Determination of Lead in Dust Wipes using Field Analytical Technology

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Background Environmental Technology Verification Program

> Early 1990s - Need for environmental technology verification identified

- Slow rate of innovation; poor U.S. markets
- Lack of credibility of new technologies
- Inertia of system, risk aversion of purchasers and permitters
- Burgeoning international market
- > EPA initiates ETV in October, 1995





ETV Objectives

- Provide credible performance data for commercial environmental technologies to aid
 - vendors in selling innovative technologies,
 - purchasers in making decisions to purchase innovative technologies, and
 - regulators in making permitting decisions regarding environmental technologies.





ETV Successes

- 240 Verifications, 78 protocols to date
- Vendor demand continues over 100 technologies in testing/evaluation, over 100 applications pending
- Increasing funding from vendors and others
- 805 Stakeholders in 21 groups
- Commendations from EPA science and policy advisory boards
- Supports regulatory and voluntary Agency, other Federal and state programs
- Growing international interest
- New role in homeland security verifications





ETV <u>Verifies</u> only

> Definition: Verify is to determine performance under test plan defined conditions

- No winners or losers
- No approvals
- No certification
- No pass or fail
- No guarantees
- > Responsibility rests with the technology user to correctly choose and apply technologies





Stakeholder Roles

- > Help set verification priorities
- > Review protocols and operating procedures
- > Review other important documents
- Assist in designing and conducting outreach activities
- Serve as information conduits to their constituencies





ETV Centers

- > ETV Air Pollution Control Technology Center
 Research Triangle Institute
- ETV Drinking Water Systems Center
 NSF International
- > ETV Greenhouse Gas Technology Center
 - Southern Research Institute
- > ETV Advanced Monitoring Systems Center
 - Battelle
- > ETV Water Quality Protection Center
 - NSF International
- > ETV- Building Decontamination Center
 Battelle
- > ETV P2 Coatings and Coating Equipment Pilot
 - Concurrent Technologies Corporation







46 Verifications in 2003

- >AMS: 5 Arsenic Detection; 5 Mercury CEMs; 1 Onboard Mobile Emission Monitor; 1 Portable Multi-Gas Emission Monitor; 2 Multi-Parameter Water Probes; 6 Cyanide Detection Kits
- >SCMT: 1 Lead in Dust; 2 Groundwater Sampling Devices
- >APCT: 3 Mobile Source Devices
- >GHG: 1 Fuel Cell; 2 Micro-turbine CHP; 1 Vehicle Axle Lubricant; 1 Natural Gas Dehydration
- >DWS: 2 Filtration Technologies
- >WQP: 5 Residential Nutrient Reduction Systems; 1 Animal Waste Treatment (Solids Separator); 3 UV Disinfection
- >CCEP: 1 Liquid Paint; 1 UV Curable Coating; 1 High Transfer Efficiency Paint Spray Gun
- >P2-MF: 1 Sludge Reduction





Projections for 2004

- > Over 80 verifications
- half in base ETV
- half in homeland security technologies





ETV is partnering with ..

- > US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
 Multi-parameter water probes
- > US Coast Guard
 - Ballast water treatment
- US Dept of Energy, State of Massachusetts
 Continuous emission mercury monitors
- > US Dept of Defense
 - Monitors for explosives; PCBs in soils; dust suppressants
- > States of Alaska, Pennsylvania
- Drinking water arsenic treatment
- States/counties in Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan
 Storm water treatment
- > States of New York, Colorado
 - Waste to energy
- > USDA
 - Ambient ammonia monitors









Getting to ETV Outcomes Measuring outputs to outcomes





Lead in Dust: Rationale for Performance Verification

"Childhood lead poisoning remains a major preventable environmental health problem in the United States."

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

"Children are most frequently lead poisoned by household lead paint dust."

- Massachusetts Dept of Public Health





Why "dust wipes" versus "bulk dust"?

- Wipe sampling estimates surface lead loading
 - μg of lead per unit area
- Risk-based dust-lead loading standards established based on dust wipe sampling
- > Testing under the NLLAP is restricted to dust wipes.
- Readily available ELPAT samples with certified concentrations
 - "Real-world" samples of known content



What were the regulatory drivers for this dust wipe testing?

- ETV tests provide information on potential applicability of field technologies for clearance testing.
- > Relevancy to clearance levels[†]
 - 40 µg/ft² floors
 - 250 µg/ft² window sills
 - 400 µg/ft² window troughs
- Applications
 - Clearance testing
 - Risk assessment



[†] Identification of dangerous levels of lead, Final Rule, 1/5/01, 40 CFR 745.65

How did we arrive at this experimental design?



How did we arrive at 160 samples?

- Looked at all of the archived ELPAT samples; selections based on concentration and number of samples available
- Requested newly-prepared samples to focus on particular clearances levels (40, 250, 400 µg)
- Implemented statistically-balanced design of four replicates







Confidence in the estimate of the false positive error rate increases as more blank samples are evaluated.



Attention to Clearance Levels



Testing Venues Focused on Where the Interest Lies



Two Very Different Analytical Techniques Verified

Portable X-ray fluorescencePortable anodic stripping voltammetry

Vendors That Participated in the Lead in Dust ETV Tests

- > Niton Corporation (3 XRF systems)
- > Monitoring Technologies International (ASV)
- Palintest (ASV)
- Key Master Technologies/EDAX (XRF)



Anodic Stripping Voltammetry for Determination of Lead



Pb(II) is reduced to Pb(0) by holding potential at cathodic value for brief period; Pb quantified with anodic potential sweep, measuring current for oxidizing Pb(0) to Pb(II) and stripping it from solid electrode.

Electrochemical cell uses a working (W), reference (R), and auxillary (A) electrodes in cylindrical tube with teflon cap.



Anodic stripping voltammograms for the sample and two standard additions of 50 ppb Pb(II). Deposition potential = -600 mV; deposition time = 1 min.; quiet time = 10 sec. S.W. frequency = 15 Hz; step potential = 4 mV;

S.W. amplitude = 25 mV

Anodic Stripping Voltammetry

> Advantages

- Low capital cost
- Disposable material
- Very high sample throughput

> Disadvantages

Generates small amounts of chemical waste

X-Ray Fluorescence

Exposing metallic materials to high energy x-rays stimulates ejection of electrons the energies of which provide information concerning the identity of the metal in question.



X-Ray Fluorescence

> Advantages

- Non-destructive analysis
- Produces no chemical waste
- Good sample throughput

> Disadvantages

- High capital cost
- May need radiation source license





Reported Concentrations at Clearance Levels

Clearance Level µg/wipe	UC Samples, µg/wipe	ELPAT Samples, µg/wipe
40	39	42
250	224	213
400	346	303

Probabilities of False Negatives





Comparability: R = 0.999 (ELPAT samples); R = 0.999 (UC samples)

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 0% (0 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 0% (0 of 30 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 54% (15 of 38 ELPAT); 70% (21 of 30 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: 15 µg/wipe

Throughput (1 analysts): 40 samples/12 hr day

Statistically significant negative bias ("penalty" for high precision) but within acceptable bias range.





Reported Concentrations at Clearance Levels

-			Probabilities of False Negative
Clearance Level	UC Samples,	ELPAT Samples,	
µg/wipe	µg/wipe	µg/wipe	u 0.8
40	42	49	DataChem
250	276	272	t 04 t 03 de 02
400	431	372	
			True Pb Concentration (ug/wipe)



Comparability: R = 0.999 (ELPAT samples); R = 0.999 (UC samples)

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 50% (6 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 62% (21 of 34 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 7% (2 of 28 ELPAT); 8% (2 of 26 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: 15 µg/wipe

Throughput (1 analyst): 30 - 60 samples/12 hr day

Statistically significant positive bias ("penalty" for high precision) but within acceptable bias range.





Comparability: R = 0.999 (ELPAT samples); R = 0.999 (UC samples)

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 8% (1 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 22% (8 of 37 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 29% (8 of 28 ELPAT);43% (10 of 23 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: 10 µg/wipe

Throughput (2 analysts): 45 - 50 samples/10 hr day

Statistically significant negative bias ("penalty" for high precision) but within acceptable bias range.



Reported Concentrations at Clearance Levels

Clearance Level µg/wipe	UC Samples, µg/wipe	ELPAT Samples, µg/wipe
40	42	42
250	232	234
400	371	361









Keymaster Pb Test XRF



Comparability: R = 0.967 (for samples $\leq 200 \ \mu g/wipe$); R = 0.989 (for samples $> 200 \ \mu g/wipe$);

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 50% (6 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 53% (20 of 38 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 29% (8 of 28 ELPAT); 32% (7 of 22 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: None provided

Throughput (2 analysts and 2 instruments): 80 samples/10 hr day

Statistically significant positive bias for samples $\leq 200 \ \mu g/wipe$; unbiased for samples above 200 $\mu g/wipe$; acceptable precision.





MTI PDV 5000

Reported Concentrations at Clearance Levels

Clearance Level µg/wipe	UC Samples, µg/wipe	ELPAT Samples, µg/wipe
40	29	44
250	240	213
400	375	258



MTI PDV 5000



Comparability: R = 0.999 (for UC samples); R = 0.988 (for ELPAT samples);

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 25% (3 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 14% (4 of 29 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 43% (12 of 28 ELPAT); 59% (17 of 29 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: < 20 µg/wipe

Throughput (2 analysts and 1 instrument): 80 samples/10 hr day

Statistically significant negative bias; less precise than typically acceptable levels; strong linear relationship between PDV 5000 response and that of comparable lab method.



Palintest Scanning Analyzer SA-5000

Reported Concentrations at Clearance Levels

Clearance	UC	ELPAT
Level	Samples,	Samples,
µg/wipe	µg/wipe	µg/wipe
40	35	36
250	189	221
400	308	372



Palintest Scanning Analyzer SA-5000

Comparability: R = 1.00 (for UC samples); R = 0.995 (for ELPAT samples);

False positive results (relative to clearance levels): 0% (0 of 12 ELPAT Samples); 0% (0 of 38 UC samples)

False negative results (relative to clearance levels): 61% (17 of 28 ELPAT); 100% (22 of 22 UC samples) [25% and 77% for Reference Laboratory]

Reporting limit: < 25 µg/wipe

Throughput (1 analyst and 1 instrument): 80 samples/10 hr day

Statistically significant negative bias; very precise; strong linear relationship between SA-5000 response and that of comparable lab method; no false positives, high number of false negatives.

ETV Program does NOT make Head to Head comparisons of technologies, because there are needs for a variety of tools in the environmental technology toolbox



Asking: "What is the Best Technology?" is Like Asking "What is the Best Vehicle to Purchase?"

It depends on what you need!





Sports car vs. MiniVan

PS: Your mileage may vary

Upcoming Technology Verifications by the Advance Monitoring Systems Center

- > More rounds of arsenic test kits for water
- > Multi-parameter water monitors
- Ambient ammonia monitors for animal feed operations
- > Ammonia continuous emission monitors
- Immunoassay kits for anthrax, botulinum toxin, & ricin
- PCR kits for anthrax, plague, Tularemia, Brucellosis

