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I. INTRODUCTION

In June 1976, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region III Enforcement Division requested technical assistance from the National Enforcement Investigations Center (NEIC) in determining the nature and impact of discharges by the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the Delaware River. NEIC determined that the study should be conducted in two phases. During September 1976, Phase I was conducted, including waste characterization at the Northeast Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) and an assessment of the impact of those discharges at the Torresdale Water Treatment Plant (WTP).

On September 15 and 16, NEIC personnel conducted reconnaissance inspections for the Phase II study of the Southeast and Southwest Water Pollution Control Plants (NPDES^{*} permits PA0026662 and PA0026671, respectively). During these inspections, past self-monitoring data were assembled, sampling and flow monitoring sites were selected, and treatment processes were evaluated.

Both plants provide primary treatment of wastewaters, including removal and grinding of screenings, grit removal, and sedimentation before discharge to the Delaware River [Figures 1 and 2]. Wastewater flows entering the Southeast and Southwest WPC Plants averaged 443,000 and 617,000 m³ (117 and 163 mg)/day, respectively, from January to June 1976. BOD and TSS removals averaged 42 and 49%, respectively, at the Southeast WPCP and 33 and 58%, respectively, at the Southwest WPCP. Sludge from the Southeast WPCP is pumped approximately 7.6 km (4.7 mi)

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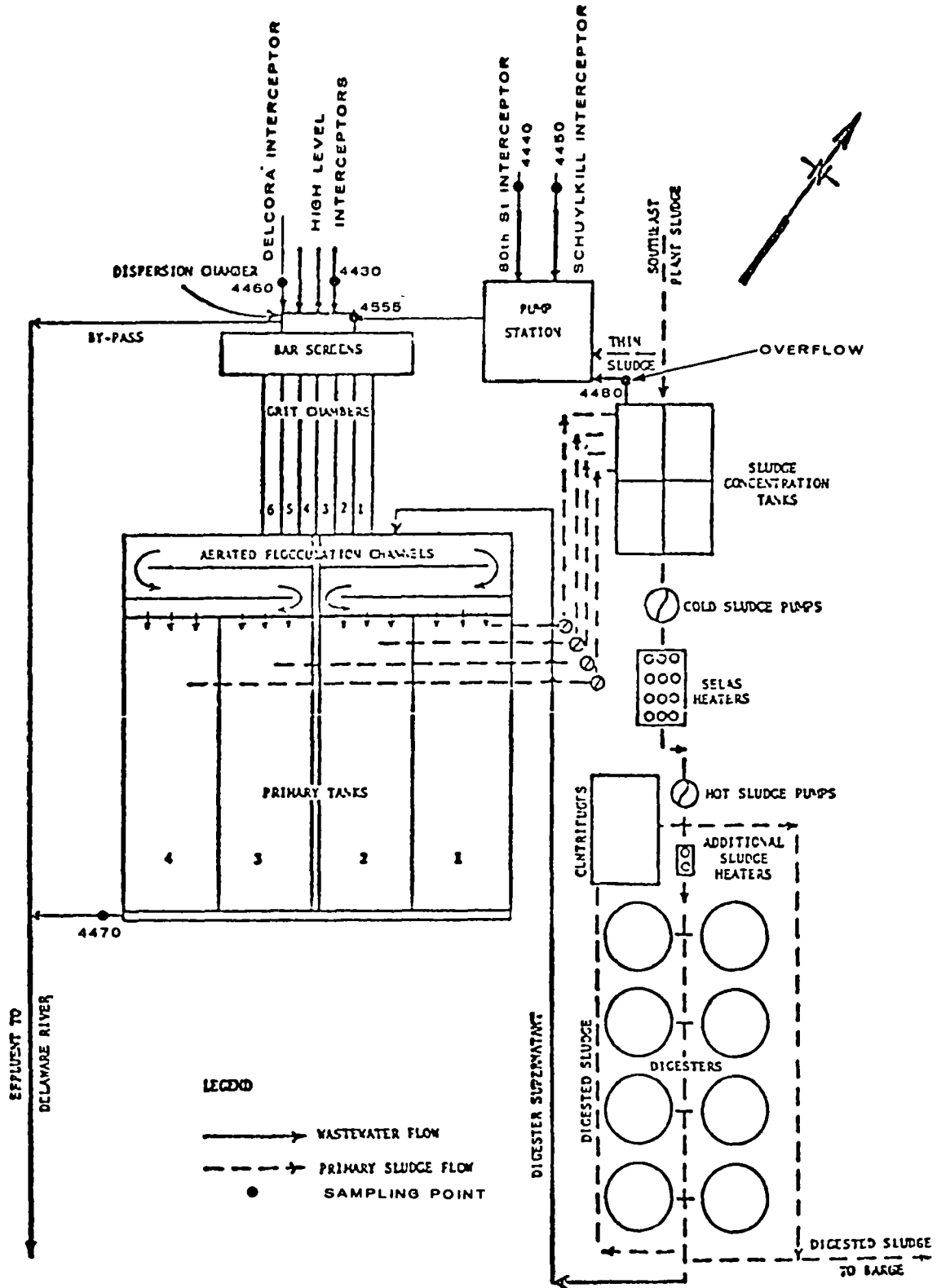


Figure 1. Schematic Flow Diagram for Philadelphia Southwest Plant

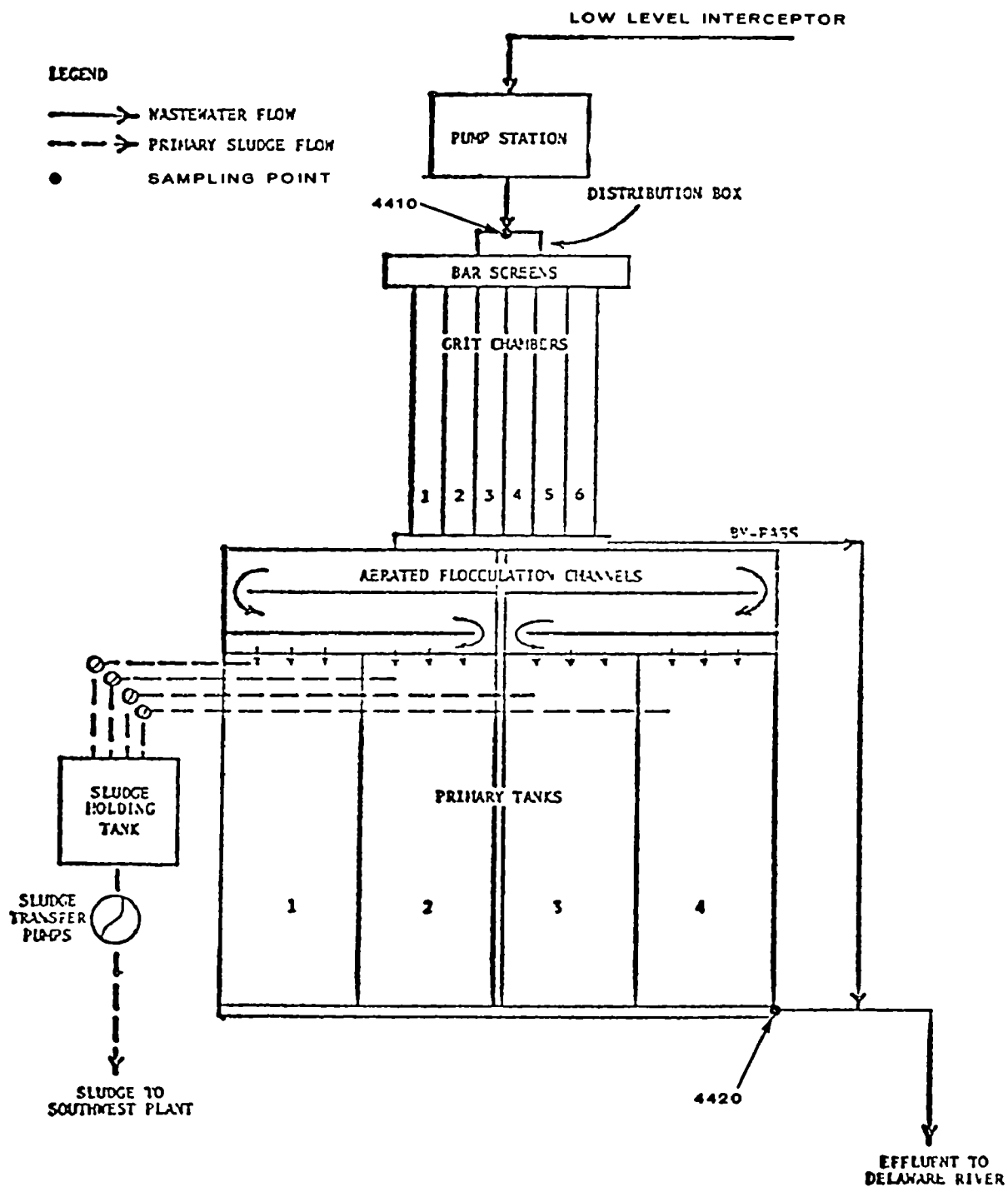


Figure 2. Schematic Flow Diagram for Philadelphia Southeast Plant

to the Southwest WPCP for single-stage digestion with the Southwest sludge. Digested sludge is pumped to a barge, transported to the Atlantic Ocean, and discharged.

During October 29 to November 5, NEIC conducted the Phase II study to characterize wastewaters and determine NPDES compliance at the Southeast and Southwest WPCP's. NPDES limitations for these plants became effective February 13, 1975, and include:

Parameter	30-day	7-day
<u>Southeast WPCP (140 mgd)</u>		
BOD [†]	140 mg/l 74,000 kg (163,000 lb)/day	200 mg/l
TSS ^{††}	110 mg/l 57,800 kg (128,000 lb)/day	165 mg/l
pH	6.0-9.0	
<u>Southwest WPCP (167 mgd)</u>		
BOD [†]	90 mg/l 56,300 kg (125,000 lb)/day	135 mg/l
TSS ^{††}	165 mg/l 103,000 kg (230,000 lb)/day	210 mg/l
pH	6.0-9.0	
[†] <i>>25% removal during any 30-consecutive-day period.</i> ^{††} <i>>35% removal during any 30-consecutive-day period.</i>		

Interim limitations for both plants, which were to have been effective February 13, 1976, called for continuance of initial limits except that in no case were 30-day BOD and TSS removals to be less than 60% and effluent fecal coliform counts were not to exceed 400/100 ml for any period of 30 consecutive days or 200/100 ml for any 7 consecutive days. The City of Philadelphia requested an adjudicatory hearing and sought to eliminate these interim limitations regarding increased removals and disinfection.

II. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

NPDES COMPLIANCE

During October 29 to November 5, 1976, the National Enforcement Investigations Center conducted a waste characterizations study at the City of Philadelphia Southeast and Southwest Water Pollution Control Plants. These plants provide primary treatment of wastewater prior to discharge to the Delaware River. Data collected during this study and reported below indicate both plants were in compliance with their initial NPDES limitations for BOD and TSS.

Parameter	NPDES Limits		Oct. 29 to Nov. 5, 1976
	30-day	7-day	
<u>Southeast WPCP</u>			
BOD	140 mg/l 74,000 kg (163,000 lb)/day	200 mg/l	120 mg/l 59,000 kg (130,000 lb)/day
TSS	110 mg/l 57,800 kg (128,000 lb)/day	165 mg/l	68 mg/l 34,000 kg (75,000 lb)/day
<u>Southwest WPCP</u>			
BOD	90 mg/l 56,300 kg (125,000 lb)/day	135 mg/l	120 mg/l 77,000 kg (170,000 lb)/day
TSS	165 mg/l 103,000 kg (230,000 lb)/day	210 mg/l	85 mg/l 53,000 kg (120,000 lb)/day

The only apparent NPDES violations included the following pH values at the Southeast WPCP:

<u>Date (Nov.)</u>	<u>Time (hours)</u>	<u>pH</u>
30	1415	5.9
30	1815	5.7
31	0815	5.9

The NPDES limitations include an allowable range of 6.0 to 9.0 standard units.

Seven-day average percentage removals of BOD and TSS were 28% and 62%, respectively, at the Southeast WPCP and 11% and 56% at Southwest WPCP. Although the NPDES permits contain no 7-day removal requirements, the 30-day average limitations for BOD and TSS at both plants are >25% and >35%, respectively.

METALS

Metals data collected at the influents to both treatment plants indicated mercury (Hg) and lead (Pb) concentrations in excess of the Philadelphia industrial waste regulations submitted May 25, 1976 to EPA Region III. These regulations became effective January 1, 1977. Data collected at the Southeast WPCP included one 24-hour composite sample in excess of the three mg/l Pb limit and all seven exceeding the 0.005 mg/l Hg limit. Data from the Southwest WPCP included two Pb composites in excess of three mg/l limit and eight Hg samples in excess of 0.005 mg/l. Considering that these regulations are to be applied at the point of discharge to the sewer rather than after dilution at the plants where NEIC sampled, it is likely that there are discharges to the sewers considerably in excess of these regulations.

OIL AND GREASE

Oil and grease data collected at the Southeast and Southwest WPC Plants included at least 4 potential violations of Philadelphia's industrial waste regulations. As with the metals, there are probably numerous violations at the actual points of discharge to the sewers.

ORGANICS

Influents and effluents at the Southeast and Southwest Water Pollution Control Plants were monitored for organics for three days, commencing October 31, 1976. A total of 67 different organic compounds were identified, followed by an investigation of their toxicity and the development of a toxicity index for 50 of them to estimate relative toxicity. In an exhaustive computerized literature search of 19 data bases, 606 references to the hazards of these 67 compounds were located. Consideration of absolute toxicity factors, such as the development of cancer or lethal dose, was used to indicate the compounds which were potentially more harmful than others. A total of 47 individual toxic doses were located for 17 of the chemicals identified, including one suspected carcinogen, biphenyl.

The effects of long-term exposure to individual compounds or exposure to the whole spectrum of the 67 compounds identified are unknown. Most of the organic compound concentrations found during the study were one or more orders of magnitude less than toxic doses, lethal doses and the U. S. Occupational Standards. However, important considerations remain unknown. Most of the toxic dosage and lethal dosage studies were of short duration using relatively high concentrations of the substances investigated, and, importantly, the toxic and lethal

effects of each substance were evaluated on an individual basis. Virtually no reports are available concerning long-term effects of exposure to most of the substances identified and data are not available on the combined effects of exposure to this wide spectrum of toxic substances.

The influent to the Southeast WPCP contained 47 organic compounds, of which a toxicity index was established for 37. During the 3-day sampling period a total of 3,900 kg (8,500 lb) of these 47 compounds entered the Southeast WPCP, which represented a daily average influent concentration of 2,600 $\mu\text{g/l}$.

The effluent from the Southeast WPCP contained 36 organic compounds, of which 34 were also found in the influent. A toxicity index was established for 28 of the 36 compounds, including one suspected carcinogen, biphenyl. During the 3-day sampling period, a total of 1,600 kg (3,600 lb), or 42% of the influent organic loading, was discharged to the Delaware River. This represented a daily average discharge concentration of 1,000 $\mu\text{g/l}$.

The influents to the Southwest WPCP contained 54 organic compounds, of which a toxicity index was developed for 46. A suspected carcinogen, biphenyl, was identified in the DELCORA (Delaware County Regional Authority) Interceptor. During the 3-day sampling period, a total of 1,970 kg (4,220 lb) of the 54 compounds entered the plant, which represented a flow-weighted daily average concentration of 1,060 $\mu\text{g/l}$.

The effluent from the Southwest WPCP contained 40 organic compounds, of which 39 were also identified in the influents. A toxicity index was developed for 34 of them, including one suspected carcinogen, biphenyl. During the 3-day period, a total of 1,100 kg (2,500 lb), or

59% of the influent organic loading, was discharged to the Delaware River, which represented a daily average concentration of 600 µg/l.

In addition to these direct discharges of organic compounds to the Delaware River, an unknown quantity is contained in digested sludge which is barged to the Atlantic Ocean and discharged. Should this sludge be landfilled in the future, these compounds would then be present in the soil and leachate.

SELF-MONITORING EVALUATION

The NEIC study also revealed that the City of Philadelphia does not conduct its self-monitoring in accordance with the NPDES requirements. Time-proportional composite samples are collected at both plants, not flow-proportional as required by the NPDES permits. In addition, the city does not sample all of the influent to the Southwest WPCP for NPDES reporting. Only the largest of the three influents (approximately 90% of flow) is sampled, and then flows for all influent sources are combined and used to calculate influent loadings.

III. STUDY PROCEDURES

SAMPLING TECHNIQUES

During the October 29 to November 5, 1976 study, samples were collected for a broad range of parameters [Table 1]. Hourly aliquots for the 24-hour influent and effluent composite samples were collected by hand, flow-proportioned, and stored at 4°C. Oil and grease samples were grab sampled three times per day. Field measurements of pH and temperature were performed hourly. At the end of each 24-hour sampling period, the composite samples for BOD and TSS were delivered for analysis to an NEIC mobile lab at the Southwest WPCP. All other composites were air-freighted to Denver for analysis at the NEIC laboratory. NEIC chain-of-custody [Appendix A] and analytical quality control [Appendix B] procedures were followed.

SAMPLING LOCATIONS

Sampling locations included major interceptors entering the plants and the effluents [Figures 1, 2, and Table 1]. At the Southeast WPCP, a single influent point was used since all wastewaters enter through one 3.4 m (11 ft) diameter sewer. However, at the Southwest WPCP, three influent sites were sampled: the High Level Gravity, the Combined 80th Street and Schuylkill, and the DELCORA interceptor sewers. During the October 29 to November 5 study, these represented approximately 90%, 8%, and 2%, respectively, of the Southwest WPCP influent flows.

Table 1
PHILADELPHIA PHASE II (SE AND SW PLANTS)
STATION DESCRIPTIONS AND SAMPLING PARAMETERS

Station No.	Station Description	PARAMETERS ⁴											Mutagenicity ¹	CN ¹
		Organics ¹	BOD	COD	TSS	O/G ²	NH ₃ -N	TKN	NO ₂ + NO ₃	Total P	PO ₄	Heavy Metals ³		
4410	SE Plant influent at distribution box following pump station	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4420	SE Plant effluent at downstream end of effluent channel	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4430	SW Plant--High Level Interceptor at dispersion chamber	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4440	SW Plant--80th St. Low Level Interceptor at manhole approximately 50 m upstream of pump station	X ⁵												
4450	SW Plant--Schuylkill Low Level Interceptor at manhole approximately 50 m upstream of pump station	X ⁵												
4555	SW Plant--Combined 80th St. & Schuylkill Interceptors at dispersion chamber following pump station	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4460	SW Plant--DELCORA Interceptor at Venturi section approximately 20 m upstream of dispersion chamber	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4470	SW Plant-- Effluent at downstream end of effluent channel	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4480	SW Plant--Sludge concentration tank overflow ⁶	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

¹ Collected three days: Oct. 31, Nov. 1 and Nov. 2.

² Three grab samples per 24 hours.

³ Cd, Cr, Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, Pb, Zn, Hg, Sn, Ag, Al, As, Ba, and Se.

⁴ All samples were 24-hour, flow-weighted composites, except as noted.

⁵ No composite samples. Grab sampled on Nov. 2, 1976.

⁶ Equal-volume composite collected each hour there was discharge.

Originally, the 80th Street and Schuylkill interceptors were to be sampled separately at the Southwest WPCP. However, an inspection of the proposed sampling sites indicated that the pump station wet well caused a backwater condition which slowed the two sewers to near quiescent conditions. It was concluded that any data collected from these approximately 6.1 m (20 ft) deep manholes would be questionable since solids could have already settled in the sewer lines. An examination of the sewer plans indicated that moving further upstream would necessitate an excessive number of sampling and flow monitoring sites since various trunk sewers enter the interceptors. It was concluded that the only sampling point which could be used was at the dispersion chamber, downstream from the confluence of the two interceptors in the pump station. This site was also downstream from the sludge concentration tank overflow. Equal-volume composites were collected from this intermittent overflow to quantify the effect on the dispersion chamber sampling location.

FLOW MONITORING

Flow monitoring for all Southeast and Southwest WPCP influents was performed with existing Venturi meters. On the day preceding the start-up of the study, the Southwest WPCP instrument crew calibrated all Venturis and metering equipment at the Southwest WPCP. On the next day the same crew calibrated the influent Venturis at the Southeast WPCP. Effluent flows were assumed to be equal to the sum of the influent flows. The sludge concentration tank overflow split into two portions: the first was confined in a rectangular channel and measured with a Marsh-McBirney magnetic flow meter; the second, smaller portion, cascaded down as a sheet flow and was measured by estimate.

IV. COMPLIANCE MONITORING

Data collected during the October 29 to November 5 NEIC study [Tables 2, 3] indicated both the Southeast and Southwest WPC Plants were in compliance with NPDES initial 7-day limitations for BOD and TSS:

Parameter	NPDES Limits		Oct. 29 to Nov. 5, 1976
	30-day	7-day	
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Table 2
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29 - November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow ^a		pH Range	BOD			TSS			COD			Total Cyanide		
		m ³ /day (x10 ³)	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
High Level Interceptor (4430)																
	10/30	541	143	6.1-7.1	94 ^d	51,000	110,000	120	65,000	140,000	280	150,000	330,000	-	-	-
	10/31	575	152 ^b	5.8-7.1	97	56,000	120,000	140	31,000	180,000	190	110,000	240,000	-	-	-
	11/1	613	162	5.8-7.4	140	86,000	190,000	330	200,000	450,000	330	200,000	450,000	0.02	12	27
	11/2	541	143	6.0-6.9	90	49,000	110,000	120	65,000	140,000	140	76,000	170,000	0.05 ^e	27	60
	11/3	560	148	5.6-7.6	110	62,000	140,000	130	73,000	160,000	220	120,000	270,000	0.04	22	49
	11/4	564	149	6.2-7.5	200	110,000	250,000	190	110,000	240,000	320	180,000	400,000	-	-	-
	11/5	556	147	5.8-7.5	170	95,000	210,000	82	46,000	100,000	260	140,000	320,000	-	-	-
7-day Average		564	149		130	73,000	160,000	160	91,000	200,000	250	140,000	310,000	0.04	20	45
Combined 80th and Schuylkill Interceptors (4555)																
	10/30	47.3	12.5	6.0-7.6	180 ^d	8,500	19,000	270	13,000	28,000	410	19,000	43,000	-	-	-
	10/31	55.3	14.6 ^b	5.8-6.9	180	9,900	22,000	660	36,000	80,000	560	31,000	68,000	-	-	-
	11/1	59.0	15.6 ^c	5.9-7.1	230	14,000	30,000	770	45,000	100,000	510	30,000	66,000	0.03	1.8	3.9
	11/2	45.8	12.1 ^b	6.2-6.8	150	6,900	15,000	450	21,000	45,000	380	17,000	38,000	0.17 ^e	7.8	17
	11/3	46.9	12.4 ^b	5.7-7.1	270	13,000	28,000	660	31,000	68,000	830	39,000	86,000	0.20	9.4	21
	11/4	47.3	12.5	6.1-7.2	250	12,000	26,000	620	29,000	65,000	690	33,000	72,000	-	-	-
	11/5	43.9	11.6	5.9-8.1	180	7,900	17,000	320	14,000	31,000	560	25,000	54,000	-	-	-
7-day Average		49.3	13.0		210	10,000	22,000	540	27,000	60,000	560	28,000	61,000	0.13	6.3	1.4
DELCORA Interceptor (4460)																
	10/30	16	4.1	6.4-6.8	140 ^d	2,200	4,800	210	3,300	7,200	380	5,900	13,000	-	-	-
	10/31	12	3.1 ^b	6.1-7.2	190	2,200	4,900	430	5,000	11,000	420	4,900	11,000	-	-	-
	11/1	16	4.1	5.9-7.0	160	2,500	5,500	380	5,900	13,000	380	5,900	13,000	<0.02	<0.31	<0.68
	11/2	13	3.4	6.7-7.1	120	1,500	3,400	190	2,400	5,400	280	3,600	7,900	<0.02	<0.26	<0.57
	11/3	12	3.2	6.1-7.3	140	1,700	3,700	120	1,500	3,200	250	3,000	6,700	<0.02	<0.24	<0.53
	11/4	12	3.3	5.8-7.2	320	4,000	8,800	220	2,700	6,100	390	4,900	11,000	-	-	-
	11/5	12	3.1	6.3-8.3	160	1,900	4,100	300	3,500	7,800	410	4,800	11,000	-	-	-
7-day Average		13	3.5		180 ^e	2,300	5,000	260	3,500	7,700	360	4,700	11,000	<0.02	<0.27	<0.59
Plant Effluent (4470)																
	10/30	606	160	6.0-7.1	87 ^d	53,000	120,000	110	67,000	150,000	210	130,000	280,000	-	-	-
	10/31	643	170 ^b	6.1-7.1	210	140,000	300,000	100	64,000	140,000	120	77,000	170,000	-	-	-
	11/1	689	182	6.1-7.2	72	50,000	110,000	92	63,000	140,000	54	37,000	82,000	<0.02	<14	<30
	11/2	598	158	6.5-7.0	150	90,000	200,000	56	33,000	74,000	160	96,000	210,000	0.04 ^e	24	53
	11/3	621	164	6.0-7.4	97	60,000	130,000	74	46,000	100,000	210	130,000	290,000	0.04	25	55
	11/4	625	165	6.0-7.3	140	87,000	190,000	100	62,000	140,000	260	160,000	360,000	-	-	-
	11/5	613	162	6.1-7.2	100	61,000	140,000	63	39,000	85,000	220	135,000	300,000	-	-	-
7-day Average		628	166		120	77,000	170,000	85	53,000	120,000	180	110,000	240,000	<0.03	<21	<46
Sludge Thickener Overflow (4480)																
	10/30	Not Monitored	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	10/31	0.83	0.22	-	>3,300 ^f	>2,700	>6,100	7,300	6,100	13,000	1,700	1,400	3,100	-	-	-
	11/1	1.4	0.36	-	1,900	2,600	5,700	5,000	6,800	15,000	9,000	12,000	27,000	0.15	0.20	0.45
	11/2	0.79	0.21	-	1,100	870	1,900	2,300	1,800	4,000	450	360	790	0.08 ^e	0.06	0.14
	11/3	0.98	0.26	-	2,400	2,400	5,200	8,300	8,200	18,000	18,000	18,000	39,000	0.18	0.18	0.39
	11/4	0.30	0.08	-	2,300	700	1,500	5,000	1,500	3,300	8,600	2,600	5,700	-	-	-
	11/5	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sum of Influent (Stations 4430, 4555 and 4460)						85,000	190,000		120,000	270,000		170,000	380,000		27	60
Percent Removal								11		56			37			23

Table 2 (Cont.)
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 26 - November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow ^a m ³ /day mgd (x10 ³)		pH Range	Total Phosphorus			Ortho Phosphate			Organic Nitrogen			Ammonia Nitrogen			Nitrite and Nitrate Nitrogen		
		mg/l	kg/day		lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day		
High Level Interceptor (4430)																			
	10/30	541	143	6.1-7.1	2.6 ^d	1,400	3,100	2.6 ^d	1,400	3,100	0.0 ^d	0 0	0 0	9 0 ^d	4,900	11,000	0 02 ^d	11	24
	10/31	575	152 ^b	5.8-7.1	3 0 ^d	1,700	3,800	3.0 ^d	1,700	3,800	0.0 ^d	0 0	0 0	10 ^d	5,800	13,000	0 02 ^d	12	25
	11/1	613	162	5.8-7.4	3.5 ^d	2,100	4,700	2.4 ^d	1,500	3,200	1.7 ^d	1,000	2,300	8.3	5,100	11,000	0.05 ^d	31	68
	11/2	541	143	6.0-6.9	3.4	1,800	4,100	3.4	1,800	4,100	0.0	0 0	0 0	9.0	4,900	11,000	0 04	22	48
	11/3	560	148	5.6-7.6	3.3	1,800	4,100	3.0	1,700	3,700	0.0	0 0	0 0	10	5,600	12,000	0.02	11	25
	11/4	564	149	6.2-7.5	4 0	2,300	5,000	2.9	1,600	3,600	1.0	560	1,200	11	6,200	14,000	0 02	11	25
	11/5	556	147	5.8-7.5	3.7	2,100	4,500	2.3	1,300	2,800	0.0	0 0	0 0	9 4	5,200	12,000	0 02	11	25
7-day Average		564	149		3.4	1,900	4,200	2.8	1,600	3,500	0.4	220	500	9 5	5,400	12,000	0.03	16	34
Combined 80th St and Schuylkill Interceptors (4555)																			
	10/30	47 3	12.5	6 0-7 6	3 4 ^d	160	350	3.2 ^d	150	330	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	11	520	1,100	0 04 ^d	1.9	4.2
	10/31	55 3	14 6 ^b	5.8-6.9	9 0 ^d	500	1,100	4.3 ^d	240	520	1.0 ^d	55	120	17	940	2,100	0 08 ^d	4.4	9.7
	11/1	59 0	15 6 ^c	5 9-7 1	9 0 ^d	530	1,200	4 0 ^d	240	520	7.0 ^d	410	910	12	710	1,600	0.07 ^d	4.1	9.1
	11/2	45 8	12 1 ^b	6 2-6 8	5 4	250	550	5 4	250	550	0 0	0 0	0 0	12	550	1,200	0 05	2 3	5.0
	11/3	46.9	12.4 ^b	5 7-7.1	12	560	1,200	5.1	240	530	8.0	380	830	14	660	1,400	0.02	0.94	2.1
	11/4	47.3	12.5	6.1-7.2	8.0	380	830	4.4	210	460	5 0	240	520	12	570	1,300	0 02	0.95	2 1
	11/5	43 9	11.6	5.9-8.1	6.4	280	620	2.2	97	210	2.1	92	200	9.9	430	960	0.02	0 88	1 9
7-day Average		49 3	13.0		7 6	380	840	4.1	200	450	3.3	170	370	13	630	1,400	0.04	2 2	4.9
DELCORA Interceptor (4460)																			
	10/30	16 4	1	6 4-6 8	5 8 ^d	90	200	5 7 ^d	88	200	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	16 ^d	250	550	0 02 ^d	0 31	0 68
	10/31	12 3	1 ^b	6.1-7 2	6 4 ^d	75	170	6 4 ^d	75	170	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	17 ^d	200	440	0 08 ^d	0.94	2 1
	11/1	16 4	1	5 9-7 0	5 2 ^d	81	180	5 2 ^d	81	180	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	14	220	450	0 05 ^d	1.2	2 7
	11/2	13 3	4	6 7-7.1	5.9	76	170	5 9	76	170	0 0	0 0	0 0	16	210	450	0 08	1 0	2 3
	11/3	12 3	2	6 1-7 3	6.9	84	180	5.6	68	150	0 0	0 0	0 0	18	220	480	0.02	0 24	0 53
	11/4	12 3	3	5 8-7.2	6.4	80	180	5 1	64	140	0 0	0 0	0 0	17	210	470	0 02	0 25	0 55
	11/5	12 3	1	6.3-8.3	7.2	84	190	6.3	74	160	0.0	0.0	0 0	24	280	620	0 02	0.23	0.52
7-day Average		13 3	5		6.3	81	180	5.7	75	170	0.0	0 0	0.0	17	230	500	0 05	0.60	1.3
Plant Effluent (4470)																			
	10/30	606	160	6.0-7.1	3 3 ^d	2,000	4,000	2.9 ^d	1,800	3,900	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	11 ^d	6,700	15,000	0 02 ^d	12	27
	10/31	643	170 ^b	6.1-7.1	2.7 ^d	1,700	3,800	2 7 ^d	1,700	3,800	0 0 ^d	0 0	0 0	9 0 ^d	5,800	13,000	0 02 ^d	13	28
	11/1	689	182	6 1-7.2	2.8 ^d	1,900	4,300	2.2 ^d	1,500	3,300	0.20 ^d	140	300	9 0	6,200	14,000	0 02 ^d	14	30
	11/2	598	158	6.5-7.0	4.6	2,800	6,100	3 6	2,200	4,700	0 0	0 0	0 0	13	7,800	17,000	0 02	12	26
	11/3	621	164	6.0-7.4	3 7	2,300	5,100	2.9	1,800	4,000	0 0	0 0	0 0	10	6,200	14,000	0 02	12	27
	11/4	625	165	6.0-7.3	3.2	2,000	4,400	3.1	1,900	4,300	0 0	0 0	0 0	10	6,200	14,000	0 02	12	28
	11/5	613	162	6.1-7.2	3.0	1,800	4,100	2.5	1,500	3,400	0 0	0 0	0 0	10	6,100	14,000	0 02	12	27
7-day Average		628	166		3.3	2,100	4,600	2.8	1,800	3,900	0.03	20	43	10	6,400	14,000	0.02	12	28
Sludge Thickener Overflow (4480)																			
	10/30	Not Monitored		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	10/31	0.83	0 22	-	78 ^d	65	140	25 ^d	24	53	100 ^d	83	180	60 ^d	50	110	0 41 ^d	0.37	0.81
	11/1	1 4	0 36	-	80 ^d	110	240	26 ^d	35	78	130	180	390	50	68	150	0 56 ^d	0.76	1.7
	11/2	0.79	0.21	-	35	28	61	15	12	26	34	27	60	28	22	49	0 29	0.23	0.51
	11/3	0 98	0.26	-	130	130	280	30	30	65	393	390	850	57	56	120	0 94	0.92	2.0
	11/4	0 30	0 08	-	72	22	48	21	6	14	136	41	90	44	13	29	0 50	0.15	0.33
	11/5	0 0	0 0	-	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Sum of Influent (Stations 4430, 4555, & 4460)						2,400	5,200		1,900	4,100		390	870		6,300	14,000		19	40
Percent Removal							12			4.9			95			0 0			30

^a All flows are based on the difference in totalizer readings from 0600-0600, except as noted. Flows for 4470 are the sum of 4430, 4555, and 4460. Flows for 4480 are based on Marsh McBain magnetic flow meter measurements and estimates.

^b Flow based on average of hourly flow values.

^c Flow based on totalizer for meter 5 and hourly averages from meter 1.

^d Samples analyzed past recommended holding time due to equipment malfunction.

^e Samples analyzed past recommended holding time due to.

^f All dilutions of this sample depleted on the first day; value was >3300.

Table 3
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA
SOUTHEAST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29 - November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow [†]		pH Range	BOD			TSS			COD			Total Cyanide		
		m ³ /day (x10 ³)	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
Plant Influent (4410)	10/30	473	125	5.8 - 7.5	140 ^{††}	66,000	150,000	140	66,000	150,000	510	240,000	530,000	-	-	-
	10/31	526	139	5.9 - 9.5	160	84,000	190,000	280	150,000	320,000	380	200,000	440,000	-	-	-
	11/1	564	149	5.9 - 8.1	110	62,000	140,000	190	110,000	240,000	170	96,000	210,000	<0.02 ^{†††}	<11	<25
	11/2	473	125	6.8 - 7.8	140	66,000	150,000	210	99,000	220,000	330	160,000	340,000	0.08 ^{†††}	38	83
	11/3	484	128	6.9 - 7.5	180	87,000	190,000	160	78,000	170,000	280	140,000	300,000	0.11	53	120
	11/4	477	126	7.1 - 9.2	170	81,000	180,000	130	62,000	140,000	300	140,000	320,000	-	-	-
	11/5	484	128	6.75-8.2	250	120,000	270,000	120	58,000	130,000	340	160,000	360,000	-	-	-
7-day Average		497	131		160	81,000	180,000	180	89,000	200,000	330	160,000	360,000	<0.07	<34	<76
Plant Effluent (4420)	10/30	473	125	6.0 - 7.5	170 ^{††}	80,000	180,000	60	28,000	63,000	320	150,000	330,000	-	-	-
	10/31	526	139	5.7 - 8.1	100	53,000	120,000	82	43,000	95,000	150	79,000	170,000	-	-	-
	11/1	564	149	5.9 - 8.1	68	38,000	85,000	73	41,000	91,000	51	29,000	63,000	<0.02 ^{†††}	<11	<25
	11/2	473	125	6.8 - 7.9	100	47,000	100,000	82	39,000	86,000	160	76,000	170,000	0.09 ^{†††}	43	94
	11/3	484	128	7.1 - 7.5	120	58,000	130,000	70	34,000	75,000	150	73,000	160,000	0.08	39	85
	11/4	477	126	7.1 - 8.3	140	67,000	150,000	46	22,000	48,000	240	110,000	250,000	-	-	-
	11/5	484	128	6.35 - 8.1	150	73,000	160,000	62	30,000	66,000	250	120,000	270,000	-	-	-
7-day average		497	131		120	59,000	130,000	68	34,000	75,000	190	91,000	200,000	<0.09	<31	<68
Percent Removal							28			62		44				11

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow [†]		pH Range	Total Phosphorus			Ortho Phosphate			Organic Nitrogen			Ammonia Nitrogen			Nitrite and Nitrate Nitrogen		
		m ³ /day (x10 ³)	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
Plant Influent (1440)	10/30	473	125	5.8-7.5	2.8 ^{††}	1,300	2,900	2.1 ^{††}	990	2,200	1.8 ^{††}	850	1,900	7.0 ^{††}	3,300	7,300	0.02 ^{††}	9.5	21
	10/31	526	139	5.9-9.5	2.6 ^{††}	1,400	3,000	1.6 ^{††}	840	1,900	1.8 ^{††}	950	2,100	5.6 ^{††}	2,900	6,500	1.6 ^{††}	840	1,900
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	1.4 ^{††}	790	1,700	1.3 ^{††}	730	1,600	0.9 ^{††}	510	1,100	4.5 ^{††}	2,500	5,600	0.02 ^{††}	11	25
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.8	3.6	1,700	3,800	3.0	1,400	3,100	2.1	990	2,200	6.2	2,900	6,500	0.02	9.5	21
	11/3	484	128	6.9-7.5	5.0	2,400	5,300	2.5	1,200	2,700	5.2	2,500	5,600	5.8	2,800	6,200	0.02	9.7	21
	11/4	477	126	7.1-9.2	4.8	2,300	5,000	2.4	1,100	2,500	3.3	1,600	3,500	6.0	2,900	6,300	0.02	9.5	21
	11/5	484	128	6.75-8.2	4.8	2,300	5,100	2.2	1,100	2,300	2.2	1,100	2,300	6.6	3,200	7,000	0.02	9.7	21
7-day Average		497	131		3.6	1,700	3,800	2.2	1,100	2,300	2.5	1,200	2,700	6.0	2,900	6,500	0.25	130	290
Plant Effluent (4420)	10/30	473	125	6.0-7.5	2.5 ^{††}	1,200	2,600	2.4 ^{††}	1,100	2,500	1.8 ^{††}	850	1,900	7.0 ^{††}	3,300	7,300	0.02 ^{††}	9.5	21
	10/31	526	139	5.7-8.1	2.1 ^{††}	1,100	2,400	1.6 ^{††}	840	1,900	1.2 ^{††}	630	1,400	5.6 ^{††}	2,900	6,500	1.7 ^{††}	890	2,000
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	1.1 ^{††}	620	1,400	1.0 ^{††}	560	1,200	1.2 ^{††}	680	1,500	4.2 ^{††}	2,400	5,200	0.02 ^{††}	11	25
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.9	3.3	1,600	3,400	2.1	990	2,200	5.0	2,400	5,200	5.0	2,400	5,200	2.0	950	2,100
	11/3	484	128	7.1-7.5	2.8	1,400	3,000	1.8	870	1,900	2.4	1,200	2,600	5.4	2,600	5,800	0.02	9.7	21
	11/4	477	126	7.1-8.3	3.3	1,600	3,500	1.7	810	1,800	3.8	1,800	4,000	5.1	2,400	5,400	0.02	9.5	21
	11/5	484	128	6.35-8.1	3.4	1,600	3,600	1.6	780	1,700	3.2	1,600	3,400	5.0	2,400	5,300	2.2	1,100	2,300
7-day Average		497	131		2.6	1,300	2,800	1.7	850	1,900	2.7	1,300	2,900	5.3	2,600	5,800	0.85	430	930
Percent Removal						26		17		-7.4		11					-220		

† All flows are based on the difference in totalizer readings from 0600 - 0600.

†† Samples analyzed past recommended holding time due to equipment malfunction.

††† Samples analyzed past recommended holding time due to delayed shipment.

Seven-day average percentage removals of BOD and TSS were 28% and 62%, respectively, at the Southeast WPCP and 11% and 56% at Southwest. Although the NPDES permits for these plants contain no 7-day removal requirements, the 30-day average removal requirements for BOD and TSS at both plants are $\geq 25\%$ and $\geq 35\%$, respectively. Including loadings from the Southwest WPCP, sludge concentration tank overflow results in higher than actual percentage removals. Analyses of the data, however, indicate that subtracting the overflow during October 31 to November 4 would reduce the average BOD and TSS removal efficiencies by an average of 1%. Using a safety factor of 2 to reflect the difficulty in monitoring the overflow would reduce the BOD and TSS removal efficiencies by an average of only 3%.

V. DATA INTERPRETATION

As noted previously, samples were collected for a broad range of parameters [Tables 2 through 7]. The previous section dealt with how the data relate to NPDES requirements. An analysis of other significant findings follows.

METALS

Pursuant to NPDES requirements for the Southeast and Southwest WPCP's, the City of Philadelphia submitted draft industrial waste regulations to EPA Region III on May 25, 1976. These regulations became effective January 1, 1977 and include limitations for various metals concentrations entering the city sewers. Lead (Pb) and mercury (Hg) concentrations from a composite sample over the process day are not to exceed 3 and 0.005 mg/l, respectively. Data collected during the NEIC study [Tables 4, 5] indicated concentrations in excess of these limitations at both the Southwest and Southeast WPCP's:

Station	Date	Concentration	
		Pb	Hg (mg/l)
<u>Southeast WPCP</u>			
Influent	10/30	-	0.0094
	10/31	-	0.0052
	11/1	-	0.014
	11/2	3.3	0.0076
	11/3	-	0.015
	11/4	-	0.033
	11/5	-	0.028
<u>Southwest WPCP</u>			
High Level Interceptor	10/30	-	0.011
	11/3	-	0.0086
	11/4	-	0.011
Combined 80th and Schuylkill	10/31	3.3	-
	11/2	-	0.015
	11/3	4.1	0.0086
	11/4	-	0.015
	11/5	-	0.022
DELCORA	11/3	-	0.014

Table 4
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA¹
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29-November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station Number)	Date	Flow ²		pH Range	Aluminum			Arsenic			Barium ⁵			Cadmium ⁵		
		m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
High Level Interceptor (4430)	10/30	541	143	6.1-7.1	0.7	380	840	16	8.7	19						
	10/31	575	152 ³	5.8-7.1	0.7	400	890	14	8.0	18						
	11/1	613	162	5.8-7.4	1.6	980	2,200	8	4.9	11						
	11/2	541	143	6.0-6.9	0.5	270	600	36	1.9	4.3						
	11/3	560	148	5.6-7.6	0.6	340	740	20	1.1	2.5						
	11/4	564	149	6.2-7.5	0.7	390	870	19	1.1	2.4						
	11/5	556	147	5.8-7.5	0.7	390	860	17	9.5	21						
	7-Day Average	564	149		0.8	450	1,000	19	10.3	23						
Combined 80th and Schuylkill Interceptors (4555)	10/30	47.3	12.5	6.0-7.6	1.3	61	140	4	0.19	0.42						
	10/31	55.3	14.6 ³	5.8-6.9	4.7	260	570	21	1.2	2.6						
	11/1	59.0	15.6 ⁴	5.9-7.1	4.4	260	570	10	0.59	1.3						
	11/2	45.8	12.1 ³	6.2-6.8	2.8	130	280	34	1.6	3.4						
	11/3	46.9	12.4 ³	5.7-7.1	3.3	150	340	25	1.2	2.6						
	11/4	47.3	12.5	6.1-7.2	2.3	110	240	46	2.2	4.8						
	11/5	43.9	11.6	5.9-8.1	1.4	61	140	16	0.70	1.5						
	7-Day Average	49.3	13.0		2.9	150	330	22	1.1	2.4						
DELCORA Interceptor (4460)	10/30	16	4.1	6.4-6.8	0.4	6.2	14	10	0.16	0.34						
	10/31	12	3.1 ³	6.1-7.2	0.4	4.7	10	8	0.09	0.21						
	11/1	16	4.1	5.9-7.0	1.5	23	51	34	0.53	1.2						
	11/2	13	3.4	6.7-7.1	0.1	1.3	2.8	8	0.10	0.23						
	11/3	12	3.2	6.1-7.3	0.3	3.6	8.0	12	0.14	0.32						
	11/4	12	3.3	5.8-7.2	0.3	3.7	8.3	16	0.20	0.44						
	11/5	12	3.1	6.3-8.3	0.4	4.7	10	17	0.20	0.44						
	7-Day Average	13	3.5		0.5	6.7	15	15	0.20	0.45						
Plant Effluent (4470)	10/30	606	160	6.0-7.1	0.3	180	400	16	9.7	21						
	10/31	643	170 ³	6.1-7.1	0.4	260	570	11	7.1	16						
	11/1	689	182	6.1-7.2	0.7	480	1,100	12	8.3	18						
	11/2	598	158	6.5-7.0	0.7	420	920	9	5.4	12						
	11/3	621	164	6.0-7.4	0.3	190	410	14	8.7	19						
	11/4	625	165	6.0-7.3	0.6	370	830	21	1.3	2.9						
	11/5	613	162	6.1-7.2	0.3	180	410	12	7.4	16						
	7-Day Average	628	166		0.5	300	660	14	8.5	19						
Sludge Thickener Overflow (4480)	10/30	Not monitored														
	10/31	0.83	0.22		6.3	5.2	12	99	0.08	0.18	2.5	2.1	4.6	0.14	0.12	0.26
	11/1	1.4	0.36		6.0	8.2	18	95	0.13	0.28	2.6	3.5	7.8	0.11	0.15	0.33
	11/2	0.79	0.21		2.1	1.7	3.7	26	0.02	0.04	0.7	0.56	1.2	0.02	0.02	0.04
	11/3	0.98	0.26		6.8	6.7	15	82	0.08	0.18	2.6	2.6	5.6	0.11	0.11	0.24
	11/4	0.30	0.08		4.1	1.2	2.7	57	0.02	0.04	2.1	0.64	1.4	<0.02	<0.005	<0.01
	11/5	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sum of Influent (Sum of 4430, 4555, and 4460)						610	1,400		12	26						
% Removal							51			27						

Table 4 (Continued)
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA¹
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 20-November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station Number)	Date 1976	Flow ²		pH Range	Nickel			Lead			Zinc			Chromium		
		m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
High Level Interceptor (4430)	10/30	541	143	6.1-7.1	0.04	22	48	0.18	97	210	0.27	150	320	0.32	170	380
	10/31	575	152 ³	5.8-7.1	<0.02	<12	<25	0.31	180	390	0.30	170	380	0.21	120	270
	11/1	613	162	5.8-7.4	0.03	18	41	0.58	360	780	0.50	310	680	0.13	80	180
	11/2	541	143	6.0-6.9	0.07	38	84	0.21	110	250	0.20	110	240	0.07	38	80
	11/3	560	148	5.6-7.6	0.15	84	190	0.33	180	410	0.27	150	330	0.15	84	190
	11/4	564	149	6.2-7.5	0.13	73	160	0.31	170	390	0.32	180	400	0.13	73	160
	11/5	556	147	5.8-7.5	0.06	33	74	0.23	130	280	0.27	150	330	0.11	61	130
	7-Day Average	564	149		<0.07	40	<89	0.31	180	390	0.30	170	380	0.16	89	200
Combined 80th and Schuylkill Interceptors (4555)	10/30	47.3	12.5	6.0-7.6	0.10	4.7	10	1.3	61	140	0.70	33	73	0.54	26	56
	10/31	55.3	14.6 ³	5.8-6.9	0.14	7.7	17	3.3	180	400	1.8	99	220	0.77	43	94
	11/1	59.0	15.6 ⁴	5.9-7.1	0.11	6.5	14	2.6	150	340	1.5	89	200	0.52	31	68
	11/2	45.8	12.1 ³	6.2-6.8	0.19	8.7	19	2.4	110	240	1.3	60	130	0.56	26	57
	11/3	46.9	12.4 ³	5.7-7.1	0.21	9.9	22	4.1	190	420	1.5	70	160	0.64	30	66
	11/4	47.3	12.5	6.1-7.2	0.28	13	29	1.4	66	150	0.97	46	100	0.40	19	42
	11/5	43.9	11.6	5.9-8.1	0.14	6.1	14	1.6	70	150	0.73	32	71	0.45	20	44
	7-Day Average	49.3	13.0		0.17	8.1	18	2.4	120	260	1.2	61	140	0.55	29	61
DELCORA Interceptor (4460)	10/30	16	4.1	6.4-6.8	0.10	1.5	3.4	0.27	4.2	9.2	0.37	5.7	13	0.17	2.6	5.8
	10/31	12	3.1 ³	6.1-7.2	0.05	0.59	1.3	0.17	2.0	4.4	0.24	2.8	6.2	0.10	1.2	2.6
	11/1	16	4.1	5.9-7.0	0.02	0.31	0.68	0.44	6.8	15	0.46	7.1	16	0.12	1.9	4.1
	11/2	13	3.4	6.7-7.1	0.06	0.77	1.7	<0.15	<1.9	<4.3	0.13	1.7	3.7	0.04	0.51	1.1
	11/3	12	3.2	6.1-7.3	0.07	0.85	1.9	0.16	1.9	4.3	0.25	3.0	6.7	0.13	1.6	3.5
	11/4	12	3.3	5.8-7.2	0.11	1.4	3.0	0.23	2.9	6.3	0.35	4.4	9.6	0.11	1.4	3.1
	11/5	12	3.1	6.3-8.3	0.09	1.1	2.3	0.32	3.8	8.3	0.31	3.6	8.0	0.12	1.4	3.1
	7-Day Average	13	3.5		0.07	0.93	2.0	<0.25	<3.2	<7.4	0.30	4.0	9.0	0.11	1.5	3.3
Plant Effluent (4470)	10/30	606	160	6.0-7.1	0.04	24	53	0.20	120	270	0.20	120	270	0.25	150	330
	10/31	643	170 ³	6.1-7.1	0.03	19	43	0.26	170	370	0.19	120	270	0.17	110	240
	11/1	689	182	6.1-7.2	0.02	14	30	<0.15	<100	<230	0.16	110	240	0.05	34	76
	11/2	598	158	6.5-7.0	0.06	36	79	0.18	110	240	0.23	140	300	0.09	54	120
	11/3	621	164	6.0-7.4	0.11	68	150	<0.15	<93	<210	0.27	170	370	0.10	62	140
	11/4	625	165	6.0-7.3	0.12	75	170	0.16	100	220	0.31	190	430	0.11	69	150
	11/5	613	162	6.1-7.2	0.06	37	81	<0.15	<92	<200	0.17	100	230	0.08	49	110
	7-Day Average	628	166		0.06	39	87	<0.18	<110	<250	0.22	140	300	0.12	75	170
Sludge Thickener Overflow (4480)	10/30	Not monitored														
	10/31	0.83	0.22		0.46	0.38	0.84	60	50	110	23	19	42	12	10	22
	11/1	1.4	0.36		0.59	0.80	1.8	25	34	75	17	23	51	5.4	7.4	16
	11/2	0.79	0.21		0.22	0.17	0.38	10	7.9	18	5.3	4.2	9.3	2.2	1.7	3.9
	11/3	0.98	0.26		1.0	0.98	2.2	48	47	100	18	18	39	5.0	4.9	11
	11/4	0.30	0.08		1.4	0.42	0.93	14	4.2	9.3	11	3.3	7.3	2.5	0.76	1.7
	11/5	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Sum of Influent (Sum of 4430, 4555, and 4460)					49	110		300	660		240	530		120	260
% Removal							21			62			43			35

Table 4 (Continued)
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA¹
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 20-November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station Number)	Date 1976	Flow ²		pH Range	Copper			Iron			Mercury			Manganese		
		m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
High Level	10/30	541	143	6.1-7.1	0.20	110	240	2.3	1,200	2,700	11	6.0	13	0.41	220	490
Interceptor	10/31	575	152 ³	5.8-7.1	0.18	100	230	2.1	1,200	2,700	1.7	0.98	2.2	0.28	160	360
(4430)	11/1	613	162	5.8-7.4	0.22	130	300	3.1	1,900	4,200	4.9	3.0	6.6	0.27	170	370
	11/2	541	143	6.0-6.9	0.18	97	210	3.1	1,700	3,700	2.9	1.6	3.5	0.64	350	760
	11/3	560	148	5.6-7.6	0.20	110	250	2.1	1,200	2,600	8.6	4.8	11	0.30	170	370
	11/4	564	149	6.2-7.5	0.21	120	260	2.2	1,200	2,700	11	6.2	14	0.30	170	370
	11/5	556	147	5.8-7.5	0.18	100	220	1.1	610	1,300	2.9	1.6	3.6	0.16	89	200
7-Day Average		564	149		0.20	110	240	2.3	1,300	2,800	6.1	3.5	7.7	0.34	190	420
Combined 80th	10/30	47.3	12.5	6.0-7.6	0.42	20	44	8.2	390	860	-	-	-	1.4	66	150
and Schuylkill	10/31	55.3	14.6 ³	5.8-6.9	0.70	39	85	12	660	1,500	4.4	0.24	0.54	1.4	77	170
Interceptors	11/1	59.0	15.6 ⁴	5.9-7.1	0.48	28	62	11	650	1,400	2.9	0.17	0.38	1.0	59	130
(4555)	11/2	45.8	12.1 ³	6.2-6.8	0.58	27	59	10	460	1,000	15	0.69	1.5	1.4	64	140
	11/3	46.9	12.4 ³	5.7-7.1	0.60	28	62	11	520	1,100	8.6	0.40	0.89	1.4	66	140
	11/4	47.3	12.5	6.1-7.2	0.50	24	52	8.2	390	860	15	0.71	1.6	1.1	52	110
	11/5	43.9	11.6	5.9-8.1	0.50	22	48	8.2	360	790	22	0.97	2.1	1.4	61	140
7-Day Average		49.3	13.0		0.54	27	59	9.8	490	1,100	11	0.53	1.2	1.3	64	140
DELCORA Interceptor	10/30	16	4.1	6.4-6.8	0.24	3.7	8.2	2.0	31	68	1.1	0.02	0.04	0.17	2.6	5.8
(4450)	10/31	12	3.1 ³	6.1-7.2	0.25	2.9	6.5	1.8	21	47	1.5	0.02	0.04	0.16	1.9	4.1
	11/1	16	4.1	5.9-7.0	0.28	4.3	9.6	3.8	59	130	1.8	0.03	0.06	0.28	4.3	9.6
	11/2	13	3.4	6.7-7.1	0.17	2.2	4.8	1.4	18	40	0.5	0.006	0.01	0.24	3.1	6.8
	11/3	12	3.2	6.1-7.3	0.22	2.7	5.9	1.6	19	43	14	0.17	0.37	0.15	1.8	4.0
	11/4	12	3.3	5.8-7.2	0.25	3.1	6.9	2.4	30	66	2.3	0.03	0.06	0.27	3.4	7.4
	11/5	12	3.1	6.3-8.3	0.25	2.9	6.5	1.8	21	47	1.0	0.01	0.02	0.16	1.9	4.1
7-Day Average		13	3.5		0.24	3.1	6.9	2.1	28	63	3.2	0.04	0.09	0.20	2.7	6.0
Plant Effluent	10/30	606	160	6.0-7.1	0.17	100	230	1.2	730	1,600	1.2	0.73	1.6	0.22	130	290
(4470)	10/31	643	170 ³	6.1-7.1	0.14	90	200	1.6	1,000	2,300	4.0	2.6	5.7	0.27	170	380
	11/1	689	182	6.1-7.2	0.12	83	180	1.4	960	2,100	2.2	1.5	3.3	0.18	120	270
	11/2	598	158	6.5-7.0	0.18	110	240	1.9	1,100	2,500	1.1	0.66	1.5	0.33	200	440
	11/3	621	164	6.0-7.0	0.15	93	210	1.3	810	1,800	0.8	0.50	1.1	0.22	140	300
	11/4	625	165	6.0-7.3	0.17	110	230	2.2	1,400	3,000	1.2	0.75	1.7	0.32	200	440
	11/5	613	162	6.1-7.2	0.16	98	220	1.2	740	1,600	8.8	5.4	12	0.24	150	320
7-Day Average		628	166		0.16	98	220	1.5	960	2,100	2.8	1.7	3.8	0.25	160	350
Sludge Thickener	10/30	Not monitored														
Overflow	10/31	0.83	0.22		4.0	3.3	7.3	92	77	170	6.3	0.005	0.01	4.2	3.5	7.7
(4480)	11/1	1.4	0.36		4.6	6.3	14	88	120	260	16	0.02	0.05	3.0	4.1	9.0
	11/2	0.79	0.21		1.3	1.0	2.3	32	25	56	17	0.01	0.03	1.8	1.4	3.2
	11/3	0.98	0.26		4.8	4.7	10	100	98	220	12	0.01	0.03	3.9	3.8	8.5
	11/4	0.30	0.08		3.6	1.1	2.4	70	21	47	8.1	0.002	0.005	2.6	0.79	1.7
	11/5	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sum of Influent (Sum of 4430, 4555, and 4460)						140	310		1,800	4,000		4.1	9.0		260	570
% Removal							29			48			58			39

¹ The following metals were below detectable limits: selenium (<5 ug/l), silver (<0.01 mg/l), tin (<1 mg/l)

² All flows are based on the difference in totalizer readings from 0600-0600, except as noted. Flows for 4470 are the sum of 4430, 4555 and 4460.

³ Flow based on average of hourly values

⁴ Flow based on totalizer for meter 5 and hourly averages from meter 1.

⁵ The following metals were below detectable limits except at Station 4480: Barium (0.2 mg/l), Cadmium (0.02 mg/l).

Table 5^{††}
FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA
SOUTHEAST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29 - November 5, 1976

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow*		pH Range	Aluminum			Arsenic			Chromium			Lead			Zinc		
		m ³ /day (x10 ³)	mgd		mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day
Plant Influent (4410)																			
	10/30	473	125	5.8-7.5	1.0	470	1,000	8	3.8	8.3	0.32	150	330	2.0	950	2,100	1.4	660	1,500
	10/31	526	139	5.9-9.5	2.0	1,100	2,300	19	10	22	0.36	190	420	2.0	1,100	2,300	0.95	500	1,100
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	1.3	730	1,600	24	14	30	0.09	51	110	0.92	520	1,100	0.55	310	680
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.8	1.6	760	1,700	7	3.3	7.3	0.19	90	200	3.3	1,600	3,400	0.75	350	780
	11/3	484	128	6.9-7.5	1.3	630	1,400	9	4.4	9.6	0.31	150	330	2.3	1,100	2,500	0.81	390	870
	11/4	477	126	7.1-9.2	1.0	480	1,100	27	13	28	0.15	72	160	1.5	720	1,600	0.64	310	670
	11/5	484	128	6.75-8.2	0.8	390	850	8	3.9	8.5	0.19	92	200	1.4	680	1,500	0.64	310	680
7-day Average		497	131		1.3	650	1,400	15	7.5	16	0.23	110	250	1.9	950	2,100	0.82	400	900
Plant Effluent (4420)																			
	10/30	473	125	6.0-7.5	0.4	190	420	5	2.4	5.2	0.19	90	200	1.1	520	1,100	1.2	570	1,300
	10/31	526	139	5.7-8.1	0.2	110	230	10	5.3	12	0.11	58	130	0.45	240	520	0.33	170	380
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	0.5	280	620	14	7.9	17	0.05	28	62	0.31	170	390	0.23	130	290
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.9	0.6	280	630	12	5.7	13	0.15	71	160	1.5	710	1,600	0.38	180	400
	11/3	484	128	7.1-7.5	0.3	150	320	13	6.3	14	0.11	53	120	1.1	530	1,200	0.43	210	460
	11/4	477	126	7.1-8.3	0.4	190	420	8	3.8	8.4	0.16	76	170	0.86	410	900	0.38	180	400
	11/5	484	128	6.35-8.1	0.4	190	430	27	13	29	0.23	110	250	0.85	410	900	0.49	240	520
7-day Average		497	130		0.4	200	440	13	6.3	14	0.14	69	160	0.88	430	940	0.49	240	540
Percent Removal							69		12		36		55		40				

Station Description (Station No.)	1976 Date	Flow [†] m ³ /day mgd (x10 ³)		pH Range	Copper			Iron			Mercury			Manganese			Nickel		
		mg/l	kg/day		lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	μg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day	mg/l	kg/day	lb/day		
Plant Influent (4410)	10/30	473	125	5.8-7.5	0.23	110	240	3.6	1,700	3,800	9.4	4.4	10	0.24	110	250	0.09	43	94
	10/31	526	139	5.9-9.5	0.27	140	310	4.0	2,100	4,600	5.2	2.7	6.0	0.30	160	350	<0.02	<11	<23
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	0.18	100	220	2.8	1,600	3,500	14	7.9	17	0.19	110	240	<0.02	<11	<25
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.8	0.25	120	260	2.8	1,300	2,900	7.6	3.6	7.9	0.30	140	310	0.11	52	110
	11/3	484	128	6.9-7.5	0.22	110	230	2.4	1,200	2,600	15	7.3	16	0.30	150	320	0.02	9.7	21
	11/4	477	126	7.1-9.2	0.18	86	190	2.0	950	2,100	33	16	35	0.29	140	300	0.04	19	42
	11/5	484	128	6.75-8.2	0.17	82	180	1.8	870	1,900	28	14	30	0.25	120	270	0.05	24	53
7-day Average		497	131		0.21	110	230	2.8	1,400	3,100	16	8.0	17	0.27	130	290	<0.04	<24	<53
Plant Effluent (4420)	10/30	473	125	6.0-7.5	0.15	71	160	2.4	1,100	2,500	3.0	1.4	3.1	0.18	85	190			
	10/31	526	139	5.7-8.1	0.12	63	140	1.5	790	1,700	19	10	22	0.18	95	210	0.05	24	52
	11/1	564	149	5.9-8.1	0.11	62	140	1.4	790	1,700	16	9.0	20	0.14	79	170	<0.02	<11	<23
	11/2	473	125	6.8-7.9	0.15	71	160	1.4	660	1,500	18	8.5	19	0.18	85	190	<0.02	<11	<25
	11/3	484	128	7.1-7.5	0.15	73	160	1.0	480	1,100	11	5.3	12	0.19	92	200	0.11	52	110
	11/4	477	126	7.1-8.3	0.17	81	180	1.8	860	1,900	21	10	22	0.17	81	180	0.03	15	32
	11/5	484	128	6.35-8.1	0.15	73	160	1.6	780	1,700	65	31	69	0.19	92	200	0.04	19	42
7-day Average		497	131		0.14	71	160	1.6	780	1,700	22	11	24	0.18	87	190	0.05	24	53
Percent Removal							30			45			-41			34	<0.05	<22	9.4

[†] All flows are based on the difference in totalizer from 0600-0600.

^{††} The following metals were below detectable units, Barium (<0.2 mg/l), Cadmium (<0.2 mg/l), Selenium (<5 ug/l), Silver (<0.01 mg/l), Tin (<1 mg/l).

Table 6
OIL AND GREASE DATA
SOUTHEAST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29–November 5, 1976

Date	Plant Influent (4410) Time mg/l	Plant Effluent (4420) Time mg/l
10/29	0805 17	0815 15
	1605 51	1615 26
	2330 31	2345 23
Daily Average	33	21
10/30	0805 23	0815 20
	1605 220	1615 7
	2330 22	2345 20
Daily Average	88	16
10/31	0805 15	0815 9
	1615 85	1615 19
	2305 110	2320 19
Daily Average	70	16
11/1	0805 22	0815 7
	1605 96	1615 28
	2305 33	2315 26
Daily Average	50	20
11/2	0805 17	0815 12
	1605 90	1615 25
	2305 30	2315 21
Daily Average	46	19
11/3	0805 10	0815 9
	1608 43	1620 22
	2305 46	2315 21
Daily Average	33	17
11/4	0815 22	0823 9
	1620 49	1625 24
	2305 33	2315 21
Daily Average	35	18

Table 7
OIL AND GREASE DATA
SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
October 29 - November 5, 1976

Date	High Level Interceptor (4430)		Combined 80th and Schulykill Interceptors (4555)		DELCORA Interceptor (4460)		Final Effluent (4470)	
	Time	mg/l	Time	mg/l	Time	mg/l	Time	mg/l
10/29	0915	23	0910	120	1130	18	1030	27
	1610	42	1605	34	1750	51	1730	28
Daily Average		33		77		35		28
10/30	0012	42	0010	33	0835	110	0018	30
	0920	11			1525	72	0935	14
	1630	34	1625	66	1900	52	1735	25
Daily Average		29		50		78		23
10/31	0012	29	0010	28	0825	320	0015	39
	0920	38	0910	42	1520	32	0835	15
	1615	18	1610	41			1730	20
Daily Average		28		37		180		25
11/1	0012	25	0010	26	0825	81	0022	27
	0830	13	0925	20	1520	40	0945	12
	1620	33	1615	88	1915	42	1730	21
Daily Average		24		45		54		20
11/2	0010	46	0005	34	0720	29	0015	49
	0620	21	0615	9	1115	36	0930	13
	1320	27	1210	99	1815	45	1230	29
Daily Average		31		47		37		30
11/3	0012	39	0005	73	0820	520	0020	51
	0920	12	0810	206	1620	45	1330	15
	1720	31	1610	29	2130	46	1730	22
Daily Average		27		103		200		29
11/4	0010	44	0005	75	0820	60	0015	51
	1005	16	0810	110	1715	61	0730	23
	1520	37	1615	28	1930	40	1530	22
Daily Average		32		71		54		32
11/5	0005	25	0009	30			0012	19

These data were collected at the WPCP plants after considerable dilution in the sewers. Considering that these regulations are to be applied at the point of discharge to the sewers, it is likely that there are discharges to the sewers considerably in excess of the regulations.

OIL AND GREASE

The industrial waste regulations referenced above contain limitations for "Fats, Oils and Greases" which stipulate that: *Wastewaters not contain in excess of 100 mg/l of fats, oils and greases of mineral or petroleum or unknown origin for a composite sample representing one process day and twice this amount at any time as shown by grab sample. Wastewaters shall not contain in excess of 300 mg/l as a composite sample for one process day for fats, oils and greases of animal or vegetable origin, and not in excess of 400 mg/l at any time as shown by grab sample...* The standard oil and grease analysis does not identify the origin of material. However, potential violations (i.e., >200 mg/l) of this regulation [Tables 6, 7] are summarized below:

Station	Date	Time (Hours)	Oil and Grease Concentrations (mg/l)
<u>Southeast WPCP</u>			
Influent	10/30	1605	220
<u>Southwest WPCP</u>			
Combined 80th and Schuylkill	11/3	0810	206
DELCORA	10/31	0825	320
	11/3	0825	520

As with the metals analyses, these are diluted concentrations. Individual discharges to the sewers would be considerably higher.

VI. SELF-MONITORING DEFICIENCIES

During the NEIC study, self-monitoring practices of the City of Philadelphia were observed at both the Southeast and Southwest WPCP Plants, which revealed the following discrepancies:

1. The City collects composite samples with QCE automatic samplers. The composites collected by the City are time-proportional, not flow-proportional as required by the NPDES permits. It is impossible to speculate on what effects this would have on past self-monitoring data submitted by the City.
2. The influent sampling point at the Southeast WPCP is downstream from the grit removal channels. Hence, removal efficiencies reported by the City are probably conservative since some solids are removed in the grit chambers.
3. The City of Philadelphia's NPDES influent sampling at the Southwest WPCP is not necessarily representative of all wastewaters entering the plant. Plant officials reported that sampling the High Level Gravity Interceptor (NEIC sampling point 4430) is considered representative of the DELCORA, 80th Street, and Schuylkill interceptors as well. Flows for loadings calculations are the sum of all the influent flows.

VII. ORGANICS INTERPRETATION

Twenty-four-hour flow-weighted composite samples for organic compounds were collected for three days, commencing October 31, 1976 [Table 1]. Influent and effluent at the Southeast and Southwest WPC Plants were sampled, and a total of 67 compounds were identified [Table 8]. Each compound was assigned a unique compound reference number which is listed in the left column of Table 8 (ascending order), followed by the compound name and Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry number, if available.

This section interprets the significance of the organic compounds found in the survey, with particular emphasis on adverse environmental and health effects.

DETERMINING THE TOXICITY INDEX

It has been commonly accepted that organic compounds occur in wastewater, rivers and, more recently, drinking water. In the past, most data relating to these occurrences were from gross measurements, such as carbon-chloroform extracts and non-volatile total organic carbon. Today the use of ultra-sensitive instrumentation, such as the computer-assisted gas chromatography-mass spectrometer (GC/MS) scan, has led to the detection of a myriad of organic molecules at very low concentrations. [For NEIC analytical methodology, see Appendix C.]

Although 67 compounds were identified during the study, recent EPA estimates indicate that these compounds constitute about 10% by weight

Table 8
ORGANIC CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS
PHILADELPHIA SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST WPC PLANTS[†]

Reference Number ^{††}	Compound Name	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number	Sampling Date (Nov.)	Southeast Plant		Southwest Plant					Toxic Substances List	Suspected Carcinogens List	OSHA Standards ^{†††}	Aquatic Toxicity	Toxline	Toxicity Index
				Influent (4410)	Final Effluent (4420)	High Level Interceptor (4430)	Combined 80th/Schuylkill Interceptors (4555)	DELCORA Interceptor (4460)	Final Effluent (4470)	Sludge Thickener Overflow (4480)						
				ug/l												
201	Toluene	000108883	1	30			12		16		6	0	4	5	101	125
			2		30				20	25	TC4	0				
			3	23	16	36	15	28	32	77						
202	Ethylbenzene	000100414	1	37	75	4	16	5 ¹	5	86	3	0	4	4	10	30
			2	55	30	11 ¹	31	7	10	61	LD4	0		5		
			3	27	17	23	28	6 ¹	16	69						
203	<i>m</i> -Xylene <i>p</i> -Xylene	000106423 000108383	1	100	190	17	62	21	18	270	0	0	-	6	9	20
			2	160	88	35	95	21	36	170	0	0		5		
			3	74	46	70	84	23	47	210						
204	<i>o</i> -Xylene	000095476	1	31	39	6	18	8	6	47	1	0	-	6	10	25
			2	31	20	9	24	8	12	26	LD3	0		5		
			3	19	12	24	19	9	17	43						
205	Cumene	000098828	1	3 ¹	3					14 ¹	2	0	4	-	6	15
			2			20			26		LD3	0				
			3													
206	<i>m</i> -Ethyltoluene	000620144	1	16	30	8	16	16	6	120 ¹	0	0	-	-	2	2
			2								0	0				
			3	22	16	38	14	12	26	180						
207	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	000108678 000108952	1			6	11			120 ¹	2	0	-	-	10	15
			2				13 ¹	6	4		LD3	0				
			3	13		23			15 ¹	210						
208	<i>o</i> -Ethyltoluene	000611143	1	8	11	6	9	15 ¹	1	110 ¹	0	0	-	-	1	1
			2	10	5	6		7	15	42	0	0				
			3	11 ¹	7	18	11	7	11							
209	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	000095636	1	16	25	10	16	27	8	120 ¹	2	0	-	-	5	10
			2	21	12	22	15	14	22	54	LD3	0				
			3	25	16	59	14	17	30	190						
210	<i>m</i> -Dichlorobenzene	000541731	1		10				8		0	0	-	-	6	6
			2	MS ²							0	0				
			3	MS			MS	MS								

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							ug/l									
211	1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	000526738	1 2 3	7 ¹	7 ¹						0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	3	3
212	Isopropyltoluene	000527844	1 2 3				12 ¹	47 ¹			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	3	3
213	Borneol	000507700	1 2 3	59 77 70	39 46 30	33 38 54	39 85	85 66 63	29 39 20		1 LD3	0 0	-	-	3	7
214	α-Terpineol	000098555	1 2 3	110 56 130	63 110 99	71 110 140	65 100 86	115 180 165	87 120 130		0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	40	40
215	2-Methylnaphthalene	000091576	1 2 3	22 35	29 19 8		19 14 ¹	45 13 15	16 9 17	180	0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	4	4
216	5-Methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene	002809645	1 2 3					5 ¹			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	-	0
217	Dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene		1 2 3	5 ¹	15 ¹	39 ¹	8 ¹	5 ¹			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	-	0
218	Biphenyl	000092524	1 2 3		29 17			MS		MS	3 LD3	3101 5	6	-	17	34
219	sec-Butylbenzene	000135988	1 2 3	8 ¹		7 ¹			15 ¹		1 LD3	0 0	-	-	2	6
220	2-Ethyl-naphthalene	000939275	1 2 3	MS		39 ¹ 26 ¹ 14 ¹		MS			1 LD3	0 0	-	-	1	5

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				μg/l												
221	1,2-Dimethyl-naphthalene	000573988	1	100	100		68 ¹	190	38		0	0	-	-	0	0
			2	170	53		330	39			0	0	-	-	0	0
			3	140	36	49	250	37	38	850 1,300	0	0	-	-	0	0
222	Trimethyl-naphthalene		1	20 ¹	17 ¹	10 ¹	10 ¹	36 ¹	5 ¹	20	0	0	-	-	0	0
			2	33 ¹	7 ¹	5 ¹	57 ¹	17 ¹		220 ¹	0	0	-	-	0	0
			3	180 ¹	5 ¹	8 ¹	75 ¹	10 ¹	7	350	0	0	-	-	0	0
223	2,3,6-Trimethyl-naphthalene	000829265	1	6 ¹	6 ¹	2	2 ¹	10		5	0	0	-	-	0	0
			2	12	2		21			60	0	0	-	-	0	0
			3	27		2	18	2	MS	60	0	0	-	-	0	0
224	Diethylphthalate	000084662	1		43	11		MS	13		2	0	6 ³	-	8	19
			2	MS	20	14		MS	2		103	0	-	-		
			3		MS		MS	17	8		0	0	-	-		
225	Di-n-Butylphthalate	000084742	1		19	14		29	5		2	0	6 ⁴	-	20	32
			2	10	5			19	6		104	0	-	-		
			3			12					0	0	-	-		
226	1,2,4,5-Tetramethyl-benzene	000095932	1						8		0	0	-	-	1	1
			2	12 ¹				15	13		0	0	-	-		
			3			19					0	0	-	-		
227	n-Octane	000111659	1								0	0	4	-	46	50
			2					7 ¹			0	0	-	-		
			3	2			4				0	0	-	-		
228	n-Nonane	000111842	1			2		6			0	0	-	-	19	19
			2					46	2	26	0	0	-	-		
			3	3		3	4		MS		0	0	-	-		
229	n-Decane	000124185	1	14	7	10	14	34	3	340	0	0	-	-	0	0
			2	11	4	6	39	9	6	170	0	0	-	-		
			3	20	4	18	34	9	3	670	0	0	-	-		
230	n-Undecane	001120214	1	77	37	21	39	81	8	940	0	0	-	-	8	8
			2	55	36	13	140	15	10	650	0	0	-	-		
			3	130	30	28	120	17	7	1,200	0	0	-	-		

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231	n-Dodecane	000112403	1	53	32	25	32	88	12	800	0	0	-	-	8	8
			2	61	15	11	170	19	11	660	0	0	-	-	8	8
			3	97	16	22	140	18	4	1,200	0	0	-	-	8	8
232	n-Tridecane	000629505	1	77	58	37	47	160	22	960	0	0	-	-	9	9
			2	110	24	22	300	21	21	750	0	0	-	-	9	9
			3	170	22	35	210	20	12	1,700	0	0	-	-	9	9
233	n-Tetradecane	000629954	1	100	68	38	48	150	20	1,080	0	0	-	-	20	20
			2	180	27	20	360	21	19	1,500	0	0	-	-	20	20
			3	180	22	30	300	17	10	2,000	0	0	-	-	20	20
234	n-Pentadecane	000629629	1	110	67	33	44	140	17	1,000	0	0	-	-	9	9
			2	200	26	17	400	22	19	1,700	0	0	-	-	9	9
			3	180	20	28	300	17	8	1,900	0	0	-	-	9	9
235	n-Hexadecane	000544763	1	150	69	36	42	110	19	940	0	0	-	-	8	8
			2	210	43	19	360	22	19	1,700	0	0	-	-	8	8
			3	190	49	32	140	20	7	1,900	0	0	-	-	8	8
236	n-Heptadecane	000629787	1	140	69	33	43	160	17	950	0	0	-	-	11	11
			2	200	26	19	360	32	19	1,500	0	0	-	-	11	11
			3	160	19	36	290	24	7	1,700	0	0	-	-	11	11
237	Pristane	001921706	1	48 ¹	40 ¹	25 ¹	29 ¹	95 ¹	13 ¹	640 ¹	0	0	-	-	15	15
			2	88 ¹	15 ¹	13 ¹	190 ¹	25 ¹	13 ¹	640 ¹	0	0	-	-	15	15
			3	77 ¹	13 ¹	21 ¹	160 ¹	19 ¹	5 ¹	1,100 ¹	0	0	-	-	15	15
238	n-Octadecane	000593453	1	100	57	32	34	110	12	1,400	0	0	-	-	20	20
			2	75	24	16	260	31	19	890	0	0	-	-	20	20
			3	140	18	25	190	30	9	1,700	0	0	-	-	20	20
239	Phytane	000638368	1	67 ¹	34 ¹	19 ¹	19 ¹	43 ¹	6 ¹	860 ¹	0	0	-	-	1	1
			2	46 ¹	50 ¹	8 ¹	86 ¹	15 ¹	10 ¹	330 ¹	0	0	-	-	1	1
			3	150 ¹	25 ¹	12 ¹	77 ¹	15 ¹	6 ¹	1,600 ¹	0	0	-	-	1	1
240	n-Nonadecane	000629925	1	67	39	19	22	71	4	500	0	0	-	-	3	3
			2	81	12	8 ¹	130	14	8	630	0	0	-	-	3	3
			3	70	9	17	110	31	6	1,400	0	0	-	-	3	3

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				μg/l												
241	p-Eicosane	000112958	1 2 3	12 32	13	7	13 25	31		640 230	0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
242	Henelcosane	000629947	1 2 3	22				68 190		500	0 0	0 0	-	-	1	1
243	Other substituted Alkanes from C ₈ -C ₂₂ (No. of compounds)		1 2 3	0-38 (18) 0-54 (26) 0-52 (23)	0-24 (20) 0-15 (18) 0-8 (17)	0-16 (19) 0-13 (16) 0-11 (17)	0-19 (19) 0-110 (30) 0-90 (24)	0-100 (20) 0-10 (18) 0-10 (24)	0-33 (10) 0-8 (17) 0-3 (7)	0-370 (31) 0-450 (25) 0-750 (30)	0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
244	Chlorofluorocarbons from C ₃ -C ₆ (No. of compounds)		1 2 3		2-15 (6)						0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
245	Bromobenzene	000108861	1 2 3			20 54		26 40			0 0	0 0	-	-	40	40
246	m-, p-Ethyltoluene		1 2 3	25	13	24	16	8	13	53	1 LD3	0 0	-	-	2	6
247	Trimethylbenzene		1 2 3			6 ¹					0 0	0 0	-	-	4	4
248	Diethylbenzene	000141935	1 2 3			36			11		1 LD3	0 0	-	-	4	8

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						ug/l										
249	Dimethylethylbenzene		1 2 3			9 ¹			16 ¹		0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
250	6-Methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene	001680519	1 2 3							190 ¹	0 0	0 0	-		0	0
251	2,6-Dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene	007524632	1 2 3	39 ¹							0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
252	5,6-Dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene	020027774	1 2 3	MS ²							0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0
253	2-n-Butoxyethanol	000111762	1 2 3					79 ¹			11 TD4	0 0	4	-	3	22
254	2-Ethyl-1-hexanol	000104767	1 2 3	38							6 LD3	0 0	-	-	7	15
255	Methylisopropylbenzene		1 2 3						15 ¹		0 0	0 0	-	-	3	3
256	Tetramethylbenzene		1 2 3	21 ¹							0 0	0 0	-	-	1	1
257	2-Ethylhexyl iodide		1 2 3				25 ¹			510 ¹	0 0	0 0	-	-	0	0

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						ug/l										
258	Dimethyltetrahydronaphthalene		1 2 3			14 ¹					0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	0	0
259	n-Hexadecanol	000124298	1 2 3				47				1 LD3 0	0 0 0	-	-	4	8
260	n-Tetradecanol	000112721	1 2 3					24 ¹			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	1	1
261	n-Eicosane	000112958	1 2 3								0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	4	4
262	n-Docosane	000629970	1 2 3		38		54	47		700	0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	6	6
263	n-Tricosane	000638675	1 2 3					260			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	1	1
264	n-Tetracosane	000646311	1 2 3					520			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	3	3
265	n-Pentacosane	000629992	1 2 3					520			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	1	1
266	n-Hexacosane	000630013	1 2 3					470			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	0	0
267	n-Heptacosane	000593497	1 2 3					~450			0 0 0	0 0 0	-	-	0	0
								~450								

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- † Column headings are explained in report text.
†† The chemical compounds have been assigned unique numbers which appear in ascending order.
††† The OSHA Standard toxicity rating is explained in Appendix D.
- ¹ Compound has been identified but due to interferences or lack of an in-house standard the concentration value is only estimated from the response of a similar compound or the contribution to a multiple component peak estimated.
² MS indicates mass spectrum identification only, not confirmed.
³ The toxicity rating for compound 224 is based on the Threshold Limit Value rather than the OSHA Standard which is not established.
⁴ The toxicity rating for compound 225 is based on the OSHA Standard which is reported as being 5 mg/m³ using a conversion assuming that this is equivalent to 5 ppb.

of the total organic compounds present in such waters. A much fuller discussion is found in the recently published book *Identification and Analysis of Organic Pollutants in Water*.⁵

The compounds listed in Table 8 are not unique to the waters sampled. Concurrent exposure to these compounds by various segments of the United States population exists via some foods, ambient air, occupational environment, and household products including over-the-counter medications, cleaning solutions, and cosmetics. Exposure to such chemicals can cause adverse reactions in people, modified by individual susceptibility in terms of specific adaptation. Adverse reactions, which are manifested in a wide variety of physical and mental symptoms, are often chronic in nature and cyclic in occurrence, producing conditions which are frequently undiagnosed or poorly identified. Interpretation of the clinical ecological effects of the compounds identified in Table 8 is difficult and beyond the scope of this report, but may be found in *Clinical Ecology*.⁶ However, the compounds identified during the survey were evaluated, and a toxicity index was developed [Appendix D] which is a number estimating each compound's toxicity relative to the other compounds identified. Consideration of absolute toxicity factors, such as the development of cancer or lethal dose, was used to indicate the compounds which are potentially more harmful than others. The toxicity index is more a safety hazard evaluation than a clinical ecological interpretation.

One of the most important conclusions reached in this study is that the effects of long-term exposure to individual compounds or exposure to the whole spectrum of the 67 compounds identified are unknown. A toxicity index was determined for 50 of these compounds including one suspected carcinogen, biphenyl.

TOXICITY DATA

Table 9 summarizes, for the chemicals identified, the number of reported toxic doses to various organisms. Sixty-seven chemicals were identified and toxic dose data are reported for 17 of those in the 1974 NIOSH* Toxic Substances List,⁷ the 1975 NIOSH Suspected Carcinogens - a Subfile of the NIOSH Toxic Substances List,⁸ or in the Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances, 1975 edition.⁹ For several of these chemicals there are multiple reports as to toxicity by each of several modes of exposure. For example, for toluene there are two reports concerning human toxicity through inhalation exposure; for other chemicals there may be several reported toxicities for "Oral dog," "Oral rat," "Inhalation human," etc. A total of 47 individual bits of toxicity data are reported for the 17 chemicals identified.

A more detailed presentation was made of the data relating to oral and inhalation exposure as these are the more likely modes of human contact [Table 10]. Table 10 also lists the U. S. Occupational Standards of chemicals for which data are reported in references 7, 8, and 9.

Most of the organic compound concentrations found during the study were one or more orders of magnitude less than toxic doses, lethal doses and the U. S. Occupational Standards. However, important considerations remain unknown. Most of the toxic dosage and lethal dosage studies were of short duration using relatively high concentrations of the substances investigated, and importantly, the toxic and lethal effects of each substance were evaluated on an individual basis. Virtually no reports are available concerning long-term effects of exposure to most of the

* *National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.*

Table 9
SUMMARY OF REPORTED TOXIC DOSES BY ORGANISM AND TYPE OF EXPOSURE
SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANTS
November 1-3, 1976

Toxicity Scale [†]	Number of Reported Toxic Doses								Total
	Oral	Inhalation	Subcutaneous	Intraperitoneal	Skin	Intravenous	Parenteral	Ocular	
7 Human	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	5
6 Monkeys	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
5 Cat, Dog, Pig, Cattle, or Domestic Animal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
4 Rat	10	2	2	8	0	1	-	-	23
3 Mouse	1	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	5
2 Guinea Pig, Gerbil, Hamster, Rabbit, etc.	6	-	-	2	5	1	-	-	14
1 Wild Bird, Bird, Chicken, Duck, Quail, Turkey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
0 Frog	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Total	18	7	2	11	5	3	0	1	47

[†] Refer to text Section VII for explanation.

Table 10
SUMMARY OF ORAL AND INHALATION EXPOSURES TO TOXIC ORGANIC CHEMICALS[†]
SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANTS

Ref. No.	Compound Name (mode of dose)	Lowest Published Toxic Dose mg/kg	Lowest Published Lethal Dose mg/kg	Lethal Dose or Concentration 50% Kill mg/kg	U. S. Occupational Std. time-weighted avg. concentration in air ppm
201	Toluene Inhalation Human Inhalation Man Oral Rat Inhalation Rat	200 100		3,000 4,000 ^{††} /4 hr	200
202	Ethylbenzene Oral Rat Inhalation Rat			3,500 4,000 ^{††} /4 hr	100
205	Cumene Oral Rat Inhalation Mouse			1,400 2,000 ^{††}	50
213	Borneol Oral Rabbit		2,000		
218	Biphenyl Oral Rat Oral Rabbit			2,180 2,400	0.2
219	sec-Butylbenzene Oral Rat			2,240	
220	2-Ethyl-naphthalene Oral Rat		5,000		
227	n-Octane				500
248	Diethylbenzene Oral Rat			1,200	
253	2-n-Butoxyethanol Inhalation Human Oral Rat Oral Mouse Inhalation Mouse Oral Rabbit Oral Guinea Pig	195 ^{††} /8 hr		1,480 1,230 700 ^{††} /7 hr 320 1,200	50
254	2-Ethyl-1-Hexanol Oral Rat Oral Rabbit Oral Guinea Pig			4,125 3,580 1,300	
259	n-Hexadecanol Skin Rabbit			2,600	

[†] From References 7, 8, and 9.

^{††} Concentration in parts per million

substances identified, and data are not available on the combined effects of exposure to this wide spectrum of toxic substances.

EVALUATION OF ORGANIC COMPOUNDS FOUND IN WASTEWATER

Although previous projects of a similar nature have been performed,⁵ fewer compounds were identified. More compounds were identified in this study due to the large number of industries discharging to the Philadelphia Southeast and Southwest WPC plants and improved analytical techniques which have made it possible to identify a greater number of compounds at lower concentrations than in previous studies. As noted previously, a total of sixty-seven separate compounds were identified in this study. Forty-seven compounds were identified in the influent to the Southeast WPCP and thirty-six compounds were identified in the effluent. Thirty-four compounds were identified in both the influent and effluent. Fifty-four compounds were identified in one or more influents to the Southwest WPCP and forty compounds were identified in the effluent. Thirty-nine compounds were identified in both one or more influents, including the sludge thickener overflow, and in the effluent. Specific findings follow.

Southeast WPCP

Southeast Influent

The forty-seven compounds identified in the influents to the Southeast WPCP are listed below. Thirty-seven compounds which have a toxicity index are identified by a dagger (†).

Compound Number	Compound Name
201 [†]	toluene
202 [†]	ethylbenzene
203 [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -xylene
204 [†]	<i>o</i> -xylene
205 [†]	cumene
206 [†]	<i>m</i> -ethyltoluene
207 [†]	1,3,5-trimethylbenzene
208 [†]	<i>o</i> -ethyltoluene
209 [†]	1,2,4-trimethylbenzene
210 [†]	<i>m</i> -dichlorobenzene
211 [†]	1,2,3-trimethylbenzene
213 [†]	borneol
214 [†]	α -terpineol
215 [†]	2-methylnaphthalene
216	5-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
217	dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
219 [†]	sec-butylbenzene
220 [†]	ethylnaphthalene
221	1,2-dimethylnaphthalene
222	tri-methylnaphthalene
223	2,3,6-trimethylnaphthalene
224 [†]	diethylphthalate
225 [†]	di-n-butylphthalate
226 [†]	1,2,4,5-tetramethylbenzene
227 [†]	n-octane
228 [†]	n-nonane
229	n-decane
230 [†]	n-undecane
231 [†]	n-dodecane
232 [†]	n-tridecane
233 [†]	n-tetradecane
234 [†]	n-pentadecane
235 [†]	n-hexadecane
236 [†]	n-heptadecane
237 [†]	pristane
238 [†]	n-octadecane
239 [†]	phytane
240 [†]	n-nonadecane
241	<i>p</i> -eicosane
242 [†]	heneicosane
243	other substituted alkanes
246 [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -ethyltoluene
251	2,6-dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
252	5,6-dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
254 [†]	2-ethyl-1-hexanol
256 [†]	tetramethylbenzene
261 [†]	n-eicosane

The total influent organic loads for November 1, 2, and 3, 1976, were 1,100 kg (2,400 lb), 1,300 kg (2,900 lb), and 1,500 kg (3,200 lb), respectively, as given in Table 11. Thus, the daily average load was 1,300 kg (2,833 lb) or 3,900 kg (8,500 lb) for the three-day sampling period. In terms of organic concentrations, the daily average was 2,600 $\mu\text{g/l}$.

The most general observation is that none of these compounds represent normal human metabolites [Table 8, and Appendix D]. They are all of industrial origin and it is likely that many of these compounds are foreign and inhibitory to the metabolism of organisms normally found in biological treatment systems. This could have significance in terms of reduced removal efficiencies when planned biological treatment facilities are completed.

A second observation is the wide range in concentration (100-fold), from 2 ppb for n-octane (227) to 210 ppb for n-hexadecane (235) [Table 8].

Trimethylnaphthalene (222) demonstrates another noticeable trend, namely that daily waste concentrations for individual compounds varied by a factor of more than 9 during sampling. Such rapid fluxes in concentration of these foreign chemicals could make it more difficult for microorganisms in the planned biological treatment facilities to adjust their metabolic processes to biodegrade the organics. For example, the load of trimethylnaphthalene (222) was 12 kg (26 lb) on November 1, 1976; 19 kg (42 lb) on November 2, and 102 kg (264 lb) on November 3. Since this compound is of industrial origin, it most likely represents discharges from manufacturing operations in which cleaning processes result in intermittent higher concentrations. Similar inferences can be found throughout Table 8 where a periodic or one-time significant discharge occurred along with chronic low-level discharges.

Table 11
ORGANICS LOAD
SOUTHEAST WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
November 1976

Day (Nov. 1976)	Influent (4410)					Effluent (4420)				
	µg/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day	µg/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day
1	1,900	564	149	1,100	2,400	1,600	564	149	890	2,000
2	2,800	473	125	1,300	2,900	830	473	125	390	860
3	3,000	484	128	1,500	3,200	690	484	128	330	730
Total	7,700	1,521	402	3,900	8,500	3,100	1,521	402	1,600	3,600
Avg.	2,600	507	134	1,300	2,833	1,000	507	134	540	1,200

Due to the substantial quantities of organics, the distribution of manufacturing industries potentially discharging to the Philadelphia Southeast WPCP was evaluated. The drainage area was translated into zip code districts which were machine-searched in a computerized file of manufacturers in the area. There are 655 industrial plants employing 20 or more people within 20 broad SIC* or product codes in the area served by the collection system:

SIC Code	Number of Plants	Industry
20	71	Food and kindred products
21	1	Tobacco products
22	50	Textile mill products
23	140	Apparel and related products
24	8	Wood and wood products
25	26	Furniture
26	27	Paper and allied products
27	77	Printing and publishing
28	28	Chemicals and allied products
29	3	Petroleum and energy products
30	7	Rubber and allied products
31	17	Leather and products
32	10	Stone, clay and glass products
33	5	Metals
34	72	Fabricated metal products
35	31	Machinery, electric
36	18	Electric and electronic equipment
37	4	Transport equipment
38	20	Instruments and related products
39	40	Manufacturing, miscellaneous

An alphabetized list of all manufacturing industries, including employment, share of market, and sales statistics is on record at NEIC.¹⁰

* *Standard Industrial Classification*

Southeast Effluent

There were thirty-six compounds identified in the effluent from the Southeast WPCP. Thirty-four compounds in the effluent were also identified in the influent and are marked with an asterisk (*) in the following list. Twenty-eight compounds which have a toxicity index are identified by a dagger (+).

Compound Number	Compound Name
201*†	toluene
202*†	ethylbenzene
203*†	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -xylene
204*†	<i>o</i> -xylene
205*†	cumene
206*†	<i>m</i> -ethyltoluene
208*†	<i>o</i> -ethyltoluene
209*†	1,2,4-trimethylbenzene
210*†	<i>m</i> -dichlorobenzene
211*†	1,2,3-trimethylbenzene
213*†	borneol
214*†	α -terpineol
215*†	2-methylnaphthalene
217*	dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
218†	biphenyl
221*	1,2-dimethylnaphthalene
222*	trimethylnaphthalene
223*	2,3,6-trimethylnaphthalene
224*†	diethylphthalate
225*†	di- <i>n</i> -butylphthalate
229*	<i>n</i> -decane
230*†	<i>n</i> -undecane
231*†	<i>n</i> -dodecane
232*†	<i>n</i> -tridecane
233*†	<i>n</i> -tetradecane
234*†	<i>n</i> -pentadecane
235*†	<i>n</i> -hexadecane
236*†	<i>n</i> -heptadecane
237*†	pristane
238*†	<i>n</i> -octadecane
239*†	phytane
240*†	<i>n</i> -nonadecane
241*	<i>p</i> -eicosane
243*	other substituted alkanes
244	chlorofluorocarbons
246*†	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -ethyltoluene

A suspected carcinogen, biphenyl (218), was detected in the discharge from the Southeast WPCP. On the first day of organics sampling, 16.4 kg (36.0 lb) of this hazardous substance was discharged to the Delaware River while somewhat less, 8.2 kg (18.1 lb), was discharged on the third day of sampling.

Of the approximately 3,900 kg (8,500 lb) of industrial-origin organics received by the Southeast WPCP collection system during the 3 days of sampling, 1,600 kg (3,600 lb), or 42%, was discharged at a daily concentration of 1,000 $\mu\text{g/l}$ through the Southeast outfall to the Delaware River [Table 11]. These industrial chemicals are then available to potentially cause harm to organisms living in the river, or to organisms feeding on aquatic life or consuming the water. In addition, an unknown quantity of the organic compounds reach the ocean through the barging of anaerobically digested sludge.

Southwest WPCP

Southwest Influent

Fifty-four organic compounds were identified in one or more influents to the Southwest WPCP, including the sludge thickener overflow which is also discharged back to the headworks of the plant. The forty-six compounds which have a toxicity index are identified with a dagger (†).

Compound Number	Compound Name
201 [†]	toluene
202 [†]	ethylbenzene
203 [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -xylene
204 [†]	<i>o</i> -xylene
205 [†]	cumene
206 [†]	<i>m</i> -ethyltoluene
207 [†]	1,3,5-trimethylbenzene
208 [†]	<i>o</i> -ethyltoluene
209 [†]	1,2,4-trimethylbenzene
210 [†]	<i>m</i> -dichlorobenzene
212 [†]	isopropyltoluene
213 [†]	borneol
214 [†]	α -terpineol
215 [†]	2-methylnaphthalene
216	5-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
217	dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
218 [†]	biphenyl
219 [†]	sec-butylbenzene
220 [†]	ethylnaphthalene
221	1,2-dimethylnaphthalene
222	trimethylnaphthalene
223	2,3,6-trimethylnaphthalene
224 [†]	diethylphthalate
225 [†]	di-n-butylphthalate
226 [†]	1,2,4,5-tetramethylbenzene
227 [†]	n-octane
228 [†]	n-nonane
229	n-decane
230 [†]	n-undecane
231 [†]	n-dodecane
232 [†]	n-tridecane
233 [†]	n-tetradecane
234 [†]	n-pentadecane
235 [†]	n-hexadecane
236 [†]	n-heptadecane
237 [†]	pristane
238 [†]	n-octadecane
239 [†]	phytane
240 [†]	n-nonadecane
241	p-eicosane
242 [†]	heneicosane
243	other substituted alkanes
245 [†]	bromobenzene
246 [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -ethyltoluene
247 [†]	trimethylbenzene
248 [†]	diethylbenzene
249	dimethylethylbenzene
250	6-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene
253 [†]	2-n-butoxyethanol
257	2-ethylhexyl iodide
258	dimethyltetrahydronaphthalene
259 [†]	n-hexadecanol
260 [†]	n-tetradecanol
261 [†]	n-eicosane
262 [†]	n-docosane
263 [†]	n-tricosane
264 [†]	n-tetracosane
265 [†]	n-pentacosane
266	n-hexacosane
267	n-heptacosane

The total influent organic loads for November 1, 2, and 3, 1976, were 575 kg (1,230 lb), 581 kg (1,274 lb), and 836 kg (1,810 lb), respectively, as given in Table 12. Thus the daily average load was 665 kg (1,415 lb) or 1,970 kg (4,220 lb) for the three-day sampling period. In terms of organic loadings, this represents a weighted-daily-average concentration of 1,060 $\mu\text{g/l}$.

As noted previously regarding the Southeast WPCP, none of these compounds entering the Southwest WPCP represent normal human metabolites. They are all of industrial origin and it is likely that many of these compounds are foreign and inhibitory to the metabolism of organisms normally found in biological treatment systems. This could have significance in terms of reduced removal efficiencies when planned biological treatment facilities are completed.

A second observation is the wide range in concentration (200-fold), from 2 ppb for 2,3,6-trimethylnaphthalene (223) to 400 ppb for n-pentadecane (234)[Table 8]. Trimethylnaphthalene (222) again demonstrates a noticeable trend, namely that daily waste concentrations for individual compounds varied by a factor of more than 10 during sampling. Such rapid fluxes in concentration of these foreign chemicals could make it that much more difficult for microorganisms in the planned treatment facilities to adjust their metabolic process to biodegrade the organics. For example, the load of trimethylnaphthalene (222) was 0.16 kg (0.35 lb) on November 1, 1976; 0 on November 2; and 0.02 kg (0.04 lb) on November 3 for the DELCORA Interceptor. For the combined 80th and Schuykill Interceptor, the loads for days 1, 2 and 3 were 0.12 kg (0.26 lb), 0.96 kg (2.1 lb), and 0.84 kg (1.9 lb), respectively. For the High Level Interceptor, the loads for days 1, 2, and 3 were 1.2 kg (2.7 lb), 0 and 1.1 kg (2.4 lb). Since this compound is of industrial origin, it most likely represents discharges from manufacturing operations in which cleaning processes result in intermittent higher concentrations. Similar

inferences can be found throughout Table 8 where a periodic or one-time significant discharge occurs along with chronic low-level discharges.

The sludge thickener overflow returning to the head of the Southeast WPCP shows that this effect is carried over into the sludge. The overflow of trimethylnaphthalene (222) from the sludge was 0.007 kg (0.015 lb) for day 1, 0.047 kg (0.10 lb) for day 2, and 0.059 kg (0.13 lb) for day 3, respectively.

Not only does this slug loading effect carryover to the sludge, but the presence of the organics in the sludge overflow indicates that the treatment process is trapping and concentrating them in the sludge. A review of Table 8 shows that many compounds are increased in concentration several hundred times in the sludge thickener overflow compared to the three interceptors. Since concentrates of these industrial-origin organic contaminants are already leaching from the sludge while it is within the plant, there is good reason to believe that the contaminants will continue to leach from the sludge in concentrated form whenever it is exposed to water, such as in standard landfill or ocean disposal. Hence, careful consideration must be given to the method of sludge disposal.

A suspected carcinogen, biphenyl (218), was detected in the DELCORA Interceptor.

Due to the substantial quantities of organics, the distribution of manufacturing industries potentially discharging to the Philadelphia Southwest WPCP was evaluated. The drainage area was translated into zip code districts which were machine-searched in a computerized file of manufacturers in the area. There are 396 industrial plants employing 20 or more people within 20 broad SIC or product codes in the area served by the collection system:

SIC Code	Number of Plants	Industry
20	25	Food and kindred products
21	0	Tobacco products
22	19	Textile mill products
23	75	Apparel and related products
24	4	Wood and wood products
25	13	Furniture
26	18	Paper and allied products
27	61	Printing and publishing
28	26	Chemicals and allied products
29	8	Petroleum and energy products
30	6	Rubber and allied products
31	5	Leather and products
32	14	Stone, clay and glass products
33	4	Metals
34	30	Fabricated metal products
35	29	Machinery, electric
36	22	Electric and electronic equipment
37	5	Transport equipment
38	19	Instruments and related products
39	13	Manufacturing, miscellaneous

An alphabetized list of all 396 manufacturing industries, including employment, share of market, and sales statistics is on record at NEIC.⁹

Southwest Effluent

There were forty compounds identified in the effluent from the Southwest WPCP. Thirty-nine compounds in the effluent were also identified in one or more interceptors or the sludge thickener overflow and are marked with an asterisk (*) in the following list. Thirty-four compounds which have a toxicity index are identified with a dagger (+).

Compound Number	Compound Name
201* [†]	toluene
202* [†]	ethylbenzene
203* [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -xylene
204* [†]	<i>o</i> -xylene
205* [†]	cumene
206* [†]	<i>m</i> -ethyltoluene
207* [†]	1,3,5-trimethylbenzene
208* [†]	<i>o</i> -ethyltoluene
209* [†]	1,2,4-trimethylbenzene
210* [†]	<i>m</i> -dichlorobenzene
213* [†]	borneol
214* [†]	α -terpineol
215* [†]	2-methylnaphthalene
218* [†]	biphenyl
219* [†]	sec-butylbenzene
221*	1,2-dimethylnaphthalene
222*	trimethylnaphthalene
223*	2,3,6-trimethylnaphthalene
224* [†]	diethylphthalate
225* [†]	di- <i>n</i> -butylphthalate
226* [†]	1,2,4,5-tetramethylbenzene
228* [†]	<i>n</i> -nonane
229*	<i>n</i> -decane
230* [†]	<i>n</i> -undecane
231* [†]	<i>n</i> -dodecane
232* [†]	<i>n</i> -tridecane
233* [†]	<i>n</i> -tetradecane
234* [†]	<i>n</i> -pentadecane
235* [†]	<i>n</i> -hexadecane
236* [†]	<i>n</i> -heptadecane
237* [†]	pristane
238* [†]	<i>n</i> -octadecane
239* [†]	phytane
240* [†]	<i>n</i> -nonadecane
243*	other substituted alkanes
245* [†]	bromobenzene
246* [†]	<i>m</i> -, <i>p</i> -ethyltoluene
248* [†]	diethylbenzene
249*	dimethylethylbenzene
255 [†]	methylisopropylbenzene

A suspected carcinogen, biphenyl (218), was detected in the discharge from the Southwest WPCP.

Of the approximately 1,970 kg (4,220 lb) of industrial origin organics received by the Southwest WPCP collection system during the 3 days of sampling, 1,100 kg (2,500 lb), or 59%, was discharged at a daily concentration of 600 µg/l through the Southwest outfall to the Delaware River [Table 12]. These industrial chemicals are then available to potentially cause harm to organisms living in the river, or to organisms feeding on aquatic life or consuming the water. In addition, an unknown quantity of the organic compounds reach the ocean through the barging of anaerobically digested sludge.

Table 12
ORGANICS LOAD
SOUTHWEST WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
November 1976

Day (Nov. 1976)	High Level Interceptor 4430					Combined 80th and Schuylkill Interceptor 4555					DELCORA Interceptor 4460				
	ug/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day
1	760	613	162	470	1,000	990	59	15.6	58	130	3,000	16	4.1	47	100
2	640	541	143	350	760	4,900	45.8	12.1	220	490	840	13	3.4	11	24
3	1,100	560	148	600	1,300	4,000	46.9	12.4	190	410	3,800	12	3.2	46	100
Total	2,500	1,714	453	1,400	3,000	9,900	151.7	40.1	470	1,000	7,600	41	10.7	100	220
Avg.	830	571	151	470	1,000	3,300	50.6	13.4	160	340	2,500	14	3.6	35	75

	Final Effluent 4470					Sludge Thickener Overflow 4480				
	ug/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day	ug/l	m ³ /day x 10 ³	mgd	kg/day	lb/day
1	590	689	182	400	890	18,000	1.4	0.36	25	55
2	680	598	158	410	900	19,000	0.79	0.21	15	33
3	540	621	164	340	740	33,000	0.98	0.26	33	72
Total	1,800	1,908	504	1,100	2,500	70,000	3.17	0.83	73	160
Avg.	600	636	168	380	840	23,000	1.06	0.28	24	53

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APPENDICES

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APPENDIX A
CHAIN OF CUSTODY PROCEDURES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS CENTER
CHAIN OF CUSTODY PROCEDURES
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GENERAL

The evidence gathering portion of a survey should be characterized by the minimum number of samples required to give a fair representation of the effluent or water body from which taken. To the extent possible, the quantity of samples and sample locations will be determined prior to the survey.

Chain of Custody procedures must be followed to maintain the documentation necessary to trace sample possession from the time taken until the evidence is introduced into court. A sample is in your "custody" if:

1. It is in your actual physical possession, or
2. It is in your view, after being in your physical possession, or
3. It was in your physical possession and then you locked it up in a manner so that no one could tamper with it.

All survey participants will receive a copy of the survey study plan and will be knowledgeable of its contents prior to the survey. A pre-survey briefing will be held to re-appraise all participants of the survey objectives, sample locations and Chain of Custody procedures. After all Chain of Custody samples are collected, a de-briefing will be held in the field to determine adherence to Chain of Custody procedures and whether additional evidence type samples are required.

SAMPLE COLLECTION

1. To the maximum extent achievable, as few people as possible should handle the sample.
2. Stream and effluent samples shall be obtained, using standard field sampling techniques.
3. Sample tags (Exhibit I) shall be securely attached to the sample container at the time the complete sample is collected and shall contain, at a minimum, the following information: station number, station location, data taken, time taken, type of sample, sequence number (first sample of the day - sequence No. 1, second sample - sequence No. 2, etc.), analyses required and samplers. The tags must be legibly filled out in ballpoint (waterproof ink).
4. Blank samples shall also be taken with preservatives which will be analyzed by the laboratory to exclude the possibility of container or preservative contamination.
5. A pre-printed, bound Field Data Record logbook shall be maintained to record field measurements and other pertinent information necessary to refresh the sampler's memory in the event he later takes the stand to testify regarding his actions during the evidence gathering activity. A separate set of field notebooks shall be maintained for each survey and stored in a safe place where they could be protected and accounted for at all times. Standard formats (Exhibits II and III) have been established to minimize field entries and include the date, time, survey, type of samples taken, volume of each sample, type of analysis, sample numbers, preservatives, sample location and field measurements such as temperature, conductivity,

DO, pH, flow and any other pertinent information or observations. The entries shall be signed by the field sampler. The preparation and conservation of the field logbooks during the survey will be the responsibility of the survey coordinator. Once the survey is complete, field logs will be retained by the survey coordinator, or his designated representative, as a part of the permanent record.

6. The field sampler is responsible for the care and custody of the samples collected until properly dispatched to the receiving laboratory or turned over to an assigned custodian. He must assure that each container is in his physical possession or in his view at all times, or locked in such a place and manner that no one can tamper with it.
7. Colored slides or photographs should be taken which would visually show the outfall sample location and any water pollution to substantiate any conclusions of the investigation. Written documentation on the back of the photo should include the signature of the photographer, time, date and site location. Photographs of this nature, which may be used as evidence, shall be handled recognizing Chain of Custody procedures to prevent alteration.

TRANSFER OF CUSTODY AND SHIPMENT

1. Samples will be accompanied by a Chain of Custody Record which includes the name of the survey, samplers' signatures, station number, station location, date, time, type of sample, sequence number, number of containers and analyses required (Fig. IV). When turning over the possession of samples, the transferor and transferee will sign, date and time the sheet. This record sheet allows transfer of custody of a group of samples in the field, to the mobile laboratory or when samples are dispatched to the NEIC - Denver laboratory. When transferring a portion of the samples identified on the sheet to the field mobile laboratory, the individual samples must be noted in the column with the signature of the person relinquishing the samples. The field laboratory person receiving the samples will acknowledge receipt by signing in the appropriate column.
2. The field custodian or field sampler, if a custodian has not been assigned, will have the responsibility of properly packaging and dispatching samples to the proper laboratory for analysis. The "Dispatch" portion of the "Chain of Custody Record shall be properly filled out, dated, and signed.
3. Samples will be properly packed in shipment containers such as ice chests, to avoid breakage. The shipping containers will be padlocked for shipment to the receiving laboratory.
4. All packages will be accompanied by the Chain of Custody Record showing identification of the contents. The original will accompany the shipment, and a copy will be retained by the survey coordinator.
5. If sent by mail, register the package with return receipt requested. If sent by common carrier, a Government Bill of Lading should be obtained. Receipts from post offices, and bills of lading will be retained as part of the permanent Chain of Custody documentation.
6. If samples are delivered to the laboratory when appropriate personnel are not there to receive them, the samples must be locked in a designated area within the laboratory in a manner so that no one can tamper with them. The same person must then return to the laboratory and unlock the samples and deliver custody to the appropriate custodian.

LABORATORY CUSTODY PROCEDURES


1. The laboratory shall designate a "sample custodian." An alternate will be designated in his absence. In addition, the laboratory shall set aside a "sample storage security area." This should be a clean, dry, isolated room which can be securely locked from the outside.
2. All samples should be handled by the minimum possible number of persons.
3. All incoming samples shall be received only by the custodian, who will indicate receipt by signing the Chain of Custody Sheet accompanying the samples and retaining the sheet as permanent records. Couriers picking up samples at the airport, post office, etc. shall sign jointly with the laboratory custodian.
4. Immediately upon receipt, the custodian will place the sample in the sample room, which will be locked at all times except when samples are removed or replaced by the custodian. To the maximum extent possible, only the custodian should be permitted in the sample room.
5. The custodian shall ensure that heat-sensitive or light-sensitive samples, or other sample materials having unusual physical characteristics, or requiring special handling, are properly stored and maintained.
6. Only the custodian will distribute samples to personnel who are to perform tests.
7. The analyst will record in his laboratory notebook or analytical worksheet, identifying information describing the sample, the procedures performed and the results of the testing. The notes shall be dated and indicate who performed the tests. The notes shall be retained as a permanent record in the laboratory and should note any abnormalities which occurred during the testing procedure. In the event that the person who performed the tests is not available as a witness at time of trial, the government may be able to introduce the notes in evidence under the Federal Business Records Act.
8. Standard methods of laboratory analyses shall be used as described in the "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for Analysis of Pollutants," 38 F.R. 28758, October 16, 1973. If laboratory personnel deviate from standard procedures, they should be prepared to justify their decision during cross-examination.
9. Laboratory personnel are responsible for the care and custody of the sample once it is handed over to them and should be prepared to testify that the sample was in their possession and view or secured in the laboratory at all times from the moment it was received from the custodian until the tests were run.
10. Once the sample testing is completed, the unused portion of the sample together with all identifying tags and laboratory records, should be returned to the custodian. The returned tagged sample will be retained in the sample room until it is required for trial. Strip charts and other documentation of work will also be turned over to the custodian.
11. Samples, tags and laboratory records of tests may be destroyed only upon the order of the laboratory director, who will first confer with the Chief, Enforcement Specialist Office, to make certain that the information is no longer required or the samples have deteriorated.

EXHIBIT I

EPA, NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS CENTER			
Station No.	Date	Time	Sequence No.
Station Location			<input type="checkbox"/> Grab <input type="checkbox"/> Comp.
<input type="checkbox"/> BOD <input type="checkbox"/> Solids <input type="checkbox"/> COD <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrients	<input type="checkbox"/> Metals <input type="checkbox"/> Oil and Grease <input type="checkbox"/> D.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Bact. <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Remarks/Preservative:	
Samplers:			

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EXHIBIT II

FOR _____ SURVEY, PHASE _____, DATE _____

TYPE OF SAMPLE _____

ANALYSES REQUIRED

STATION NUMBER	STATION DESCRIPTION	TOTAL VOLUME	TYPE CONTAINER	PRESERVATIVE	NUTRIENTS	BOD	COD	TOC	TOTAL SOLIDS	SUSPENDED SOLIDS	ALKALINITY	DO	pH	CONDUCTIVITY*	TEMPERATURE*	TOTAL COLIFORM	FECAL COLIFORM	TURBIDITY	OIL AND GREASE	METALS	BACTERIA	PESTICIDES	HERB	TRACE ORGANICS	PHENOL

REMARKS

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Samplers: _____

FIELD DATA RECORD

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APPENDIX B

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES AND QUALITY CONTROL

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Samples collected during this survey were analyzed, where appropriate, according to procedures approved by EPA for the monitoring of industrial effluents.* The procedures are listed in the following table.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Reference</u>
Cd, Mn, Ni, Al, Cr, Fe, Hg, Ag, As, Pb, Sn, Zn, Cu, Ba, Se	Atomic absorption	EPA Methods for Chemical Analyses of Water and Wastes 1974, p 78.
TSS	Gravimetric	ibid., p 268
Ammonia	Automated Colorimetric phenate	ibid., page 168
Oil and grease (Freon-extractable materials)	Separatory funnel extraction	ibid., p 229
BOD	Serial dilution (Winkler-Azide)	ibid., page 11
COD	Dichromate reduction	ibid., page 20
TKN	Automated phenate	ibid., page 182
NO ₃ + NO ₂	Automate Codminum re- duction	ibid., page 207
Total P	Automated ascorbic acid reduction	ibid., page 256
PO ₄	Automated ascorbic acid reduction	ibid., page 256

* *Federal Register*, Vol. 44, No. 232, December 1, 1976.

Reliability of the analytical results was documented through an active Analytical Quality Control Program. As part of this program, replicate analyses were normally performed with every tenth sample to ascertain the reproducibility of the results. In addition, where appropriate, every tenth sample was spiked with a known amount of the constituents to be measured and reanalyzed to determine the percent recovery. These results were evaluated in regard to past AQC data on the precision, accuracy and detection limits of each test. On the basis of these findings, all analytical results reported for the survey were found to be acceptable with respect to the precision and accuracy control of this laboratory.

APPENDIX C
ORGANICS ANALYTICAL METHODOLOGY

PHILADELPHIA SURVEY ORGANICS ANALYTICAL METHODOLOGY

Samples collected for general organics analyses were divided into three categories to facilitate characterization of the constituents. The first category, 3 and 6 liter extracts, were composite samples collected at sewage treatment plant (STP) influent and effluent stations. These samples were expected to contain the highest concentrations of organic constituents. The second category, 60 l extracts, were field extracted and composited on site so that very large sample volumes could be utilized where organics concentrations were expected to be lower, such as in open waters and finished water from the water treatment plant (WTP). The final category, volatile organics, were collected at all sites using the same technique since this method can tolerate a large range of concentrations of constituents.

EXTRACTION TECHNIQUES

3 and 6 Liter Samples

Composited 3 or 6 liter (l) samples were received at the laboratory packed in ice. Each sample was warmed to room temperature and 3 l from each gallon container of composited sample was extracted with 300 milliliters (ml) of methylene chloride (MeCl_2). The MeCl_2 extract was passed through prewashed (100 ml acetone) anhydrous sodium sulfate (Na_2SO_4) to

to remove any residual water. The Na_2SO_4 was then washed with 100 ml of acetone and the MeCl_2 extract and acetone wash combined in a 500 ml Kadurna-Danish (KD) equipped with a 3 ball Snyder column. After the volume was reduced to 10 ml, the extracts were transferred to graduated centrifuge tubes and concentrated to 5 ml under a stream of organic free air.

60 1 Samples

Samples were received at the mobile laboratory as 4 five gallon glass containers of water for each 24 hour composite. 15 liter of each container were transferred to a 5 gallon pyrex bottle. 1 liter of MeCl_2 was added and the mixture stirred for 10 minutes using a hand-held industrial mixer. After allowing time for the MeCl_2 to separate, the water layer was siphoned off and the remaining mixture transferred to a 2 liter separatory funnel. The MeCl_2 was drained and transferred to a 500 ml KD and the volume reduced to approximately 25 ml. On average, 600 ml of MeCl_2 were recovered. The extracts were transported to the NEIC laboratory where they were dried, composited and reduced in volume in the same manner as the 3 liter extracts.

Volatile Organics

The technique for volatile organics is attached as a separate section.

Gas Chromatography

The extracts from 3, 6 and 60 liter samples were analyzed using a gas chromatograph (GC) equipped with a 10 foot 2 mm ID glass column packed with 6% OV 101 on Gas-Chrom Q support and a flame ionization detector (FID). 1 microliter (μ l) of the extracts (or dilutions as necessary to maintain peaks on scale) were injected onto the column. Analytical conditions were: injector temperature 220°C, detector temperature 250°C, He flow rate 20 ml/minute, initial oven temperature 80°C, final oven temperature 220°C, oven temperature program rate 6°C/min.

Mass Spectrometry

The constituents of each extract were identified using a gas chromatograph-mass spectrometer (GC-MS). The GC conditions were identical to those described earlier. Samples were injected onto the column and the oven program started. Mass spectrometer data acquisition was initiated after the solvent eluted from the GC column. A complete mass spectrum was collected in less than 4 seconds from 20-350 amu. Mass spectra were selected on each peak of the chromatogram and identified by comparison to reference spectra obtained at the NEIC laboratory; Eight Peak Index of Mass Spectra, Second Edition, 1974; EPA mass spectral search system on the Cyphernetics Computer System

or the Registry of Mass Spectral Data, Wiley & Sons, 1974. Constituents identified are considered only tentative unless verified by reference spectra obtained from the standard compound at NEIC.

Quantitation

After identification of the constituents by GC-MS, available standards were analyzed on FID GC. Retention times and peak heights of the standards were measured and used to calculate the concentrations of the identified constituents in the samples. Comparisons were also made of retention times to provide an additional verification of the identification.

Numerous other compounds were identified by GC-MS that could not be verified due to the lack of an appropriate standard at NEIC. In cases where the identification was considered very good when compared to external reference spectra, the concentrations were estimated using response factors of similar compounds with similar retention times.

NEIC METHOD FOR DETERMINATION OF VOLATILE ORGANICS
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1. Scope and Application

- 1.1 This method is applicable to open, waste, and drinking waters where volatile components are present at and above 20 ug/l.
- 1.2 Since purging of the sample may not remove 100% of some components and the detector responses vary for classes of compounds, the sensitivity of the method may vary significantly for different compounds.

2. Summary of the Method

- 2.1 Volatile components of the sample are purged with helium and trapped on a polymer adsorbant. The components are then desorbed and reabsorbed at the head of a porous polymer analytical GC column. The GC oven is temperature programmed and the components analyzed by mass spectrometer (MS) or flame ionization detector (FID) detectors. The working range is 20 to 250 ug/l for most compounds using FID. The upper limit may be increased by using smaller sample volumes.

3. Comments

- 3.1 This method requires a well conditioned GC column to avoid excessive baseline drift due to column bleed during temperature programming.
- 3.2 The purging and desorbing procedure is applicable to either FID or MS detectors and is presented here independent of detector.
- 3.3 The initial GC oven temperature (now 170°C) may be lowered to accommodate lower boiling components; however, some loss in information will occur due to peak broadening and decreased sensitivity.

4. Precision and Accuracy

- 4.1 Replicate analyses of chloroform were performed at 500 ug/l at NEIC. Standard deviations were 0.50 and 0.006 for peak height and retention time (in cm) respectively.
- 4.2 No accuracy data are available.

5. Sample Handling and Preservation

- 5.1 Samples are collected in small (2 to 8 oz) glass bottles with Teflon lined screw caps and stored in ice or refrigerated at 4°C.
- 5.2 Sample bottles should be filled completely to leave no air spaces. During analysis, the samples should be opened for as short a time as practicable to remove sufficient sample for analysis.

6. Apparatus

- 6.1 Gas Chromatograph: Varian 1400 series or other unit capable of accepting FID or MS detectors. Unit should be temperature programmable and operable from ambient to 210°C.

- 6.2 GC column: 6 ft. by 2 mm ID glass column packed with 60/80 mesh Chromosorb 101. The column should be conditioned 16 hours at 230°C with 20 ml/min He flow before use.
- 6.3 Liquid Sample Concentrator: Tekmar LSC-1 or equivalent unit capable of purging 5 ml or more sample with He onto a Tenex adsorber column, then desorbing at 140°C from the Tenex into the injector of the GC. Bake the trap for 16 hours at 140°C with 20 ml/min He flow before use.
- 6.4 Mass spectrometer: Finnigan 1015 or similar.
- 6.5 Syringe: 5 ml gas tight syringe.

7. Reagents

- 7.1 Volatile organics free water: Tap or distilled water purged with He to remove volatile organics.
- 7.2 Helium: Zero grade He for use to purge the water samples.
- 7.3 Standards: Pure compounds diluted to working concentrations with water, tightly capped and stored at 4°C.

8. Procedure

- 8.1 Set up liquid sample concentrator (LSC) as described in the owner's manual. Adjust the purge flow rate to 20 ml/min with 65 psig He pressure at the tank. Adjust the desorb flow rate to 20 ml/min.
- 8.2 Set up the gas chromatograph as follows:
 - Injector temperature: 190-200°C
 - FID temperature: 250°C
 - GC column flow rate: 20 ml/min He @ 60 psig
 - Program rate: 4°C/min
 - Initial temperature: 170°C
 - Limit temperature: 200°C
- 8.3 Attach the LSC to the GC by pushing the hypodermic needle from the LSC trap effluent through the injector septum. Remove the LSC tubing and push a fine wire from the back of the needle through the point to remove any septum material that may have clogged the needle. Reattach the LSC to the needle.
- 8.4 Place 5 ml of sample into the LSC purging chamber and purge the sample for 5 minutes at 20 ml/min.
- 8.5 Desorb the sample components from the Tenex column for 5 minutes at 140°C onto the GC column at ambient temperature.
- 8.6 Immediately after 8.5, switch back to purge mode on the LSC, close the GC oven door and raise the oven temperature to 170°C by switching to "hold" with the initial temperature set to 170°C. Wait 2 minutes as the temperature rises.
- 8.7 Start the GC oven program at 4°C/min and the chart recorder or mass spectrometer. Note that the oven may not have stabilized at 170°C but should have just reached 170°C by this time. Collect data as necessary then repeat procedure for subsequent samples. 200°C is a sufficient upper limit for most analyses.

9. Results

9.1 Table I gives approximate retention times for a number of compounds. Figure 1 is a chromatogram showing the response using this method.

TABLE I**Retention Times of Selected Volatile Organic Compounds**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Minutes</u>
Acetone	1.4
Methylene Chloride	1.7
Chloroform	2.9
Benzene	3.9
Toluene	6.2
Ethyl Benzene	9.2
Cumene	13.9

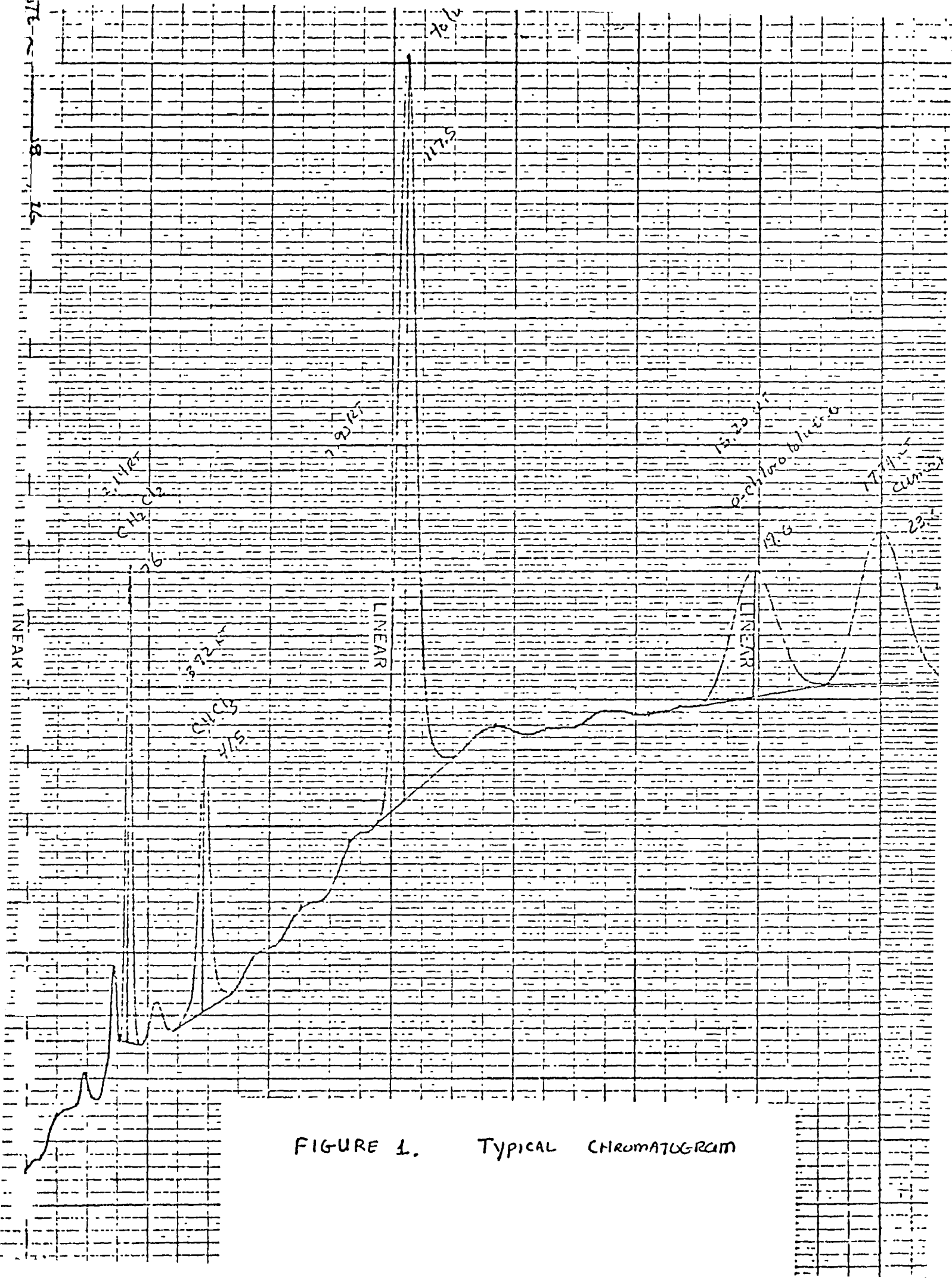


FIGURE 1. TYPICAL CHROMATOGRAM

APPENDIX D

DETERMINATION OF TOXICITY INDEX

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The toxicity index developed herein is a number estimating the relative toxicity of all the organic compounds found. Consideration of absolute toxicity factors, such as the development of cancer or lethal dose, was used to indicate the compounds which are potentially more harmful than others. The toxicity index is more a safety hazard evaluation than a clinical ecological interpretation.

Aquatic Toxicity

Data on acute doses required for intoxication serve first as a yardstick against which to compare one compound with another, and second, as a starting point in the design of repeated exposure and metabolism studies. The compounds listed in text Table 8 underwent an extensive literature search. The column heading "Aquatic Toxicity" was taken from the five-volume set *Water Quality Criteria Data Book*, published by EPA in the Water Pollution Control Research series over a period of several years. The numerator indicates the number of times a separate reference was found on the effects of that chemical on aquatic life. The denominator indicates the most toxic doses reported, according to the rating system of Gleason, et al,¹ as follows:

CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FOR ACUTE TOXICITY OF CHEMICALS

Toxicity Rating or Class	Lowest published toxic dose (TD) or LD ₅₀ for animals (LD)
6 - Super toxic	Less than 5 mg/kg (5 ppm)
5 - Extremely toxic	5 to 50 mg/kg (5 to 50 ppm)
4 - Very toxic	50 to 500 mg/kg (50 to 500 ppm)
3 - Moderately toxic	500 to 5,000 mg/kg (0.5 to 5 ppt)
2 - Slightly toxic	5 to 15 gm/kg (5 to 15 ppt)
1 - Practically non-toxic	Greater than 15 gm/kg (>15 ppt)

The specific toxicity doses (oral and inhalation) for which data are provided in references 2 or 3, are given in text Table 8. The number of citations addressing toxicity of one or another compound may reflect either the duration of the period of concern over the compound or the extraordinary recent recognition of its toxicity. Either of these motives could cause an abundance of literature citations with respect to the toxicity of a given compound. Conversely, many of the compounds which were identified have not been assigned a CAS (Chemical Abstract Registry Number) and no data concerning their toxicity and/or carcinogenicity are reported in the literature. Hence, although the number of references found is not a strict measure of the toxicity of a given substance, it is indicative of the concern and attention provided in literature. Presumably, the higher the sum of the numerator and denominator, the more toxic the chemical, the more widespread its effects, and the more cause for concern. Such a measurement does not necessarily take into account the difference between species nor does it necessarily bear any relationship to chronic toxicity which is more relevant to the low levels reported in text Table 8. This "measure" used in conjunction with other data provided in text Tables 8, 9 and 10 should be used collectively in evaluating the health effects of exposure to the compounds identified.

In addition, the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) standards have been developed for some chemicals and are given in the column "OSHA Standard." Standards were also taken from the Toxic Substances List, 1974 Edition² and the Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances, 1975 Edition.³ The OSHA standards were rated in the same manner as was aquatic toxicity. For example, the OSHA standard for compound number 201 (Toluene) in Table 8 is 200 ppm which would give it a toxicity rating of 4 (very toxic). This rating system, based on a scale of 1 (practically non-toxic) to 6 (super toxic) is used to aid in weighting the overall toxicity index.

Suspected Carcinogen List

The column "Suspected Carcinogen List" contains a numerator from which the four digits are summed to yield the denominator. The information came from the *Suspected Carcinogens: A Subfile of the NIOSH Toxic Substances List*.⁴ However, in an attempt to solve the same problems encountered in interpreting the data presented in this report, the Suspected Carcinogens List was computer permuted by EPA⁵ to produce a ranking of hazard, according to the following schedule:

The first digit, A, represents the species in which a carcinogenic (CAR) or neoplastic (NEO) response was reported, and assignments were made thus:

- 7: human
- 6: monkey
- 5: cat, dog, pig, cattle, or domestic animal
- 4: rat
- 3: mouse
- 2: guinea pig, gerbil, hamster, rabbit, squirrel, unspecified mammal
- 1: wild bird, bird, chicken, duck, pigeon, quail or turkey
- 0: frog

For compounds where CAR or NEO responses were reported in more than one species, the highest number was assigned.

The second digit, B, designates the number of different species for which a CAR or NEO response was reported, up to a maximum number of 9.

The third digit, C, was assigned on the basis of the route of administration for which a CAR or NEO response was reported:

- 2: inhalation, ocular or skin application
- 1: oral administration
- 0: all other routes of administration

Only the highest number was retained where CAR or NEO responses were reported for more than one route of administration.

The final digit, D, is the total number of CAR and/or NEO responses reported for this substance, up to a maximum of 9. Because the NIOSH Registry included only one entry for any route/species combination (specifically, the study in which the lowest effective dose was reported for that combination), this digit is a count of the number of different species/route combinations reported to result in a carcinogenic or neoplastic response.

Toxline

The column "Toxline" lists the relative frequency of occurrence of toxic substance literature. The computerized data bases of the National Libraries of Medicine TOXLINE were exhaustively searched, both on-line for current files and off-line for historical files. This base contains data on toxicity and adverse effects of environmental pollutants and chemicals on the human food chain, laboratory animals, and biological systems; it also contains analytical techniques.

Accessible through Toxline are citations, and abstracts where available, from the following indexes for a total of 878,000 records, spanning the last 3-1/2 decades of medical literature.

CANCERLINE 1963-76 - Cancer Abstracts
PROJ 1975-76 - Cancer Projects
CBAC - 1965-76 - Chemical Abstracts, biochemistry sections
CHEMLINE 1973-76 - Chemical Information on Structure
and Nomenclature
EMIC - 1971-74 - Environmental Mutagen Information Center
EPILEPSY - 1945-76 - Epilepsy Abstracts
HEEP - 1972-76 - Health Effects of Environmental Pollutants
PESTAB - 1966-76 - Pesticide Abstracts, EPA
HAYES - 1930-76 - EPA Pesticide File
IPA - 1970-76 - International Pharmaceutical Abstracts
TOXBIB - 1968-76 - Index Medicus toxicity subset

The search logic used was broadly constructed to retrieve any references to the adverse effects of any of the 156 chemicals listed.

Science Citation Index^R determines the apparent scientific merit of an author's work by determining the number of times his work has been cited by other authors. Similarly, it was assumed that the more references there were in the literature to the adverse effects of a chemical, the more toxic it was in fact. Thus, the "Toxline" column lists the number of citations to the literature on the adverse effects of each chemical found in the TOXLINE.

Toxicity Index

All of these columns are mechanically summed, including both the numerators and denominators, if they occur, to create the "Toxicity Index" column. The exception is the "Suspected Carcinogen List" column, in which only the denominator was included. The "Toxicity Index" serves only as a guide to the potential hazard of those compounds found. The larger the index, the greater the potential hazard.

The total number of separate literature references gathered in the development of this report is substantial.* It should be recognized that 156 chemicals were evaluated against 19 data bases, resulting in some 3,000 possible intersections. The actual number of references located was 606 and some intersections contained more than one reference.

* Obviously, to explore this much information in depth on the adverse effects of these 67 chemicals would have required a report of inordinate length. However, the adverse aspects of a particular chemical can be further investigated by consulting the references on file at NEIC, Denver.⁶

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