# 2024 Q2 SENSOR REPORT COMMERCE CITY NORTH DENVER COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING NETWORK COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

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#### **Executive Summary**

In response to feedback received by Suncor Energy (U.S.A.) Inc. (Suncor) through community engagement conducted in the fall of 2020, Suncor voluntarily committed to developing a continuous, near real-time air monitoring program to gain insight into air quality for neighborhoods in the vicinity of the Suncor refinery in Commerce City, Colorado. Montrose Environmental Group - Air Quality Services, LLC (Montrose) was contracted by Suncor to deploy, operate, and maintain the network in the Commerce City and North Denver (CCND) neighborhoods. Air monitoring was accomplished through three separate technical approaches: (1) continuous, near real-time monitoring for the following analytes<sup>1</sup>: carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S), nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), and total volatile organic compounds (VOCs); (2) periodic collection and laboratory analysis for the presence of specific VOCs from 6-liter evacuated stainless steel ("Summa") canisters; and (3) periodic real-time air monitoring throughout neighborhoods using a mobile monitoring van to detect the presence of specific VOCs. This report details approach number one, continuous near real-time air monitoring and a screening health risk analysis. Periodic collection and analysis of Summa canister air samples and mobile monitoring van data are presented in separate reports.

Continuous air monitoring sensors were operating at ten locations across the CCND neighborhoods. The second quarter of 2024 air monitoring preliminary data was made available in near real-time at ccnd-air.com from April 1 – June 30, 2024, and final data is presented in this report. The sensors used in this program integrate different technologies including a photoionization detector for VOCs; an electrochemical sensor for CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, and SO<sub>2</sub>; laser scattering for PM<sub>2.5</sub>; and a sonic anemometer for wind speed and direction. All sensor monitoring was conducted in accordance with the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) available at ccnd-air.com/documents.

Health scientists from CTEH, LLC (CTEH®) evaluated the air monitoring data and compared them to air quality standards and health-based reference values to determine if the measured air quality may have the potential for adverse effects on community health.

The results of this assessment indicate the following:

- With the exception of an isolated measurement of SO<sub>2</sub> likely due to a structure fire near CM7, all monitored analyte levels at all locations were below their respective acute health-based reference levels at all locations..
  - The maximum one-hour rolling average measured SO<sub>2</sub> concentration exceeded the one-hour USEPA AEGL-1 for SO<sub>2</sub> at the CM7 location on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 1pm-2pm. This reading appears to be an isolated occurrence, as both the northwest and southeast sensors showed no corresponding activity. During this day and time, a structure fire was noticed approximately 0.1 miles west of the sensor. The results from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An "analyte" is a material that a measuring device is designed to detect and measure. It may be a chemical gas, an airborne particle, or other type of material.

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a triggered analytical sample from this sensor event<sup>2</sup> and a report regarding this incident are available on <a href="https://www.ccnd-air.com">www.ccnd-air.com</a>.

It should be noted that the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) comparisons are used in the CCND Air Monitoring program for reference use only and may not be used to determine air quality compliance. This is because NAAQS compliance must be determined through the use of regulatory certified instrumentation, operating procedures, and required calculations.

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 $<sup>^{2} \ \</sup>underline{\text{https://www.ccnd-air.com/lib/files/CCND\%20Summa\%20Canister\%20Report\%20Kearney\%20Middle\%20CM7\%20April\%206.pdf}$ 

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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Air monitoring was accomplished through three separate technical approaches:

- (1) Continuous, near real-time monitoring for the following analytes: carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S), nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), and total volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
- (2) Periodic (planned and triggered) collection and laboratory analysis for the presence of 59 VOCs from Summa canisters
- (3) Periodic real-time air monitoring throughout neighborhoods using a mobile monitoring van to detect presence of 65 volatile compounds.

An "analyte" is a material that a measuring device is designed to detect and measure. It may be a chemical gas, an airborne particle, or other type of material. This report details approach number one, the continuous, near real-time monitoring for the analytes listed. The Summa canister sampling and mobile monitoring van data are presented in separate reports. Air monitoring, sampling, and analysis from approaches (1) and (2) were conducted in accordance with the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) that can be found online at <a href="https://www.ccnd-air.com/Documents/">https://www.ccnd-air.com/Documents/</a>.

#### 1.1 Air Monitoring Site Description

Continuous air monitoring sensors were installed at eight locations across CCND neighborhoods within a three-mile radius of refinery operations in July 2021 (CM1-CM8). Two additional monitoring sensors were installed in December 2021 (CM9) and March 2022 (CM10). The monitor locations are shown in Figure 1-1 and described in Table 1-1; and were selected based on the following criteria:

- Historical wind pattern data
- Proximity to the refinery and non-refinery sources
- Existing infrastructure, as well as site access and safety
- Community feedback



FIGURE 1-1
MAP OF CCND MONITOR LOCATIONS

TABLE 1-1
CCND MONITORS AND SUMMA CANISTER SAMPLING LOCATIONS

			Distance from Refinery Center	
Location ID	Secondary ID	GPS Coordinates	(miles)	Cross Streets
CM1	Rose Hill Elementary School	39.80164, -104.90882	2.0	E. 58 <sup>th</sup> Ave. & Oneida St., Commerce City
CM2	Suncor Refinery Business Center	39.79630, -104.95727	0.70	Brighton Blvd. & York St., Commerce City
СМЗ	Adams City High School	39.82736, -104.90193	2.9	E. 72 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. & Quebec Pkwy, Commerce City
CM4	Adams City Middle School	39.82893, -104.93499	1.9	Birch St. & E. 72 <sup>nd</sup> Ave., Commerce City
CM5	Central Elementary School	39.81457, -104.91928	1.7	Holly St. & E. 64 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Commerce City
CM6	Focus Points Family Resource Center	39.78436, -104.95663	1.4	Columbine St. & 48 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver
СМ7	Kearney Middle School	39.80888, -104.91545	1.7	E 62 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. & Kearney St., Commerce City
CM8	Monroe	39.81560, -104.94503	0.85	Monroe St. & E 64 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver
СМ9	48 <sup>th</sup> and Race	39.78455, -104.96264	1.7	East 48 <sup>th</sup> Ave. & Race St., Denver
CM10	Alsup Elementary School	39.820268, -104.936616	1.2	East 68 <sup>th</sup> Ave. & Birch St., Commerce City

#### 2.0 METHODS

#### 2.1 Continuous Monitoring

The sensors used in the ten CCND network sites were manufactured by SensIT, an Indiana-based company. The near-Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) AQM65 monitors used for quality assurance of the network at three of the ten sites (CM2, CM6, CM7) were manufactured by Aeroqual, a New Zealand-based company. Each sensor is solar powered and transmits data to the data platform via Long Term Evolution (LTE) cell technology. The monitoring in the community is being performed using a variety of technologies, as described in Table 1-2.

TABLE 1-2
CCND MONITORING TECHNOLOGY

Air Pollutant/Parameter Category	Principle of Operation	Sensor Manufacturer
Total VOC	Photoionization Detector	SensIT
$SO_2$	Electrochemical Sensor	SensIT
СО	Electrochemical Sensor	SensIT
$NO_2$	Electrochemical Sensor	SensIT
H <sub>2</sub> S	Electrochemical Sensor	SensIT
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Laser Scattering	SensIT
Wind Speed, Wind Direction	Sonic Anemometer	SensIT
Temperature, Relative Humidity, Barometric Pressure	Solid State	SensIT

The SensIT Remote Air Quality Monitoring Platform (RAMP) instruments monitor the ambient air by allowing it to passively enter each sensor's exterior housing via small holes and pass over the surface of the sensor. The AQM65 monitors the ambient air via a pump that pulls the sample into the individual analyte-specific gas modules for analysis.

The Photoionization Detector (PID) sensors used to measure total VOCs contain a lamp that produces photons that carry enough energy to break molecules into ions. The PID responds to molecules that have an ionization energy at or below the energy of the lamp; the PID used on this project employs a 10.6 electron-volt lamp. The produced ions then generate an electrical current that is measured as the output of the detector. PIDs are known to drift with ambient temperature and humidity variation. The PIDs used in this program mitigate the humidity issue by having a hydrophobic filter installed between the lamp and the ambient air. This deters water molecules from entering the ion-producing chamber and absorbing radiation. The PIDs are also heated slightly above ambient temperature to improve the stability of the detector.

Electrochemical sensors measure the concentration of a specific gas (SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>S) within an external circuit via oxidation or reduction reactions. These reactions generate the positive or negative current flow through the external circuit. An electrochemical sensor is made up of a working, counter, and reference electrode. All these components sit inside of a sensor housing along with a liquid electrolyte that is specific to the compound of interest. Temperature and relative humidity are known to affect the electrochemical sensors being used and could influence data quality. SensIT RAMP devices collect temperature and ambient relative humidity data along with an active sampling and heating mechanism to mitigate the impact of these interferences. SensIT RAMP non-zero readings that are below the instrument's detection limit may be artifacts of the manufacturer's algorithm. Extreme temperature and humidity conditions can cause the liquid electrolyte to dry up and cause erratic readings on the monitors.

Additionally, electrochemical sensors have known cross-sensitivity to other compounds. For example, ozone causes a response in the  $NO_2$  sensor. This issue is mitigated by using an ozone filter on the face of the  $NO_2$  sensor used to collect the data in this report. Similarly, the  $SO_2$  sensor can have a response caused by the presence of  $H_2S$ , and has a built-in filter to mitigate the  $H_2S$  interference. The  $SO_2$  sensor has additional interference from  $NO_2$ .

For measuring PM<sub>2.5</sub>, the sampled particles are measured by the physical principle of light scattering. Each single particle is illuminated by a defined laser light and each scattering signal is detected at an angle of 90° by a photo diode. In accordance with the Mie theory, each measured pulse height is directly proportional to the particle size whereas each pulse is classified in an electronic register of 32 different size channels.

The data are intended to be used for informational purposes only and cannot be used for official compliance determinations. The accuracy of sensors used in the program are not as high as certified ambient air monitoring equipment used by federal and local officials for National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) compliance monitoring. The sensors' detection limits and accuracy can be found in the QAPP online at <a href="https://www.ccnd-air.com/Documents/">https://www.ccnd-air.com/Documents/</a>. State regulatory compliance air quality data can be found on the CDPHE air quality website at <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/airquality">https://www.colorado.gov/airquality</a>.

Sensor-based monitoring equipment like the SensIT RAMP are also known to produce data that is noisier (lower signal-to-noise ratio) than traditional regulatory reference method quality ambient

air monitoring equipment. To mitigate this issue, the data were averaged at one or 24-hours to improve the signal-to-noise of the instrument readings.

All sampling and quality assurance procedures were performed by Montrose.

#### 2.2 Assessment of Community Health Implications

Health scientists from CTEH, LLC (CTEH®) evaluated the air monitoring data collected by Montrose from April 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024. The data were averaged over 1-hour and 24-hour periods and were compared to various standards and health-based reference levels to determine if the measured air quality may have the potential for adverse health effects within the surrounding communities.

The analytes CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are all listed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) as criteria air pollutants. These criteria air pollutants are emitted by many different sources and are commonly found in the air across the U.S. The USEPA regulates these compounds differently and has developed national standards (NAAQS) for these pollutants. The NAAQS are enforceable under the Clean Air Act. As such, USEPA has specific, state compliance requirements for instrumentation that must be used to determine compliance with the NAAQS. This CCND sensor program provides general air quality information and is not intended to meet compliance requirements for measuring criteria air pollutants comparable to the national ambient air quality standards.

The determination that a criteria pollutant is at a level legally required to be mitigated comes from evaluation of one year (CO) to three years (NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>) of air monitoring data³ collected by regulatory-grade instrumentation. The sensors in this program are not regulatory grade and therefore, the results are not official compliance determinations. These data, however, provide general trends in air quality in the CCND area. If the maximum or average analyte levels in this report are higher than their respective NAAQS, it does not indicate a violation of the NAAQS or that adverse health effects are likely. Any measurement of a criteria air pollutant over its respective NAAQS reference concentration must be evaluated in the context of one to three years of data previously collected. For example, to be determined as above the NAAQS, NO<sub>2</sub> concentration must be measured by a regulatory grade instrument for a minimum of three consecutive years and the 98<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution of daily maximum 1-hour averages for each year averaged together for three years must be above 100 ppb.The NAAQS values are presented in Table 1-4 for reference, but are not intended to be compared as the equipment used to collect these measurements and the time they were collected is not appropriate for a direct comparison to the standards.

H<sub>2</sub>S is not a criteria air pollutant but was selected to be monitored because of presence in some grades of crude oil and its refined products. The health reference values for H<sub>2</sub>S were developed by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)<sup>4</sup>. The ATSDR acute health-based reference levels (one day to two weeks of continuous exposure) is a health reference value below which continuous exposure is likely to be without risk of developing adverse health effects, even in sensitive sub-populations. Maximum one-hour rolling average H<sub>2</sub>S levels were recorded in each CCND neighborhood and compared to an ATSDR acute-health-based reference level.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> USEPA NAAQS Table, available online at https://www.epa.gov/criteria-air-pollutants/naags-table

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ATSDR MRL List available online at <a href="https://wwwn.cdc.gov/TSP/MRLS/mrlsListing.aspx">https://wwwn.cdc.gov/TSP/MRLS/mrlsListing.aspx</a>

Finally, the USEPA has established values for use in emergency situations, termed Acute Exposure Guideline Levels (AEGLs). Unlike health-based reference levels that can be thousands of times below exposure levels where adverse effects are observed, AEGL values are levels at which different acute adverse health effects may be anticipated to occur. According to USEPA, "AEGL-1 [values] represent exposure levels that could produce mild and progressively increasing but transient and non-disabling odor, taste, and sensory irritation or certain asymptomatic, nonsensory effects. With increasing airborne concentration above each AEGL, there is a progressive increase in the likelihood of occurrence and the severity of effects described for each corresponding AEGL [i.e., AEGL-2 or AEGL-3]." The AEGL-1 60-minute value, if available for the applicable compound, was also used for comparison purposes because it is more precautionary (than AEGL-2 or AEGL-3) as the AEGL-1 level reflects potential health impacts that are reversible upon cessation of exposure. The AEGL-1 60-minute values for H<sub>2</sub>S (510 ppb), NO<sub>2</sub> (500 ppb), and SO<sub>2</sub> (200 ppb) were also listed for comparison purposes. The USEPA did not derive an AEGL-1 value for CO, therefore an AEGL-2 (83 ppm) was selected.

#### 2.3 Summary of Downtime or Equipment Malfunction

Data recovery is a percentage of the number of data points collected divided by the expected number of data points. For example, if a data point is expected every five minutes, 12 data points would be expected over a one-hour period. If only 11 data points were received, the data recovery for that hour would be 92%. The data recovery during the reporting period meets the QAPP target (>95%) in all locations apart from CM5 (Table 1-3).

TABLE 1-3
CCND MONITORING DATA RECOVERY

	SensIT RAMP Percent Data Recovery
Location ID	(includes periods of adverse atmospheric conditions)
CM1	95.9%
CM2	98.5%
CM3	96.7%
CM4	99.5%
CM5	84.9%
CM6	97.3%
CM7	97.0%
CM8	99.3%
CM9	98.0%
CM10	96.0%

Data recovery may be below 100% for several reasons, including instrument malfunction, instrument communication issues, monitor downtime when performing quality assurance procedures, etc. In alignment with the QAPP, data recovery does not include downtime when adverse atmospheric conditions such as extreme humidity, extreme temperature, and other conditions can affect a monitor's ability to provide reliable data. In this quarter, the CM5 SensIT RAMP instrument had a hardware malfunction from 5/9-5/14 and 5/25-5/31, resulting in a lower data recovery percentage.

#### 3.0 RESULTS

#### 3.1 Results Summary

The one-hour rolling average results for CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, SO<sub>2</sub>, and total VOCs during this reporting period can be found in Table 1-4, Figures 1-2 through 1-5A and Figure 1-7. The gaseous (CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, SO<sub>2</sub>, and VOC) data is reported on a one-hour rolling average updated every five minutes. The PM<sub>2.5</sub> data presented on the website is a one-hour block average to align with the other PM<sub>2.5</sub> sensor-based monitoring programs around the local community; these readings are shown in Figure 1-6A. The 24-hour block average for PM<sub>2.5</sub> and rolling average for H<sub>2</sub>S are also reported and can be found in Table 1-4 (PM<sub>2.5</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>S), Figure 1-6B (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), and Figure 1-5B (H<sub>2</sub>S). Values reported as zero do not necessarily mean that the analyte is not present, but instead

indicates that the analyte's concentration, if present, is below the detectable level of the instrument. For the purposes of this report, results measured below the detectable level (or detection limit- DL) are displayed in the individual graphs at the end of this document.

This evaluation includes screening values from the USEPA NAAQS, USEPA AEGL, and ATSDR Minimal Risk Level (MRL) guidelines. The Clean Air Act requires USEPA to set NAAQS for criteria air pollutants. AEGLs are used by emergency planners and responders worldwide as guidance for emergency response situations. Health reference levels, such as MRLs provided by the ATSDR, are intended to serve as a screening tool to help public health professionals determine where further evaluation may be needed. As explained above in Section 2.2, if the maximum or one-hour rolling average analyte levels in this report are higher than their respective NAAQS reference level, it does not indicate an exceedance of the NAAQS or that adverse health effects are likely. Table 1-4 and Figures 1-2 to 1-7 display readings for the monitoring period relative to the NAAQS, AEGLs and MRLs (if applicable).

**TABLE** 1-4 CCND MONITORS RESULTS SUMMARY

Analyte	Range Across Network <sup>5</sup>	NAAQS Values	Health-based Reference Value (Source)
СО	<0.05 – 3.6 ppm (1-hour rolling average)	35 ppm (1-hour average not to be exceeded more than one per year)	<b>83 ppm</b> (1-hour average USEPA AEGL-2)
NO <sub>2</sub>	<20 – 143.1 ppb (1-hour rolling average)	<b>100 ppb</b> (98 <sup>th</sup> percentile of 1-hour daily maximum, averaged over 3 years)	<b>500 ppb</b> (1-hour average USEPA AEGL-1)
SO <sub>2</sub>	<50 - 231.2 ppb (1-hour rolling average)	<b>75 ppb</b> (99 <sup>th</sup> percentile of 1-hour daily maximum concentrations, averaged over 3 years)	<b>200 ppb</b> (1-hour average USEPA AEGL-1)
H <sub>2</sub> S	<10 ppb (24-hour rolling average)	NA	<b>70 ppb</b> (acute <sup>6</sup> ATSDR MRL)
H <sub>2</sub> S	<10 - 41.1 ppb (1-hour rolling average)	NA	<b>510 ppb</b> (1-hour average USEPA AEGL-1)
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	<1 – 10.3 μg/m³ (24-hour average)	35 μg/m³ (98 <sup>th</sup> percentile of 24-hour daily average concentrations, averaged over 3 years)	NA
Total VOC	<0.01 – 1.6 ppm (1-hour rolling average)	NA	NA

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  The "<" symbol indicates that the recorded concentration was less than the instrument's detection limit  $^{6}$  An acute exposure is defined by ATSDR as 1-14 days

#### 3.2 Carbon Monoxide (CO)

Figure 1-2 shows the one-hour rolling averages of CO from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. The USEPA NAAQS for CO is 35 ppm as a one-hour average, not to be exceeded more than once per year. Figure 1-2 shows that all the measured one-hour rolling average CO values in all CCND neighborhoods were more than nine times lower (maximum one-hour rolling average: 3.6 ppm (+/- 25% due to measurement uncertainty)) than the CO NAAQS reference level. Further, the maximum one-hour measured CO values in the CCND neighborhoods were more than 23-times lower than the one-hour USEPA AEGL-2 of 83 ppm.

#### 3.3 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>)

Figure 1-3 shows the one-hour rolling averages of NO<sub>2</sub> from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. The USEPA NAAQS for NO<sub>2</sub> is 100 ppb as the 98<sup>th</sup> percentile of one-hour daily maximum concentrations, averaged over three years. The maximum one-hour rolling average of NO<sub>2</sub> was 143.1 ppb (+/- 25% due to measurement uncertainty) at the CM1 location, which was above the NO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS reference but at least three times lower than the one-hour USEPA AEGL-1 for NO<sub>2</sub> of 500 ppb. As stated in the methods, comparisons to the NAAQS are used as a reference only and are considered within the context of other reference values and other regional ambient air data, as a single value elevated over the NAAQS does not constitute a NAAQS exceedance.

A review of the data and calibration sheets confirmed that the NO<sub>2</sub> sensors passed both quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) checks. However, the calibration factors applied to CM1 and CM2 NO<sub>2</sub> sensors, respectively, were higher than normal, which may indicate a shift in their sensitivity. A higher calibration factor indicates enhanced sensor responsiveness to changes in NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations, potentially leading to amplified measurements. This means that the sensors' measurements are likely over-estimated during this time period. Additionally, the NO<sub>2</sub> measurements above 100 ppb align with a broader regional air quality trend, suggesting that the elevated values were influenced by widespread atmospheric conditions.

#### 3.4 Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)

Figure 1-4 shows the one-hour rolling averages of SO<sub>2</sub> from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. The USEPA NAAQS for SO<sub>2</sub> is 75 ppb as 99<sup>th</sup> percentile of one-hour daily maximum concentrations, averaged over three years. There were a number of SO<sub>2</sub> one hour rolling averages that were above the NAAQS of 75 ppb. As stated earlier, this does not necessarily constitute a NAAQS violation because compliance is determined based on a three-year average As stated in the methods, comparisons to the NAAQS are used as a reference only and are considered within the context of other reference values and other regional ambient air data, as a single value elevated over the NAAQS does not constitute a NAAQS exceedance.

The maximum one-hour rolling average measured SO<sub>2</sub> concentration exceeded the one-hour USEPA AEGL-1 for SO<sub>2</sub> at 200 ppb. A reading was measured above 200 ppb at the CM7 location for 45 minutes or less on April 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 from 1 pm-2 pm. This reading appears was an isolated occurrence, as both the northwest and southeast sensors showed no corresponding activity. During this day and time, a structure fire occurred approximately 0.1 miles west of the sensor, triggering an analytical canister to collect a one-hour average air sample. Results<sup>2</sup> from the triggered analytical sample collected during this event are available on www.ccnd-air.com.

#### 3.5 Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S)

Figures 1-8A and 1-8B show the one-hour and 24-hour rolling averages of  $H_2S$ , respectively, from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. All the 24-hour averages for  $H_2S$  were below the limit of detection, or 10 ppb. This indicates that all measures were more than two times lower than the ATSDR acute-duration MRL of 70 ppb. Further, the maximum measured one-hour rolling average  $H_2S$  value in the CCND neighborhoods was 41.1 ppb (+/- 30% due to measurement uncertainty), more than 12-times lower than the one-hour USEPA AEGL-1 for  $H_2S$  of 510 ppb.

#### 3.6 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

Figures 1-9A and 1-9B show the one-hour and 24-hour block averages of PM<sub>2.5</sub>, respectively, from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. The USEPA NAAQS for PM<sub>2.5</sub> is 35  $\mu$ g/m³ as 98<sup>th</sup> percentile of 24-hour daily (block) average concentrations, averaged over 3 years. The measured 24-hour averages (maximum 24-hour average: 10.3  $\mu$ g/m³ (+/- 10  $\mu$ g/m³ for measurement uncertainty)) were below the NAAQS concentration at all CCND sensor locations. There was no health-based reference value to compare the one-hour block averages of PM<sub>2.5</sub> to.

#### 3.7 Total Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)

Figure 1-10 shows the one-hour rolling averages of total VOCs from April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. The measured maximum one-hour average across this reporting period was 1.6 ppm (+/- 30% for measurement uncertainty). There are no NAAQS or health-based reference values for total VOCs because this measurement may be made of one to thousands of different chemical compounds having various thresholds of toxic effects.

VOC sensor-triggered samples were collected automatically when instantaneous total VOCs were detected at an airborne concentration of 1 ppm or higher for one minute or longer. During the second quarter of 2024, total VOC levels went above 1 ppm three times, which triggered the capture of three air samples. The results of the sensor-triggered events and health risk evaluations are presented in separate reports found at ccnd-air.com/Documents.

#### 4.0 CONCLUSIONS

Continuous air monitoring sensors were operating at ten locations across the CCND neighborhoods during the monitoring period. The air monitoring data from April-June 2024 was compared to air quality standards and health-based reference values to determine if the measured air quality may have the potential for adverse effects on community health.

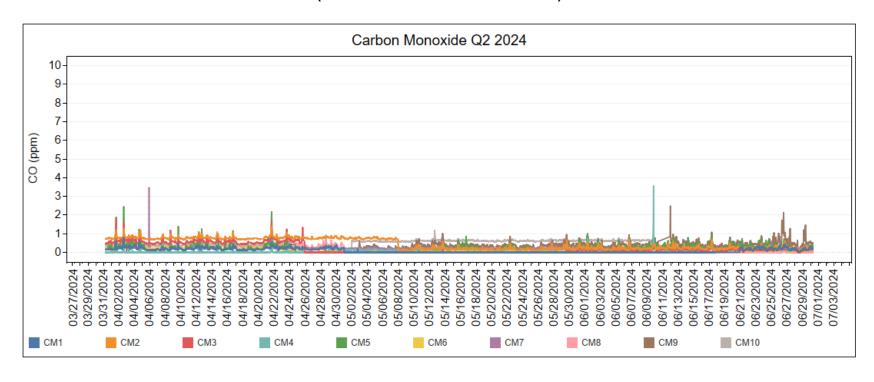
The results of this assessment indicate the following:

- With the exception of an isolated measurement of SO<sub>2</sub> likely due to a structure fire near CM7, all monitored analyte levels at all locations were below their respective acute health-based reference levels at all locations, if available.
  - o The maximum one-hour rolling average measured SO<sub>2</sub> concentration exceeded the one-hour USEPA AEGL-1 for SO<sub>2</sub> at the CM7 location on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 1pm-

2pm. This reading appears to be an isolated occurrence, as both the northwest and southeast sensors showed no corresponding activity. During this day and time, a structure fire was noticed approximately 0.1 miles west of the sensor. The results from a triggered analytical sample from this sensor event are available on <a href="https://www.ccnd-air.com">www.ccnd-air.com</a>.

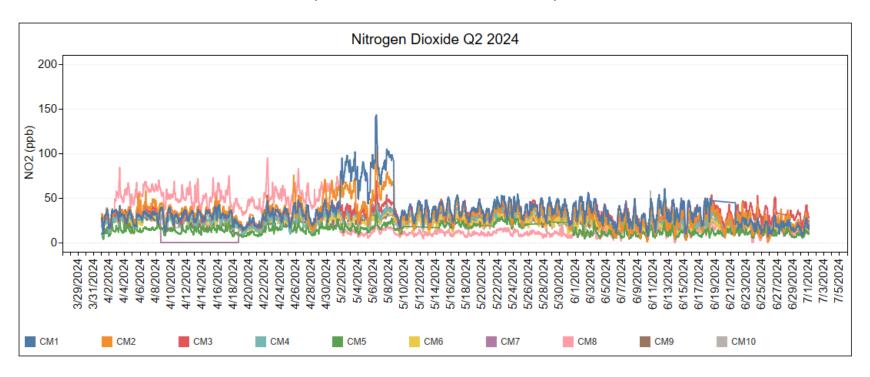
It should be noted that the NAAQS comparisons are used in the CCND Air Monitoring program for reference use only and may not be used to determine air quality compliance. This is because NAAQS compliance must be determined through the use of regulatory certified instrumentation, operating procedures, and required calculations.

FIGURE 1-2
CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) DATA<sup>7</sup>
(ONE-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



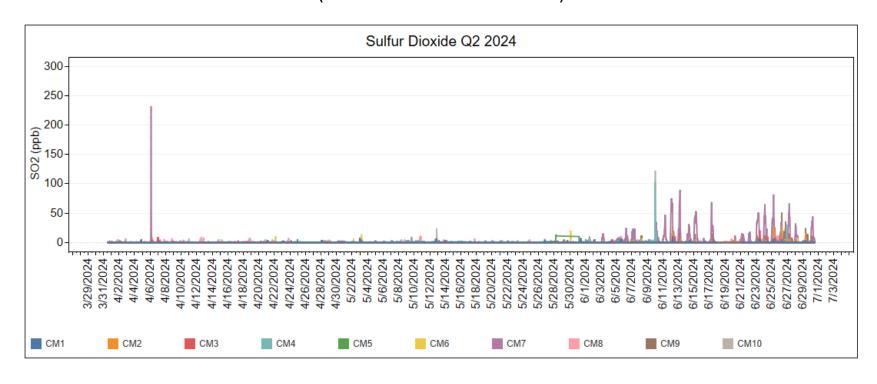
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for carbon monoxide is 0.05 ppm.

FIGURE 1-3
CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING NITROGEN DIOXIDE (NO<sub>2</sub>) DATA<sup>8</sup>
(ONE-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



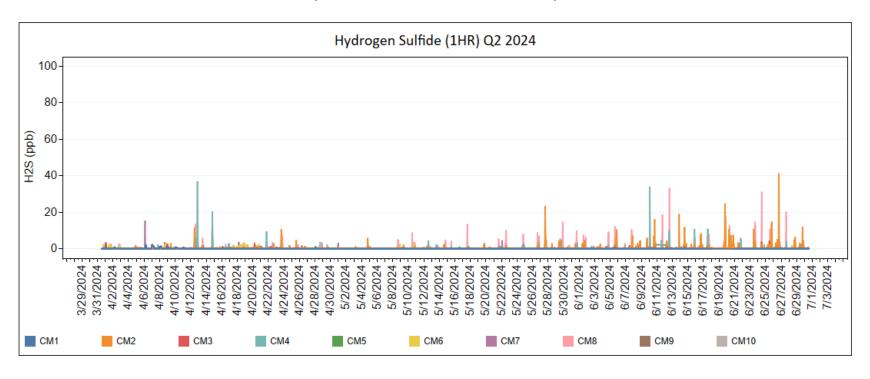
 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 8}$  The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for nitrogen dioxide is 20 ppb.

FIGURE 1-5
CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING SULFUR DIOXIDE (SO<sub>2</sub>) DATA<sup>9</sup>
(ONE-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for sulfur dioxide is 50 ppb.

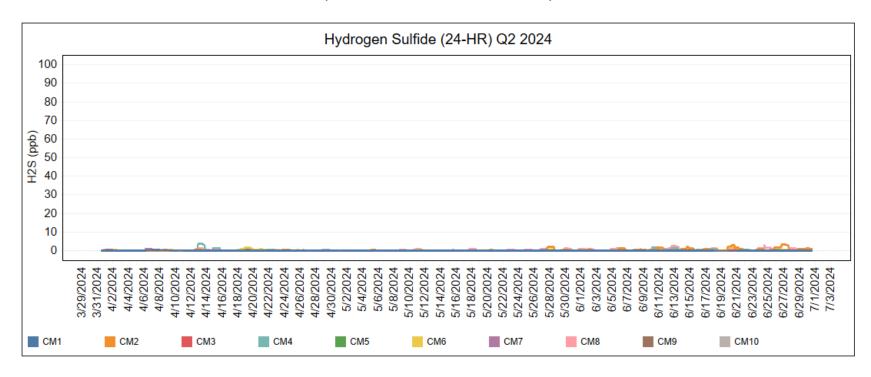
FIGURE 1-8A
CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) DATA<sup>10</sup>
(ONE-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 10}$  The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for hydrogen sulfide is 10 ppb.

FIGURE 1-8B CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) DATA<sup>11</sup>

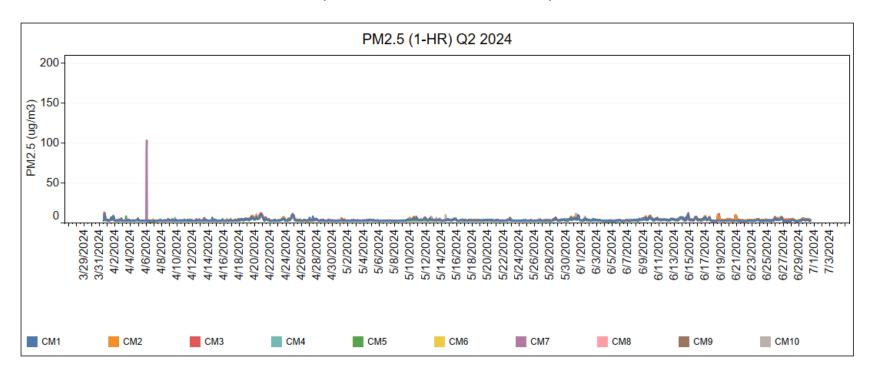
(24-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for hydrogen sulfide is 10 ppb.

FIGURE 1-9A CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING PM<sub>2.5</sub> DATA<sup>12</sup>

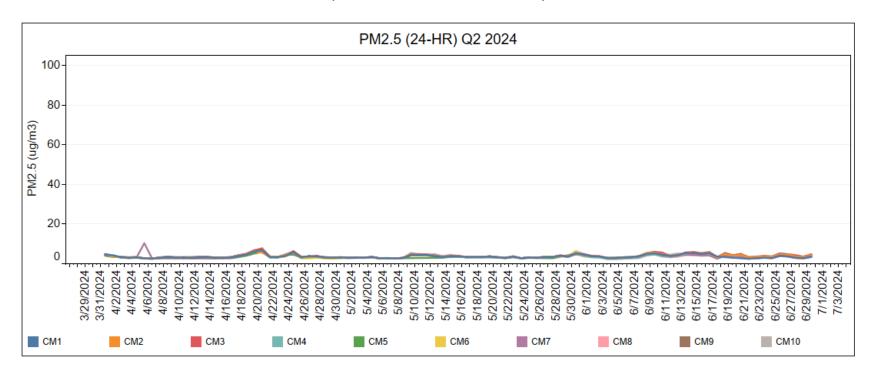
(ONE-HOUR BLOCK AVERAGES)



 $<sup>^{12}</sup>$  The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for  $PM_{2.5}$  is 1  $\mu g/m^3.$ 

FIGURE 1-9B CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING PM<sub>2.5</sub> DATA<sup>13</sup>

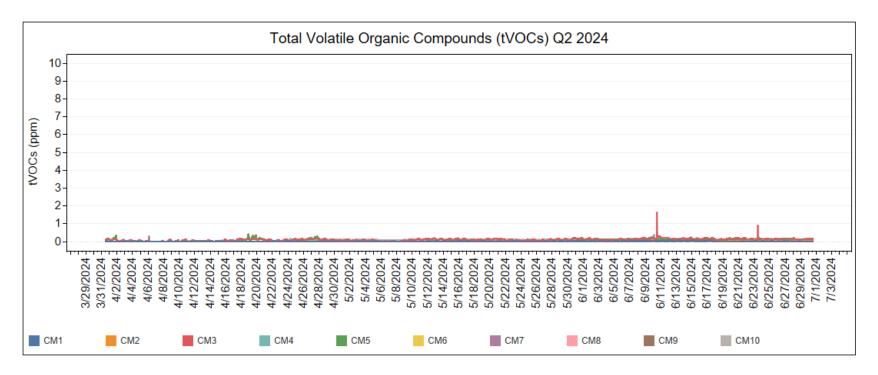
(24-HOUR BLOCK AVERAGES)



 $<sup>^{13}</sup>$  The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for  $PM_{2.5}$  is 1  $\mu g/m^3.$ 

FIGURE 1-10 CCND COMMUNITY MONITORING VOC DATA<sup>14</sup>

(ONE-HOUR ROLLING AVERAGES)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> The SensIT RAMP's detection limit for VOC is 10 ppb.

#### 5.0 PROGRAM CHANGES

No changes.

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## APPENDIX A CALIBRATION AND QA/QC DATA

#### Rose Hill

			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error NO2 Error						SO2 Error					VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM1	4/2/2024	2%	9%	28%	0%	20%	21%	6%	28%	7%	0%	20%	14%	0%	27%	28%
CM1	5/1/2024	2%	113%	5%	-	-	-	1%	58%	55%	0%	12%	14%	0%	29%	28%
CM1	5/8/2024	-	=	-	2%	117%	115%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CM1	6/21/2024	0%	78%	21%	0%	63%	47%	0%	113%	106%	0%	20%	22%	0%	54%	58%

RBC

NDC																
1			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error			NO2 Error		SO2 Error				H2S Error		VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM2	4/25/2024	8%	52%	5%	2%	37%	42%	1%	3%	24%	0%	41%	41%	0%	29%	26%
CM2	5/8/2024	6%	45%	13%	1%	56%	63%	0%	39%	11%	0%	69%	66%	0%	24%	16%
CM2	6/18/2024	1%	34%	27%	0%	57%	56%	0%	10%	1%	0%	12%	8%	0%	25%	21%

Adams High

			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error			NO2 Error		SO2 Error				H2S Error		VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM3	4/26/2024	6%	87%	38%	2%	20%	12%	0%	28%	13%	0%	87%	81%	5%	11%	12%
CM3	5/30/2024	0%	60%	35%	1%	7%	25%	0%	27%	9%	0%	41%	40%	6%	10%	10%
CM3	6/11/2024	0%	23%	20%	0%	14%	4%	0%	3%	12%	0%	3%	5%	10%	4%	13%

#### Adams Middle

			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error NO2 Error						SO2 Error			H2S Error		VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM4	4/29/2024	1%	51%	57%	2%	15%	8%	4%	58%	56%	3%	39%	46%	0%	25%	21%
CM4	5/31/2024	1%	37%	45%	0%	26%	22%	0%	38%	39%	0%	28%	30%	1%	44%	42%
CM4	6/10/2024	2%	47%	28%	0%	18%	27%	4%	5%	2%	2%	23%	29%	0%	14%	9%

#### Central

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1			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error			NO2 Error		SO2 Error				H2S Error		VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM5	4/24/2024	18%	208%	90%	0%	7%	6%	0%	0%	33%	0%	66%	63%	9%	11%	9%
CM5	5/9/2024	0%	100%	71%	0%	6%	12%	0%	66%	39%	0%	156%	156%	0%	21%	14%
CM5	6/26/2024	2%	44%	34%	0%	11%	6%	0%	24%	4%	0%	16%	7%	6%	10%	14%

#### **Focus Point**

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			Validation Results Table													
			CO Error			NO2 Error		SO2 Error				H2S Error		VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM6	4/23/2024	3%	38%	13%	0%	4%	9%	0%	3%	21%	0%	8%	7%	0%	13%	7%
CM6	5/2/2024	0%	17%	11%	1%	1%	4%	0%	82%	40%	0%	4%	7%	0%	10%	3%
CM6	6/27/2024	1%	13%	15%	0%	29%	19%	0%	4%	29%	1%	0%	2%	0%	24%	20%

Kearney

			Validation Results Table													
		CO Error			NO2 Error			SO2 Error			H2S Error			VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM7	4/30/2024	2%	12%	28%	2%	18%	15%	0%	44%	27%	0%	8%	10%	0%	29%	24%
CM7	5/15/2024	2%	12%	27%	0%	10%	5%	0%	12%	10%	0%	8%	5%	0%	29%	23%
CM7	6/14/2024	2%	4%	15%	3%	77%	77%	6%	7%	11%	1%	8%	7%	0%	28%	26%

Monroe

WIGHTOC																
ı			Validation Results Table													
		CO Error			NO2 Error			SO2 Error			H2S Error			VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM8	4/1/2024	2%	12%	10%	4%	17%	45%	0%	48%	38%	0%	18%	14%	0%	20%	14%
CM8	5/1/2024	4%	85%	27%	5%	89%	80%	6%	26%	14%	0%	26%	22%	0%	25%	19%
CM8	6/4/2024	0%	23%	4%	0%	40%	38%	11%	77%	52%	3%	42%	41%	0%	27%	29%

48th and Race

			Validation Results Table													
		CO Error			NO2 Error			SO2 Error			H2S Error			VOC Error		
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM9	4/3/2024	0%	52%	51%	0%	1%	6%	0%	97%	35%	0%	11%	18%	0%	17%	23%
CM9	5/3/2024	0%	11%	33%	2%	1%	6%	0%	74%	48%	0%	13%	14%	0%	10%	6%
CM9	6/12/2024	2%	12%	27%	0%	6%	8%	0%	16%	27%	0%	4%	2%	1%	16%	2%

#### Alsup

		Validation Results Table														
		CO Error			NO2 Error		SO2 Error			H2S Error			VOC Error			
Community Monitor Location	Validation Date	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)	Zero (<10%)	Precision (<30%)	Span (<30%)
CM10	4/24/2024	10%	27%	52%	2%	1%	4%	13%	26%	36%	1%	64%	64%	15%	24%	8%
CM10	5/2/20204	0%	88%	78%	1%	9%	10%	0%	45%	26%	0%	158%	158%	5%	16%	14%
CM10	6/10/2024	6%	14%	38%	1%	5%	3%	15%	14%	20%	0%	61%	8%	8%	16%	12%

### APPENDIX B FIELD DATA SHEETS

AQM Serial Number Community Monitor Location Date Operator	829 2 5/3/2024 SD	830 7 4/5/2024 AT	831 6 5/3/2024 SD
Monthly Checks			
SO2 bottle (psi)	✓	✓	✓
H2S bottle (psi)	✓	✓	✓
Gas Validation Checks (weekly, reviewed Monthly)  Quarterly Checks	✓	✓	✓
Gas Inlet			
Flow Rate	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
Filter Change	✓	✓	✓
Field Calibration (CO, TVOC)	✓	✓	✓
Particulate Monitor			
Flow Rate	✓	✓	✓
Filter Change	✓	✓	✓
Check for Leaks	Failed	✓	Failed
Check Zero (+/- 3.0 ug/m^-3)	✓	✓	✓
Check laser and detector ( 17.1 mA)	✓	✓	✓
Clean Cyclone	✓	✓	✓

Notes:

### APPENDIX C CALIBRATION GAS CERTIFICATION SHEETS



#### **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**Date:** August 12, 2025 **Customer:** Cal Gas Direct Inc.

Order Number: 24102390 Lot Number: 304-403151307-1 Use Before: 09/20/2028

Component	Requested Concentration	Analytical Result (+/- 2%)
-	-	
Isobutylene	200 PPM	206.4 PPM
Air	Balance	Balance

**Cylinder Size:** 2.0 Cu. Ft. **Valve:** 5/8" -18UNF **Contents:** 58 Liter **Pressure:** 500 psig

Product composition verified by direct comparison to calibration standards traceable to N.I.S.T. weights and/ or N.I.S.T. Gas Mixture reference materials.



#### **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**Date:** August 12, 2025 **Customer:** Cal Gas Direct Inc.

Component	Requested Concentration	Analytical Result (+/- 5%)
Hydrogen Sulfide	20 PPM	21 PPM
Air	Balance	Balance

**Cylinder Size:** 2.0 Cu. Ft. **Valve:** 5/8" -18UNF **Contents:** 58 Liter **Pressure:** 500 psig

Product composition verified by direct comparison to calibration standards traceable to N.I.S.T. weights and/ or N.I.S.T. Gas Mixture reference materials.



#### **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**Date:** August 12, 2025 **Customer:** Cal Gas Direct Inc.

Order Number: 24102390

Lot Number: 304-403151306-1

Use Before: 09/20/2028

ComponentRequested ConcentrationAnalytical Result (+/- 2%)Carbon Monoxide500 PPM521 PPMNitrogenBalanceBalance

**Cylinder Size:** 2.0 Cu. Ft. **Valve:** 5/8" -18UNF **Contents:** 58 Liter **Pressure:** 500 psig

Product composition verified by direct comparison to calibration standards traceable to N.I.S.T. weights and/ or N.I.S.T. Gas Mixture reference materials.



#### **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**Date:** August 12, 2025 **Customer:** Cal Gas Direct Inc.

**Order Number:** 24102390

**Lot Number:** 304-403151303-1 **Use Before:** 09/20/2026

Component	Requested Concentration	Analytical Result (+/- 5%)
Sulfur Dioxide	20 PPM	18.5 PPM
Air	Balance	Balance

**Cylinder Size:** 2.0 Cu. Ft. **Valve:** 5/8" -18UNF **Contents:** 58 Liter **Pressure:** 500 psig

Product composition verified by direct comparison to calibration standards traceable to N.I.S.T. weights and/ or N.I.S.T. Gas Mixture reference materials.

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