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Dear Kelley,

Thank you for participating in the WP0221 Water Pollution Proficiency Testing Study. Enclosed is your final report, which has been carefully reviewed by the PT specialists at Phenova. This report presents some additional sections and features which will give you more information on the study data for the standards that were reported by your laboratory and more information regarding the overall performance of your laboratory in relation to other study participants.

The enclosed report is in two sections, the "Evaluation Report" and the "Statistical Report". The "Evaluation Report" contains the evaluation of your reported data as well the reported method, analysis date and analyst. The "Evaluation Report" is an updated and enhanced version of the reports you previously received at the conclusion of our PT studies. The "Statistical Report" contains your passing percentage as well as statistics from the study for the analytes reported by your laboratory.

For any analyte falling outside the established acceptance limits, our PT management staff would like to assist you in determining the most appropriate course of corrective action for your facility. Please contact us at any time if we may be of service to you.

Thank you again for participating in the WP0221 Water Pollution Proficiency Testing Study. We appreciate working with you and look forward to our next study. If you have any questions, please call us at 866-942-2978.



Report Definitions:

Assigned Value

The Assigned Value is determined from the study mean, gravimetric and volumetric true concentration of an analyte to be analyzed, calculation and/or an appropriate reference value as stipulated in the EPA National Standards for Water Proficiency Testing Studies Criteria Document (current version), the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference Institute (TNI) criteria (ref: TNI FOT tables, TNI PT Committee) and other documents distributed by accrediting agencies as applicable.

Evaluation Limits

Acceptance Limits are derived from fixed limits, coefficients, constants and calculations stipulated in the EPA National Standards for Water Proficiency Testing Studies Criteria Documents (current version), the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference Institute (TNI) criteria (ref: TNI FOT tables, TNI PT Committee) and other documents distributed by accrediting agencies as applicable.

Evaluation

- Acceptable* The reported value falls within the Acceptance Limits.
- Not Acceptable* The reported value falls outside the Acceptance Limits.
- No Evaluation* The reported value is non-numeric and can not be evaluated.
- NR* As required by the TNI standards and requested by state authorities, any analyte purchased but not reported by your facility is listed as NR (Not Reported).

Study Mean and Standard Deviation

The mean and standard deviation are calculated from the study data using robust statistical calculations when possible. Other statistical calculations may be used if robust statistical calculations are not possible. The displayed values are independent of any statistical calculations required for the calculation of the analyte evaluation limits.

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State Regulatory Agency Request(s):

Phenova has been authorized to send a copy of your WP0221 final results to the following state agencies:
KY, NC and SC

Other Regulatory Agency Request(s):

No requests were made to send a copy of your WP0221 final results to an agency.

Third Party Request(s):

No requests were made to send a copy of your WP0221 final results to a third party.

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Study: WP0221

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Demand (PT-DEM-WP) Lot #: 8219-07

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1530	BOD	2/17/2021	KEK	20135017	SM 5210 B-2011	mg/L	105	94	53.9 - 176	Acceptable
1555	CBOD	2/17/2021	KEK	20135017	SM 5210 B-2011	mg/L	105	74	42.2 - 176	Acceptable
1565	COD	2/17/2021	KEK	60003001	Hach 8000	mg/L	163	166	130 - 191	Acceptable
2040	TOC					mg/L	64.6		54.0 - 74.5	NR

Minerals 1 (PT-MIN1-WP) Lot #: 8219-08

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1505	Total Alkalinity(as CaCO ₃)	2/18/2021	KEK	20045414	SM 2320 B-2011	mg/L	215	202	183 - 247	Acceptable
1540	Bromide					mg/L	4.60		3.76 - 5.41	NR
1575	Chloride	2/18/2021	KEK	20085012	SM 4500-Cl ⁻ C-2011	mg/L	148	150	130 - 166	Acceptable
1730	Fluoride					mg/L	2.05		1.64 - 2.40	NR
2000	Sulfate	2/26/2021	KEK	20132836	SM 4500-SO ₄ ⁻ E-2011	mg/L	63.5	70	52.5 - 72.5	Acceptable

Additional State Specific Analytes

1813	Total Inorganic Carbon					mg/L	51.3		41.1 - 61.6	NR
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Minerals 2 - Hardness (PT-MIN2-WP) Lot #: 8219-102

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1035	Calcium					mg/L	70.2		59.7 - 80.8	NR
1550	Calcium Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	2/18/2021	KEK	20047410	SM 2340 C-2011	mg/L	175	216	149 - 202	Not Acceptable
1755	Total Hardness (as CaCO ₃)					mg/L	234		199 - 269	NR
1085	Magnesium					mg/L	14.3		12.2 - 16.5	NR
1125	Potassium					mg/L	21.5		17.2 - 25.8	NR
1155	Sodium					mg/L	26.7		21.4 - 32.1	NR

Specific Conductance (PT-COND-WP) Lot #: 8219-72

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1610	Specific Conductance (25°C)	2/5/2021	KEK	20048413	SM 2510 B-2011	µmhos/cm	282	295	254 - 310	Acceptable

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Solids (PT-SOL-WP) Lot #: 8219-09

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1955	Total Dissolved Solids at 180° (TFR)	2/11/2021	KEK	20050424	SM 2540 C-2011	mg/L	538	546	484 - 592	Acceptable
1960	Non-Filterable Residue (TSS)	2/4/2021	KEK	20051018	SM 2540 D-2011	mg/L	84.4	84	69.2 - 93.9	Acceptable
1950	Total Solids					mg/L	622		560 - 685	NR

Nutrients 1 - Simple (PT-NUT1-WP) Lot #: 8219-10

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1515	Ammonia as N	2/4/2021	KEK	20109211	SM 4500-NH3 D-2011	mg/L	6.37	6.07	4.99 - 7.77	Acceptable
1810	Nitrate as N					mg/L	5.32		4.31 - 6.31	NR
1820	Nitrate and Nitrite as N					mg/L	5.32		4.36 - 6.23	NR
1870	Orthophosphate as P					mg/L	0.560		0.476 - 0.644	NR

Additional State Specific Analytes

1712	Total Dissolved Phosphorus					mg/L	0.560		0.476 - 0.644	NR
1647	Dissolved Nitrogen					mg/L	11.7		9.70 - 13.6	NR
1827	Total Nitrogen					mg/L	11.7		9.70 - 13.6	NR

pH (PT-PH-WP) Lot #: 8219-15

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1900	pH	2/5/2021	KEK	20105015	SM 4500-H+ B-2011	S.U.	6.27	6.27	6.07 - 6.47	Acceptable
1900	pH	2/5/2021	KEK		SW-846 9040 C (Aqueous)	S.U.	6.27	6.27	6.07 - 6.47	Acceptable
1900	pH	2/5/2021	KEK		SW-846 9045 D (Non-Aqueous)	S.U.	6.27	6.27	6.07 - 6.47	Acceptable

Residual Chlorine Low Level (PT-CLLL-WP) Lot #: 8219-94

NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1940	Total Residual Chlorine	3/10/2021	JRS	60006522	ORION 97-70 1977	µg/L	212	200	152 - 272	Acceptable

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Settleable Solids (PT-SSOL-WP)										Lot #: 8219-17
NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
1965	Settleable Solids	2/4/2021	KEK	20052011	SM 2540 F-2011	mL/L	9.43	12	6.77 - 12.9	Acceptable
Turbidity (PT-TURB-WP)										Lot #: 8219-20
NELAC Code	Analyte	Analysis Date	Analyst	Method Code	Method Description	Units	Assigned Value	Result	Acceptance Limits	Evaluation
2055	Turbidity	3/1/2021	KEK	20042619	SM 2130 B-2011	NTU	20.1	18	16.8 - 23.5	Acceptable



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PT Study Score Report

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Study Number	Number of Reported Results	Number of Passing Results	Percent Passing
WP0221	17	16	94.1%

Report Definitions:

- Number of Reported Results** The number of results reported which could be evaluated. Results receiving an evaluation of "NR" or "No Evaluation" are not included.
- Number of Passing Results** The number of results reported receiving an evaluation of "Acceptable" or "Check for Error".
- Percent Passing** The percentage of results reported receiving an evaluation of "Acceptable" or "Check for Error".

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Demand (PT-DEM-WP) Lot #: 8219-07						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1530	BOD	mg/L	100	15.5	51.3	168
1555	CBOD	mg/L	93.0	18.7	40.2	168
1565	COD	mg/L	157	17.8	79.8	117
2040	TOC	mg/L	64.4	3.56	83.6	115
Minerals 1 (PT-MIN1-WP) Lot #: 8219-08						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1505	Total Alkalinity(as CaCO ₃)	mg/L	211	9.07	85.1	115
1540	Bromide	mg/L	4.60	0.425	81.7	118
1575	Chloride	mg/L	149	4.67	87.8	112
1730	Fluoride	mg/L	2.00	0.130	80.0	117
2000	Sulfate	mg/L	63.6	2.86	82.7	114
Additional State Specific Analytes						
1813	Total Inorganic Carbon	mg/L	53.1	2.14	80.1	120
Minerals 2 - Hardness (PT-MIN2-WP) Lot #: 8219-102						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1035	Calcium	mg/L	68.3	3.30	85.0	115
1550	Calcium Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	mg/L	167	7.94	85.1	115
1755	Total Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	mg/L	225	10.5	85.0	115
1085	Magnesium	mg/L	13.9	0.673	85.3	115
1125	Potassium	mg/L	21.3	1.30	80.0	120
1155	Sodium	mg/L	26.0	1.25	80.1	120
Specific Conductance (PT-COND-WP) Lot #: 8219-72						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1610	Specific Conductance (25°C)	µmhos/cm	284	8.96	90.1	110
Solids (PT-SOL-WP) Lot #: 8219-09						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1955	Total Dissolved Solids at 180° (TFR)	mg/L	537	15.9	90.0	110
1960	Non-Filterable Residue (TSS)	mg/L	83.2	2.88	82.0	111
1950	Total Solids	mg/L	628	17.6	90.0	110

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Nutrients 1 - Simple (PT-NUT1-WP) Lot #: 8219-10						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1515	Ammonia as N	mg/L	6.33	0.427	78.3	122
1810	Nitrate as N	mg/L	5.36	0.252	81.0	119
1820	Nitrate and Nitrite as N	mg/L	5.42	0.241	82.0	117
1870	Orthophosphate as P	mg/L	0.559	0.0402	85.0	115
Additional State Specific Analytes						
1712	Total Dissolved Phosphorus	mg/L	0.556	0.0428	85.0	115
1647	Dissolved Nitrogen	mg/L	11.4	0.269	82.9	116
1827	Total Nitrogen	mg/L	11.5	0.253	82.9	116
pH (PT-PH-WP) Lot #: 8219-15						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1900	pH	S.U.	6.30	0.0507	96.8	103
Residual Chlorine Low Level (PT-CLLL-WP) Lot #: 8219-94						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1940	Total Residual Chlorine	µg/L	207	16.9	71.7	128
Settleable Solids (PT-SSOL-WP) Lot #: 8219-17						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
1965	Settleable Solids	mL/L	8.77	1.71	71.8	137
Turbidity (PT-TURB-WP) Lot #: 8219-20						
NELAC Code	Analyte	Units	Study Mean	Study Standard Deviation	Low Acceptance Limit %	High Acceptance Limit %
2055	Turbidity	NTU	20.0	1.34	83.6	117