### **Reference Materials**

# Certificate of Analysis

Product: Metals in Sewage SludG™

Catalog Number: 160

**Lot No.** D095-160

Certificate Issue Date: September 23, 2016

**Expiration Date:** April 30, 2020

Revision Number: Original

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Parameter	Total Concentration <sup>6</sup>	Certified Value <sup>1</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	QC Performance Acceptance Limits <sup>3</sup>	PT Performance Acceptance Limits <sup>4</sup>
	mg/kg	mg/kg	%	mg/kg	mg/kg
Aluminum	8480	9060	9.98	7530 - 10600	6580 - 11500
Antimony	201	179	25.8	115 - 242	128 - 229
Arsenic	170	157	25.9	116 - 199	134 - 187
Barium	800	758	13.5	540 - 976	601 - 915
Beryllium	136	128	25.9	107 - 150	93.4 - 163
Cadmium	84.8	76.0	26.1	59.0 - 93.0	66.3 - 93.3
Calcium	48400	44400	0.0628	34000 - 54800	32800 - 56000
Chromium	96.6	93.2	27.4	75.3 - 111	76.9 - 110
Cobalt	29.4	26.3	36.8	17.9 - 34.7	20.8 - 32.3
Copper	916	844	3.83	705 - 982	655 - 1030
Iron	24100	22600	2.18	16700 - 28600	17100 - 28200
Lead	137	133	25.2	105 - 162	103 - 164
Magnesium	5100	4730	3.63	3880 - 5570	3470 - 5990
Manganese	613	600	14.8	463 - 737	462 - 738
Mercury	12.0	11.2	43.5	6.13 - 16.3	3.98 - 18.4
Molybdenum	108	101	26.3	81.7 - 121	78.7 - 124
Nickel	122	115	25.8	92.3 - 137	91.3 - 138
Potassium	3200	3010	13.3	2230 - 3790	2090 - 3930
Selenium	141	133	25.6	94.4 - 172	78.7 - 188
Silver	124	115	25.9	77.9 - 152	103 - 136
Sodium	1290	1280	12.1	906 - 1640	1070 - 1480
Strontium	616	605	13.8	502 - 708	453 - 757
Thallium	108	89.6	25.9	63.4 - 116	40.4 - 139





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	mg/kg	mg/kg	%	mg/kg	mg/kg	
Vanadium	69.9	68.9	25.8	47.6 - 90.3	57.2 - 80.7	
Zinc	1130	1170	8.65	929 - 1400	929 - 1400	

#### **ANALYTICAL VERIFICATION**

Parameter	Certified Value <sup>1</sup>	Proficiency Testing Study			NIST Traceability	
		Mean	Recovery <sup>5</sup>	n	SRM Number	Recovery
	mg/kg	mg/kg	%			%
Aluminum	9060	9060	107	7	-	-
Antimony	179	179	88.8	8	-	-
Arsenic	157	157	92.4	10	-	-
Barium	758	758	94.8	7	-	-
Beryllium	128	128	94.3	7	-	-
Cadmium	76.0	76.0	89.6	10	-	-
Calcium	44400	44400	91.7	6	-	-
Chromium	93.2	93.2	96.5	9	-	-
Cobalt	26.3	26.3	89.4	7	-	-
Copper	844	844	92.1	10	-	-
Iron	22600	22600	94.1	6	-	-
Lead	133	133	97.4	10	-	-
Magnesium	4730	4730	92.7	6	-	-
Manganese	600	600	97.9	8	-	-
Mercury	11.2	11.2	93.5	7	-	-
Molybdenum	101	101	93.8	10	-	-
Nickel	115	115	93.9	10	-	-
Potassium	3010	3010	94.0	9	-	-
Selenium	133	133	94.5	10	-	-
Silver	115	115	92.7	6	-	-
Sodium	1280	1280	98.6	5	-	-
Strontium	605	605	98.2	5	-	-

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Parameter	Certified Value <sup>1</sup>	Proficiency Testing Study			NIST Traceability	
		Mean	Recovery <sup>5</sup>	n	SRM Number	Recovery
	mg/kg	mg/kg	%			%
Thallium	89.6	89.6	83.0	8	-	-
Vanadium	68.9	68.9	98.6	7	-	-
Zinc	1170	1170	103	10	-	-

- 1. The **Certified Values** are equal to the mean recoveries for the parameters as determined in an interlaboratory round robin study based on all applicable digestion techniques reported in the study. The Certified Values are based on an "as received" basis, assuming 100% solids content. The certified values are monitored and purchasers will be notified of any significant changes resulting in recertification or withdrawal of this certified reference material during the period of validity of this certificate.
- 2. The **Uncertainty** is the total propagated uncertainty at the 95% confidence interval. The uncertainty is based on the preparation and internal analytical verification of the product by ERA, multiplied by a coverage factor. The uncertainty applies to the product as supplied and does not take into account any required or optional dilution and/or preparations the laboratory may perform while using this product.
- 3. The QC Performance Acceptance Limits (QC PALs™) are based on actual historical data collected in ERA's Proficiency Testing program. The QC PALs™ reflect any inherent biases in the methods used to establish the limits and closely approximate a 95% confidence interval of the performance that experienced laboratories should achieve using accepted environmental methods. Use the QC PALs™ to realistically evaluate your performance against your peers.
- 4. The **PT Performance Acceptance Limits (PT PALs™)** are calculated using the regression equations and fixed acceptance criteria specified in the NELAC proficiency testing requirements. Use the PT PALs™ when analyzing this QC standard alongside USEPA and NELAC compliant PT standards. Please note that many PT study acceptance limits are concentration dependent (some non-linearly) and, therefore, the acceptance limits of this QC standard and any PT standard may differ relative to their difference in concentrations.
- 5. The **PT Data/Traceability** data include the mean value, percent recovery and number of data points reported by the laboratories in our Proficiency Testing study compared to the Certified Values. In addition, where NIST Standard Reference Materials (SRMs) are available, each analyte has been analytically traced to the NIST SRM listed. This product is traceable to the lot numbers of its starting materials. All gravimetric and volumetric measurements related to its manufacture are traceable to NIST through an unbroken chain of comparisons.

Traceability Recovery (%) = [(% recovery certified standard)/(% recovery NIST SRM)]\*100

The traceability data shown were compiled by analyzing the ERA standards or their associated stock solutions against the applicable NIST SRMs.

- 6. The **Total Concentrations** are equal to the background concentrations in the blank sludge matrix (measured using 3050 for Metals and 7471 for Mercury), plus the amount of each analyte spiked onto the sludge.
- 7. For additional information on this product such as intended use, instructions for use, level of homogeneity, and safety information, please refer to the provided Instruction Sheet

If you have any questions or need technical assistance, please call ERA technical assistance at 1-800-372-0122 or send an email to info@eraqc.com.

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