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January 9, 2008

SUBJECT: BRC Tronox Parcel C/D, Data Validation

Dear Ms. Barajas-Albalawi

Enclosed are the final validation reports for the fractions listed below. These SDGs were received on December 24, 2007. Attachment 1 is a summary of the samples that were reviewed for each analysis.

**LDC Project # 18016:**

<b><u>SDG #</u></b>	<b><u>Fraction</u></b>
TRNC/D-1RD, TRNC/D-2RD, TRNC/D-4RD	Radium-226 & Radium-228, Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium

The data validation was performed under EPA Level III and Level IV guidelines. The analyses were validated using the following documents, as applicable to each method:

- USEPA, Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review, October 2004
- EPA SW 846, Third Edition, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, update 1, July 1992; update IIA, August 1993; update II, September 1994; update IIB, January 1995; update III, December 1996; update IIIA, April 1998

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Data Validation Reports  
LDC# 18016**

Radium-226 & Radium-228

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## Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc. Data Validation Report

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 9, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 7, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil/Water  
**Parameters:** Radium-226 & Radium-228  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.

**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-1RD

### Sample Identification

TSB-CR-07-0'  
TSB-CR-07-10'  
TSB-CJ-08-0'  
TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD  
TSB-CJ-08-10'  
TSB-CJ-04-0'  
TSB-CJ-04-10'  
TSB-CJ-07-0'  
TSB-CJ-07-10'  
TSB-CJ-03-0'  
TSB-CJ-03-10'  
RINSATE 1  
TSB-CR-07-0'DUP

## Introduction

This data review covers 12 soil samples and one water sample listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per EPA Method 901.1/RICH Method RC5017 for soil samples for Radium-226 and Radium-228, EPA Method 903.1/RICH Method RC5005 for water samples for Radium-226, and EPA Method 904.0/RICH Method RC5005 for water samples for Radium-228.

The review follows a modified outline of the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review (October 2004) as there are no current guidelines for the method stated above.

A qualification summary table is provided at the end of this report if data has been qualified. Flags are classified as P (protocol) or A (advisory) to indicate whether the flag is due to a laboratory deviation from a specified protocol or is of technical advisory nature.

Blank results are summarized in Section III.

Field duplicates are summarized in Section VIII.

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG. The review was based on QC data.

The following are definitions of the data qualifiers:

- J+ Data are qualified as estimated, with a high bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- J- Data are qualified as estimated, with a low bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- U Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected at or above the stated limit.
- J Indicates an estimated value.
- R Quality control indicates the data is not usable.
- N Presumptive evidence of presence of the constituent.
- UJ Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample detection limit is an estimated value.
- A Indicates the finding is based upon technical validation criteria.
- P Indicates the finding is related to a protocol/contractual deviation.
- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## **I. Technical Holding Times**

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## **II. Calibration**

### **a. Initial Calibration**

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each detector and each radionuclide.

Self absorption factors were determined for each sample when applicable.

### **b. Continuing Calibration**

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within laboratory control limits.

## **III. Blanks**

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

Sample "RINSATE 1" was identified as a rinsate. No contaminant concentrations were found in this blank.

## **IV. Accuracy and Precision Data**

### **a. Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates**

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### **b. Laboratory Control Samples**

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits.

### **c. Chemical Recovery**

All chemical recoveries were within validation criteria.

## V. Minimum Detectable Activity

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

## VI. Sample Result Verification

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG.

## VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

## VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-CJ-08-0' and TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No radium-226 or radium-228 was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-08-0'	TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD			
Radium-226	0.990	0.929	7 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-
Radium-228	1.62	1.60	1 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-



**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-1RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG  
TRNC/D-1RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-  
1RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

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**VALIDATION COMPLETENESS WORKSHEET**

Date: 1-7-08

SDG #: TRNC/D-1RD

Level III

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Laboratory: Test America

Reviewer: MG

Soil: Radium-226, Radium-228 (EPA Meth 901.1/RICH-RC-5017) 2nd Reviewer: ✓  
 Water →

**METHOD:** Radium 226 (EPA Method 903.1/Method RICH-RC5005) Radium 228 (EPA Method 904.0/Method RICH-RC5005)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

	Validation Area		Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: 11-9-07
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	DUP
IVb.	Laboratory control samples	A	LCS
IVc.	Chemical recovery	A	Water only
V.	Sample result verification	N	
VI.	Minimum detectable activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
VIII.	Field duplicates	SW	D = 3 + 4
XIV.	Field blanks	ND	R = 12

Note: A = Acceptable  
 N = Not provided/applicable  
 SW = See worksheet

ND = No compounds detected  
 R = Rinsate  
 FB = Field blank

D = Duplicate  
 TB = Trip blank  
 EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples:

1	TSB-CR-07-0'	S	11	TSB-CJ-03-10'	S	21		31	
2	TSB-CR-07-10'		12	RINSATE 1	W	22		32	
3	TSB-CJ-08-0'		13	TSB-CR-07-0'DUP	S	23		33	
4	TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD		14	PBS		24		34	
5	TSB-CJ-08-10'		15	PBW		25		35	
6	TSB-CJ-04-0'		16			26		36	
7	TSB-CJ-04-10'		17			27		37	
8	TSB-CJ-07-0'		18			28		38	
9	TSB-CJ-07-10'		19			29		39	
10	TSB-CJ-03-0'		20			30		40	

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 SDG #: TRNC/D-IRD

**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Field Duplicates**

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**METHOD:** Radiochemistry (Method: see cover)

- N/A Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?
- N/A Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity (PCi/g)		RPD
	3	4	
Ra-226	0.999	0.929	7 ( $\leq 50$ )
Ra-228	1.62	1.60	1 ( $\downarrow$ )

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

## Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc. Data Validation Report

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 12, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 7, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil  
**Parameters:** Radium-226 & Radium-228  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III & IV  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.  
**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-2RD

### Sample Identification

TSB-CJ-02-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-02-10'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-10'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD  
TSB-CR-02-0'\*\*  
TSB-CR-02-10'\*\*  
TSB-CR-01-0'\*\*  
TSB-CR-01-10'\*\*  
TSB-CR-03-0'  
TSB-CR-03-10'  
TSB-CJ-05-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-05-10'  
TSB-CJ-06-0'  
TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD  
TSB-CJ-06-10'  
TSB-CR-01-0'DUP

\*\*Indicates sample underwent EPA Level IV review

## **Introduction**

This data review covers 17 soil samples listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per EPA Method 901.1/RICH Method RC5017 for Radium-226 and Radium-228.

The review follows a modified outline of the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review (October 2004) as there are no current guidelines for the method stated above.

A qualification summary table is provided at the end of this report if data has been qualified. Flags are classified as P (protocol) or A (advisory) to indicate whether the flag is due to a laboratory deviation from a specified protocol or is of technical advisory nature.

Blank results are summarized in Section III.

Field duplicates are summarized in Section VIII.

Samples indicated by a double asterisk on the front cover underwent a EPA Level IV review. A EPA Level III review was performed on all of the other samples. Raw data were not evaluated for the samples reviewed by Level III criteria since this review is based on QC data.

The following are definitions of the data qualifiers:

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- J- Data are qualified as estimated, with a low bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
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- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## **I. Technical Holding Times**

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## **II. Calibration**

### **a. Initial Calibration**

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each detector and each radionuclide.

Self absorption factors were determined for each sample when applicable.

### **b. Continuing Calibration**

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within laboratory control limits.

## **III. Blanks**

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

No field blanks were identified in this SDG.

## **IV. Accuracy and Precision Data**

### **a. Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates**

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### **b. Laboratory Control Samples**

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits.

### **c. Chemical Recovery**

All chemical recoveries were within validation criteria.

## V. Minimum Detectable Activity

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

## VI. Sample Result Verification

All sample result verifications were acceptable for samples on which a EPA Level IV review was performed. Raw data were not evaluated for the samples reviewed by Level III criteria.

## VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

## VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-CJ-01-0'\*\* and TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD and samples TSB-CJ-06-0' and TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No radium-226 or radium-228 was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-01-0'**	TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD			
Radium-226	1.05	1.17	11 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-
Radium-228	1.83	1.87	2 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-06-0'	TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD			
Radium-226	0.894	0.980	9 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-
Radium-228	1.76	1.52	15 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-



**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG  
TRNC/D-2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-  
2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

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 SDG #: TRNC/D-2RD  
 Laboratory: Test America

**VALIDATION COMPLETENESS WORKSHEET**

Level III/IV

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Reviewer: MG

2nd Reviewer: W

*91A* Radium-226, Radium-228 (EPA Meth 901.1/RICH-RC-5017)

**METHOD:** Radium 226 (EPA Method 903.1/Method RICH-RC5005) Radium 228 (EPA Method 904.0/Method RICH-RC5005)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

	Validation Area		Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: 11-12-07
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	DUP
IVb.	Laboratory control samples	A	LCS
IVc.	Chemical recovery	N	
V.	Sample result verification	A	Not reviewed for Level III validation.
VI.	Minimum detectable activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
VIII.	Field duplicates	SW	D = 3 + 5, D = 14 + 15
XIV.	Field blanks	N	1

Note: A = Acceptable  
 N = Not provided/applicable  
 SW = See worksheet

ND = No compounds detected  
 R = Rinsate  
 FB = Field blank

D = Duplicate  
 TB = Trip blank  
 EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples: \*\* Indicates sample underwent Level IV validation

*all soil*

1	TSB-CJ-02-0**	11	TSB-CR-03-10'	21		31	
2	TSB-CJ-02-10**	12	TSB-CJ-05-0**	22		32	
3	TSB-CJ-01-0**	13	TSB-CJ-05-10'	23		33	
4	TSB-CJ-01-10**	14	TSB-CJ-06-0'	24		34	
5	TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD	15	TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD	25		35	
6	TSB-CR-02-0**	16	TSB-CJ-06-10'	26		36	
7	TSB-CR-02-10**	17	TSB-CR-01-0'DUP	27		37	
8	TSB-CR-01-0**	18	PBS	28		38	
9	TSB-CR-01-10**	19		29		39	
10	TSB-CR-03-0'	20		30		40	

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 SDG #: TRNC/D-2RD

VALIDATION FINDINGS CHECKLIST

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 Reviewer: MG  
 2nd Reviewer: ✓

Method: Radiochemistry (EPA Method 901.1 / RICH-RC-5017)

Validation Area	Yes	No	NA	Findings/Comments
<b>I. Technical holding times</b>				
All technical holding times were met.	✓			
<b>II. Calibration</b>				
Were all instruments and detectors calibration as required?	✓			
Were NIST traceable standards used for all calibrations?	✓			
Was the check source identified by activity and radionuclide?	✓			
Were check sources including background counts analyzed at the required frequency and within laboratory control limits?	✓			
<b>III. Blanks</b>				
Were blank analyses performed as required?	✓			
Were any activities detected in the blanks greater than the minimum detectable activity (MDA)? If yes, please see the Blanks validation completeness worksheet.		✓		
<b>IV. Matrix spikes and Duplicates</b>				
Were a matrix spike (MS) analyzed for each matrix in this SDG? If no, indicate which matrix does not have an associated MS/MSD or MS/DUP. (Soil) Water.		✓		
Were the MS percent recoveries (%R) within the QC limits? If the sample concentration exceeded the spike concentration by a factor of 4 or more, no action was taken.			✓	
Was a duplicate sample analyzed at the required frequency of 5% in this SDG?	✓			
Were all duplicate sample duplicate error ratios (DER) $\leq 1.42$ ? <u>2.58</u>	✓			
<b>V. Laboratory control samples</b>				
Was an LCS analyzed per analytical batch?	✓			
Were the LCS percent recoveries (%R) and relative percent difference (RPD) within the 75-125%?	✓			
<b>VI. Sample Chemical/Carrier Recovery</b>				
Was a tracer/carrier added to each sample?		✓		
Were tracer/carrier recoveries within the QC limits?			✓	
<b>VII. Regional Quality Assurance and Quality Control</b>				
Were performance evaluation (PE) samples performed?		✓		
Were the performance evaluation (PE) samples within the acceptance limits?			✓	
<b>VIII. Sample Result Verification</b>				
Were activities adjusted to reflect all sample dilutions and dry weight factors applicable to level IV validation?	✓			
Were the Minimum Detectable Activities (MDA) < RL?	✓			

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SDG #: TRNC/D-2RD

VALIDATION FINDINGS CHECKLIST

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Validation Area	Yes	No	NA	Findings/Comments
IX. Overall assessment of data				
Overall assessment of data was found to be acceptable.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
X. Field duplicates				
Field duplicate pairs were identified in this SDG.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Target analytes were detected in the field duplicates.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
XI. Field blanks				
Field blanks were identified in this SDG.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Target analytes were detected in the field blanks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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 SDG #: TRNC/D-2RD

**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Field Duplicates**

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 Reviewer: MG  
 2nd reviewer: ✓

**METHOD:** Radiochemistry (Method: 901.1 / RICH-RC-5017)

- N N/A Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?  
 N N/A Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		RPD
	3	5	
Ra-226	1.05	1.17	11 (≤50)
Ra-228	1.83	1.87	2 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		RPD
	14	15	
Ra-226	0.894	0.980	9 (≤50)
Ra-228	1.76	1.52	15 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

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 SDG #: TRNC/D-2RD

**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Level IV Recalculation Worksheet**

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METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: 901.1 / RICH-RC-5017)

Percent recoveries (%R) for a laboratory control sample, a matrix spike and a matrix spike duplicate sample were recalculated using the following formula:

$$\%R = \frac{\text{Found} \times 100}{\text{True}}$$

Where, Found = activity of each analyte measured in the analysis of the sample.  
 True = activity of each analyte in the source.

A matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate relative percent difference (RPD) was recalculated using the following formula:

$$RPD = \frac{|S-D|}{(S+D)/2} \times 100$$

Where, S = Original sample activity  
 D = Duplicate sample activity

Sample ID	Type of Analysis	Analyte	Found/S (units)	True/D (units)	Recalculated		Reported	Acceptable (Y/N)
					%R or RPD	%R or RPD		
LCS	Laboratory control sample	Cs-137	8.02 (pci/g)	7.98 (pci/g)	101	101		Y
-	Matrix spike sample	-	-	-	-	-		-
17	Duplicate RPD	Ra-226	0.755 (pci/g) ± 0.069 (1σ)	0.936 (pci/g) ± 0.080 (1σ)	RER 2	RER 2	1.7	Y
-	Chemical recovery	-	-	-	-	-		-

Comments: Refer to appropriate worksheet for list of qualifications and associated samples when reported results do not agree within 10.0% of the recalculated results.

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SDG #: TRNC/D-2RB

VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET  
Sample Calculation Verification

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Reviewer: MG  
2nd reviewer: W

METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: 901.1 / RICH-RC-5017)

Please see qualifications below for all questions answered "N". Not applicable questions are identified as "N/A".

- Y N N/A Have results been reported and calculated correctly?
- Y N N/A Are results within the calibrated range of the instruments?

Analyte results for #1, Ra-228 reported with a positive detect were recalculated and verified using the following equation:

Activity =

Recalculation:

$$\frac{(\text{cpm} - \text{bckgrd cpm})}{(2.22)(E)(\text{Vol})(\text{CF})}$$

$$\frac{(931/1000)}{(2.22)(0.01691)(0.2770)(53.3\text{g})} = 1.680 \text{ pCi/g}$$

E = Efficiency

Vol = Volume

CF = %R, Self-absorbance, abundance, ect.

#	Sample ID	Analyte	Reported Concentration (pCi/g)	Calculated Concentration (pCi/g)	Acceptable (Y/N)
1	1	Ra-226	1.03	1.03	Y
		Ra-228	1.69	1.68	↓

Note: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc. Data Validation Report

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 14, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 7, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil  
**Parameters:** Radium-226 & Radium-228  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.

**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-4RD

### Sample Identification

TSB-FR-01-0'  
TSB-FR-01-10'  
TSB-FJ-07-0'  
TSB-FJ-07-10'  
TSB-FJ-06-0'  
TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD  
TSB-FJ-06-10'  
TSB-FJ-05-0'  
TSB-FJ-05-10'  
TSB-DR-01-0'  
TSB-DR-01-10'  
TSB-DR-02-0'  
TSB-DR-02-10'  
TSB-DR-02-0'-FD  
JB-NW DITCH01-0'  
JB-NW DITCH01-10'  
TSB-FR-01-0'DUP



## Introduction

This data review covers 17 soil samples listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per EPA Method 901.1/RICH Method RC5017 for Radium-226 and Radium-228.

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- UU Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample detection limit is an estimated value.
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- P Indicates the finding is related to a protocol/contractual deviation.
- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## **I. Technical Holding Times**

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## **II. Calibration**

### **a. Initial Calibration**

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each detector and each radionuclide.

Self absorption factors were determined for each sample when applicable.

### **b. Continuing Calibration**

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within laboratory control limits.

## **III. Blanks**

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

No field blanks were identified in this SDG.

## **IV. Accuracy and Precision Data**

### **a. Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates**

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### **b. Laboratory Control Samples**

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits.

### **c. Chemical Recovery**

All chemical recoveries were within validation criteria.

## V. Minimum Detectable Activity

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

## VI. Sample Result Verification

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG.

## VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

## VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-FJ-06-0' and TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD and samples TSB-DR-02-0' and TSB-DR-02-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No radium-226 or radium-228 was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-FJ-06-0'	TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD			
Radium-226	0.946	0.950	0 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-
Radium-228	1.82	1.73	5 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-DR-02-0'	TSB-DR-02-0'-FD			
Radium-226	1.10	0.979	12 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-
Radium-228	1.84	1.77	4 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG  
TRNC/D-4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Radium-226 & Radium-228 - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-  
4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

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Reviewer: MG

2nd Reviewer: 

gma Radium - 226, Radium - 228 (EPA Meth 901.1 / RICH-RC-5017)

**METHOD:** Radium 226 (EPA Method 903.1/Method RICH-RC5005) Radium 228 (EPA Method 904.0/Method RICH-RC5005)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

	Validation Area		Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: 11-14-07
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	DUP
IVb.	Laboratory control samples	A	LCS
IVc.	Chemical recovery	N	
V.	Sample result verification	N	
VI.	Minimum detectable activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
VIII.	Field duplicates	SW	D = 5+6, D = 12+14
XIV.	Field blanks	N	

Note: A = Acceptable  
N = Not provided/applicable  
SW = See worksheet

ND = No compounds detected  
R = Rinsate  
FB = Field blank

D = Duplicate  
TB = Trip blank  
EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples:

all soil

1	TSB-FR-01-0'	11	TSB-DR-01-10'	21		31	
2	TSB-FR-01-10'	12	TSB-DR-02-0'	22		32	
3	TSB-FJ-07-0'	13	TSB-DR-02-10'	23		33	
4	TSB-FJ-07-10'	14	TSB-DR-02-0'-FD	24		34	
5	TSB-FJ-06-0'	15	JB-NW DITCH01-0'	25		35	
6	TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD	16	JB-NW DITCH01-10'	26		36	
7	TSB-FJ-06-10'	17	TSB-FR-01-0'DUP	27		37	
8	TSB-FJ-05-0'	18	PBS	28		38	
9	TSB-FJ-05-10'	19		29		39	
10	TSB-DR-01-0'	20		30		40	

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**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Field Duplicates**

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**METHOD:** Radiochemistry (Method: 901.1 / RICH-RC-517)

- N/A Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?
- N/A Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		RPD
	5	6	
Ra-226	0.946	0.950	0 (≤50)
Ra-228	1.82	1.73	5 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		RPD
	12	14	
Ra-226	1.10	0.979	12 (≤50)
Ra-228	1.84	1.77	4 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

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Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium

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## Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc. Data Validation Report

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 9, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 8, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil/Water  
**Parameters:** Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.  
**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-1RD

### Sample Identification

TSB-CR-07-0'  
TSB-CR-07-10'  
TSB-CJ-08-0'  
TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD  
TSB-CJ-08-10'  
TSB-CJ-04-0'  
TSB-CJ-04-10'  
TSB-CJ-07-0'  
TSB-CJ-07-10'  
TSB-CJ-03-0'  
TSB-CJ-03-10'  
RINSATE 1  
TSB-CR-07-10'DUP  
TSB-CJ-08-0'DUP  
RINSATE 1DUP



## Introduction

This data review covers 13 soil samples and 2 water samples listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per Method RICH-RC5067 for Isotopic Uranium and Method RICH-RC5087 for Isotopic Thorium.

The review follows a modified outline of the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review (October 2004) as there are no current guidelines for the method stated above.

A qualification summary table is provided at the end of this report if data has been qualified. Flags are classified as P (protocol) or A (advisory) to indicate whether the flag is due to a laboratory deviation from a specified protocol or is of technical advisory nature.

Blank results are summarized in Section III.

Field duplicates are summarized in Section VIII.

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG. The review was based on QC data.

The following are definitions of the data qualifiers:

- J+ Data are qualified as estimated, with a high bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- J- Data are qualified as estimated, with a low bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- U Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected at or above the stated limit.
- J Indicates an estimated value.
- R Quality control indicates the data is not usable.
- N Presumptive evidence of presence of the constituent.
- UU Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample detection limit is an estimated value.
- A Indicates the finding is based upon technical validation criteria.
- P Indicates the finding is related to a protocol/contractual deviation.
- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## I. Technical Holding Times

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## II. Calibration

### a. Initial Calibration

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each radionuclide of interest.

### b. Continuing Calibration

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within control limits.

## III. Blanks

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

Sample "RINSATE 1" was identified as a rinsate. No isotopic uranium or isotopic thorium contaminants were found in this blank.

## IV. Accuracy and Precision Data

### a. Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicate

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### b. Laboratory Control Samples

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits with the following exceptions:

LCS ID	Isotope	%R (Limits)	Associated Samples	Flag	A or P
LCS	U-235/236	135 (75-125)	All water samples in SDG TRNC/D-1RD	J+ (all detects)	P

### c. Tracer Recovery

All tracer recoveries were within validation criteria.

### V. Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

### VI. Sample Result Verification

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG.

### VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

### VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-CJ-08-0' and TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No isotopic uranium or isotopic thorium was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-08-0'	TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD				
Thorium-228	1.68	1.68	0 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-230	1.84	1.47	22 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-232	1.39	1.93	33 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Uranium-233/234	0.395	0.173	-	0.22 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-238	0.329	0.507	-	0.18 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-1RD**

<b>SDG</b>	<b>Sample</b>	<b>Isotope</b>	<b>Flag</b>	<b>A or P</b>	<b>Reason</b>
TRNC/D-1RD	RINSATE 1	U-235/236	J+ (all detects)	P	Laboratory control samples (%R)

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-1RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-1RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

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**METHOD:** Isotopic Uranium (~~EPA Method 906~~/Method RICH-RC5067), Isotopic Thorium (Method RICH-RC-5087)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

Validation Area			Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: <u>11-9-07</u>
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	DUP
IVa.	Laboratory control samples	SW	LCS
V.	Tracer Recovery	A	
VI.	Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Sample result verification	N	
VIII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
IX.	Field duplicates	SW	D = 3+4
X.	Field blanks	ND	R = 12

Note: A = Acceptable                      ND = No compounds detected                      D = Duplicate  
 N = Not provided/applicable                      R = Rinsate                      TB = Trip blank  
 SW = See worksheet                      FB = Field blank                      EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples:

1	TSB-CR-07-0'	S	11	TSB-CJ-03-10'	S	21		31
2	TSB-CR-07-10'		12 <sup>2</sup>	RINSATE 1	W	22		32
3	TSB-CJ-08-0'		13	TSB-CR-07-10'DUP <sup>(Th)</sup>	S	23		33
4	TSB-CJ-08-0'-FD		14	TSB-CJ-08-0'DUP <sup>(U)</sup>	↓	24		34
5	TSB-CJ-08-10'		15 <sup>2</sup>	RINSATE 1DUP <sup>(U,Th)</sup>	W	25		35
6	TSB-CJ-04-0'		16 <sup>1</sup>	PBS		26		36
7	TSB-CJ-04-10'		17 <sup>2</sup>	PBW		27		37
8	TSB-CJ-07-0'		18			28		38
9	TSB-CJ-07-10'		19			29		39
10	TSB-CJ-03-0'	↓	20			30		40

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### VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET

Laboratory Control Sample (LCS)

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2nd Reviewer: W

METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: RICH-RO-5067/RICH-ROJ 5067)

Please see qualifications below for all questions answered "N". Not applicable questions are identified as "N/A".  
(Y)N N/A Was a laboratory control sample (LCS) analyzed at the required frequency in this SDG?  
Y(N)N/A Were all LCS percent recoveries (%R) within the control limits of 75-125%?

#### LEVEL IV ONLY:

Y N N/A Were recalculated results acceptable? See Level IV Recalculation Worksheet for recalculations.

#	LCS ID	Matrix	Isotope	%R (limits)	Associated Samples	Qualifications
1	LCS	water	U-235/236	135 (75-125)	all water	J+dets/P

Comments:

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**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Field Duplicates**

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 2nd reviewer: lw

**METHOD:** Radiochemistry (Method: RICH-RC-5067/RICH-RC-5087)

- N/A Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?  
 N/A Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity ( $\text{pCi/g}$ )		RPD
	3	4	
<u>Tn-228</u>	<u>1.68</u>	<u>1.68</u>	<u>0 (<math>\leq 50</math>)</u>
<u>Tn-230</u>	<u>1.84</u>	<u>1.47</u>	<u>22 (   )</u>
<u>Tn-232</u>	<u>1.39</u>	<u>1.93</u>	<u>33 ( \downarrow )</u>

Isotopes	Activity ( $\text{pCi/g}$ )		by difference <del>RPD</del>
	3	4	
<u>U-233/234</u>	<u>0.395</u>	<u>0.173</u>	<u>0.22 pCi/g (<math>\leq 0.6 \text{ pCi/g}</math>)</u>
<u>U-238</u>	<u>0.329</u>	<u>0.507</u>	<u>0.18 \downarrow ( \downarrow )</u>

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

Isotopes	Activity ( )		RPD

## Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc. Data Validation Report

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 12, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 8, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil  
**Parameters:** Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III & IV  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.  
**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-2RD

### Sample Identification

TSB-CJ-02-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-02-10'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-10'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD  
TSB-CR-02-0'\*\*  
TSB-CR-02-10'\*\*  
TSB-CR-01-0'\*\*  
TSB-CR-01-10'\*\*  
TSB-CR-03-0'  
TSB-CR-03-10'  
TSB-CJ-05-0'\*\*  
TSB-CJ-05-10'  
TSB-CJ-06-0'  
TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD  
TSB-CJ-06-10'  
TSB-CR-01-0'DUP

\*\*Indicates sample underwent EPA Level IV review



## Introduction

This data review covers 17 soil samples listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per Method RICH-RC5067 for Isotopic Uranium and Method RICH-RC5087 for Isotopic Thorium.

The review follows a modified outline of the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review (October 2004) as there are no current guidelines for the method stated above.

A qualification summary table is provided at the end of this report if data has been qualified. Flags are classified as P (protocol) or A (advisory) to indicate whether the flag is due to a laboratory deviation from a specified protocol or is of technical advisory nature.

Blank results are summarized in Section III.

Field duplicates are summarized in Section VIII.

Samples indicated by a double asterisk on the front cover underwent a EPA Level IV review. A EPA Level III review was performed on all of the other samples. Raw data were not evaluated for the samples reviewed by Level III criteria since this review is based on QC data.

The following are definitions of the data qualifiers:

- J+ Data are qualified as estimated, with a high bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
  - J- Data are qualified as estimated, with a low bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
  - U Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected at or above the stated limit.
  - J Indicates an estimated value.
  - R Quality control indicates the data is not usable.
  - N Presumptive evidence of presence of the constituent.
  - UU Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample detection limit is an estimated value.
  - A Indicates the finding is based upon technical validation criteria.
  - P Indicates the finding is related to a protocol/contractual deviation.
- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## **I. Technical Holding Times**

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## **II. Calibration**

### **a. Initial Calibration**

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each radionuclide of interest.

### **b. Continuing Calibration**

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within control limits.

## **III. Blanks**

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

No field blanks were identified in this SDG.

## **IV. Accuracy and Precision Data**

### **a. Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicate**

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### **b. Laboratory Control Samples**

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits.

### **c. Tracer Recovery**

All tracer recoveries were within validation criteria.

## V. Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

## VI. Sample Result Verification

All sample result verifications were acceptable for samples on which a EPA Level IV review was performed. Raw data were not evaluated for the samples reviewed by Level III criteria.

## VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

## VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-CJ-01-0'\*\*\* and TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD and samples TSB-CJ-06-0' and TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No isotopic uranium or isotopic thorium was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-01-0'***	TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD				
Thorium-228	1.47	1.63	10 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-230	1.33	1.55	15 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-232	1.58	1.28	21 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Uranium-233/234	0.529	0.533	-	0.00 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-235/236	0.0223	0.0164U	-	0.01 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-238	0.383	0.451	-	0.07 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-06-0'	TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD				
Thorium-228	1.86	1.49	22 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-230	0.868	0.802	8 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-232	1.57	1.46	7 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-CJ-06-0'	TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD				
Uranium-233/234	0.369	0.292	-	0.08 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-238	0.251	0.186	-	0.06 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary  
- SDG TRNC/D-2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary -  
SDG TRNC/D-2RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

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Reviewer: MG

2nd Reviewer: W

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**METHOD:** Isotopic Uranium (EPA Method 908/Method RICH-RC5067), Isotopic Thorium (Method RICH-RC-5087)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

	Validation Area		Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: 11-12-07
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	DUP
IVa.	Laboratory control samples	A	LCS
V.	Tracer Recovery	A	
VI.	Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Sample result verification	A	Not reviewed for Level III validation.
VIII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
IX.	Field duplicates	SW	D = 3 + 5, D = 14 + 15
X.	Field blanks	N	

Note: A = Acceptable  
N = Not provided/applicable  
SW = See worksheet

ND = No compounds detected  
R = Rinsate  
FB = Field blank

D = Duplicate  
TB = Trip blank  
EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples: \*\* Indicates sample underwent Level IV validation

all soil

1	TSB-CJ-02-0**	11	TSB-CR-03-10'	21		31	
2	TSB-CJ-02-10**	12	TSB-CJ-05-0**	22		32	
3	TSB-CJ-01-0**	13	TSB-CJ-05-10'	23		33	
4	TSB-CJ-01-10**	14	TSB-CJ-06-0'	24		34	
5	TSB-CJ-01-0'-FD	15	TSB-CJ-06-0'-FD	25		35	
6	TSB-CR-02-0**	16	TSB-CJ-06-10'	26		36	
7	TSB-CR-02-10**	17	TSB-CR-01-0'DUP (Th, U)	27		37	
8	TSB-CR-01-0**	18	PBS	28		38	
9	TSB-CR-01-10**	19		29		39	
10	TSB-CR-03-0'	20		30		40	

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VALIDATION FINDINGS CHECKLIST

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Method: Radiochemistry (EPA Method RICH-RC-5067 / RICH-RC-5087)

Validation Area	Yes	No	NA	Findings/Comments
<b>I. Technical holding times</b>				
All technical holding times were met.	✓			
<b>II. Calibration</b>				
Were all instruments and detectors calibration as required?	✓			
Were NIST traceable standards used for all calibrations?	✓			
Was the check source identified by activity and radionuclide?	✓			
Were check sources including background counts analyzed at the required frequency and within laboratory control limits?	✓			
<b>III. Blanks</b>				
Were blank analyses performed as required?	✓			
Were any activities detected in the blanks greater than the minimum detectable activity (MDA)? If yes, please see the Blanks validation completeness worksheet.		✓		
<b>IV. Matrix spikes and Duplicates</b>				
Were a matrix spike (MS) analyzed for each matrix in this SDG? If no, indicate which matrix does not have an associated MS/MSD or MS/DUP (Soil) Water.		✓		
Were the MS percent recoveries (%R) within the QC limits? If the sample concentration exceeded the spike concentration by a factor of 4 or more, no action was taken.			✓	
Was a duplicate sample analyzed at the required frequency of 5% in this SDG?	✓			
Were all duplicate sample duplicate error ratios (DER) $\leq 1.427$ $\leq 2.58$	✓			
<b>V. Laboratory control samples</b>				
Was an LCS analyzed per analytical batch?	✓			
Were the LCS percent recoveries (%R) and relative percent difference (RPD) within the 75-125%	✓			
<b>VI. Sample Chemical/Carrier Recovery</b>				
Was a tracer/carrier added to each sample?	✓			
Were tracer/carrier recoveries within the QC limits?	✓			
<b>VII. Regional Quality Assurance and Quality Control</b>				
Were performance evaluation (PE) samples performed?		✓		
Were the performance evaluation (PE) samples within the acceptance limits?			✓	
<b>VIII. Sample Result Verification</b>				
Were activities adjusted to reflect all sample dilutions and dry weight factors applicable to level IV validation?	✓			
Were the Minimum Detectable Activities (MDA) < RL?	✓			

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Validation Area	Yes	No	NA	Findings/Comments
IX: Overall assessment of data				
Overall assessment of data was found to be acceptable.	✓			
X: Field duplicates				
Field duplicate pairs were identified in this SDG.	✓			
Target analytes were detected in the field duplicates.	✓			
XI: Field blanks				
Field blanks were identified in this SDG.		✓		
Target analytes were detected in the field blanks.			✓	



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VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET  
 Field Duplicates

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METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: RICH-RC-5067/RICH-RC)5087

N/A  
 N/A

Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?  
 Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD
	3	5	
Th-228	1.47	1.63	10 ( $\leq 50$ )
Th-230	1.33	1.55	15 (↓)
Th-232	1.58	1.28	21 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity (pCi/g)		by difference RPD
	3	5	
U-233/234	0.529	0.533	0.00 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ pCi/g)
U-235/236	0.0223	0.0164 U	0.01 (↓)
U-238	0.383	0.451	0.07 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD
	14	15	
Th-228	1.86	1.49	22 ( $\leq 50$ )
Th-230	0.868	0.802	8 (↓)
Th-232	1.57	1.46	7 (↓)

Isotopes	Activity (pCi/g)		by difference RPD
	14	15	
U-233/234	0.369	0.292	0.08 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ pCi/g)
U-238	0.251	0.186	0.06 (↓)

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**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Level IV Recalculation Worksheet**

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METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: Rich-RC-5067 / Rich-RC-5087)

Percent recoveries (%R) for a laboratory control sample, a matrix spike and a matrix spike duplicate sample were recalculated using the following formula:

$$\%R = \frac{\text{Found} \times 100}{\text{True}}$$

Where, Found = activity of each analyte measured in the analysis of the sample.  
 True = activity of each analyte in the source.

A matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate relative percent difference (RPD) was recalculated using the following formula:

$$RPD = \frac{|S-D|}{(S+D)/2} \times 100$$

Where, S = Original sample activity  
 D = Duplicate sample activity

Sample ID	Type of Analysis	Analyte	Found/S (units)	True/D (units)	Recalculated		Reported	Acceptable (Y/N)
					%R or RPD	%R or RPD		
LCS	Laboratory control sample	U-238	0.884 (pci/g)	0.901 (pci/g)	98	98	98	Y
-	Matrix spike sample	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Duplicate RPD	U-233/234	0.368 (pci/g) ± 0.045 (1σ)	0.377 (pci/g) ± 0.047 (1σ)	RER2	RER2	0.1	Y
1	Chemical recovery	Th-234	631.29 (dpm)	750.10 (dpm)	84	84	84	↓

Comments: Refer to appropriate worksheet for list of qualifications and associated samples when reported results do not agree within 10.0% of the recalculated results.

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**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Sample Calculation Verification**

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METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: RICH-RC-5067/RICH-RC-5087)

Please see qualifications below for all questions answered "N". Not applicable questions are identified as "N/A".

- N N/A Have results been reported and calculated correctly?  
 N N/A Are results within the calibrated range of the instruments?

Analyte results for #1, Th-228 reported with a positive detect were recalculated and verified using the following equation:

Activity = 
$$\frac{(\text{cpm} - \text{bckgrd cpm})}{(2.22)(E)(\text{Vol})(CF)}$$
 Recalculation: 
$$\frac{(177/199.783) - (1/998.95)}{(2.22)(0.25595)(1.03g)(.8416)} \times 1.0184 = 1.830 \text{ pCi/g}$$

E = Efficiency  
 Vol = Volume  
 CF = %R, Self-absorbance, abundance, ect.

#	Sample ID	Analyte	Reported Concentration (pCi/g)	Calculated Concentration (pCi/g)	Acceptable (Y/N)
1		Th-228	1.83	1.83	Y
		Th-230	1.10	1.10	↓
		Th-232	1.63	1.63	
		U-233/234	0.640	0.641	
		U-235/236	0.0219	0.0219	
		U-238	0.460	0.460	

Note: \_\_\_\_\_

**Laboratory Data Consultants, Inc.  
Data Validation Report**

**Project/Site Name:** BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
**Collection Date:** November 14, 2007  
**LDC Report Date:** January 8, 2008  
**Matrix:** Soil  
**Parameters:** Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium  
**Validation Level:** EPA Level III  
**Laboratory:** TestAmerica, Inc.

**Sample Delivery Group (SDG):** TRNC/D-4RD

**Sample Identification**

- TSB-FR-01-0'
- TSB-FR-01-10'
- TSB-FJ-07-0'
- TSB-FJ-07-10'
- TSB-FJ-06-0'
- TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD
- TSB-FJ-06-10'
- TSB-FJ-05-0'
- TSB-FJ-05-10'
- TSB-DR-01-0'
- TSB-DR-01-10'
- TSB-DR-02-0'
- TSB-DR-02-10'
- TSB-DR-02-0'-FD
- JB-NW DITCH01-0'
- JB-NW DITCH01-10'
- TSB-FR-01-10'DUP
- TSB-FJ-07-0'DUP

## Introduction

This data review covers 18 soil samples listed on the cover sheet. The analyses were per Method RICH-RC5067 for Isotopic Uranium and Method RICH-RC5087 for Isotopic Thorium.

The review follows a modified outline of the USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review (October 2004) as there are no current guidelines for the method stated above.

A qualification summary table is provided at the end of this report if data has been qualified. Flags are classified as P (protocol) or A (advisory) to indicate whether the flag is due to a laboratory deviation from a specified protocol or is of technical advisory nature.

Blank results are summarized in Section III.

Field duplicates are summarized in Section VIII.

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG. The review was based on QC data.

The following are definitions of the data qualifiers:

- J+ Data are qualified as estimated, with a high bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- J- Data are qualified as estimated, with a low bias likely to occur. False positives or false negatives are unlikely to have been reported.
- U Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected at or above the stated limit.
- J Indicates an estimated value.
- R Quality control indicates the data is not usable.
- N Presumptive evidence of presence of the constituent.
- UU Indicates the compound or analyte was analyzed for but not detected. The sample detection limit is an estimated value.
- A Indicates the finding is based upon technical validation criteria.
- P Indicates the finding is related to a protocol/contractual deviation.
- None Indicates the data was not significantly impacted by the finding, therefore qualification was not required.

## **I. Technical Holding Times**

All technical holding time requirements were met.

The chain-of-custodies were reviewed for documentation of cooler temperatures. All cooler temperatures met validation criteria.

## **II. Calibration**

### **a. Initial Calibration**

All criteria for the initial calibration were met.

Detector efficiency was determined for each radionuclide of interest.

### **b. Continuing Calibration**

Calibration verification and background determination were performed at the required frequencies. Results were within control limits.

## **III. Blanks**

Method blanks were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Blank results contained less than the minimum detectable activity (MDA).

No field blanks were identified in this SDG.

## **IV. Accuracy and Precision Data**

### **a. Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicate**

Matrix spike (MS) and matrix spike duplicate (MSD) analyses were not required by the method.

Duplicate (DUP) sample analyses were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Results were within QC limits.

### **b. Laboratory Control Samples**

Laboratory control samples were reviewed for each matrix as applicable. Percent recoveries (%R) were within QC limits.

### **c. Tracer Recovery**

All tracer recoveries were within validation criteria.

## V. Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)

All minimum detectable activities met required detection limits.

## VI. Sample Result Verification

Raw data were not reviewed for this SDG.

## VII. Overall Assessment of Data

Data flags are summarized at the end of this report if data has been qualified.

## VIII. Field Duplicates

Samples TSB-FJ-06-0' and TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD and samples TSB-DR-02-0' and TSB-DR-02-0'-FD were identified as field duplicates. No isotopic uranium or isotopic thorium was detected in any of the samples with the following exceptions:

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-FJ-06-0'	TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD				
Thorium-228	1.33	1.81	31 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-230	0.904	1.07	17 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-232	1.33	1.39	4 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Uranium-233/234	0.455	0.360	-	0.10 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-238	0.247	0.210	-	0.04 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-

Isotope	Activity (pCi/g)		RPD (Limits)	Difference (Limits)	Flag	A or P
	TSB-DR-02-0'	TSB-DR-02-0'-FD				
Thorium-228	1.65	1.47	12 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-230	1.06	1.11	5 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Thorium-232	1.57	1.33	17 ( $\leq 50$ )	-	-	-
Uranium-233/234	0.584	0.355	-	0.23 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-
Uranium-238	0.374	0.287	-	0.09 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ )	-	-

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Data Qualification Summary - SDG TRNC/D-4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Laboratory Blank Data Qualification Summary  
- SDG TRNC/D-4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG

**BRC Tronox Parcel C/D  
Isotopic Uranium & Isotopic Thorium - Field Blank Data Qualification Summary -  
SDG TRNC/D-4RD**

No Sample Data Qualified in this SDG



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**METHOD:** Isotopic Uranium (EPA Method 909/Method RICH-RC5067), Isotopic Thorium (Method RICH-RC-5087)

The samples listed below were reviewed for each of the following validation areas. Validation findings are noted in attached validation findings worksheets.

	Validation Area		Comments
I.	Technical holding times	A	Sampling dates: <u>11-14-07</u>
IIa.	Initial calibration	A	
IIb.	Calibration verification	A	
III.	Blanks	A	
IVa.	Matrix Spike/(Matrix Spike) Duplicates	A	<u>DUP</u>
IVa.	Laboratory control samples	A	<u>LCS</u>
V.	Tracer Recovery	A	
VI.	Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA)	A	
VII.	Sample result verification	N	
VIII.	Overall assessment of data	A	
IX.	Field duplicates	<u>SW</u>	<u>D = 5+6, D = 12+14</u>
X.	Field blanks	<u>N</u>	

Note: A = Acceptable  
 N = Not provided/applicable  
 SW = See worksheet

ND = No compounds detected  
 R = Rinsate  
 FB = Field blank

D = Duplicate  
 TB = Trip blank  
 EB = Equipment blank

Validated Samples:  
all soil

1	TSB-FR-01-0'	11	TSB-DR-01-10'	21		31	
2	TSB-FR-01-10'	12	TSB-DR-02-0'	22		32	
3	TSB-FJ-07-0'	13	TSB-DR-02-10'	23		33	
4	TSB-FJ-07-10'	14	TSB-DR-02-0'-FD	24		34	
5	TSB-FJ-06-0'	15	JB-NW DITCH01-0'	25		35	
6	TSB-FJ-06-0'-FD	16	JB-NW DITCH01-10'	26		36	
7	TSB-FJ-06-10'	17	TSB-FR-01-10'DUP (Th)	27		37	
8	TSB-FJ-05-0'	18	TSB-FJ-07-0'DUP (U)	28		38	
9	TSB-FJ-05-10'	19	<u>PBS</u>	29		39	
10	TSB-DR-01-0'	20		30		40	

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**VALIDATION FINDINGS WORKSHEET**  
**Field Duplicates**

METHOD: Radiochemistry (Method: RICH-RC-5067 / RICH-RF-5087)

- N N/A Were field duplicate pairs identified in this SDG?  
 N N/A Were target isotopes detected in the field duplicate pairs?

Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		RPD
	5	6	
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Isotopes	Activity ( pCi/g )		by difference RPD
	5	6	
U-233/234	0.455	0.360	0.10 pCi/g ( $\leq 0.6$ pCi/g)
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