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Re: Response to MECP Comments, Q3 and Q4, 2018 Reports
Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program - DYEC
RWDI Reference No. 1803743

Dear Andrew,

We are in receipt of the letter, from the Ontario Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP) regarding comments to the Q3 and Q4, 2018 ambient air quality reports. The letter is from Emilee O'Leary and is dated July 22, 2019, EAAB File No.: EA-08-02. There were two principal comments.

The first comment was related to some NOx corrections that were made to some of the data in December. At this point we would agree that it would be best to simply remove the data that they have flagged. Could you please ask the MECP if we could reissue relevant data as an addendum or if the entire report needs to be reproduced. Moving forward, the system for recording and retrieving the continuous data has been upgraded to the Envista system since this issue occurred. The data review process has improved with the addition of a data management person for the system. Further improvements will include an automated notification when key parameters are off specification. This will reduce our response times on these issues, reducing the potential for correction requirements.

The other comment that the MECP had was with regard to some Hi-Vol samples which they accept but the MECP does not want to see similar corrections in the future. Moving forward, we will be installing sensors on the Hi-vols and PS-1 samplers that will record flow electronically. If the sample volumes are outside of specification we will know immediately and make corrections before further sampling is completed.

We hope this response is suitable for your present requirements. Please let us know if the NOx data can be dealt with as an addendum or if we will need to re-issue the report.

Yours Very Truly,

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