

# Calibration Report

## Brewers #157 and #033; Izaña, Spain; September 12-15, 2001

### I. Overview and Instrument Status:

Brewer #157, a Mark III instrument was working well and been quite stable in past year. The instrument's constants were from 1999. Set at these values, the ozone readings were in good agreement with traveling standard instrument #017 (see graph of day 255). The sun scan results showed that the wavelength cal step should be adjusted to 290 from 285, which increased ozone slightly at low zenith angles. Standard Lamp ratios R6/R5 have been stable at 330/580 for the past year. Problems with communication errors were a problem for the first 2 days but after re-booting the computer the next 2 days were error free.

Brewer #033, a MKII instrument has been operated at sea level in Santa Cruz the past year and was re-located here for this calibration. It was still working well but its Standard Lamp ratios were up by 15/30 units from last year and consequently the ozone results were high by ~1%. The user corrects the data by adjusting ETC constants for this SL ratios change. The zenith prism gears had to be reset on arrival to allow proper operation.

### II. Ozone Test Results:

This inter-comparison resulted in approximately 150 near simultaneous Direct Sun measurements of #157 with #017 over 3 days. The sun scan results showed (reference graph on next page) that the cal step should be 290 using a revised setting of average airmass of 1.4 times instead of 2.0. It is believed ~3 steps of this change is due to aging of mercury lamp and use of 302 nm. line for wavelength calibration. It was decided to change the software to the more stable 296.7 nm. line and therefore the cal step changed from 1027 steps and zero constant changed by same amount to 2229. The dispersion test results at step 1027 produced an ozone absorption coefficient of 0.3397, a change of 0.7 % and it was put into use. Below are the final daily mean results using new constants. Essentially the same results are obtained using the old constants for #157 and so no correction to past data is necessary.

The sun scan results for #033 showed no changes were necessary and the software and constants were changed to use the 296.7 nm. line for wavelength calibration.

### Ozone final daily mean results all instruments:

| day   | #157 O <sub>3</sub> dev | SO <sub>2</sub> dev | # / tot | #033 O <sub>3</sub> dev | SO <sub>2</sub> dev | #017 O <sub>3</sub> dev. | SO <sub>2</sub> dev |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 25501 | 268.2 +1.1 -0.4 +0.2    | 54/ 68              |         | 267.5 +1.4 -0.5 +0.2    |                     | 269.4 +1.2 -0.2 +.6      |                     |
| 25601 | 275.8 +1.8 -0.3 +0.3    | 51/ 65              |         | 275.0 +1.8 0.2 +0.4     |                     | 273.9 +2.9 -0.3 +.2      |                     |
| 25801 | 285.8 +0.9 -0.2 +0.3    | 48/ 60              |         | 284.1 +1.2 0.2 +0.5     |                     | 283.4 +1.0 0.0 +.3       |                     |

### III. Summary of results and changes:

|                 | Brewer #157  | Brewer #033  |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| SL ratios 2000  | 325 / 580    | 2050 / 3895  |
| SL ratios 2001  | 330 / 580    | 2065 / 3925  |
| Change in SL    | 5 / 0        | + 15 / +30   |
| Cal step 2000   | 285          | 138          |
| Cal step 2001   | 290 - > 1027 | 138          |
| ICF file to use | icf25801.157 | icf25801.033 |
| DT              | 32 ns        | 42 ns        |

|                 | Brewer #157   | Brewer #033     |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| ETCs 2000       | 1565 / 210    | 3350 / 3525     |
| ETCs 2001       | 1575 / 210    | 3370 / 3560     |
| Change in ETCs  | 10 / 0        | +20 / +35       |
| Absorption 2000 | 0.342 / 1.15  | 0.3358 / 1.1194 |
| Absorption 2001 | 0.3397 / 1.15 | 0.3365 / 1.1362 |
| DCF file to use | dcf25601.157  | dcf27900.033    |

#### **IV. Dispersion and UV calibration results:**

The dispersion test results improved wavelength accuracy on slit 1, reference difference file (dcf\_diff.157) and so the new file (dcf25601.157) was put into use. It was also believed that the improved IOS software for dispersion processing helped make these results more accurate. A timed UA scan was completed with #017 and the irradiance agreement was very good, reference graph next page.

The dispersion test on #033 produced very similar results to last year and so no changes were made. However the new absorption coefficients were put into use since a slight improvement was achieved in ozone agreement. Scans of internal lamps were completed on each instrument and were very similar to last year results.

The INM portable 1000w UV calibration system with 3 local lamps were used for the UV calibration of each instrument. During the calibration of #157 using lamp #014, the system cooling fans were off by mistake and so those results were not used to produce response file. The new UV calibration response files agreed well with previous results.

#### **V. Servicing and Software changes:**

The micrometer gears were cleaned and the pushrod bearings lubricated on each. The tracker tension on #157 was tightened to reduce friction drive slippage. The rubber seals under the shock mounts were replaced on each Brewer which should reduce efforts to control humidity.

Software bug was corrected in main program at lines 7640-7650 to correct error in n.d. filter recording. Also in main program, lines 2715, 3437 and 3555 were changed to allow use of new UV calibration routine – quick lamp (QL). This routine speeds up and improves the calibration process for Brewers with extended UV scan capability. A new UV calibration-processing program (Lampspro.exe) was demonstrated and provided for evaluation. Improved Hg, SE and FR routines were provided.

#### **VI. Recommendations:**

The Brewer control computers should be re-booted each evening to reduce the communication errors, which corrupt data.



