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### MANAGEMENT PERSPECTIVE

This is part of Environment Canada's Action Plan (Conserving Canada's Ecosystems) and Environmental Effects Monitoring Initiatives. It deals with the impacts of coal mining and coal-fired power plants. Are the aqueous surroundings impacted by these operations in term of thallium and trace metals concentrations ?

The sites from Eastern coal-fired electrical generating stations have higher thallium concentrations than the Western and Central counterparts as well as coal mines. Data seem to indicate that it is not the amount but the type of coal used and/or the local geochemical contributions that are amenable to some of the very high Tl concentrations observed in the eastern provinces.

As an extension of the present study, it is recommended that a literature survey be done on the eastern regional geochemistry, geology and toxicology. This will complement our data, and definitive conclusions may be derived as to the sources of thallium and whether they could cause any health problems.

N.B. This Management Perspective is currently being translated into French.

### ABSTRACT

A Canada wide survey was undertaken of sites associated with coal mines and coal-fired electrical generating stations. The survey was an extension of previous studies dealing with the determination of thallium (TI) in selected regions of Canada. Thallium concentrations were generally low except several sites in the eastern generating stations, in spite of the greater coal consumption and production in the western and central regions. Other authors have reported high Tl concentrations in other sites in the Atlantic region. Our data tend to indicate that the coal type (rather than quantity) and/or regional geological contributions are responsible for the high Tl concentrations observed. It is recommended that the toxicological implications of the high levels of this priority pollutant be investigated. It is estimated that the natural background level of total thallium in water may be 0.1 ppt or lower, which is less than that of lead.

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### INTRODUCTION

Coal is Canada's most abundant fossil fuel and is important to the Canadian economy in both the steel industry and as a fuel for electricity generation. Coal exports are worth \$2 billion<sup>1</sup>. Smith and Carson<sup>2</sup>, however, reported that the air emissions from the 415 American coal-burning power plants in highly populated regions form the largest collective source of thallium (Tl) discharge into the atmosphere. Four States around the Great Lakes (including Ohio) along with Texas have the highest coal-fired generating capacity in excess of 15,000 Megawatts of electrical power. Indeed we recently found that the concentration of dissolved Tl in the Great Lakes waters particularly Lake Erie is higher than that of Cd<sup>3</sup>. These two facts led us to suspect that some high Tl concentrations (along with low ones) may be found in the surroundings of coal mines and coal-based power plants, and to undertake this Canada wide survey of such sites.

The toxicity of thallium (TI) is well known. Recently we have shown that in *Hyalella azteca* (a freshwater amphipod species), TI is more toxic than Cu, Zn and Ni, slightly more toxic than Pb although less toxic than Cd and Hg<sup>4</sup>. To mammals on the other hand, it has been shown that Tl acute toxicity is the highest among Cu, Zn, Pb, Cd, Hg and Tl<sup>5</sup>. The most famous, recent case of Tl poisoning to humans is the one occuring in China in 1994, where the patient went into a coma and is still recovering from the poisoning<sup>6</sup>. Of course thallium toxicity has been well recognized since its discovery in 1861<sup>7</sup> and USEPA for obvious reasons has listed Tl as a priority metal pollutant along with Pb, Cd and Hg<sup>8</sup>.

This report describes the survey and summarizes the impacts of the Canadian coal mines and power plants on the waters of their vicinity. Levels of Tl and other trace metals in waters are given. Comparison with concentrations found in other ecosystems suggests a very low natural baseline level of Tl, probably below 0.1 ppt and about an order of magnitude lower than that of Pb which was reported to be 0.6 ppt in Antarctica ancient ice<sup>9</sup>.

## MINES AND GENERATING STATIONS IN CANADA

The study was designed to include most principal coal mines (active and abandoned) and coal-burned electrical power plants or generating stations across Canada. Tables 1-3 list respectively by province the generating stations, active mines and abandoned mines, where the samples would be collected. Figures 1 and 2 respectively show the locations of the principal generating stations and coal mines. Alberta and other western provinces have more plants and mines than the eastern and central areas combined. Most of the planned sites were accessible and therefore sampled. The remaining sites were either closed or inaccessible.

The following companies granted us permission to take water and some sediment samples from their sites:

Alberta Power Limited

Cape Breton Development Corporation

**Edmonton Power** 

Luscar Ltd.

Manalta Coal Ltd. / Prairie Coal Ltd. Mines

Manitoba Hydro

NB Coal Limited

New Brunswick Power Corporation

Nova Scotia Power

Ontario Hydro

Quinsam Coal Corporation

SaskPower

Smoky River Coal Limited

TransAlta

The survey is thus far from complete for all Canadian sites.

### SAMPLING PROTOCOLS

Most field trips took place in the fall of 1996 although the last samples were not taken until spring 1997.

### Basic Protocol:

At each sampling locality (a mine or a generating station), we assume there are at least 3 relevant sampling sites: water intake such as upstream of a river, water discharge after the intake has gone through all necessary processes, and water at the tailing/disposal site such

as downstream or pond. Additional samples such as those from settling lagoons, nearby lakes and rivers are also included if available.

### Bottle washing:

All containers were washed as follows: rinse with hot tap water and empty well; soak with 30% nitric acid for at least one week; rinse with MQW six times; soak with 0.2% nitric acid (high purity) for a minimum of one week before use. Sub-boiled Seastar acid was used to preserve samples.

### Water sampling:

Van Dorn bottles were used whenever possible; if a site was not amenable to the Van Dorn bottle, a "scoop" technique was used, where a "sampling bottle" (250 ml bottle) was scooped to an arm-length depth under water surface. A "sampling bottle" was rinsed three times with actual sample first before it was filled up to top. Followed were standard precautions such as: avoid touching the bottle rim throughout sample collection and handling; tighten bottle caps tightly to avoid cross contamination due to possible leakage during transportation; bag blanks separately from samples; store samples in ice chest immediately; collect sediments last and bag them completely separated from water samples.

### Sediment sampling:

Some selected sites were chosen for sediment collection. A mini ponar sampler (1-2L) or an Eckman sampler was used to collect sediment samples. All containers, bags, spoons, and other utensils used were in plastic.

### Collection of Blanks and Duplicate Samples:

The following protocol was used to collect blanks and duplicates.

Collection of the <u>Blank Before</u> using Van Dorn bottle: 1) Onsite and just before collecting the first upstream water sample, rinse the Van Dorn bottle very well with 1 litre of ultrapure water poured from the large container (marked MQW) into the marked "intermediate MQW bottle". Collect the last part of the rinsing water into a small bottle marked Blank Before. 2) Then collect the upstream water sample in <u>duplicate</u>, by rinsing then filling two separate small bottles to the rim.

Collection of the <u>Blank After</u>: right after collecting the duplicate upstream samples, rinse the Van Dorn bottle with one litre of ultrapure water and follows the rest of step 1) and label the sample bottle Blank After.

If the "scooping" technique was used (instead of Van Dorn), the collection of the <u>Blank Before/Scoop</u> is as follows: 1) on site and just before collecting the first upstream water sample, rinse and shake well the 250 ml bottle ("sampling bottle") 3 times with about 20-30 ml of ultrapure water each time and save the 4th rinse as blank before; 2) collect the upstream water sample in <u>duplicate</u>, by scooping the 250 ml bottle into an arm-length depth and by rinsing then filling two separate small bottles to the rim.

Collection of the <u>Blank After/Scoop</u> is as follows: right after collecting the duplicate upstream samples, repeat step 1) to obtain the blank after.

If called for, collect surface sediment samples (after water collection) from the same upstream site. Likewise for the discharge and downstream samples, the collection process is repeated as above, but no blank sample should be collected.

#### Separate bagging:

Samples for blanks, upstream, discharge, downstream, and sediment were to be bagged separately to avoid cross-contamination.

### SAMPLE COLLECTION, HANDLING, AND PRESERVATION

We adhered as closely as possible to the planned protocols / sampling strategies of collecting the samples. Interesting sites were encountered and recorded, and some are illustrated in text between the numbered Tables and Figures.

A sample with the marked "u/s" refers to sample collected upstream of a water system such as a river, and "d/s" refers to downstream; "dup1" and "dup2" refer to duplicate sample #1 and duplicate sample #2. Duplicate samples were treated like other samples but not every duplicate sample collected was analyzed as it was deemed unnecessary.

Samples were refrigerated immediately in an ice chest and so maintained through collection and transportation. When in our laboratory, the samples were let settle in a 4°C

room overnight or over the weekend. The clear samples i.e. those without visible particulates are preserved by acidifying the whole bottle content to 0.2 % HNO<sub>3</sub>. From the samples with visible particulates settled at the bottom of the bottle, twenty milliliters of the clear upper layer was pipetted (called decantate) into a clean container and preserved at 0.2 % HNO<sub>3</sub>. The samples with suspended materials were centrifuged and the decantate acidified. With samples in-between, i. e. those which may be cloudy due to suspension or naturally colored due to humic substances, both decantation and centrifugation were performed and acidified accordingly. Samples with high salt content as evidenced by severe signal suppression were diluted 10 times or more until the suppressive effect was manageable.

Saskatchewan samples were kindly provided by Saskatchewan Environment (see acknowledgment), and were handled and treated as other samples.

### ANALYTICAL METHODS

Thallium was directly determined by a Laser-Excited Atomic Fluorescence Spectrometric method recently developed<sup>10</sup> where only 3 to 10  $\mu$ L of samples were used. A 6 kHz repetition rate of a copper vapor laser was used. The 511 nm line was used to optically pump a Rhodamine 575 dye laser. The dye laser output of 554 nm was then frequency-doubled by a second harmonic generator to give the 277 nm. The fluorescence light (353 nm) emitted by the excited atoms was amplified, collected and interpreted. The accuracy and precision of the method have been reported using certified reference materials and

spike recoveries. Detection limits of 0.03 ng/L of Tl (0.6 fg) was achieved<sup>10</sup>. Duplicate analysis was carried out for every sample. Thallium results were generated using an *in situ* known addition technique<sup>11</sup>. Samples with very pronounced suppression were diluted until they became analyzable.

The measurement of pH was randomly made to give an idea of the sample acidity using a Sentron model 2001 pH system. Samples were also selectively analyzed for trace metals, using an ICP-AES system, to give an idea of metal concentration in those samples found to contain high thallium content.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The majority of results for the generating stations in western provinces are low (Table 4). The blanks values for the blanks/before and the blanks/after are low (0 - 6 ppt) and are considered acceptable considering the fact that there were no special precautions taken during field trips which were one or two week long. For example clean room practices such as the use of clean hood, special clothes or gloves were not utilized as it was deemed unnecessary. The results for discharge water, ash lagoon, ash slurry or downstream are higher than other locations but even the highest results – 97 ppt for Long Creek below Boundary Dam Reservoir, or 140-150 ppt for Keephills ash lagoon slurry – are low when compared to the high results of some sites to be discussed below. These low concentrations should not reflect Tl loss even though the samples were not immediately acidified, because thallium in natural waters exists predominantly as monovalent species

and as such behave more like potassium species and do not require to be preserved as urgently as divalent species such as mercury, lead and cadmium for example.

Table 5 shows thallium results in western coal mine waters. Samples with brown black deposit and brown decantate such as those from Highvale and Paintearth mines tend to have higher Tl concentrations than other samples. For sample numbers 37, 38 and 41 (Highvale), centrifugation did not help bring down Tl concentration of the decantates, if anything there was an increase in concentrations. So it appears that decantation (careful pipetting of 20 ml of the solution above the deposit) is fairly representative of the water samples. Also samples from settling pond, pit water, downstream and discharge usually have concentrations (1100 - 1300 ppt) higher than those from upstream's or water intake's (low ppt).

Samples collected from the eastern power plants sites in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia generally contain higher Tl content than the western or central counterparts. For example the ash lagoon discharges of Grand Lake power plant and Trenton power plant contain some 12 ppb and 24 ppb of Tl, respectively, which are much higher than the western discharges (Table 6). The other generating stations such as Belledune, Lingan, Point Aconi and Point Tupper also have elevated concentrations of Tl up to 5 ppb. These levels could be the result of the local geological contribution in the eastern provinces, or the type of coal used. Belledune generating station for example reportedly has been using 75% Columbian coal and 25% Salmon Harbor coal.

Even though the Great Lakes are surrounded by the biggest consumers of coal used in coal - fired generating stations in both USA (Figure 3) and Canada (Table 7), the concentration of Tl in Great Lakes waters<sup>3</sup> are much smaller than those found in waters

from the eastern generating stations (Table 6). Also the numerous power plant and mine sites in western and central Canada contain relatively smaller amount of Tl than the eastern counterparts. These two facts tend to indicate that it is not the amount but the type of coal and/or the local geochemical contributions that caused some of the higher Tl concentrations observed in the eastern provinces. Chou and Uthe<sup>12</sup> in 1995 have observed high Tl content in the Belledune Harbor although the source of Tl is obscure, though they suspected the nearby fertilizer plant, the lead smelter as well as the power plant were the sources of thallium. Also Zitko et. al.<sup>13</sup> reported very high Tl concentrations in South Tomogonops River, Little River and South Little River within North Eastern New Brunswick. South Tomogonops and South Little River received discharges from basemetal mining operations. Wong<sup>14</sup> has found some very high Tl content in the regional sediment samples such as those from Upsalquitch Lake.

A study as to the source and toxicology of thallium in the region may be needed. For example a literature search on the geochemical contributions and toxicological data through New Brunswick and Nova Scotia areas should provide additional background information. Combining these with our data, a detailed follow-up study, if called for, can be effectively designed and carried out.

The eastern mines, including the abandoned ones, show some fairly high concentrations (Table 8). Although these results are not as high as those observed in the eastern power plant sites, they may have emanated from the same Tl source as discussed above.

Table 9 shows the results of heavy metals including thallium generated by ICP on selected samples from several mines and power plants. Thallium could not be detected by

ICP due to lack of sensitivity so their results show all "less than values". Likewise, the majority of heavy metals are "less than values" except iron and manganese which show some very high results up to 70 ppm iron and up to 55 ppm for Mn. Also there are some greater than detection limit results for example samples for pit drain (sample 37), settling pond (sample 41), or discharge (sample 87). A detailed interpretation based on so numerous less than values was not attempted.

### CONCLUDING REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATION

The sites from eastern coal-fired electrical generating stations have higher thallium concentrations than the western and central counterparts as well as coal mines. Data seem to indicate that it is not the amount but the type of coal and/or the local geochemical contributions that are amenable to some of the very high Tl concentrations observed in the eastern provinces. As an extension of the present study, it is recommended that a brief literature survey on the regional geochemistry, geology and toxicological implications be made, which could prove sufficient to complement our data and to arrive at definitive conclusions as to the sources and health concerns of thallium.

Even though some very high levels of Tl were found in this study, very low ones were also found in these industrial sites (Table 4-6, and Table 8). Comparison of these low level Tl data to those found in other ecosystems such as the Antarctic<sup>15</sup>, the Arctic<sup>16</sup>, the Great Lakes<sup>3</sup>, distilled water<sup>17</sup>, suggests a very low natural baseline level of Tl in the neighborhood of 0.1 ppt (probably below 0.1).

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## Table 1. List of Generating Stations by province

<u>Alberta</u>	Owner	<u>Ontario</u>	Owner
Sundance	TransAlta Utilities Corporation	Nanticoke	Ontario Hydro
Wabamun	11	Lakeview	ų.
Keephills	II .	Lambton	11
Battle River	Alberta Power Ltd.	Thunder Bay	"
H. R. Milner	1	Atikokan	<b>H</b>
Sheerness	" + TransAlta Utilities Corporation		
Genesee	Edmonton Power		

Saskatchewan	Owner	<u>New Brunswick</u>	<u>Owner</u>
Boundary Dam	Saskpower	Belledune	N. B. Power
Poplar River	H	Dalhousie	ή.
Shand		Grand Lake	9 <b>1</b>
Manitoba	Owner	<u>Nova Scotia</u>	Owner
Brandon	Manitoba Hydro	Lingan	N. S. Power
Selkirk	11	Glace Bay	11
		Point Alconi	Ņ
		Trenton	11
		Point Tupper	. 11

### Table 2. List of active coal mines (as of 1994) by province

### British Columbia Owner

Quinsam Bullmoose Quintette Fording River Greenhills Line Creek Elkview **Coal Mountain** 

### Alberta

**Smokey River** Obed Highvale Whitewood Luscar **Gregg River Coal Valley** Genesee Vesta Paintearth Montgomery Sheerness

Quinsam Coal Corp. Teck Corporation Teck Corporation Fording Coal Ltd.

Owner

Luscar Ltd.

Luscar Ltd.

Luscar Ltd.

Luscar Ltd.

Luscar Ltd.

Manalta Coal Ltd.

Alberta Power Ltd.

Manalta Coal Ltd.

Fording Coal Ltd. Line Creek Resources Ltd. Teck Corporation Fording Coal Ltd.

Smokey River Coal Ltd.

TransAlta Utilities Corporation

TransAlta Utilities Corporation

Edmonton Power & Fording Coal Ltd

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Poplar River Boundary Dam Costello Bienfait

Owner Manalta Coal Ltd. SaskPower Luscar Ltd. Manalta Coal Ltd. Luscar Ltd. Luscar Ltd.

**New Brunswick** N. B. Coal

### Nova Scotia Prince

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Owner N. B. Coal Ltd.

### Owner

Cape Breton Development Corp Cape Breton Development Corp

# Table 3. List of Abandoned Coal Mines (existed in 1970)

### **British Columbia**

East Kootenay

### <u>Alberta</u>

Pembina Caster Drumhelles - Sheerness Edmonton Crowsnest Mountain Park Cascade <u>Saskatchewan</u> Estevan

Nova Scotia Sidney - Inverness Pictou Cumberland

# Table 4. Thallium Concentrations in Waters Collected from Western Generating Stations (G S = Coal-fired Electrical Generating Sation)

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Bl As				0.9
As	lank after (clear)	2 Blk aft		0.05
	sh Lagoon Effluent (clear)	3 dup 1	•	5.87
	dunlicate	3 dup 2		4.57
AS	sh shurry (some black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	4 Decanted	8.3	8.44
	dunlicate, centrifuged	4 Centrifuged		11.44
Di	lischarge Water (clear)	5		2.53
Wahamun Lake At	t Wabamun d/s Wabamun GS (clear)	6		1.78
Sundance G S	lorth Saskatchewan River Intake (clear)	7 dup1		2,27
(Trans Alta Utility Corporation) "	dunlicate	7 dup2		2.01
(Transanta Otinty Corporation)	lank before (clear)	8 Blk be	- -	1.02
BI	lank after (clear)	8 Blk aft		0.27
Pc	ond discharge (clear)	9		5.83
Keenhills GS Ri	iver Make Up (clear)	10 dup1		1,4
(Trans Alta I Itility Cornoration) "	duplicate	10 dup2		3.29
Bi	liank (clear)	10 Blk be		0.04
Ċ	Coling Pond Discharge (clear)	11 dup1		4.32
u u	unlicate	11 dup2		4.36
A	Recirculation Water (clear)	12		8.46
A	Lagoon Slurry (some black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	13 dup1 decanted	9.8	140.21
1	' Aunlicate	13 dup2 decanted		150.57
Conesee GS In	nt ke Water (clear)	14 dup1	· · ·	7.27
(Edmonton Power)	' innlicate	14 dup2		7.06
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BI	Right offer (clear)	15 Blk aft		1.32
	Discharge Water (clear)	16 dup1		15.14
ی ۲	"dunlicate	16 dup2	· ·	12.42
North Saakatahawan River d/	//s Keenhills and Sundance G.S. (clear)	17 dup1		15.14
Norui Saskatchewan Kivel	Vaste Water - Discharge (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	18 dup1 Decantate	6.6	9.25
(A therete Douver I td)	moky River Intake (clear)	19 dup1		1.15
(Alberta Power Ltd) SI	inal Discharge (visible particulates, clear light br, decantate), decanted	20 dup1 Decantate	7.6	4.09
F1	" dinlicate	20 dup 2 Decantate	- 	6.9
t n	uupuvau ". dunlicate centrifiioed	20 dup1 Centrifuged		2.26
	Smaley River d/s Discharge (clear)	21		2.69

### Table 4. continued

Western GSs	Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
Smoky River	u/s Sheep Creek (clear)	22 dup1		3.17
Smory Rever	"duplicate	22 dup2		2.89
	u/s H.R. Milner G.S. at Hwy. 40 (clear)	23 dup1		1.89
	" duplicate	23 dup2		. 3.4
	Blank before (clear)	24 Blk be		0.03
	Blank after (clear)	24 Blk aft		0.01
Sheerness GS	Intake Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	25 dup1 Decantate	7.7	5.13
(Alberta Power Ltd)	Discharge Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	26 dup1 Decantate	7.3	8.30
(Alberta Fower Bid)	"duplicate, decanted	26 dup2 Decantate		8.65
-	" duplicate, centrifuged	26 dup1 Centrifuged		17.54
	" duplicate, centrifuged	26 dup2 Centrifuged		8.41
	Cooling Water Lagoon (clear)	27 dup1		9.47
	"duplicate	27 dup2		6.43
Battle River GS	Battle River u/s (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	28 Dup 1 Decantate	7.2	7.87
(Alberta Dower I td)	"duplicate, decantated	28 Dup 2 Decantate	7.2	7.11
(Alberta I build Elle)	Intake Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	29 Dup 1 Decantate	7.3	1.81
	Ash Lagoon - Input (some black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	30 Decantate	7.5	37.86
1	Ash Lagoon - Discharge (some dark deposit, clear decantate), decanted	31 Decantate	7.4	18.63
	Discharge Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	32 Dup 1 Decantate	7.3	6.64
	" unlicate decanted	32 Dup 2 Decantate	7.3	2.62
	Spillway d/s (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	33 Dup 1 Decantate	7.3	14.12
	Bettle River d/s (clear)	34 Dup 1		3.53
	"Sunlicate	34 Dup 2		6.68
	Biank before (clear)	35 Blk be		2.46
	Blank after (clear)	35 Blk aft		5.78
Downdow Down CS	Scoil Pond 5-5 (SERM Station no. 72579) (clear)	S9		36.15
Boundary Dail OS	Spoil Pond 32-5 (SERM Station no. 72524) (clear)	S10		30.51
(Saskpower)	Long Creek inlet (BDC1 - SERM208)- u/s Boundary Dam Reservoir (clear)	S11		3.12
	Cooling Water inlet (BDC2 - SERM72506) (clear)	S12		21.48
	Cooling Water Discharge Canal: Return to Reservoir (BDC1 - SERM44886) (clear)	S13		24.7
	Long Creek below Boundary Dam Reservoir (BDC3 - SERM235) (clear)	S14		97.45
	ule Souris River near Boundary Dam GS (clear)	S27		4.48
	" dunlicate (clear)	S28		2.98
•	, uupilvais (visa) " Diank before (clear)	S29 Blk be		0.04
	Dially UCIVIC (UCAL)	S30 Blk aft		0.11
	, Dialik alici (Cical) da Souria Diver @ Nonnevis crossing	S26		1.54

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Western GSs	Site / Sample Description	Sample I	dentificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
Poplar River GS	Auxilary Cooling Water (ACW) canal discharging to Cookson Reservoir	S1			0.19
(Saskpower)	d/s East Poplar River (SERM 541)	S2		· ·	5.21
Shand GS (Zero discharge plant)	Raw water sample	S15	•		35.7
(Saskpower)				•	
Estevan GS (inactive)	Discharge into drainage ditch no. 7	S16			65.04
(Saskpower)	Ash lagoon no. 5 (SE corner)	S17			6.32
Selkirk GS	Red River Intake	M1			16.52
(Manitoba Hydro)	Well Intake	M2			15.67
(	Selkirk Discharge	<u>M3</u>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	63.90

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Western Mines	Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
Whitewood Mine	Pit Water Discharge (some black denosit, clear decantate), decanted	36 Decantate	7.7	6.64
(Trong Alta Litility Corp.)	The water Discharge (some chesh depend even decimite), accurate			
Highvale Mine	Pit 2 Drain (brown deposit', ~ clear dark brown decantate), decanted	37 Decantate	8.3	463.6
(Manalta Coal)	"dunlicate centrifuged	37 Centrifuged		518.5
	Pit 3 (some brown denosit, ~ clear dark brown decantate), decanted	38 Decantate	8.7	106.9
	"dunlicate centrifuged	38 Centrifuged		109.3
	Requer Creek (clear)	39		2.92
4	Bit 3 Settling Pond - (http://www.clear)	40		0.32
***	Bit 3 Settling Bond - Inflow (black denosit clear d br decantate), decanted	41 Decantate	8.5	846.1
	" dunlicate centrifuged	41Centrifuged		1326.2
	Wall Water (local groundwater) (vis partice clear decantate) decanted	42 Decantate	8.0	5.47
	Well Water (local groundwater) (vis parties, clear decantate), decanted	43 Dup 1 Decantate	8.1	7.52
Genesee Mine	Mine Drainage (some brown deposit, cicar decantate), decanted	44 Dup 1 Decantate	8.2	7.2
Coal Valley Mine	Tallings Discharge (vis particulates, clear decantate), decanted	45 Dun 1		2.82
Luscar - Sterco	Loven River Indre (Clear)	45 Dup 2		2.43
(Luscar Ltd)	minicate	46 Blk be		0.85
	Biank Delore (clear)	46 Blk aft		0.35
	Biank after (clear)	40 Dik ult 17		2.7
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Chai Creek Impoundment (clear)	48 Dun 1		8 64
	La vett River d/s (clear)	48 Duin 2		4 21
	"ouplicate	40 Decentate	83	16 39
· ·	25 ? East mine drain (vis particulates, clear decantale), decanted	49 Decantate	0.5	16.59
	Centre Creek (treated water) (clear)	51		1 74
	Reservoir (well water) (clear)	52 Dun 1	75	16.25
Gregg River Mine	HI Pit - Plant make up (clear)	52 Dup 1	7.5	63.87
(Manalta Coal)	Plant Site Water Reservoir (clear)	55 54 Dun 1 Decentate	76	0.40
	Refuse = Tailings (Black coal-like deposit, clear decantate !), decanted	54 Dup 1 Decantate	7.0	3.67
	Well Water - tap (clear)	55 Dup 1	7.5	4 13
Cardinal River Mine	West Jarvis Creek Intake (clear)	50 Dup I	7.0	0.28
(Luscar Ltd)	Blank before (clear)			0.20
	Blank after (clear)	57 BIK all	0 7	6.54
	Luscar Creek d/s Plant (vis particulates, clear decantate)	58 Dup 1 Decantate	0.2	5.02
	" duplicate, decanted	58 Dup 2 Decantate		
Cardinal River Mine	Tailings (Black coal-like deposit, clear decantate), decanted	59 Dup I Decantate	/.5	1 /.00
(Luscar Ltd)	Well Water (clear)	60 Dup 1	8.0	1.40
	Luscar Creek, d/s Cardinal & Gregg Mines (clear)	61 Dup 1	/.5	5.30
Whitehorse Creek	At Mountain Park (clear)	62 Dup 1	7. <b>6</b>	1.78
	d/s Mountain Park (clear)	63		1.33
	d/s Cadomin (abandoned, but active quarry) (clear)	64		2.39

# Table 5. Thallium Concentrations in Waters Collected from Western Coal Mines

## Table 5. Continued

Western Mines	<u>Site / Sample Description</u>	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
	1/ Orean Direction (to Hamit 40) (alass)	65		2.59
Gregg River	d/s Gregg River Mine (at Hwy 40) (Clear)	66 Dup 1 Decantate	8.0	3.61
Obed Mountain Coal	E. Conveyor Setting Pond (Vis particulates, clear decantate), decanted	67 Dup 1 Decantate	8.0	0.91
(Luscar Ltd)	Main Tailings Pond (Lower) (vis particulates, clear decentate), decented	68 Decentate	8.0	7 97
	Reservoir (treated water) (vis particulates, clear decantate), decanted	60 Dun 1 Decentate	8.0	2.24
	Main Tailings Pond (Upper) (dark brown deposit, clear decantate), decanted	60 Dup 7 Decantate	0.0	2.95
	"duplicate, decanted	70	-	19.1
	LSP2 - Coal Storage Drain (for rail snipment) (clear)	70		2 42
Smoky River Coal	Sheep Creek u/s Smoky River (clear)	/1		2,72
((Smoky River Coal)		70 Due 1	75	5.26
Line Creek Mine	Settling Pond Discharge MSA North Ponds (clear)	72 Dup 1	1.5	0.66
(Manalta Coal)	Line Creek u/s - 0200335 (clear)	73 Dup 1 72 Dup 2	**	0.00
	" duplicate	73 Dup 2 74 Dile ba		0.2
	Blank before			-0
	Blank after	74 BIK alt	70	217.29
	South Pit Water (dark brown deposit, clear decantate), decanted	75 Decantale	1.0	217.30
	Line Creek d/s (clear)	76 Dup 1		5.27
	" duplicate	76 Dup 2	76	2027
	V/ash Water after Thickener (vis particulates, clear decantate), decanted	77 Decantate	/.0	28.24
	Tap Water Not Treated (clear)	78		9.07
Elk River	At Sparwood d/s from four mines (clear)	79 Dup I	7.0	2.51
Crowsnest Creek	Crowsnest Pass (d/s coal mountain mine) (clear)	80 Dup 1	7.5	9.09
Sheerness Mine (Luscar Ltd)	Pit Water (visible particulates, light decantate), decanted	81 Dup 1 Decantate	8.2	10.58
Montgomery Mine	Pit Water (visible particulates, light decantate), decanted	82 Dup 1 Decantate	7.9	1.84
(Manalta Coal)	Settling Pond Discharge (visible particulates, light decantate), decanted	83 Dup 1 Decantate	7.8	4.55
Carolside Reservoir	d/s mines and G.S.'s (visible particulates, light decantate), decanted	84 Dup 1 Decantate	7.7	4.19
Paintearth Mine	Surface Runoff Discharge (very brown, brown decantate), decanted	85 Dup 1 Decantate	7.9	811.21
(Luscar Ltd)	Section 7 Lake (pit & surface runoff) (d. brown, light brown decantate), decanted	86 Dup 1 Decantate	7.5	63.02
(	Impoundment #5 Discharge (black deposit, v. brown decantate), decanted	87 Decantate	7.6	1119.05
	Paintearth Creek d/s (Very brown deposit, light brown decantate), decanted	88 Dup 1 Decantate	7.1	257.33
	Paintearth Creek u/s (Brown deposit, very light brown decantate), decanted	89 Dup 1 Decantate	7.7	35.71
	Blank before	90 Blk be	· · ·	0.73
	Blank after	90 Blk aft		0.93
Vesta Mine	North Drainage (Brown deposit, very light brown decantate), decanted	91 Dup 1 Decantate	7.6	53.53
(Manalta Coal)	Vesta Fast - Pond 3 (Brown deposit, clear decantate), decanted	92 Dup 1 Decantate	7.7	51.68

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Course Disease	w/a Chinack Coal BlantColeman Alberta (clear)	93 Dun 1		4.29
Crowsnest River	Us Chinook Coal Flancolenian, Aberta (cical)	93 Dup 2		4.72
(Chinook coal)	(decommissioned in 1970) (clear)	94 Blk be		0.14
(Manalta Coal)	Blank Delore (clear)	94 Blk aft		0.72
	Blank alter (clear)	95 Dup 1	-	3.96
	d/s Chimook Coal Plant (Clear)	95 Dup 1 95 Dup 2		4.72
	duplicate	95 Dup 2 06		5.07
	d/s Coleman & Flank Shue (Clear)	97 Dun 1	7.9	2.95
	d/s Leiten College	08	1.2	2.55
Heil's Gate	Groundwater (clear)	90		1.03
Athabasca River	Hwy, 95 South of Jasper (Clear)	<u></u>		2.81
Poplar River North Mine	Seume Ponte Nor I (clear)	S4		0.92
(Prairie Coal Ltd.)	U/S Bast Poplar River (Clear)	S5		1 19
· .	Suphcate	S6 Bik		0
	Eist Poplar River - Opstream Diank (cical)	S7 Bik		0
	(uplicate Light Doular Diver - Dougstream (clear)	S8		3.79
Thilling Ming (Desiring Cool I tol	East Poplar River - Downstream (cical)	<u></u>		34.86
Utility Mine (Prairie Coal Ltd.	Dead near coal storage nile	S19		6.86
	Pullu lical coal storage pile	S20		8.05
Deer James Deem Mine	Sortling Dond / Holding Bond	<u> </u>		17.65
Boundary Dam Mine	2º anny Fond / Holding I ond			211,000
(Estervan Coal Corporation)	Devetoring Discharge from west side of mine	\$24		50.65
Bienfait Mine (Estervan Coal	Discharge from Mine areas of section 4-2-6-W2M (V-notch weir)	S25		12.83
Corporation)	Discharge from transfer managed mine	<u> </u>	·····	1.26
Costello Mille Expansion	Dewatering Discharge nom proposed mine			1.20
Old Mag Mine shandoned	Old Coal Spoil Pond (Old Mac Mine)	S21	·····	0.31
Old Mac Mine - abandoned	Blank before (clear)	Ol Blk be	4.2	1.13
Quinsain Mille	Blank offer (clear)	O2 Blk aft	3.2	0.19
(Quinsam Coar Corporation)	on Quinsam River flowing towards mine (clear)	03	6.7	0.14
, :	" dualicate	04	6.8	0.68
	Settling nond (clear)	05	7.7	5.69
	" dualicate	Q6	7.7	6.27
	d/s from the mine on Oninsem river before going into the small lake (clear)	07	6.7	0.35
	" Avaliante ou Quinsain 11461 colore going into the sinan lake (ordar)	08	6.6	0.53
	de outlet of the small lake (clear)	<b>N9</b>	6.8	1.47
	" dunlicate.	Õ10	6.8	1.07

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# Table 6. Thallium Concentrations in Waters Collected from Eastern and Ontario Generating Stations (G S = Coal-fired Electrical Generating Sation)

Eastern and Ontario GS	Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
*Belidune G.S.	Coal Pile Runoff (Brown - black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	100 Decantate	3.5	744.1
(NB Power)	Equalization Pit (plant waters) (dark deposit, clear decantate), decanted	101 (high salt ?) Decantate	6.4	2376.6
	Treated Discharge (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	102 ((high salt ?) Decantate	8.2	4000.5
	Ash Leachate Pond Discharge (clear)	103 ((high salt ?)		5087.1
Grand Lake GS	Ash Lagoon Discharge (clear)	104 Dup 1 (high salt ?)		11989
(NB Power)	" duplicate	104 Dup 2 (high salt ?)		11453
	Lake (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	105 Dup 1 Decantate	6.6	159.1
	Intake Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	106 Dup 1 Decantate	6.8	25.4
	" duplicate, decanted	106 Dup 2 Decantate		23-3
	Blank before (clear)	107 Blk be		,3.9
	Blank after (clear)	107 Blk aft		1.27
Lingan GS	Ash Lagoon Return (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	108 Dup 1 (high salt ?) Decantate	6.8	4426.1
(NS Power)	Waste Water Discharge to Lagoon (black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	109 Dup 1 Decantate	12.6	885.4
(	Pretreatment Waste Water (vis black deposit, clear decantate), decanted	110 Dup 1 (high salt ?) Decantate	7.4	2660.0
	Coal Pile Runoff (visible particulates, clear yellowish decantate), decanted	111 Dup 1 Decantate	2.6	417.5
Point Aconi GS	Ash Leachate Pond Discharge (pH 12) (clear)	112 (high salt ?)		398.1
(NS Power)	Coal Pile Runoff (visible particulates, clear brownish decantate), decanted	113 (high salt ?) Decantate	3.9	569.2
	Waste Water Discharge (Lingan sample #96-150) (clear)	114 Dup 1		558
	Well Water (Intake water) (clear)	115		0.53
Point Tupper GS	Waste Water - pretreatment (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	116 Dup 1 Decantate	12.5	33.7
(NS Power)	Coal Berm Runoff Pond (brown - yellow clear, clear decantate), decanted	117 Dup 1 Decantate	2.5	212.1
	Final Wastewater Discharge - treated (clear)	118 Dup 1	8.1	373.6
	Landrie Lake Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	119 Decantate	6.9	1.94
	Ash Leachate Pond Discharge (clear)	120	4.0	1034.6
Trenton GS	Coal Leachate Pond (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	121 Dup 1 (high salt ?) Decantate	7.0	1076.0
(NS Power)	Ash Lagoon Discharge (clear)	122 Dup 2 (high salt ?)	7.2	23605
· · · · · ·	Intake Water (treated town water) (clear)	123		0.86
	Pit B Discharge (previously collected by Trenton) (clear)	124		982.0
	Blank after (clear)	125 Blk aft		2.72
Lambton Hydro GS	Coal Pile Runoff Creek @ Sarnia	300 dup1		55.63
(Ontario Hydro)	" duplicate	301dup2		70.29
	Water Intake channel @ Sarnia	302 dup1		3.18
	" duplicate	303 dup2	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3.18

### Table 6. Continued

Eastern and Ontari	io GS Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
Lakewiew GS	Intake Channel @Toronto	304	· · · · ·	6.06
(Ontario Hydro)	North Coal Runoff Pond	305		112.05
	Blank @Toronto	306 Blk		0.00
	Ash Lagoon Filtration Effluent @Toronto	307		175.26
Nanticoke GS	Outfall Channel	308		18.15
(Ontario Hydro)	Intake Channel	309	•	11.76
	Ash Lagoon	310	×	41.47
	Coal Pile Runoff Pond	311		50.07
Antikokan GS	Intake line	312		1.25
(Ontario Hydro)	Discharge/Sn. Lake	313	-	28.14
Thunder Bay GS	Intake canal	314	·····	7.16
(Ontario Hydro)	Discharge canal	315	• •	14.03
	d/s Mission River	316		9.39

Notes:

\* Belledune GS uses 75% Columbian coal and 25% Salmon Harbor Mine coal

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### Table 7. Canadian Coal-based Electrical Generation Capacity, megawatts

<b><u>G</u> Stations</b>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Total Capacity, MW</u>
Sundance	TransAlta Utilities Corp.	1987 7
Wabamun	TransAlta Utilities Corp.	569
Keephills	TransAlta Utilities Corp.	754
Battle River	Alberta Power Ltd.	735
H. R. Milner	Alberta Power Ltd.	$140$ $\mu 59$ $\mu W$
Sheerness	Alberta Power Ltd. and	- AD MU
	TransAlta Utilities Corp.	766
Genesee	Edmonton Power	400
Boundary Dam	SaskPower	875
Poplar River	SaskPower	592
Shand	SaskPower	272
Brandon	Manitoba Hydro	237
Selkirk	Manitoba Hydro	132
Thunder Bay	Ontario Hydro	423
Nanticoke	Ontario Hydro	4096 89 400
Lakeview	Ontario Hydro	2400
Lambton	Ontario Hydro	2040
Atikokan	Ontario Hydro	230
Belledune	N. B. Power	440
Dalhousie	N. B. Power	286
Grand Lake	N. B. Power	82
Lingan	Nova Scotia Power	602 GI 4
Glace Bay	Nova Scotia Power	$116 \setminus 2$
Trenton	Nova Scotia Power	350
Point Aconi	Nova Scotia Power	165
Point Tupper	Nova Scotia Power	150

Eastern Mines	Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificaton	<u>pH</u>	ppt of Tl
8200 Salmon Harbour Mine	Pit Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	126 Dup 1 Decantate	8.1	53.25
(NB Cost)	"duplicate, decanted	126 Dup 2 Decantate		35.15
	Lagoon Discharge (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	127 Dup 1 Decantate	7.4	9.33
	"duplicate decanted	127 Dup 2 Decantate		6.55
	Lake Water (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	128 Dup 1 Decantate	7.3	7.72
	"duplicate decanted	128 Dup 2 Decantate		7.43
	Blank before (clear)	129 Blk be		2.19
	Elank after (clear)	129 Blk aft		4.22
Phalen Colliery NS	Mine Water Discharge (high Na) (brown clear decantate), decanted	130 Dup 1 (high salt ?) Decantate	7.0	424.0
(Cape Breton Developmt Corn)	Town Water (from tap at security) (clear)	131 Dup 1	7.1	4.13
(Cape Dicton Developme Corp)	Surface Runoff Brook (visible particulates, clear decantate), decanted	132 Decantate	4.8	169.2
Victoria Innetion Coal	V. I. Tailings Basin Old Final Discharge KL1 (clear)	133 Dup 1	7.2	18.93
Preparation Plant NS	V.J. Tailings Basin KL3 (clear)	134 Dup 1	7.6	1.47
(Cane Breton Developmt Corn)	VI Final Discharge WWT3 (treated water) (clear)	135 Dup 1	6.9	121.1
	North and South Process Wells (for wash & town w) (clear)	136		0.64
	Surface water Pond WWT1 (brown, clear brown decantate), decanted	137 Decantate		404.3
Prince Colliery, NS	Process Water (reservoir and well comnined) (clear)	138 Dup 1	8.1	1.95
(Cape Breton Developmt Corp)	Mine Discharge and Coal Pile Runoff (light clear decantate), decanted	139 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	2.8	698.3
	Treated Lagoon Discharge (clear)	140 Dup 2 (high salt ?)	6.4	565.0
	d/s Discharge (clear)	141 Dup 1 (high salt ?)		552.5
	" duplicate	141 Dup 2 (high salt ?)		514.0
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Blank before (clear)	142 Blk be		2.77
	Blank after (clear)	142 Blk aft		2.86
Abandoned coal mines*:				· · ·
Gardiner Mine	Mine Discharge (clear brown decantate)	143 Dup 1	7.0	0.15
Pioneer Coal	at Sydney Airport	H1	к <sup>а</sup> .	100.9
"	" duplicate	H2		107.2
Brogan Brothers	at Pt. Aconi 5th seep	H3	· · ·	83.8
(HE	at Pt. Aconi 11th seep	H4		76.5
Prince	at Edwards Pond	H5		660.6
	" duplicate	H6	×. •	718.5

## Table 8. Thallium Concentrations in Waters Collected from Eastern Coal Mines

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\* Samples H1 - H6 were thankfully subsampled by Mr. Henry Wong

<u>GS and Mine</u>	*Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificat	Cd	Co	Cr	<u>Cu</u>	<u>Fe</u>	Mn	<u>Ni</u>	<u>Pb</u>	<u>T1</u>	<u>Zn</u>
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Boundary Dam GS	Spoil Pond 5-5	S9	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	1.46	0.067	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
1 .	Spoil Pond 32-5	S10	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.507	0.02	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Long Creek.inlet	S11	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.384	0.029	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Cooling Water inlet	S12	<.034	0.012	<.009	<0.01	0.509	0.03	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Cooling Water Discharge Canal	S13	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.232	0.121	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
1	Long Creek below Boundary Dam	S14	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	d/s Souris River @ Nopney's	S26	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	u/s Souris Kiver near Boundary	S27	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	", duplicate (clear)	S28	< 034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.017	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Keephills GS	River Make Up (clear)	10 dup1	<.034	0.014	<.009	<0.01	0.022	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Cooling Pond Discharge (clear)	11 dup1	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0.017	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Ash Lagoon Slurry	13 dup1 decanted	<.034	<.009	0.491	<0.01	1.29	0.014	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	" duplicate	13 dup2 decanted	<.034	<.009	0.496	<0.01	1.39	0.009	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Ash Lagoon Slurry	13 dup1 centrifuged	<.034	<.009	0.49	<0.01	0.242	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	" duplicate	13 dup2 centrifuged	<.034	<.009	0.491	<0.01	0.611	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Battle River GS	Battle River u/s	28 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Intake Water	29 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	0.013	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	0.022	0.037	<0.126	<.009
1 •	Ash Lagoon - Discharge	31 Decantate	<.034	0.012	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Discharge Water	32 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Spillway d/s	33 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.047	0.013	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Battle River d/s (clear)	34 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.42	0.008	0.04	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Blank before (clear)	35 Blk be	< 034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Blank after (clear)	35 Blk aft	<.034	<.009	<.009	< 0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Highvale Mine	Pit 2 Drain	37 Decantate	0.065	0.061	0.271	0.078	64.84	0.159	0.12	<.025	<0.126	0.62
	" duplicate, centrifuged	37 Centrifuged	<.034	0.03	0.244	0.065	69.95	0.149	0.113	<.025	<0.126	0.372
	Pit 3	38 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	2.63	<.002	<.020	0.045	<0.126	0.024
	" duplicate, centrifuged	38 Centrifuged	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	2.11	<.002	<.020	0.04	<0.126	0.013
	Beaver Creek (clear)	39	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.213	<.002	<.020	0.035	<0.126	<.009
	Pit 3 Settling Pond - Outflow	40	<.034	0.011	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	0.041	<0.126	<.009
	Pit 3 Settling Pond - Inflow	41 Decantate	<.034	0.025	0.03	0.073	40.28	0.281	0.093	<.025	<0.126	0.529
	" duplicate, centrifuged	41Centrifuged	<.034	0.019	0.026	0.069	35.87	0.266	0.095	<.025	<0.126	0.558
	Well Water (local groundwater)	42 Decantate	<.034	0.014	0.037	0.014	19.74	0.059	0.051	<.025	<0.126	1.8

# Table 9. Trace Metal Concentrations (by ICP), mg/L, in Waters from Generating Sation and Mine Sites

## Table 9. Continued

<u>GS and Mine</u>	*Site / Sample Description	Sample Identificat	<u>Cd</u>	<u>Co</u>	<u>Cr</u>	<u>Cu</u>	<u>Fe</u>	<u>Mn</u>	<u>Ni</u>	<u>Pb</u>	<u>T1</u>	<u>Zn</u>
I ine Creek Mine	Settling Pond Discharge MSA	72 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	0.015	< 0.01	12.88	0.022	<.020	<.025	<0.126	0.209
Luie Cleek Mine	Line Creek u/s - 0200335 (clear)	73 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Blank after	74 Blk aft	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	0.029	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	South Pit Water	75 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Line Creek d/s (clear)	76 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	0.024	<.025	<0.126	<.009
41.0 -	Wash Water after Thickener	77 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Tan Water Not Treated (clear)	78	<.034	<.009	<.009	1.27	<0.012	<.002	0.031	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Paintearth Mine	Surface Regoff Discharge	85 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	9.46	0.126	0.02	<.025	<0.126	0.231
i unitoutur ivinio	Section 7 Lake (pit surface runoff)	86 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.71	<.002	0.13	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Impoundment #5 Discharge	87 Decantate	<.034	0.041	0.237	0.076	122	0.304	0.025	<.025	<0.126	0.63
	Paintearth Creek d/s	88 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	6.64	0.018	<.020	<.025	<0.126	0.094
· ·	Paintearth Creek u/s	89 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	1.46	0	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Blank after	90 Blk aft	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Belldune G.S.	Coal Pile Runoff	100 Decantate	<.034	0.15	<.009	0.064	0.615	14.33	0.346	<.025	<0.126	0.596
	Equalization Pit	101 (high salt ?)	<.034	0.052	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	55.45	0.17	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		101 10x dilution	<.034	0.012	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	6.04	0.029	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Treated Discharge	102 ((high salt ?)	<.034	0.031	0.015	<0.01	<0.012	73.3	0.117	<.025	<0,126	<.009
	<b>-</b>	102 10x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.088	7	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Ash Leachate Pond Discharge	103 ((high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	0.308	<0.01	0.109	0.003	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	•	103 ((high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	0.034	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Grand Lake GS	Ash Lagoon Discharge (clear)	104 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	1.04	0.598	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		104 Dup 110x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.062	0.066	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Lake	105 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.126	0.003	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Intake Water	106 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Lingan GS	Ash Lagoon Return	108 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.23	0.007	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		108 Dup 1 10x dilution	< 034	<:009	<.009	< 0.01	<0.012	1.95	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Waste Water Discharge to Lagoon	109 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	< 0.01	<0.012	0.227	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
	Pretreatment Waste Water	110 Dup 2 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		110 Dup 2 10x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0.063	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
, .	Coal Pile Runoff	111 Dup 2 Decantate	<.034	0.038	<.009	0.018	71.94	3.81	0.084	<.025	<0.126	0.087

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Trenton GS	Coal Leachate Pond	121 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<.01	<.012	0.854	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Ash Lagoon Discharge (clear)	122 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.393	0.068	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
· ·		122 Dup1 10x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.016	0.003	<.020	<.025	<0.126	< 009
	Intake Water (treated town water)	123	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.121	0.029	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
· ·	Pit B Discharge	124	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.088	0.024	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
8200 Salmon Harbour	Lake Wate	128 Dup 1 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	< 0.01	0.384	<.002	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
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Phalen Colliery	Mine Water Discharge	130 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	< 0.01	< 0.012	1.44	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
		130 Dup1 100x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Town Water (from tap at security)	131 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	<.002	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Surface Runoff Brook	132 Decantate	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	0.096	0.684	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
Prince Colliery	Process Water	138 Dup 1	<.034	<.009	<.009	< 0.01	<0.012	0.013	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Mine Discharge and Runoff	139 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	0.033	<.009	<0.01	2.56	1.07	0.054	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		139 Dup1 100x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<.012	0.01	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
	Treated Lagoon Discharge (clear)	140 Dup 2 (high salt ?)	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0.26	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		140 Dup2 10x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0.023	<.020	<.025	< 0.126	<.009
	d/s Discharge (clear)	141 Dup 1 (high salt ?)	<.034	< 009	<.009	<0.01	0.021	0.248	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009
		141 Dup1 10x dilution	<.034	<.009	<.009	<0.01	<0.012	0.021	<.020	<.025	<0.126	<.009

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\* For detailed description, see Tables 4 -7



**Cardinal River Mine** 



Sheerness Mine: Pit water



Hell's Gate, Alberta



Highvale Mine: Pit 3 Settling pond



Line Creek Mine: Dump area



Gregg River Mine: H I pit



Battle River Generating Station: Cooling pond



H.R. Milner Generating Station and Smokey River Coal



Whitewood Mine (Wabamun, Alberta)





Figure 3. Coal-Fired Generating Capacity by State in USA (as of December 31, 1993)





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