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# **Executive Summary**

The following report summarizes the monthly data generated as part of the Richmond Community Air Monitoring Program (RCAMP). RCAMP is an independent initiative designed to provide air quality readings to the general public and educate the community about what is in the air. The air quality monitoring equipment and its installation was funded by Chevron in consultation with the City of Richmond. Ongoing operation, maintenance and data reporting is managed by Argos Scientific, Inc., with direction from the City Manager's Office, and input from Chevron and community representatives.

This report details the information collected by the operation of the open path fence line monitoring systems installed near the perimeter of Chevron's Richmond Refinery. The report explains the data and measurements of target compounds (benzene, toluene, sulfur dioxide, p-xylene, carbon disulfide and hydrogen sulfide) for the month of February 2014, at the fence line monitoring locations located near the Richmond Refinery perimeter, adjacent to Point Richmond, Atchison Village and North Richmond.

## **Operational Performance Events**

During February 2014 there were no events that affected the monitoring system on the refinery perimeter.

#### **Maintenance Activities**

Routine maintenance and quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) for the open path fence line monitoring systems occurred on February 03 and February 24, 2014 at the fence line monitoring locations located near the Richmond Refinery perimeter, adjacent to Point Richmond, Atchison Village and North Richmond.

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# **Summary Findings**

The following was noted from the monthly results of the monitoring activities:

- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to Point Richmond, the maximum sulfur dioxide concentration was recorded when the winds were from the Northeast;
- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to Atchison Village, the
  maximum benzene concentration was recorded when the winds were
  from the North-to-northwest. The maximum sulfur dioxide value was
  recorded when winds were from the East. The maximum toluene value
  was recorded when winds were from the North-to-northeast;
- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to North Richmond, the
  maximum benzene concentration was recorded when the winds were
  from the North-to-northwest. The maximum sulfur dioxide value was
  recorded when winds were from the South-to-southwest. The maximum
  toluene value was recorded when winds were from the North. The
  maximum p-xylene value was recorded when winds were from the West.

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## 2 Introduction

Table 2.1 lists the target compounds monitored during the month of February 2014, at the fence line monitoring systems near the refinery perimeter and adjacent to Point Richmond, Atchison Village and North Richmond. Each site has an open path Ultra Violet (Open Path UV) air monitoring system and an open path tunable diode laser (TDL) air monitoring system, see Appendix C for an equipment location map.

Table 2.1: Target Compounds Measured by Fence Line System

Compound	Instrument
Benzene	Open Path UV
Toluene	Open Path UV
Sulfur Dioxide	Open Path UV
p-Xylene	Open Path UV
Carbon Disulfide	Open Path UV
Hydrogen Sulfide	TDL

In addition each site is equipped with a meteorological station measuring the following parameters:

- Wind speed
- Wind direction
- Temperature
- Relative humidity

The results of the measurements performed by the system for the month of February 2014, are presented in the sections that follow.

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# 3 Results

# **Monthly Maximum Fence Line Detections**

This section of the report presents the results for the monitoring performed for the month of February 2014. Tables 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 list the maximum monthly concentrations measured at each of the sites for the monitoring period.

Table 3.1: Maximum Detected Concentrations Measured by the Fence Line Monitoring Equipment Located Adjacent to Point Richmond

	Concentration Toxicity Summary			Wind	
Compound	Date	Time	(ppb)	(ppb)	Direction
			(FF-)	Short-term/acute	
				(for a 6-hour	
				exposure) 1: 433	
				, ,	
	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Long-	Nothing
Benzene	Detected	Detected	Detected	term/chronic <sup>2</sup> : 20	Detected
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 1-hour	
Sulfur Dioxide	02/24/2014	03:55 AM	80	exposure)1: 230	Northeast
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 1-hour	
				exposure) 1: 8600	
m 1	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Long-	Nothing
Toluene	Detected	Detected	Detected	term/chronic <sup>2</sup> : 70	Detected
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 1-hour	
				exposure)¹: 6285	
	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Long-	Nothing
p-Xylene	Detected	Detected	Detected	term/chronic <sup>2</sup> : 200	Detected
prigrene	2000000	2000000	2000000	Currently there are	Dottotta
				no standards set	
				for evaluating risks	
Carbon	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	of exposure to	Nothing
Disulfide	Detected	Detected	Detected	Carbon Disulfide	Detected
Hydrogen	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Long-	Nothing
Sulfide	Detected	Detected	Detected	term/chronic <sup>2</sup> : 8	Detected

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 $<sup>^{</sup>m 1}$  California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Acute Toxicity Summary (http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot\_spots/2008/AppendixD2\_final.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Chronic Toxicity Summary

<sup>(</sup>http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot spots/2008/AppendixD3 final.pdf)

Table 3.2: Maximum Detected Concentrations Measured by the Fence Line Monitoring Equipment Located Adjacent to Atchison Village

Compound	Date	Time	Concentration (ppb)	Toxicity Summary (ppb)	Wind Direction
				Short-term/acute (for a 6-hour exposure) <sup>3</sup> : 433	
Benzene	02/24/2014	03:25 PM	16	Long- term/chronic <sup>4</sup> : 20	North-to- northwest
Sulfur Dioxide	02/24/2014	03:30 AM	171	Short-term/acute (for a 1-hour exposure) <sup>3</sup> : 230	East
				Short-term/acute (for a 1-hour exposure) <sup>3</sup> : 8600	
Toluene	02/03/2014	07:05 PM	9	Long- term/chronic4: 70	North-to- northeast
				Short-term/acute (for a 1-hour exposure) <sup>3</sup> : 6285	
p-Xylene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Long- term/chronic4: 200	Nothing Detected
				Currently there are no standards set for evaluating risks of	
Carbon Disulfide	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	exposure to Carbon Disulfide	Nothing Detected
Hydrogen Sulfide	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Long- term/chronic4: 8	Nothing Detected

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3}$  California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Acute Toxicity Summary

<sup>(</sup>http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot\_spots/2008/AppendixD2\_final.pdf)

4 California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Chronic Toxicity Summary (http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot spots/2008/AppendixD3 final.pdf)

Table 3.3: Maximum Detected Concentrations Measured by the Fence Line Monitoring Equipment Located Adjacent to North Richmond

Compound	mpound Date Time Concentration		Toxicity	Wind	
-			(ppb)	Summary (ppb)	Direction
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 6-hour	
				exposure) 5: 433	
				T	NT .1 .
D	02/24/2014	01 15 DM	10	Long-	North-to-
Benzene	02/24/2014	01:15 PM	12	term/chronic <sup>6</sup> : 20	northwest
				Short-term/acute	0 .1 .
G 16 D1 11	00/40/0044	05 05 014	= 0	(for a 1-hour	South-to-
Sulfur Dioxide	02/10/2014	05:25 PM	50	exposure) <sup>5</sup> : 230	southwest
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 1-hour	
				exposure)5: 8600	
m l	00/06/00/4	40.05.01	0.5	Long-	37 .3
Toluene	02/06/2014	12:35 PM	25	term/chronic <sup>6</sup> : 70	North
				Short-term/acute	
				(for a 1-hour	
				exposure) 5: 6285	
				Long-	
			_	term/chronic <sup>6</sup> :	
p-Xylene	02/10/2014	11:30 AM	8	200	West
				Currently there	
				are no standards	
				set for evaluating	
	_	_	_	risks of exposure	_
Carbon	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	to Carbon	Nothing
Disulfide	Detected	Detected	Detected	Disulfide	Detected
Hydrogen	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Long-	Nothing
Sulfide	Detected	Detected	Detected	term/chronic <sup>6</sup> : 8	Detected

Tables 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 above indicate that the fence line equipment detected compounds at each location. The concentrations of these compounds were significantly lower than the toxicity standards established by the State of California.

## 3.2 Monthly Fence Line Detections

The sections below detail the compounds detected at each of the monitoring locations. Where there were no detections for the month these graphs are not included. The data is grouped by sampling site with the associated meteorological data included.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Acute Toxicity Summary (http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot\_spots/2008/AppendixD2\_final.pdf)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Chronic Toxicity Summary (http://oehha.ca.gov/air/hot\_spots/2008/AppendixD3\_final.pdf)

#### 3.2.1 Point Richmond

Figures 3.1 to 3.3 show the gas detections for the month of February 2014 at the fence line monitoring system near the refinery perimeter and adjacent to Point Richmond. In addition wind speed and wind direction data measured by the system is reported. For the month of February 2014, benzene, toluene, p-xylene, carbon disulfide and hydrogen sulfide were not detected by the system. The data is plotted on a logarithmic scale.

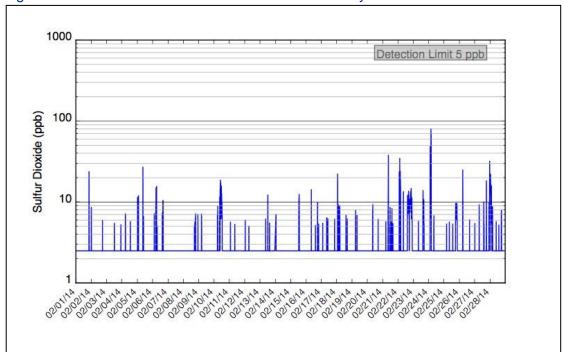


Figure 3.1: Point Richmond Sulfur Dioxide Monitored by UV

Figure 3.1 shows that the maximum concentration of 80 ppb was detected on February 24, 2014 at 03:55 AM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.1 above.

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## 3.2.1.1 Point Richmond Wind Speed and Wind Direction

Figure 3.2: Point Richmond Wind Speed

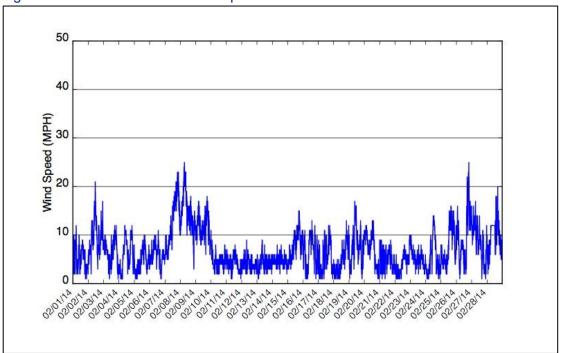
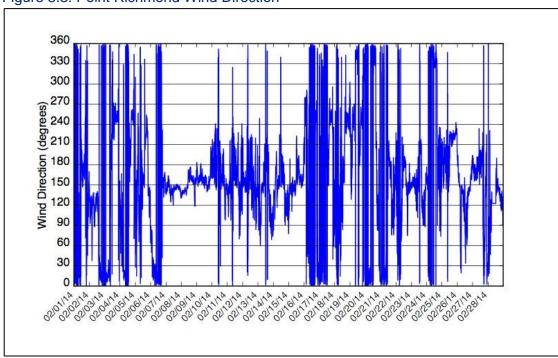


Figure 3.3: Point Richmond Wind Direction



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# 3.2.2 Atchison Village

Figures 3.4 to 3.8 show the gas detections for the month of February 2014 at the fence line monitoring location located near the refinery perimeter and adjacent to Atchison Village as well as the wind speed and wind direction data measured by the system. For the month of February 2014, p-xylene, carbon disulfide and hydrogen sulfide were not detected. The gas data is plotted on a logarithmic scale.

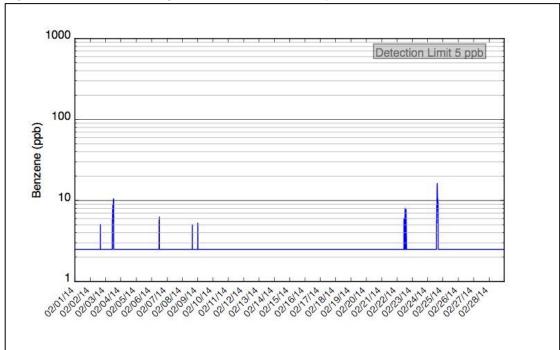


Figure 3.4: Atchison Village Benzene Monitored by UV

Figure 3.4 shows that the maximum concentration of 16 ppb was detected on February 24, 2014 at 03:25 PM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.2 above.

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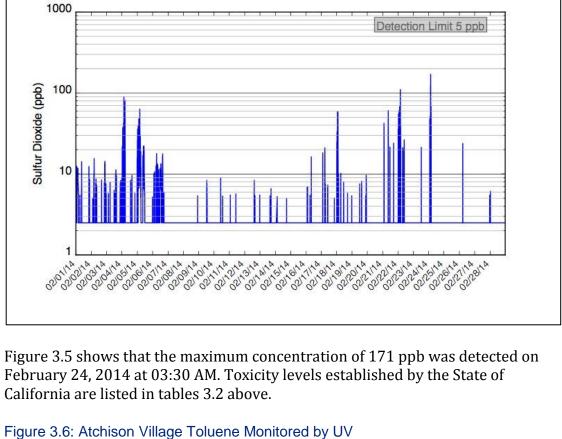


Figure 3.5: Atchison Village Sulfur Dioxide Monitored by UV

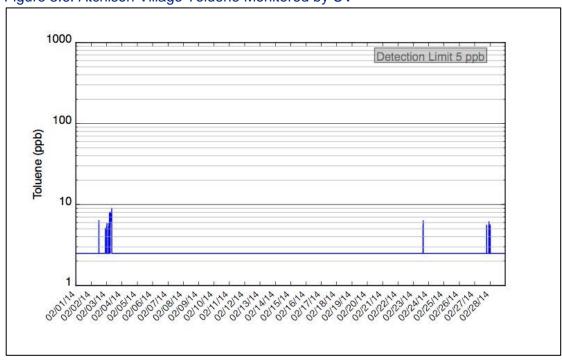


Figure 3.6 shows that the maximum concentration of 9 ppb was detected on February 03, 2014 at 08:20 AM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.2 above.

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# 3.2.2.1 Atchison Village Wind Speed and Wind Direction

Figure 3.7: Atchison Village Wind Speed

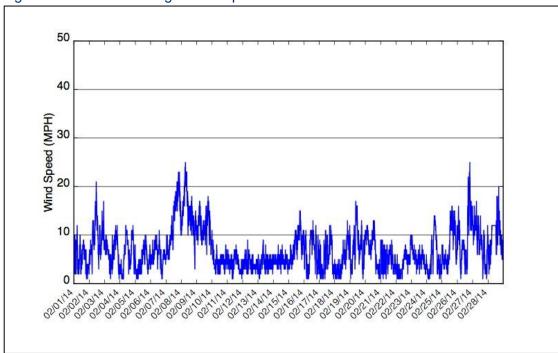
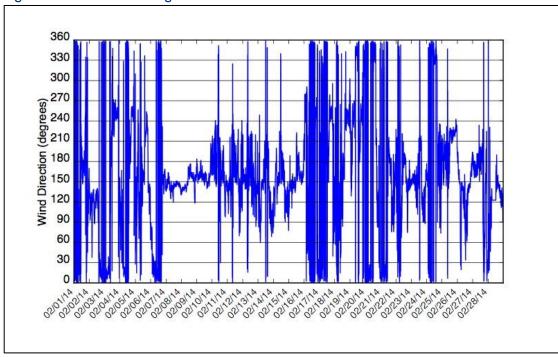


Figure 3.8: Atchison Village Wind Direction



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#### 3.2.3 North Richmond

Figures 3.9 to 3.14 show the gas detections for the month of February 2014 at the fence line monitoring location located near the refinery perimeter and adjacent to North Richmond as well as the wind speed and wind direction data measured by the system. For the month of February 2014, carbon disulfide and hydrogen sulfide were not detected. The gas data is plotted on a logarithmic scale.

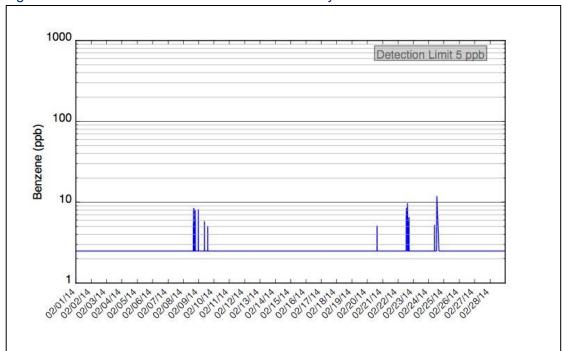


Figure 3.9: North Richmond Benzene Monitored by UV

Figure 3.9 shows that the maximum concentration of 12 ppb was detected on February 24, 2014 at 01:15 PM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.3 above

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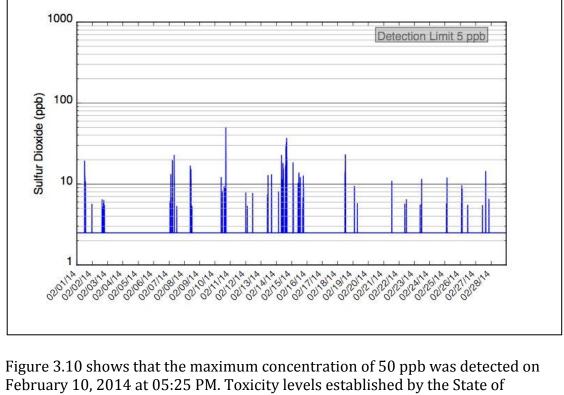


Figure 3.10: North Richmond Sulfur Dioxide Monitored by UV

California are listed in tables 3.3 above

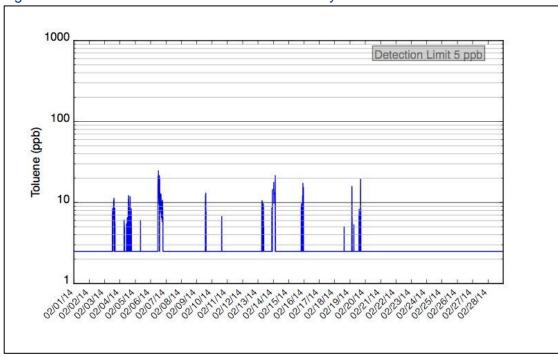


Figure 3.11: North Richmond Toluene Monitored by UV

Figure 3.11 shows that the maximum concentration of 25 ppb was detected on February 06, 2014 at 12:35 PM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.3 above.

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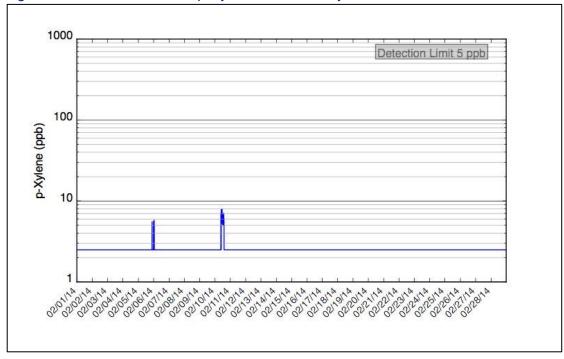


Figure 3.12: North Richmond p-Xylene Monitored by UV

Figure 3.12 shows that the maximum concentration of 8 ppb was detected on February 10, 2014 at 11:30 AM. Toxicity levels established by the State of California are listed in tables 3.3 above.

# 3.2.3.1 North Richmond Wind Speed and Wind Direction

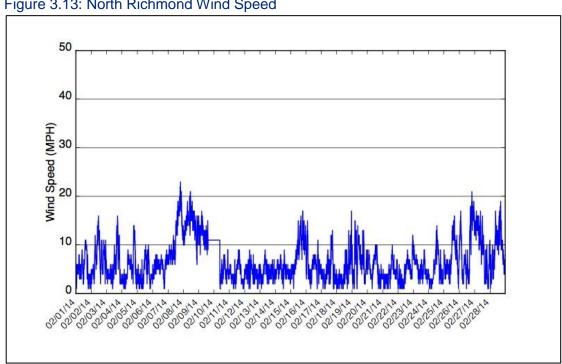


Figure 3.13: North Richmond Wind Speed

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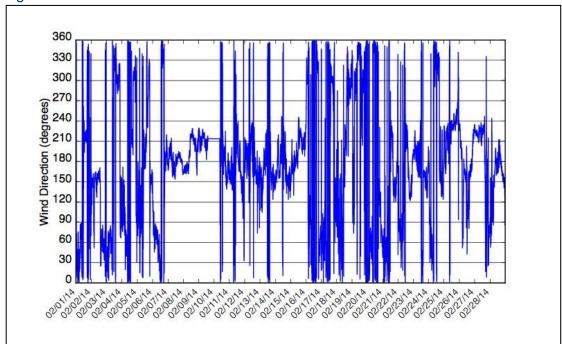


Figure 3.14: North Richmond Wind Direction

# 3.3 QA/QC Checks

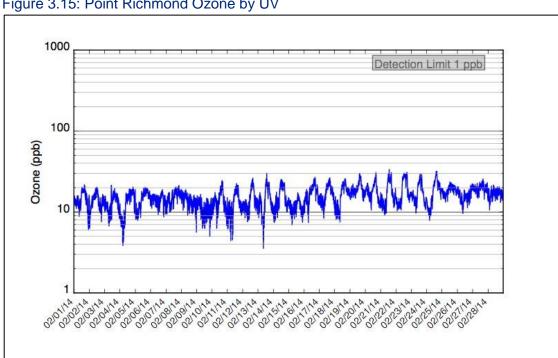


Figure 3.15: Point Richmond Ozone by UV

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Figure 3.16: Atchison Village Ozone by UV

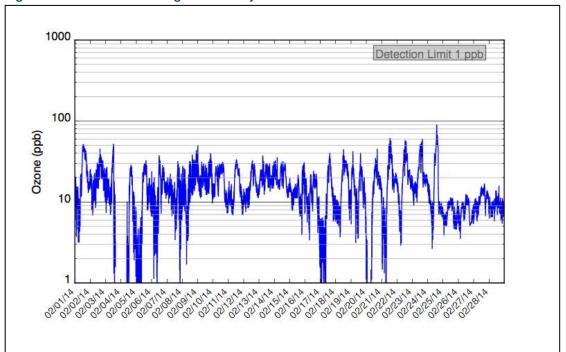
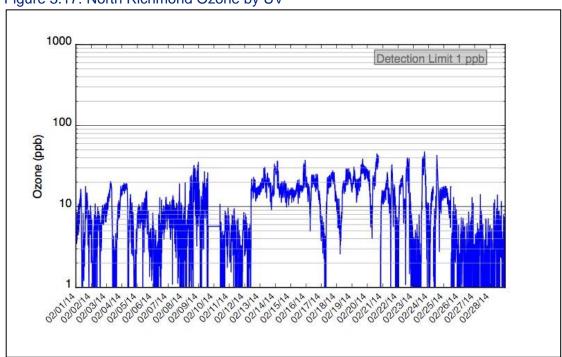


Figure 3.17: North Richmond Ozone by UV



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# **4 Operational Performance Events**

During February 2014 there were no events that affected the monitoring system on the refinery perimeter.

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# **5** Maintenance Activities

Routine maintenance and quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) for the open path fence line monitoring systems occurred on February 03 and February 24, 2014 at the fence line monitoring locations located near the Richmond Refinery perimeter, adjacent to Point Richmond, Atchison Village and North Richmond.

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# **6 Summary of Findings**

The following was noted from the monthly results of the monitoring activities:

- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to Point Richmond, the maximum sulfur dioxide concentration was recorded when the winds were from the Northeast;
- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to Atchison Village, the maximum benzene concentration was recorded when the winds were from the North-to-northwest. The maximum sulfur dioxide value was recorded when winds were from the East. The maximum toluene value was recorded when winds were from the North-to-northeast;
- At the refinery perimeter that is adjacent to North Richmond, the maximum benzene concentration was recorded when the winds were from the North-to-northwest. The maximum sulfur dioxide value was recorded when winds were from the South-to-southwest. The maximum toluene value was recorded when winds were from the North. The maximum p-xylene value was recorded when winds were from the West.

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# Appendix A: Maintenance and Calibration Activities

The following calibration activities were recorded at the site.

# Point Richmond QA/QC

Instrument	Compound	Date	Time	Passed Yes/No
UV	Benzene, Toluene, Sulfur Dioxide, p-Xylene	02/03/2014	10:42 AM	Yes
TDL	Hydrogen Sulfide	02/03/2014	10:47PM	Yes

# Atchison Village QA/QC

Instrument	rument Compound		Time	Passed Yes/No
UV	Benzene, Toluene, Sulfur Dioxide, p-Xylene	02/03/2014	10:20 AM	Yes
TDL	Hydrogen Sulfide	02/03/2014	10:32PM	Yes

# North Richmond QA/QC

Instrument	Compound	Date	Time	Passed Yes/No
TDL Hydrogen Sulfide  Renzene Toluene Sulfur		02/12/2014	10:06	Yes
		02/12/2014	10:10	Yes
		02/25/2014	11:13	Yes
TDL	Hydrogen Sulfide	02/26/2014	12:10	Yes

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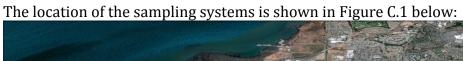
# Appendix B: Website Message Board Logs

The following operational issues were noted on the Richmond Refinery Community Website:

- 02/03/2014 9:41 Argos is on site to perform monthly maintenance on the fence line and community instruments. The message board will be updated when QA/QC work is complete.
- 02/24/2014 17:41 Monthly QA/QC work for the fence line and community monitors has been completed.

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# **Appendix C: Equipment Location**





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