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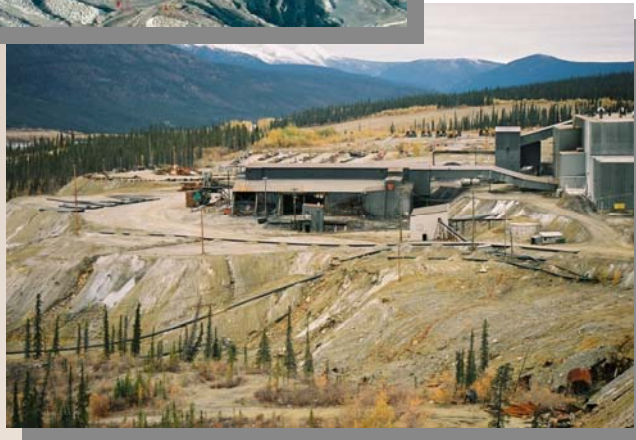
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1 Introduction

1.1 Terms of Reference

The tailings in the Rose Creek Tailings Facility are underlain by granular soil that behaves as an aquifer. The rate of transport of contaminants through the underlying aquifer to the downstream receiving environment will affect the selection of decommissioning options for the Rose Creek Tailings Facility. Experience elsewhere has shown that the rate of contaminant transport within an aquifer can be affected strongly by reactions between the contaminants and the aquifer soils. The reactions tend to slow the contaminant movement and this phenomenon is, therefore, commonly referred to as “attenuation”.

Preliminary testing carried out by Gartner Lee Ltd. suggested that some attenuation may be expected within the Rose Creek aquifer. A project to further assess metal attenuation within the aquifer soils was identified during the 2004/05 planning meetings (Deloitte & Touche Inc., 2004). A detailed scope of work for evaluating metal attenuation in the aquifer soils was discussed with a working group that included staff of the Type II Mines Office, Environment Canada, Gartner Lee Ltd. (GLL), and Deloitte & Touche Inc., during a series of conference calls. The agreed scope of work was presented in a memorandum from SRK to Deloitte & Touche Inc., dated March 21, 2004.

1.2 Background

Two separate testing programs had been undertaken to assess zinc attenuation on soil and gravel samples from under the tailings deposit.

In the first program, undertaken as part of the 2001 Rose Creek Tailings Facility Hydrological and Geochemical Investigation (GLL, 2002), a synthetic solution containing about 0.3 mg/L zinc was contacted with soil samples at various solution to solid ratios. The results for selected tests are summarized in Table 1.1. The results from these tests, showed significant attenuation potential with calculated distribution coefficients (K_d 's) ranging from 16 for a 4:1 liquid to solid ratio, to 538 for a 20:1 liquid to solid ratio.

Table 1.1: Summary of GLL 2001 Sorption Test Results

| Parameters | Units | Test | | |
|---------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Soil:Solution Ratio | (g:ml) | 1:4 | 1:10 | 1:20 |
| pH | | 8.26 | 8.45 | 8.55 |
| Temperature | (°C) | 4 - 8 | 4 - 8 | 4 - 8 |
| Zn (Initial) | (mg/L) | 0.307 | 0.307 | 0.307 |
| Zn (final) | (mg/L) | 0.061 | 0.02 | 0.011 |
| Calculated K_d | L/kg | 16 | 144 | 538 |

These results further suggest that the natural soils could retain in excess of 150 mg of zinc per kg of soil (150 mg/kg), while maintaining an equilibrium zinc concentration of about 0.06 mg/L or less.

The second series of batch contact tests, completed on samples obtained during the 2003 drilling program (GLL, 2004), comprised contacting metal rich porewater samples, taken from the tailings, with soil samples. The pore water was diluted to yield varying initial zinc concentrations in contact with the solids, however the contact ratio was maintained at a constant value. The results from that testing program are summarised in Table 1.2. As shown, all the tests were conducted at an acidic pH.

The calculated K_d values obtained from these results suggest that little zinc attenuation would occur at acidic pH conditions. Nevertheless, it is noted that up to about 350 mg of zinc was retained per kg of soil.

Table 1.2: Summary of GLL 2003 Attenuation Test Results

| Parameter | Units | Soil Sample P03-05-H-S3 | | | | | Soil Sample P03-06-F-S2 | | | | |
|--------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-------|------|------|------|
| pH | | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 3.7 |
| Zn (Initial) | mg/L | 666 | 444 | 333 | 222 | 111 | 222 | 166.5 | 111 | 55.5 | 22.2 |
| Zn (Final) | mg/L | 648 | 450 | 327 | 218.1 | 102.3 | 201 | 144 | 98.9 | 45.8 | 15.2 |
| K_d | L/kg | 0.15 | -0.07 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.43 | 0.18 | 0.30 | 0.20 | 0.35 | 0.78 |

1.3 Program Objectives

The initial purpose of the additional testing was to provide a more definitive assessment of the attenuation properties of the aquifer. It was also recognized that attenuation of contaminants in the tailings, especially the neutral tailings, may be significant. The program was therefore expanded to include the attenuation capacity and sorption properties for the tailings deposit, i.e. the aquifer system as a whole. The specific objectives included assessment of:

- Neutralization of the acid front in the tailings and the concurrent contaminant release;
- Attenuation of metals in the tailings porewater; and,
- Attenuation of zinc in the aquifer soils.

2 Sampling and Testing Program

2.1 Sampling and Analysis

2.1.1 Tailings and Aquifer Soil Samples

In consultation with Gartner Lee Ltd., representative samples of the tailings and aquifer soils were selected from samples obtained by Gartner Lee Ltd. during the 2003 drilling program. The samples are listed in Table 2.1. The table also shows the analytical program that was undertaken to characterize the samples.

Table 2.1: Summary of Tailings and Soil Samples

| Solids Samples ID | Type | Zone | Wt (g) | Org. Carbon | Inorg. Carbon | NP | ICP |
|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|-------------|---------------|----|-----|
| P03-03-B-S1 | Tailings | A-Dry | 549.9 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-03-C-S4 | Tailings | A-Dry | 747.4 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-03-D-S1 | Tailings | N-Dry | 594.2 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-03-D-S3 | Tailings | N-Sat | 833.6 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-03-E-S2 | Tailings | N-Sat | 486.2 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-03-E-S3 | Tailings | N-Sat | 449.1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-04-G-S2 | Soil | Sat | 1227.3 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-04-G-S3 | Soil | Sat | 1244.0 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-04-J-S2 | Soil | Sat | 1482.7 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-08-A-S1 | Tailings | A-Dry | 344.6 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-08-A-S3 | Tailings | N-Dry | 385.4 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-08-B-S3 | Tailings | N-Dry | 304.5 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-08-B-S4 | Tailings | N-Dry | 305.9 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P03-08-C-S2 | Tailings | N-Dry | 239.0 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Notes: N – neutral; A – acidic; Sat – Saturated (below the water table)

The tailings samples were obtained from Drill Hole P03-03, located in the Second Impoundment, and from Drill Hole P03-08, located in the Intermediate Impoundment. The tailings samples ranged from fine sand to sandy silt which was typically described as grey in colour, signifying little or no oxidation.

Soil samples P03-04-G-S2 and P03-04-G-S3 contained tan brown to grey, coarse, sandy, silty till, with some gravel and cobbles. These samples originated from within 1 meter of the base of the tailings. Soil sample P03-04-J-S2 is black-stained coarse sand with gravel and cobbles, containing trace amounts of silt. The latter sample originated some 10 meters below the base of the tailings deposit. These samples were all obtained from Drill Hole P03-04 located immediately adjacent and upstream of the approximate middle of the Second Impoundment dam, which corresponds approximately to the geometric centre of the entire tailings deposit.

2.1.2 Water Samples and Analysis

Tailings porewater samples were obtained from existing monitoring wells in the Rose Creek tailings deposit. The wells were selected to provide porewater containing a range of zinc concentrations. Porewater was pumped from Wells X21A-96 (2 samples), P01-06A (3 samples) and P01-09B (2 samples) using a peristaltic pump, and pumped directly into closed, expandable 10 L plastic containers to minimise headspace and limit exposure to oxygen during pumping. The containers were sealed once filled, placed in cooler boxes and shipped to CEMI for sub-sampling and analysis. The analytical program is shown in Table 2.2.

Table 2.2: Tailing Porewater Samples and Summary of Analytical Program

| Sample ID | Vol. (L) | Category | ICP-OES | pH | Cond. | Alkalinity | Acidity | Redox |
|-----------|----------|----------|---------|----|-------|------------|---------|-------|
| X21A-96-1 | 10 | TYP III | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| X21A-96-2 | 10 | TYP III | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P106A1 | 10 | TYP I | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P106A2 | 10 | TYP I | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P106A3 | 10 | TYP I | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P0109B1 | 10 | TYP II | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| P0109B2 | 10 | TYP II | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Note: ICP-OES refers to inductively coupled optical emission spectrophotometry; cond. refers to conductivity; and redox refers to measurements of oxidation-reduction potential.

2.2 Contact Testing

Contact tests were completed on each of the soil samples and a tailings composite sample. One contact test was completed for each type of tailings porewater, at the three dilution ratios shown in Table 2.3. The tailings composite was prepared from samples that originated from the saturated zone (below the water table) in the tailings deposit.

The contact tests were completed in a glove box with atmospheric oxygen excluded with a slight nitrogen overpressure. The “Timed Samples” column shown in Table 2.3 indicates the tests from which small aliquots of samples were extracted at 8, 24, 48 and 72 hours for analysis. The remainder of the tests were contacted for 72 hours and only the final solutions were analyzed.

Table 2.3: Contact Test Program

| Solids Sample | Test | Timed Samples | Solids* (g) | Site Water (mL) | | | Distilled (mL) | Total (mL) |
|---|------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|----------|----------------|------------|
| | | | | Type I | Type II | Type III | | |
| P03-04-G-S2 | 1 | Yes | 100 | 100 | - | - | 200 | 300 |
| | 2 | No | 75 | - | 150 | - | 75 | 225 |
| | 3 | No | 75 | - | - | 225 | 0 | 225 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | 1 | No | 75 | 75 | - | - | 150 | 225 |
| | 2 | Yes | 100 | - | 200 | - | 100 | 300 |
| | 3 | No | 75 | - | - | 225 | 0 | 225 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | 1 | No | 75 | 75 | - | - | 150 | 225 |
| | 2 | No | 75 | - | 150 | - | 75 | 225 |
| | 3 | Yes | 100 | - | - | 300 | 0 | 300 |
| Tailings Composite 350g P03-03-E-S2 + 350g P03-03-E-S3 + 600g P03-03-D-S3 | 1 | Yes | 100 | 100 | - | - | 200 | 300 |
| | 2 | No | 75 | - | 150 | - | 75 | 225 |
| | 3 | No | 75 | - | - | 225 | 0 | 225 |

Note: * weight indicated is the 'as received' weight

2.3 Column Test Program

2.3.3 Acid Neutralization Column Tests

Two acid neutralization column tests were completed on the composite tailings sample. The following provides a brief description of the sample preparation, test set-up and column operation.

Sample Preparation

A composite was prepared from the tailings samples by blending the tailings samples listed in Table 2.4. A representative sub-sample was obtained from the composite sample and submitted for modified Sobek neutralization potential (NP) and inorganic carbon analyses, as well as trace element analysis by an inductively coupled plasma (ICP) scan.

Table 2.4: Composite Tailings Sample Make-up

| Sample ID | 'As Received' Wt (g) |
|-------------|----------------------|
| P03-08-A-S1 | 232 |
| P03-08-A-S3 | 275 |
| P03-08-B-S3 | 192 |
| P03-08-B-S4 | 187 |
| P03-08-C-S2 | 125 |
| Total | 1011 |

Apparatus

Two columns (CT1 and CT2), 220 mm long with an internal diameter of 38 mm and removable head-plates, each of which was equipped with an inlet, were used for these tests. A fine mesh distribution 'plate' (3 to 4 nylon mesh disks) were placed at each end of the column as shown

schematically in Figure 2.1. The internal volume of each column was about 250 mL and accommodated about 475 g of tailings. The pore volume of the contained tailings was estimated to be about 100 mL.

Procedure

The operational set-up of the column test is shown in Figure 2.2. The tests were carried out using tailings porewater sample P0109B-2. At the time of commencing the test, a sample of the water was submitted for analysis for ICP-OES, pH, conductivity, acidity and redox (oxidation-reduction reactions).

The following steps were taken to prepare and set-up the column tests:

- The base plate of the column was sealed in place.
- The nylon disks were placed at the bottom of the column, and the complete apparatus was weighed.
- Each column was then filled with tailings to the top of the column, ensuring that an even compact fill density was achieved. The apparatus was again weighed and the weight of the the column was subtracted to obtain the weight of tailings charge.
- The top of the column was sealed in place, and pressure tested.
- The top outlet of the column was then attached to an air trap and the pore gases were displaced with pressurized nitrogen.
- The column was then flooded with de-aerated distilled water to prime the column. The volume of water used to saturate the column was measured.
- Conditions were allowed to equilibrate for 24 hours before acidic water displacement commenced. The displacement rate was set at approximately 100 mL a 24 hour period.
- While maintaining anoxic conditions, the effluent pH and redox conditions were measured for each 100 mL displaced. Each 100 mL aliquot was then sealed and place in cold storage for analysis as required.
- Initially, the first and then every fifth displacement were submitted for ICP analysis and alkalinity and acidity testing, as appropriate. The column tests were intended to be operated for up to 30 pore volume displacements.

Once the tests were completed, the tailings residue was carefully extruded from each of the columns. The tailings charge from each column was then divided into quarters (from top to bottom as it was aligned in the column), and each quarter was submitted for modified Sobek NP, inorganic carbon and metals ICP analysis.

2.3.4 Metal Attenuation Column Tests

Testing Program

From the initial batch contact tests, two soil samples were selected for further testing. Altogether a series of four columns were completed as shown in Table 2.5. Since the mass of available soil samples was limited, and since some particles exceeded the diameter of the columns, the respective soil samples were screened to less than 25 mm. The oversize material was hand broken to less than 25 mm, recombined with the undersize material for testing.

Table 2.5: Summary of Column Attenuation Tests

| Column # | Soils Sample | Water Source |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| CTS3 | P03-04-G-S2 | P106A3 |
| CTS4 | P03-04-G-S2 | P0109B1 |
| CTS5 | P03-04-G-S3 | P106A3 |
| CTS6 | P03-04-G-S3 | P0109B1 |

Apparatus

Four columns, 220 mm long with an internal diameter of 38 mm, with removable head-plates each equipped with an inlet were prepared for testing. As described previously, a fine mesh distribution 'plate' comprising 3 to 4 nylon mesh disks, was placed at each end of the columns as shown schematically in Figure 2.1. The internal volume of each column was about 250 mL and accommodated about 425 g of soil sample. The pore volume of the contained soils was estimated to be about 120 mL.

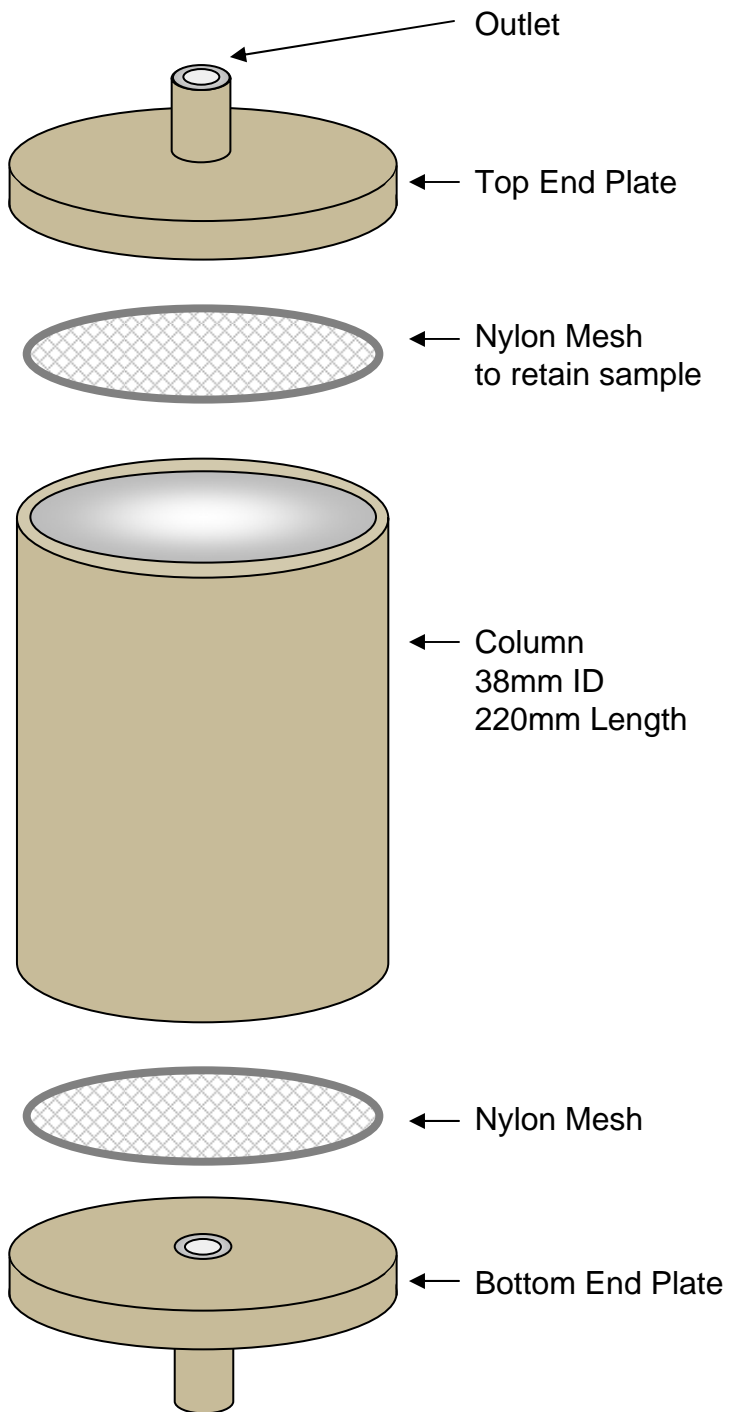
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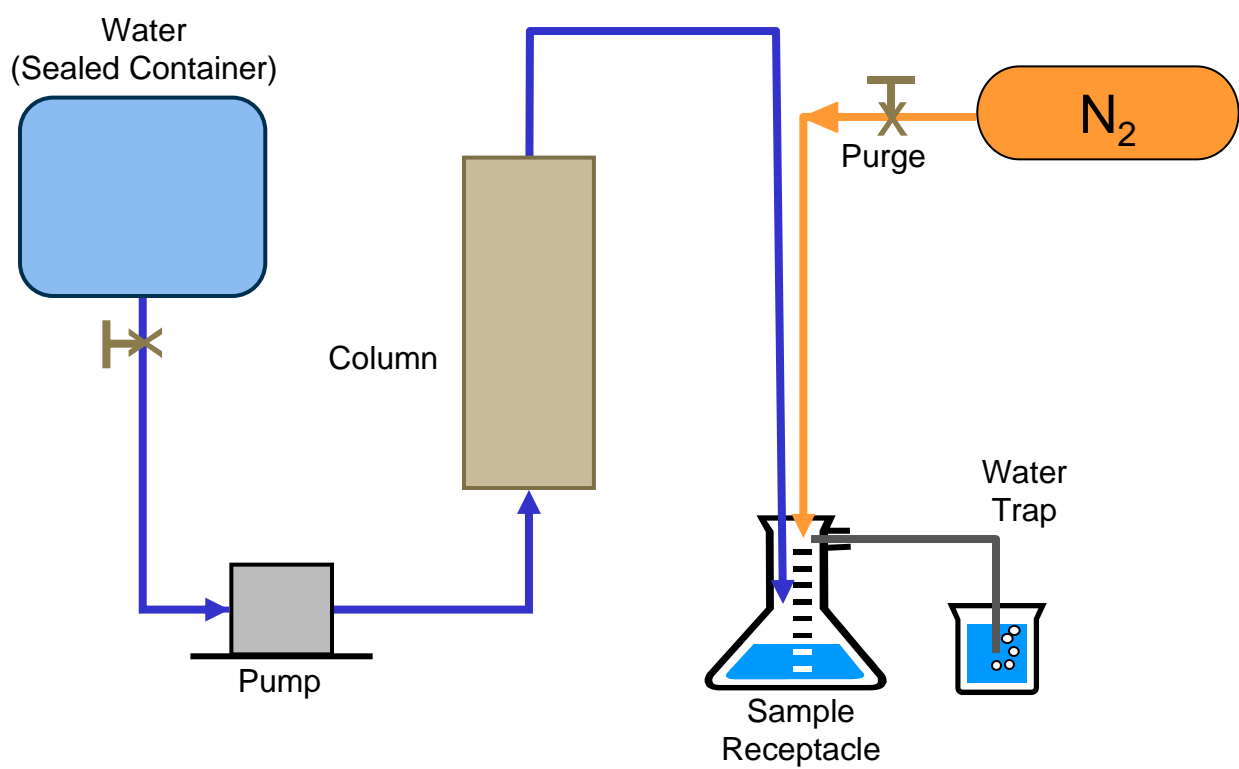
The operational set-up of the column test is shown in Figure 2.2. The tests were carried out using water samples indicated in Table 2.5 above. At the time of commencing the test, a sample from each of the water types was submitted for analysis including ICP-OES, pH conductivity, acidity and redox.

The experimental procedure adopted for the preparation and operation of the column tests was as follows:

- The base plate of the column was sealed in place.
- The nylon disks were placed at the bottom of the column, and the apparatus was weighed.
- The column was filled to the top with soil, ensuring that an even compact fill density was achieved. The filled column was weighed and the empty column weight was subtracted to obtain the soil charge weight.
- The top of the column was sealed in place, and pressure tested.

- The top outlet of the column was attached to an air trap and the pore gases were displaced with nitrogen.
- The column was flooded with de-aerated distilled water in preparation for testing. The volume of water used to saturate the column was measured.
- Conditions were allowed to equilibrate for 24 hours before testing commenced. The pore water was displaced at rate of about 60 mL over a 24 hour period, which equated to a retention time of about 48 hours. While maintaining anoxic conditions the pH and redox were measured for each 120 mL displaced, representing one displacement. Each complete pore volume displaced was then sealed and place in cold storage for analysis as required.
- Initially, the first and then every third displacement were submitted for ICP analysis, and alkalinity and acidity testing, as appropriate.
- The tests were intended to be continued for 20 days or until 10 pore volume displacements had been completed.





3 Results and Discussion

3.1 Solids Analysis

The detailed analytical results for the tailings and the subsoils are presented in Appendix A. The results indicate that the subsoils contain significantly less zinc than the tailings, with concentrations below about 600 ppm, compared to > 6,000 ppm for the tailings. Compared to the tailings, the subsoils are also characterized by comparatively low iron content, averaging about 3 %. The tailings contain in excess of 15 % iron.

The NP and organic and inorganic analyses are shown in Table 3.1. The table also shows the estimated carbonate equivalent NP (CO_3NP) calculated from the inorganic carbon content.

The results indicate a poor correlation between the NP and CO_3NP for the tailings samples; generally the carbonate NP is much higher than the NP indicated by the modified Sobek method. This is contrary to expectation and may indicate the presence of excess iron carbonates, which provide no net neutralizing capacity. A better correlation exists for the soil samples, with the carbonate NP marginally lower than the modified Sobek method NP.

The results for the tailings samples selected for the preparation of the composite for contact testing indicate that, even though the tailings originated from the saturated zone, the NP was essentially depleted. This was unexpected and may have had significant bearing on the contact test results, as discussed later.

Table 3.1: Summary of Neutralization Potential of Tailings and Subsoils

| Sample | Description | Moisture Content (%) | Sample pH | NP | Organic Carbon (%) | Inorganic Carbon (%) | CO_3NP |
|--------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------|------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| P03-08-A-S1 | Tailings | 19.0 | 5.2 | 18.0 | - | 0.79 | 65.8 |
| P03-08-A-S3 | Tailings | 15.7 | 6.4 | 16.3 | - | 0.87 | 72.5 |
| P03-08-B-S3 | Tailings | 18.0 | 7.4 | 28.4 | - | 1.12 | 93.3 |
| P03-08-B-S4 | Tailings | 15.5 | 7.4 | 12.3 | - | 0.83 | 69.2 |
| P03-08-C-S2 | Tailings | 19.7 | 6.6 | 26.3 | - | 1.14 | 95.0 |
| P03-03-B-S1 | Tailings | 6.3 | 4.1 | 1.0 | - | 0.56 | 46.7 |
| P03-03-C-S4 | Tailings | 11.3 | 3.9 | -8.5 | - | 0.25 | 20.8 |
| P03-03-D-S1 | Tailings | 12.7 | 4.5 | 1.6 | - | 0.45 | 37.5 |
| P03-03-D-S3* | Tailings | 12.5 | 5.5 | 1.3 | 0.12 | 0.63 | 52.5 |
| P03-03-E-S2* | Tailings | 11.2 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 0.07 | 0.50 | 41.7 |
| P03-03-E-S3* | Tailings | 12.3 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 0.07 | 0.51 | 42.5 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | Subsoil | 0.2 | 7.0 | 7.9 | 0.19 | 0.03 | 2.5 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | Subsoil | 4.9 | 7.3 | 12.3 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 6.7 |
| P03-04-G-S2 | Subsoil | 2.9 | 7.1 | 15.0 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 10.0 |

Note: NP and CO_3NP in units of kg $\text{CaCO}_3\text{eq/tonne}$;

* Samples composited for contact tests

3.2 Porewater Analyses

The detailed analyses and field parameters are provided in Appendix B. The results are summarised in Table 3.2. There was a decrease in pH from the initial field conditions to the time that the analyses were completed. This suggests that some air ingress had occurred during sampling and transportation and that ferrous iron oxidation resulted in the formation of some iron oxy-hydroxides. This likely also resulted in the sorption of some zinc.

Table 3.2: Summary of Tailings Porewater Analysis

| Parameter | Units | X21A-96- | | P106A- | | | P0109B- | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------|------|--------|------|------|---------|------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Field Tests | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | 5.78 | 5.78 | 6.32 | 6.32 | 6.32 | 5.47 | 5.47 |
| Conductivity | (uS/cm) | 3180 | 3180 | 3106 | 3106 | 3106 | 1910 | 1910 |
| Laboratory | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | 3.65 | 3.79 | 6.0 | 5.85 | 6.11 | 3.41 | 3.21 |
| Conductivity | (uS/cm) | 2170 | 2080 | 1371 | 1286 | 1294 | 1615 | 1999 |
| Redox | (mV) | 291 | 284 | -33 | -17 | -40 | 315 | 344 |
| Acidity | (pH 4.5) | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 47 | 74 |
| | (pH 8.3) | 725 | 765 | 515 | 510 | 525 | 868 | 1515 |
| Alkalinity | (mg CaCO ₃ /L) | 0 | 0 | 68 | 61 | 101 | 0 | 0 |
| Sulphate | (mg/L) | 2546 | 2246 | 2186 | 2126 | 2216 | 1163 | 1736 |
| Dissolved Metals | | | | | | | | |
| Calcium | (mg/L) | 170 | 178 | 417 | 391 | 396 | 63.6 | 72.1 |
| Iron | (mg/L) | 328 | 360 | 220 | 205 | 229 | 381 | 673 |
| Magnesium | (mg/L) | 206 | 220 | 118 | 124 | 125 | 20.6 | 25.5 |
| Manganese | (mg/L) | 32.2 | 34.8 | 39.9 | 40.4 | 40.7 | 23.7 | 26.2 |
| Sodium | (mg/L) | 93.5 | 92.6 | 45.9 | 45.7 | 45.7 | 16.8 | 19 |
| Zinc | (mg/L) | 0.636 | 0.83 | 4.25 | 4.14 | 4.56 | 57.5 | 92.1 |

3.3 Contact Test Results

The initial conditions for all the contact tests are provided in Appendix C. The attachment also shows the volumes of water and water type, and weights of solids used in the tests. The results from the contact tests are discussed below.

3.3.1 Rate of Sorption

The results of the tests from which aliquots of the solution were extracted periodically are provided in Appendix C. As described above, small aliquots of solution sample were extracted from selected tests at 8, 24, 48 and 72 hours to assess the kinetics of sorption. The results for these tests are also provided in Appendix C. Changes in the solution pH, and iron and zinc concentrations are shown in Figure 3.1, Figure 3.2 and

Figure 3.3, respectively.

Two of the tests (samples P03-04-G-S2 and P03-04-G-S3) showed an increase in pH from initial conditions, whereas the pH decreased in the tests completed on the third soil sample (P03-04-J-S2) and the tailings composite. All tests showed a net removal of iron. However, zinc removal only occurred for the two samples that showed a net increase in pH. Considering that the redox potential increased in all cases (see Appendices C and E), it seems likely that some oxygen ingress may have occurred during the execution of the tests.

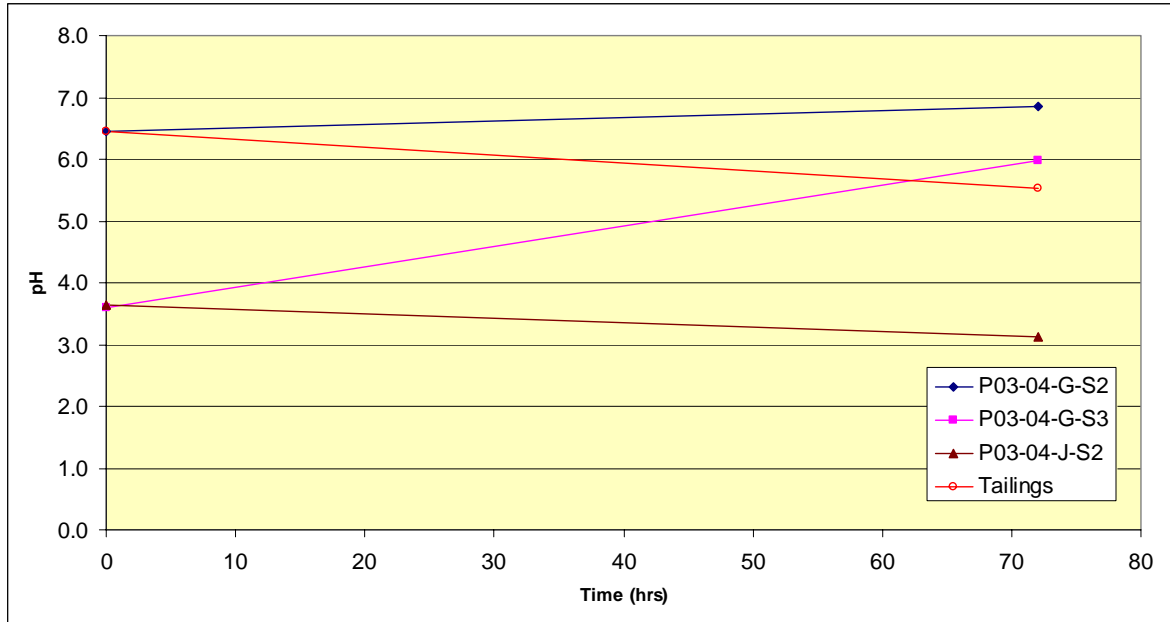


Figure 3.1 Contact Test pH Results

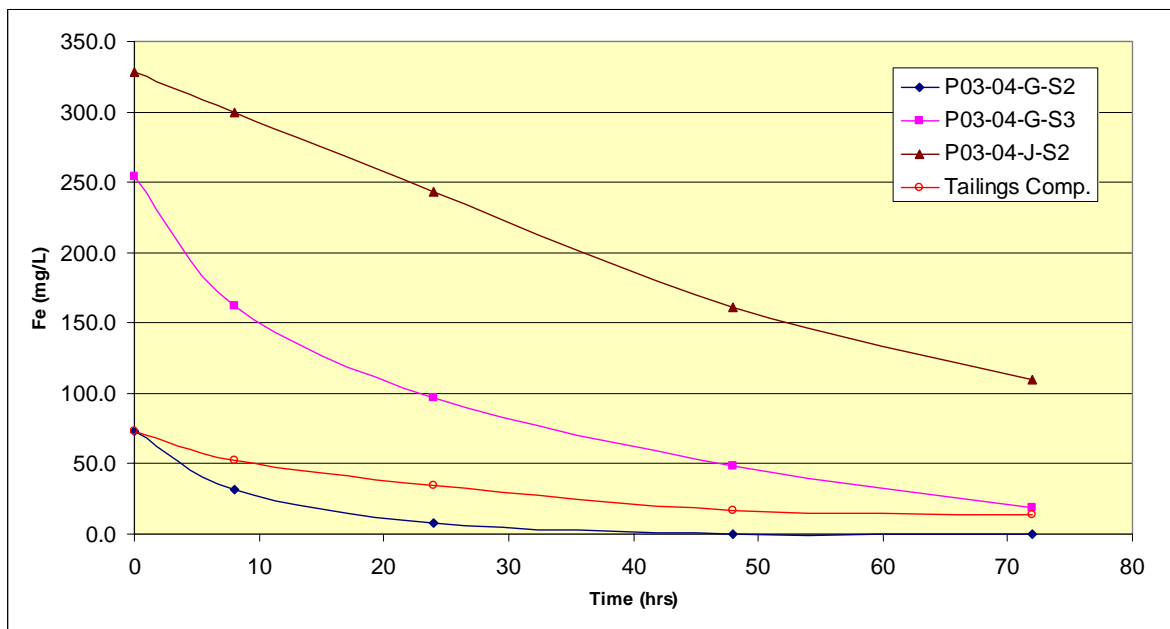


Figure 3.2. Changes in Iron Concentration with Time

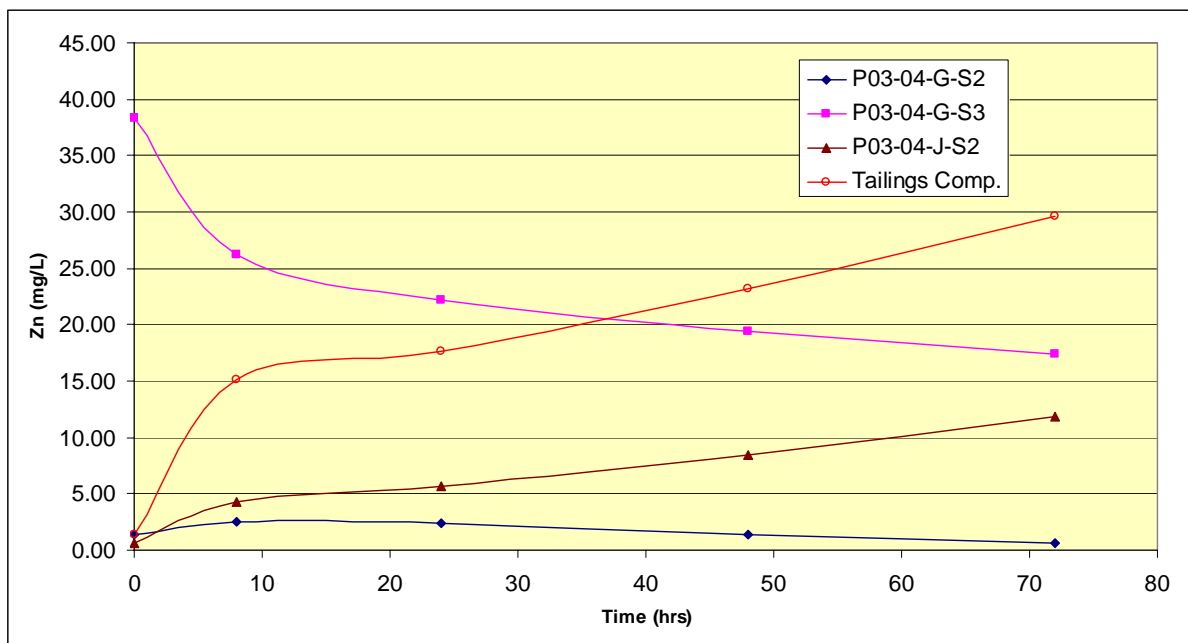


Figure 3.3. Changes in Zinc Concentrations with Time

It is further noted that for soil sample P03-04-G-S2, zinc was initially released and then removed. This may have been a result of the lower initial pH. Zinc concentrations increased over time for the two tests for which a net decrease in pH occurred. It is evident from these plots that zinc sorption does not occur readily at acidic pH conditions, but rather is leached from the solids.

Based on the zinc removal observed for sample P03-04-G-S3, a target residence time of about 48 was selected for the column testing.

3.3.2 Zinc Distribution Coefficients Estimated from Contact Tests

The results for all the 72 hour contact tests are provided in Appendix C. Based on these results, distribution coefficient (K_d) values for zinc were calculated as shown in Table 3.3. The table also summarises the initial and final conditions for each of the tests. Iron concentrations decreased for all tests, suggesting that oxygen ingress had occurred, that iron was oxidized to ferric and was precipitated as iron-oxy-hydroxides, which influenced the pH. This likely also influenced zinc sorption.

The results indicate that two of the three soil samples (P03-04-G-S2 and P03-04-G-S3) are likely to attenuate zinc. These two soil types also have excess neutralization capacity which is readily available. The third soil type (P03-04-J-S2) appears to have little neutralizing capacity and is not likely to attenuate zinc. The tailings composite sample, while exhibiting some residual neutralizing capacity, does not appear to attenuate zinc. The neutralizing capacity of the tailings, estimated from

the iron removal (about 2 kg CaCO₃ eq/tonne), corresponds well with the modified Sobek NP measurements (see Table 3.1).

The calculated distribution coefficients for zinc are also shown in Figure 3.4. The results indicate that zinc attenuation is pH dependant and is not likely to occur at a pH below about 5.5.

Table 3.3: Summary of Estimated K_d Values for Zinc

| Solids | Water | Ref. Test | pH | | Redox (mV) | | Iron (mg/L) | | | Zinc (mg/L) | | K _d (Zn) (L/kg) |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|------------|-------|-------------|-------|--------|-------------|-------|----------------------------|
| | | | Initial | Final | Initial | Final | Initial | Final | Change | Initial | Final | |
| P03-04-G-S2 | P106A1 | 1 | 6.45 | 6.86 | -11 | 264 | 73 | 0.12 | 73 | 1.4 | 0.67 | 3.33 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | P106A1 | 1 | 6.45 | 7.23 | -11 | 137 | 73 | 0.03 | 73 | 1.4 | 0.42 | 7.14 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | P106A1 | 1 | 6.45 | 4.22 | -11 | 301 | 73 | 0.19 | 73 | 1.4 | 5.2 | -2.17 |
| TAILINGS | P106A1 | 1 | 6.45 | 5.53 | -11 | 293 | 73 | 13.8 | 60 | 1.4 | 29.6 | -2.86 |
| P03-04-G-S2 | P0109B1 | 2 | 3.59 | 5.72 | 210 | 161 | 254 | 46.5 | 208 | 38 | 29 | 1.01 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | P0109B1 | 2 | 3.59 | 5.97 | 210 | 103 | 254 | 18.3 | 236 | 38 | 17 | 3.61 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | P0109B1 | 2 | 3.59 | 3.18 | 210 | 395 | 254 | 95.3 | 159 | 38 | 42 | -0.26 |
| TAILINGS | P0109B1 | 2 | 3.59 | 5.45 | 210 | 92 | 254 | 226 | 28 | 38 | 55 | -0.90 |
| P03-04-G-S2 | X21A-96-1 | 3 | 3.65 | 5.73 | 291 | 71 | 328 | 110 | 218 | 0.64 | 7.6 | -2.75 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | X21A-96-1 | 3 | 3.65 | 5.45 | 291 | 151 | 328 | 148 | 180 | 0.64 | 6.2 | -2.69 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | X21A-96-1 | 3 | 3.65 | 3.13 | 291 | 388 | 328 | 110 | 218 | 0.64 | 11.8 | -2.84 |
| TAILINGS | X21A-96-1 | 3 | 3.65 | 5.21 | 291 | 180 | 328 | 263 | 65 | 0.64 | 26.1 | -2.93 |

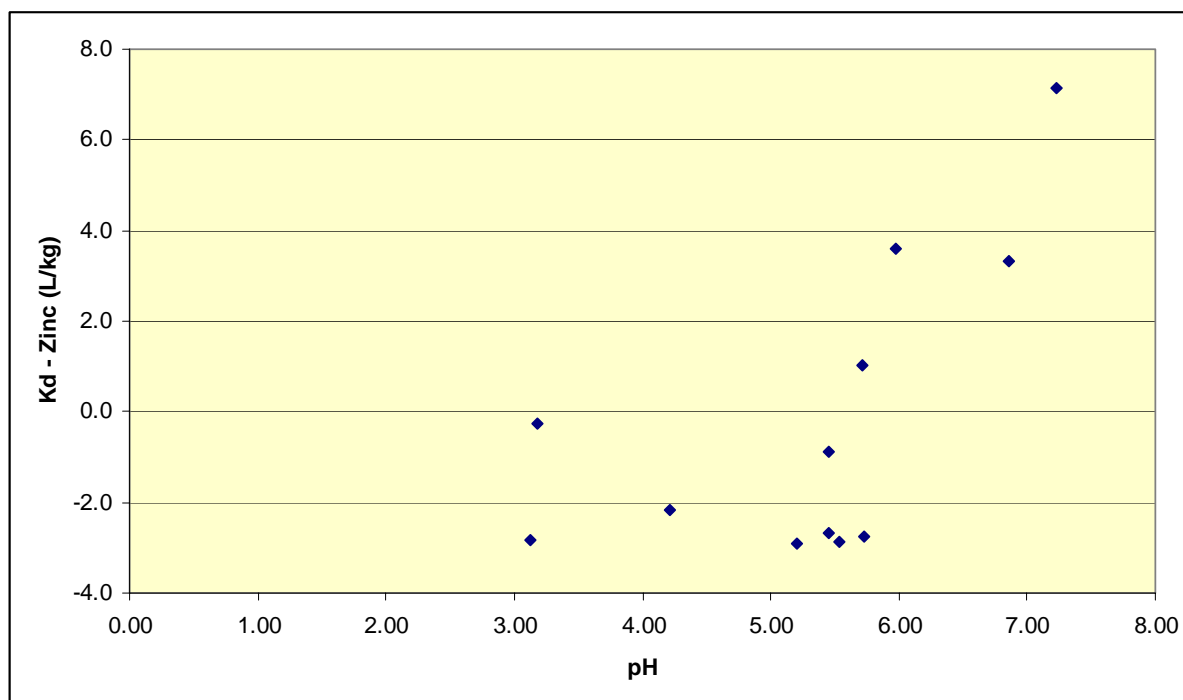


Figure 3.4. Effect of pH on Estimated Distribution Coefficient for Zinc

3.4 Column Test Results

A total of six column tests were carried out. The first two column tests were completed using a composite tailings sample to assess acid neutralization and the potential for metal attenuation within the tailings. The remainder of the columns were completed on aquifer soil samples. The results are presented and discussed below.

3.4.1 Acid Neutralization Tests

A brief memorandum that summarises the results for the acid neutralization column tests is provided in Appendix D. These tests were not successful due to the fact that the tailings samples had oxidized between the time that they were first analyzed and the time that they were used for testing. The acid base account results summarised in Table 3.4 demonstrated the extent of oxidation and NP consumption that occurred. As a result, the columns were acidic at the onset of the tests and remained acidic, even when the feed solution was changed to a less acidic solution.

However, some useful results were obtained as follows:

- Acidification of the tailings occurs at a residual NP of about 10 kgCaCO₃ eq/tonne;
- Below this, some neutralization of acidity does occur, albeit at a slow rate; and,
- Zinc attenuation does not appear to occur in the acidic tailings under anoxic conditions.

Table 3.4: Summary of Initial and Composite Tailings Properties

| Sample | Weight (g) | Paste pH | NP (kg CaCO ₃ eq/tonne) | TIC % | Carbonate NP (kg CaCO ₃ eq/tonne) |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|--|----------|--|
| P03-08-A-S1 | 232 | 5.2 | 18 | 0.79 | 65.8 |
| P03-08-A-S3 | 275 | 6.4 | 16 | 0.87 | 72.5 |
| P03-08-B-S3 | 192 | 7.4 | 28 | 1.12 | 93.3 |
| P03-08-B-S4 | 187 | 7.4 | 12 | 0.83 | 69.2 |
| P03-08-C-S2 | 125 | 6.6 | 26 | 1.14 | 95.0 |
| Composite | | | | | |
| Calculated | 1011 | 6.5 | 19 | 0.92 | 77 |
| Measured | 1011 | 4.7 | 10 | 0.67 | 56 |

Since part of the purpose of this component of the program was to establish the proportion of the NP that is available for acid neutralization, the data from the 2001 geochemical investigation conducted by Gartner Lee Limited was reviewed (GLL, 2002).

Figure 3.5 shows the correlation between rinse pH and neutralization potential from that program. As the figure indicates, acidification appears to occur at a residual NP between 5 and 10. In this regard, the results from the 2001 geochemical investigation and the current observations are in agreement.

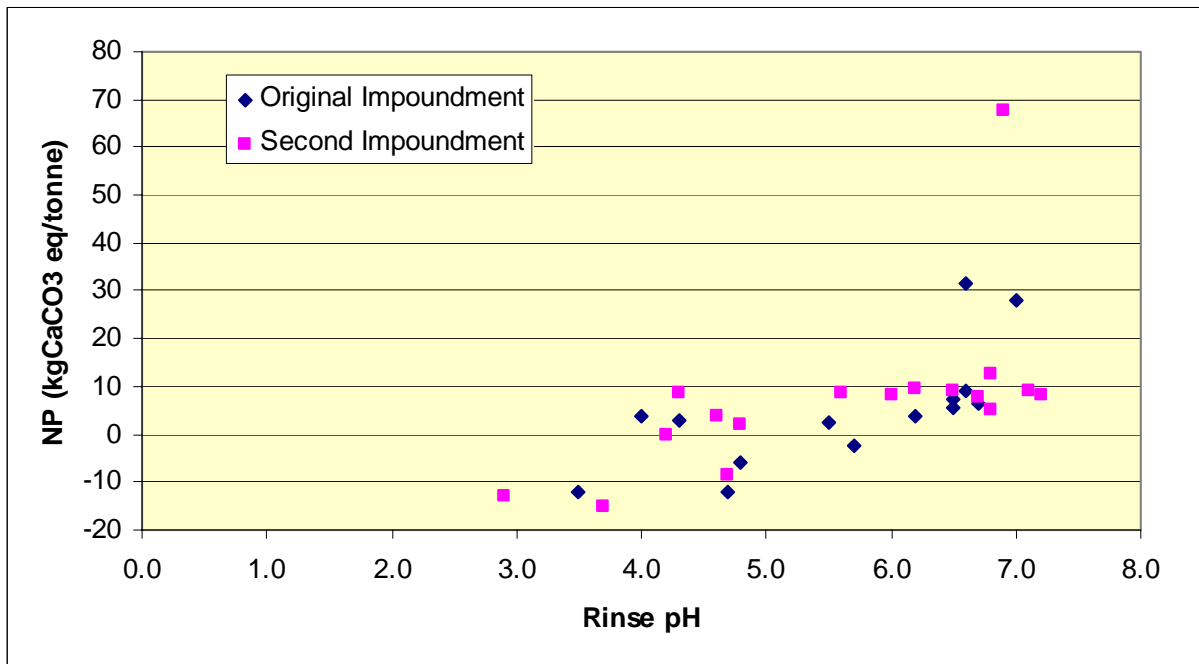


Figure 3.5 Correlation between Rinse pH and Residual NP (GLL, 2002)

3.4.2 Aquifer Soil Attenuation Tests

Complete results from the soil attenuation column testing are provided in Appendix E. The appendix also provides plots that compare column effluent parameters with the influent parameters. The results are summarised in Table 3.5. A series of plots have also been prepared to illustrate the results. The plots are shown on Figure 3.6 to Figure 3.11.

When the initial water analyses presented in Table 3.5 are compared to the original analyses shown in Table 3.2, it is apparent that even under sealed conditions oxygen entry to the water samples had occurred during storage. (The samples were stored during the period that the initial phase of batch testing was completed before being used in the column testing phase.) This led to a reduction in pH, but did not affect the zinc concentrations.

The results from the column tests can be summarised as follows:

- The influent was neutralized to a pH of about 6 for in excess of six pore volume displacements, as shown in Figure 3.6. The results indicate that the neutralization potential associated with the soils is reactive.
- The effluent redox remained below the influent redox (see Appendix E), but tended to increase as the pH decreased toward the end of testing, as shown in Figure 3.7. The initial results suggest that oxygen exclusion was likely achieved during the early stages of testing however, the tests may have been compromised toward the end.

- Zinc was removed from the high zinc solution by both soil samples, as shown for tests CT4 and CT6 in Figure 3.8. The gradual increase in the zinc concentration in the effluent may be indicative of a kinetic constraint on sorption reactions.
- In contrast to the high zinc influent tests, the tests conducted on the low zinc water samples (Tests CT3 and CT5) showed zinc removal only during the very early stages of testing. Overall mass balances further suggest a net release of zinc as the pH decreased toward the end of testing.
- All tests indicated a net removal of iron from solution. Iron concentrations in the column effluent tended to increase in the latter stages of testing as shown in Figure 3.9, which coincided with a decrease in pH.
- The cumulative mass of zinc adsorbed in the high zinc influent tests (CT4 and CT6) increased throughout the tests, even when the decrease in effluent pH occurred, as shown in Figure 3.10. These results suggest that the removal mechanism is less effective at lower pH but may not necessarily be reversible. Overall, up to 60 to 70 mg Zn /kg soil may be removed from solution. In contrast, the corresponding profiles for the low zinc influent tests indicated a net release toward the end the tests (negative values shown in the figure).
- As the results presented in Table 3.5 show, for a similar mass iron removed, the zinc removal is significantly different between the high and low influent zinc tests. The low influent tests showed continuous net removal of iron but a net release of zinc occurred, which would suggest that there is no connection between iron and zinc removal. However, there appears to be a correlation between the ratio of zinc to iron removed and pH as shown in Figure 3.11.

Table 3.5: Summary of Attenuation Column Test Results

| Column | Parameter | Units | Test Results | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CT3 | | | P106A3 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
| P03-04-G-S2 | Soil Displacements | PV | 0 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 9.1 | 10.3 | 11.4 | 12.7 |
| | pH | | 3.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 5.7 | 3.8 | 5.6 |
| | Redox | mV | 339 | 212 | 205 | 167 | 133 | 120 | 209 | 165 | 246 | 280 | 185 |
| | Acidity | mgCaCO ₃ eq/L | 393 | 7 | 13 | 19 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 57 | 58 | 60 | 43 |
| | Fe | mg/L | 170 | 0.03 | 7.0 | 11.0 | 0.03 | 29.2 | 15.5 | 20.5 | 40.1 | 11.8 | 10.5 |
| | Zn | mg/L | 4.46 | 2 | 4.73 | 4.97 | 4.4 | 8.44 | 5.8 | 6.95 | 7.45 | 9.91 | 7.76 |
| | Fe (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 52 | 103 | 156 | 218 | 262 | 305 | 354 | 392 | 436 | 486 |
| | Zn (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -0.7 | -1.1 | -1.9 | -2.8 | -4.3 | -5.4 |
| | Zn / Fe Removal | (mg Zn)/(mg Fe) | 0 | 0.014 | 0.006 | 0.003 | 0.002 | -0.003 | -0.004 | -0.005 | -0.007 | -0.010 | -0.011 |
| CT4 | | | P0109B1 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
| P03-04-G-S2 | Displacements | PV | 0 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 6.5 | 7.9 | 9.1 | 10.4 | 11.5 | 12.9 |
| | pH | | 2.9 | 6.1 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 |
| | Redox | mV | 399 | 66 | 230 | 89 | 100 | 167 | 200 | 200 | 162 | 260 | 227 |
| | Acidity | mgCaCO ₃ eq/L | 890 | 102 | 134 | 165 | 197 | 302 | 407 | 406 | 450 | 306 | 302 |
| | Fe | mg/L | 376 | 41 | 126 | 122 | 76 | 167 | 252 | 149 | 211 | 63.6 | 112 |
| | Zn | mg/L | 59.4 | 16 | 32.8 | 35.8 | 30.3 | 46.3 | 49.9 | 43 | 55.5 | 58.3 | 50.1 |
| | Fe (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 106 | 192 | 269 | 352 | 421 | 460 | 526 | 581 | 663 | 747 |
| | Zn (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 13.7 | 22.9 | 30.0 | 38.1 | 42.4 | 45.4 | 50.2 | 51.5 | 51.8 | 54.7 |
| | Zn / Fe Removal | (mg Zn)/(mg Fe) | 0 | 0.130 | 0.119 | 0.112 | 0.108 | 0.101 | 0.099 | 0.095 | 0.089 | 0.078 | 0.073 |
| CT5 | | | P106A3 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
| P03-04-G-S3 | Displacements | PV | 0 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 5.6 | 6.9 | 8.1 | 9.5 | 10.9 | 12.1 | 13.4 |
| | pH | | 3.5 | 6.4 | 6.0 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 3.7 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 4.9 |
| | Redox | mV | 339 | 45 | 210 | 200 | 115 | 180 | 231 | 237 | 195 | 260 | 167 |
| | Acidity | mgCaCO ₃ eq/L | 393 | 10 | 17 | 23 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 67 | 71 | 62 | 29 |
| | Fe | mg/L | 170 | 4.54 | 40 | 37.1 | 1.06 | 33.6 | 16.6 | 22.7 | 32.1 | 11 | 13.7 |
| | Zn | mg/L | 4.46 | 2.17 | 3.3 | 3.07 | 2.88 | 6.18 | 4.76 | 5.12 | 6.44 | 6.67 | 5.38 |
| | Fe (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 49 | 89 | 125 | 179 | 217 | 257 | 302 | 343 | 382 | 428 |
| | Zn (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | -0.3 |
| | Zn / Fe Removal | (mg Zn)/(mg Fe) | 0 | 0.014 | 0.012 | 0.011 | 0.011 | 0.007 | 0.005 | 0.004 | 0.002 | 0.000 | -0.001 |
| CT6 | | | P0109B1 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
| P03-04-G-S3 | Displacements | PV | 0 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 3.9 | 5.1 | 6.4 | 7.6 | 8.9 | 10.3 | 11.4 | 12.7 |
| | pH | | 2.9 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 3.1 |
| | Redox | mV | 399 | 35 | 240 | 194 | 110 | 182 | 240 | 245 | 195 | 265 | 244 |
| | Acidity | mgCaCO ₃ eq/L | 890 | 70 | 155 | 240 | 324 | 348 | 372 | 381 | 411 | 324 | 339 |
| | Fe | mg/L | 376 | 25.4 | 47.2 | 60.7 | 120 | 125 | 169 | 146 | 166 | 134 | 116 |
| | Zn | mg/L | 59.4 | 11.6 | 16.5 | 19 | 36.2 | 35.5 | 41.3 | 41.2 | 48.7 | 49.8 | 51.9 |
| | Fe (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 99 | 200 | 277 | 343 | 414 | 470 | 535 | 597 | 656 | 730 |
| | Zn (Solids) | mg/kg | 0 | 13.5 | 26.7 | 36.6 | 42.6 | 49.3 | 54.2 | 59.3 | 62.5 | 64.8 | 66.9 |
| | Zn / Fe Removal | (mg Zn)/(mg Fe) | 0 | 0.136 | 0.133 | 0.132 | 0.124 | 0.119 | 0.115 | 0.111 | 0.105 | 0.099 | 0.092 |

Distribution coefficients, or K_d values, were estimated as the column tests progressed. A “breakthrough” K_d was also estimated at the point that zinc effluent concentrations reached 50 percent of the influent concentration in the high zinc tests. The results are summarised in Table 3.6, and indicate significantly lower K_d values than the batch tests.

Table 3.6: Summary of Estimated K_d Values Derived from Column Tests

| Pore volumes Displaced | Estimated K_d (L/kg) | | | |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | CT3 | CT4 | CT5 | CT6 |
| 1.3 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 2.3 |
| 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.9 |
| 3.9 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 2.1 |
| 5.3 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 1.5 |
| Breakthrough | n/a | 0.7 | n/a | 1.1 |

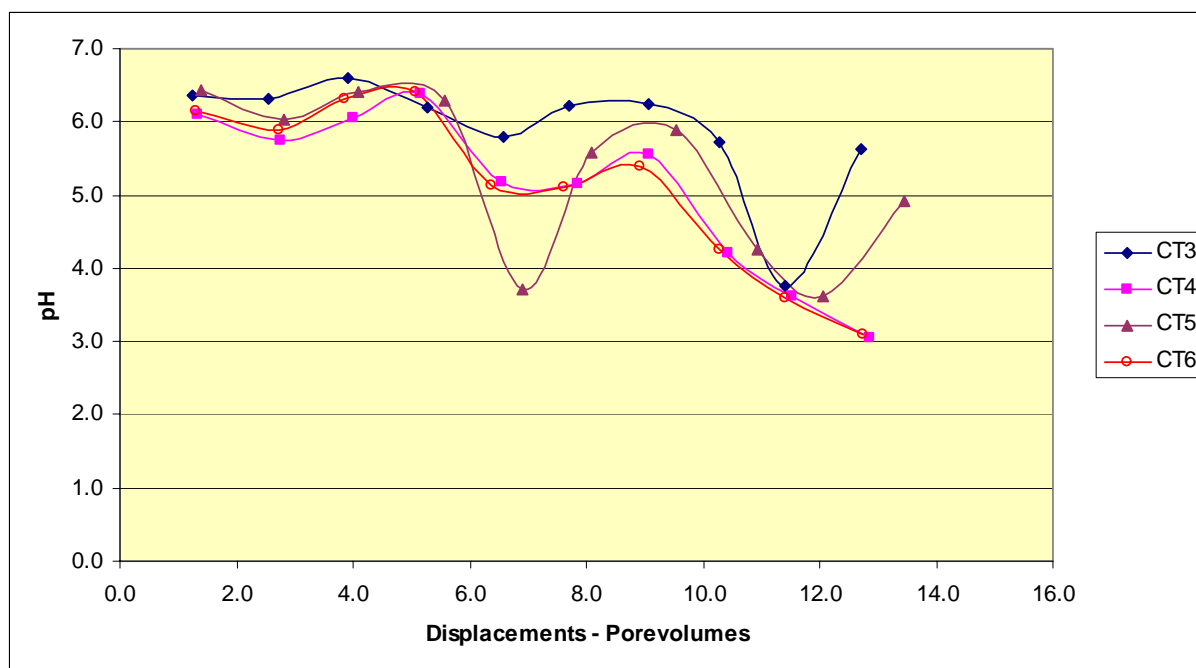


Figure 3.6 Column Test Effluent pH

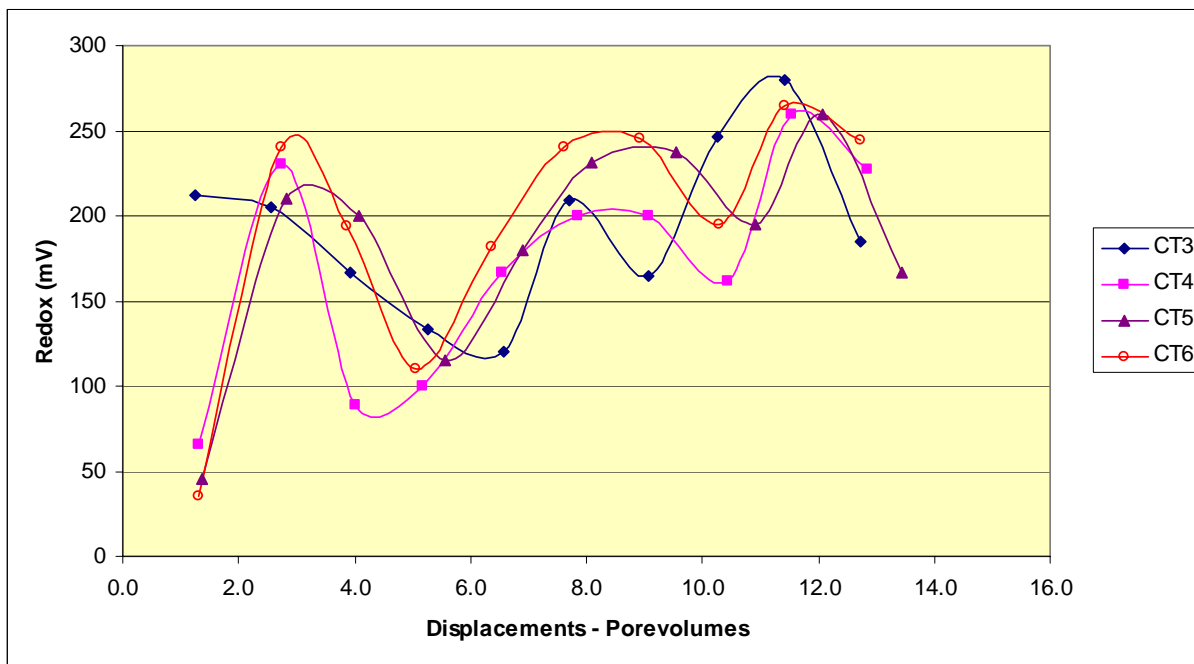


Figure 3.7 Column Test Effluent Redox Conditions

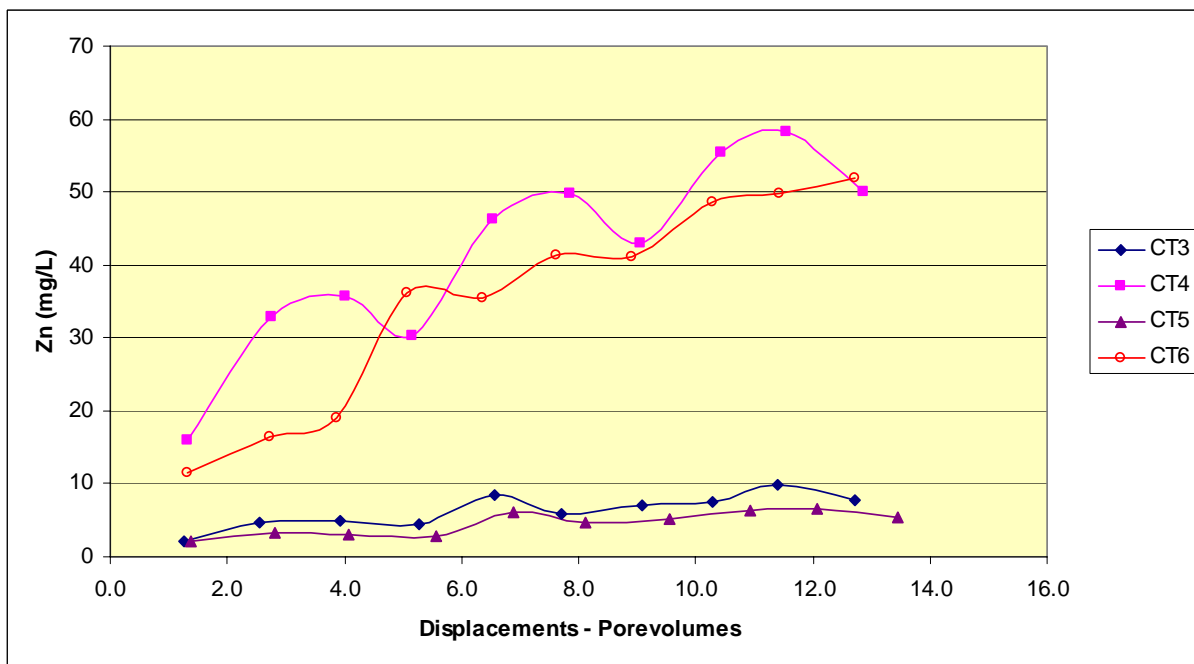


Figure 3.8 Zinc Concentrations in Column Effluents

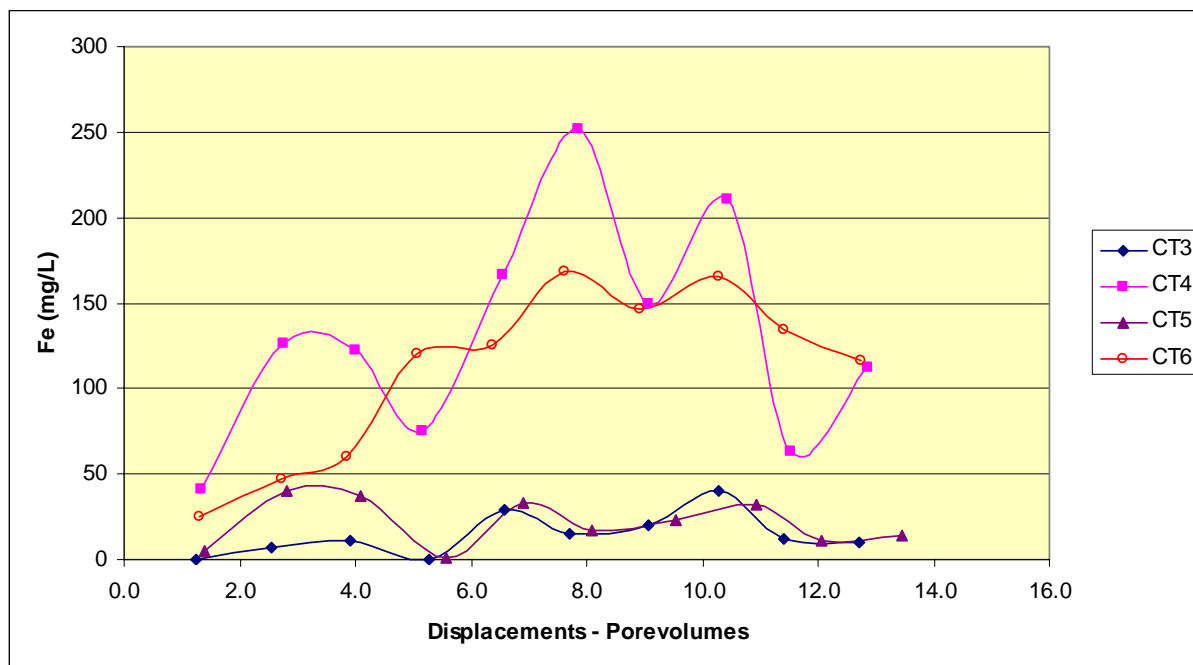


Figure 3.9 Iron Concentrations in Column Effluents

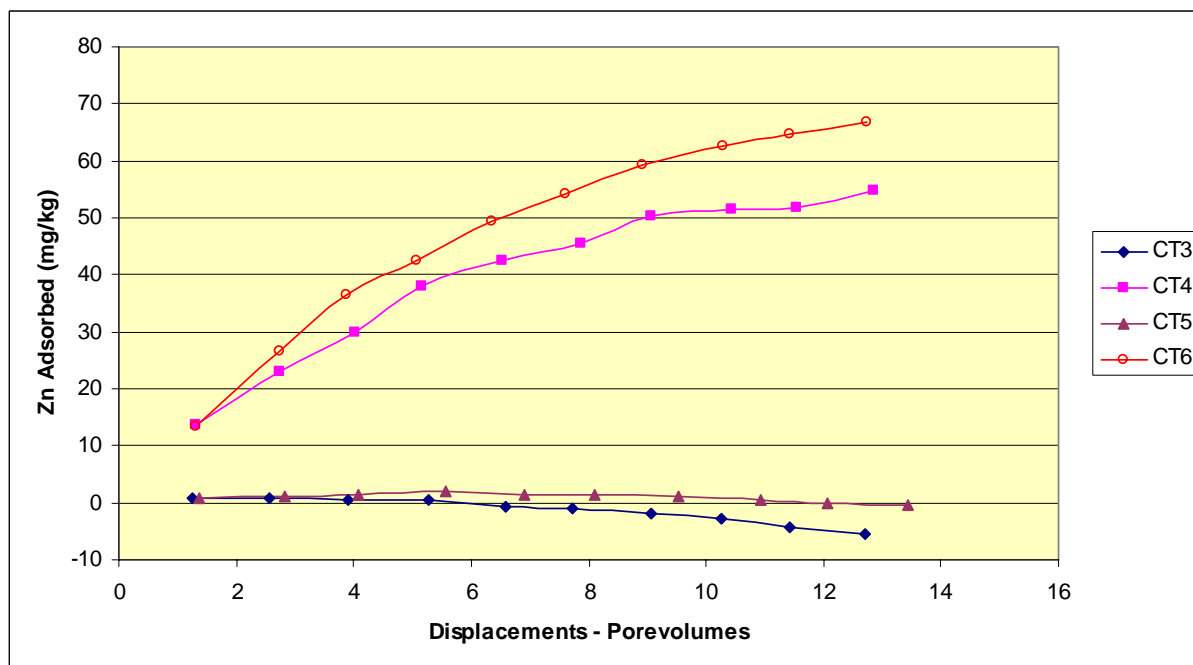


Figure 3.10 Cumulative Mass of Zinc Removed from Column Influent

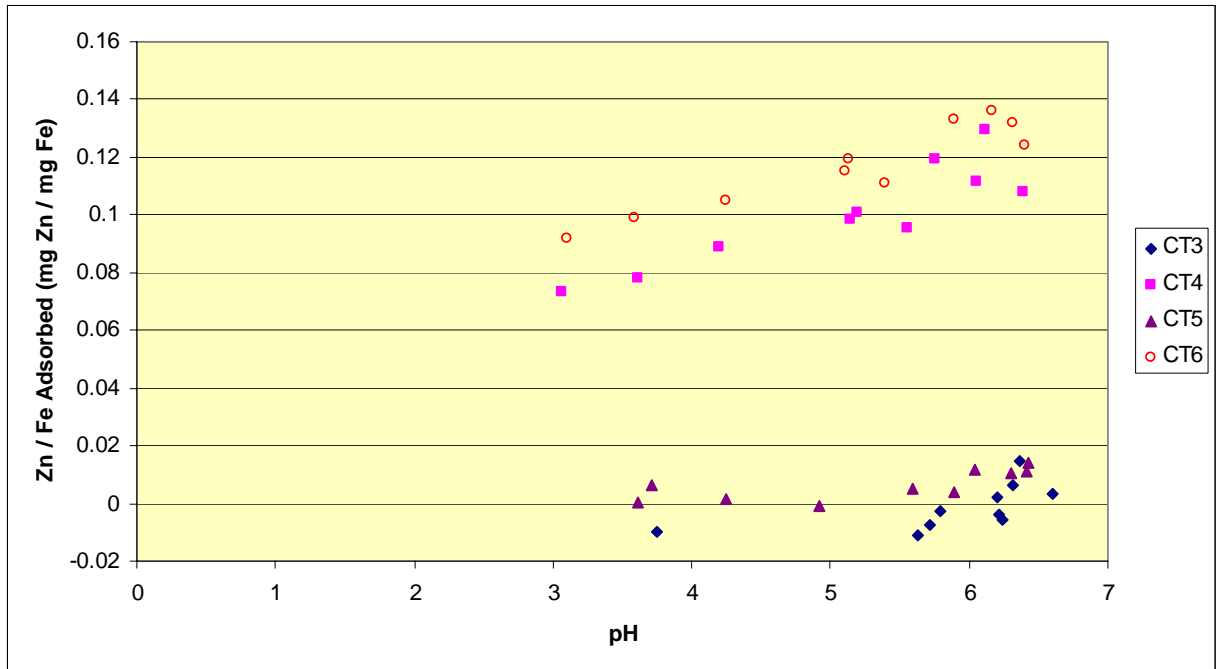


Figure 3.11 pH Dependency of the Ratio of Zinc to Iron Removed

4 Conclusions and Recommendations

4.1 Batch Test

A series of batch and column tests were completed to assess the potential of aquifer soils below the Rose Creek Tailings Facility to attenuate metals leached from the overlying tailings.

The testing generally indicated a potential for zinc attenuation and neutralization of acidity. In brief, the conclusions from the initial batch testing can be summarised as follows:

- The tailings composite sample used in the contact tests had little or no buffering capacity;
- Oxygen ingress during sample handling and testing affected the batch test results;
- Two of the three soil samples from the aquifer below the tailings likely have a capacity to attenuate zinc; and,
- Zinc attenuation appears to be strongly pH dependent with little or no attenuation expected once the porewater pH decreases below about 5.5.

4.2 Acid Neutralization

The acid neutralization column tests conducted on the tailings proved unsuccessful due to the fact that excessive oxidation of the tailings prior to testing consumed the readily available neutralization capacity. However, a comparison with field results confirmed that the availability of the neutralization potential below about 5 to 10 kgCaCO₃ eq/tonne is limited. Below this threshold a rapid decrease in pH can be expected. The column test results further indicated that no or little attenuation of zinc can be expected within the tailings under anoxic acidic conditions.

The conclusions from the attenuation column tests completed on the aquifer soil samples can be summarised as follows:

- The aquifer soils have a capacity to neutralize acidity released from tailings.
- Two soil samples from the aquifer immediately below the tailings deposit have a capacity to attenuate zinc, however, attenuation coefficients are significantly lower than those indicated by the batch test results.
- Contrary to the batch tests, the column tests suggest, in part, that zinc removal could continue even at low pH conditions, albeit at a significantly lower removal rate.
- The soils appear to have a capacity to remove zinc to in excess of 60 to 70 mg of zinc per kilogram of soil.

- While the mechanism is uncertain, it appears that the zinc removal is non-reversible within the range of pH decrease detected in the tests (below 5).

4.3 Column Test

The column test results further indicate that a K_d value of about 1 – 2 L/kg should provide a reasonable indication of the potential zinc attenuation that can be expected to occur within the aquifer. Evaluation of the effects on transport within the aquifer is not within the scope of this project, but will be addressed in Tasks 16 f and 16 g being undertaken by Robertson GeoConsultants Inc. The reader is referred to that report which was in progress at the time of writing. However, to demonstrate the significance of such attenuation, it is helpful to convert the K_d values to “retardation factors” as follows.

Assuming that the aquifer soils have a dry bulk density of 1.8 kg/L and a porosity of 0.3, the K_d value of 1 L/kg would correspond to a retardation factor of about 7 ($R = 1 + \rho K_d / \theta$), implying that a front of zinc contamination would move through the aquifer about seven times more slowly than the groundwater. The K_d value of 2 L/kg would correspond to a retardation factor of 13. Recent estimates of the groundwater velocity below the Rose Creek Tailings are in the range of 1.5×10^{-6} m/s. At that rate it will take water from the base of the Secondary Impoundment about 60 years to reach Station X14, which is about 2800 m downstream. The zinc front would take between 7 and 13 times that long, or from 420 to 780 years to reach the same point.

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Appendix A

Solids Analyses

Table A-1. Solids Neutralization Potential and Carbon Contents

| Sample | Description | Moisture Content (%) | Sample pH* | NP | Organic Carbon | Inorganic Carbon | CO3NP |
|--------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|------|----------------|------------------|-------|
| P03-08-A-S1 | Tailings | 19.0 | 5.2 | 18.0 | - | 0.79 | 65.8 |
| P03-08-A-S3 | Tailings | 15.7 | 6.4 | 16.3 | - | 0.87 | 72.5 |
| P03-08-B-S3 | Tailings | 18.0 | 7.4 | 28.4 | - | 1.12 | 93.3 |
| P03-08-B-S4 | Tailings | 15.5 | 7.4 | 12.3 | - | 0.83 | 69.2 |
| P03-08-C-S2 | Tailings | 19.7 | 6.6 | 26.3 | - | 1.14 | 95.0 |
| P03-03-B-S1 | Tailings | 6.3 | 4.1 | 1.0 | - | 0.56 | 46.7 |
| P03-03-C-S4 | Tailings | 11.3 | 3.9 | -8.5 | - | 0.25 | 20.8 |
| P03-03-D-S1 | Tailings | 12.7 | 4.5 | 1.6 | - | 0.45 | 37.5 |
| P03-03-D-S3 | Tailings | 12.5 | 5.5 | 1.3 | 0.12 | 0.63 | 52.5 |
| P03-03-E-S2 | Tailings | 11.2 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 0.07 | 0.5 | 41.7 |
| P03-03-E-S3 | Tailings | 12.3 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 0.07 | 0.51 | 42.5 |
| P03-04-J-S2 | Subsoil | 0.2 | 7.0 | 7.9 | 0.19 | 0.03 | 2.5 |
| P03-04-G-S3 | Subsoil | 4.9 | 7.3 | 12.3 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 6.7 |
| P03-04-G-S2 | Subsoil | 2.9 | 7.1 | 15.0 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 10.0 |
| RE P03-08-A-S1 | Tailings | - | - | 21.3 | | 0.81 | 67.5 |

* Sample pHs were done on the as wet samples, as received. Insufficient pulverized sample to conduct paste pH.

AP = Acid potential in tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material. AP is determined from calculated sulphide sulphur content: S(T) - S(SO₄), assuming total conversion of sulphide to sulphate.

NP = Neutralization potential in tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material.

NET NP = Net neutralization potential = Tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material.

Table A-2. Trace Element Analyses

| DH | | P03-08 | P03-08 | P03-08 | P03-08 | P03-08 | P03-03 | P03-03 | P03-03 | P03-03 | P03-03 | P03-03 | P03-04 | P03-04 | P03-04 |
|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sample | | A-S1 | A-S3 | B-S3 | B-S4 | C-S2 | B-S1 | C-S4 | D-S1 | D-S3 | E-S2 | E-S3 | J-S2 | G-S3 | G-S2 |
| Ag | ppm | 21.0 | 13.6 | 25.5 | 14.1 | 22.9 | 17.3 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 12.4 | 7.9 | 11.0 | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 |
| Al | % | 0.72 | 0.27 | 0.40 | 0.22 | 0.38 | 0.40 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 1.48 | 1.84 | 1.54 |
| As | ppm | 1000 | 1020 | 913 | 837 | 974 | 438 | 334 | 493 | 404 | 462 | 451 | 18 | 7 | <5 |
| Ba | ppm | 52 | 34 | 37 | 34 | 37 | 38 | 24 | 19 | 43 | 39 | 27 | 237 | 279 | 285 |
| Be | ppm | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Bi | ppm | 8 | 9 | <5 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 13 | 13 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Ca | % | 1.12 | 0.58 | 0.92 | 0.52 | 0.86 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.25 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.59 | 1.00 | 0.91 |
| Cd | ppm | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 |
| Co | ppm | 107 | 136 | 83 | 151 | 77 | 99 | 229 | 184 | 143 | 158 | 132 | 16 | 13 | 10 |
| Cr | ppm | 83 | 91 | 89 | 114 | 72 | 138 | 109 | 118 | 92 | 103 | 151 | 231 | 183 | 180 |
| Cu | ppm | 1572 | 1255 | 1782 | 963 | 1737 | 532 | 1317 | 816 | 741 | 858 | 836 | 45 | 35 | 28 |
| Fe | % | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | >15.00 | 2.78 | 3.44 | 3.12 |
| K | % | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.26 | 0.33 | 0.25 |
| Mg | % | 0.66 | 0.32 | 0.52 | 0.29 | 0.46 | 0.17 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.69 | 0.79 | 0.76 |
| Mn | ppm | 4771 | 2613 | 5259 | 2522 | 4301 | 845 | 615 | 676 | 1105 | 746 | 801 | 330 | 314 | 347 |
| Mo | ppm | 4 | 2 | 3 | <2 | 3 | 5 | <2 | <2 | <2 | <2 | <2 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| Na | % | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.05 |
| Ni | ppm | 40 | 36 | 43 | 32 | 39 | 56 | 14 | 22 | 31 | 26 | 31 | 45 | 38 | 32 |
| P | ppm | 491 | 544 | 476 | 477 | 461 | 628 | 319 | 335 | 547 | 370 | 448 | 584 | 658 | 661 |
| Pb | ppm | 7714 | 5029 | 9164 | 5152 | 7552 | 5434 | 3410 | 2925 | 2567 | 2985 | 4147 | 81 | 40 | 24 |
| Sb | ppm | 40 | 30 | 41 | 23 | 38 | 36 | 11 | 22 | 31 | 20 | 29 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Sc | ppm | 1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Sn | ppm | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 | <10 |
| Sr | ppm | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | <1 | 44 | 90 | 49 |
| Ti | % | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.04 |
| V | ppm | 52 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 43 | 50 | 37 | 41 | 42 | 41 | 43 | 39 | 44 | 39 |
| W | ppm | 205 | 139 | 218 | 142 | 204 | 214 | 141 | 212 | 99 | 150 | 157 | <10 | <10 | <10 |
| Y | ppm | 5 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | <1 | <1 | 3 | <1 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Zn | ppm | >10000 | 9212 | >10000 | 9657 | >10000 | >10000 | 9570 | >10000 | 6807 | 9980 | >10000 | 256 | 536 | 565 |
| Zr | ppm | 17 | 17 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 5 | 6 | 6 |

Appendix B

Porewater Analyses

Table B-1. Tailings Porewater Analysis

| Parameter | Units | X21A-96-1 | X21A-96-2 | P106A-1 | P106A-2 | P106A-3 | P0109B-1 | P0109B-2 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| Field Tests | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | 5.78 | 5.78 | 6.32 | 6.32 | 6.32 | 5.47 | 5.47 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | 3180 | 3180 | 3106 | 3106 | 3106 | 1910 | 1910 |
| Laboratory | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | 3.65 | 3.79 | 6.0 | 5.85 | 6.11 | 3.41 | 3.21 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | 2170 | 2080 | 1371 | 1286 | 1294 | 1615 | 1999 |
| Redox | (mV) | 291 | 284 | -33 | -17 | -40 | 315 | 344 |
| ACIDITY | (pH 4.5) | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 47 | 74 |
| | (pH 8.3) | 725 | 765 | 515 | 510 | 525 | 868 | 1515 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO ₃ /L) | 0 | 0 | 68 | 61 | 101 | 0 | 0 |
| SULPHATE | (mg/L) | 2546 | 2246 | 2186 | 2126 | 2216 | 1163 | 1736 |
| Dissolved Metals | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.026 | 0.032 | 0.029 | 0.017 | 0.019 |
| Beryllium | (mg/L) | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | (mg/L) | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.010 | 0.013 |
| Calcium | (mg/L) | 170 | 178 | 417 | 391 | 396 | 63.6 | 72.1 |
| Chromium | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.179 | 0.156 | 0.173 | 0.136 | 0.123 |
| Copper | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Iron | (mg/L) | 328 | 360 | 220 | 205 | 229 | 381 | 673 |
| Lead | (mg/L) | <0.050 | 0.121 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | (mg/L) | 0.033 | 0.039 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.038 | 0.038 |
| Magnesium | (mg/L) | 206 | 220 | 118 | 124 | 125 | 20.6 | 25.5 |
| Manganese | (mg/L) | 32.2 | 34.8 | 39.9 | 40.4 | 40.7 | 23.7 | 26.2 |
| Molybdenum | (mg/L) | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | (mg/L) | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.128 | 0.075 | 0.101 | 0.169 | 0.147 |
| Phosphorus | (mg/L) | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | (mg/L) | 11.1 | 12.1 | 9.4 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 3.7 | 3.3 |
| Selenium | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | (mg/L) | 6.16 | 6.28 | 6.22 | 6.29 | 6.76 | 10.9 | 11 |
| Silver | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | (mg/L) | 93.5 | 92.6 | 45.9 | 45.7 | 45.7 | 16.8 | 19 |
| Strontium | (mg/L) | 0.42 | 0.434 | 1.33 | 1.33 | 1.37 | 0.203 | 0.223 |
| Thallium | (mg/L) | <0.20 | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | (mg/L) | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.050 |
| Titanium | (mg/L) | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | (mg/L) | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | (mg/L) | 0.636 | 0.83 | 4.25 | 4.14 | 4.56 | 57.5 | 92.1 |

Appendix C

Batch Contact Test Results

Table C-1.
Calculated Initial Solution
Analyses

| SAMPLE | | | P03-04-G-S2 | | | P03-04-G-S3 | | |
|------------------|-------------------------|------|-------------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------------|---------|
| Extractions | | | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 |
| Solids | Wet | g | 100 | 75 | 75 | 75 | 100 | 75 |
| TPYE I | P106A1 | (mL) | 100 | 0 | 0 | 75 | 0 | 0 |
| TYPE II | P0109B1 | (mL) | 0 | 150 | 0 | 0 | 200 | 0 |
| TYPE III | X21A-96-1 | (mL) | 0 | 0 | 225 | 0 | 0 | 225 |
| Dist. Water | | (mL) | 200 | 75 | 0 | 150 | 100 | 0 |
| Parameter | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | | 6.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 6.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | | 457 | 1077 | 2170 | 457 | 1077 | 2170 |
| Redox | (mV) | | -11 | 210 | 291 | -11 | 210 | 291 |
| ACIDITY | (pH 4.5) | | 0 | 31 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 20 |
| | (pH 8.3) | | 172 | 579 | 725 | 172 | 579 | 725 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO ₃) | | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| SULPHATE | (mg/L) | | 729 | 775 | 2546 | 729 | 775 | 2546 |
| Dissolved Metals | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | | 0.0087 | 0.0113 | <0.010 | 0.0087 | 0.0113 | <0.010 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | mg/L | | 139 | 42.4 | 170 | 139 | 42.4 | 170 |
| Chromium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | | 0.060 | 0.091 | <0.010 | 0.060 | 0.091 | <0.010 |
| Copper | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Iron | mg/L | | 73.3 | 254.0 | 328.0 | 73.3 | 254.0 | 328.0 |
| Lead | mg/L | | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | mg/L | | <0.010 | 0.025 | 0.033 | <0.010 | 0.025 | 0.033 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | | 39 | 14 | 206 | 39 | 14 | 206 |
| Manganese | mg/L | | 13.3 | 15.8 | 32.2 | 13.3 | 15.8 | 32.2 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | | 0.043 | 0.113 | <0.050 | 0.043 | 0.113 | <0.050 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | | 3.1 | 2.5 | 11.1 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 11.1 |
| Selenium | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | | 2.1 | 7.3 | 6.2 | 2.1 | 7.3 | 6.2 |
| Silver | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | | 15.3 | 11.2 | 93.5 | 15.3 | 11.2 | 93.5 |
| Strontium | mg/L | | 0.44 | 0.14 | 0.42 | 0.44 | 0.14 | 0.42 |
| Thallium | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Titanium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | mg/L | | 1.42 | 38.33 | 0.64 | 1.42 | 38.33 | 0.64 |

Table C-1.
Calculated Initial Solution
Analyses

| SAMPLE | | | PO3-04-J-S2 | | | Talings Composite | | |
|------------------|-------------------------|------|-------------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|
| Extractions | | | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 |
| Solids | Wet | g | 75 | 75 | 100 | 100 | 75 | 75 |
| TPYE I | P106A1 | (mL) | 75 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| TYPE II | P0109B1 | (mL) | 0 | 150 | 0 | 0 | 150 | 0 |
| TYPE III | X21A-96-1 | (mL) | 0 | 0 | 300 | 0 | 0 | 225 |
| Dist. Water | | (mL) | 150 | 75 | 0 | 200 | 75 | 0 |
| Parameter | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | | 6.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 6.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | | 457 | 1077 | 2170 | 457 | 1077 | 2170 |
| Redox | (mV) | | -11 | 210 | 291 | -11 | 210 | 291 |
| ACIDITY | (pH 4.5) | | 0 | 31 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 20 |
| | (pH 8.3) | | 172 | 579 | 725 | 172 | 579 | 725 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO ₃) | | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| SULPHATE | (mg/L) | | 729 | 775 | 2546 | 729 | 775 | 2546 |
| Dissolved Metals | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | | 0.0087 | 0.0113 | <0.010 | 0.0087 | 0.0113 | <0.010 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | mg/L | | 139 | 42.4 | 170 | 139 | 42.4 | 170 |
| Chromium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | | 0.060 | 0.091 | <0.010 | 0.060 | 0.091 | <0.010 |
| Copper | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Iron | mg/L | | 73.3 | 254.0 | 328.0 | 73.3 | 254.0 | 328.0 |
| Lead | mg/L | | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | mg/L | | <0.010 | 0.025 | 0.033 | <0.010 | 0.025 | 0.033 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | | 39 | 14 | 206 | 39 | 14 | 206 |
| Manganese | mg/L | | 13.3 | 15.8 | 32.2 | 13.3 | 15.8 | 32.2 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | | 0.043 | 0.113 | <0.050 | 0.043 | 0.113 | <0.050 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | | 3.1 | 2.5 | 11.1 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 11.1 |
| Selenium | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | | 2.1 | 7.3 | 6.2 | 2.1 | 7.3 | 6.2 |
| Silver | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | | 15.3 | 11.2 | 93.5 | 15.3 | 11.2 | 93.5 |
| Strontium | mg/L | | 0.44 | 0.14 | 0.42 | 0.44 | 0.14 | 0.42 |
| Thallium | mg/L | | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Titanium | mg/L | | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | mg/L | | 1.42 | 38.33 | 0.64 | 1.42 | 38.33 | 0.64 |

Table C2. Contact Test Results

| Solids Sample | | P03-04-G-S2 | | | P03-04-G-S3 | | | P03-04-J-S2 | | | TAILINGS COMPOSITE | | |
|---------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Test | Units | Test 1 72Hr | Test 2 72 hr | Test 3 72 Hr | Test 1 72 Hr | Test 2 72 hr | Test 3 72 hr | Test 1 72 hr | Test 2 72 hr | Test 3 72 hr | Test 1 72 hr | Test 2 72 hr | Test 3 72 hr |
| Initial | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Solids | Wet (g) | 100 | 75 | 75 | 75 | 100 | 75 | 75 | 75 | 100 | 100 | 75 | 75 |
| Solution | mL | 300 | 225 | 225 | 225 | 300 | 225 | 225 | 225 | 300 | 300 | 225 | 225 |
| pH | | 6.45 | 3.59 | 3.65 | 6.45 | 3.59 | 3.65 | 6.45 | 3.59 | 3.65 | 6.45 | 3.59 | 3.65 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | 457 | 1077 | 2170 | 457 | 1077 | 2170 | 457 | 1077 | 2170 | 457 | 1077 | 2170 |
| Redox | (mV) | -11 | 210 | 291 | -11 | 210 | 291 | -11 | 210 | 291 | -11 | 210 | 291 |
| ACIDITY | | 0 | 31 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 20 |
| | (pH 8.3) | 172 | 579 | 725 | 172 | 579 | 725 | 172 | 579 | 725 | 172 | 579 | 725 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| SULPHATE | (mg/L) | 729 | 775 | 2546 | 729 | 775 | 2546 | 729 | 775 | 2546 | 729 | 775 | 2546 |
| Final | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| pH | | 6.86 | 5.72 | 5.73 | 7.23 | 5.97 | 5.45 | 4.22 | 3.18 | 3.13 | 5.53 | 5.45 | 5.21 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | (uS/cm) | 1023 | 994 | 1446 | 1190 | 1073 | 1416 | 1080 | 1501 | 2250 | 1250 | 1124 | 1541 |
| Redox | (mV) | 264 | 161 | 71 | 137 | 103 | 151 | 301 | 395 | 388 | 293 | 92 | 180 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | (pH 4.5) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.5 | 70 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | (pH 8.3) | 10 | 135 | 264 | 14 | 70 | 827 | 36.25 | 340 | 410 | 89 | 525 | 560 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 19 | 9 | 17 | 106 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 7 |
| SULPHATE | (mg/L) | 1007 | 1031 | 2397 | 1173 | 1197 | 2301 | 815 | 983 | 2130 | 1053 | 1053 | 2397 |
| Total Metals | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.26 | 0.73 | 3.08 | 5.80 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | 0.021 | 0.023 | 0.019 | 0.022 | 0.028 | 0.023 | 0.044 | 0.037 | 0.029 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | <0.010 | 0.015 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.015 | 0.016 | 0.016 | 0.018 | 0.016 | 0.025 |
| Calcium | mg/L | 266 | 284 | 352 | 347 | 372 | 379 | 217 | 179 | 306 | 283 | 169 | 280 |
| Chromium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | 0.028 | 0.099 | 0.035 | 0.017 | 0.077 | 0.053 | 0.380 | 0.822 | 0.808 | 0.081 | 0.103 | 0.047 |
| Copper | mg/L | 0.012 | 0.027 | 0.016 | <0.010 | 0.028 | 0.033 | 0.077 | 0.218 | 0.367 | 0.035 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Iron | mg/L | 0.118 | 46.5 | 110 | 0.03 | 18.3 | 148 | 0.193 | 95.3 | 110 | 13.8 | 226 | 263 |
| Lead | mg/L | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.128 | 2.84 | 3.27 | 2.57 |
| Lithium | mg/L | 0.018 | 0.055 | 0.050 | 0.021 | 0.042 | 0.032 | 0.015 | 0.074 | 0.063 | <0.010 | 0.059 | 0.033 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 41.6 | 25.0 | 184 | 44.3 | 26.6 | 206 | 51.3 | 31.2 | 209 | 74.1 | 44.3 | 219 |
| Manganese | mg/L | 10.6 | 17.7 | 29.8 | 9.71 | 15.5 | 32.2 | 20.8 | 28.9 | 44.3 | 28.2 | 29.3 | 44.6 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | <0.050 | 0.089 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.072 | 0.092 | 0.654 | 1.44 | 1.46 | 0.241 | 0.299 | 0.185 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | 7.5 | 10.9 | 15.3 | 10.0 | 12.3 | 17.1 | 5.4 | 8.7 | 15.9 | 5.9 | 8.0 | 12.8 |
| Selenium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | 2.66 | 7.83 | 7.06 | 4.11 | 6.90 | 8.68 | 5.82 | 15.6 | 14.5 | 5.29 | 8.47 | 8.36 |
| Silver | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | 20.7 | 17.8 | 86.4 | 19.5 | 18.1 | 93.5 | 19.7 | 17.1 | 91.4 | 34.6 | 30.9 | 102 |
| Strontium | mg/L | 0.761 | 0.857 | 1.02 | 1.04 | 1.12 | 1.16 | 0.616 | 0.494 | 0.768 | 0.4 | 0.174 | 0.286 |
| Thallium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.22 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.01 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.011 | <0.010 | 0.011 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | mg/L | 0.671 | 28.7 | 7.59 | 0.419 | 17.4 | 6.18 | 5.15 | 42.0 | 11.8 | 29.6 | 54.8 | 26.1 |

Table C3.
Batch Contact Timed
Sample Test Results

| Sample ID | P03-04-G-S2 | | | | | P03-04-G-S3 | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Test | Contact Test 1 | | | | | Contact Test 2 | | | | |
| Time (hrs) | 0 | 8 | 24 | 48 | 72 | 0 | 8 | 24 | 48 | 72 |
| pH | 6.4 | - | - | - | 6.86 | 3.59 | - | - | - | 5.97 |
| Aluminum | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | 0.009 | 0.043 | 0.035 | 0.023 | 0.021 | 0.0113333 | 0.031 | 0.031 | 0.031 | 0.028 |
| Beryllium | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | 139 | 214 | 228 | 228 | 266 | 42.4 | 211 | 253 | 311 | 372 |
| Chromium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | 0.060 | 0.048 | 0.044 | 0.027 | 0.028 | 0.091 | 0.075 | 0.073 | 0.083 | 0.077 |
| Copper | <0.010 | 0.021 | 0.027 | 0.031 | 0.012 | <0.010 | 0.028 | 0.037 | 0.097 | 0.028 |
| Iron | 73.3 | 31.7 | 7.87 | <0.030 | 0.118 | 254 | 162 | 96.7 | 48.1 | 18.3 |
| Lead | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.030 | 0.016 | 0.018 | 0.025 | 0.030 | 0.040 | 0.037 | 0.042 |
| Magnesium | 39.3 | 41.6 | 41.8 | 39.8 | 41.6 | 13.7 | 19.5 | 20.9 | 23.2 | 26.6 |
| Manganese | 13.3 | 12.6 | 12.1 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 15.8 | 14.4 | 14.0 | 14.5 | 15.5 |
| Molybdenum | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | 0.043 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.11 | 0.090 | 0.122 | 0.101 | 0.072 |
| Phosphorus | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | 3.1 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 8.9 | 7.5 | 2.467 | 7.5 | 8.8 | 11 | 12.3 |
| Selenium | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | 2.1 | 2.89 | 2.89 | 2.57 | 2.66 | 7.27 | 7.43 | 7.17 | 6.97 | 6.90 |
| Silver | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | 15.3 | 18.5 | 18.3 | 18.1 | 20.7 | 11.2 | 15.5 | 15.4 | 16.7 | 18.1 |
| Strontium | 0.4 | 0.648 | 0.688 | 0.679 | 0.761 | 0.135 | 0.638 | 0.776 | 0.947 | 1.12 |
| Thallium | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | <0.050 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.050 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium D-Ti | <0.010 | 0.011 | 0.012 | 0.012 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc D-Zn | 1.42 | 2.55 | 2.45 | 1.35 | 0.671 | 38.3 | 26.2 | 22.2 | 19.4 | 17.4 |

Table C3.
Batch Contact Timed
Sample Test Results

| Sample ID | P03-04-J-S2 | | | | | TAILINGS COMPOSITE | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Test | Contact Test 3 | | | | | Contact Test 1 | | | | |
| Time (hrs) | 0 | 8 | 24 | 48 | 72 | 0 | 8 | 24 | 48 | 72 |
| pH | 3.65 | | | | 3.13 | 6.45 | | | | 5.53 |
| Aluminum | <0.20 | 0.26 | 0.71 | 2.85 | 5.80 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | <0.010 | 0.038 | 0.035 | 0.031 | 0.029 | 0 | 0.011 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Beryllium | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | 0.16 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.016 | <0.010 | 0.015 | 0.014 | 0.025 | 0.018 |
| Calcium | 170 | 218 | 214 | 238 | 306 | 139 | 188 | 201 | 221 | 283 |
| Chromium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | <0.010 | 0.268 | 0.382 | 0.564 | 0.808 | 0.060 | 0.086 | 0.086 | 0.081 | 0.081 |
| Copper | <0.010 | 0.024 | 0.088 | 0.317 | 0.367 | <0.010 | 0.028 | 0.041 | 0.109 | 0.035 |
| Iron | 328 | 300 | 243 | 161 | 110 | 73 | 52.3 | 35.0 | 17.1 | 13.8 |
| Lead | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.089 | 0.128 | <0.050 | 2.42 | 2.93 | 2.67 | 2.84 |
| Lithium | 0.033 | 0.031 | 0.040 | 0.061 | 0.063 | <0.010 | 0.016 | 0.025 | 0.022 | <0.010 |
| Magnesium | 206 | 193 | 176 | 181 | 209 | 39.3 | 58.0 | 57.4 | 61.2 | 74.1 |
| Manganese | 32.2 | 35.9 | 34.8 | 37.4 | 44.3 | 13 | 20.4 | 20.7 | 22.8 | 28.2 |
| Molybdenum | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | <0.050 | 0.460 | 0.623 | 0.914 | 1.46 | 0.043 | 0.165 | 0.179 | 0.177 | 0.241 |
| Phosphorus | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | 11.1 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 11.2 | 15.9 | 3.1 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 6.7 | 5.9 |
| Selenium | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | 6.16 | 6.58 | 7.03 | 9.61 | 14.5 | 2.1 | 2.84 | 3.53 | 4.38 | 5.29 |
| Silver | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | 93.5 | 90.6 | 81.8 | 80.9 | 91.4 | 15 | 30.1 | 29.9 | 30.5 | 34.6 |
| Strontium | 0.42 | 0.523 | 0.525 | 0.607 | 0.768 | 0.44 | 0.424 | 0.374 | 0.329 | 0.4 |
| Thallium | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.30 | <0.20 |
| Tin | <0.050 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.050 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium D-Ti | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.012 | 0.011 |
| Vanadium | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc D-Zn | 0.636 | 4.33 | 5.64 | 8.46 | 11.8 | 1.42 | 15.1 | 17.7 | 23.2 | 29.6 |

Table C4
Estimated Kd Values

| Parameter | Units | P03-04-G-S2 | | | P03-04-G-S3 | | | P03-04-J-S2 | | | TAILINGS COMPOSITE | | |
|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Contact Time Water Sample | | Test 1 72Hr P106A1 | Test 2 72 hr P0109B1 | Test 3 72 Hr X21A-96-1 | Test 1 72 Hr P106A1 | Test 2 72 hr P0109B1 | Test 3 72 hr X21A-96-1 | Test 1 72 hr P106A1 | Test 2 72 hr P0109B1 | Test 3 72 hr X21A-96-1 | Test 1 72 hr P106A1 | Test 2 72 hr P0109B1 | Test 3 72 hr X21A-96-1 |
| Aluminum | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Antimony | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Arsenic | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Barium | L/kg | -1.76 | -1.52 | na | -1.82 | -1.79 | na | -2.41 | -2.08 | na | na | na | na |
| Beryllium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Bismuth | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Boron | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Cadmium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Calcium | L/kg | -1.43 | -2.55 | -1.55 | -1.80 | -2.66 | -1.65 | -1.08 | -2.29 | -1.33 | -1.53 | -2.25 | -1.18 |
| Chromium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Cobalt | L/kg | 3.39 | -0.25 | na | 7.53 | 0.53 | na | -2.53 | -2.67 | na | -0.79 | -0.36 | na |
| Copper | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Iron | L/kg | 1861 | 13 | 6 | 7330 | 39 | 4 | 1137 | 5 | 6 | 13 | 0 | 1 |
| Lead | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Lithium | L/kg | na | -1.62 | -1.02 | na | -1.19 | 0.09 | na | -1.97 | -1.43 | na | -1.71 | 0.00 |
| Magnesium | L/kg | -0.16 | -1.35 | 0.36 | -0.34 | -1.45 | 0.00 | -0.70 | -1.68 | -0.04 | -1.41 | -2.07 | -0.18 |
| Manganese | L/kg | 0.76 | -0.32 | 0.24 | 1.11 | 0.06 | 0.00 | -1.08 | -1.36 | -0.82 | -1.59 | -1.38 | -0.83 |
| Molybdenum | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Nickel | L/kg | na | 0.80 | na | na | 1.69 | na | -2.80 | -2.77 | na | -2.47 | -1.87 | na |
| Phosphorus | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Potassium | L/kg | -1.75 | -2.32 | -0.82 | -2.06 | -2.40 | -1.05 | -1.26 | -2.15 | -0.91 | -1.41 | -2.08 | -0.40 |
| Selenium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Silicon | L/kg | -0.66 | -0.22 | -0.38 | -1.49 | 0.16 | -0.87 | -1.93 | -1.60 | -1.73 | -1.82 | -0.43 | -0.79 |
| Silver | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Sodium | L/kg | -0.78 | -1.11 | 0.25 | -0.65 | -1.14 | 0.00 | -0.67 | -1.04 | 0.07 | -1.67 | -1.91 | -0.25 |
| Strontium | L/kg | -1.25 | -2.53 | -1.76 | -1.72 | -2.64 | -1.91 | -0.84 | -2.18 | -1.36 | 0.33 | -0.67 | 1.41 |
| Thallium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Tin | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Titanium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Vanadium | L/kg | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na | na |
| Zinc | L/kg | 3.33 | 1.01 | -2.75 | 7.14 | 3.61 | -2.69 | -2.17 | -0.26 | -2.84 | -2.86 | -0.90 | -2.93 |

Appendix D
Tailings Neutralization Column Test Results

Memorandum

| | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| To: | File | Date: | October 26, 2004 |
| cc: | | From: | John Chapman |
| Subject: | Acid Neutralization Column Tests | Project #: | 1CD003.043 |

1 Introduction

As part of the attenuation testing program to assess metal attenuation in the Rose Creek Tailings Facility, two column tests were performed on tailings composite samples to assess their acid neutralization potential and metal attenuation properties. The results from these tests are summarised herein.

2 Tailings Sample Preparation and Properties

The samples tested in the column tests were selected based on their initial acid base account properties to yield a composite that is neutral and would have available neutralization potential. It was anticipated that the composite sample would exhibit the weighted average properties of the samples from which it was prepared. In the interest of time constraints, the column tests were initiated concurrently with submitting the composite sample for analysis. Hence, the initial column test results were generated before the solids analyses were complete.

The samples selected for the composite are shown in Table 1. The table also shows the weighted average calculation of the composite sample and the corresponding analytical results.

Table 1
Summary of Tailings Composite Calculated and Analytical Acid Base Account Properties

| Sample | Dry Weight g | Paste pH | NP | TIC % | Carbonate NP |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|
| P03-08-A-S1* | 188 | 5.2 | 18 | 0.79 | 65.8 |
| P03-08-A-S3* | 232 | 6.4 | 16 | 0.87 | 72.5 |
| P03-08-B-S3* | 157 | 7.4 | 28 | 1.12 | 93.3 |
| P03-08-B-S4* | 158 | 7.4 | 12 | 0.83 | 69.2 |
| P03-08-C-S2* | 100 | 6.6 | 26 | 1.14 | 95.0 |
| Calc. Ave. | 836 | 6.5 | 19 | 0.92 | 77 |
| Composite | 836 | 4.7 | 10 | 0.67 | 56 |

* Initial Analysis
 NP and Carbonate NP in units of kgCaCO₃eq/tonne

It is clear from the paste pH and the decrease in the neutralization potential that the samples had undergone significant oxidation and NP consumption during storage at the laboratory. These results also explain the problems encountered in the column tests discussed below.

3 Column Test Results

The column test effluent pH was acidic from the onset. At first, without the prior knowledge of the oxidation of the tailings during storage, it was believed that the elevated acidity in the influent had 'overwhelmed' the reactivity of the NP of the tailings. The influent was switched to a lower acidity water from Sample P109B-2 to X21A-96-2, and the rate of displacement was lowered. Neither changes resulted in neutralization of the acidic influent. The tests were continued until 14 pore volume displacements had been completed without any significant changes in the rate of neutralization and were then terminated.

The effluent parameters indicated the following:

- The effluent pH typically was between 0.5 and 1.0 units below the influent pH, which suggests that some neutralization continued to occur, despite the acidification of the samples prior to testing;
- Effluent redox was consistently below influent redox, indicating that anoxic conditions had been achieved in the column tests;
- Iron was removed from solution in both tests, and,
- Effluent zinc concentrations were above influent zinc concentrations indicating net zinc release from the tailings.

Acidity and mass balance calculations indicated that acid neutralization by the tailings was minimal (0.2 and 0.4 kg CaCO₃ eq/tonne in Columns CT1 and CT2 respectively).

4 Conclusions

The column tests unfortunately did not meet their intended purpose because the tailings samples had oxidized prior to testing to the extent that they were acidic at the onset of the column tests. The tests did indicate some ongoing acid neutralization is occurring suggesting that some proportion of the residual neutralization potential remains reactive, however, the rate of neutralization is limited possibly due to blinding and/or surface area exposure limitations. The results indicate that zinc attenuation is unlikely within acidic tailings under anoxic conditions.

Appendix E
Attenuation Column Test Results

Table E1. Composite Tailings Sample Analysis

| Sample | Weight g | Mositure % | Dry Weight g | Paste pH | NP | TIC % | Carbonate NP |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|
| P03-08-A-S1* | 232 | 19.0 | 188 | 5.2 | 18 | 0.79 | 65.8 |
| P03-08-A-S3* | 275 | 15.7 | 232 | 6.4 | 16 | 0.87 | 72.5 |
| P03-08-B-S3* | 192 | 18.0 | 157 | 7.4 | 28 | 1.12 | 93.3 |
| P03-08-B-S4* | 187 | 15.5 | 158 | 7.4 | 12 | 0.83 | 69.2 |
| P03-08-C-S2* | 125 | 19.7 | 100 | 6.6 | 26 | 1.14 | 95.0 |
| Calculated Average | 1011 | 17.3 | 836 | 6.5 | 19 | 0.92 | 77 |
| Tailings Composite | 1011 | 17.3 | 836 | 4.7 | 10 | 0.67 | 56 |

* Initial Analysis

AP = Acid potential in tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material. AP is determined from calculated sulphide sulphur content: S(T) - S(SO₄), assuming total conversion of sulphide to sulphate.

NP = Neutralization potential in tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material.

NET NP = Net neutralization potential = Tonnes CaCO₃ equivalent per 1000 tonnes of material.

NOTE: Where S(T) is reported as <0.01%, a S(T) value of 0.01% is used for the AP calculation.

Where S(SO₄) is reported as <0.01%, it is assumed to be zero for the AP calculation. (ie. if S(SO₄) is less than 0.01% or is not analyzed, AP is calculated from S(T) only)

TIC = Total Inorganic Carbon as %C.

Carbonate NP calculated from total inorganic carbon (TIC) assay. TIC value of 0.01 is used in calculation if TIC <0.01%.

Table E2. Columns Sample Weights

| Test | Sample | Sample Wt (g) | Water Source | Pore Volume (mL) |
|------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| CT1 | Tailings Comp | 432 | P109B2/X21A962 | 83 |
| CT2 | Tailings Comp | 432 | P109B2/X21A962 | 86 |
| CT3 | P03-04-GS2* | 379 | P10-6A3 | 92 |
| CT4 | P03-04-GS2* | 379 | P01-09B1 | 91 |
| CT5 | P03-04-GS3* | 407.1 | P10-6A3 | 87 |
| CT6 | P03-04-GS3* | 407.4 | P01-09B1 | 88 |

*A portion of the sample was crushed to fit the column - see below

| | +25 mm | -25 mm | Weight after combining* |
|------------|--------|--------|-------------------------|
| P03-04-GS2 | 495.1 | 357.9 | 772.8 |
| P03-04-GS3 | 472.6 | 395.4 | 840.1 |

The +25 mm samples was crushed. The crushed samples were combined with -25 mm. Some sample was lost during curshing.

Table E3. Column Feed Solution Analyses

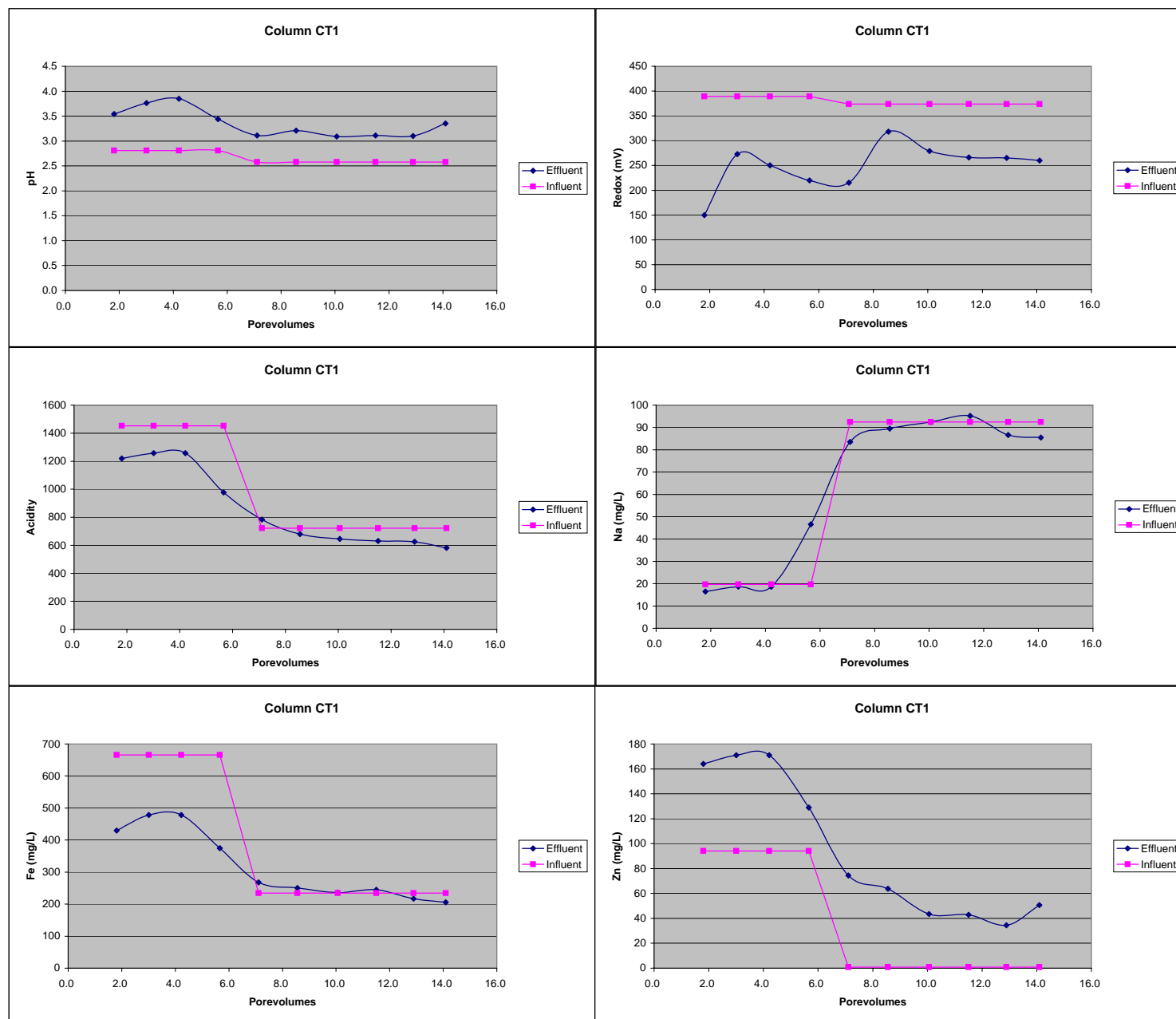
| Parameter | P0109 B2 | P106 A3 | P0109 B1 | X21A 962 |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| pH | 2.81 | 3.50 | 2.90 | 2.58 |
| CONDUCTIVITY | 2590 | 2160 | 1984 | 3230 |
| Redox | 389 | 339 | 399 | 374 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | 195.0 | 35.0 | 147.5 | 310.0 |
| (pH 8.3) | 1452.5 | 392.5 | 890.0 | 722.5 |
| ALKALINITY | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Dissolved Metals | | | | |
| Aluminum | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | 0.016 | 0.030 | 0.018 | 0.013 |
| Beryllium | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | 78.7 | 446 | 72.5 | 178.0 |
| Chromium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | 0.150 | 0.182 | 0.146 | 0.011 |
| Copper | 0.036 | <0.010 | 0.082 | <0.010 |
| Iron | 666 | 170 | 376 | 234 |
| Lead | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.13 |
| Lithium | 0.041 | <0.010 | 0.044 | 0.019 |
| Magnesium | 25.0 | 128 | 21.0 | 203 |
| Manganese | 27.0 | 42.0 | 24.7 | 32.6 |
| Molybdenum | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | 0.181 | 0.073 | 0.218 | <0.050 |
| Phosphorus | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | 3.4 | 9.3 | 3.3 | 10.7 |
| Selenium | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | 11.0 | 6.74 | 11.1 | 6.1 |
| Silver | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | 19.7 | 49.3 | 18.2 | 92.4 |
| Strontium | 0.226 | 1.41 | 0.218 | 0.41 |
| Thallium | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.30 | <0.20 |
| Tin | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | 94.0 | 4.46 | 59.4 | 0.902 |

Appendix E4 - Column Test CT1
Description CT1- Tailings Composite Sample

| | | P0109B2 | X21A 96 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Parameter | Units | Feed - 1 | Feed - 2 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
| Porevolume | 0.083 | 0 | 0 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 8.6 | 10.1 | 11.5 | 12.9 | 14.1 |
| DATE | | 22-Sep-04 | 28-Sep-04 | 22-Sep-04 | 23-Sep-04 | 24-Sep-04 | 28-Sep-04 | 30-Sep-04 | 4-Oct-04 | 6-Oct-04 | 8-Oct-04 | 12-Oct-04 | 14-Oct-04 |
| LEACHATE | (L) | | | 0.150 | 0.100 | 0.100 | 0.120 | 0.120 | 0.120 | 0.125 | 0.120 | 0.115 | 0.100 |
| pH | | 2.81 | 2.58 | 3.54 | 3.76 | 3.85 | 3.44 | 3.11 | 3.21 | 3.09 | 3.11 | 3.10 | 3.35 |
| REDOX. | (mV) | 389 | 374 | 150 | 273 | 250 | 220 | 215 | 318 | 279 | 266 | 265 | 260 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 195 | 310 | 45.0 | 65.5 | 65.5 | 28.0 | 107.0 | 95.0 | 200.0 | 480.0 | 135.0 | 303.3 |
| ACIDITY (pH 8.3) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 1452.5 | 722.5 | 1220.0 | 1257.0 | 1257.0 | 976.0 | 784.0 | 680.0 | 645.0 | 630.0 | 625.0 | 581.1 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total Metals (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | 0.25 | 0.31 | 0.22 | 0.24 | <0.20 | 0.22 |
| Antimony | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | 0.016 | 0.013 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | 0.014 | 0.010 | 0.016 | 0.011 | 0.011 | 0.118 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.107 | 0.094 | 0.094 | 0.054 | 0.045 | 0.044 | 0.023 | 0.024 | 0.017 | 0.027 |
| Calcium | mg/L | 78.7 | 178 | 183 | 210 | 210 | 243 | 260 | 271 | 250 | 255 | 209 | 258 |
| Chromium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | 0.15 | 0.011 | 0.401 | 0.341 | 0.341 | 0.195 | 0.091 | 0.067 | 0.040 | 0.034 | 0.026 | 0.024 |
| Copper | mg/L | 0.036 | <0.010 | 0.166 | 0.138 | 0.138 | 0.112 | 0.213 | 0.302 | 0.151 | 0.156 | 0.163 | 0.098 |
| Iron | mg/L | 666 | 234 | 430 | 478 | 478 | 375 | 268 | 250 | 236 | 245 | 217 | 206 |
| Lead | mg/L | <0.050 | 0.13 | 2.91 | 2.55 | 2.55 | 2.64 | 2.19 | 2.39 | 2.04 | 2.16 | 1.92 | 1.84 |
| Lithium | mg/L | 0.041 | 0.019 | 0.075 | 0.080 | 0.080 | 0.075 | 0.058 | 0.047 | 0.043 | 0.041 | 0.043 | 0.046 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 25 | 203 | 350 | 297 | 297 | 324 | 332 | 319 | 283 | 284 | 261 | 277 |
| Manganese | mg/L | 27 | 32.6 | 221 | 197 | 197 | 169 | 135 | 120 | 90.7 | 89.9 | 73.2 | 96.0 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | 0.181 | <0.050 | 0.71 | 0.66 | 0.66 | 0.51 | 0.364 | 0.254 | 0.177 | 0.145 | 0.163 | 0.194 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.60 | <0.60 | <0.60 | <0.60 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | 3.4 | 10.7 | 8.6 | 12.2 | 12.2 | 13.2 | 13.6 | 22.6 | 18.4 | 17.6 | 13.5 | 15.3 |
| Selenium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | 11 | 6.1 | 8.27 | 9.51 | 9.51 | 8.52 | 7.52 | 7.40 | 7.16 | 7.30 | 6.92 | 6.90 |
| Silver | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | 19.7 | 92.4 | 16.5 | 18.7 | 18.7 | 46.6 | 83.5 | 89.5 | 92.4 | 95.2 | 86.6 | 85.5 |
| Strontium | mg/L | 0.226 | 0.405 | 0.329 | 0.438 | 0.438 | 0.565 | 0.627 | 0.643 | 0.610 | 0.639 | 0.573 | 0.706 |
| Thallium | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.40 | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.40 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.020 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.25 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.15 | <0.15 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.030 | <0.10 |
| Zinc | mg/L | 94 | 0.902 | 164 | 171 | 171 | 129 | 74.4 | 63.8 | 43.5 | 42.8 | 34.4 | 50.6 |

Sample Weight: 432 g
 Acidity in: 1101 mg CaCO₃ eq/L
 Acidity out: 1013 mg CaCO₃ eq/L
 Acidity Consumed: 87 mg CaCO₃ eq/L
 NP Equivalent: 0.20 kgCaCO₃eq/tonne

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|-------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Zinc in | mg | 14 | 24 | 33 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 |
| Zinc out | mg | 25 | 42 | 59 | 74 | 83 | 91 | 96 | 101 | 105 | 105 | 110 | 110 |
| Accumulated | mg | -11 | -18 | -26 | -30 | -39 | -46 | -52 | -57 | -61 | -66 | -66 | -66 |
| Iron in | mg | 100 | 167 | 233 | 313 | 341 | 369 | 398 | 427 | 453 | 477 | 477 | 477 |
| Iron out | mg | 65 | 112 | 160 | 205 | 237 | 267 | 297 | 326 | 351 | 372 | 372 | 372 |
| Accumulated | mg | 35 | 54 | 73 | 108 | 104 | 102 | 102 | 100 | 102 | 105 | 105 | 105 |

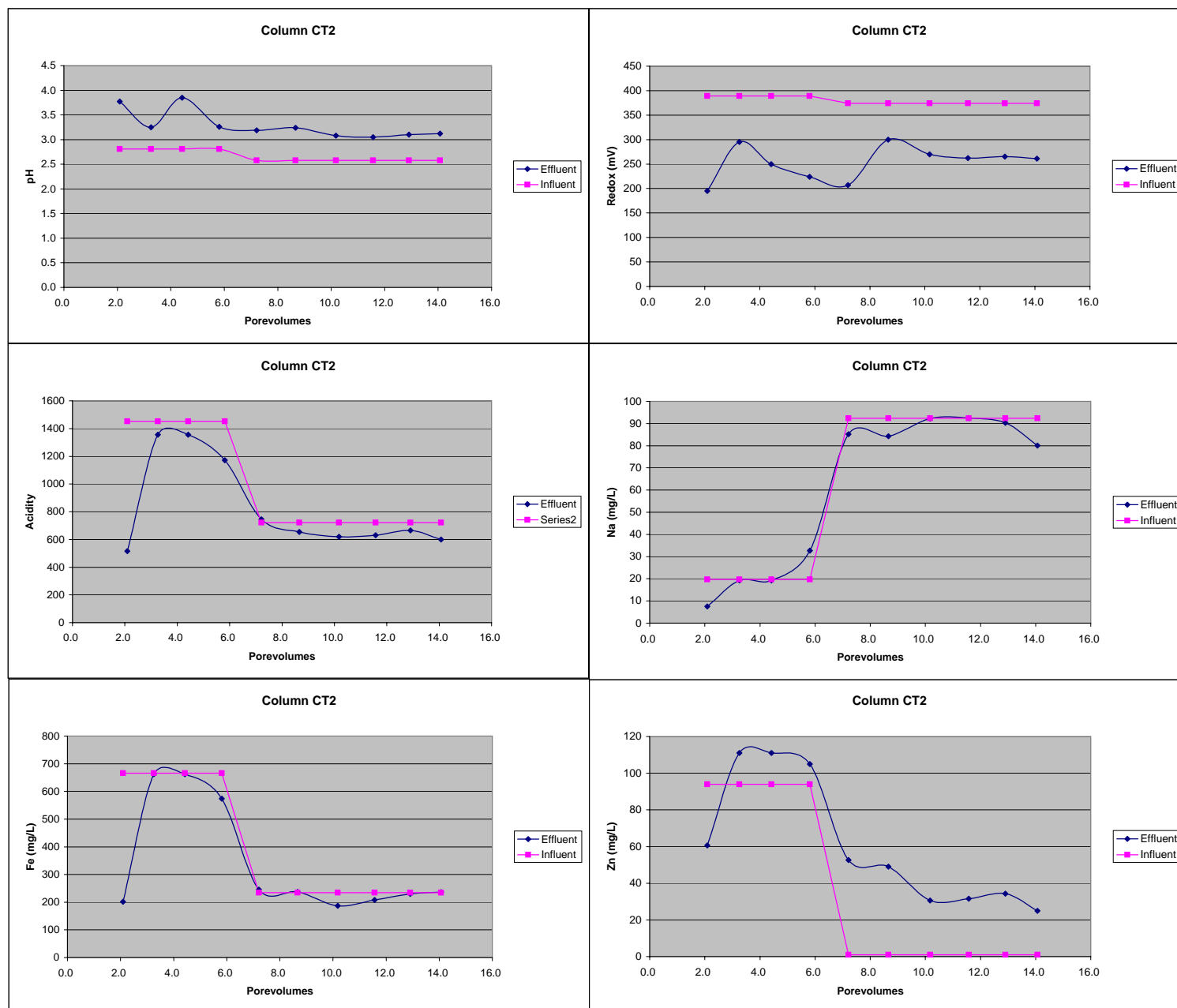


Appendix E5 - Column Test CT2
Description CT2- Tailings Composite Sample

| Parameter | Units | P0109B2 | X21A 96 2 | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | Feed -1 | Feed - 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Porevolume | 0.086 | | | 2.1 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 8.7 | 10.2 | 11.6 | 12.9 | 14.1 |
| DATE | | 22-Sep-04 | 28-Sep-04 | 22-Sep-04 | 23-Sep-04 | 24-Sep-04 | 28-Sep-04 | 30-Sep-04 | 4-Oct-04 | 6-Oct-04 | 8-Oct-04 | 12-Oct-04 | 14-Oct-04 |
| LEACHATE | (L) | | | 0.180 | 0.100 | 0.100 | 0.120 | 0.120 | 0.125 | 0.130 | 0.120 | 0.115 | 0.100 |
| pH | | 2.81 | 2.58 | 3.77 | 3.25 | 3.85 | 3.26 | 3.19 | 3.24 | 3.08 | 3.05 | 3.10 | 3.12 |
| REDOX. | (mV) | 389 | 374 | 195 | 295 | 250 | 224 | 207 | 300 | 270 | 262 | 265 | 261 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 195 | 310 | 15.0 | 55.6 | 55.6 | 45.0 | 350.0 | 125.0 | 430.0 | 480.0 | 150.0 | 400.0 |
| ACIDITY (pH 8.3) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 1452.5 | 722.5 | 515.0 | 1355.6 | 1355.6 | 1172.0 | 745.0 | 655.0 | 620.0 | 630.0 | 665.0 | 600.0 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total Metals (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.35 | 0.66 | 0.59 | 0.53 | 0.52 | 0.56 | 0.54 |
| Antimony | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | 0.016 | 0.013 | 0.012 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.016 | 0.010 | <0.010 | 0.011 | <0.010 | 1.25 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.0050 | 0.0077 | <0.0050 | 0.0063 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.065 | 0.057 | 0.057 | 0.049 | 0.041 | 0.059 | 0.045 | 0.047 | 0.036 | 0.014 |
| Calcium | mg/L | 78.7 | 178 | 121 | 144 | 144 | 171 | 244 | 244 | 239 | 241 | 226 | 205 |
| Chromium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | 0.15 | 0.011 | 0.157 | 0.187 | 0.187 | 0.177 | 0.091 | 0.062 | 0.045 | 0.037 | 0.035 | 0.025 |
| Copper | mg/L | 0.036 | <0.010 | 0.307 | 0.727 | 0.727 | 0.591 | 0.986 | 0.759 | 0.919 | 0.809 | 0.855 | 0.696 |
| Iron | mg/L | 666 | 234 | 202 | 662 | 662 | 574 | 245 | 237 | 187 | 208 | 230 | 236 |
| Lead | mg/L | <0.050 | 0.13 | 3.14 | 2.66 | 2.66 | 2.57 | 2.21 | 2.12 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.6 | 2.72 |
| Lithium | mg/L | 0.041 | 0.019 | 0.025 | 0.046 | 0.046 | 0.047 | 0.041 | 0.044 | 0.038 | 0.038 | 0.034 | 0.034 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 25 | 203 | 84.1 | 60.6 | 60.6 | 126 | 255 | 266 | 241 | 245 | 265 | 215 |
| Manganese | mg/L | 27 | 32.6 | 58.6 | 52.2 | 52.2 | 73.8 | 85.3 | 90.8 | 67.2 | 69.1 | 71.6 | 57.0 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | 0.181 | <0.050 | 0.248 | 0.288 | 0.288 | 0.319 | 0.226 | 0.208 | 0.083 | 0.098 | 0.153 | 0.089 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | 3.4 | 10.7 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 7.6 | 15.9 | 15.1 | 17.9 | 17.3 | 13.6 | 12.2 |
| Selenium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | 11 | 6.1 | 4.04 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 10.2 | 7.88 | 7.05 | 6.95 | 7.07 | 7.12 | 6.28 |
| Silver | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | 19.7 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 32.7 | 85.2 | 84.3 | 92.3 | 92.5 | 90.3 | 80.1 |
| Strontium | mg/L | 0.226 | 0.405 | 0.274 | 0.288 | 0.288 | 0.385 | 0.514 | 0.514 | 0.481 | 0.532 | 0.57 | 0.474 |
| Thallium | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.060 | <0.060 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.030 | <0.050 |
| Zinc | mg/L | 94 | 0.902 | 60.6 | 111 | 111 | 105 | 52.6 | 49.1 | 30.6 | 31.5 | 34.3 | 24.9 |

Sample Weight: 432 g
Acidity in: 1152 mg CaCO3 eq/L
Acidity out: 968 mg CaCO3 eq/L
Acidity Consumed: 183 mg CaCO3 eq/L
NP Equivalent: 0.42 kgCaCO3eq/tonne

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|-------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Zinc in | mg | 17 | 26 | 36 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 48 | 48 |
| Zinc out | mg | 11 | 22 | 33 | 46 | 52 | 58 | 62 | 66 | 70 | 72 |
| Accumulated | mg | 6.0 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 1.3 | -5 | -11 | -15 | -18 | -22 | -25 |
| Iron in | mg | 120 | 186 | 253 | 333 | 361 | 390 | 421 | 449 | 476 | 499 |
| Iron out | mg | 36 | 103 | 169 | 238 | 267 | 297 | 321 | 346 | 372 | 396 |
| Accumulated | mg | 84 | 84 | 84 | 95 | 94 | 94 | 100 | 103 | 103 | 103 |



Appendix E6 - Column Test CT3
**Soil Sample
Water**
**P03-04-GS2*
P10-6A3**

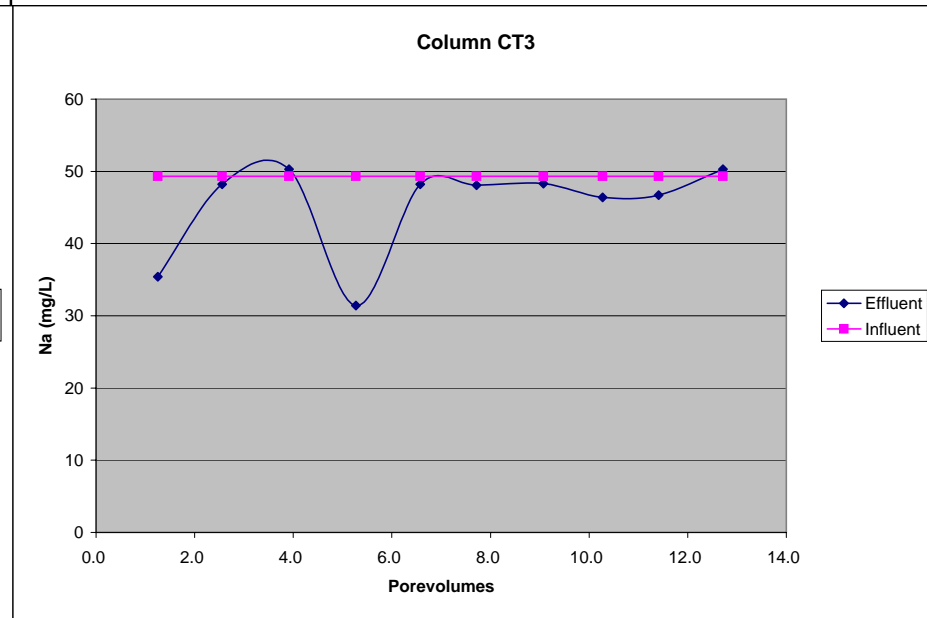
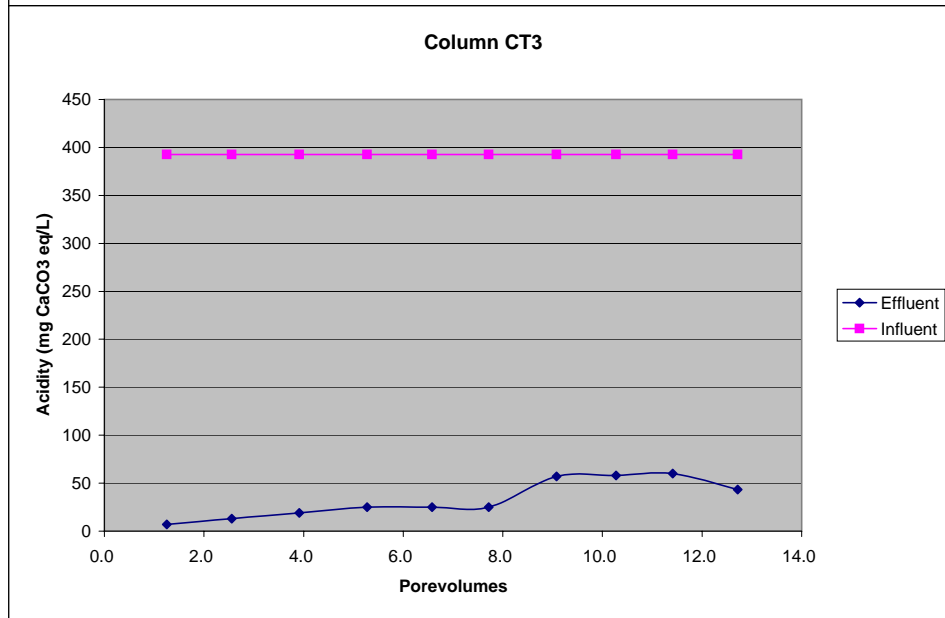
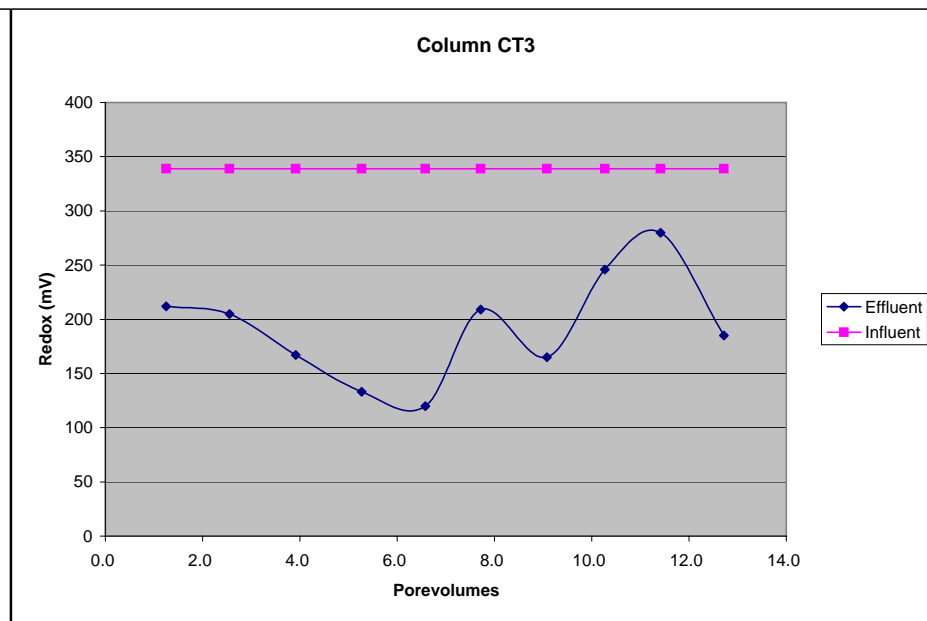
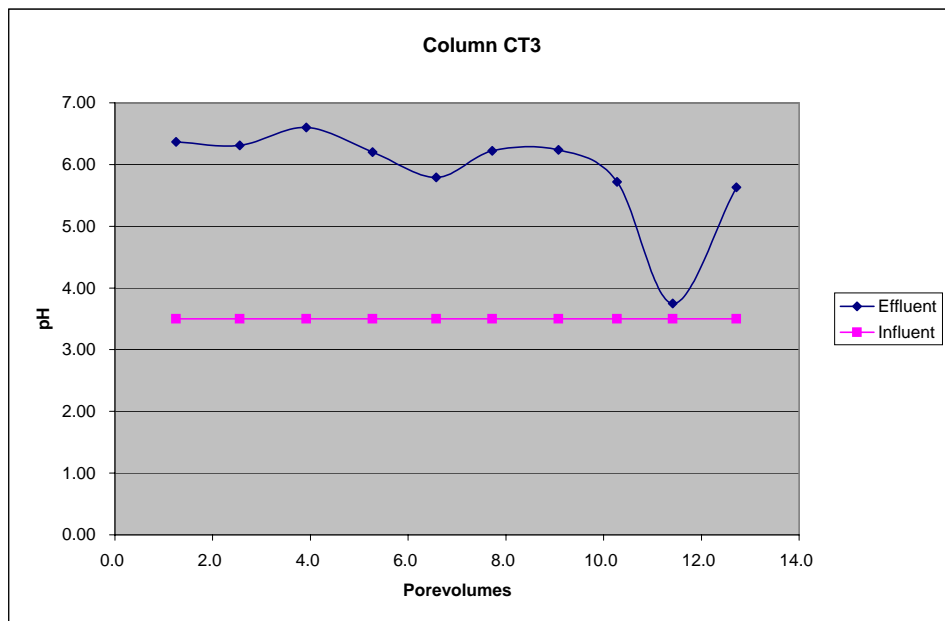
| Parameter | Units | Feed | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cycle | 0.092 | 0 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 9.1 | 10.3 | 11.4 | 12.7 |
| DATE | | | 22-Sep-04 | 27-Sep-04 | 29-Sep-04 | 1-Oct-04 | 5-Oct-04 | 6-Oct-04 | 11-Oct-04 | 13-Oct-04 | 15-Oct-04 | 19-Oct-04 |
| LEACHATE | (L) | | 0.115 | 0.120 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.120 | 0.105 | 0.125 | 0.110 | 0.105 | 0.120 |
| pH | | 3.5 | 6.37 | 6.31 | 6.60 | 6.20 | 5.79 | 6.22 | 6.24 | 5.72 | 3.75 | 5.63 |
| REDOX. | (mV) | 339 | 212 | 205 | 167 | 133 | 120 | 209 | 165 | 246 | 280 | 185 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 35 | 0.0 | - | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 28.0 | 20.0 | 0 |
| ACIDITY (pH 8.3) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 392.5 | 7.0 | 13.0 | 19.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 25 | 57 | 58 | 60 | 43 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 0 | 8.8 | 51.5 | 45.8 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 39.0 | 21.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10 |
| Total Metals (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.32 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 1.41 | 0.57 | <0.20 |
| Antimony | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | 0.03 | 0.026 | 0.021 | 0.018 | 0.064 | 0.032 | 0.019 | 0.014 | 0.062 | 0.025 | 0.019 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | <0.10 | 0.21 | 0.15 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | mg/L | 446 | 433 | 569 | 571 | 357 | 531 | 556 | 474 | 501 | 503 | 539 |
| Chromium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | 0.182 | 0.018 | 0.076 | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.144 | 0.118 | 0.143 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.16 |
| Copper | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.020 | 0.059 | 0.011 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.064 | <0.010 |
| Iron | mg/L | 170 | <0.030 | 7.04 | 11 | <0.030 | 29.2 | 15.5 | 20.5 | 40.1 | 11.8 | 10.5 |
| Lead | mg/L | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | mg/L | <0.010 | 0.050 | 0.055 | 0.042 | 0.013 | 0.016 | 0.018 | 0.017 | 0.014 | <0.010 | 0.016 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 128 | 47.2 | 104.0 | 120.0 | 80.3 | 121 | 124 | 128 | 120 | 124 | 132 |
| Manganese | mg/L | 42 | 7.96 | 29.70 | 38.20 | 27.2 | 42.1 | 40.8 | 41.3 | 40.7 | 41.7 | 43.3 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | 0.073 | 0.062 | 0.067 | <0.050 | <0.050 | 0.097 | 0.075 | 0.082 | 0.086 | 0.079 | 0.094 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | 9.3 | 20.0 | 21.0 | 21.8 | 17.8 | 23.1 | 25.3 | 20 | 13.7 | 10.4 | 14.2 |
| Selenium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | 6.74 | 4.06 | 6.18 | 6.33 | 4.48 | 6.79 | 6.03 | 5.81 | 7.79 | 6.74 | 6.15 |
| Silver | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Sodium | mg/L | 49.3 | 35.4 | 48.2 | 50.3 | 31.4 | 48.2 | 48.1 | 48.3 | 46.4 | 46.7 | 50.3 |
| Strontium | mg/L | 1.41 | 1.19 | 1.72 | 1.79 | 1.11 | 1.69 | 1.75 | 1.67 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.71 |
| Thallium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.014 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.059 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | mg/L | 4.46 | 2.00 | 4.73 | 4.97 | 4.4 | 8.44 | 5.8 | 6.95 | 7.45 | 9.91 | 7.76 |

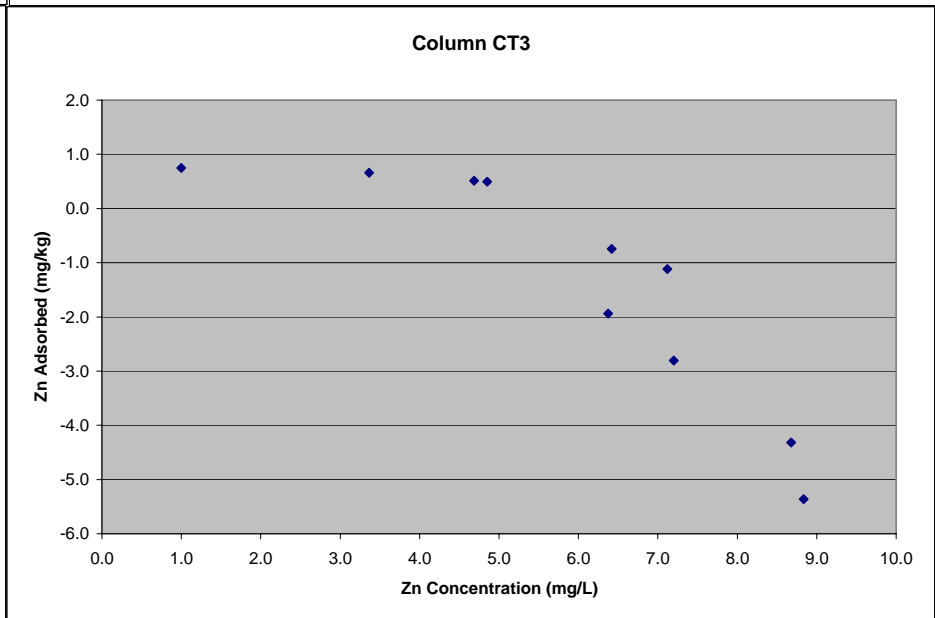
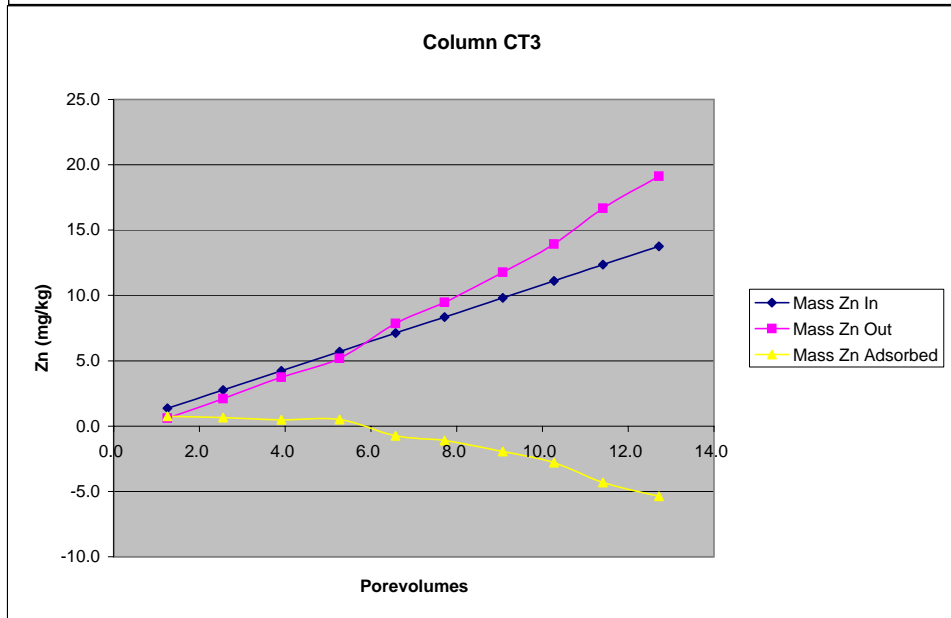
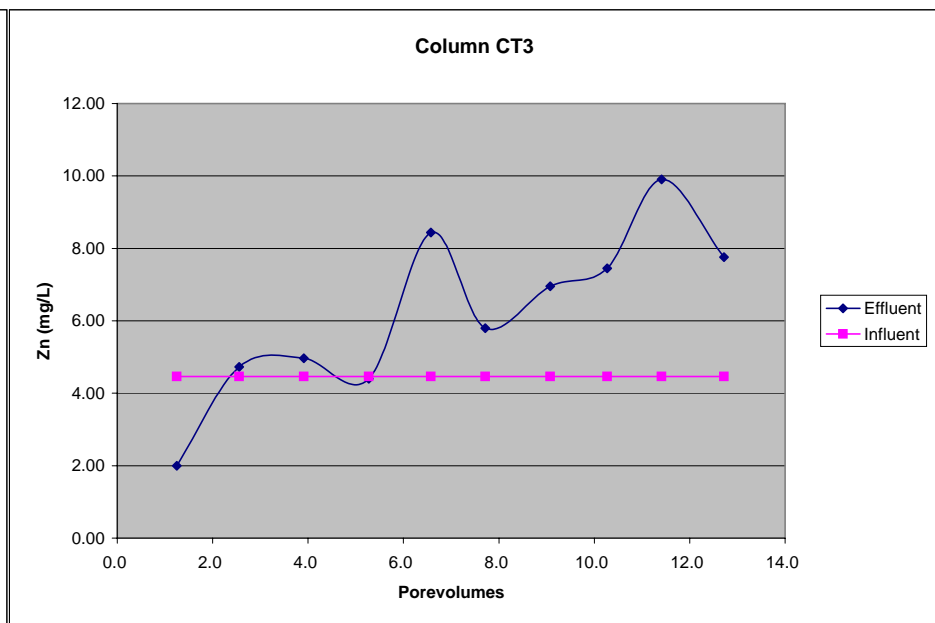
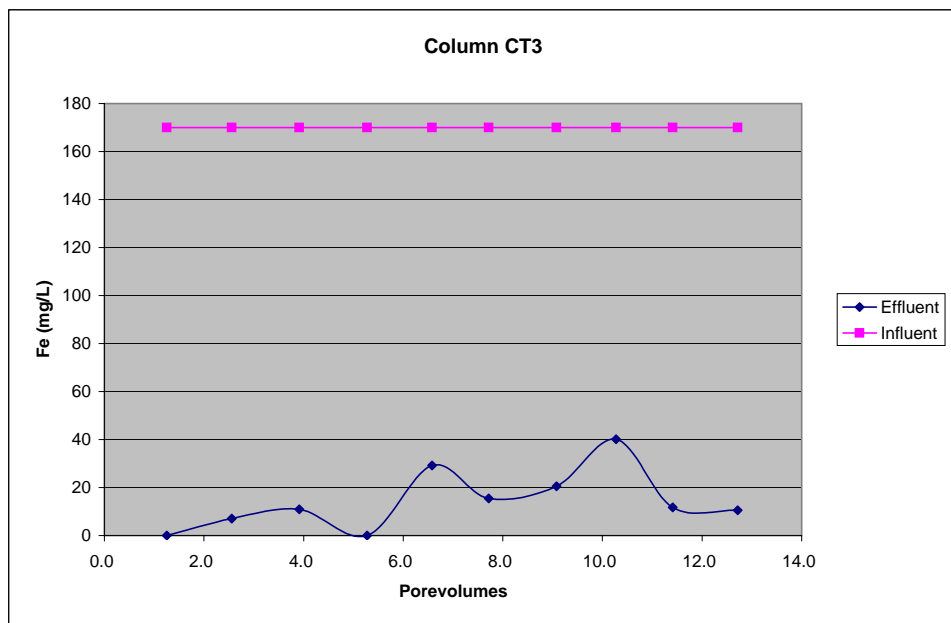
Column Test CT3
Summary Calculations

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|---------------|----------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sample Weight | g | 379 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acidity in | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.12 | 0.24 | 0.37 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.74 | 0.86 | 0.98 | 1.09 | 1.21 |
| Acidity out | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Accumulated | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.12 | 0.24 | 0.37 | 0.49 | 0.62 | 0.73 | 0.85 | 0.96 | 1.07 | 1.20 |
| Iron in | mg/kg | 0 | 52 | 105 | 161 | 218 | 271 | 318 | 375 | 424 | 471 | 525 |
| Iron out | mg/kg | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 9 | 14 | 20 | 32 | 35 | 39 |
| Accumulated | mg/kg | 0 | 52 | 103 | 156 | 218 | 262 | 305 | 354 | 392 | 436 | 486 |
| Zn in | mg/kg | 0 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 9.8 | 11.1 | 12.4 | 13.8 |
| Zn out | mg/kg | 0 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 3.7 | 5.2 | 7.9 | 9.5 | 11.8 | 13.9 | 16.7 | 19.1 |
| Accumulated | mg/kg | | 0.75 | 0.66 | 0.49 | 0.51 | -0.75 | -1.12 | -1.94 | -2.81 | -4.32 | -5.36 |
| Zinc | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C(Liquid) | mg/L | | 1.0 | 3.4 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 6.4 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 7.2 | 8.7 | 8.8 |
| C(solids) | mg/kg | | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -0.7 | -1.1 | -1.9 | -2.8 | -4.3 | -5.4 |
| Kd | L/kg | | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.4 | -0.5 | -0.6 |
| Zn / Fe | mg Zn / mg Fe | | 0.014 | 0.006 | 0.003 | 0.002 | -0.003 | -0.004 | -0.005 | -0.007 | -0.010 | -0.011 |

Breakthrough Kd Estimation

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mass | 379 g |
| Dry Bulk Density | 1.6 g/ml |
| Solids SG | 2.6 g/ml |
| Volume solids | 146 ml |
| Total Volume | 237 ml |
| Calculated Pore Volume | 91 ml |
| Theta | 0.385 |
| Retardation | 1.3 (breakthrough concentration at 50 % of influent) |
| Kd | 0.07 kg/L |





Appendix E7 - Column Test CT4
**Soil Sample
Water**
**P03-04-GS2*
P01-09B1**

| Parameter | Units | Feed | Effluent | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cycle | 0.091 | 0 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 6.5 | 7.9 | 9.1 | 10.4 | 11.5 | 12.9 |
| DATE | | | 22-Sep-04 | 27-Sep-04 | 29-Sep-04 | 1-Oct-04 | 5-Oct-04 | 6-Oct-04 | 11-Oct-04 | 13-Oct-04 | 15-Oct-04 | 19-Oct-04 |
| LEACHATE | (L) | | 0.120 | 0.130 | 0.115 | 0.105 | 0.125 | 0.120 | 0.110 | 0.125 | 0.100 | 0.120 |
| pH | | 2.9 | 6.11 | 5.75 | 6.05 | 6.39 | 5.19 | 5.15 | 5.55 | 4.20 | 3.61 | 3.06 |
| REDOX. | (mV) | 399 | 66 | 230 | 89 | 100 | 167 | 200 | 200 | 162 | 260 | 227 |
| ACIDITY (pH 4.5) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 147.5 | 0.0 | - | - | 0.0 | - | 285.0 | 0.0 | 97.0 | 178.6 | 185.5 |
| ACIDITY (pH 8.3) | (mg CaCO3/L) | 890 | 102 | 134 | 165 | 197 | 302 | 407 | 406 | 450 | 306 | 302 |
| ALKALINITY | (mg CaCO3/L) | 0 | 4.3 | - | - | 0.0 | - | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| Total Metals (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.2 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | 0.23 | <0.20 | 1.54 | 1.18 | 0.96 |
| Antimony | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Arsenic | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Barium | mg/L | 0.018 | 0.031 | 0.024 | 0.021 | 0.042 | 0.023 | 0.021 | 0.016 | 0.057 | 0.025 | 0.015 |
| Beryllium | mg/L | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 | <0.0050 |
| Bismuth | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Boron | mg/L | <0.10 | <0.10 | 0.13 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 | <0.10 |
| Cadmium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Calcium | mg/L | 72.5 | 306 | 293 | 320 | 203 | 218 | 214 | 202 | 196 | 221 | 234 |
| Chromium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Cobalt | mg/L | 0.146 | 0.056 | 0.110 | 0.116 | 0.092 | 0.143 | 0.157 | 0.137 | 0.172 | 0.19 | 0.184 |
| Copper | mg/L | 0.082 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.044 | <0.010 | 0.031 | 0.032 | 0.074 | 0.363 | 0.357 |
| Iron | mg/L | 376 | 41.1 | 126.0 | 122.0 | 076 | 167 | 252 | 149 | 211 | 63.6 | 112 |
| Lead | mg/L | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 | <0.050 |
| Lithium | mg/L | 0.044 | 0.050 | 0.067 | 0.062 | 0.041 | 0.056 | 0.065 | 0.051 | 0.06 | 0.062 | 0.064 |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 21 | 24.6 | 26.4 | 30.0 | 22.4 | 28.3 | 30.7 | 32.3 | 31.6 | 39 | 42 |
| Manganese | mg/L | 24.7 | 10.5 | 20.7 | 23.4 | 17.8 | 24.3 | 26.7 | 24.4 | 26.6 | 27.3 | 27.7 |
| Molybdenum | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Nickel | mg/L | 0.218 | 0.087 | 0.134 | 0.150 | 0.109 | 0.162 | 0.181 | 0.19 | 0.222 | 0.24 | 0.245 |
| Phosphorus | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 | <0.30 |
| Potassium | mg/L | 3.3 | 14.7 | 15.3 | 13.4 | 28.4 | 16.6 | 19 | 26.3 | 9.3 | 14.2 | 13.8 |
| Selenium | mg/L | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Silicon | mg/L | 11.1 | 5.92 | 8.93 | 9.15 | 7.11 | 9.57 | 10.5 | 9.2 | 12.4 | 11.3 | 10.5 |
| Silver | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.016 | 0.012 | <0.010 | 0.029 | 0.01 | <0.010 | 0.038 | <0.010 | 0.015 |
| Sodium | mg/L | 18.2 | 24.6 | 20.7 | 21.0 | 14.8 | 17.7 | 19.3 | 17.6 | 18.8 | 18.5 | 19 |
| Strontium | mg/L | 0.218 | 0.858 | 0.845 | 0.937 | 0.609 | 0.654 | 0.64 | 0.655 | 0.605 | 0.653 | 0.699 |
| Thallium | mg/L | <0.30 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 | <0.20 |
| Tin | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Titanium | mg/L | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.011 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | <0.010 | 0.057 | <0.010 | <0.010 |
| Vanadium | mg/L | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 | <0.030 |
| Zinc | mg/L | 59.4 | 16.0 | 32.8 | 35.8 | 30.3 | 46.3 | 49.9 | 43 | 55.5 | 58.3 | 50.1 |

Column Test CT4
Summary Calculations

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Sample Weight | g | 379 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acidity in | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.28 | 0.59 | 0.86 | 1.10 | 1.40 | 1.68 | 1.94 | 2.23 | 2.47 | 2.75 | |
| Acidity out | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 0.10 | |
| Accumulated | kgCaCO3 /tonne | 0 | 0.25 | 0.54 | 0.81 | 1.05 | 1.30 | 1.55 | 1.82 | 2.08 | 2.38 | 2.65 | |
| Iron in | mg/kg | 0 | 119 | 248 | 362 | 466 | 590 | 709 | 818 | 942 | 1042 | 1161 | |
| Iron out | mg/kg | 0 | 13.0 | 56 | 93 | 114 | 169 | 249 | 292 | 362 | 379 | 414 | |
| Accumulated | mg/kg | 0 | 106 | 192 | 269 | 352 | 421 | 460 | 526 | 581 | 663 | 747 | |
| Zn in | mg/kg | 0 | 18.8 | 39.2 | 57.2 | 73.7 | 93.3 | 112.1 | 129.3 | 148.9 | 164.6 | 183.4 | |
| Zn out | mg/kg | 0 | 5.1 | 16.3 | 27.2 | 35.6 | 50.8 | 66.6 | 79.1 | 97.4 | 112.8 | 128.7 | |
| Accumulated | mg/kg | | 13.7 | 22.9 | 30.0 | 38.1 | 42.4 | 45.4 | 50.2 | 51.5 | 51.8 | 54.7 | |
| Zinc | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C(Liquid) | mg/L | | 8.0 | 24.4 | 34.3 | 33.1 | 38.3 | 48.1 | 46.5 | 49.3 | 56.9 | 54.2 | |
| C(solids) | mg/kg | | 13.7 | 22.9 | 30.0 | 38.1 | 42.4 | 45.4 | 50.2 | 51.5 | 51.8 | 54.7 | |
| Kd | L/kg | | 1.7 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | |
| Zn / Fe | mg Zn / mg Fe | | 0.130 | 0.119 | 0.112 | 0.108 | 0.101 | 0.099 | 0.095 | 0.089 | 0.078 | 0.073 | |

Breakthrough Kd Estimation

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mass | 379 g |
| Dry Bulk Density | 1.6 g/ml |
| Solids SG | 2.6 g/ml |
| Volume solids | 146 ml |
| Total Volume | 237 ml |
| Calculated Pore Volume | 91 ml |
| Theta | 0.385 |
| Retardation | 4 (breakthrough concentration at 50 % of influent) |
| Kd | 0.72 kg/L |

