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Friday, July 12, 2019

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RE: ECC McClurg (Soil)

Dear Mr. Huber:

A summary of gamma spectroscopy results for our sample number G190127 is in Table 1. Stan A. Huber Consultants, Inc. identified the sample as ECC McClurg (Soil). The table below lists the concentrations of selected radionuclides. Values with a less-than symbol ("<") indicate a concentration below RSSI's minimum detectable concentration (MDC). Additional identified radionuclides are in the complete gamma spectroscopy report.

	Sample
Radionuclide	G190127
	ECC McClurg (Soil)
Pb-214	0.94
Bi-214	0.95
Ra-226 ¹	0.95
Ac-228	27.79
Ra-228 ²	27.79
Th-232 ³	27.79
T1-208	7.90
K-40	11.38
Pb-212	22.30
Bi-212	28.85
Th-234	< 0.83
Pa-234m	< 2.70
U-238 ⁴	< 1.75

Table 1. High-resolution Gamma Spectroscopy Results [pCi/g]

¹ The concentration of Ra-226 is based on the average concentration of Pb-214 and Bi-214.

 2 The concentration of Ra-228 is based on the surrogate Ac-228.

 3 The concentration of Th-232 is based on the surrogate Ac-228.

 4 The concentration of U-238 is based on the average concentrations of Th-234 and Pa-234m.

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Some radionuclides of interest, thorium-232 (Th-232), radium-226 (Ra-226), radium-228 (Ra-228), and uranium-238 (U-238), are difficult to identify and quantify directly at low concentrations with reasonable counting intervals. The concentrations of surrogates with more abundant high energy photons usually represent the concentration of Th-232, Ra-226, Ra-228, and U-238. The successful use of surrogates depends upon the radionuclides in each series being in equilibrium.

Radium-226 (Ra-226), in the uranium series, has only one significant photon at 186.21 keV with a gamma fraction slightly greater than 0.03. Analysis for Ra-226 using this energy is difficult because of the possible presence of uranium-235 (U-235), which has an interfering 185.72 keV photon with a 0.57 gamma fraction, and protactinium-234 (Pa-234) which emits an interfering 186.15 keV photon with a 0.02 gamma fraction. The gamma fraction is the fraction of decays that produce a photon of a given energy. Bismuth-214 (Bi-214) and lead-214 (Pb-214) are used as surrogates for Ra-226.

The equilibrium between Ra-226 and its decay products, including Pb-214 and Bi-214, may be disturbed if radon-222 (Rn-222) is released when samples are collected. Rn-222, a gaseous Ra-226 decay product, has a half-life of 3.8 days. Pb-214 and Bi-214 reestablish equilibrium with Ra-226 in a sample after an ingrowth period, typically seven Rn-222 half-lives. As a standard protocol, samples are normally held for 30 days to reestablish equilibrium. This sample was analyzed on receipt and was not held for in-growth. The average of the activities of Pb-214 and Bi-214 and Bi-214 is shown as the activity of Ra-226.

Both Th-232 and Ra-228, in the thorium series, emit photons with very low gamma fractions at very low energies. In the thorium series, actinium-228 (Ac-228) is usually in equilibrium with both Th-232 and Ra-228 when collected. Bi-212 has a branching fraction of approximately 0.36 for decays to thallium-208 (Tl-208). Therefore, the activity of Tl-208 is approximately 36% the activity of other radionuclides in the thorium series. The branching fraction is the fraction of decays that proceed through a given decay path.

U-238, in the uranium series, emits photons with very low gamma fractions at low energies. Thorium-234 (Th-234) and protactinium-234m (Pa-234m), both with photons at higher energies and with larger gamma fractions, are usually in

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equilibrium with U-238. The average of the activities of Th-234 and Pa-234m is shown as the activity of U-238.

The complete spectroscopy analysis results are attached. Please call me at 847-965-1999 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Aaron Morris

attachment

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- All peaks for activity calculation had bad shape.

* - Activity omitted from total

& - Activity omitted from total and all peaks had bad shape.

< - MDA value printed.

A - Activity printed, but activity < MDA.

B - Activity < MDA and failed test.

C - Area < Critical level.

F - Failed fraction or key line test.

H - Halflife limit exceeded

Total Activity (1009.4 to 1781.5 keV) 1.313E-04 uCi/g This section based on library: SAHCI - 2017-07.Lib

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P - Photon Reaction D - Double-Escape C - Charged Particle Reaction K - Key Line M - No MDA Calculation A - Not in Average R - Coincidence Corrected C - Coincidence Peak H - Halflife limit exceeded

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