

#### **C09 - METALS ON AIR FILTERS**

## 1.0 Sample Reception

- 1.1 All breakages and shortages must be reported within 24 hours of sample receipt.
- 1.2 Each sample consists of a 47 mm quartz disc filters in a single petri dish. A blank is provided with each sample set.
- 1.3 Store samples at  $4\pm2^{\circ}$ C upon receipt. Samples are stable for the duration of the study.
- 1.4 Check that all the parameters for which you are registered are correctly identified on the web data entry report page.
- 1.5 Inquiries regarding samples and their shipment may be directed to:

PT Non-conformances Phenova

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cc: PT Canada, Program Officer email: <u>programofficer@PTcanada.org</u> cc: Ken Middlebrook, PT Canada email: <u>kmiddlebrook@PTcanada.org</u>

Inquiries should be made by email if possible. Use the Nonconformance Form (see reverse) when sending a fax. When reporting damage upon receipt, please provide a picture of the damaged samples. Please include your PT Canada laboratory number on all correspondence.

#### 2.0 Sample Analysis

- 2.1 All the filter discs provided for each sample must be carried through the testing procedures. Methods must utilize acid digestion. Reported results must be blank corrected, if a detectable blank level is obtained.
- 2.2 Low sample concentrations equal or exceed approximately 4 μg for Cd, Cu, Pb and Zn. Refer to PAR-02 Catalogue for approximate sample concentrations.
- 2.3 Proceed with testing using the routine analytical method identified in your PT Canada application.

### 3.0 Reporting Results

- 3.1 Results must be reported by midnight of the study deadline (see the General Proficiency Testing Information sheet included with the shipment for details).
- 3.2 Report RDL (optional) if you want RDL accounted for in z scores.

#### 4.0 SAFETY

4.1 The PT samples are designed for use by laboratory professionals familiar with environmental samples and potentially hazardous materials.

# PT SAMPLE NON-CONFORMANCE FORM

Attn: PT non-conformances	Study Number:
ENSURE THAT SAMPLES RECEIV	VED MATCH REPORT FORMS
1 - Laboratory Information	
Contact Name:	
<u>Laboratory Name</u>	
<u>Laboratory Address</u>	
Contact Telephone #	
Contact Facsimile #	
Contact e-mail:	
2 - Sample Details	
Date & Time of Arrival(YYYY,MM,DD,HH:MM):	
<u>Tracking Number:</u>	
Test Groups Received (e.g. C1, C2 etc.):	
Number of Boxes:	
3 - Description of Nonconformance	
4 - Requested Action	
5 - PT Provider Notes	