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Explanation of Symbols and Abbreviations

The following defines common symbols and abbreviations used in reporting technical data:

N.D.	none detected	BMQL	Below Minimum Quantitation Level
TNTC	Too Numerous To Count	MPN	Most Probable Number
IU	International Units	CP Units	cobalt-chloroplatinate units
umhos/cm	micromhos/cm	NTU	nephelometric turbidity units
C	degrees Celsius	F	degrees Fahrenheit
Cal	(diet) calories	lb.	pound(s)
meq	milliequivalents	kg	kilogram(s)
g	gram(s)	mg	milligram(s)
ug	microgram(s)	l	liter(s)
ml	milliliter(s)	ul	microliter(s)
m3	cubic meters	fib >5 um/ml	fibers greater than 5 microns in length per ml
<	less than - The number following the sign is the <u>limit of quantitation</u> , the smallest amount of analyte which can be reliably determined using this specific test.		
>	greater than		
ppm	parts per million - One ppm is equivalent to one milligram per kilogram (mg/kg), or one gram per million grams. For aqueous liquids, ppm is usually taken to be equivalent to milligrams per liter (mg/l), because one liter of water has a weight very close to a kilogram. For gases or vapors, one ppm is equivalent to one microliter of gas per liter of gas.		
ppb	parts per billion		
Dry weight basis	Results printed under this heading have been adjusted for moisture content. This increases the analyte weight concentration to approximate the value present in a similar sample without moisture.		

U.S. EPA data qualifiers:

Organic Qualifiers		Inorganic Qualifiers	
A	TIC is a possible aldol-condensation product	B	Value is <CRDL, but ≥IDL
B	Analyte was also detected in the blank	E	Estimated due to interference
C	Pesticide result confirmed by GC/MS	M	Duplicate injection precision not met
D	Compound quantitated on a diluted sample	N	Spike sample not within control limits
E	Concentration exceeds the calibration range of the instrument	S	Method of standard additions (MSA) used for calculation
J	Estimated value	U	Compound was not detected
N	Presumptive evidence of a compound (TICs only)	W	Post digestion spike out of control limits
P	Concentration difference between primary and confirmation columns >25%	*	Duplicate analysis not within control limits
U	Compound was not detected	+	Correlation coefficient for MSA <0.995
X,Y,Z	Defined in case narrative		

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