0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	0.2	<0.1	<0.1	
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	
EG005T: Total Metals by ICP-AES								
Aluminium	7429-90-5	50	mg/kg	3940	3950			
Antimony	7440-36-0	5	mg/kg	<5	<5			
Boron	7440-42-8	50	mg/kg	<50	<50			
Cobalt	7440-48-4	2	mg/kg	2	9			
Iron	7439-89-6	50	mg/kg	25500	46400			
Manganese	7439-96-5	5	mg/kg	321	404			
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	2	mg/kg	<2	<2			
Selenium	7782-49-2	5	mg/kg	<5	<5			
Phosphorus	7723-14-0	50	mg/kg	280	710			
Arsenic	7440-38-2	5	mg/kg	<5	17			
Cadmium	7440-43-9	1	mg/kg	<1	<1			
Chromium	7440-47-3	2	mg/kg	5	12			
Copper	7440-50-8	5	mg/kg	11	25			
Lead	7439-92-1	5	mg/kg	21	10			
Nickel	7440-02-0	2	mg/kg	7	36			
Zinc	7440-66-6	5	mg/kg	64	62			
EK071G: Reactive Phosphorus as P by discrete analyser								
Reactive Phosphorus as P	----	0.1	mg/kg	<0.1	<0.1			

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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: LEACHATE

Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Client sampling date /time	Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3	
				EB1108503-001	EB1108503-002	EB1108503-003	EB1108503-003	29-APR-2011 15:00	29-APR-2011 15:00
EA005P: pH by PC Tittrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	9.52	7.86	7.67	7.67	---	---
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	188	239	196	196	---	---
EA010P: Conductivity by PC Tittrator	---	1	µS/cm	188	239	196	196	---	---
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---	1	µS/cm	188	239	196	196	---	---
ED037P: Alkalinity by PC Tittrator	---	1	mg/L	<1	<1	<1	<1	---	---
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	DMO-210-001	1	mg/L	21	21	<1	<1	---	---
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/L	25	29	22	22	---	---
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L	46	46	22	22	---	---
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	<1	<1	<1	<1	---	---
ED038A: Acidity	---	1	mg/L	26	32	24	24	---	---
Acidity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	26	32	24	24	---	---
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	26	32	24	24	---	---
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	26	32	24	24	---	---
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	12	26	26	26	---	---
Chloride	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	12	26	26	26	---	---
ED093F: Dissolved Major Cations	7440-70-2	1	mg/L	1	3	3	3	---	---
Calcium	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	1	2	3	3	---	---
Magnesium	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	36	40	30	30	---	---
Sodium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	2	1	2	2	---	---
Potassium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	2	1	2	2	---	---
EG020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS									
Aluminium	7429-90-5	0.01	mg/L	0.16	0.04	0.04	0.04	---	---
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	---	---
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.001	mg/L	0.036	0.005	0.005	0.005	---	---
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.0001	mg/L	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	---	---
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	---	---
Copper	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.002	---	---
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	---	---
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.001	mg/L	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	---	---
Lead	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	---	---
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.005	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	---	---
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	---	---
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.001	mg/L	0.009	0.008	0.016	0.016	---	---
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.01	mg/L	<0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	---	---
Boron	7440-42-8	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	---	---
Iron	7439-89-6	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	---	---



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- **EG020A-F (Dissolved Metals): LCS recovery for Se falls outside Dynamic Control Limits. They are however within ALS Static Control Limits and hence deemed acceptable.**
- **LCS recovery for EA010-P (Conductivity), ED037-P (Alkalinity) analyses fall outside Dynamic Control Limits. They are however within ALS Static Control Limits and hence deemed acceptable.**



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: LIQUID

Compound	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time	DRAYTON SOUTH 4		DRAYTON SOUTH 5	
			LOR	Unit	29-APR-2011 15:00 EB1108899-001	29-APR-2011 15:00 EB1108899-002
EA005P: pH by PC Tittrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	7.34	6.61	---
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	1290	2140	---
EA010P: Conductivity by PC Tittrator	---					---
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---					---
ED037P: Alkalinity by PC Tittrator	---					---
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	DMO-210-001	1	mg/L	<1	<1	---
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/L	<1	<1	---
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L	15	4	---
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	15	4	---
ED038A: Acidity	---					---
Acidity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	<1	4	---
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	43	390	---
Sulfate as SO ₄ ²⁻	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	635	855	---
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser	7440-70-2	1	mg/L	24	39	---
Chloride	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	28	38	---
ED093F: Dissolved Major Cations	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	239	496	---
Calcium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	10	11	---
Magnesium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	---
Sodium	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	---
Potassium	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	0.002	0.078	---
EG020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	0.005	0.108	---
Aluminium	7429-90-5	0.01	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	---
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	---
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.001	mg/L	0.037	0.051	---
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.00001	mg/L	<0.0001	0.0016	---
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	---
Copper	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	---
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	0.002	0.078	---
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.001	mg/L	0.005	0.108	---
Lead	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	---
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.005	mg/L	<0.005	0.200	---
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.001	mg/L	0.044	0.205	---
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.001	mg/L	0.005	0.002	---
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.01	mg/L	0.15	0.26	---
Boron	7440-42-8	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	0.05	---
Iron	7439-89-6	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	0.16	---

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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: WATER

Compound	CAS Number	CAS Number	Client sampling date /time	Client sample ID	Drayton South 1	Drayton South 2	Drayton South 3	Drayton South 4	Drayton South 5
	LOR	Unit			13-MAY-2011 15:00	13-MAY-2011 15:00	13-MAY-2011 15:00	13-MAY-2011 15:00	13-MAY-2011 15:00
					EB1109558-001	EB1109558-002	EB1109558-003	EB1109558-004	EB1109558-005
EA005P: pH by PC Titrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	9.27	9.12	8.00	7.63	7.62	
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	194	405	122	4140	2440	
EA010P: Conductivity by PC Titrator	---				<1		<1		<1
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---				10	7	<1	<1	<1
ED037P: Alkalinity by PC Titrator	DMO-210-001	1	mg/L						
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/L						
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L						
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L						
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---								
ED038A: Acidity	---	1	mg/L	<1					
Acidity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L						
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	35	57	19	130	5	5
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-									
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	15	65	15	1410	877	
ED093F: Dissolved Major Cations	7440-70-2	1	mg/L						
Chloride	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	1	3	2	107	60	
Calcium	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	1	4	2	138	61	
Magnesium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	37	72	19	523	481	
Sodium				1	2	2	26	23	
Potassium									
EG020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS	7429-90-5	0.01	mg/L	0.28	0.03	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	
Aluminium	7440-36-0	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	
Antimony	7440-38-2	0.001	mg/L	0.016	0.004	0.002	0.049	0.012	
Arsenic	7440-43-9	0.0001	mg/L	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0002	0.0004	
Cadmium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
Chromium	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.003	
Copper	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.005	0.043	
Cobalt	7440-02-0	0.001	mg/L	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	0.009	0.096	
Nickel	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
Lead	7440-66-6	0.005	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.009	0.036	
Zinc	7439-96-5	0.001	mg/L	<0.001	0.001	0.001	0.136	0.165	
Manganese	7439-98-7	0.001	mg/L	0.131	0.023	0.020	0.018	0.018	
Molybdenum	7782-49-2	0.01	mg/L	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.22	0.11	
Selenium	7440-42-8	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	
Boron	7439-89-6	0.05	mg/L	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	
Iron									
EN055: Ionic Balance	---	0.01	meq/L	1.77	3.55	1.04	43.6	32.4	
^ Total Anions	---								



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: WATER

Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Client sampling date /time	Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3		Drayton South 4		Drayton South 5	
				Unit	EB1109558-001	Unit	EB1109558-002	Unit	EB1109558-003	Unit	EB1109558-004	Unit	EB1109558-005
EN055: Ionic Balance - Continued													
▲ Total Cations	0.01	meq/L	1.79		3.62		1.12		40.2		29.5	
▲ Ionic Balance	0.01	%		0.98			4.13		4.59	

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Sub-Matrix: WATER		Client sample ID		Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3		Drayton South 4		Drayton South 5	
Compound	CAS Number	CAS Number	Unit	Client sampling date /time	10-JUN-2011 11:00	10-JUN-2011 11:00	EB1111344-001	10-JUN-2011 11:00	EB1111344-002	10-JUN-2011 11:00	EB1111344-004	10-JUN-2011 11:00	EB1111344-005
EA005P: pH by PC Titrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	9.06		8.74		8.85		7.13		7.46	
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	387		394		154		1320		916	
EA010P: Conductivity by PC Titrator	---												
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---												
ED037P: Alkalinity by PC Titrator													
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	DMO-210-001	1	mg/L	<1		<1		<1		<1		<1	
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/L	20		6		5		<1		<1	
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L	63		26		13		11		30	
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	84		32		18		11		30	
ED038A: Acidity	---												
Acidity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	<1		<1		<1		3		2	
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions													
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	66		71		32		70		176	
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser													
Chloride	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	14		44		9		457		149	
ED093F: Dissolved Major Cations													
Calcium	7440-70-2	1	mg/L	1		2		2		25		12	
Magnesium	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	1		2		3		41		10	
Sodium	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	77		71		19		210		153	
Potassium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	3		2		3		11		7	
EG020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS													
Aluminium	7429-90-5	0.01	mg/L	0.12		0.22		0.04		<0.01		0.02	
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.001	mg/L	0.004		<0.001		<0.001		0.001		0.001	
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.001	mg/L	0.083		0.008		0.004		0.035		0.025	
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.0001	mg/L	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001	
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001	
Copper	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	0.003		0.001		<0.001		<0.001		0.002	
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		0.005	
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.001	mg/L	0.004		<0.001		<0.001		0.003		0.008	
Lead	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001	
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.005	mg/L	<0.005		<0.005		<0.005		<0.005		<0.005	
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		0.002		<0.001		0.031		0.020	
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.001	mg/L	0.173		0.014		0.028		0.008		0.029	
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.01	mg/L	0.02		0.04		0.01		0.14		0.07	
Boron	7440-42-8	0.05	mg/L	<0.05		<0.05		<0.05		<0.05		<0.05	
Iron	7439-89-6	0.05	mg/L	<0.05		0.06		0.06		<0.05		<0.05	
EN055: Ionic Balance	---	0.01	meq/L	3.45		3.36		3.36		1.28		14.6	
^ Total Anions	---												8.47



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: WATER

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3		Drayton South 4		Drayton South 5	
			Client sampling date /time	LOR	Unit	EB1111344-001	EB1111344-002	EB1111344-003	EB1111344-004	EB1111344-005	10-JUN-2011 11:00	10-JUN-2011 11:00
EN055: Ionic Balance - Continued	---	---	10-JUN-2011 11:00	0.01	meq/L	3.56	3.40	1.25	14.0	8.26	10-JUN-2011 11:00	10-JUN-2011 11:00
^ Total Cations	0.01	%	EB1111344-001	1.53		0.63	---	---	1.86	1.28	EB1111344-004	EB1111344-005
^ Ionic Balance	---	---	EB1111344-002	---		---	---	---	---	---	EB1111344-003	EB1111344-005

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- Ionic balances are within acceptable limits as detailed in the 21st Ed. APHA "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater".



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Sub-Matrix: WATER		Client sample ID		Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3		Drayton South 4		Drayton South 5		
Compound	CAS Number	CAS Number	Unit	Client sampling date /time	30-JUN-2011 09:00	30-JUN-2011 09:00	EB1112740-002	30-JUN-2011 09:00	30-JUN-2011 09:00	EB1112740-003	30-JUN-2011 09:00	EB1112740-004	30-JUN-2011 09:00	EB1112740-005
EA005P: pH by PC Titrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	9.32		8.74		8.69		7.30		7.67		
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	143		353		82		1450		743		
EA010P: Conductivity by PC Titrator	---													
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	---													
ED037P: Alkalinity by PC Titrator	---													
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	DMO-210-001	1	mg/L	<1		<1		<1		<1		<1		
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	3812-32-6	1	mg/L	20		8		6		<1		<1		
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L	23		20		8		21		39		
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	43		28		14		21		39		
ED038A: Acidity	---	1	mg/L	<1		<1		<1		2		2		
^ Acidity as CaCO ₃	---													
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	21		73		18		95		194		
Sulfate as SO ₄ 2-														
ED045G: Chloride Discrete analyser	16887-00-6	1	mg/L	4		42		4		450		74		
Chloride														
ED093F: Dissolved Major Cations	7440-70-2	1	mg/L	<1		1		1		30		9		
Calcium	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	<1		2		2		36		9		
Magnesium	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	28		69		10		205		127		
Sodium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	1		1		2		11		6		
Potassium														
EG020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS														
Aluminium	7429-90-5	0.01	mg/L	1.11		0.48		0.37		<0.01		0.02		
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.001	mg/L	0.001		<0.001		<0.001		0.001		0.001		
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.001	mg/L	0.019		0.004		0.003		0.004		0.014		
Cadmium	7440-43-9	0.0001	mg/L	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		
Chromium	7440-47-3	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		
Copper	7440-50-8	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		0.002		
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.001	mg/L	0.002		0.001		0.001		0.001		0.004		
Lead	7439-92-1	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		<0.001		
Zinc	7440-66-6	0.005	mg/L	<0.005		<0.005		<0.005		<0.005		<0.005		
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.001	mg/L	<0.001		0.003		0.001		0.030		0.007		
Molybdenum	7439-98-7	0.001	mg/L	0.050		0.022		0.012		0.010		0.023		
Selenium	7782-49-2	0.01	mg/L	<0.01		0.04		0.01		0.03		0.01		
Boron	7440-42-8	0.05	mg/L	<0.05		<0.05		<0.05		<0.05		<0.05		
Iron	7439-89-6	0.05	mg/L	0.14		0.12		0.05		<0.05		<0.05		
EN055: Ionic Balance	---	0.01	meq/L	1.41		3.26		0.77		15.1		6.91		
^ Total Anions	---													



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Sub-Matrix: WATER

Compound	CAS Number	LOR	Client sampling date /time	Client sample ID	Drayton South 1	Drayton South 2	Drayton South 3	Drayton South 4	Drayton South 5
				Unit	EB1112740-001	EB1112740-002	EB1112740-003	EB1112740-004	EB1112740-005
EN055: Ionic Balance - Continued									
▲ Total Cations	0.01	meq/L	1.24	3.24	0.70	13.7	6.87	
▲ Ionic Balance	0.01	%	0.39	4.99	0.31	

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- Ionic Balance out of acceptable limits for **EB1113865-004** due to analytes not quantified in this report.



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Analytical Results

Sub-Matrix: LIQUID

Compound	CAS Number	Client sample ID	Drayton South 1		Drayton South 2		Drayton South 3		Drayton South 4		Drayton South 5	
			Client sampling date /time		14-JUL-2011 15:00		14-JUL-2011 15:00		14-JUL-2011 15:00		14-JUL-2011 15:00	
EA005P: pH by PC Titrator	---	0.01	pH Unit	9.24		8.35		8.29		7.43		7.86
pH Value	---	1	µS/cm	78		278		70		1200		539
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Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	71-52-3	1	mg/L	15		26		11		24		48
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	24		27		11		24		48
ED038A: Acidity	---											
Acidity as CaCO ₃	---	1	mg/L	<1		1		1		2		2
ED040F: Dissolved Major Anions	14808-79-8	1	mg/L	9		58		12		78		136
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Calcium	7439-95-4	1	mg/L	<1		1		2		27		6
Magnesium	7440-23-5	1	mg/L	15		50		8		147		86
Sodium	7440-09-7	1	mg/L	1		2		2		11		6
ED020F: Dissolved Metals by ICP-MS												
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