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1. Introduction

This quarterly report covers the Quality Assurance and Control (QA/QC) activities undertaken by netcen to ratify automatic monitoring data from Defra and the Devolved Administrations' urban and rural air quality monitoring network (AURN) for the period October to December 2002.

In addition to the 82 urban sites, this report includes 22 rural network sites and 14 sites in the London Air Quality Monitoring Network (LAQN) which are affiliated into the national network, bringing the total number of sites to 118. The following information is contained in this report:

Section 1: Introduction including recent changes that have taken place in the network and a general overview of network performance.

Section 2: Generic data quality issues and recommendations for improving or resolving these issues

Section 3: Site specific issues

Section 4: Reasons for data loss at sites where data capture falls below 90%

Section 5 Data capture statistics presented in tables, including data capture for the entire year January-December 2002

Appendix A Recommendations for replacing or up-grading equipment (compiled in

conjunction with CMCUs).

Appendix B Critical sites in the AURN

1.1 Recent Changes in the Network

Following award of new contracts in October 2002, netcen have undertaken the role of QA/QC Unit for the urban, rural and London Network monitoring sites. Casella Stanger continue to be the Central Management and Co-ordination Unit (CMCU) for the urban and rural sites with Environmental Research Group (ERG, King's College London) undertaking the management role for the London Air Quality Network. Messer UK Ltd is now responsible for the supply and delivery of gas calibration cylinders to all network sites. LSO and ESU contracts for the urban and rural network sites (excluding the London Network) were re-tendered by Casella Stanger in March 2003. Details of the LSOs for the sites can be found on the AURN Hub web site at: http://www.aeat.co.uk/com/AURNHUB/aunhubPUBLIC-20.htm

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An overview of the main changes relating to sites in the AURN between January 2002 to April 2003 is presented below with a summary given in Table 1.1.

Monitoring at Hull Centre ceased on January 17th 2002 and the equipment was relocated to a new site at Hull Freetown which was commissioned on November 8th 2002. The Stockport site was also closed on October 3rd 2002 when the lease expired and this site was subsequently relocated on 11th October 2002 to Stockport Shaw Heath.

The Liverpool Centre Site was closed on 23rd September 2002 for health and safety reasons and consequently there is no data from the Liverpool Centre site for this quarter. The site has now been relocated approximately 10 miles away to the vacated hydrocarbon site in Speke. A new set of analysers is being installed at this site and monitoring is expected to commence in April 2003 once the site has undergone a precommissioning audit.

The Edinburgh Centre site was closed in April 2002 due to necessary redevelopment of the Princes Street Gardens area. A mobile station operated by Edinburgh City Council

was co-located approximately 90 metres north east of the original site. The mobile station was operating from April 24th until 19th November. It was then closed in order to prepare the local area for the Hogmanay celebrations. The mobile station has not yet been reinstated as work was taking place to repair ground in the area of the site. The original site has, in the meantime, been relocated approximately 1 mile away to Richmond Gardens. The analysers have now been installed but there has been some delay in getting mains power to the site.

Hounslow Roadside site was closed on November 16th 2002 because the building in which the monitors were housed was being sold. The site is being relocated to a cabin at the roadside of the A4 adjacent to the M4 flyover.

The monitoring station at Reading was closed at the end of January 2003 as the lease for the site had expired. Arrangements are being made to relocate the site approximately 1 mile away to Junction Cemetery. There has been a delay in the relocation of this site due to power supply problems.

QA/QC Unit audited the gravimetric PM_{10} monitor installed at London Westminster on 15^{th} January 2003. However, it was discover that a component was missing from the analyser. The repair was carried out and PM_{10} monitoring commenced on 19^{th} February 2003. The Partisol analyser at Brighton Roadside commenced monitoring on 28^{th} February 2003.

Additional ozone and rural NO_x analysers have recently been installed in the network in order to comply with the Third Daughter Directive (DD3) which comes into force on 9^{th} September 2003. So far, ozone analysers have been installed at Portsmouth and Cwmbran and a NO_x analyser at Somerton. These should all be operational by the end of April 2003.

A major programme of work has now commenced on replacement of analysers at the oldest sites in the network. This is being organised by Casella Stanger with QA/QC Unit undertaking the pre-commissioning audits of the new equipment and LSO training as required.

Table 1.1 Changes to the AURN between January 2002 to April 2003

| Sites Date Commenced | | Pollutants |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| New sites | | |
| Wrexham | 6 March 2002 | NO ₂ CO SO ₂ |
| | | |
| Additional CO monitoring (I | DD2) | |
| Wrexham | 6 March 2002 | CO |
| Cwmbran | 12 March 2002 | CO |
| Northampton | 12 March 2002 | CO |
| Portsmouth | 21 March 2002 | CO |
| Wigan Leigh | 15 th May 2002 | CO and O ₃ |
| Barnsley Gawber | 8 th July 2002 | CO |
| Dumfries | 17 th July 2002 | CO |
| Inverness | 17 th July 2002 | CO |
| Bournemouth | 19 th July 2002 | CO |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm | 14 th August 2002 | CO |
| Grangemouth | 17 th January 2003 | CO |
| | | |
| Additional Gravimetric PM ₁₀ | (Partisol) monitoring | |
| Inverness | 13 th February 2002 | PM ₁₀ |
| | (restarted after vandalism) | |
| Wrexham | 6 th March 2002 | PM ₁₀ |

| Sites | Date Commenced | Pollutants |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| London Westminster | Started 19 th February 2003 | PM ₁₀ |
| Brighton Roadside | Started 28 th February 2003 | PM ₁₀ |
| | | |
| Additional rural O ₃ and NO _x | | |
| Portsmouth | Commenced 15 th April 2003 | O_3 |
| Cwmbran | Installed awaiting audit | O_3 |
| Somerton | Installed awaiting audit | NO _x |
| | | |
| Monitoring suspended | Data Loss | |
| Hull Centre relocated to Hull | 17 Jan 2002 - 8 th Nov 2002 | All |
| Freetown | | |
| Grangemouth – site up grade | 1 st Aug 2002 – 17 th Jan 2003 | All |
| Inverness – vandalised | 30 th Sept 01 to 13 th Feb 2002 | PM ₁₀ (Gravimetric) |
| London Bloomsbury | 4 Feb 2002 to 5 March 2002 | All |
| relocation | | |
| Edinburgh mobile site | Closed 8 th November 2002 | PM ₁₀ |
| temporarily closed. | | |
| Permanent site in place | | |
| awaiting power supply | ath with a six and | |
| Stockport relocated to | 8 th -11 th October 2002 | All |
| Stockport Shaw Heath | | |
| Liverpool Centre closed. | Closed from 23 rd September | All |
| Relocation to Speke in | 2002. | |
| progress | | A 11 |
| Reading closed. | Closed at end of January | All |
| Relocation to Junction | 2003 | |
| Cemetery in progress | Closed 16 th November | ΛΠ |
| Hounslow Roadside closed. To be relocated | Ciosea 16 November | All |
| To be relocated | | |

1.2 Overview of Network Performance

Ratified hourly average data capture for the network averaged 94.1% for all pollutants $(O_3, NO_2, SO_2, CO \text{ and } PM_{10})$ during the 3-month reporting period October-December 2002 (see Table 1.2 below).

Table 1.2 AURN Ratified Data Capture (%) October – December 2002 (Using the start date of any new site)

| Pollutant | CO | NO_2 | O_3 | PM ₁₀ | SO_2 | Average |
|------------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|--------|---------|
| Data Capture (%) | 92.4 | 92.2 | 96.4 | 94.0 | 94.3 | 94.1 |

The ratified data capture statistics for the complete year (January to December 2002) are given in Table 1.3. The annual average data capture for the year was 93.0% which is consistent with the overall high levels of network performance seen over the last few years. An overview of network performance and data capture will be presented in the AURN annual report which is currently in production and will be available in the near future.

Table 1.3 AURN Ratified Data Capture (%) January–December 2002 (Using the start date of any new site)

| Pollutant | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Average |
|------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Data Capture (%) | 89.8 | 93.2 | 95.0 | 93.1 | 93.1 | 93.0 |

Overall, 345 out of the 393 analysers (87.8%) achieved data capture levels above the required 90% target during this reporting period. This indicates an overall increase in network performance from the previous quarter (July to September 2002) when 81.4% of the analyser achieved data capture above 90%. Table 1.4 shows the number of analysers in the network that did not achieve 90% data capture during this period. From this is can be seen that a relatively high proportion of CO analysers (18%) in the network failed to meet the target. The reason for this was mainly due to analyser malfunction and high response noise. (See Sections 3 and 4 for details).

Table 1.4 Number of Analysers with Data Capture below 90% October-December 2002

| | Total | Analysers with | Analysers with |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Number | Data Capture | Data Capture |
| | Of Analysers | < 90% | <80% |
| CO | 76 | 14 | 8 |
| NO_2 | 98 | 13 | 10 |
| O_3 | 76 | 5 | 2 |
| PM ₁₀ | 67 | 5 | 4 |
| SO ₂ | 76 | 11 | 5 |
| All sites | 393 | 48 | 29 |

All data capture figures given in this report now include the gravimetric PM_{10} data. Note that there are two PM_{10} instruments at Northampton: a TEOM and a Partisol. Data from the Northampton TEOM instrument have been used to calculate the data capture. QA/QC Unit has developed data ratification procedures for the gravimetric analysers and an additional section on gravimetric PM_{10} data ratification has been included in this report (Section 4.1).

A more detailed breakdown of the hourly data capture statistics for each site is presented in Section 5, Table 5.1. In total, 16 out of the 118 operational sites (13.4%) had an average data capture rate below the required 90% level for the October to December 2002 period. (See Table 1.5). The main site operational and QA/QC issues giving rise to data capture below the required 90% level are summarised in Section 4.

Table 1.5 Sites with Average Data Capture < 90%, October-December 2002 (data capture from site start date)

| Site | Status | Average Data Capture(%) |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Bristol Old Market | Affiliate | 48.3 |
| Coventry Memorial Park | Affiliate | 89.6 |
| Great Dun Fell | Defra | 89.5 |
| Hounslow Roadside | Affiliate | 48.8 |
| Hull Freetown | Defra | 76.9 |
| Leeds Centre | Defra | 82.8 |
| London A3 Roadside | Defra | 87.4 |
| London Southwark | Affiliate | 79.1 |
| Manchester South | Affiliate | 76.2 |
| Rochester | Affiliate | 73.2 |
| Southampton Centre | Defra | 86.8 |
| Stockport | Affiliate | 58.3 |
| Edinburgh Centre | Defra | 52.6 |
| Grangemouth | Affiliate | 0.0 |
| Cwmbran | Affiliate | 85 |
| Narberth | Affiliate | 84 |

Netcen carried out the Winter intercalibration and site audits at 118 urban and rural sites during January-March 2003. Results from this intercalibration exercise have been used to assess the accuracy and consistency of the data for this reporting period. Details of the Winter 2003 intercalibration will be reported in July in conjunction with the next data ratification report.

QA/QC Unit's data ratification and intercalibration reports are now available on the Air Quality Archive web site at the following address:

http://www.airquality.co.uk/archive/reports/reports.php?action=category§ion_id=5 and also on the AURN project information hub web site¹. http://www.aeat.co.uk/com/AURNHUB/index.html.

¹ Password protected site: username and password available from <u>Jane.vallance-plews@aeat.co.uk</u>

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2. Generic Data Quality Issues

2.1 Progress on the Affiliation of New Sites

The programme to install additional CO monitors to comply with the EU DD2 Directive has been completed. CO monitoring at Grangemouth was delayed until 17th January 2003 due to the site infrastructure being up-graded.

In order to comply with the third Daughter Directive (implementation date 9^{th} September 2003), future expansion of the network is planned for 2003 to incorporate 3 new sites and further additional ozone and rural NO_x monitors. Ozone analysers have now been installed at Portsmouth and Cwmbran and a NO_x analyser at Somerton. Monitoring will commence following the QA/QC pre-commissioning audits which are scheduled for the end of April 2003. It is anticipated that NO_x analysers will be installed at Aston Hill, Bush, Glazebury, High Muffles and Yarner Wood during the next 6 months. Locations have now been agreed for the three new sites monitoring rural NO_x and O_3 . These will be at Leominster (West Midlands), Ashington (North East) and Fort William (Highlands).

Further details on the second and third Daughter Directives can be found at: http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/consult/air-23daughter/index.htm

2.2 Data Capture for Critical Sites in Zones and Agglomerations

In order to meet the requirements of the Daughter Directives, any zone or agglomeration* with an exceedence of the limit value must be formally reported to the Commission. Data capture targets must be achieved, especially for the zones and agglomerations that rely on the results from a single monitoring station (i.e. critical sites). The list of the critical sites in the Network has been revised to reflect the requirements of the First, Second and Third Daughter Directives (see Appendix B). In total 61 sites have been identified as critical for DD1, DD2 or DD3. (25 sites in agglomerations and 36 in zones).

Critical sites with less than 90% data capture during the 3-month period October to December 2002 are given in Table 2.1. Reasons for data loss at these sites are given in Section 4. Table 2.2 shows the critical sites with less than 90% data capture for the entire year January-December 2002. In total 24 sites did not meet the required 90% data capture for one or more of the critical pollutants during the year 2002.

Table 2.1 Critical Sites in Agglomerations and Zones* with < 90% data capture, October-December 2002

(All data captures are calculated from 1st October to 31st December 2002)

| Critical Sites in Agglomerations | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Site | Pollutant | Data Capture(%) | | | | | |
| Coventry Memorial Park | CO | 60.2 | | | | | |
| Edinburgh Centre | All | 52% (site closed) | | | | | |
| Glasgow Centre | SO ₂ | 85.2 | | | | | |
| Brighton Roadside | PM ₁₀ (Gravimetric) | Not operational | | | | | |

^{*} A definition of zones and agglomerations can be found under "Article 5 Assessment Zones and Agglomerations Monitoring Maps" at http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/airquality/index.htm

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| Critical Sites in Agglomerations | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Site | Pollutant | Data Capture(%) | | | |
| Hull Freetown | CO | 0 | | | |
| | NO ₂ | 59.1 | | | |
| | O_3 | 59.3 | | | |
| | PM ₁₀ | 55.3 | | | |
| | SO ₂ | 60.6 | | | |
| Leicester Centre | CO | 78.5 | | | |
| Liverpool Centre | All | Site closed | | | |
| Southampton Centre | CO | 83.7 | | | |
| | NO ₂ | 87.6 | | | |
| | O_3 | 87.7 | | | |
| | PM ₁₀ | 87.9 | | | |
| | SO ₂ | 87 | | | |
| Southend-on-Sea | CO | 81.4 | | | |
| Wirral Tranmere | CO | 83.0 | | | |
| Critical Sites in Zones | | | | | |
| Cwmbran | CO | 81.2 | | | |
| | NO ₂ | 75.4 | | | |
| | SO ₂ | 86.9 | | | |
| Derry | O ₃ | 85.1 | | | |
| Grangemouth | All | Site closed for up- | | | |
| | | grade | | | |
| Great Dun Fell | O ₃ | 89.5 | | | |

RECOMMENDATION

Every effort should be made to ensure that data capture is maximised for the critical sites. LSOs and ESUs should undertake call-outs and repairs as soon as possible to avoid unnecessary data loss at these sites.

2.2 Critical Sites in Agglomerations and Zones with <90% data capture, January to December 2002

(All data captures are calculated from 1st January to 31st December 2002) Table 2.2

| Site | CO | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Comments |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Critical Sites in Agglom | erations | | | | _ | |
| Belfast Centre | ✓ | ✓ | √ | | | |
| Blackpool | ✓ | ✓ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Bournemouth | 41.9 | ✓ | - | √ | √ | |
| Brighton Roadside | | | - | 0 | - | PM ₁₀ not operational yet |
| Bristol Centre | | | √ | √ | √ | |
| Cardiff Centre | 87.7 | √ | √ | √ | 87.2 | |
| Coventry Memorial Park | 33.5 | 87.8 | √ | √ | √ | |
| Edinburgh Centre | 82.2 | 86 | 84.8 | 82.1 | 86.1 | |
| Glasgow Centre | | ✓ | √ | | 85.3 | |
| Hove Roadside | | | - | - | √ | |
| Hull Freetown | 0 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 13.9 | 15.3 | |
| Leicester Centre | 88.1 | √ | √ | 79.3 | √ | |
| Liverpool Centre | 40 | 68 | 66 | 69 | 70 | |
| Newcastle Centre | ✓ | ✓ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Nottingham Centre | ✓ | ✓ | √ | 88.9 | √ | |
| Portsmouth | 76.7 | √ | - | √ | √ | |
| Preston | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Reading | 59.7 | √ | √ | √ | 80.4 | |
| Sheffield Centre | | | | √ | | |
| Southampton Centre | 83.8 | √ | 86.5 | 88.4 | 65.7 | |
| Southend-on-Sea | √ | ✓ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Stoke-on-Trent Centre | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Swansea | √ | | | | | |
| Wirral Tranmere | 70.9 | √ | 84.2 | √ | √ | |
| Critical Sites in Zones | | | | J. | <u> </u> | |
| Aberdeen | ✓ | ✓ | - | 72.3 | ✓ | |
| Aston Hill | - | - | √ | - | - | |
| Barnsley Gawber | 47.4 | 86.4 | | - | | |
| Bush Estate | - | - | √ | - | - | |
| Canterbury | - | | - | √ | - | |
| Cwmbran | 71.6 | √ | - | √ | √ | |
| Derry | ✓ | ✓ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Dumfries | ✓ | √ | - | √ | - | |
| Glazebury | - | - | √ | - | - | |
| Grangemouth | 0 | 57.3 | - | 57.3 | 57.3 | CO started 17/1/03 |
| Great Dun Fell | - | - | 74.3 | - | - | |
| High Muffles | - | - | √ | - | - | 1 |
| Inverness | | √ | - | 65.8 | - | |
| Ladybower | - | √ | √ | - | | |
| Leamington Spa | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Lough Navar | - | - | 87.7 | | - | |
| Narberth | - | | √ | | | |
| Northampton | 57.1 | √ | - | √ | √ | |
| Norwich Centre | | √ | √ | | | |

| Site | CO | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Comments |
|-----------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Oxford Centre | ✓ | | - | - | | |
| Plymouth Centre | | | | ✓ | | |
| Scunthorpe | - | - | - | | ✓ | |
| Sibton | - | - | ✓ | - | - | |
| Somerton | - | - | ✓ | - | - | |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm | 37.3 | ✓ | - | ✓ | - | |
| Strath Vaich | - | - | ✓ | - | - | |
| Sunderland | - | - | - | - | ✓ | |
| Thurrock | | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Wicken Fen | - | 85 | ✓ | - | | |
| Wigan Leigh | 62.4 | ✓ | 62.4 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Wrexham | 80.9 | 77.8 | - | 78.1 | 69.6 | |
| Yarner Wood | - | - | ✓ | - | - | |
| | | | | | | |
| Number of Sites < 90% | 18 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 9 | |

Key

Pollutant not critical at this site

- ✓ Data capture for critical pollutant >90%
- not monitored

2.3 Gravimetric PM₁₀ Data Ratification

Gravimetric PM_{10} analysers (Partisols) are located at seven sites in the network (Bournemouth, Northampton, Wrexham, Dumfries, Inverness, London Westminster and Brighton Roadside). PM_{10} monitoring at London Westminster commenced on 19^{th} February 2003 and at Brighton Roadside on 28^{th} February 2003.

The Northampton Partisol is also co-located with a TEOM which provides a useful check that both techniques are operating correctly. Gravimetric PM_{10} concentrations and the daily mean TEOM scaled by 1.3 at Northampton are shown in Figure 2.1. This shows good agreement between the two techniques during the periods when the Partisol was operational.

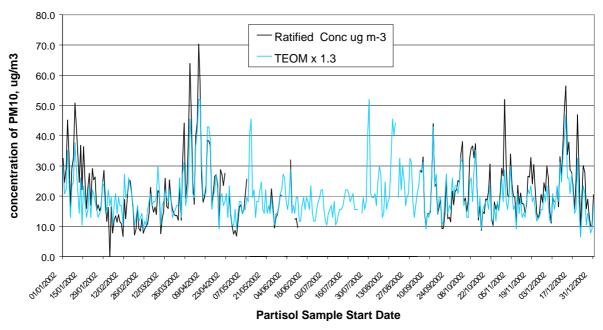


Figure 2.1 Partisol and TEOM (x1.3) Concentrations at Northampton (Jan-Dec 02)

Data capture for the gravimetric PM_{10} (Partisol) analysers during October to December 2002 was exceptionally good with all five operational Partisols exceeding the required 90% data capture target. The average data capture for the gravimetric PM_{10} analysers during October to December 2002 was 99.1%. Details of data loss associated with each site are given in Section 4.1. Table 2.3 also shows the gravimetric PM_{10} data capture for the entire year January- December 2002.

Table 2.3 Gravimetric PM₁₀ Data Capture

| Site | Oct-Dec 2002 | Jan-Dec 2002 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bournemouth | 100 | 95.8 |
| Dumfries | 98.9 | 93.7 |
| Inverness* | 97.8 | 65.8 |
| Northampton | 98.9 | 67.7 |
| Wrexham | 100 | 93.1 |
| (Started 1 st March 02) | | |
| Average | 99.1 | 83.2 |

^{*} site restarted 13/2/02 after being vandalised

In the previous ratification report QA/QC Unit recommended that remote collection of instrument diagnostics and alarms would be beneficial, since as much as 2 weeks (4%) data can be lost between sites visits. CMCU are currently in the process of making arrangements for the Partisol analysers to be connected to a telemetry system and telephone lines have now been installed at the stations.

2.4 NO₂ Converter Efficiencies

Three converter failures were identified during QA/QC Unit Winter 2003 intercalibration exercise. Details of these and the resulting effect on data quality are given in Table 2.4 below.

Table 2.4 Converter faults identified at the Winter 2003 Intercalibration

| Site | Test Date | Converter Efficiency | Effect on Data Quality |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sheffield Centre | 4/2/03 | 94% | None – borderline case |
| London A3 Roadside | 9/1/03 | 88% | NO ₂ data deleted from last stable calibration on 3 rd December until repair of converter at the service on 22/1/03 (50 days) |
| Wolverhampton Centre | 24/1/03 | 90 | Data deleted from audit until converter replaced on 28/1/03. (4 days) |

RECOMMENDATION

ESUs should undertake 3-monthly converter tests at Sheffield Centre, London A3 Roadside and Wolverhampton Centre to ensure satisfactory performance of the converters.

LSOs should also continue to pay careful attention to the short-term stability of the NO_2 calibration response and notify the CMCU if a declining NO_2 span response is recorded during the calibration. Full details of this check can be found in the "Trouble-shooting" section of the Site Operator's Manual.

(http://www.aeat.co.uk/netcen/airqual/reports/lsoman/lsoman.html

2.5 Ozone Outliers

22 out of 76 ozone analysers (29%) were identified as outliers during QA/QC Unit Winter 2003 intercalibration exercise (see Table 2.5). Full details will be provided in the relevant intercalibration report. Data from these sites have been rescaled accordingly during the ratification process.

Table 2.5 Ozone Outliers Identified at the Winter 2003 Intercalibration Exercise

| Site | Outlier | Site | Outlier |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Barnsley Gawber | -16% | Leicester Centre | -15% |
| Belfast Centre | -12% | London Lewisham | +10% |
| Birmingham Centre | -17% | London Teddington | -6% |
| Bottesford | +16% | Lough Navar | +10% |
| Bradford Centre | -16% | Lullington Heath | +30% |
| Bush Estate | -17% | Norwich Centre | -18% |
| Derry | -12% | Preston | -9% |
| Glasgow Centre | -8% | Rotherham Centre | -6% |
| Glazebury | -15% | Southampton | -8% |
| Great Dun Fell | -15% | St Osyth | -6% |
| Leeds Centre | -9% | Wigan Leigh | +21% |

$2.6 \text{ TEOM } k_0$

The TEOM instruments in the AURN use a k_0 constant to determine PM $_{10}$ concentrations. Each TEOM sensor unit has a k_0 determined by the manufacturer and this value is stamped on the sensor unit. This value must also be entered into the TEOM software to correctly calculate the concentrations. Errors can occur if the sensor unit is replaced without the software being updated. This is checked during the intercalibration exercise by the use of pre-weighted filters to determine the k_0 . The measured, stamped and software values of k_0 are then compared. Deviations within \pm 2.5% are considered acceptable. Table 2.6 shows the sites where there were deviations between the measured and stamped k_0 values.

Table 2.6 TEOM k₀ Deviations identified at the Winter 2003 Intercalibration Exercise

| Site | k ₀ Deviation (%) | | | | |
|------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Wigan Leigh | k _o value on sensor and control unit | | | | |
| | miss-match. | | | | |
| Leicester Centre | 25% | | | | |

At Wigan Leigh the k_{o} value stamped on the side of the control unit did not agree with the value stored in the software. The deviation between them was, however, within the acceptable limit and no corrections to the data were necessary.

A large deviation in k_0 at Leicester Centre was identified at the previous Summer 2002 audit. Results of the Winter 2003 audit again confirmed the large deviation which arose because the k_0 value stamped on the side of the unit did not match the value stored in the software. PM_{10} data from July 17^{th} 2002 have been rescaled accordingly until the ESU corrected the discrepancy at the Winter service in April 2003.

RECOMMENDATION

ESUs should continue to ensure that the correct k_0 value is entered into the analyser software whenever the sensor unit is repaired or replaced.

2.7 Auto-Calibration Run-ons

This problem is seen when auto-calibration gas introduced between 0045 and 0115 remains in the instrument until about 0200. The ambient measurements between 0130 and 0200 are therefore invalid and must be removed during data ratification. This problem can occur if the solenoid valves in the pneumatic system do not close fully after the zero and span cycle. Calibration gas may then leak into the instrument during the ambient measurement period. This problem can be a serious source of data loss resulting in one hour out of twenty-four being lost, which is 4% of the annual data capture.

The ESUs have investigated this problem at many of the sites and thorough cleaning of the solenoid valves has, in most cases, resolved the problem. Sites still showing a problem with the autocalibration over-run are given in Table 2.7. Any autocalibration run-on data that look visibly significant have been deleted from these data sets during ratification, resulting in a loss of an additional hour of data each day (4% data loss).

Table 2.7 Estimate of Spike or Dip in 15-Minute Concentrations due to Auto-calibration Run-on

| Site | Gas | Over-run (ppb) |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Birmingham Centre | NO ₂ | 7 ppb |
| Birmingham East | NO_2 | 6 ppb |
| Bury Roadside | NO ₂ | 9 ppb |
| Cardiff Centre | CO | 0.1 ppm |
| Coventry Memorial Park | NO ₂ | 4 ppb |
| London Westminster | NO_2 | 7 ppb |
| Narberth | NO ₂ | 3.1 ppb |
| Reading Centre | SO ₂ | -1 ppb |
| Southampton Centre | CO | 0.1 ppm |
| St Osyth | NO_2 | 2.7 ppb |
| Walsall Willenhall | NO ₂ | 8 ppb |
| Wigan Leigh | SO ₂ | 1 ppb |

RECOMMENDATION

The CMCU and ESUs should continue to monitor the situation and initiate service visits to clean / repair solenoid valves were necessary.

2.8 Zero Air Scrubber Materials

QA/QC Unit routinely replaces the zero air scrubber materials as part of the 6-monthly audit exercise. During the summer 2002 exercise the blue indicating silica gel (CoCl) in the zero air canisters was replaced with an orange silica gel as the blue material is considered to be harmful and must be treated as hazardous waste for disposal purposes. However, during the recent Winter 2003 audit it was noted that at some sites the orange silica gel had been replaced with the blue gel again. QA/QC Unit has, therefore, once more removed the blue gel and replaced it with orange. As there is no difference in the performance of the two materials we strongly recommend for health, safety and environmental reasons that everyone uses **orange** silica gel in the zero air scrubbers. In future, any blue silica gel found in the zero air canisters will be left on site for the LSOs/ESUs to dispose of.

RECCOMENDATION

LSOs and ESUs to ensure that orange indicating silica gel is used in the zero air canisters.

2.9 Ozone Interference at Redcar and Middlesbrough

Figure 2.2 shows that spurious high ozone concentrations were recorded on 1st October 2002 at Redcar (90 ppb 15-minute average) and Middlesbrough (60 ppb 15-minute average). Similar high concentration spikes have been recorded at these sites in the past and these have been attributed to an interference effect from VOCs or fine particulates.

RECOMMENDATION

ESUs and LSOs to ensure that a 1 micron filter is installed in the sample line of the ozone analysers at these sites in order to minimise the possible interference effect from fine particles.

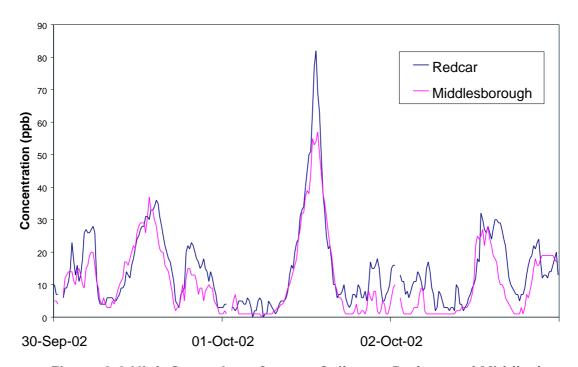


Figure 2.2 High Ozone Interference Spikes at Redcar and Middlesbrough October 1st 2002

3. Site Specific Issues

3.1 Bristol Old Market NO_x

Unusually high NO₂ concentrations were first recorded at the Bristol Old Market site in November and December 2001. At the time no obvious reason could be found to reject the data so the data were kept as provisional. High levels were seen again in April 2002 with ambient concentration increasing by approximately 70pbb above the normal level. (see Figure 3.1). QA/QC Unit therefore installed a second NO_x analyser on site to verify the data. Results from the duplicate instrument showed concentrations that broadly agreed with the original site analyser. Further site investigations by QA/QC Unit in February 2002 identified slow response from the analyser and low flow through the sample manifold (1.2 m/s) suggesting a possible obstruction or damage to the manifold. At the ESU call-out at the end of February 2002 an additional problem with the molybdenum converter was identified and the converter was replaced. This did not however rectify the sampling fault and at the summer audit in July 2002 the flow through the sample manifold was again found to be very low at 0.5 m/s. The ESU visited the site on 18th July 2002 and repaired a kink in the teflon sample line which appeared to be restricting the flow. A problem with the molybdenum converter was seen again and the analyser was removed from site from 18th July until 25th September to install a new converter. After repair the ambient levels monitored continued to be elevated and further evidence of a low sample flow was noted in November 2002 and at the Winter 2003 audit in March 2003 (0.9 m/s).

It has been concluded that the elevated concentrations were due to a sampling manifold problem, hence the duplicate analyser recording similar levels when sampling through the same manifold. Consequently the analysers were removed from their original location on 26^{th} March 2003 and installed in the nearby replacement site with a completely new sample inlet manifold arrangement. First indications are that provisional data collected from the NO_x analyser at its new location are now lower and more typical of the levels to be expected. However, there is as yet an insufficient amount of data for this to be conclusive.

Unfortunately due to the nature of the sampling fault it has been necessary to reject all spurious data from the last reliable audit check of the manifold sample flow on 31st July 2001 to March 26th 2003 (19 months) when the site was relocated.

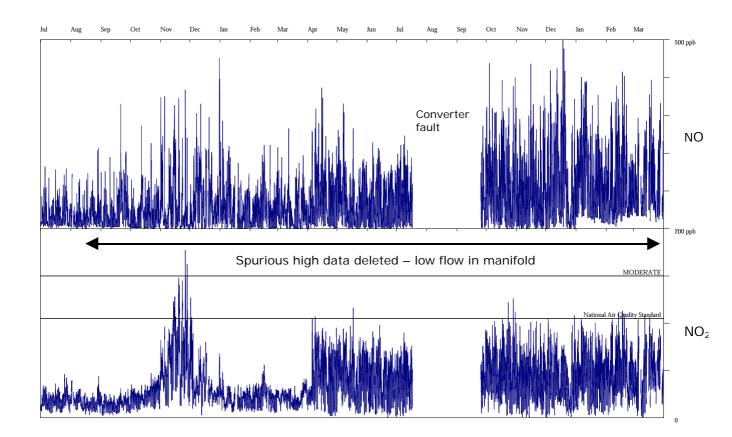


Figure 3.1 High NO₂ Concentrations at Bristol Old Market August 2001 to March 2003

3.2 Birmingham Centre SO₂

Since August 2002 the SO_2 analyser at Birmingham Centre has shown periods of high noise and drifting response due to a UV lamp fault. (See Figure 3.2). Over 2.5 months of data have been deleted due to this problem (1 August to 26^{th} September and 18^{th} to 28^{th} October). The lamp was replaced at the end of October 2002.

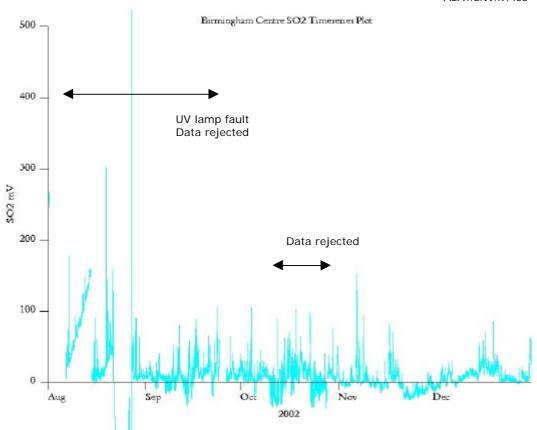


Figure 3.2 Birmingham Centre SO₂ Unstable Response

3.3 Coventry Memorial Park CO

The CO analyser at Coventry Memorial Park showed unacceptably high levels of response noise from March 2002 onwards (Figure 3.3). Over 6 months of data have been rejected from 12th March to 5th November when the analyser was repaired. This is a critical site for CO and it is therefore important that the performance of this analyser is satisfactory.

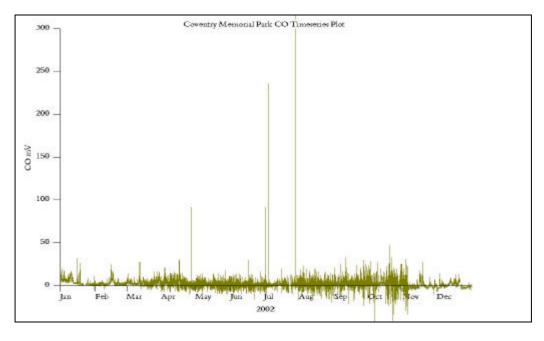


Figure 3.3 Coventry Memorial Park CO high noise response

3.4 Wolverhampton SO₂

The SO_2 analyser at Wolverhampton has shown a history of high noise and response sensitivity drifts due to UV source problems (Figure 3.4). Over 2 months of data from 15^{th} August until 25^{th} October have been rejected due to these problems. A replacement analyser was installed on 25^{th} October 2002. This replacement analyser also showed a rapid baseline response drift but this could be corrected for during ratification. The ESU repaired the analyser on 7^{th} January 2003.

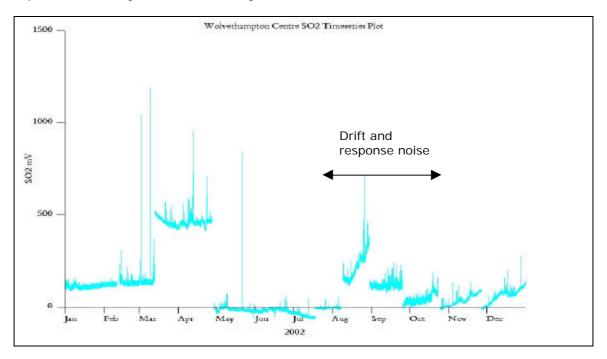


Figure 3.4 Wolverhampton SO₂ response drift and noise

3.5 Narberth SO₂

The SO_2 analyser at Narberth has shown erratic baseline response and random step changes in sensitivity since January 2002 (Figure 3.5). All data from January to June 2002 were deleted during ratification by NPL. The data from July to September was kept as provisional until the site cylinder was calibrated. These data have now been ratified. Further data were deleted from 27^{th} September to 4^{th} October due to an unstable baseline.

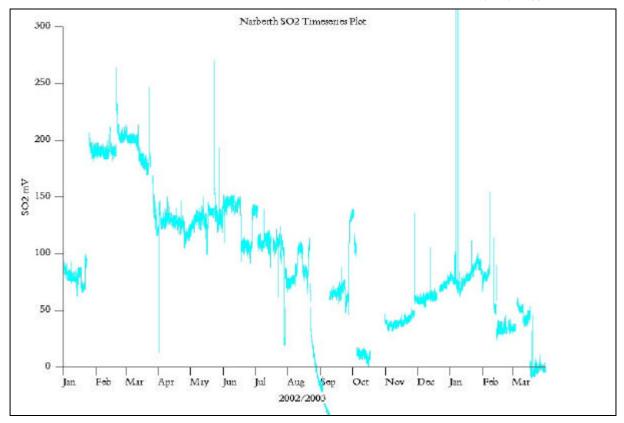


Figure 3.6 Narberth SO₂ analyser response instability and high noise

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend that the SO₂ analyser response instability at Narberth is investigated and repaired by the ESU or consideration should be given to replacing the analyser.

3.6 Glasgow Centre SO₂

The SO_2 analyser at Glasgow Centre has shown a history of response instability with random step changes in baseline response (Figure 3.6). Many of these response changes can be corrected for during the ratification process although some data have been rejected from 16-29th October, as the calibration history was insufficient for accurate data scaling. This problem was identified in the previous ratification report and appears to be on going.

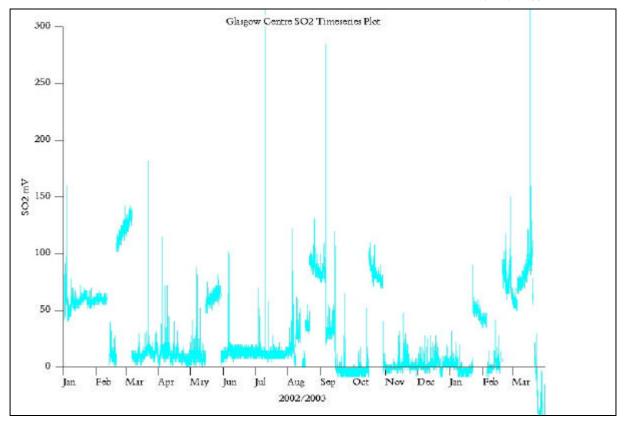


Figure 3.6 Glasgow Centre SO₂ random step changes in baseline response

RECOMMENDATION

ESU to investigate random step changes in SO_2 baseline response at Glasgow Centre (critical site).

3.7 Wirral Tranmere CO

The CO analyser at Wirral Tranmere showed intermittent periods of response instability and repeated analyser breakdowns throughout this period. (see Figure 3.7). The ESU visited the site on a number of occasions to undertake the following investigations/repair:

14 October Replacement of IR source

25 October Replacement of chopper motor and oscillator coil

6 November Attention to the chopper motor 28 November Adjustment of the IR detector 31 December Replacement of sample pump

Although overall only a relatively small amount of data were lost (2 weeks in this period), this is a good example of a problem site requiring significantly extra effort from both the ESU to attend the faults and QA/QC Unit to ratify the data. A new replacement analyser was eventually installed on 13th February 2003.

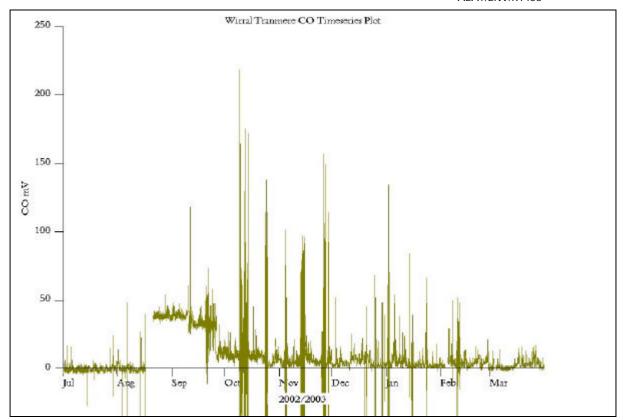


Figure 3.7 Wirral Tranmere CO intermittent high noise response

3.8 Southampton Air Conditioning

At Southampton Centre the data capture was below 90% for all pollutants during this period because the site was shut down for a month (6th September to 9th October 2002) in order to repair a fault with the air conditioning unit.

4. Sites with Data Capture Below 90%

The following section provides a summary of the main site operational problems which have resulted in data capture below the required 90% level during the reporting period October to December 2002 (Table 4.1). The number of days and hours of data lost for each cause is also given. In some cases the data gap extends beyond this three-month reporting period.

Table 4.1 Sites with data capture below 90% October to December 2002 (Using the start date of any new site or end date of site closed)

| Data Captu | | Start date | End date | Comments | Days | Hours |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|--|------|-------|
| ENGLANI Birmingha | | | | | | |
| SO ₂ | 79.30% | 10-Oct-02 | 28-Oct-02 | Response cycling due to a UV lamp fault | 18.4 | 442 |
| Bristol Old | Market | | | | | |
| NO ₂ | 0.00% | 02-Aug-01 | 25-Mar-03 | Spurious high data rejected due to a sampling artefact caused by a low flow rate through sample manifold. (See section 3.1). Analysers relocated on March 26 th 2003. | 600 | 14400 |
| Bury Roads | side | | | | | |
| NO_2 | 89.10% | 03-Nov-02 | 05-Nov-02 | Power interruption | 2.5 | 59 |
| | | 24-Nov-02 | 28-Nov-02 | Ozonator fault | 4 | 95 |
| | | 25-Dec-02 | 25-Dec-02 | Communications fault | 0.9 | 21 |
| Coventry M | lemorial F | Park | | | | |
| со | | | 05-Nov-02 | Data rejected due to high noise response (See Section 3.3) | 239 | 5727 |
| | | 21-Dec-02 | 22-Dec-02 | No details provided | 0.5 | 12 |
| Great Dun | Fell | | | | | |
| O ₃ | 89.50% | 30-Jul-02 | 10-Oct-02 | Analogue to digital card failure. Replacement analyser installed but also faulty. | 71.9 | 1725 |
| Hounslow | Roadside | | | | | |
| NO ₂ | 47.80% | 16-Nov-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed on 16 th November | 45.7 | 1096 |
| СО | 49.9% | | | Site closed on 16 th November | 45.7 | 1096 |
| Hull Freeto | wn | | | | | |
| CO | 0.00% | 01-Jan-02 | 05-Nov-02 | New site started on November 5 th 2002 | 309 | 7416 |
| | | 06-Nov-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Data rejected as no calibrations were carried out (empty cylinder) | 56 | 1344 |
| Leeds Cent | re | | | | | |
| CO | 53.20% | 01-Oct-02 | 04-Oct-02 | Service | 3.1 | 75 |
| | | | 21-Nov-02 | | 34.2 | 821 |
| | | | | Analyser fault. New fuse and fan fitted. | 2.6 | 63 |
| | | 11-Dec-02 | 11-Dec-02 | Noisy response data deleted | 0.3 | 7 |
| | | 20-Dec-02 | 21-Dec-02 | Noisy response data deleted | 1 | 23 |
| | | 23-Dec-02 | 24-Dec-02 | Noisy response data deleted | 1.5 | 36 |
| NO_2 | 76.20% | 01-Oct-02 | 09-Oct-02 | Service and analyser fault | 8.1 | 195 |

| 13300 1 | | | | AEAT/ENV/R1433 | | |
|------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|---|------|-------|
| Data Capt | ure (%) | Start date | End date | Comments | Days | Hours |
| | | 10-Oct-02 | 17-Oct-02 | Intermittent data loss due to a temperature fault | 6.8 | 162 |
| | | 19-Oct-02 | 19-Oct-02 | Missing data due to a possible logger fault | 0.4 | 10 |
| | | 20-Dec-02 | 23-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss | 2.9 | 70 |
| | | 24-Dec-02 | 24-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss | 0.5 | 11 |
| | | 26-Dec-02 | 27-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss | 0.4 | 10 |
| | | 28-Dec-02 | 28-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss | 0.5 | 11 |
| | | 29-Dec-02 | 30-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss | 1.1 | 26 |
| | | 30-Dec-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Intermittent data loss. Air conditioning and IZS temperature lowered at call-out on 6 th January 03 | 0.3 | 8 |
| Leicester | Centre | | | | | |
| CO | 78.50% | 18-Oct-02 | 21-Oct-02 | ESU call-out to investigate unstable response | 3.3 | 79 |
| CO | 70.5070 | | | Unstable response and baseline drift | 14.6 | 350 |
| | | | | Low response data deleted | 0.3 | 6 |
| | | 04-Dec-02 | 04-Dec-02 | Low response data deleted | 0.3 | O |
| Liverpool | Centre | | | | | |
| All | 0% | 23-Sen-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed on 23 September for health and safety | 99 | 2376 |
| All | 070 | 25-5cp-02 | 31-000-02 | reasons. To be relocated | ,, | 2370 |
| | | | | | | |
| London A | 3 Roadside | € | | | | |
| NO_2 | 68.40% | 03-Dec-02 | 22-Jan-03 | Faulty NO_x converter identified at audit (88%). Data deleted from last stable calibration on 3/12/02 until service. | 50 | 1199 |
| London So | outhwark | | | | | |
| CO | 89.90% | 26-Sep-02 | 05-Oct-02 | Site telephone line fault | 9.2 | 221 |
| CO | 09.9070 | 30-Oct-02 | | Communications fault | 4 | 95 |
| NO | 46.00% | | | | 9.2 | 221 |
| NO ₂ | 40.00% | 26-Sep-02 | 05-Oct-02 | Site telephone line fault | | |
| | | 30-Oct-02 | | | 4 | 95 |
| | | 20-N0V-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Photomultiplier tube cooler fault. Analyser removed from site for repair. | 41.1 | 987 |
| London W | estminste/ | r | | | | |
| SO_2 | 87.00% | 01-Oct-02 | 02-Oct-02 | Sample flow fault | 1.5 | 36 |
| | | 08-Dec-02 | 18-Dec-02 | Flow fault again due to a blocked solenoid valve | 9.9 | 237 |
| | | | | | | |
| Lullington | Heath | | | | | |
| NO_2 | 89.10% | 29-Oct-02 | 30-Oct-02 | Noisy baseline response | 0.6 | 15 |
| | | 23-Dec-02 | 24-Dec-02 | Power failure | 0.4 | 9 |
| | | | | | | |
| Manchest | er South | | | | | |
| O ₃ | 30.80% | 01-Oct-02 | 03-Dec-02 | Data deleted due to a scrubber switching valve fault and internal sampling of ozone vented from the NO_x analyser exhaust into the hut. | 63.6 | 1526 |
| Plymouth | Centre | | | | | |
| СО | 83.40% | 22-Oct-02 | 22-Oct-02 | Engineer call-out | 0.3 | 7 |
| | | | 24-Jan-03 | Baseline drift. Optical unit and pump repaired in | 37.7 | 905 |
| | | | | January. | | |
| Rochester | - | | | | | |
| PM ₁₀ | 0% | 15 Aug-02 | 31-12-2 | TEOM programme fault. Analyser removed from site and sent to USA for repair by manufacturer. | 139 | 3334 |
| Rotherhai | m Centre | | | | | |
| SO ₂ | 86.90% | 20-Dec-02 | 17-Jan-03 | Pump fault | 28.1 | 674 |
| | | | | | | |

| Data Capt | ure (%) | Start date | End date | Comments | Days | Hours |
|---------------------|------------------|------------|--------------|---|------|-------|
| Shoffiold | Contro | | | | | |
| Sheffield CO | 68.80% | 02-Oct-02 | 09-Oct-02 | Data rejected due to analyser response drift caused by a blockage on the outlet valve | 7.5 | 179 |
| | | 23-Oct-02 | 13-Nov-02 | pressurising the analyser Data rejected due to an unstable and drifting zero baseline caused by an optical balance fault. | 21.1 | 506 |
| Southamp | oton Centr | ·e | | | | |
| CO | 83.70% | | 09-Oct-02 | Site switched off for repairs to air conditioning unit | 33.7 | 808 |
| | | 11-Nov-02 | 13-Nov-02 | · | 2 | 49 |
| | | 17-Dec-02 | 17-Dec-02 | Out of service switch left on after calibration | 0.3 | 6 |
| NO_2 | 87.60% | 12-Sep-02 | 09-Oct-02 | Site switched off - air conditioning fault | 26.8 | 642 |
| | | 11-Nov-02 | 13-Nov-02 | Service | 2 | 49 |
| O ₃ | 87.70% | 06-Sep-02 | 09-Oct-02 | Site switched off – air conditioning fault | 33.3 | 800 |
| | | 11-Nov-02 | 13-Nov-02 | Service | 2 | 49 |
| PM_{10} | 87.90% | 06-Sep-02 | 09-Oct-02 | Site switched off – air conditioning fault | 33.3 | 799 |
| | | 11-Nov-02 | 13-Nov-02 | Service | 1.8 | 44 |
| | | 10-Dec-02 | 10-Dec-02 | LSO cal | 0.3 | 6 |
| SO_2 | 87.00% | 06-Sep-02 | 10-Oct-02 | Site switched off – air conditioning fault | 34.3 | 824 |
| | | 11-Nov-02 | 13-Nov-02 | Service | 2 | 49 |
| | | | | | | |
| Southend | -on-Sea | | | | | |
| СО | 81.40% | 01-Dec-02 | 17-Dec-02 | Pump fault causing sensitivity drift and spurious calibration data. | 16.5 | 397 |
| Stockport | | | | | | |
| CO | 77.80% | | | Site closed on 3 rd October as lease expired. Relocated to Stockport Shaw Heath | 3.7 | 88 |
| NO ₂ | 0.00% | 20-Sep-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Internal sampling from 20 th September to site closure on 3 rd October. | 13.3 | 319 |
| PM ₁₀ | 77.80% | | 31-Dec-02 | | 3.7 | 88 |
| SO_2 | 77.80% | 03-Oct-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed 3 rd October | 3.7 | 88 |
| Wirral Tra | ınmere | | | | | |
| | | | General | Many intermittent CO analyser faults resulting in 9 ESU call-outs during this period (See section 3.7) | | |
| CO | 83.00% | 09-Oct-02 | 14-Oct-02 | IR source failure. IR lamp replaced | 5.2 | 124 |
| | | 24-Oct-02 | 25-Oct-02 | Chopper motor and oscillator coil faults | 1.5 | 35 |
| | | 04-Nov-02 | 05-Nov-02 | Chopper motor failed again. | 0.7 | 17 |
| | | | | Intermittent fault giving erratic signal. Analyser reset | 2.9 | 69 |
| | | | 27-Nov-02 | Intermittent fault | 2.6 | 63 |
| | | | 29-Nov-02 | adjusted at call-out | 0.3 | 6 |
| | | | 25-Dec-02 | 0 0 0 3 | 0.3 | 8 |
| | | 29-Dec-02 | 30-Dec-02 | Recurring fault giving noisy data. New pump installed and connections to PCBs remade. | 0.6 | 14 |
| Wolverha | mpton Ce | ntre | | | | |
| SO ₂ | 72.60% | 15-Aug-02 | 25-Oct-02 | UV source problem resulting in noisy and drifting response (see Section 3.4) | 71.5 | 1715 |
| NORTHE Derry | RN IRELA | AND | | | | |
| O ₃ | 85.10% | 18-Oct-02 | 18-Oct-02 | Data missing due to communications fault | 0.3 | 6 |
| - | - · - | | | Communications fault | 1.3 | 32 |
| | | | - | | | |

| Data Capt | ure (%) | Start date | End date | Comments | Days H | lours |
|---------------------|---------|------------|-----------|---|--------|-------|
| • | | 31-Oct-02 | 05-Nov-02 | Pump fault | 5.2 | 124 |
| | | 08-Nov-02 | 08-Nov-02 | Communications fault | 0.4 | 9 |
| | | 16-Dec-02 | 20-Dec-02 | Blocked flow restrictor | 3.7 | 88 |
| | | 25-Dec-02 | 27-Dec-02 | Communications fault | 2.3 | 56 |
| | | | | | | |
| SCOTLA Edinburgh | | | | | | |
| СО | 52.80% | 19-Nov-02 | 06-Jan-03 | Site (mobile trailer belonging to the Council) closed to prepare for Hogmanay celebrations | 48.6 | 1167 |
| NO_2 | 53.10% | 19-Nov-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed | 42.6 | 1023 |
| O_3 | 51.60% | 23-Oct-02 | 24-Oct-02 | Analyser accidentally switched off by LSO | 1 | 23 |
| | | 19-Nov-02 | 05-Jan-03 | Site closed | 47.6 | 1143 |
| PM ₁₀ | 52.40% | 19-Nov-02 | 05-Jan-03 | Site closed | 47.6 | 1143 |
| SO_2 | 53.10% | 19-Nov-02 | 06-Jan-03 | Site closed | 48.6 | 1167 |
| | | | | | | |
| Glasgow (| Centre | | | | | |
| SO ₂ | 85.20% | 16-Oct-02 | 29-Oct-02 | Spurious step change in baseline. (See Section 3.6) | 13.2 | 316 |
| Grangemo | outh | | | | | |
| NO ₂ | 0.00% | 01-Aug-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed to up-grade facilities for CO analyser and LA equipment. Re-opened 17 January 2003 | 153 | 3663 |
| PM ₁₀ | 0.00% | 30-Jul-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed to up-grade facilities | 154 | 3705 |
| SO ₂ | 0.00% | 01-Aug-02 | 31-Dec-02 | Site closed to up-grade facilities | 153 | 3663 |
| WALES | | | | | | |
| Cwmbran | | | | | | |
| CO | 81.20% | 24-Oct-02 | 25-Oct-02 | Power supply failure | 0.8 | 19 |
| | | 30-Oct-02 | 05-Nov-02 | Manifold fan fault after power failure | 5.8 | 138 |
| | | 09-Nov-02 | 18-Nov-02 | Unexplained step change in response sensitivity | 9.6 | 230 |
| | | 17-Dec-02 | 18-Dec-02 | Power failure | 1.1 | 26 |
| NO_2 | 75.40% | 24-Oct-02 | 25-Oct-02 | Power supply failure | 0.8 | 19 |
| | | 01-Nov-02 | | Manifold fan fault and instrument response noise | 17.6 | 423 |
| | | 17-Dec-02 | 20-Dec-02 | Power supply failure | 2.6 | 63 |
| SO_2 | 86.90% | 24-Oct-02 | 26-Oct-02 | Power supply failure | 1.5 | 35 |
| | | 30-Oct-02 | 05-Nov-02 | Manifold fan fault after power failure | 5.8 | 138 |
| | | 17-Dec-02 | 18-Dec-02 | Power supply failure | 1.2 | 28 |
| Narberth | | | | | | |
| NO ₂ | 70.20% | 01-Oct-02 | 22-Oct-02 | Step change in sensitivity due to faulty thermo cooler. Data could not be accurately scaled as there were no before/after repair calibrations (cylinder empty). | 21.4 | 514 |
| | | 28-Nov-02 | 28-Nov-02 | | 0.3 | 7 |
| | | | | Communications fault | 2.2 | 53 |
| | | | | Communications fault | 0.3 | 6 |
| SO ₂ | 83.90% | 27-Sep-02 | | Baseline unstable due to UV lamp fault | 6.7 | 160 |
| <u>-</u> | | 18-Oct-02 | | · | 4.6 | 110 |
| | | | 26-Oct-02 | | 0.4 | 10 |
| | | 28-Oct-02 | | Analyser fault. ESU call-out to adjust UV lamp | 3 | 71 |
| | | | 28-Nov-02 | · · | 0.3 | 7 |
| | | | | Communications fault | 2.2 | 53 |
| | | | | Communications fault | 0.3 | 6 |
| | | | | | | |

4.1 Gravimetric PM₁₀ Sites with Data Capture Below 90%

There are no details of data loss to report for gravimetric PM_{10} sites as all sites had capture above 90%. This was a very good quarter for Partisol data capture with all five operational sites achieving data capture above 97%.

5. Ratified Data Capture Statistics

Table 5.1 provides the ratified data capture figures for each site for the 3-month period October to December 2002. Data capture values below 90% are shown in the shaded boxes. Table 5.2 shows the data capture for the whole year January – December 2002

Table 5.1 AURN Ratified Data Capture (%) for October to December 2002 (Using the start date of any new site or end date of site closed)

| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
|---------------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| ENGLAND | | | | | | |
| Barnsley 12 | - | - | - | - | 99.5 | 99.5 |
| Barnsley Gawber | 98.9 | 98.6 | 99 | - | 98.8 | 98.8 |
| Bath Roadside | 90.7 | 99.5 | - | - | - | 95.1 |
| Billingham | - | 99.5 | - | - | - | 99.5 |
| Birmingham Centre | 99.5 | 90.2 | 99 | 99.5 | 79.3 | 93.5 |
| Birmingham East | 97.9 | 93.2 | 97.4 | 97.5 | 97.7 | 96.7 |
| Blackpool | 99.5 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99 | 99.5 | 99.4 |
| Bolton | 99 | 98.9 | 98.9 | 99.1 | 99 | 99 |
| Bottesford | - | - | 99 | - | - | 99 |
| Bournemouth | 99.7 | 99.8 | - | 100 | 99.7 | 99.8 |
| Bradford Centre | 99.7 | 96.2 | 98.6 | 99.5 | 97.3 | 98.3 |
| Brighton Roadside | 99.5 | 98.3 | - | - | - | 98.9 |
| Bristol Centre | 99.2 | 98.1 | 99.1 | 98.9 | 92.4 | 97.5 |
| Bristol Old Market | 96.5 | 0 | - | - | - | 48.3 |
| Bury Roadside | 95.9 | 89.1 | 95.8 | 95.8 | 96 | 94.5 |
| Cambridge Roadside | - | 98.7 | - | - | - | 98.7 |
| Camden Kerbside | - | 99.5 | - | 99.8 | - | 99.6 |
| Canterbury | - | 99.7 | - | 99.6 | - | 99.7 |
| Coventry Memorial Park | 60.2 | 94.5 | 99 | 98.7 | 95.3 | 89.6 |
| Exeter Roadside | 98.6 | 98.7 | 97.9 | - | 98.7 | 98.4 |
| Glazebury | - | - | 99.8 | - | - | 99.8 |
| Great Dun Fell | - | - | 89.5 | - | - | 89.5 |
| Haringey Roadside | - | 96.2 | - | 99.3 | - | 97.8 |
| Harwell | - | 98 | 93.7 | - | 98.1 | 96.6 |
| High Muffles | - | - | 99.9 | - | - | 99.9 |
| Hounslow Roadside | 49.9 | 47.8 | - | - | - | 48.8 |
| Hove Roadside | 99.4 | 99.4 | - | - | 99.4 | 99.4 |
| Hull Freetown | 0 | 97 | 97.4 | 90.8 | 99.5 | 76.9 |
| Ladybower | - | 99.4 | 99.4 | - | 99.4 | 99.4 |
| Leamington Spa | 99.4 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.4 |
| Leeds Centre | 53.2 | 76.2 | 95.7 | 95.7 | 93.3 | 82.8 |
| Leicester Centre | 78.5 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 97.9 | 99.6 | 94.9 |
| Liverpool Centre (closed) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| London A3 Roadside | 94.1 | 68.4 | - | 99.5 | - | 87.4 |
| London Bexley | 97.5 | 92 | 99.6 | 98.6 | 98.3 | 97.2 |
| London Bloomsbury | 94.8 | 99.1 | 98.9 | 94.9 | 99.6 | 97.5 |

| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
|------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| London Brent | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.8 | 99.5 | 99.5 | |
| London Bromley | 99.6 | 99.7 | | - 33.3 | - 33.3 | 99.7 |
| London Cromwell Road 2 | 90.9 | 90.9 | | _ | 90.1 | 90.6 |
| London Eltham | 50.5 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.6 | 99.6 |
| London Hackney | 99.4 | 99.3 | 95.3 | | 99.0 | 99.0 |
| | 99.4 | 99.3 | 99.8 | | | |
| London Haringey London Hillingdon | - 00.5 | 99.4 | 99.5 | 99 | 99.5 | 99.8 99.3 |
| London Lewisham | 99.5 | 99.4 | 99.5 | | 99.5 | |
| | - 00.2 | | | | | |
| London Marylebone Road | 98.3 | 97.2 | 98 | | 98.5 | 98.2 |
| London N. Kensington | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | | 99.7 | 99.2 |
| London Southwark | 89.9 | 46 | | | 90.2 | 79.1 |
| London Teddington | - | 99.5 | 99.5 | | 99.5 | 99.5 |
| London Wandsworth | - | 99.4 | 99.4 | | - | 99.4 |
| London Westminster | 99.5 | 95.3 | 99.5 | | 87 | 95.4 |
| Lullington Heath | - | 89.1 | 98.4 | | 96.4 | 94.6 |
| Manchester Piccadilly | 99.4 | 99.5 | 99.6 | | 99.3 | 98.3 |
| Manchester South | - | 99.4 | 30.8 | - | 98.4 | 76.2 |
| Manchester Town Hall | 96.2 | 99.2 | | - | - | 97.7 |
| Middlesbrough | 99.6 | 99.6 | | 99.4 | 99.6 | 99.5 |
| Newcastle Centre | 96.2 | 94.4 | 99.5 | 99.6 | 97.9 | |
| Northampton | 99.7 | 99.6 | - | 99.9 | 95.2 | 98.6 |
| Northampton (Partisol) | | - | - | - | 98.9 | - |
| Norwich Centre | 91.5 | 97.8 | | 97.8 | 93.1 | 95.6 |
| Norwich Roadside | - | 99.4 | - | - | - | 99.4 |
| Nottingham Centre | 99.4 | 99.4 | 95.5 | 94.2 | 99.5 | 97.6 |
| Oxford Centre | 99.5 | 99.6 | - | - | 99.5 | 99.5 |
| Plymouth Centre | 83.4 | 99.2 | 99 | 99 | 95.5 | 95.2 |
| Portsmouth | 99.4 | 96.8 | - | 95.2 | 99.2 | 97.6 |
| Preston | 99.5 | 99.5 | 96.3 | 98.2 | 99.5 | 98.6 |
| Reading | 99.5 | 99.3 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 92.4 | 98 |
| Redcar | 99.7 | 95.2 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 98.7 |
| Rochester | - | 97.6 | 97.6 | 0 | 97.6 | 73.2 |
| Rotherham Centre | - | 99.2 | 99.4 | - | 86.9 | 95.1 |
| Salford Eccles | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 98.9 |
| Sandwell West Bromwich | 99.1 | 99.6 | 98.7 | - | 99.6 | 99.3 |
| Scunthorpe | - | - | - | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 |
| Sheffield Centre | 68.8 | 99.6 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.6 | 93.5 |
| Sheffield Tinsley | 98.5 | 99.7 | - | - | - | 99.1 |
| Sibton | - | - | 99.8 | - | - | 99.8 |
| Somerton | - | - | 99.4 | - | - | 99.4 |
| Southampton Centre | 83.7 | 87.6 | 87.7 | 87.9 | 87 | 86.8 |
| Southend-on-Sea | 81.4 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.3 | 95.7 |
| Southwark Roadside | 99.5 | 99.4 | - | - | 99.3 | 99.4 |
| St Osyth | 97.8 | 91.8 | 97.9 | - | - | 95.8 |
| Stockport | 77.8 | 0 | | 77.8 | 77.8 | |
| Stockport Shaw Heath | 97.7 | 97.5 | - | 95.6 | 97.7 | 97.1 |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm | 95.5 | 97.6 | | 99.8 | | 97.6 |
| Stoke-on-Trent Centre | 98.6 | 98.4 | 97.6 | 97.2 | 98.4 | 98.1 |
| Sunderland | - | - | - | _ | 99.1 | 99.1 |

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|------------------------|------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
| Thurrock | 99.6 | 99.5 | | 99 | 99.6 | |
| Tower Hamlets Roadside | 99 | 99.6 | | - | - | 99.3 |
| Walsall Alumwell | - | 97.1 | | - | - | 97.1 |
| Walsall Willenhall | - | 95.4 | | - | - | 95.4 |
| West London | 95.1 | 99.6 | | - | - | 97.4 |
| Weybourne | - | - | 100 | | - | 100 |
| Wicken Fen | - | 97.5 | 98.9 | - | 98.9 | 98.4 |
| Wigan Leigh | 97.7 | 97.8 | 97.8 | 97.8 | 93.7 | 97 |
| Wirral Tranmere | 83 | 96.1 | 93.8 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 94 |
| Wolverhampton Centre | 98.8 | 99.2 | 99.3 | 99.5 | 72.6 | 93.9 |
| Yarner Wood | - | - | 99.8 | - | - | 99.8 |
| NORTHERN IRELAND | | | | | | |
| Belfast Centre | 99.4 | 99.3 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.5 |
| Belfast Clara St | - | - | - | 94.2 | - | 94.2 |
| Belfast East | - | - | - | - | 99.7 | 99.7 |
| Derry | 94.6 | 94.8 | 85.1 | 94.4 | 94.3 | 92.6 |
| Lough Navar | - | - | 97.4 | 98.5 | - | 98 |
| SCOTLAND | | | | | | |
| Aberdeen | 99.8 | 99.4 | - | 99.2 | 99.7 | 99.5 |
| Bush Estate | - | - | 99.2 | - | _ | 99.2 |
| Dumfries | 98.7 | 99.3 | - | 98.9 | - | 99 |
| Edinburgh Centre | 52.8 | 53.1 | 51.6 | 52.4 | 53.1 | 52.6 |
| Eskdalemuir | - | - | 99.2 | | - | 99.2 |
| Glasgow Centre | 99.3 | 99.1 | 91 | 99 | 85.2 | 94.7 |
| Glasgow City Chambers | 94.7 | 94 | - | - | - | 94.3 |
| Glasgow Kerbside | 99.7 | 99.4 | - | 98.8 | - | 99.3 |
| Grangemouth | - | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Inverness | 99.6 | 99.6 | - | 97.8 | - | 99 |
| Strath Vaich | - | - | 98.1 | | - | 98.1 |
| WALES | | | | | | |
| Aston Hill | - | - | 99.8 | - | - | 99.8 |
| Cardiff Centre | 93.3 | 97.1 | 97.4 | | 92.8 | |
| Cwmbran | 81.2 | 75.4 | | 96.6 | 86.9 | |
| Narberth | - | 70.2 | | 90.7 | 83.9 | |
| Port Talbot | - | 99.5 | | | 99.4 | 99.2 |
| Swansea | 99.5 | 99.5 | | 99.5 | 97.7 | 99.2 |
| Wrexham | 99.7 | 95.3 | | 100 | 99.6 | |
| | 33.7 | | | | 33.0 | 33.7 |
| Number of sites | 76 | 98 | 76 | 67 | 76 | |
| Notacel Moss (94) | 02.4 | 00.0 | 06.4 | 0.4 | 04.0 | 04.4 |
| Network Mean (%) | 92.4 | 92.2 | 96.4 | 94 | 94.3 | 94.1 |

Sites and instruments established between 01/10/2002 and 31/12/2002

| Site | Instruments | Start Date |
|----------------------|--|------------|
| Hull Freetown | CO NO ₂ O ₃ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | 06/11/2002 |
| Stockport Shaw Heath | CO NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | 09/10/2002 |

Table 5.2 AURN Ratified Data Capture (%) for January to December 2002 (Using the start date of any new site or end date of site closed)

| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
|------------------------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| ENGLAND | | _ | | | _ | |
| Barnsley 12 | - | - | - | - | 98.8 | 98.8 |
| Barnsley Gawber | 97.8 | 86.4 | 88.3 | - | 86.2 | 89.7 |
| Bath Roadside | 93.5 | 98.1 | - | - | - | 95.8 |
| Billingham | - | 97.8 | - | - | - | 97.8 |
| Birmingham Centre | 95.9 | 92.8 | 98.1 | 97 | 77.9 | 92.4 |
| Birmingham East | 95.4 | 91.4 | 96.5 | 96.6 | 96.5 | 95.3 |
| Blackpool | 95.9 | 96.3 | 97.4 | 98 | 98.4 | 97.2 |
| Bolton | 97.7 | 98.2 | 98.3 | 98.6 | 96.7 | 97.9 |
| Bottesford | - | - | 99.3 | | - | 99.3 |
| Bournemouth | 92.1 | 91.1 | | 94.8 | 96.8 | 93.7 |
| Bradford Centre | 98.1 | 96.9 | 94.9 | 98 | 96.3 | 96.8 |
| Brighton Roadside | 97.4 | 95.1 | | - | - | 96.2 |
| Bristol Centre | 97.8 | | 98.2 | 95.6 | 96.4 | 96.8 |
| Bristol Old Market | 82.7 | 0 | - | - | - | 41.3 |
| Bury Roadside | 95.7 | 93.8 | 95.3 | 95.8 | 96.5 | 95.4 |
| Cambridge Roadside Camden Kerbside | - | 94 | | - 00.0 | - | 94 |
| | - | 96.7 | | 99.2 | | 98 |
| Canterbury Coventry Memorial Park | 33.5 | 98.2 87.8 | | 99.3 97.8 | 93.8 | 98.8 82.1 |
| Exeter Roadside | 94.2 | 93.3 | 97.8 | | 93.6 | 95.6 |
| Glazebury | 94.2 | - 93.3 | 98.5 | | 37.1 | 98.5 |
| Great Dun Fell | _ | _ | 74.3 | | _ | 74.3 |
| Haringey Roadside | _ | 98.1 | | 98.7 | _ | 98.4 |
| Harwell | _ | 97.8 | 97.1 | | 98.2 | 97.7 |
| High Muffles | _ | - | 93.8 | | - | 93.8 |
| Hounslow Roadside | 84.9 | 82.4 | | - | - | 83.6 |
| Hove Roadside | 98.2 | 94 | - | - | 98.2 | 96.8 |
| Hull Centre | 90.7 | 94.6 | 95.6 | 95.3 | 95.6 | 94.4 |
| Hull Freetown | 0 | 97 | 97.4 | 90.8 | 99.5 | 76.9 |
| Ladybower | - | 97.4 | 97.3 | - | 97.2 | 97.3 |
| Leamington Spa | 98.6 | 96.3 | 98.8 | 98.3 | 98.8 | 98.1 |
| Leeds Centre | 71.3 | 87.1 | 97.7 | 97.9 | 90.1 | 88.8 |
| Leicester Centre | 88.1 | 94.5 | 92.7 | 79.3 | 95.1 | 89.9 |
| Liverpool Centre | 54.3 | | 90.8 | | 95.5 | 85.8 |
| London A3 Roadside | 97.2 | 88 | - | 96.7 | - | 94 |
| London Bexley | 90.6 | | | | | |
| London Bloomsbury | 88 | | | | | |
| London Brent | 99 | | | 98.3 | 98.9 | 98.7 |
| London Bromley | 92.3 | | | - | - | 94.8 |
| London Cromwell Road 2 | 93.4 | | | - | 85.2 | |
| London Eltham | - | 98.6 | | | 95.9 | |
| London Hackney | 86.5 | 88.2 | | | - | 87.9 |
| London Haringey | - | - | 97.9 | | - | 97.9 |
| London Hillingdon | 85.9 | | 97.8 | | | |
| London Lewisham | - | 93.5 | 83.8 | - | 96 | 91.1 |

| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| London Marylebone Road | 97.5 | _ | 97 | 98.1 | 96.5 | 97.5 |
| London N. Kensington | 96 | | 99 | 98.5 | 99.3 | |
| London Southwark | 94.8 | | 94.3 | | 93.2 | |
| London Sutton | 34.0 | 98.9 | 98.9 | | - 33.2 | 98.9 |
| London Teddington | + | 98.3 | 98.8 | | 98.8 | 98.7 |
| London Wandsworth | <u>-</u> | 98.2 | 99.1 | | - 30.0 | 98.7 |
| London Westminster | 94.3 | | 97 | | 90.8 | |
| Lullington Heath | 34.5 | 91.1 | 93.6 | | 91.6 | |
| Manchester Piccadilly | 97.1 | | 94.5 | 94.9 | 98.3 | |
| Manchester South | 97.1 | 88.5 | 78.8 | | 96.9 | 88.1 |
| Manchester Town Hall | 96.6 | | | - | 90.9 | 97.6 |
| Middlesbrough | 86 | | 98.1 | 79.1 | 97.9 | 88.6 |
| Newcastle Centre | 90.3 | | 98.1 | 98.2 | 97.6 | 95.7 |
| Northampton | 70.6 | | | 99.2 | 98 | 91.7 |
| Northampton (Partisol) | 70.0 | 99.1 | - | 99.2 | 70.4 | |
| Norwich Centre | 96.3 | 94.9 | 94.8 | 96.5 | 96.8 | 95.9 |
| Norwich Roadside | 90.5 | 97.7 | | - 90.3 | - 30.0 | 97.7 |
| Nottingham Centre | 98.1 | | 94.4 | 88.9 | 98 | |
| Oxford Centre | 92.3 | | | 00.9 | 97.3 | |
| Plymouth Centre | 89.9 | | 97.4 | 98.1 | 97.3 | 95.8 |
| Portsmouth | 97.9 | | | 96.1 | 94.3 | |
| | 97.9 | | 94.7 | 97.2 | 94.3 | 96.9 |
| Preston | 59.7 | | 94.7 | 98.3 | 80.4 | 85.4 |
| Reading Redcar | 96.2 | | 93.4 97.6 | 96.3 | 97 | 96.4 |
| Rochester | 90.2 | 98.4 | 98.4 | 60.7 | 98.4 | |
| Rotherham Centre | + | 95.2 | 98.6 | | 95.1 | 96.3 |
| Salford Eccles | 97.2 | 97.4 | 90.0 | 96.2 | 95.7 | 95.8 |
| Sandwell West Bromwich | 96.5 | | 92.5 | 90.2 | 95.7 | |
| Scunthorpe | 90.5 | 94.3 | 97.1 | 84.4 | 96.3 | |
| Sheffield Centre | 75.5 | 98.2 | 98.3 | 94 | 96.3 | |
| Sheffield Tinsley | 98.7 | 96.8 | | 94 | 97.4 | 97.8 |
| Sibton | 90.7 | 90.0 | 99.1 | - | - | 99.1 |
| | + | - | 99.1 | - | - | 97.5 |
| Somerton Contro | - 02.0 | 90.3 | | | - CE 7 | |
| Southampton Centre Southend-on-Sea | 83.8 92.6 | | | 88.4 97.2 | 65.7 95.7 | 82.9 95.6 |
| Southwark Roadside | 83.8 | | | 91.2 | 85.4 | |
| St Osyth | 98.1 | | | - | 00.4 | 97.4 |
| Stockport | 96.9 | | | 93.2 | 96.8 | |
| Stockport Shaw Heath | 96.9 | | | 95.6 | | 94.3 |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm | 96.6 | | | 96.9 | | 97.1 |
| Stoke-on-Trent Centre | 93.2 | | | 96.9 | - 96 | |
| Sunderland | 93.2 | 95.0 | 93.9 | 96.5 | 99 | |
| | - 07.7 | - 02.6 | - | - 07.2 | | |
| Sutton Roadside Thurrock | 97.7 | | | 97.2 82 | 95.7 | 96 |
| | 97.3 | | | 82 | 97.3 | |
| Tower Hamlets Roadside | 98.6 | | | - | - | 98.5 |
| Walsall Williams | + | 97.5 | | - | - | 97.5 |
| Walsall Willenhall | - | 94 | | - | - | 94 |
| West London | 96.6 | 96.7 | | - | - | 96.7 |
| Weybourne | - | - | 96.3 | | - 00.0 | 96.3 |
| Wicken Fen | - | 85 | 98.5 | - | 98.6 | 94 |

| Site | СО | NO ₂ | O ₃ | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | Site Average |
|-----------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Wigan Leigh | 98.6 | 97.8 | 98.7 | 98.5 | 94.2 | 97.6 |
| Wirral Tranmere | 70.9 | 94.2 | 84.2 | 97.2 | 96.2 | 88.6 |
| Wolverhampton Centre | 72.4 | 96.8 | 95.3 | 98.3 | 77 | 88 |
| Yarner Wood | - | - | 92 | - | - | 92 |
| NORTHERN IRELAND | | | | | | |
| Belfast Centre | 97.4 | 94.5 | 96.4 | 97.6 | 97.2 | 96.6 |
| Belfast Clara St | - | - | - | 93.8 | - | 93.8 |
| Belfast East | - | - | - | - | 96.9 | 96.9 |
| Derry | 92.8 | 94.7 | 92 | 96.4 | 95 | 94.2 |
| Lough Navar | - | - | 87.7 | 95.7 | - | 91.7 |
| SCOTLAND | | | | | | |
| Aberdeen | 97.8 | 97.4 | - | 72.3 | 97.5 | 91.3 |
| Bush Estate | - | - | 97.4 | - | - | 97.4 |
| Dumfries | 93 | 95.1 | - | 93.7 | - | 93.9 |
| Edinburgh Centre | 82.2 | 86 | 84.8 | 82.1 | 86.1 | 84.2 |
| Eskdalemuir | - | - | 99.4 | - | - | 99.4 |
| Glasgow Centre | 94.8 | 94.7 | 93.3 | 97.9 | 85.3 | 93.2 |
| Glasgow City Chambers | 96 | 95.1 | - | - | - | 95.6 |
| Glasgow Kerbside | 97.6 | 97.2 | - | 97 | - | 97.2 |
| Grangemouth | - | 57.3 | - | 57.3 | 57.3 | 57.3 |
| Inverness | 94.3 | 97.8 | - | 74.5 | - | 88.9 |
| Strath Vaich | - | - | 95.3 | - | - | 95.3 |
| WALES | | | | | | |
| Aston Hill | - | - | 90 | - | = | 90 |
| Cardiff Centre | 87.7 | 94.2 | 98.4 | 96.9 | 87.2 | 92.9 |
| Cwmbran | 88.6 | 90.4 | - | 97.3 | 91.2 | 91.9 |
| Narberth | - | 85.7 | 90.8 | 90.5 | 44.3 | 77.8 |
| Port Talbot | - | 96.8 | 94.9 | 97.7 | 96.6 | 96.5 |
| Swansea | 95 | 98 | 98.3 | 98.2 | 97.7 | 97.5 |
| Wrexham | 98.1 | 94.4 | - | 93 | 84.4 | 92.5 |
| Number of sites | 79 | 102 | 79 | 70 | 79 | |
| Network Mean (%) | 89.8 | 93.2 | 95 | 93.1 | 93.1 | 93 |

Sites and instruments established between 01/01/2002 and 31/12/2002

| Site | Pollutant | Site start date |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------|
| Barnsley Gawber | CO | 08/07/2002 |
| Bournemouth | CO | 19/07/2002 |
| Dumfries | CO | 17/07/02 |
| Hull Freetown | CO NO ₂ O ₃ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | 06/11/2002 |
| Inverness | CO, | 17/07/02 |
| | PM ₁₀ (gravimetric) | 13/2/02 |
| Northampton | CO | 12/03/2002 |
| Portsmouth | CO | 21/03/2002 |
| St Osyth | CO NO ₂ O ₃ | 11/05/2002 |
| Stockport Shaw Heath | CO NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | 09/10/2002 |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm | CO | 13/08/2002 |
| Wigan Leigh | CO O ₃ | 15/05/2002 |
| Cwmbran | CO | 12/03/2002 |
| Wrexham | CO NO ₂ SO ₂ PM ₁₀ (gravimetric) | 06/03/2002 |

Appendix A

As requested by the Department, QA/QC Unit has provided a list of suggestions for equipment that may need replacing or up grading in the network. The following provides a summary of the list and the actions taken to date. Recommendations have been prioritised from October 2000 as follows:

| Priority | Definition | Time-scale |
|-------------------|---|----------------|
| High [*] | Immediate action necessary to avoid compromising data capture/quality or safety | Within 2 weeks |
| Medium | Essential but not immediate | 3-6 months |
| Low | Desirable but not essential | As appropriate |

^{*}Note – QA/QC Unit's practice is to notify CMCU immediately of any high priority issues at the time of the event.

| | Recommendations: October 1998 | | Action | |
|----|--|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| 1 | Replace old teflon-coated sample manifolds at former | er SUN sites | Completed | |
| 2 | Replace long sample line at Manchester Town Hall | | Completed | |
| 3 | Use of 1 micron sample filters on API ozone analyse | rs | In-hand at Defra | |
| | | | sites | |
| 4 | Fitting all AUN sites with ladder securing clips | | In hand | |
| 5 | Improving access to PM ₁₀ head at Scunthorpe (Affilia | ate site) | No action | |
| 6 | Safer access to Walsall Alumwell | | Railings installed | |
| 7 | Installing temperature probes at sites without air-co | nditioning | Access to temp | |
| | | | Ambirack sites | |
| | | | now possible | |
| | Recommendations: April 2000 | | now possible | |
| 8 | Consideration could be given to up-grading the "older | er | Site relocated and | |
| | generation" Ambirack system at Coventry in view of | | analysers up- | |
| | problems identified at the audit. | | graded (February | |
| | | | 2001) | |
| | Recommendations: October 2000 | Priority | Action | |
| 9 | The site at Walsall Alumwell should be moved from | Medium | Railings installed | |
| | school roof to ground level in order to improve site | | | |
| | access and safety. | | | |
| 10 | Safer access to PM ₁₀ head at Scunthorpe | Medium | Outstanding | |
| 11 | Safer access to PM ₁₀ head at Stockport. Check | Medium | Smoke damage | |
| | that the recent fire damage to the next door | | only | |
| | building has not reduced the structural integrity of the shared flat roof. | | | |
| 12 | The CO analyser at Birmingham Centre is very | Medium | A new instrument | |
| 12 | noisy (outside the ±0.5ppm acceptance level) and | Wediam | was installed in | |
| | should be considered for replacement/up-grade | | March 2001 | |
| | Recommendations April 2001 | Action | | |
| 13 | Up-grade or repair noisy CO analyser at | Priority Medium | New instrument | |
| | Birmingham Centre | | installed March 01 | |
| | Recommendations October 2001 | Priority | Action | |
| 14 | Up-grade or repair noisy CO analyser at Hull | Medium | Site temporarily | |
| | Centre | | closed. Re- | |
| | | | opened at Hull | |
| | | | Freetown 8/11/02 | |

| | Recommendations May 2002 | Priority | Action |
|------|--|--|---|
| None | - | _ | |
| | Recommendations November 2002 | Priority | Action |
| 15 | Up-grade or repair noisy CO analyser at Reading (Ambirak) | Critical Site | Repaired July 02 |
| 16 | Up-grade or repair CO analyser (Environnement SA) at Liverpool (response noise and drift). | Critical Site | Site Closed |
| 17 | Up-grade or repair noisy analyser at Coventry Memorial Park (SO ₂ , and CO – Ambirak) | Critical Site | Scheduled for Winter Service |
| 18 | Up-grade or repair noisy PM ₁₀ analyser (TEOM) at Leicester Centre | Critical Site | To be replaced |
| 19 | Add remote dial up facility to collect instrument diagnostics for all Partisol analysers in the Network | Critical Sites | Phone lines installed – in hand |
| | Recommendations February 2003 | Priority | Action |
| 20 | Sunderland SO ₂ baseline response cycling | Medium | ESU investigated but no fault found. On-going |
| 21 | Investigate/repair SO ₂ analyser at Glasgow Centre (random step changes in sensitivity) | Critical Site | On-going |
| 22 | Repair/replace Narberth SO ₂ analyser (response instability) | High | On-going |
| | Recommendations April 2003 | Priority | Action |
| 23 | ESU to carry out a 3-month converter test at Sheffield Centre, London A3 Roadside and Wolverhampton Centre. | Medium | |
| 24 | Investigation of auto calibration run-on problem at sites identified in Table 2.7 | Medium | |
| 25 | Investigate/repair unstable SO ₂ analyser at Narberth or replace analyser. | High | |
| 26 | Investigate/repair SO ₂ analyser at Glasgow Centre (random step changes in sensitivity) | Critical Site | |
| 27 | Casella Stanger and QA/QC Unit are currently working in conjunction to carry out a programme of site up-grades involving equipment replacement at a number of original EUN sites and rural sites in the network. | Some priority sites for new analysers have been identified | |

APPENDIX B

CRITICAL SITES IN THE AURN (17/02/2003)

Table B1 Critical sites in Agglomerations

| Site Name | Agglomeration | Critical F | Pollutants | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------------|---|--|
| | | DD1 | DD2 ⁷ | DD3 | |
| Belfast Centre | Belfast Urban Area | NO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Wirral Tranmere | Birkenhead Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | $NO_2 O_3$ | |
| Blackpool | Blackpool Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | $NO_2 O_3$ | |
| Bournemouth+ | Bournemouth Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ ⁶ | |
| Brighton Preston Park | Brighton/Worthing/Littleham pton | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ ⁶ | |
| Brighton Roadside+ | Brighton/Worthing/Littleham pton | PM ₁₀ ¹ | | | |
| Hove Roadside+ | Brighton/Worthing/Littleham pton | SO ₂ | | | |
| Bristol Centre | Bristol Urban Area | PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Cardiff Centre | Cardiff Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Coventry Memorial Park+ | Coventry/Bedworth | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Edinburgh Centre | Edinburgh Urban Area | NO ₂ ⁵ PM ₁₀ ⁵ SO ₂ ⁵ | CO⁵ | $NO_2^{-5}O_3^{-5}$ | |
| Glasgow Centre | Glasgow Urban Area | SO ₂ | | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Hull Freetown | Kingston upon Hull | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | $NO_2 O_3$ | |
| Leicester Centre | Leicester Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | $NO_2 O_3$ | |
| Liverpool Speke | Liverpool Urban Area | NO ₂ ⁵ PM ₁₀ ⁵ SO ₂ ⁵ | CO⁵ | $NO_2^{\ 5}O_3^{\ 5}$ | |
| Nottingham Centre | Nottingham Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ NO ₂ O ₃ ⁶ | |
| Portsmouth+ | Portsmouth Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | $NO_2 O_3^6$ | |
| Preston | Preston Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Reading | Reading/Wokingham Urban Area | NO ₂ ⁵ PM ₁₀ ⁵ SO ₂ ⁵ | CO⁵ | NO ₂ ⁵ O ₃ ⁵ | |
| Sheffield Centre | Sheffield Urban Area | PM ₁₀ | | | |
| Southampton Centre | Southampton Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Southend-on-Sea | Southend Urban Area | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Swansea+ | Swansea Urban Area | | CO | | |
| Stoke-on-Trent Centre | The Potteries | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |
| Newcastle Centre | Tyneside | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | |

[&]quot;+ indicates Affiliate site"

Note 1: PM₁₀ not monitoring yet

Note 2: PM₁₀ monitored by Gravimetric and TEOM

Note 3: DD3 Critical as Rural Background station

Note 4: If NO₂ at Shrewsbury/Leominster is Suburban then NO₂ at Leamington Spa is no longer critical for DD1

Note 5: Monitoring temporarily suspended due to site relocation

Note 6: Not Affiliated/Monitoring yet. Target date 09 September 2003

Note 7: Addresses CO, Benzene not included here

Table B2 Critical sites in Zones

| Site Name | Zone | Critical Pol | lutant | lutant | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---|------------------|--|--|--|
| | | DD1 | DD2 ⁷ | DD3 | | |
| Grangemouth+ | Central Scotland | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | СО | | | |
| Bush Estate | Central Scotland | | | $NO_2^6 O_3$ | | |
| Ladybower | East Midlands | | | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Northampton+ | East Midlands | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ ² SO ₂ | СО | NO ₂ O ₃ 6 | | |
| Sibton | Eastern | | | O ₃ ³ | | |
| Norwich Centre | Eastern | | | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Wicken Fen | Eastern | | | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Thurrock | Eastern | | | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Fort William | Highland | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ ⁶ | | |
| Strath Vaich | Highland | | | O ₃ ³ | | |
| Inverness | Highland | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ | | | | |
| Ashington | North East | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ ⁶ | | |
| Stockton-on-Tees Yarm+ | North East | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ | СО | | | |
| Sunderland | North East | SO ₂ | | | | |
| Aberdeen+ | North East Scotland | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ ⁶ | | |
| Aston Hill | North Wales | | | NO ₂ O ₃ ⁶ NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ | | |
| Wrexham | North Wales | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | | | |
| Great Dunn Fell | North West & Merseyside | | | O ₃ ³ | | |
| Wigan Leigh+ | North West & Merseyside | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Glazebury | North West & Merseyside | | | $NO_2^6 O_3$ | | |
| Lough Navar | Northern Ireland | | | O ₃ ³ | | |
| Derry+ | Northern Ireland | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Dunslair Heights | Scottish Borders | | | NO ₂ 6 O ₃ 6 | | |
| Dumfries | Scottish Borders | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ | CO | | | |
| Canterbury+ | South East | PM ₁₀ | | | | |
| Oxford Centre+ | South East | SO ₂ | CO | | | |
| Narberth | South Wales | | | O ₃ ³ | | |
| Cwmbran+ | South Wales | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ ⁶ | | |
| Somerton | South West | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ | | |
| Yarner Wood | South West | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ | | |
| Plymouth Centre | South West | PM ₁₀ | | | | |
| Shrewsbury/Leominster | West Midlands | | | NO ₂ ^{4 & 6} O ₃ ⁶ | | |
| Leamington Spa+ | West Midlands | NO ₂ PM ₁₀ SO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| Barnsley Gawber+ | Yorkshire & Humberside | NO ₂ | CO | NO ₂ O ₃ | | |
| High Muffles | Yorkshire & Humberside | | | NO ₂ ⁶ O ₃ | | |
| Scunthorpe+ | Yorkshire & Humberside | PM ₁₀ | | | | |

Total of 61 Critical Sites (25 in Agglomerations and 36 in Zones) 51% of network stations critical under one or more Daughter Directives

"+ indicates Affiliate site"

Note 1: PM₁₀ not monitoring yet

Note 2: PM₁₀ monitored by Gravimetric and TEOM

Note 3: DD3 Critical as Rural Background station

Note 4: If NO_2 at Shrewsbury/Leominster is Suburban then NO_2 at Leamington Spa is no longer critical for DD1

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