Quality Assessment Report for Water Quality Monitoring

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Field Sampling Quality

- Project monitoring plan finalized 9/14/05
- Technical working group discussions
- 157 equipment blanks collected; all acceptable
- 7 set of replicates collected; all acceptable

Field Audits

- Miami-Dade DERM (ENP, C11D, and NECP Projects)
 - Inadequate mixing of autosampler samples
 - Inconsistent procedure in collecting equipment blank
- USFWS (EVPA Project)
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 - Documentation deficiencies
- Action taken: Deficiencies have been corrected.

Laboratory Procedure Changes

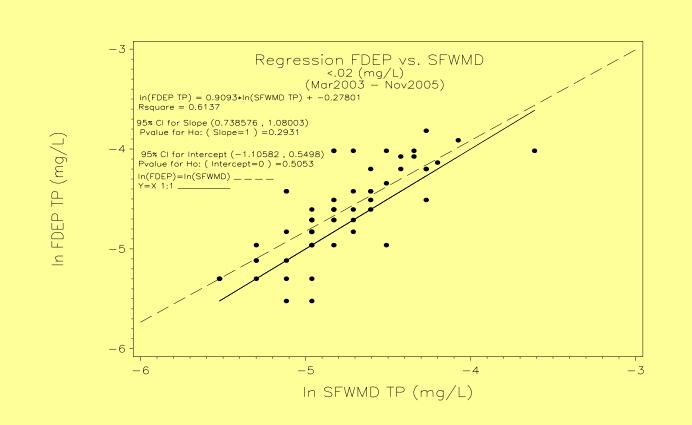
- Changed instrument, 11/28/05
 - Segmented flow to state-of-the art flow injection technology
- Changed analytical range limits
 - From dual level (0.002-0.2 and 0.2-2) to single level (0.002-0.400 mg/L)
- QC levels
 - Changed two QC check levels including (e.g. from 0.025 to 0.03 mg/L P)
 - PQL check (0.004) still in place
 - Eliminated organic check (1.8 mg/L)
 - Matrix spikes with organic P still analyzed

Laboratory Quality Assessment

All criteria were met for data pertinent to this report:

PQL Check (0.004 mg/L) – Mean Recovery: 102% Matrix spikes recovery – 103% Precision – <10% QC check (accuracy) – 93-102%

Interlaboratory Comparison, District and FDEP Laboratories



Summary Statistics for <0.02 mg/L Data Set from 3/2003-11/205; n=73

Lab	Mean		Median			
FDEP	0.010		0.009			
District	0.008		0.007			
Summary of Differences						
Mean		002				
Median		0	01			
Signed Rank Sum Test						
Hypothesis: Median diff=0 pValue = <0.0001						

Conclusion

Based on Regression Analysis, <0.02 mg/L

- Slope not significantly different from 1
- Intercept not significantly different from 0
- Data sets from both labs are highly comparable

Based on Non-Parametric Analysis, <0.02 mg/L

- Indicates statistically significant difference
- High variability at these low levels
- Mean and median differences (District-FDEP) are -0.002 and 0.001 mg/L, which are at or below both laboratories' MDL

south florida water management district **ERR-15 Performance** (April-May, 2005) Overall District Rating=5 Units = µg/L

Sample	Study Mean	SFWMD*	FDEP*
S5A	197	200 (5)	198 (5)
S10C	266	270. 7 (5)	266 (5)
WCAE1	29.7	30.5 (5)	34.5 (3)
WCAF3	28.7	29.3 (5)	32.0 (4)
WCAU2	7.33	7.00 (5)	8.00 (5)

* Number in parenthesis indicate ratings (5=highest; 0=lowest)

ERR-16 Performance (Nov. 2005 - Preliminary Results)

Units = $\mu g/L$

Sample	Mean*	SFWMD	FDEP
S5A	216±13.9	212±1.7	216±3.1
S10C	62.2±6.2	55.8±2.9	66.5±1.7
WCAU2	8.4±1.9	7.3±0.6	9.0±0.0
WCAF1	26.4±3.3	26.3±0.5	28.8±0.5
WCAF4	8.21±1.2	7.0±0.0	8.3±0.5

*Excludes 1 laboratory-gross outlier