Explanation of Laboratory Report

The enclosed data report may use laboratory descriptions with which you are not familiar. The following definitions of those descriptions may assist you in understanding your sample results:

Analyte The chemical or substance of interest.

CAS Number Chemical Abstracts Service Number

A universal system to provide a unique, unmistakable identifier for

chemical substances.

Result (ng/L) Concentration in nanogram(s) per liter

The amount of an analyte determined to be present in the sample analyzed by

the laboratory.

1 nanogram per liter (ng/L) = 1 part per trillion (ppt)

ND Not Detected

Indicates the analyte was not detected.

DL Detection Limit

The lowest level at which the laboratory can reliably "see" that this analyte is present.

LOD Limit of Detection

The lowest level at which the laboratory can reliably "see" that this analyte is **not** present.

LOQ Limit of Quantitation

The lowest level at which the laboratory can reliably measure this analyte with a

known degree of confidence and accuracy.

Amounts detected below the LOQ are qualified as estimated (J).

Qualifiers

"J" Detect Estimated Value

The analyte was detected but the concentration is an estimation due to detection sensitivity (result is less than the LOQ) or minor quality control issues.

"UJ" Non-detect Estimated Value

The analyte was not detected and there were minor quality control issues.

"J+" Detect Estimated Value – Biased High

The analyte was detected and considered an estimation that is possibly biased high due to minor quality control issues.

"J-" Detect Estimated Value – Biased Low

The analyte was detected and considered an estimation that is possibly biased low due to minor quality control issues.

Example Data Report

