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Environmental Noise Monitoring

For

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Executive Summary

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The results of the baseline noise monitoring indicated sound levels ranging from 53.3 – 60.2 dBA $L_{eq}24$[1]. At all locations, the noise climate was dominated by Stoney Trail or by local traffic on the adjacent roads. The monitoring indicated the noise climate was generally broadband in nature with no tonal components and no dominant stationary sources. Finally, it has been indicated by Alberta Transportation that additional noise monitoring are to be conducted along Stoney Trail near 17 Avenue SE upon completion of the interchange at 17 Avenue SE.

[1] The term L_{eq} represents the energy equivalent sound level. This is a measure of the equivalent sound level for a specified period of time accounting for fluctuations.

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2.0 Location Description

The current sections of Stoney Trail span from 17 Avenue SE (on the east side of Calgary) to Highway 1 NW (on the west side of Calgary), as indicated in Figs. 1A & 1B. Throughout the entire span (approximately 45 km), Stoney Trail is a twinned road with at least 2-lanes in each direction and some sections with 3-lanes in each direction. The posted speed limit throughout is 100 km/hr. The current and future interchanges/intersections are as follows:

- 17 Avenue SE (currently a light-controlled intersection. Scheduled to be an interchange in the near future)
- 16 Avenue NE (grade separated interchange)
- McKnight Blvd NE (grade separated interchange)
- Airport Trail NE (grade separated interchange not yet operational)
- Country Hills Blvd NE (grade separated interchange)
- Deerfoot Trail (grade separated interchange)
- 11 Street NE (currently no intersection. Future grade separated interchange)
- Harvest Hills Blvd NE (currently a light-controlled intersection. Grade separated interchange under construction)
- 14 Street NW (currently no intersection. Future grade separated interchange)
- Beddington Trail NW (grade separated interchange)
- Shaganappi Trail NW (Fly-over with westbound Stoney Trail Access. Full interchange access under construction)
- Sarcee Trail NW (grade separated interchange)
- Country Hills Blvd NW (grade separated interchange)
- Crowchild Trail NW (currently a light-controlled intersection. Grade separated interchange under construction)
- Scenic Acres Link (grade separated interchange with modifications related to the Crowchild Trail Interchange)

- Nose Hill Drive (currently a light-controlled intersection. Scheduled to be an interchange in the near future)
- Highway 1 (grade separated interchange)

There will therefore be 18 grade separated interchanges within the study area for the future case assessment scenario[1].

The study area is primarily composed of single family detached residential areas with houses that back onto Stoney Trail. At some locations, there are houses that side or front onto Stoney Trail. There are also sections with multi-family 3 and 4 storey residential buildings adjacent to Stoney Trail. Finally, there are commercial areas and areas which have yet to be developed. In particular, there are no residential receptors adjacent to Stoney Trail between Airport Trail NE and 11 Street NE.

Topographically, the land in between Stoney Trail and the residential receptors for northeast Stoney Trail is relatively flat with no significant berms for shielding. Most of the residential lots have direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. For the northwest portion of Stoney Trail, there are sections with relatively flat ground in between the road and the adjacent houses and other sections with significant berms blocking the line-of-sight. In addition, for the northwest section, there are significant changes in elevation throughout. The vegetation in the areas between the residential locations and Stoney Trail consists mainly of field grasses with small sections of bushes and trees.

[1] The Interchange at Metis Trail has been ignored because it is too far from the NE and NW residential study areas to have an impact on the noise climate.

3.0 Measurement Methods

As part of the study a total of twenty-five (25) 24-hour environmental noise monitorings were conducted throughout the study area. Nine (9) of these locations were in the northeast portion of Stoney Trail. The noise monitoring locations, as indicated in Fig. 1, were selected based on their proximity to Stoney Trail and adjacent interchanges. A detailed description of each location for northeast Stoney Trail is provided below. Refer to Appendix I for a detailed description of the measurement equipment used, Appendix II for a description of the acoustical terminology, and Appendix III for a list of common noise sources. All noise measurement instrumentation was calibrated at the start of the measurements and then checked afterwards to ensure that there had been negligible calibration drift over the duration of the measurements.

Monitor 1

Noise Monitor 1 was located on public land approximately 110 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 500 m north of 17 Ave SE as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 13:15 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 13:15 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 2

Noise Monitor 2 was located on public land approximately 140 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 1.2 km north of 17 Ave SE as shown in Figs. 1 and 3. At this location there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 13:30 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 13:30 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 3

Noise Monitor 3 was located on public land approximately 180 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 900 km south of Hwy. 1 NE as shown in Figs. 1 and 4. At this location there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 13:50 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 13:50 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 4

Noise Monitor 4 was located approximately 60 m south of Hwy. 1 NE (16 Ave NE) and 400 m east 68 Street as shown in Figs. 1 and 5. At this location the monitor was placed at the foot of a slight berm and therefore did not have direct line-of-sight to Hwy.1. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 15:40 on Thursday October 21, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 15:40 on Friday October 22, 2010.

Monitor 5

Noise Monitor 5 was located on public land approximately 135 m east of Stoney Trail NB and 750 m south of Hwy. 1 NE as shown in Figs. 1 and 6. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 14:30 on Thursday July 29, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 14:30 on Friday July 30, 2010.

Monitor 6

Noise Monitor 6 was located on public land approximately 130 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 1.5 km north of Hwy. 1 NE as shown in Figs. 1 and 7. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 14:32 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 14:32 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 7

Noise Monitor 7 was located on public land approximately 270 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 1.1 km south of McKnight Blvd NE as shown in Figs. 1 and 8. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 15:00 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 15:00 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 8

Noise Monitor 8 was located on public land approximately 190 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 1.2 km north of McKnight Blvd. NE as shown in Figs. 1 and 9. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 15:30 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 15:30 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

Monitor 9

Noise Monitor 9 was located on public land approximately 150 m west of Stoney Trail SB and 170 m south of 80 Ave NE. as shown in Figs. 1 and 10. At this location, there was direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail. There was no significant vegetation between the monitor and the road. The noise monitor was started at 16:30 on Wednesday June 23, 2010 and ran for 24-hours until 16:10 on Thursday June 24, 2010.

4.0 Results and Discussion

4.1. Noise Monitoring

The results obtained from the environmental noise monitorings are shown in Table 1 and Figs. 11 – 28 (broadband A-weighted L_{eq} sound levels and 1/3 octave band L_{eq} sound levels provided). It should be noted that the data have been adjusted by the removal of non-typical noise events such as loud aircraft flyovers (the noise modeling does not account for aircraft), pedestrians making noise nearby, abnormally loud vehicle passages, etc.

Table 1. Baseline Noise Monitoring Results

Monitor	L_{eq}24 (dBA)	L_{eq}Day (dBA)	L_{eq}Night (dBA)
M1	57.9	58.9	55.5
M2	60.0	60.8	57.9
M3	55.0	55.8	53.0
M4	55.5	56.5	52.9
M5	54.6	55.4	53.0
M6	60.2	61.2	57.6
M7	53.3	54.4	50.5
M8	55.1	56.1	52.9
M9	56.1	57.2	53.3

For Monitors 1 – 3 and 5 – 9, traffic from Stoney Trail was the dominant noise source. This was expected due to the current traffic volumes on Stoney Trail and the absence of any other major noise sources. Locations 2 & 6 resulted in higher levels due their relative distance and direct line-of-sight to Stoney Trail while Monitor 7 had lower levels due to its increased distance from Stoney Trail.

Monitor 4 was dominated by traffic along Highway 1 NE (16 Ave NE). Lower noise levels at this location can be attributed to the monitor being placed at the foot of a small berm which obstructed its line-of-sight to Hwy 1 NE.

At all locations, the resultant 1/3 octave band L_{eq} sound levels were very similar. All locations show the typical trend of low frequency noise (near 63 – 80 Hz) resulting from engines and exhaust, mid-high frequency noise (near 1,000 Hz) resulting from tire noise. These results confirm that the noise levels being measured by the noise monitors were largely attributed to Stoney Trail in addition to the other major roadways.

4.2. Weather Conditions

Subjectively, the weather conditions for Monitors 1 – 3 and 6 – 9 were clear and calm to start and eventually becoming cloudy with stronger winds from the east. The weather for Monitor 5 started with an overcast sky and a calm west wind. The wind periodically increased but remained predominantly from the west for the entire monitoring period. The weather conditions for Monitor 4 were partially cloudy to start with a light northwest wind. The wind shifted from various directions but remained predominantly from the north. There was partial sun and calm conditions the following afternoon. Weather data for the duration of the environmental noise monitorings is presented in Appendix IV.

5.0 Conclusion

The results of the baseline noise monitoring indicated sound levels ranging from 53.3 – 60.2 dBA $L_{eq}24$. At all locations, the noise climate was dominated by Stoney Trail or by local traffic on the adjacent roads. The monitoring indicated the noise climate was generally broadband in nature with no tonal components and no dominant stationary sources. Finally, it has been indicated by Alberta Transportation that additional noise monitoring are to be conducted along Stoney Trail near 17 Avenue SE upon completion of the interchange at 17 Avenue SE.

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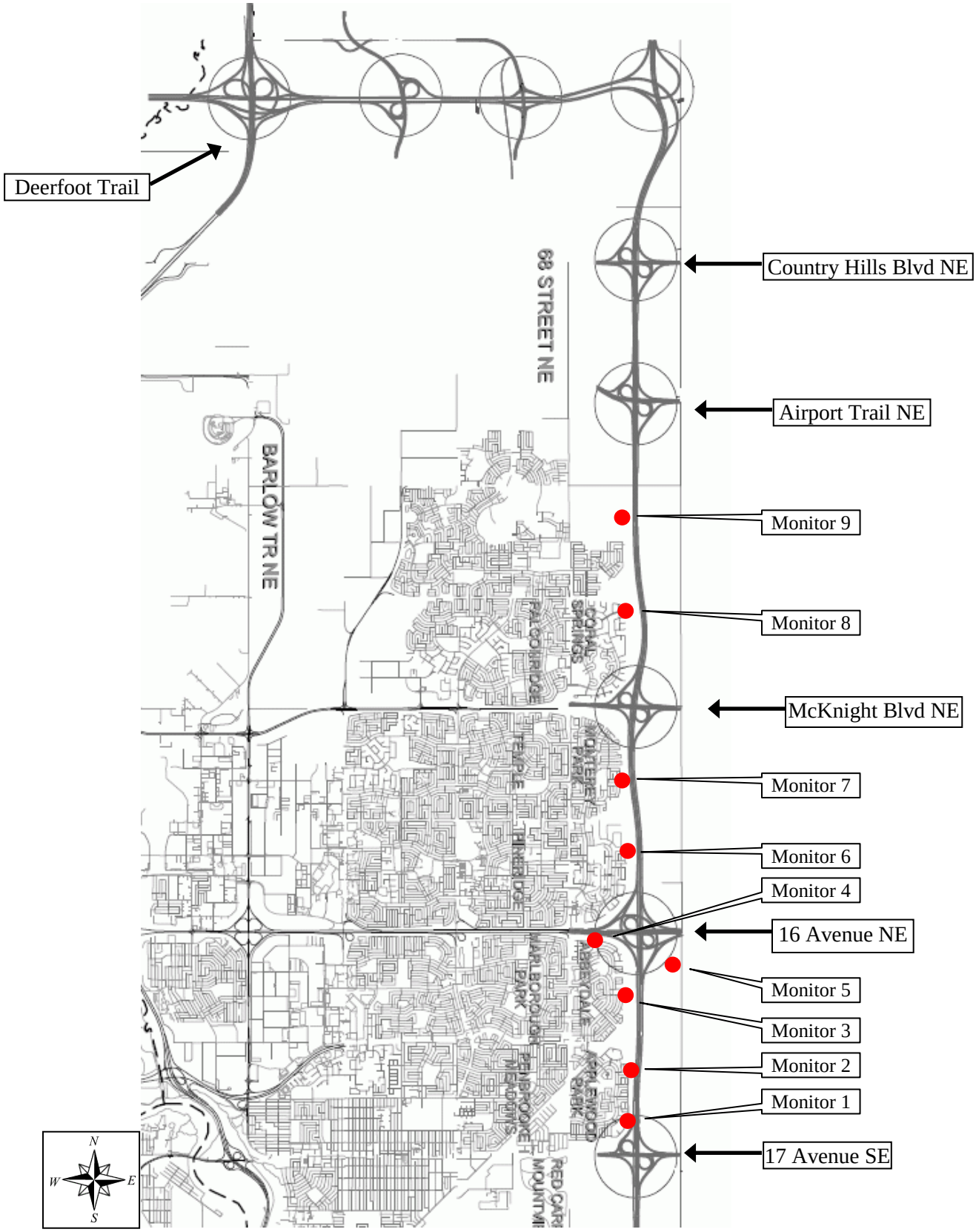

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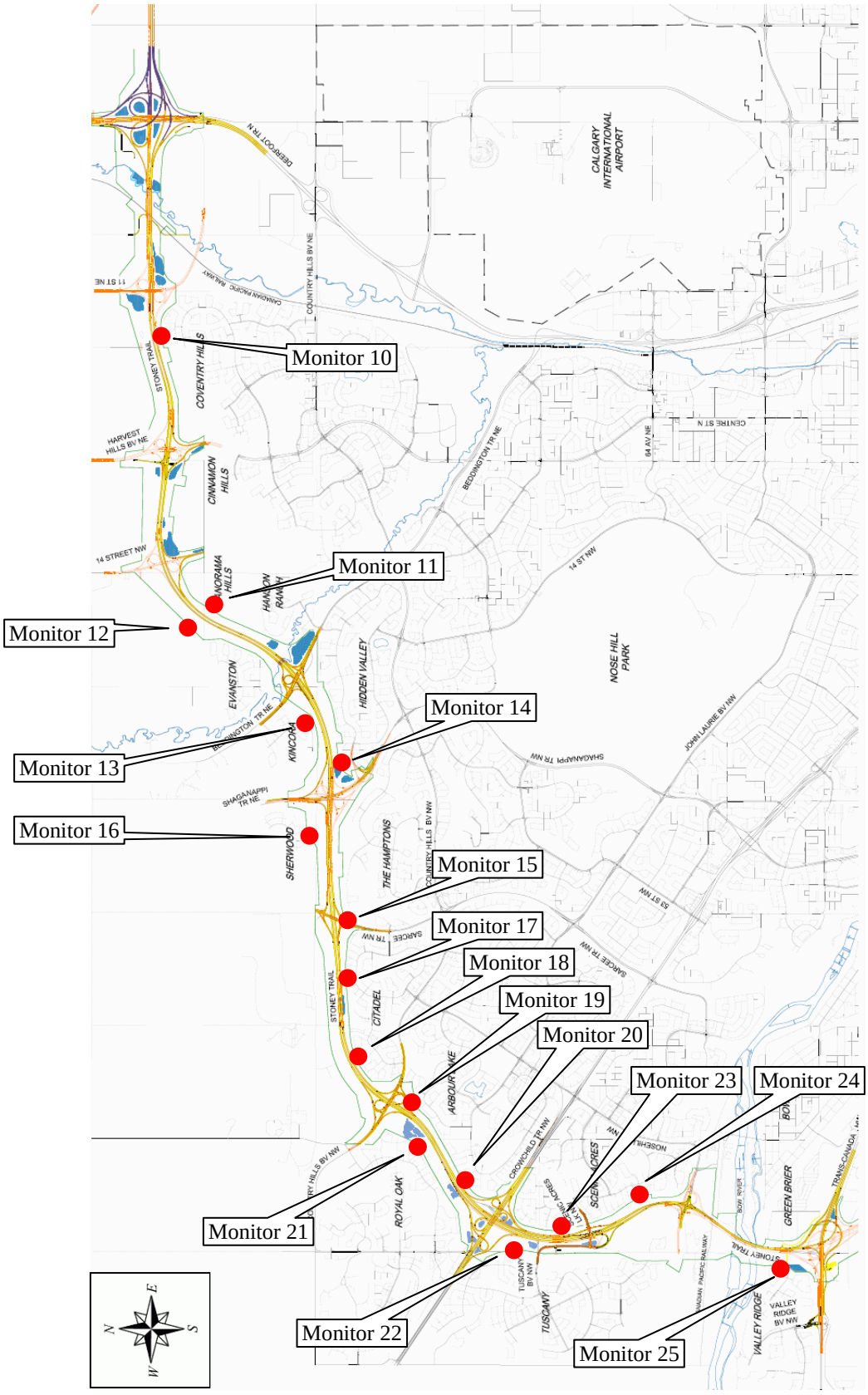

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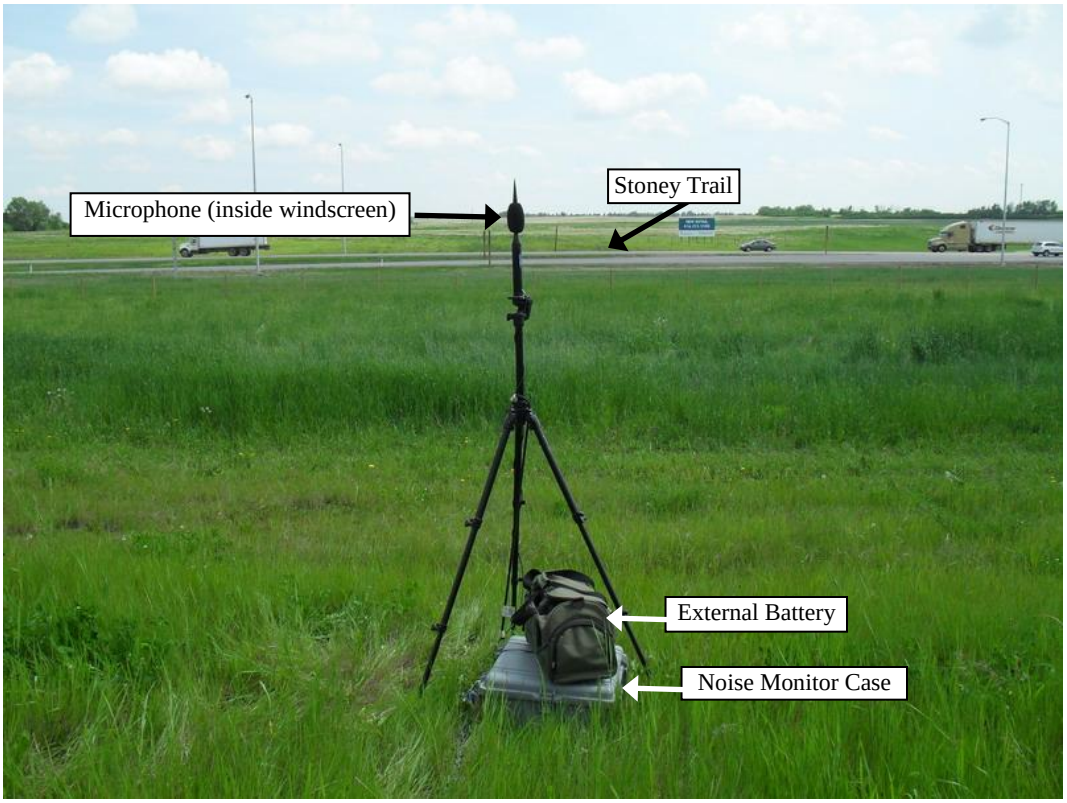

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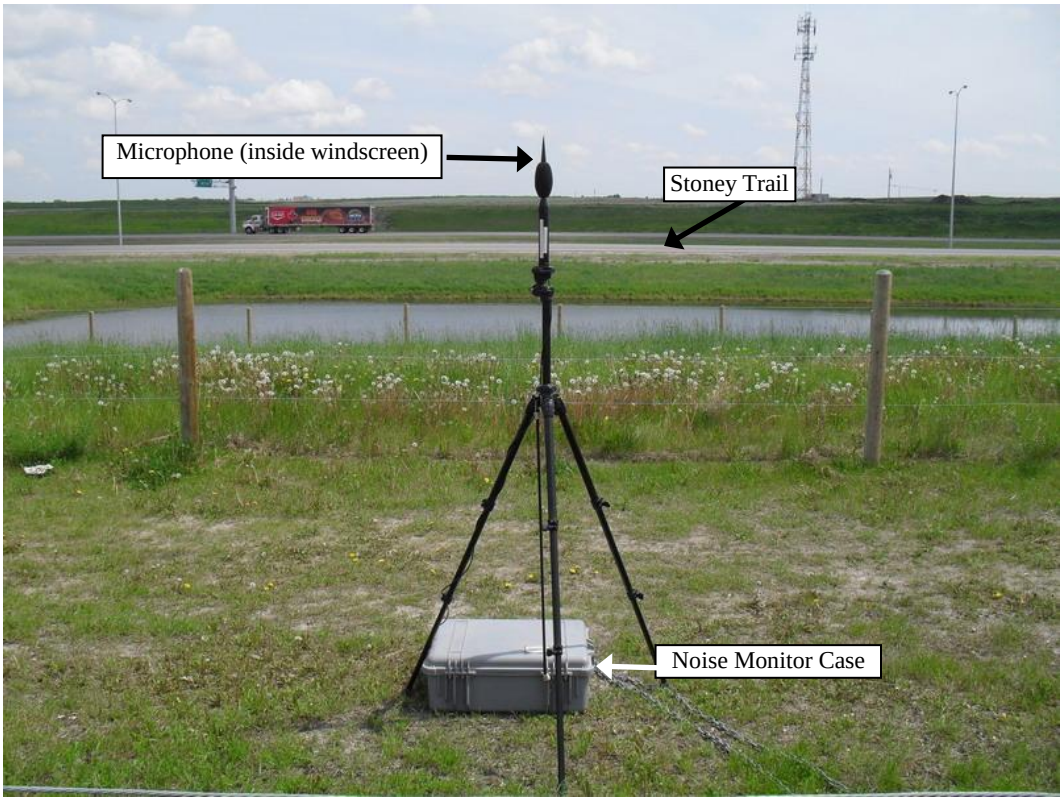

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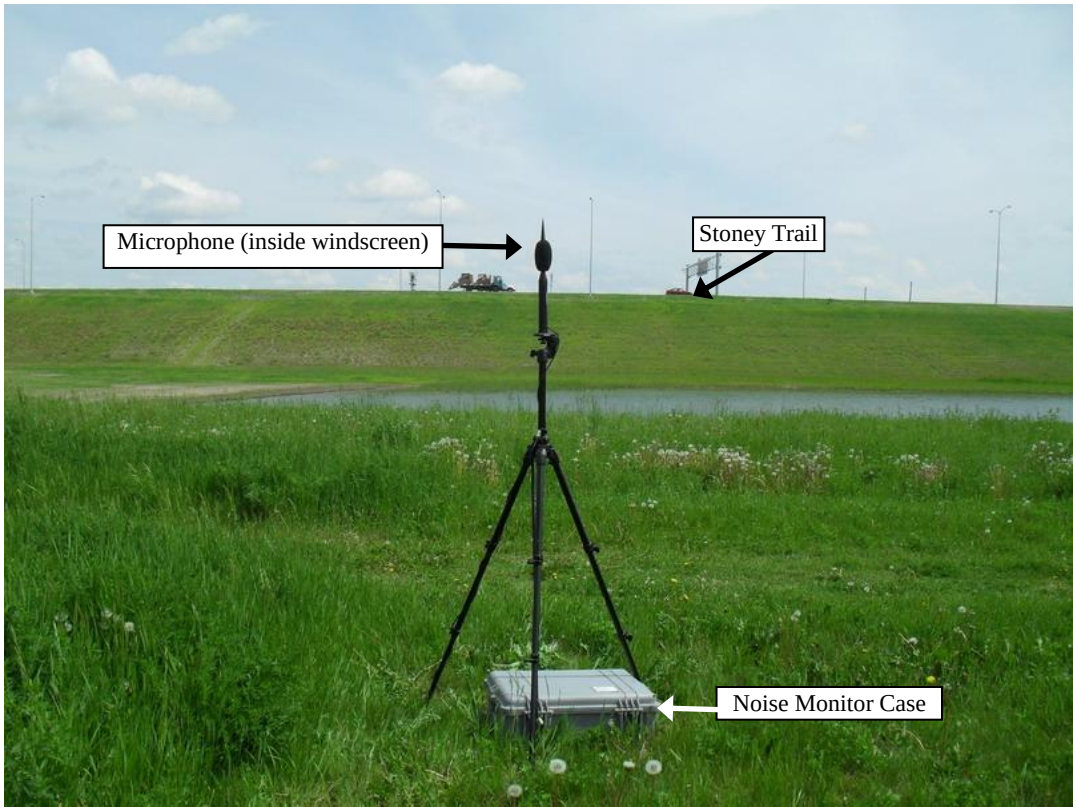

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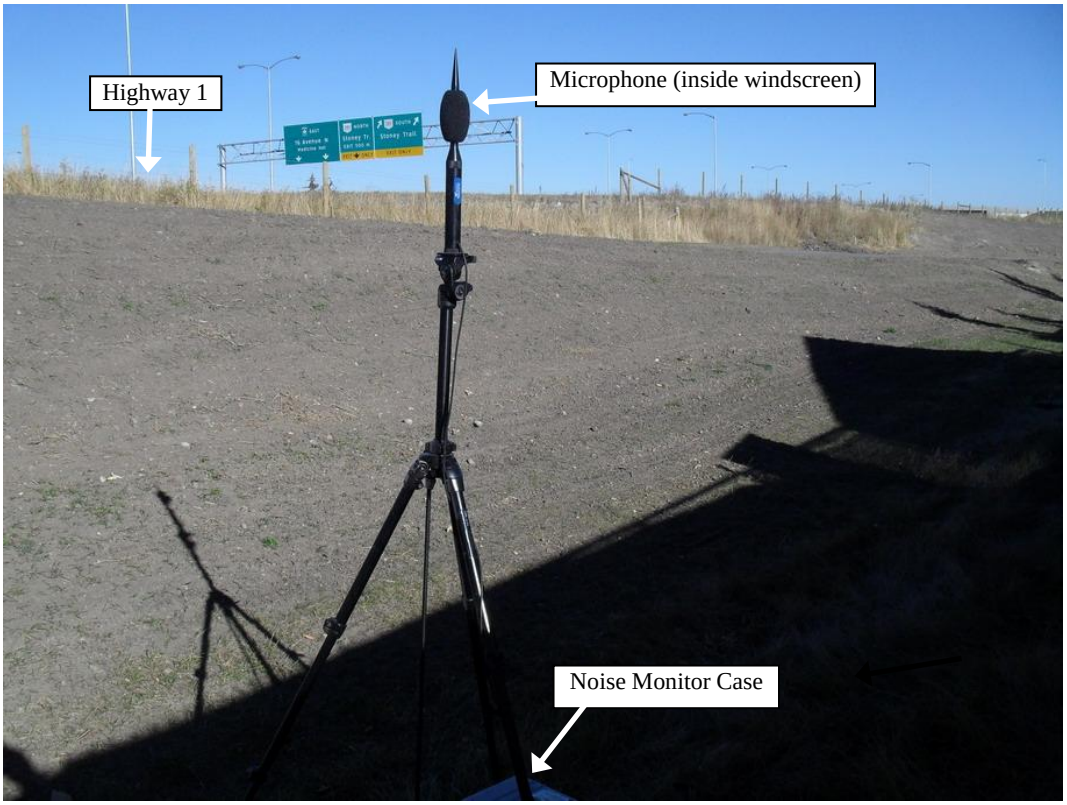

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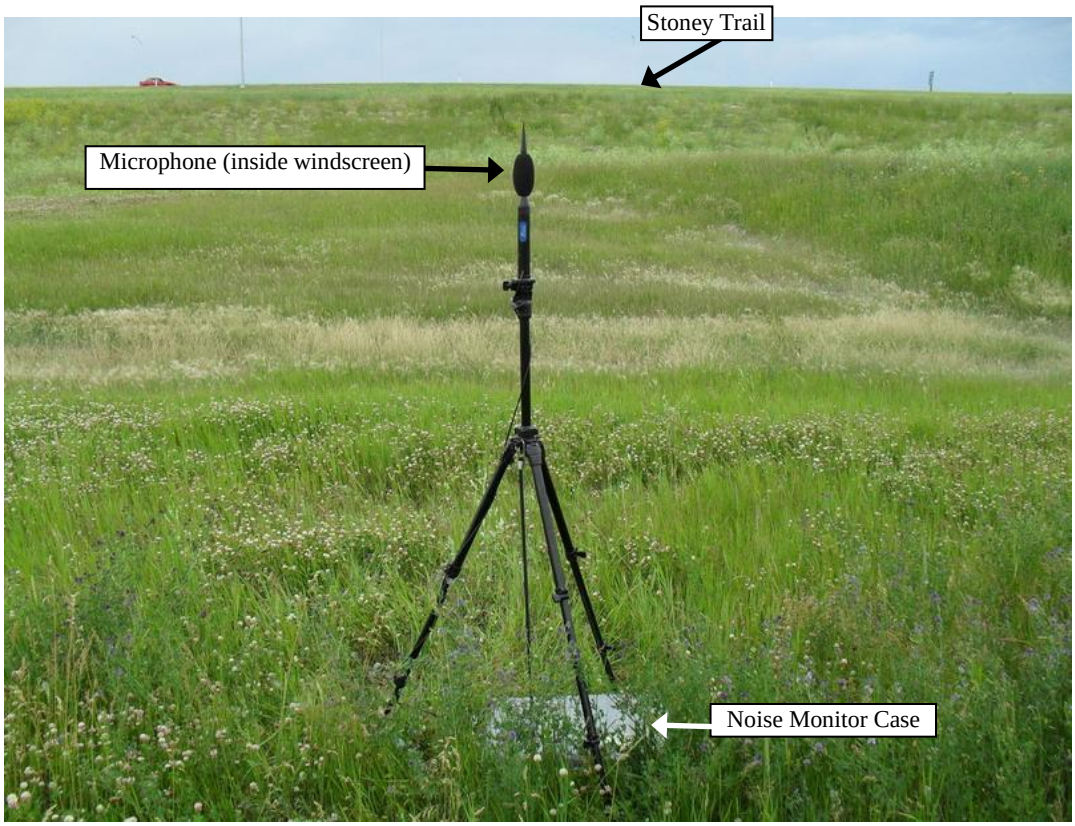

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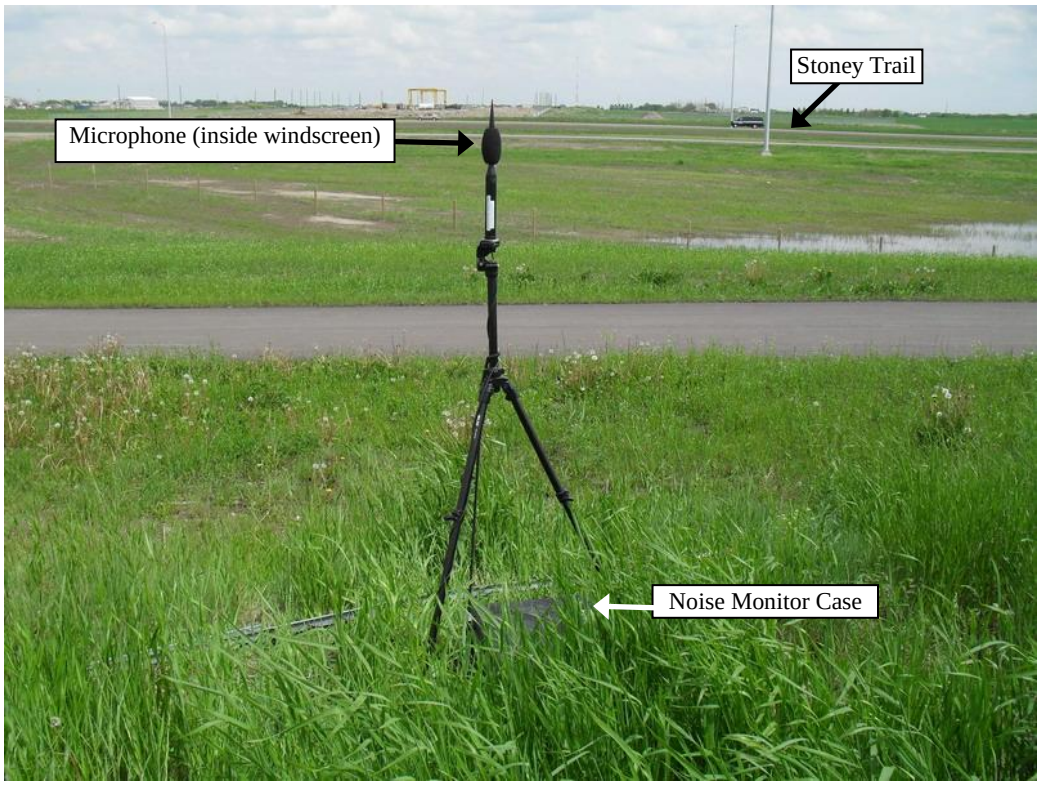

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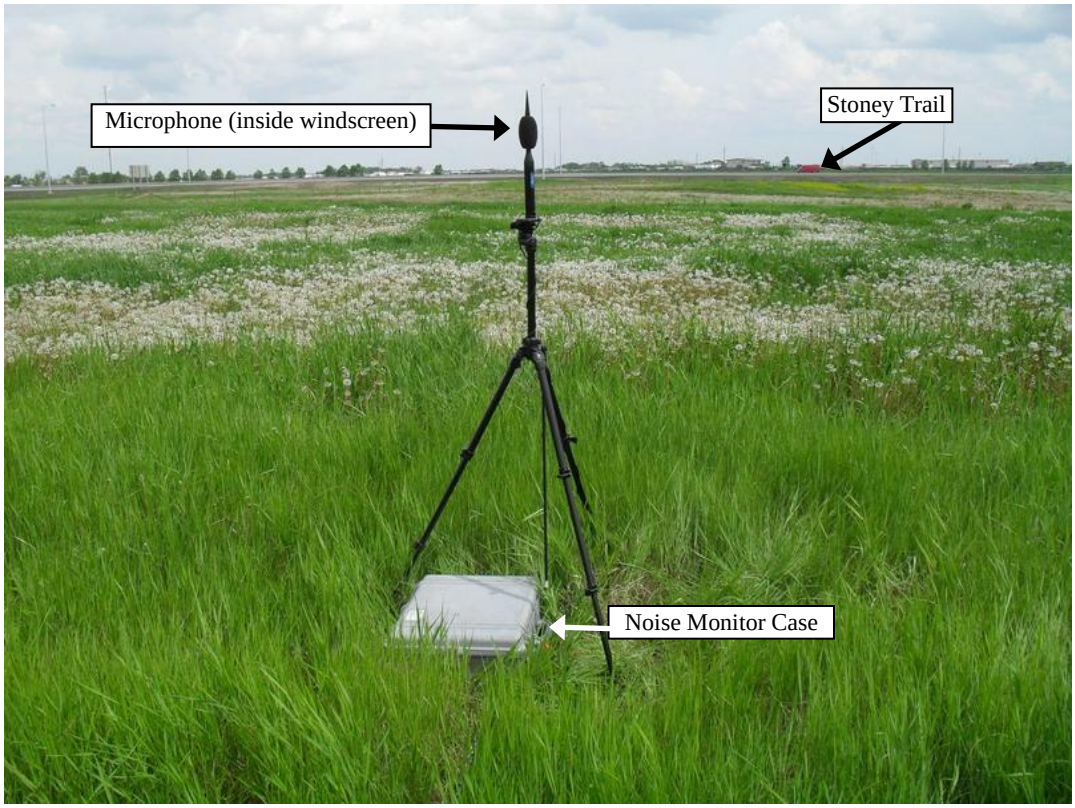

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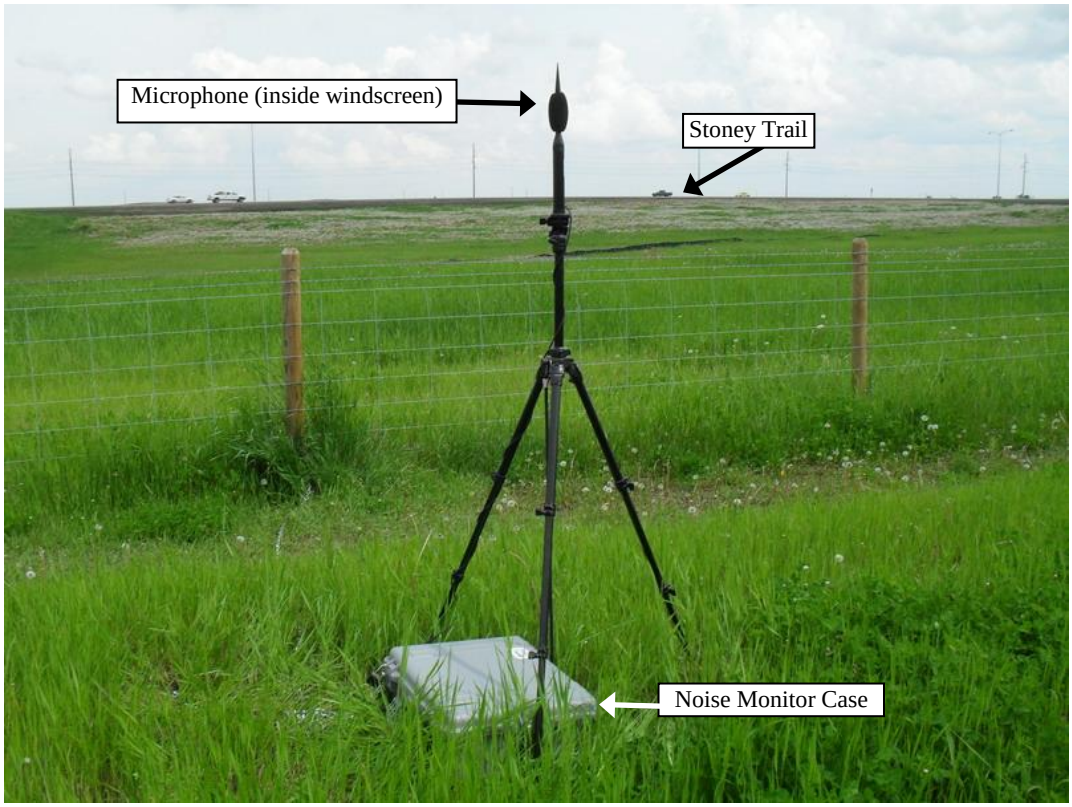

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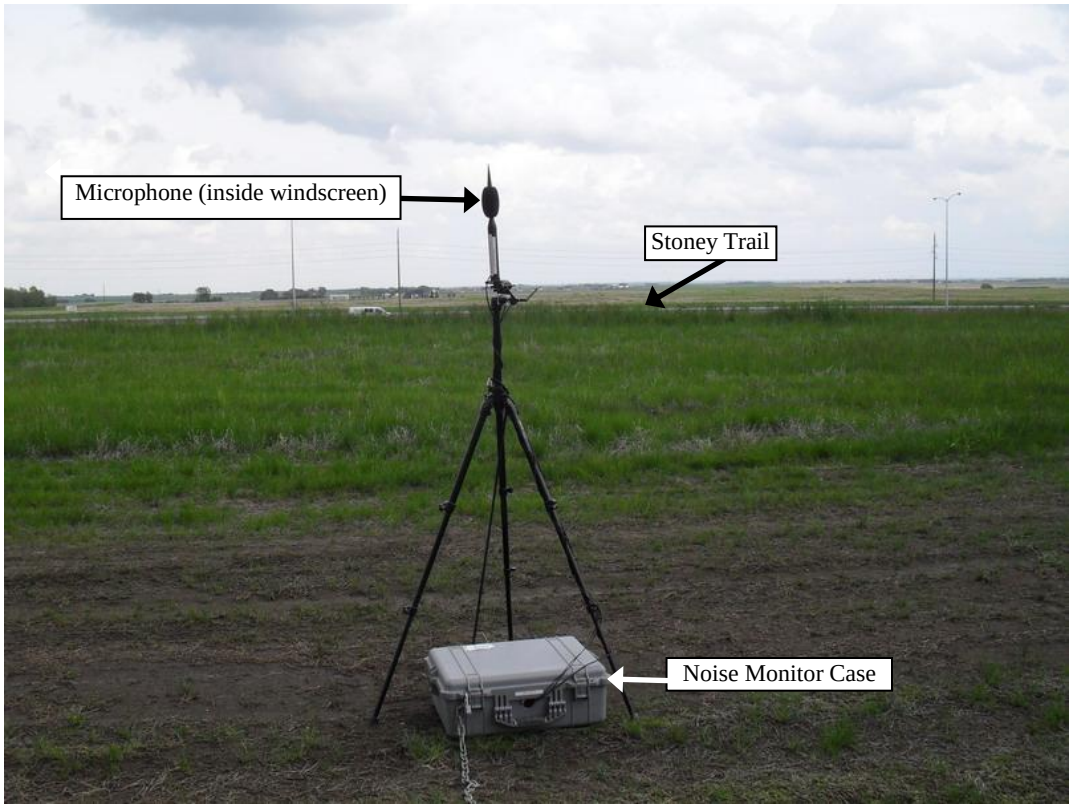

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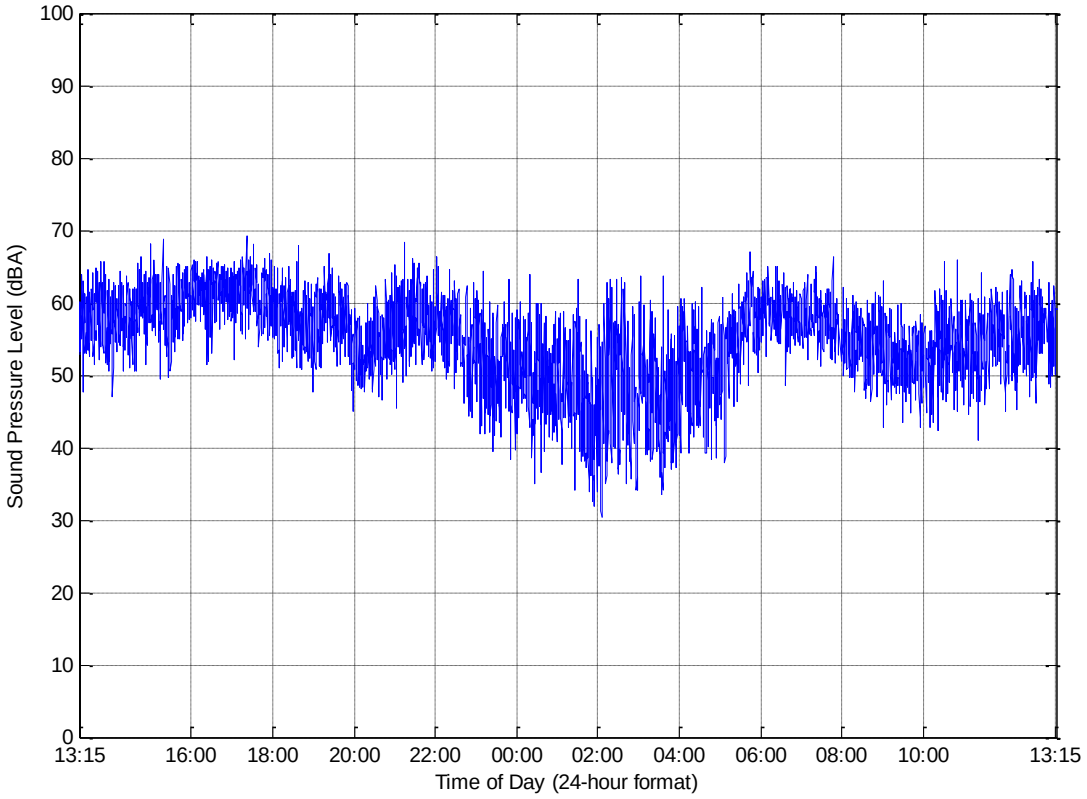

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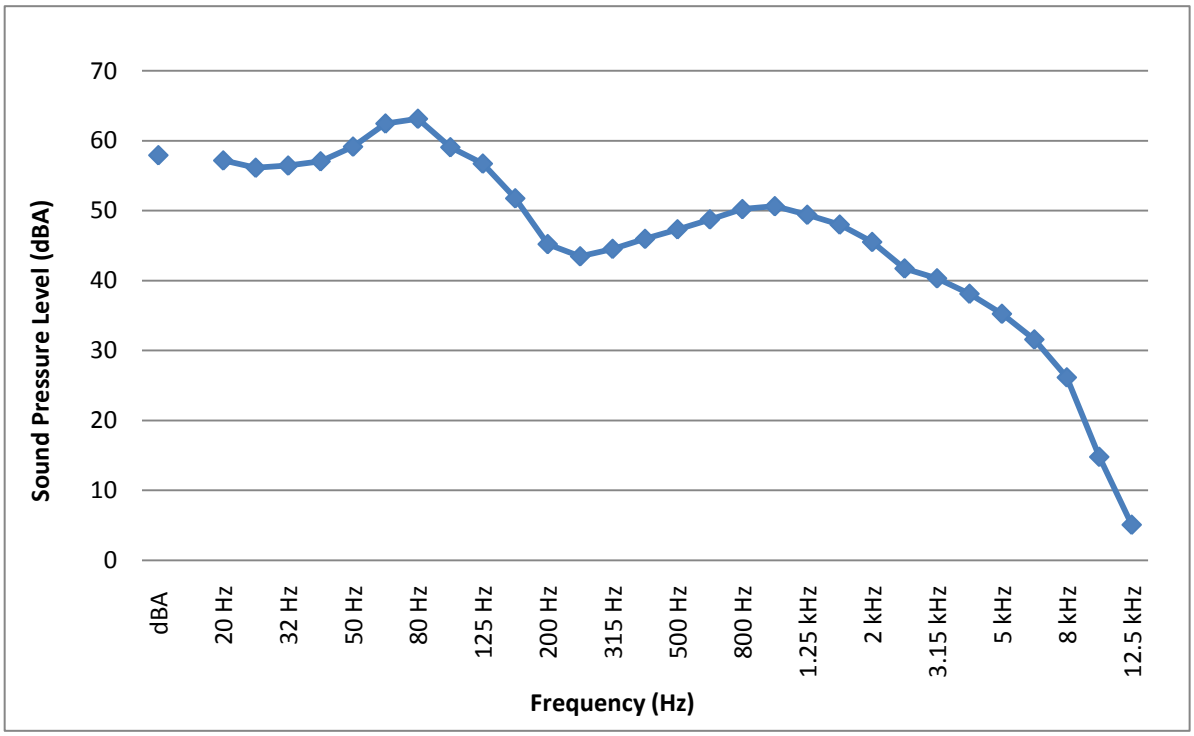

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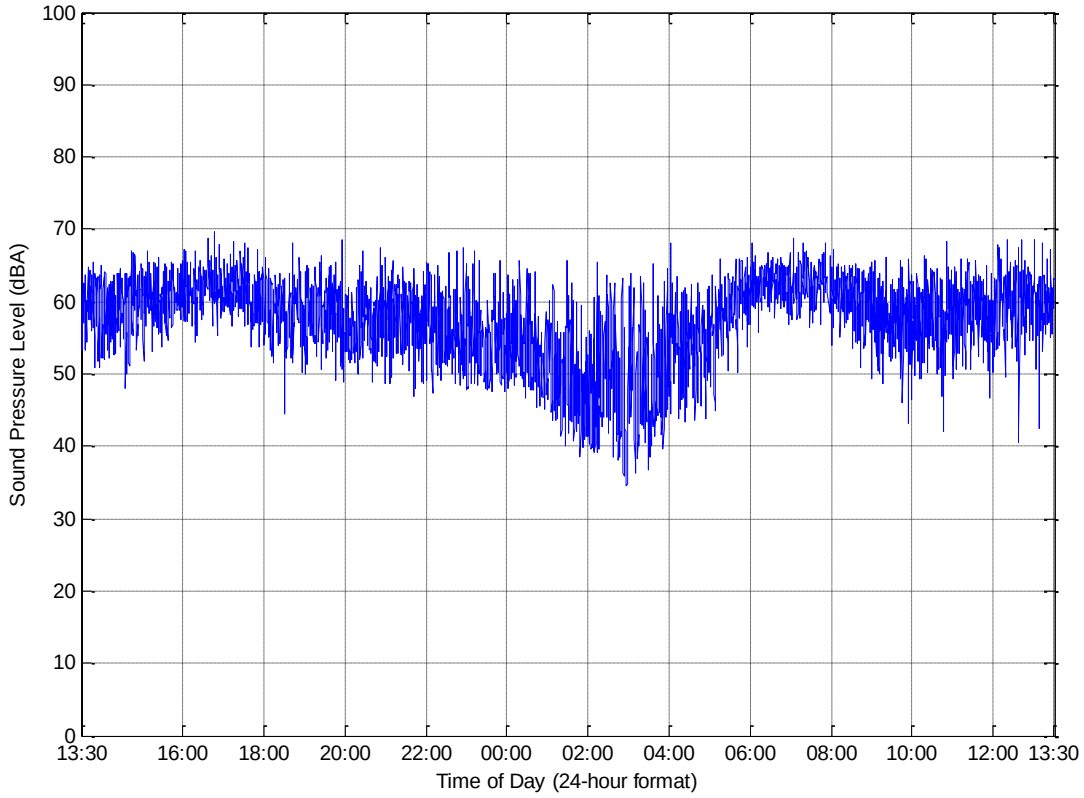

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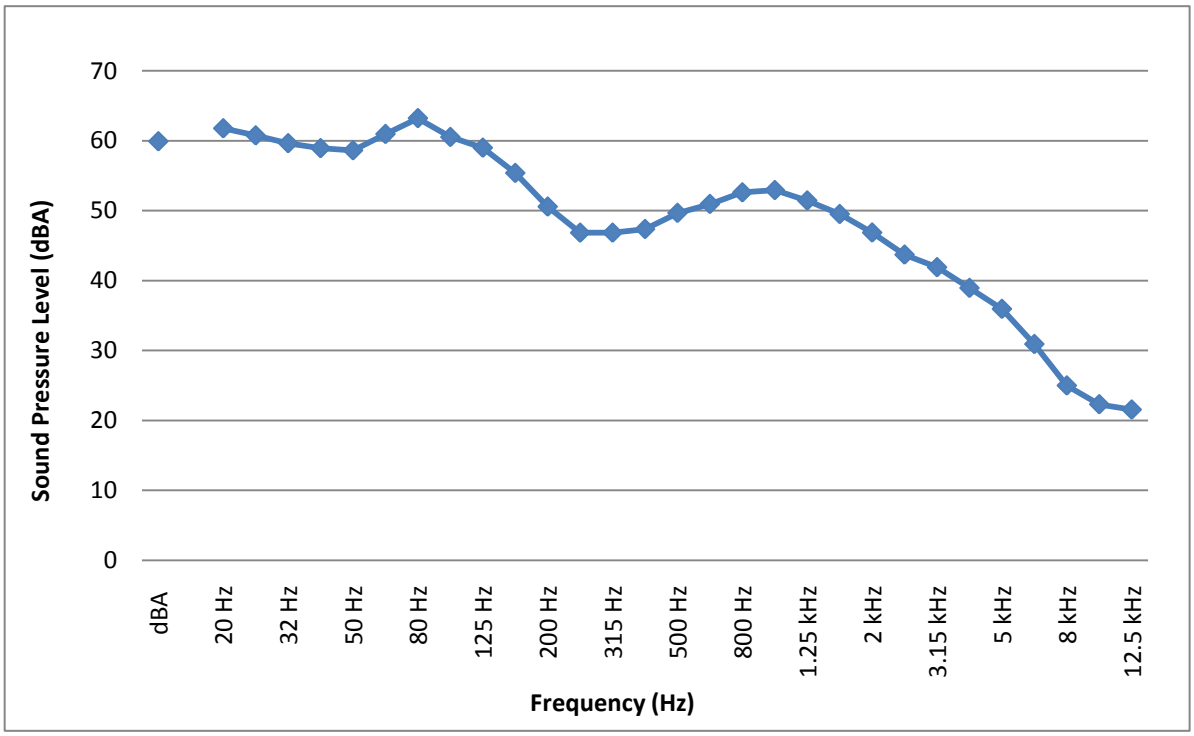

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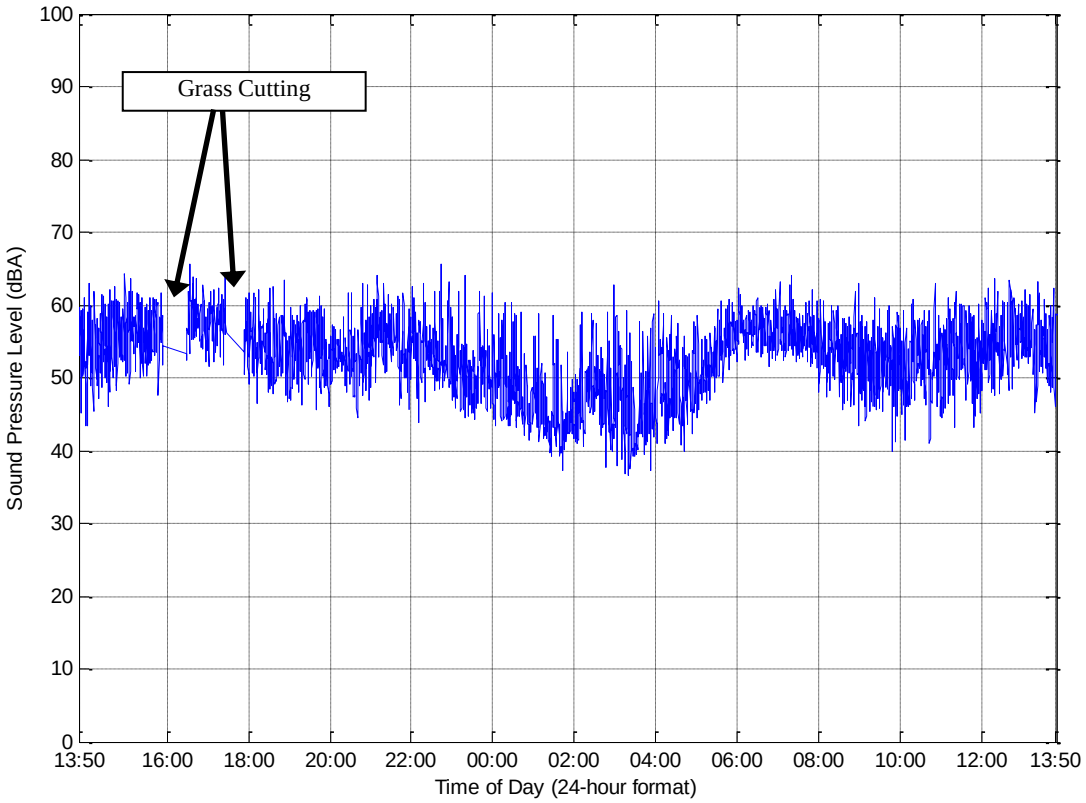

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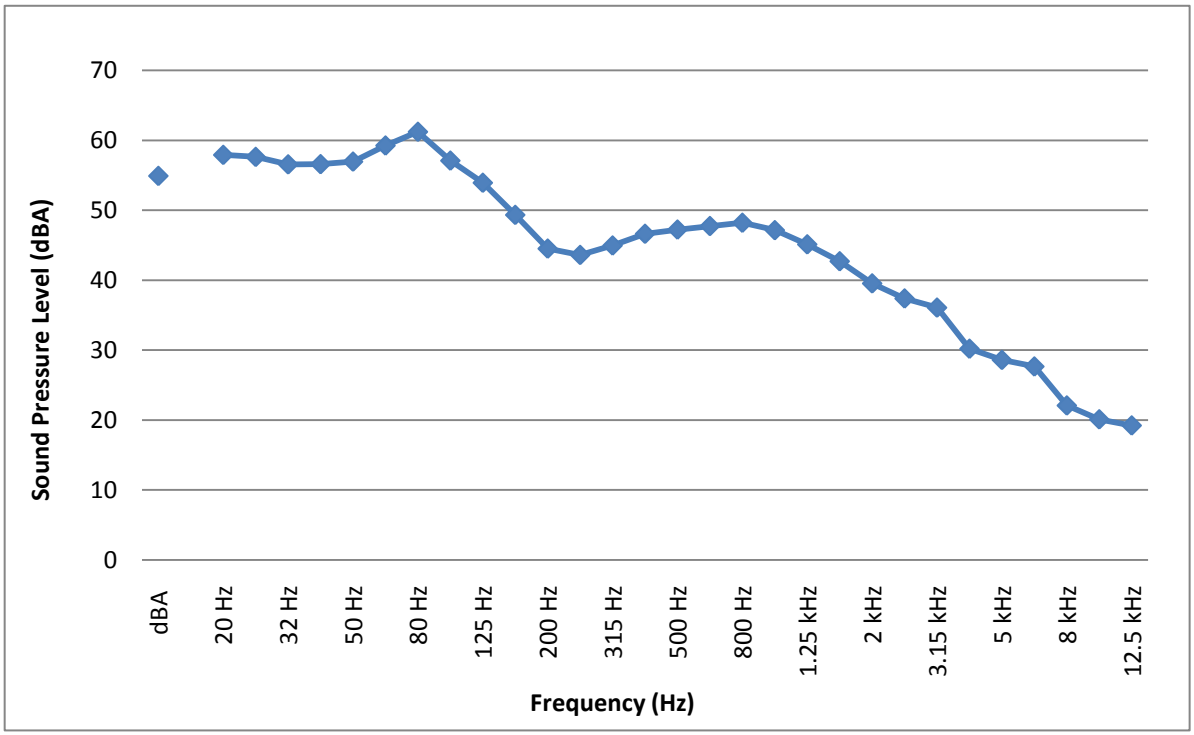

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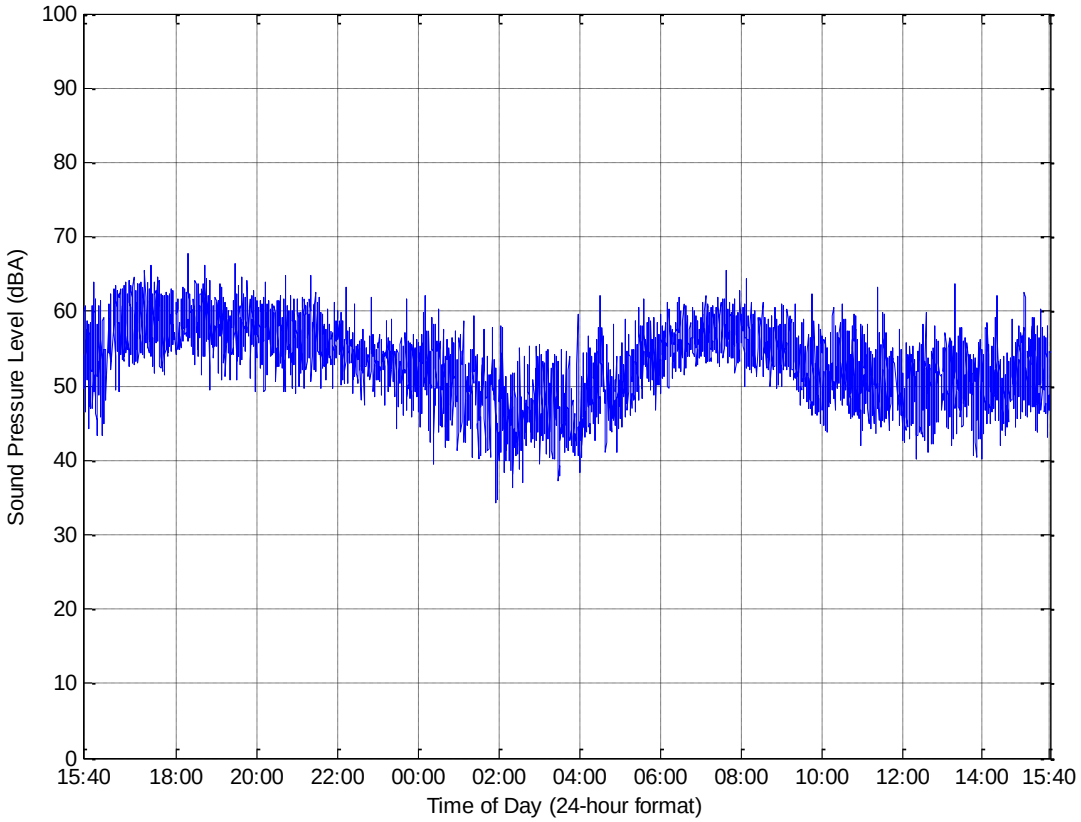

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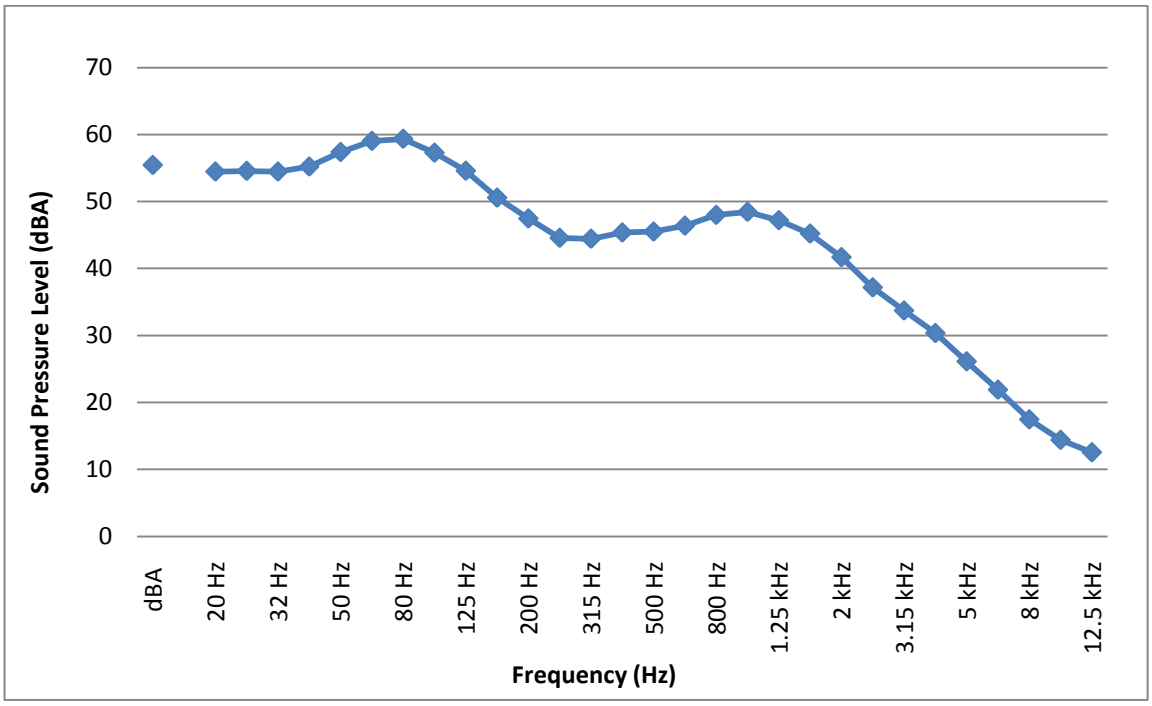

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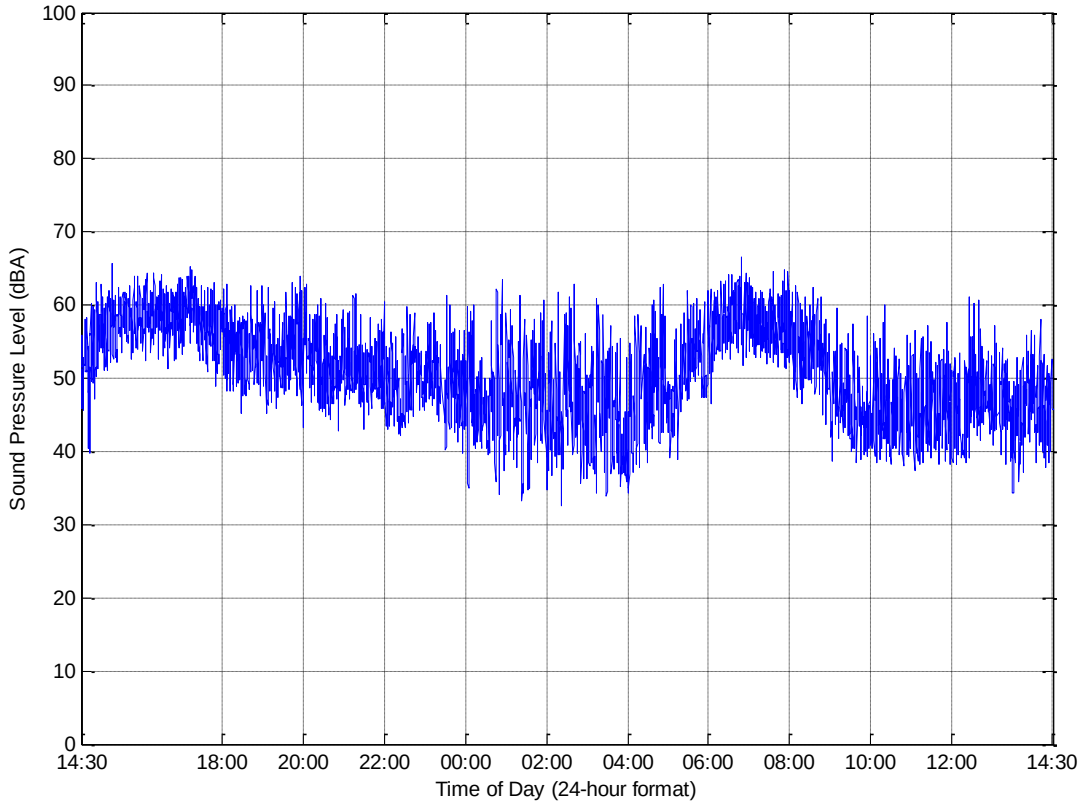

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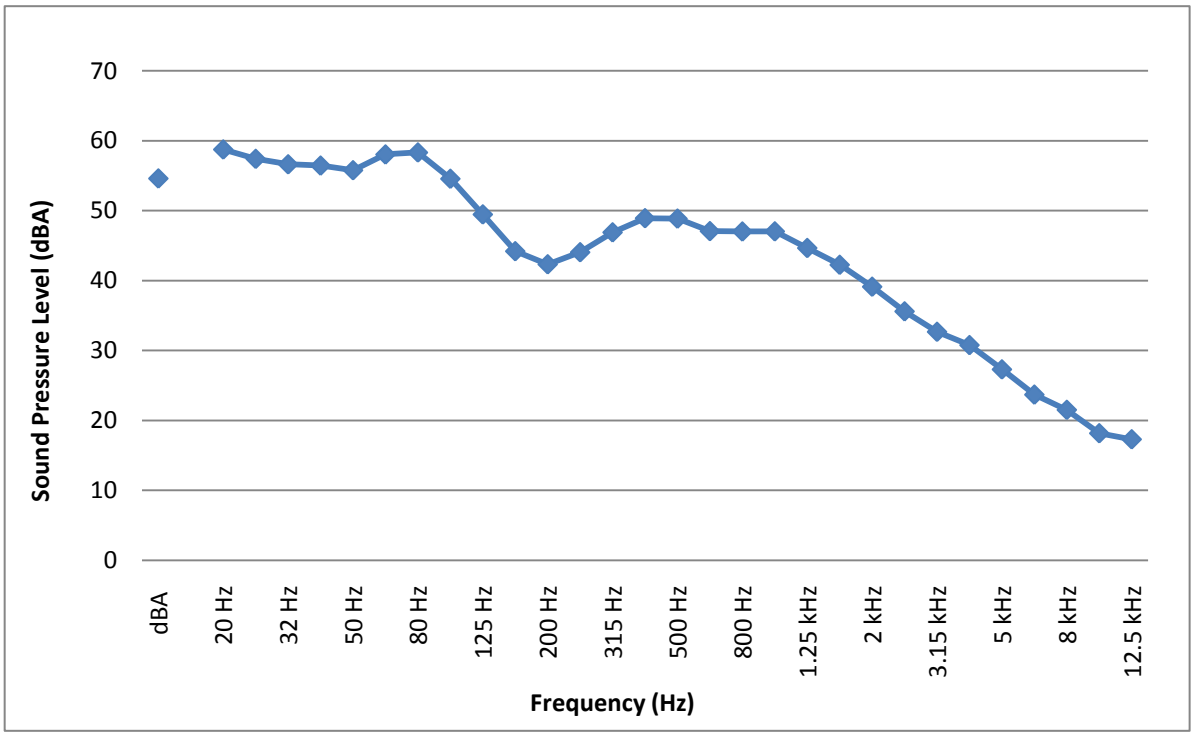

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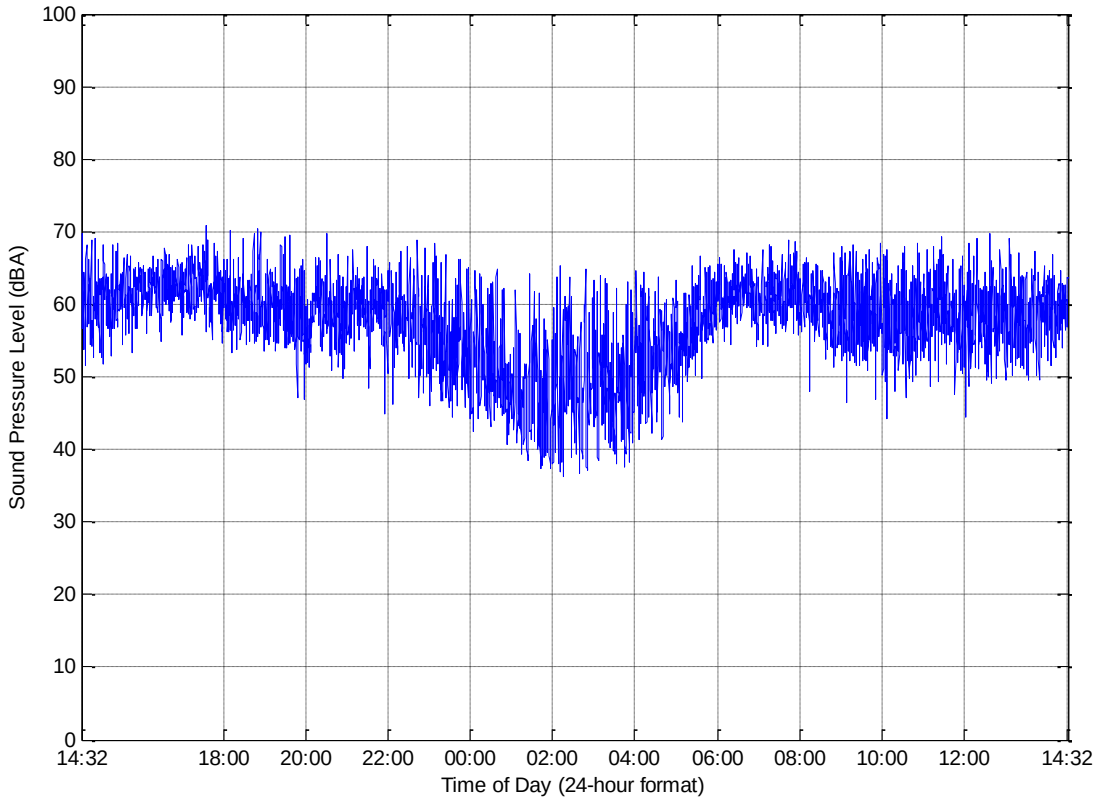

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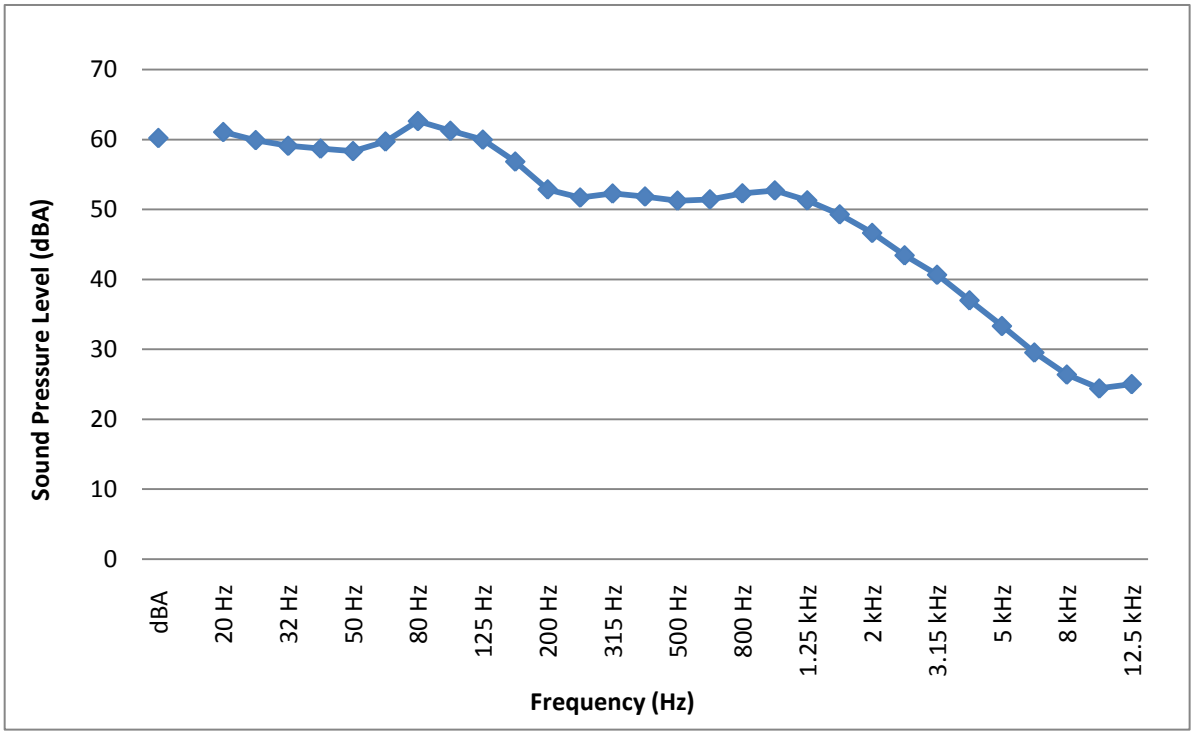

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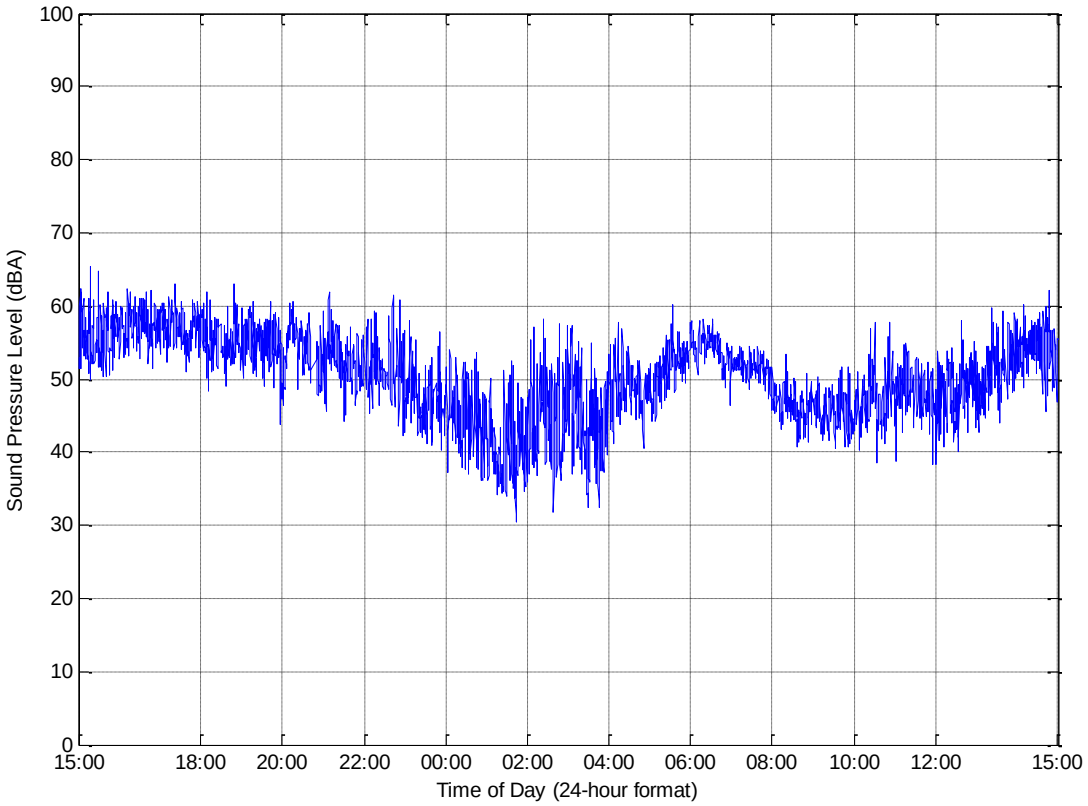

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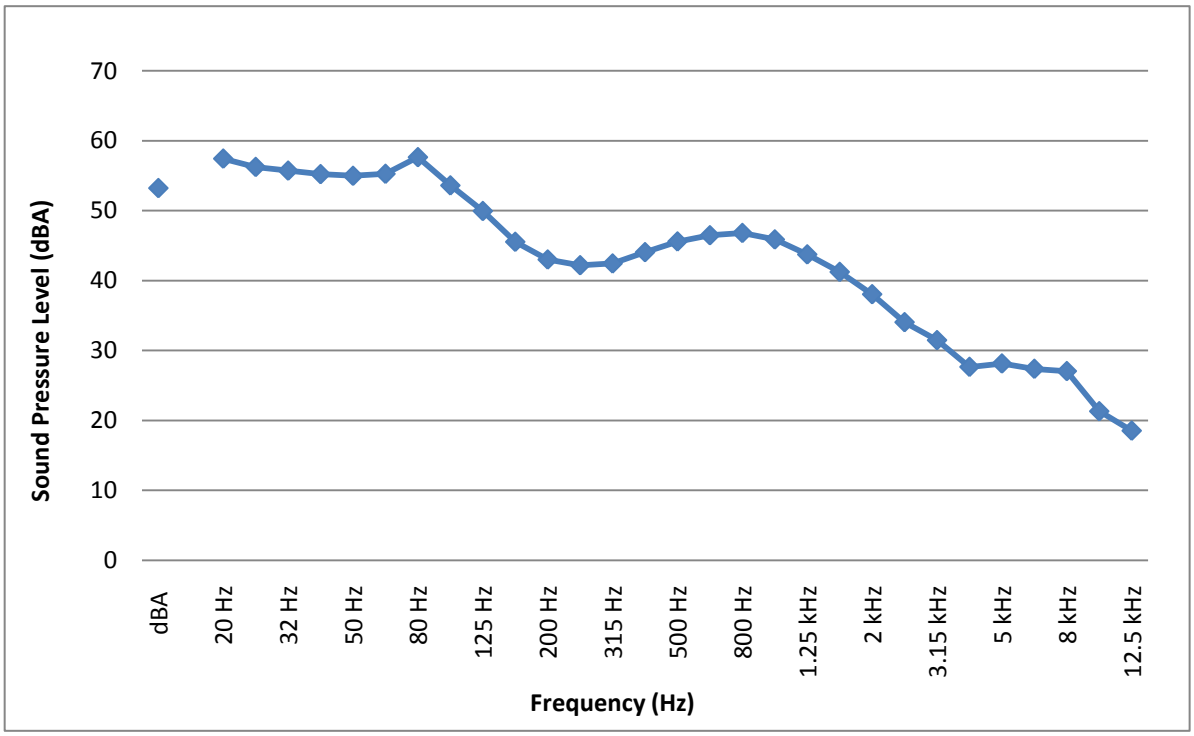

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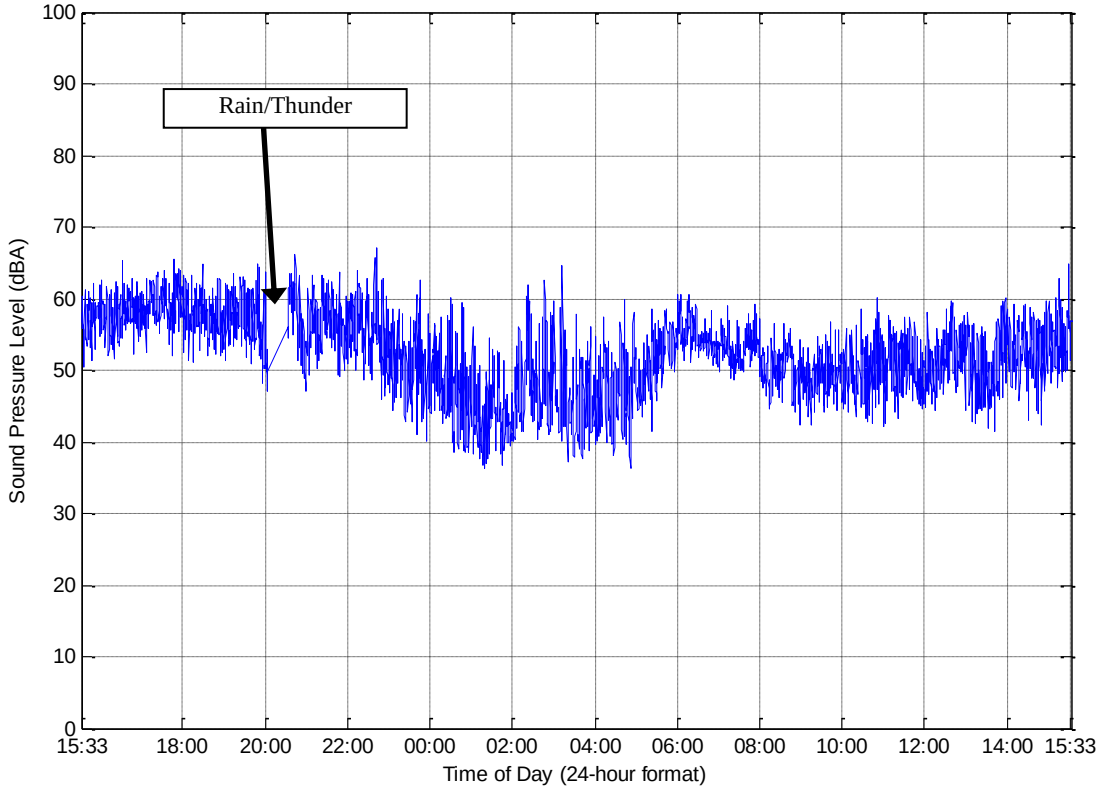

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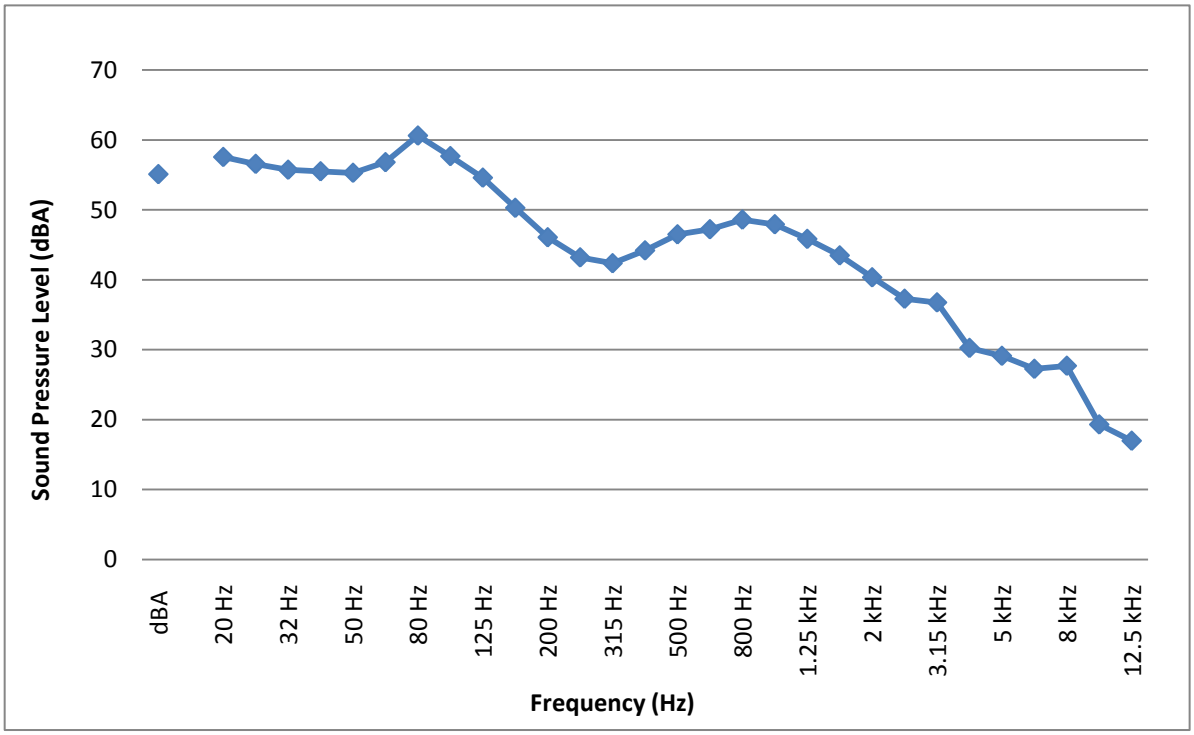

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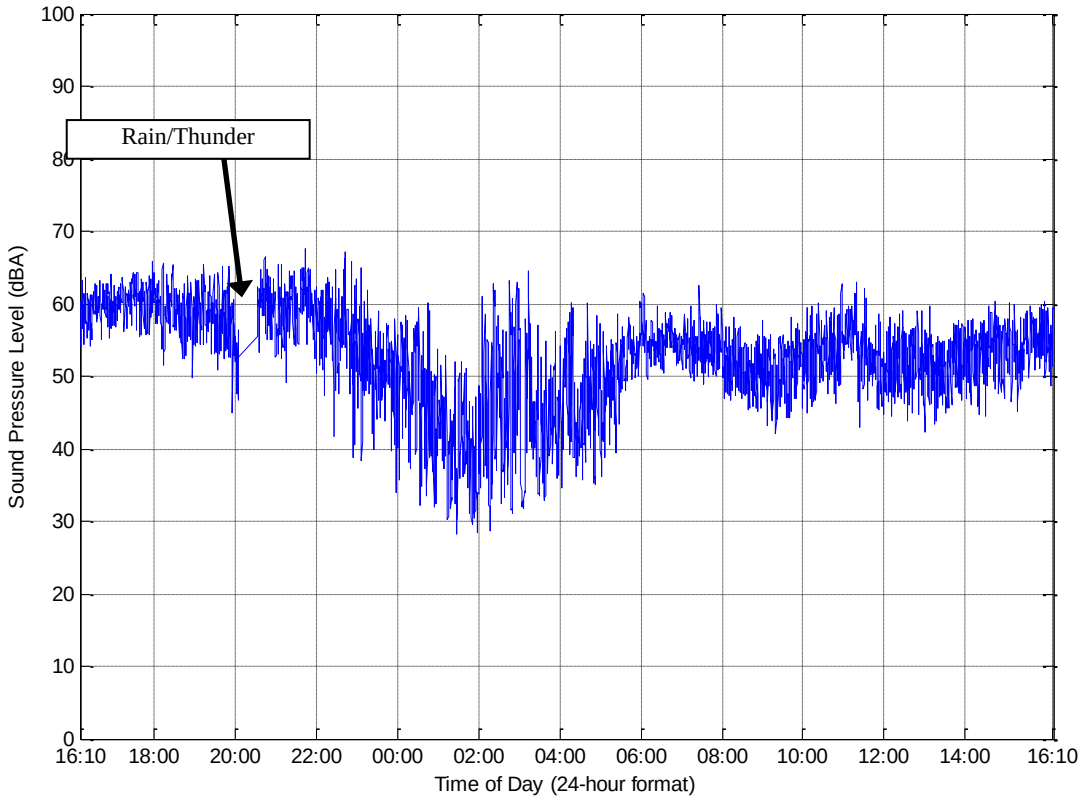

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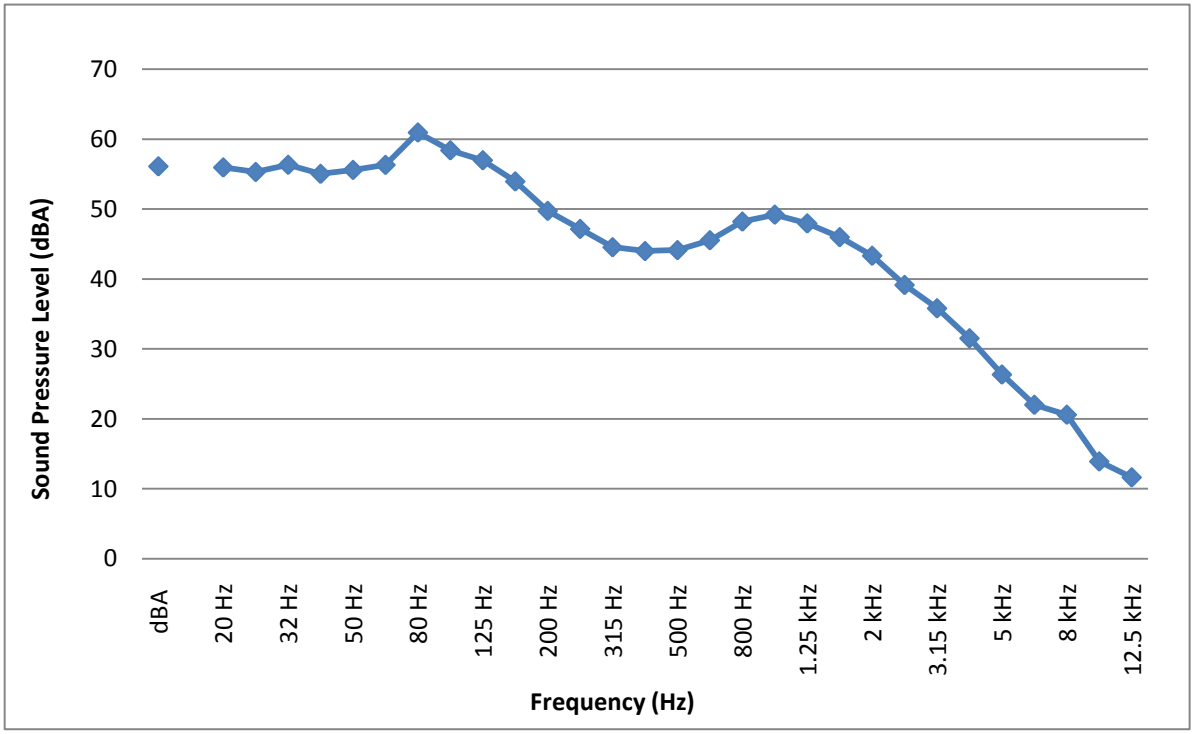

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Appendix I. MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT USED

Brüel and Kjær 2250/2270 (Unit 1 / Unit 2/ Unit 3/ Unit 4 / Unit 5 / Unit 6 / Unit 7)

The environmental noise monitoring equipment used during the monitorings consisted of a Brüel and Kjær Type 2250 Precision Integrating Sound Level Meter enclosed in an environmental case, a tripod, a weather protective microphone hood. The system acquired data in 15-second L_{eq} samples using 1/3 octave band frequency analysis and overall A-weighted and C-weighted sound levels. The sound level meter conforms to Type 1, ANSI S1.4, ANSI S1.43, IEC 61672-1, IEC 60651, IEC 60804 and DIN 45657. The 1/3 octave filters conform to S1.11 – Type 0-C, and IEC 61260 – Class 0. The calibrator conforms to IEC 942 and ANSI S1.40. The sound level meter, pre-amplifier and microphone were certified on May 29, 2009 / May 15, 2009 / November 2, 2009 / August 13, 2008 / October 27, 2008 / October 27, 2008 / June 29, 2010 and the calibrator (type B&K 4231) was certified on June 21, 2010 / June 21, 2010 / November 2, 2009 / November 2, 2009 / November 2, 2009 / November 2, 2009 by a NIST NVLAP Accredited Calibration Laboratory for all requirements of ISO 17025: 1999 and relevant requirements of ISO 9002:1994, ISO 9001:2000 and ANSI/NCSL Z540: 1994 Part 1. Simultaneous digital audio was recorded directly on the sound level meter using a 3.3 kHz sample rate for more detailed post-processing analysis. Refer to the next section in the Appendix for a detailed description of the various acoustical descriptive terms used.

Brüel and Kjær 2260

The environmental noise monitoring equipment used during the monitorings consisted of a Brüel and Kjær Type 2260 Precision Integrating Sound Level Meter enclosed in an environmental case, a tripod, a weather protective microphone hood, and an external battery. The system acquired data in 15-second L_{eq} samples using 1/3 octave band frequency analysis and overall A-weighted and C-weighted sound levels. The sound level meter conforms to Type 1, ANSI S1.4, ANSI S1.43, IEC 61672-1, IEC 60651, IEC 60804 and DIN 45657. The 1/3 octave filters conform to S1.11 – Type 0-C, and IEC 61260 – Class 0. The calibrator conforms to IEC 942 and ANSI S1.40. The sound level meter, pre-amplifier, and microphone were certified on January 16, 2009 by a NIST NVLAP Accredited Calibration Laboratory for all requirements of ISO 17025: 1999 and relevant requirements of ISO 9002:1994, ISO 9001:2000 and ANSI/NCSL Z540: 1994 Part 1. Simultaneous digital audio recording was conducted with a Marantz PMD-670 professional grade audio recorder utilizing a sample rate of 48 kHz and an MP3 conversion rate of 80 kbps. The audio signal was passed directly from the sound level meter. Refer to the next section in the Appendix for a detailed description of the various acoustical descriptive terms used.

Record of Calibration Results

Description	Date	Time	Pre / Post	Calibration Level	Calibrator Model	Serial Number
Location #1 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	13:00	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #1 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	13:30	Post	94.0 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #2 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	13:15	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #2 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	13:45	Post	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #3 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	13:45	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #3 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	14:00	Post	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #4 Noise Monitor	October 21 2010	15:10	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2478139
Location #4 Noise Monitor	October 22 2010	15:40	Post	93.8 dBA	B&K 4231	2478139
Location #5 Noise Monitor	July 29 2010	14:05	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #5 Noise Monitor	July 30 2010	14:55	Post	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #6 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	14:30	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #6 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	14:32	Post	93.8 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #7 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	15:00	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #7 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	15:05	Post	93.8 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #8 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	15:30	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #8 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	15:35	Post	93.8 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #9 Noise Monitor	June 23 2010	16:10	Pre	93.9 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493
Location #9 Noise Monitor	June 24 2010	16:15	Post	93.8 dBA	B&K 4231	2575493

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ISO 17025: 2005, ANSI/NCSL Z540:1994 Part 1 and relevant requirements of ISO 9002:1994 ACCREDITED by NVLAP (an ILAC and APLAC signatory)

NVLAP®
NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.19848

Instrument: **Sound Level Meter**
Model: **2250**
Manufacturer: **Brüel and Kjær**
Serial number: **2488495**
Tested with: **Microphone 4189 s/n 2471133**
Preamplifier ZC0032 s/n 3271
Type (class): **1**
Customer: **Acoustical Consultants Inc.**
Tel/Fax: **780-414-6373/ -6376**

Date Calibrated: **5/29/2009**

Status:	Received	Sent
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No
Calibration service: __ Basic _X_ Standard

Address: **Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave**
Edmonton, Alberta
CANADA T6E 0G9

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Sound Level Meters, Scantek Inc., 06/07/2005
SLM & Dosimeters – Acoustical Tests, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1019 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Dec 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	25726	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK).

Environmental conditions:

Temperature (°C)	Barometric pressure (kPa)	Relative Humidity (%)
23.3 °C	99.377 kPa	65.2 %RH

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	5/29/2009	Date	5/29/2009

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ISO 17025: 2005, ANSI/NCSL Z540:1994 Part 1
and relevant requirements of ISO 9002:1994
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NVLAP®
NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.19849

Instrument: **Microphone**
Model: **4189**
Manufacturer: **Brüel & Kjær**
Serial number: **2471133**

Date Calibrated: **5/29/2009**

Status:	Received	Sent
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No

Customer: **Acoustical Consultants Inc.**
Tel/Fax: **780-414-6373/ -6376**

Address: **Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave**
Edmonton, Alberta
CANADA T6E 0G9

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Procedure for Calibration of Measurement Microphones, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: N-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1017 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Feb 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI - BIPM through standards maintained by NPL (UK) and NIST (USA)

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	5/29/2009	Date	5/29/2009

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NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.21909

Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**6/21/2010**
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received** / **Sent**
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	X / X
Serial number:	**2478139**	*Out of tolerance:*	
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*	
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**
Barometer s/n:			

Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**	*Address:*	**5031 - 210 Street Edmonton, Alberta Canada T6M0A8**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373 / -6376**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	31052	Jan 20, 2010	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 20, 2011
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	33584	Oct 5, 2009	ACR. Env / A2LA	Oct 5, 2011
34401A-Agilent	Digital Voltmeter	US36120731	Aug 27, 2009	ACR Env. / A2LA	Aug 27, 2010
HM30-Thommen	Meteo Station	1040170/39633	Jul 10, 2009	Transcat / A2LA	Jul 10, 2010
8903-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat / A2LA	Jan 2, 2011
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.5.0	Validated July 2009	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	31959	Dec 7, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Dec 7, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14059	Jan 4, 2010	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 4, 2011
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Dec 14, 2009	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Dec 14, 2011

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

Calibrated by	Javier Albarracin	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	6/21/2010	Date	6/21/2010

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ISO 17025: 2005, ANSI/NCSL Z540:1994 Part 1 and relevant requirements of ISO 9002:1994 ACCREDITED by NVLAP (an ILAC and APLAC signatory)

NVLAP®
NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.19785

Instrument:	**Sound Level Meter**
Model:	**2250**
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**
Serial number:	**2575774**
Tested with:	**Microphone 4189 s/n 2573766** **Preamplifier ZC0032 s/n 5842**
Type (class):	**1**
Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376**

Date Calibrated: **5/15/2009**

Status:	Received	Sent
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No
Calibration service: __ Basic _X_ Standard

Address: **Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave**
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Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Sound Level Meters, Scantek Inc., 06/07/2005
SLM & Dosimeters – Acoustical Tests, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1019 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Dec 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	25726	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK).

Environmental conditions:

Temperature (°C)	Barometric pressure (kPa)	Relative Humidity (%)
23.1 °C	101.069 kPa	59.1 %RH

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	5/15/2009	Date	5/18/2009

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NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.19786

Instrument: **Microphone**
Model: **4189**
Manufacturer: **Brüel & Kjær**
Serial number: **2573766**

Date Calibrated: **5/15/2009**

	Received	Sent
Status:		
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No

Customer: **Acoustical Consultants Inc.**
Tel/Fax: **780-414-6373/ -6376**

Address: **Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave**
Edmonton, Alberta
CANADA T6E 0G9

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Procedure for Calibration of Measurement Microphones, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: N-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1017 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Feb 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI - BIPM through standards maintained by NPL (UK) and NIST (USA)

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	5/15/2009	Date	5/18/2009

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NVLAP®
NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.21910

Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**6/21/2010**		
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received**	**Sent**	
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	**X**	**X**	
Serial number:	**2575493**	*Out of tolerance:*			
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*			
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**		
Barometer s/n:					

Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**	*Address:*	**5031 - 210 Street Edmonton, Alberta Canada T6M0A8**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373 / -6376**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	31052	Jan 20, 2010	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 20, 2011
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	33584	Oct 5, 2009	ACR. Env / A2LA	Oct 5, 2011
34401A-Agilent	Digital Voltmeter	US36120731	Aug 27, 2009	ACR Env. / A2LA	Aug 27, 2010
HM30-Thommen	Meteo Station	1040170/39633	Jul 10, 2009	Transcat / A2LA	Jul 10, 2010
8903-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat / A2LA	Jan 2, 2011
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.5.0	Validated July 2009	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	31959	Dec 7, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Dec 7, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14059	Jan 4, 2010	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 4, 2011
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Dec 14, 2009	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Dec 14, 2011

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

Calibrated by	Javier Albarracin	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	6/21/2010	Date	6/21/2010

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B&K 2250/2270 Unit #3 SLM Calibration Certificate

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ISO 17025: 2005, ANSI/NCSL Z540:1994 Part 1
and relevant requirements of ISO 9002: 1994
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NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.20669

Instrument:	**Sound Level Meter**	*Date Calibrated:*	**11/2/2009**
Model:	**2250**	*Status:*	Received / Sent
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	X / X
Serial number:	**2600498**	*Out of tolerance:*	
Tested with:	**Microphone 4189 s/n 2595637** **Preamplifier ZC0032 s/n 6434**	*See comments:*	
Type (class):	**1**	*Contains non-accredited tests:*	__Yes X No
		Calibration service:	__ Basic X Standard
Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**	*Address:*	**Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave** **Edmonton, Alberta** **CANADA T6E 0G9**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Sound Level Meters, Scantek Inc., 06/07/2005
SLM & Dosimeters – Acoustical Tests, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1019 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Dec 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	25726	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK).

Environmental conditions:

Temperature (°C)	Barometric pressure (kPa)	Relative Humidity (%)
22.9 °C	100.926 kPa	40.3 %RH

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	11/02/2009	Date	11/3/2009

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and relevant requirements of ISO 9002: 1994
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NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.20670

Instrument: **Microphone**
Model: **4189**
Manufacturer: **Brüel & Kjær**
Serial number: **2595637**

Date Calibrated: **11/2/2009**

Status:	Received	Sent
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No

Customer: **Acoustical Consultants Inc.**
Tel/Fax: **780-414-6373/ -6376**

Address: **Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave**
Edmonton, Alberta
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Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Procedure for Calibration of Measurement Microphones, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: N-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1017 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Feb 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI - BIPM through standards maintained by NPL (UK) and NIST (USA)

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	11/02/2009	Date	11/3/2009

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and relevant requirements of ISO 9002: 1994
ACCREDITED by NVLAP
(an ILAC and APLAC signatory)

NVLAP®
NVLAP Lab Code: 200625-0

Calibration Certificate No.20671

Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**11/2/2009**
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received** / **Sent**
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	X / X
Serial number:	**2594693**	*Out of tolerance:*	
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*	
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**
Barometer s/n:			

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Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
8903A-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat/ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.44	Validated May 2006	-	
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

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Signature		Signature	
Date	11/02/2009	Date	11/3/2009

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Brüel & Kjær

Prepolarized Free-field 1/2" Microphone Type 4189

Bruel & Kjær **Calibration Chart**

Serial No: 2643219

Open-circuit Sensitivity*, S_0:	*-27.0*	dB re 1V/Pa
Equivalent to:	*44.9*	mV/Pa
Uncertainty, 95 % confidence level	0.2	dB
Capacitance:	*13.2*	pF
Valid At:		
Temperature:	23	°C
Ambient Static Pressure:	101.3	kPa
Relative Humidity:	50	%
Frequency:	251.2	Hz
Polarization Voltage, external:	0	V

Sensitivity Traceable To:
DPLA: Danish Primary Laboratory of Acoustics
NIST: National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA

IEC 61094-4: Type WS 2 F

Environmental Calibration Conditions:
101.1 kPa 23 °C 51 % RH

Procedure: 704215 **Date:** 10. Jun. 2008 **Signature:** S. L.

$^*K_0 = -26 - S_0$ Example: $K_0 = -26 - (-26.2) = +0.2$ dB

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Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**11/2/2009**		
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received**	**Sent**	
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	**X**	**X**	
Serial number:	**2642956**	*Out of tolerance:*			
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*			
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**		
Barometer s/n:					

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Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376**		

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Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
8903A-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat/ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.44	Validated May 2006	-	
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

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Signature		Signature	
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B&K 2250/2270 Unit #5 Calibration Certificate(s)

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Prepolarized Free-field 1/2" Microphone Type 4189

Bruel & Kjær **Calibration Chart**

Serial No: **2650729**

Open-circuit Sensitivity*, S_0:	***-26.8***	dB re 1V/Pa
Equivalent to:	***45.8***	mV/Pa
Uncertainty, 95 % confidence level	0.2	dB
Capacitance:	***12.9***	pF
Valid At:		
Temperature:	23	°C
Ambient Static Pressure:	101.3	kPa
Relative Humidity:	50	%
Frequency:	251.2	Hz
Polarization Voltage, external:	0	V

Sensitivity Traceable To:
DPLA: Danish Primary Laboratory of Acoustics
NIST: National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA

IEC 61094-4: Type WS 2 F

Environmental Calibration Conditions:
103.2 kPa 23 °C 46 % RH

Procedure: 704215 **Date:** 25. Sep. 2008 **Signature:**

*$K_0 = -26 - S_0$ Example: $K_0 = -26 - (-26.2) = +0.2$ dB

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Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**11/2/2009**		
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received**	**Sent**	
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	**X**	**X**	
Serial number:	**2656413**	*Out of tolerance:*			
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*			
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**		
Barometer s/n:					

Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**	*Address:*	**Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave** **Edmonton, Alberta** **CANADA T6E 0G9**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
8903A-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat/ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.44	Validated May 2006	-	
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	11/02/2009	Date	11/3/2009

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B&K 2250/2270 Unit #6 Calibration Certificate(s)

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Brüel & Kjær

Prepolarized Free-field 1/2" Microphone Type 4189

Bruel & Kjær **Calibration Chart**

Serial No: **2650730**

Open-circuit Sensitivity*, S_0:	***-26.9***	dB re 1V/Pa
Equivalent to:	***45.2***	mV/Pa
Uncertainty, 95 % confidence level	0.2	dB
Capacitance:	***12.5***	pF

Valid At:

Temperature:	23	°C
Ambient Static Pressure:	101.3	kPa
Relative Humidity:	50	%
Frequency:	251.2	Hz
Polarization Voltage, external:	0	V

Sensitivity Traceable To:
DPLA: Danish Primary Laboratory of Acoustics
NIST: National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA

IEC 61094-4: Type WS 2 F

Environmental Calibration Conditions:
103.2 kPa 23 °C 46 % RH

Procedure: 704215 **Date:** 25. Sep. 2008 **Signature:** BLK

*$K_0 = -26 - S_0$ Example: $K_0 = -26 - (-26.2) = +0.2$ dB

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Instrument:	**Acoustical Calibrator**	*Date Calibrated:*	**11/2/2009**		
Model:	**4231**	*Status:*	**Received**	**Sent**	
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	**X**	**X**	
Serial number:	**2656414**	*Out of tolerance:*			
Class (IEC 60942):	**1**	*See comments:*			
Barometer type:		*Contains non-accredited tests:*	**__Yes _X_ No**		
Barometer s/n:					

Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants Inc.**	*Address:*	**Suite 107, 9920-63 Ave** **Edmonton, Alberta** **CANADA T6E 0G9**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Acoustical Calibrators, Scantek Inc., 06/06/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
8903A-HP	Audio Analyzer	2514A05691	Jan 2, 2008	Transcat/ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1018 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.44	Validated May 2006	-	
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Feb 16, 2009	Scantek, Inc. / NVLAP	Feb 16, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK)

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Signature		Signature	
Date	11/02/2009	Date	11/3/2009

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Prepolarized Free-field 1/2" Microphone Type 4189

Calibration Chart

Serial No: **2710791**

Open-circuit Sensitivity*, S_0:	***-26.1***	dB re 1V/Pa
Equivalent to:	***49.8***	mV/Pa
Uncertainty, 95 % confidence level	0.2	dB
Capacitance:	***12.8***	pF
Valid At:		
Temperature:	23	°C
Ambient Static Pressure:	101.3	kPa
Relative Humidity:	50	%
Frequency:	251.2	Hz
Polarization Voltage, external:	0	V

Sensitivity Traceable To:
DPLA: Danish Primary Laboratory of Acoustics
NIST: National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA

IEC 61094-4: Type WS 2 F

Environmental Calibration Conditions:
101.5 kPa 23 °C 52 % RH

Procedure: 704215 **Date:** 29. Jun. 2010 **Signature:** S. L

*$K_0 = -26 - S_0$ Example: $K_0 = -26 - (-26.2) = +0.2$ dB

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Instrument:	**Sound Level Meter**	*Date Calibrated:*	**1/16/2009**
Model:	**2260**	*Status:*	**Received** / **Sent**
Manufacturer:	**Brüel and Kjær**	*In tolerance:*	X / X
Serial number:	**1823779**	*Out of tolerance:*	
Tested with:	**Microphone 4189 s/n 2021315** **Preamplifier ZC0026**	*See comments:*	
Type (class):	**1**	*Contains non-accredited tests:*	__Yes X No
		Calibration service:	__ Basic X Standard
Customer:	**Acoustical Consultants, Inc.**	*Address:*	**Suite 107, 9920-63 Avenue** **Edmonton, AB T6E 0G9** **CANADA**
Tel/Fax:	**780-414-6373/ -6376/** **stevenb@aciacoustical.com**		

Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Calibration of Sound Level Meters, Scantek Inc., 06/07/2005
SLM & Dosimeters – Acoustical Tests, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: Nor-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent Technologies	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1019 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Dec 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	25726	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010

Instrumentation and test results are traceable to SI (International System of Units) through standards maintained by NIST (USA) and NPL (UK).

Environmental conditions:

Temperature (°C)	Barometric pressure (kPa)	Relative Humidity (%)
22.5 °C	102.142 kPa	26.5 %RH

Calibrated by	Valentin Buzduga	Checked by	Mariana Buzduga
Signature		Signature	
Date	1/16/2009	Date	1/16/2009

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Instrument: **Microphone**
Model: **4189**
Manufacturer: **Brüel & Kjær**
Serial number: **2021315**

Date Calibrated: **1/16/2009**

Status:	Received	Sent
In tolerance:	X	X
Out of tolerance:		
See comments:		

Contains non-accredited tests: __Yes _X_ No

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Tested in accordance with the following procedures and standards:
Procedure for Calibration of Measurement Microphones, Scantek Inc., 06/15/2005

Instrumentation used for calibration: N-1504 Norsonic Test System:

Instrument - Manufacturer	Description	S/N	Cal. Date	Traceability evidence Cal. Lab / Accreditation	Cal. Due
483B-Norsonic	SME Cal Unit	25747	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
DS-360-SRS	Function Generator	61646	Nov 19, 2007	Davis Inotek / A2LA	Nov 19, 2009
34401A-Agilent	Digital Multimeter	MY41022043	Nov 13, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 13, 2009
DPI 141-Druck	Pressure Indicator	790/00-04	Nov 21, 2008	Transcat / NVLAP	Nov 21, 2010
HMP233-Vaisala Oyj	Humidity & Temp. Transmitter	V3820001	May 7, 2008	Vaisala / A2LA	Nov 7, 2009
PC Program 1017 Norsonic	Calibration software	v.46	Validated Feb 2006	-	-
1253-Norsonic	Calibrator	28326	Mar 3, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 3, 2010
1203-Norsonic	Preamplifier	14051	Jan 2, 2009	Scantek, Inc./ NVLAP	Jan 2, 2010
4180-Bruel&Kjaer	Microphone	2246115	Mar 7, 2008	NPL (UK) / UKAS	Mar 7, 2010

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Date	1/16/2009	Date	1/16/2009

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Appendix II. THE ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE (GENERAL)

Sound Pressure Level

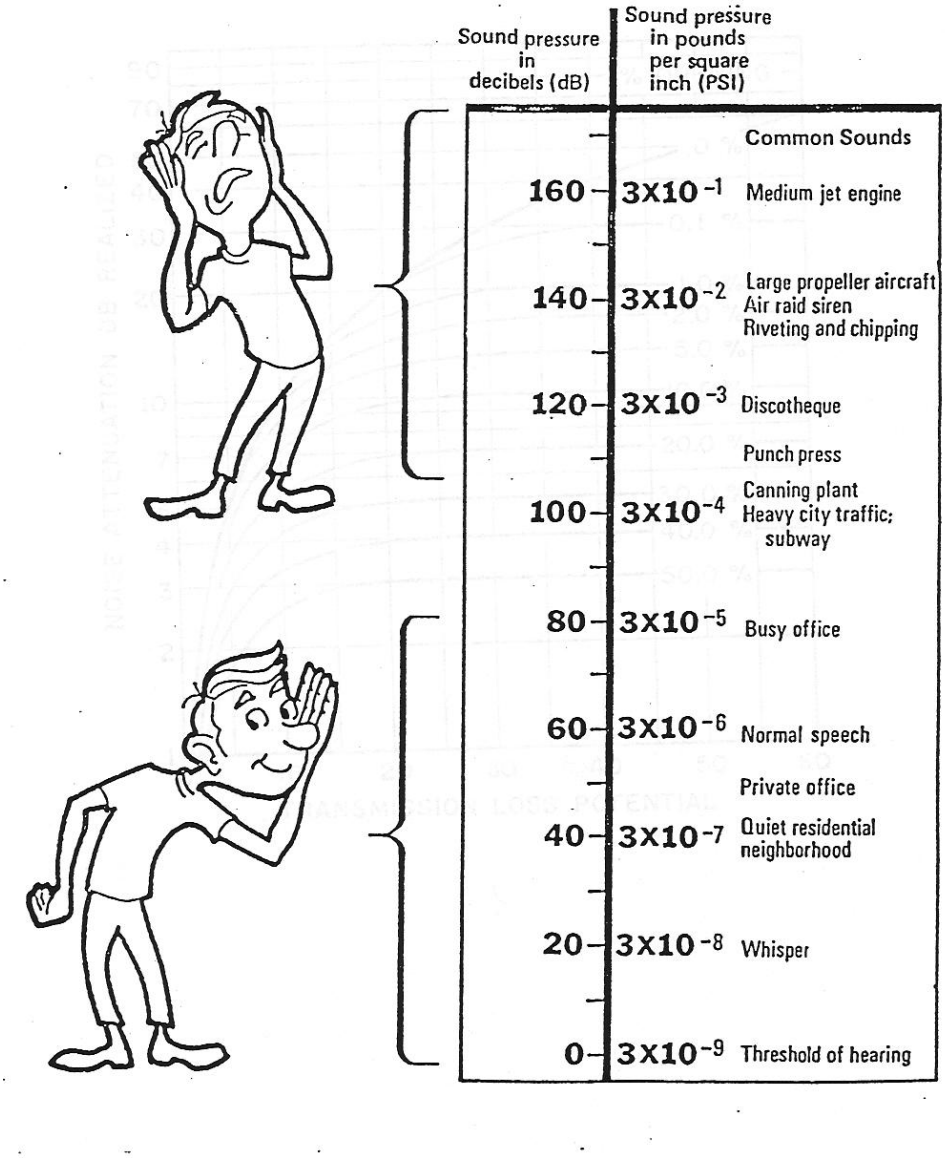
Sound pressure is initially measured in Pascal's (Pa). Humans can hear several orders of magnitude in sound pressure levels, so a more convenient scale is used. This scale is known as the decibel (dB) scale, named after Alexander Graham Bell (telephone guy). It is a base 10 logarithmic scale. When we measure pressure we typically measure the RMS sound pressure.

$$SPL = 10\log_{10}\left[\frac{P_{RMS}^{2}}{P_{ref}^{2}}\right] = 20\log_{10}\left[\frac{P_{RMS}}{P_{ref}}\right]$$

Where: SPL = Sound Pressure Level in dB
P_{RMS} = Root Mean Square measured pressure (Pa)
P_{ref} = Reference sound pressure level ($P_{ref} = 2\text{x}10^{-5}$ Pa = 20 μPa)

This reference sound pressure level is an internationally agreed upon value. It represents the threshold of human hearing for "typical" people based on numerous testing. It is possible to have a threshold which is lower than 20 μPa which will result in negative dB levels. As such, zero dB does not mean there is no sound!

In general, a difference of 1 – 2 dB is the threshold for humans to notice that there has been a change in sound level. A difference of 3 dB (factor of 2 in acoustical energy) is perceptible and a change of 5 dB is strongly perceptible. A change of 10 dB is typically considered a factor of 2. This is quite remarkable when considering that 10 dB is 10-times the acoustical energy!


Sound pressure in decibels (dB)
Sound pressure in pounds per square inch (PSI)
Common Sounds
160
3X10 -1
Medium jet engine
140
3X10 -2
Large propeller aircraft
Air raid siren
Riveting and chipping
120
3X10 -3
Discotheque
Punch press
100
3X10-4
Canning plant
Heavy city traffic; subway
80
3X10 -5
Busy office
60
3X10 -6
Normal speech
Private office
40
3X10-7
Quiet residential neighborhood
20
3X10 -8
Whisper
0
3X10 -9
Threshold of hearing

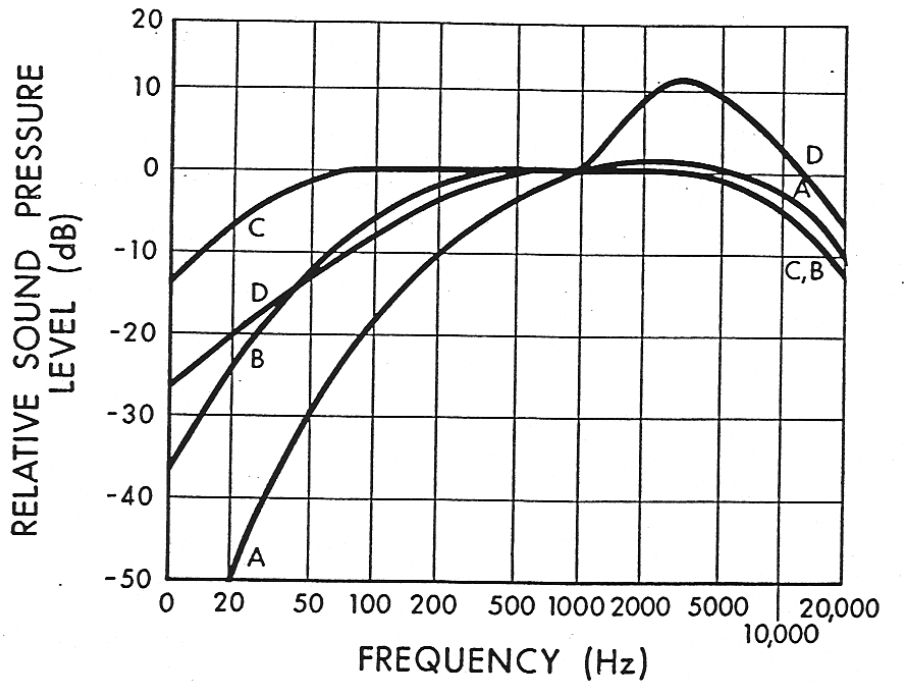
Frequency

The range of frequencies audible to the human ear ranges from approximately 20 Hz to 20 kHz. Within this range, the human ear does not hear equally at all frequencies. It is not very sensitive to low frequency sounds, is very sensitive to mid frequency sounds and is slightly less sensitive to high frequency sounds. Due to the large frequency range of human hearing, the entire spectrum is often divided into 31 bands, each known as a 1/3 octave band.

The internationally agreed upon center frequencies and upper and lower band limits for the 1/1 (whole octave) and 1/3 octave bands are as follows:

Whole Octave			1/3 Octave		
Lower Band Limit	Center Frequency	Upper Band Limit	Lower Band Limit	Center Frequency	Upper Band Limit
11	**16**	22	14.1	**16**	17.8
			17.8	**20**	22.4
22	**31.5**	44	22.4	**25**	28.2
			28.2	**31.5**	35.5
			35.5	**40**	44.7
44	**63**	88	44.7	**50**	56.2
			56.2	**63**	70.8
			70.8	**80**	89.1
88	**125**	177	89.1	**100**	112
			112	**125**	141
			141	**160**	178
177	**250**	355	178	**200**	224
			224	**250**	282
			282	**315**	355
355	**500**	710	355	**400**	447
			447	**500**	562
			562	**630**	708
710	**1000**	1420	708	**800**	891
			891	**1000**	1122
			1122	**1250**	1413
1420	**2000**	2840	1413	**1600**	1778
			1778	**2000**	2239
			2239	**2500**	2818
2840	**4000**	5680	2818	**3150**	3548
			3548	**4000**	4467
			4467	**5000**	5623
5680	**8000**	11360	5623	**6300**	7079
			7079	**8000**	8913
			8913	**10000**	11220
11360	**16000**	22720	11220	**12500**	14130
			14130	**16000**	17780
			17780	**20000**	22390

Human hearing is most sensitive at approximately 3500 Hz which corresponds to the ¼ wavelength of the ear canal (approximately 2.5 cm). Because of this range of sensitivity to various frequencies, we typically apply various weighting networks to the broadband measured sound to more appropriately account for the way humans hear. By default, the most common weighting network used is the so-called "A-weighting". It can be seen in the figure that the low frequency sounds are reduced significantly with the A-weighting.



Combination of Sounds

When combining multiple sound sources the general equation is:

$$\Sigma SPL_n = 10\log_{10}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} 10^{\frac{SPL_i}{10}}\right]$$

Examples:

- Two sources of 50 dB each add together to result in 53 dB.
- Three sources of 50 dB each add together to result in 55 dB.
- Ten sources of 50 dB each add together to result in 60 dB.
- One source of 50 dB added to another source of 40 dB results in 50.4 dB

It can be seen that, if multiple similar sources exist, removing or reducing only one source will have little effect.

Sound Level Measurements

Over the years a number of methods for measuring and describing environmental noise have been developed. The most widely used and accepted is the concept of the Energy Equivalent Sound Level (L_{eq}) which was developed in the US (1970's) to characterize noise levels near US Air-force bases. This is the level of a steady state sound which, for a given period of time, would contain the same energy as the time varying sound. The concept is that the same amount of annoyance occurs from a sound having a high level for a short period of time as from a sound at a lower level for a longer period of time.
The L_{eq} is defined as:

$$L_{eq} = 10\log_{10}\left[\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T 10^{\frac{dB}{10}}\,dT\right] = 10\log_{10}\left[\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T \frac{P^2}{P_{ref}^2}\,dT\right]$$

We must specify the time period over which to measure the sound. i.e. 1-second, 10-seconds, 15-seconds, 1-minute, 1-day, etc. **An L_{eq} is meaningless if there is no time period associated**.

In general there a few very common L_{eq} sample durations which are used in describing environmental noise measurements. These include:

- $L_{eq}24$ - Measured over a 24-hour period
- L_{eq}Night - Measured over the night-time (typically 22:00 – 07:00)
- L_{eq}Day - Measured over the day-time (typically 07:00 – 22:00)
- L_{DN} - Same as $L_{eq}24$ with a 10 dB penalty added to the night-time

Statistical Descriptor

Another method of conveying long term noise levels utilizes statistical descriptors. These are calculated from a cumulative distribution of the sound levels over the entire measurement duration and then determining the sound level at xx % of the time.

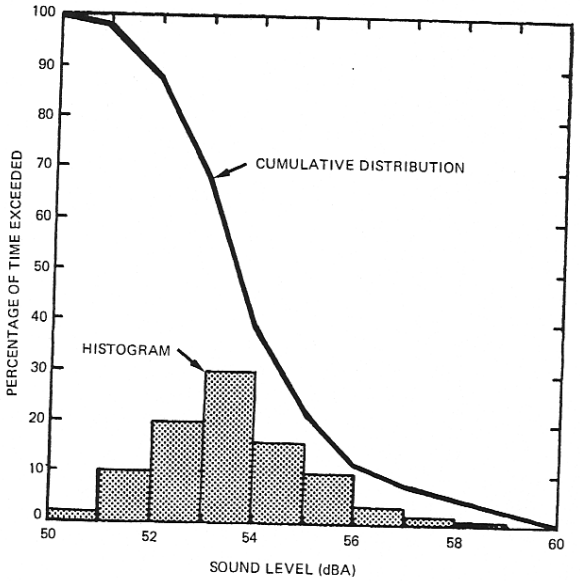


Figure 16.6 Statistically processed community noise showing histogram and cumulative distribution of A weighted sound levels.

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The most common statistical descriptors are:

- L_{min} - minimum sound level measured
- L_{01} - sound level that was exceeded only 1% of the time
- L_{10} - sound level that was exceeded only 10% of the time.
  - Good measure of intermittent or intrusive noise
  - Good measure of Traffic Noise
- L_{50} - sound level that was exceeded 50% of the time (arithmetic average)
  - Good to compare to L_{eq} to determine steadiness of noise
- L_{90} - sound level that was exceeded 90% of the time
  - Good indicator of typical "ambient" noise levels
- L_{99} - sound level that was exceeded 99% of the time
- L_{max} - maximum sound level measured

These descriptors can be used to provide a more detailed analysis of the varying noise climate:

- If there is a large difference between the L_{eq} and the L_{50} (L_{eq} can never be any lower than the L_{50}) then it can be surmised that one or more short duration, high level sound(s) occurred during the time period.
- If the gap between the L_{10} and L_{90} is relatively small (less than 15 – 20 dBA) then it can be surmised that the noise climate was relatively steady.

Sound Propagation

In order to understand sound propagation, the nature of the source must first be discussed. In general, there are three types of sources. These are known as 'point', 'line', and 'area'. This discussion will concentrate on point and line sources since area sources are much more complex and can usually be approximated by point sources at large distances.

Point Source

As sound radiates from a point source, it dissipates through geometric spreading. The basic relationship between the sound levels at two distances from a point source is:

$$\therefore SPL_1 - SPL_2 = 20\log_{10}\left(\frac{r_2}{r_1}\right)$$

Where: SPL_1 = sound pressure level at location 1, SPL_2 = sound pressure level at location 2
r_1 = distance from source to location 1, r_2 = distance from source to location 2

Thus, the reduction in sound pressure level for a point source radiating in a free field is **6 dB per doubling of distance**. This relationship is independent of reflectivity factors provided they are always present. Note that this only considers geometric spreading and does not take into account atmospheric effects. Point sources still have some physical dimension associated with them, and typically do not radiate sound equally in all directions in all frequencies. The directionality of a source is also highly dependent on frequency. As frequency increases, directionality increases.

Examples (note no atmospheric absorption):

- A point source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 44 dB at 200m.
- A point source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 40.5 dB at 300m.
- A point source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 38 dB at 400m.
- A point source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 30 dB at 1000m.

Line Source

A line source is similar to a point source in that it dissipates through geometric spreading. The difference is that a line source is equivalent to a long line of many point sources. The basic relationship between the sound levels at two distances from a line source is:

$$SPL_1 - SPL_2 = 10\log_{10}\left(\frac{r_2}{r_1}\right)$$

The difference from the point source is that the '20' term in front of the 'log' is now only 10. Thus, the reduction in sound pressure level for a line source radiating in a free field is **3 dB per doubling of distance**.

Examples (note no atmospheric absorption):

- A line source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 47 dB at 200m.
- A line source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 45 dB at 300m.
- A line source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 34 dB at 400m.
- A line source measuring 50 dB at 100m will be 40 dB at 1000m.

Atmospheric Absorption

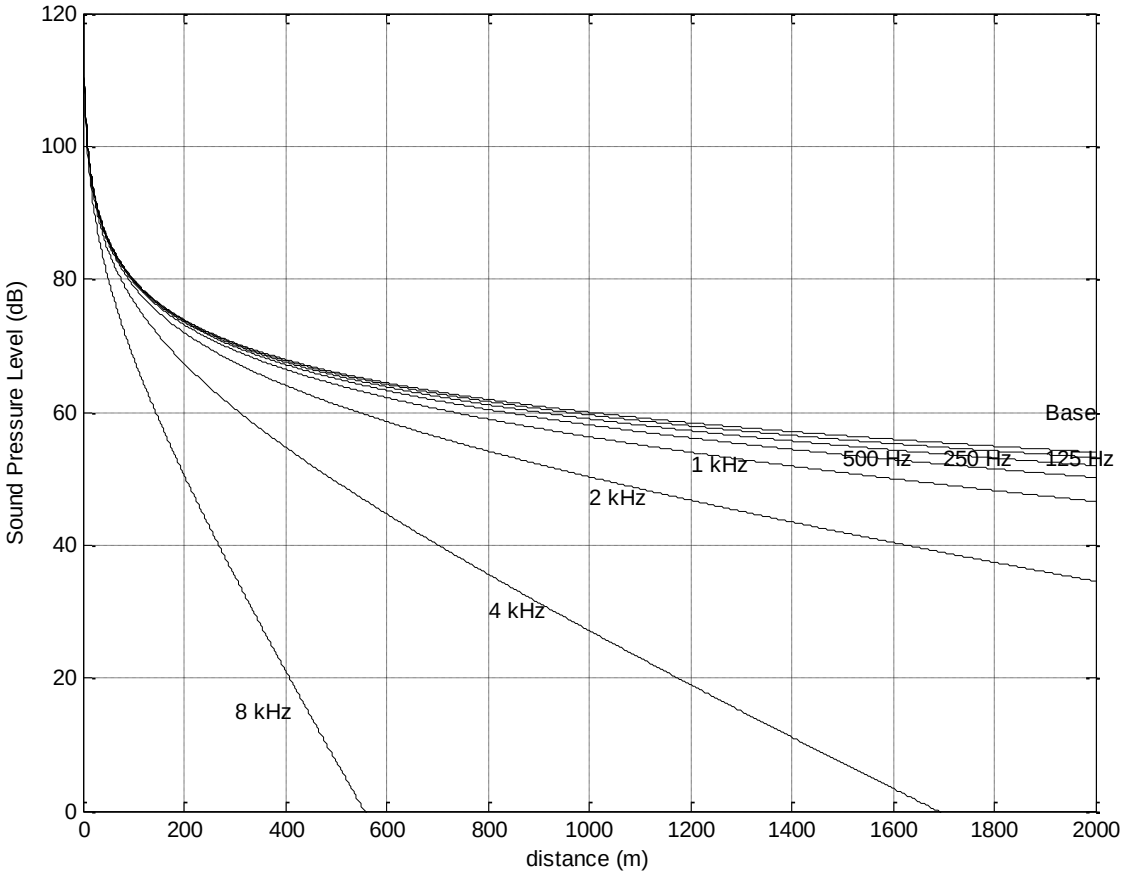
As sound transmits through a medium, there is an attenuation (or dissipation of acoustic energy) which can be attributed to three mechanisms:

1) **Viscous Effects** - Dissipation of acoustic energy due to fluid friction which results in thermodynamically irreversible propagation of sound.
2) **Heat Conduction Effects** - Heat transfer between high and low temperature regions in the wave which result in non-adiabatic propagation of the sound.
3) **Inter Molecular Energy Interchanges** - Molecular energy relaxation effects which result in a time lag between changes in translational kinetic energy and the energy associated with rotation and vibration of the molecules.

The following table illustrates the attenuation coefficient of sound at standard pressure (101.325 kPa) in units of dB/100m.

Temperature	Relative Humidity	Frequency (Hz)					
^{o}C	(%)	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000
30	20	0.06	0.18	0.37	0.64	1.40	4.40
	50	0.03	0.10	0.33	0.75	1.30	2.50
	90	0.02	0.06	0.24	0.70	1.50	2.60
20	20	0.07	0.15	0.27	0.62	1.90	6.70
	50	0.04	0.12	0.28	0.50	1.00	2.80
	90	0.02	0.08	0.26	0.56	0.99	2.10
10	20	0.06	0.11	0.29	0.94	3.20	9.00
	50	0.04	0.11	0.20	0.41	1.20	4.20
	90	0.03	0.10	0.21	0.38	0.81	2.50
0	20	0.05	0.15	0.50	1.60	3.70	5.70
	50	0.04	0.08	0.19	0.60	2.10	6.70
	90	0.03	0.08	0.15	0.36	1.10	4.10

- As frequency increases, absorption increases
- As Relative Humidity increases, absorption decreases
- There is no direct relationship between absorption and temperature
- **The net result of atmospheric absorption is to modify the sound propagation of a point source from 6 dB/doubling-of-distance to approximately 7 – 8 dB/doubling-of-distance (based on anecdotal experience)**



Atmospheric Absorption at 10°C and 70% RH

Meteorological Effects

There are many meteorological factors which can affect how sound propagates over large distances. These various phenomena must be considered when trying to determine the relative impact of a noise source either after installation or during the design stage.

Wind

- Can greatly alter the noise climate away from a source depending on direction
- Sound levels downwind from a source can be increased due to refraction of sound back down towards the surface. This is due to the generally higher velocities as altitude increases.
- Sound levels upwind from a source can be decreased due to a "bending" of the sound away from the earth's surface.
- Sound level differences of ±10dB are possible depending on severity of wind and distance from source.
- Sound levels crosswind are generally not disturbed by an appreciable amount
- Wind tends to generate its own noise, however, and can provide a high degree of masking relative to a noise source of particular interest.

Temperature

- Temperature effects can be similar to wind effects
- Typically, the temperature is warmer at ground level than it is at higher elevations.
- If there is a very large difference between the ground temperature (very warm) and the air aloft (only a few hundred meters) then the transmitted sound refracts upward due to the changing speed of sound.
- If the air aloft is warmer than the ground temperature (known as an *inversion*) the resulting higher speed of sound aloft tends to refract the transmitted sound back down towards the ground. This essentially works on Snell's law of reflection and refraction.
- Temperature inversions typically happen early in the morning and are most common over large bodies of water or across river valleys.
- Sound level differences of ±10dB are possible depending on gradient of temperature and distance from source.

Rain

- Rain does not affect sound propagation by an appreciable amount unless it is very heavy
- The larger concern is the noise generated by the rain itself. A heavy rain striking the ground can cause a significant amount of highly broadband noise. The amount of noise generated is difficult to predict.
- Rain can also affect the output of various noise sources such as vehicle traffic.

Summary

- In general, these wind and temperature effects are difficult to predict
- Empirical models (based on measured data) have been generated to attempt to account for these effects.
- Environmental noise measurements must be conducted with these effects in mind. Sometimes it is desired to have completely calm conditions, other times a "worst case" of downwind noise levels are desired.

Topographical Effects

Similar to the various atmospheric effects outlined in the previous section, the effect of various geographical and vegetative factors must also be considered when examining the propagation of noise over large distances.

Topography

- One of the most important factors in sound propagation.
- Can provide a natural barrier between source and receiver (i.e. if berm or hill in between).
- Can provide a natural amplifier between source and receiver (i.e. large valley in between or hard reflective surface in between).
- Must look at location of topographical features relative to source and receiver to determine importance (i.e. small berm 1km away from source and 1km away from receiver will make negligible impact).

Grass

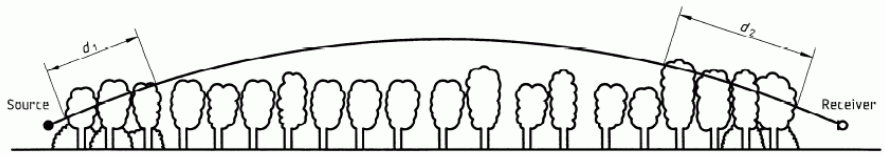
- Can be an effective absorber due to large area covered
- Only effective at low height above ground. Does not affect sound transmitted direct from source to receiver if there is line of sight.
- Typically less absorption than atmospheric absorption when there is line of sight.
- Approximate rule of thumb based on empirical data is:

$$A_g = 18\log_{10}(f) - 31 \qquad (dB/100m)$$

Where: A_g is the absorption amount

Trees

- Provide absorption due to foliage
- Deciduous trees are essentially ineffective in the winter
- Absorption depends heavily on density and height of trees
- No data found on absorption of various kinds of trees
- Large spans of trees are required to obtain even minor amounts of sound reduction
- In many cases, trees can provide an effective visual barrier, even if the noise attenuation is negligible.



NOTE — $d_f = d_1 + d_2$

For calculating d_1 and d_2, the curved path radius may be assumed to be 5 km.

Figure A.1 — Attenuation due to propagation through foliage increases linearly with propagation distance d_f through the foliage

Table A.1 — Attenuation of an octave band of noise due to propagation a distance d_f through dense foliage

Propagation distance d_f	Nominal midband frequency Hz							
m	63	125	250	500	1 000	2 000	4 000	8 000
	Attenuation, dB:							
$10 \leqslant d_f \leqslant 20$	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	3
	Attenuation, dB/m:							
$20 \leqslant d_f \leqslant 200$	0,02	0,03	0,04	0,05	0,06	0,08	0,09	0,12

Tree/Foliage attenuation from ISO 9613-2:1996

Bodies of Water

- Large bodies of water can provide the opposite effect to grass and trees.
- Reflections caused by small incidence angles (grazing) can result in larger sound levels at great distances (increased reflectivity, Q).
- Typically air temperatures are warmer high aloft since air temperatures near water surface tend to be more constant. Result is a high probability of temperature inversion.
- Sound levels can "carry" much further.

Snow

- Covers the ground for approximately 1/2 of the year in northern climates.
- Can act as an absorber or reflector (and varying degrees in between).
- Freshly fallen snow can be quite absorptive.
- Snow which has been sitting for a while and hard packed due to wind can be quite reflective.
- Falling snow can be more absorptive than rain, but does not tend to produce its own noise.
- Snow can cover grass which might have provided some means of absorption.
- Typically sound propagates with less impedance in winter due to hard snow on ground and no foliage on trees/shrubs.

Appendix III. SOUND LEVELS OF FAMILIAR NOISE SOURCES

Used with Permission Obtained from EUB Guide 38: Noise Control Directive User Guide (November 1999)

Source[1]	Sound Level (dBA)
Bedroom of a country home	30
Soft whisper at 1.5 m	30
Quiet office or living room	40
Moderate rainfall	50
Inside average urban home	50
Quiet street	50
Normal conversation at 1 m	60
Noisy office	60
Noisy restaurant	70
Highway traffic at 15 m	75
Loud singing at 1 m	75
Tractor at 15 m	78-95
Busy traffic intersection	80
Electric typewriter	80
Bus or heavy truck at 15 m	88-94
Jackhammer	88-98
Loud shout	90
Freight train at 15 m	95
Modified motorcycle	95
Jet taking off at 600 m	100
Amplified rock music	110
Jet taking off at 60 m	120
Air-raid siren	130

[1] Cottrell, Tom, 1980, *Noise in Alberta*, Table 1, p.8, ECA80 - 16/1B4 (Edmonton: Environment Council of Alberta).

SOUND LEVELS GENERATED BY COMMON APPLIANCES

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Source[1]	Sound level at 3 feet (dBA)
Freezer	38-45
Refrigerator	34-53
Electric heater	47
Hair clipper	50
Electric toothbrush	48-57
Humidifier	41-54
Clothes dryer	51-65
Air conditioner	50-67
Electric shaver	47-68
Water faucet	62
Hair dryer	58-64
Clothes washer	48-73
Dishwasher	59-71
Electric can opener	60-70
Food mixer	59-75
Electric knife	65-75
Electric knife sharpener	72
Sewing machine	70-74
Vacuum cleaner	65-80
Food blender	65-85
Coffee mill	75-79
Food waste disposer	69-90
Edger and trimmer	81
Home shop tools	64-95
Hedge clippers	85
Electric lawn mower	80-90

[1] Reif, Z. F., and Vermeulen, P. J., 1979, "Noise from domestic appliances, construction, and industry," Table 1, p.166, in Jones, H. W., ed., *Noise in the Human Environment*, vol. 2, ECA79-SP/1 (Edmonton: Environment Council of Alberta).

Appendix IV. WEATHER DATA

June 23, 2010[1]					
Time	**Temperature (°C)**	**Relative Humidity (%)**	**Wind Direction**	**Wind Speed (km/hr)**	**Weather**
00:00	12.8	88	South-West	9	Mainly Clear
01:00	12.5	88	South-West	11	Clear
02:00	11.8	85	South-West	6	Clear
03:00	10.7	89	North	0	Mainly Clear
04:00	10.4	92	North-West	4	Clear
05:00	9.8	90	North-West	7	Mainly Clear
06:00	12.0	86	North	0	Mainly Clear
07:00	13.4	83	South	7	Mainly Clear
08:00	15.3	75	South	4	Mostly Cloudy
09:00	17.5	64	South	7	Mostly Cloudy
10:00	18.8	58	South-East	11	Mostly Cloudy
11:00	19.6	55	South-East	7	Mostly Cloudy
12:00	20.6	54	East	11	Mostly Cloudy
13:00	20.7	54	South	4	Mostly Cloudy
14:00	21.3	53	East	7	Cloudy
15:00	20.7	54	South-East	17	Rain Showers
16:00	20.8	58	East	11	Mostly Cloudy
17:00	21.8	58	East	22	Mostly Cloudy
18:00	20.9	48	South-East	15	Mostly Cloudy
19:00	16.8	68	South-West	22	Thunderstorms, Heavy Rain Showers
20:00	16.4	58	North-East	13	Thunderstorms, Rain Showers
21:00	15.4	65	North	11	Mostly Cloudy
22:00	13.8	73	North	17	Mostly Cloudy
23:00	12.9	75	North-West	15	Mainly Clear

[1] Data was obtained from Environment Canada at the Calgary International Airport. This was the only monitoring period that weather was taken from Environment Canada as the monitoring locations where in close proximity of the airport.

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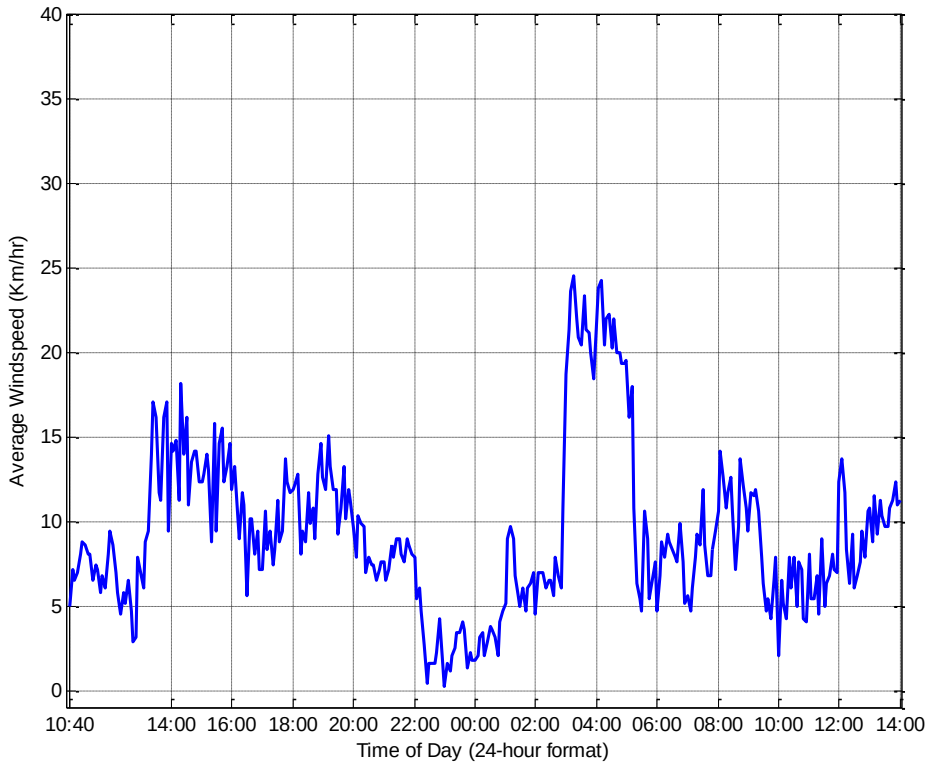

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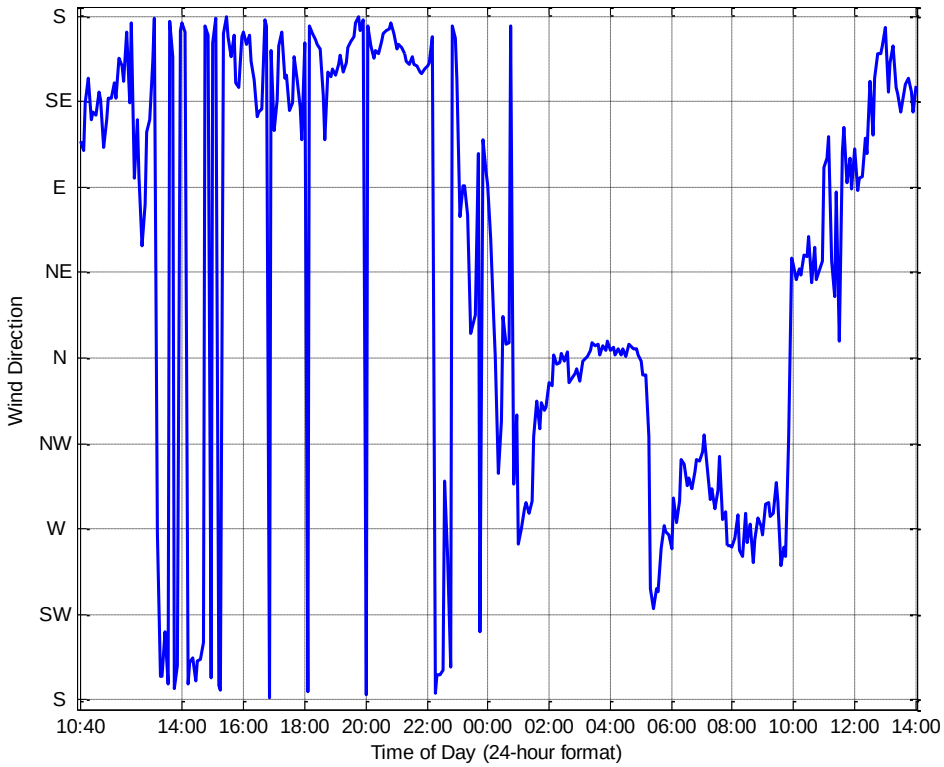

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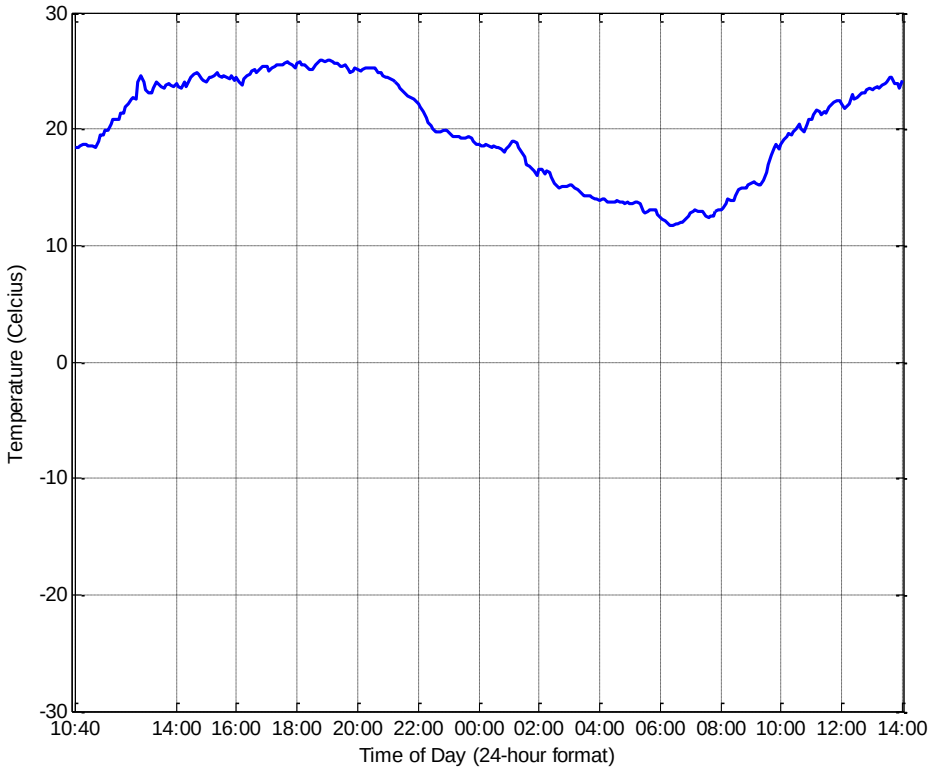

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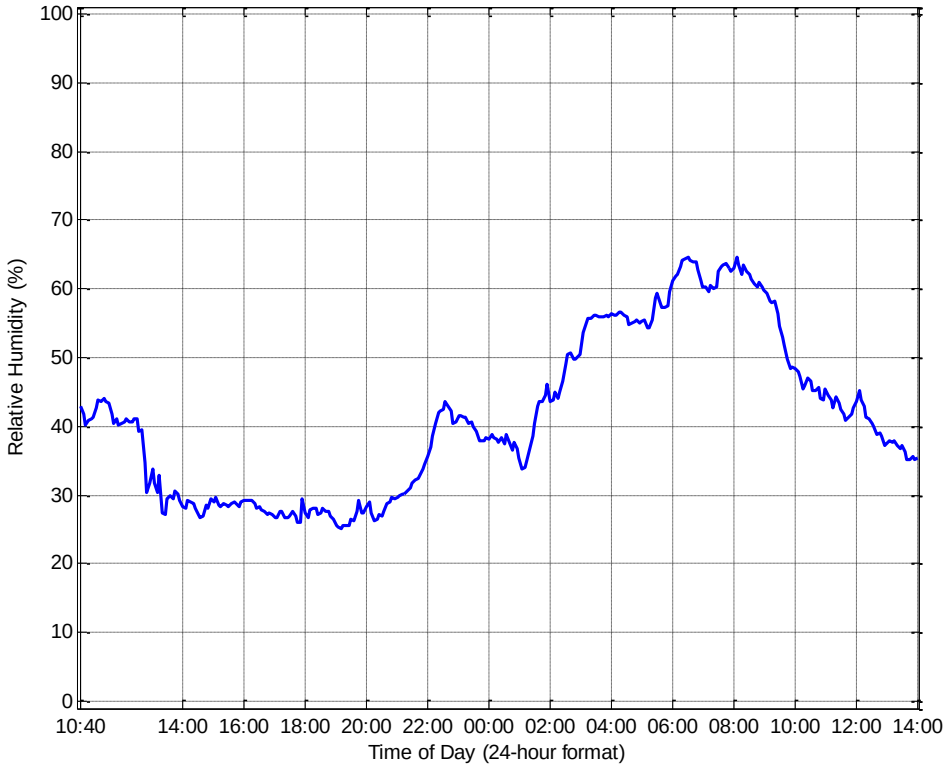

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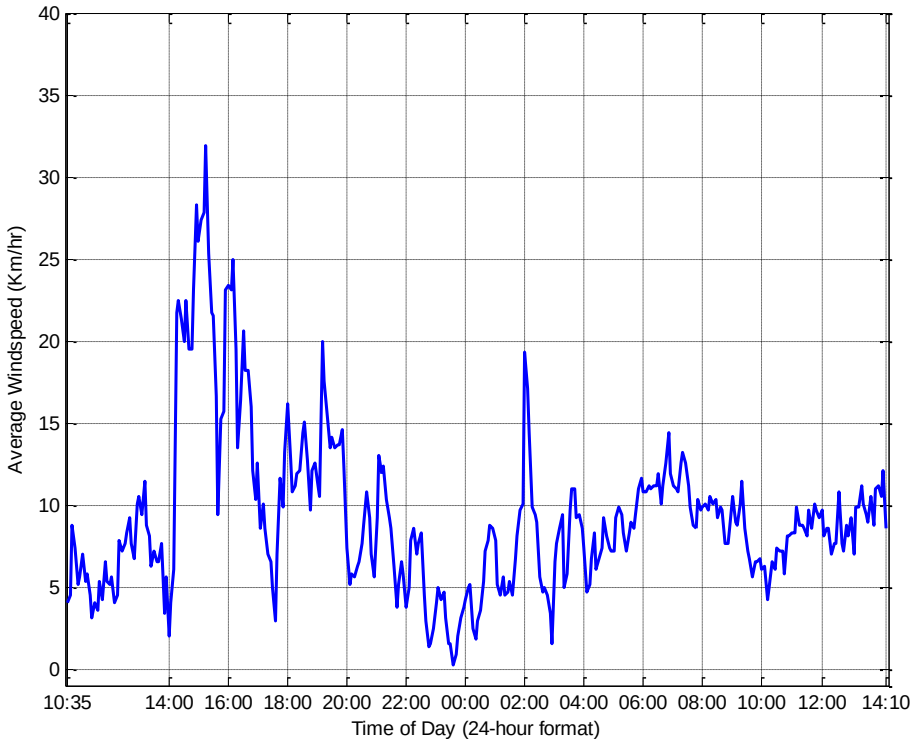

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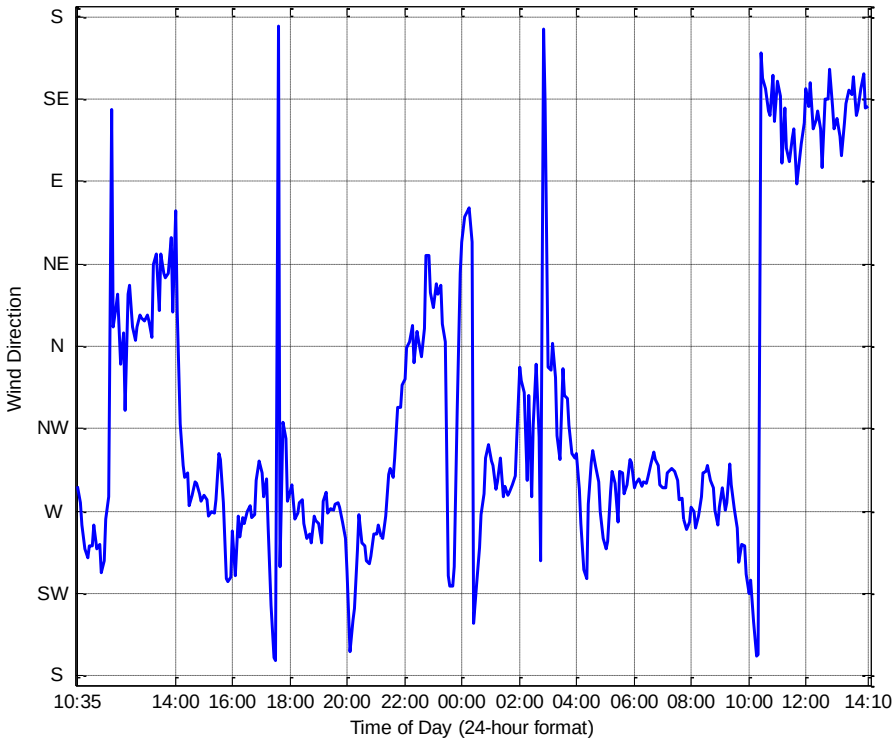

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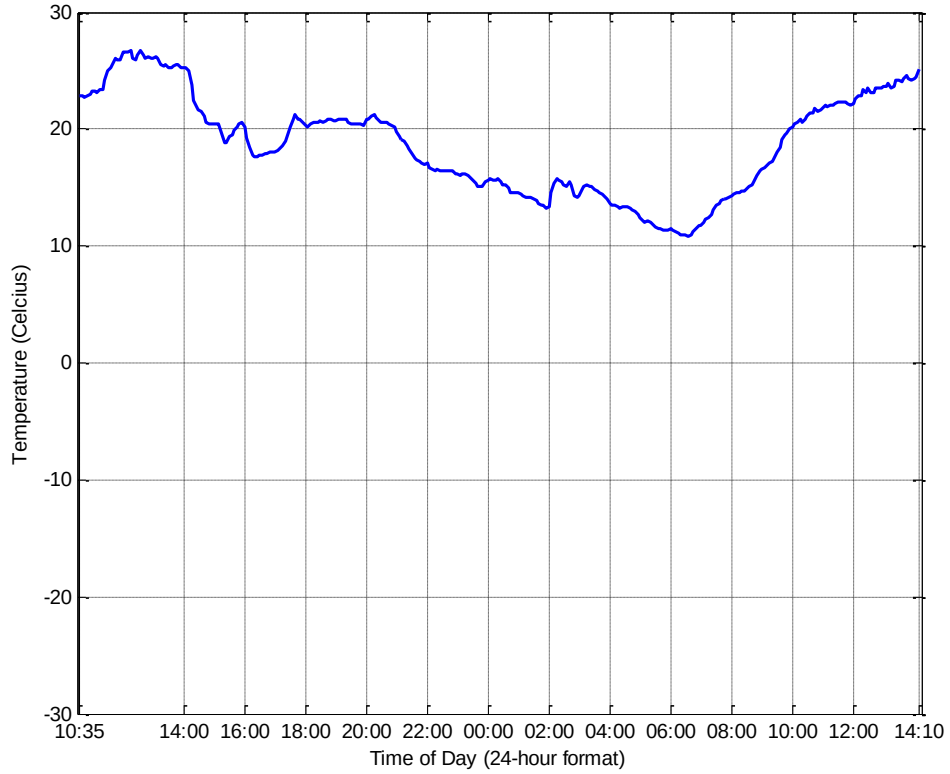

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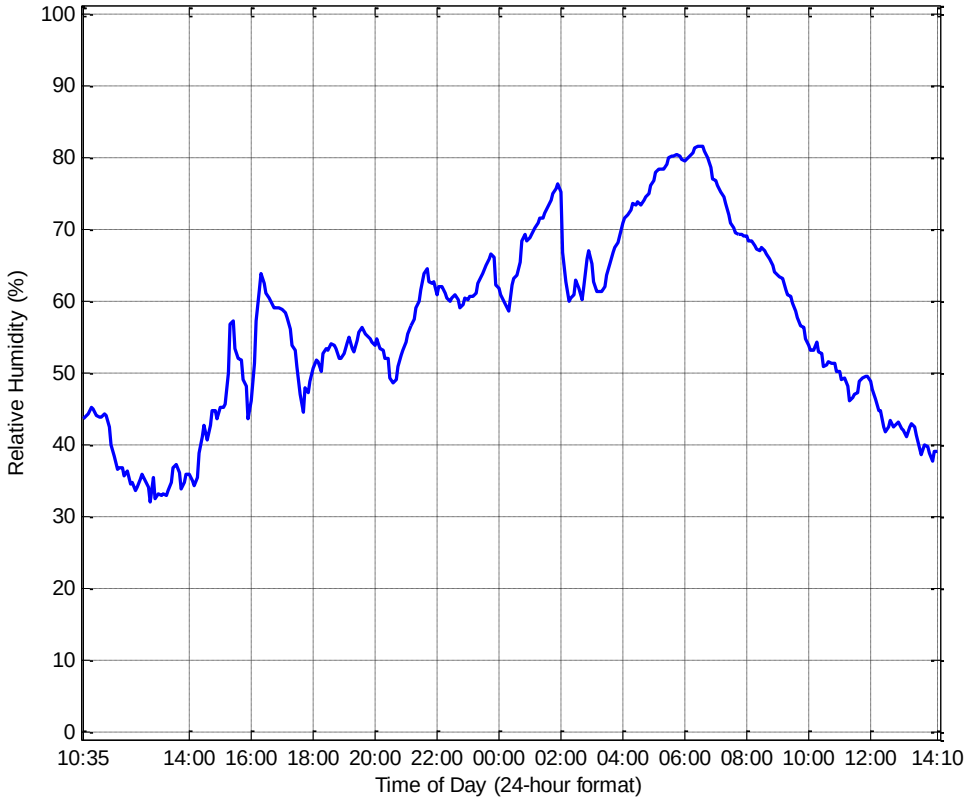

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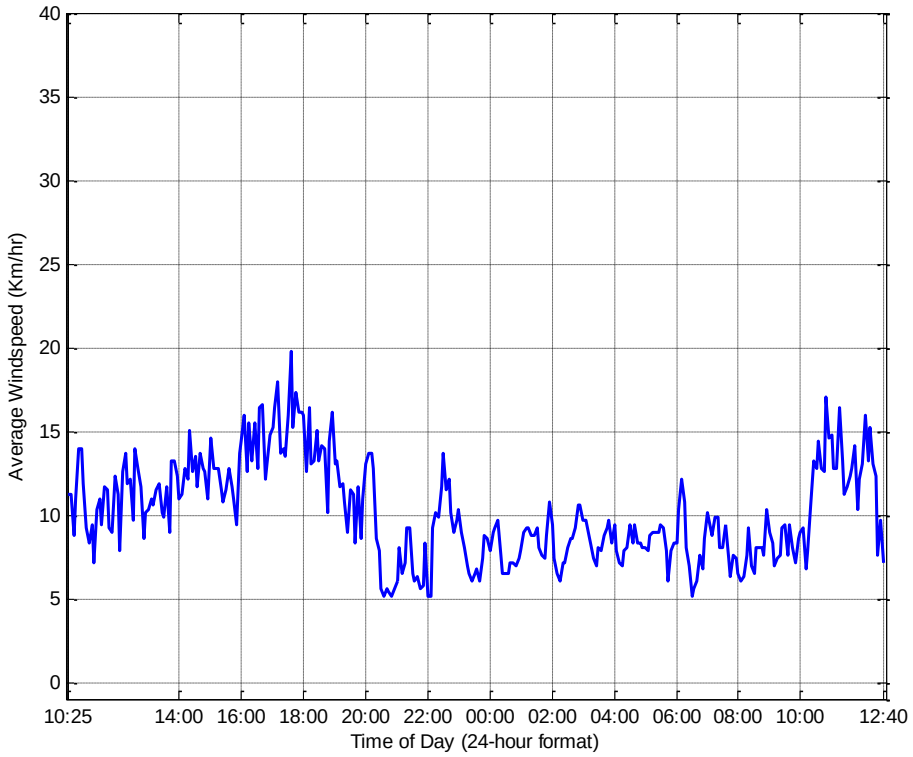

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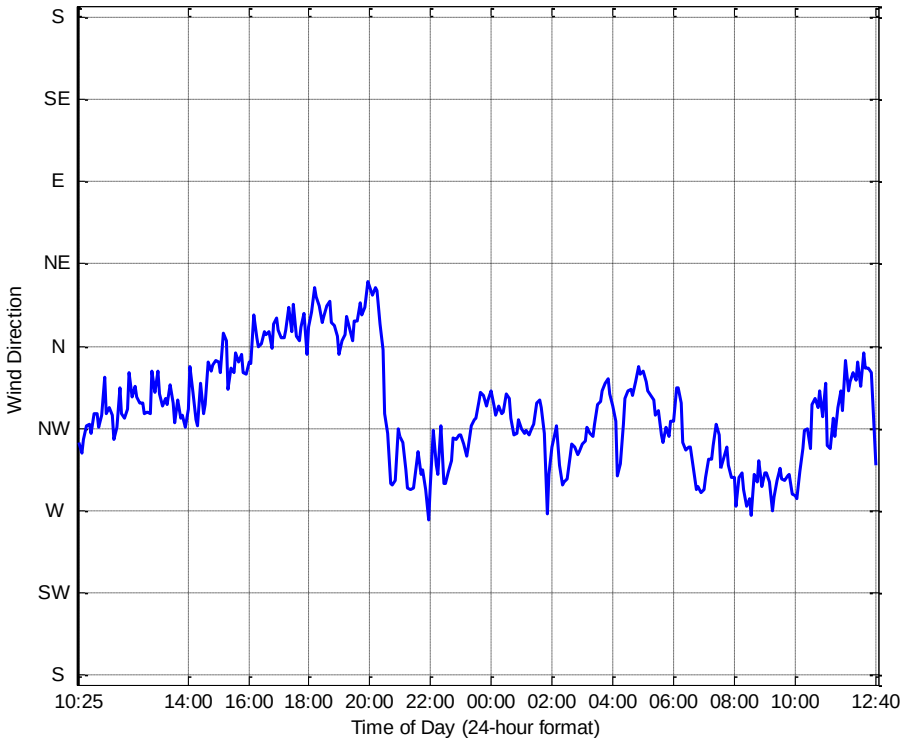

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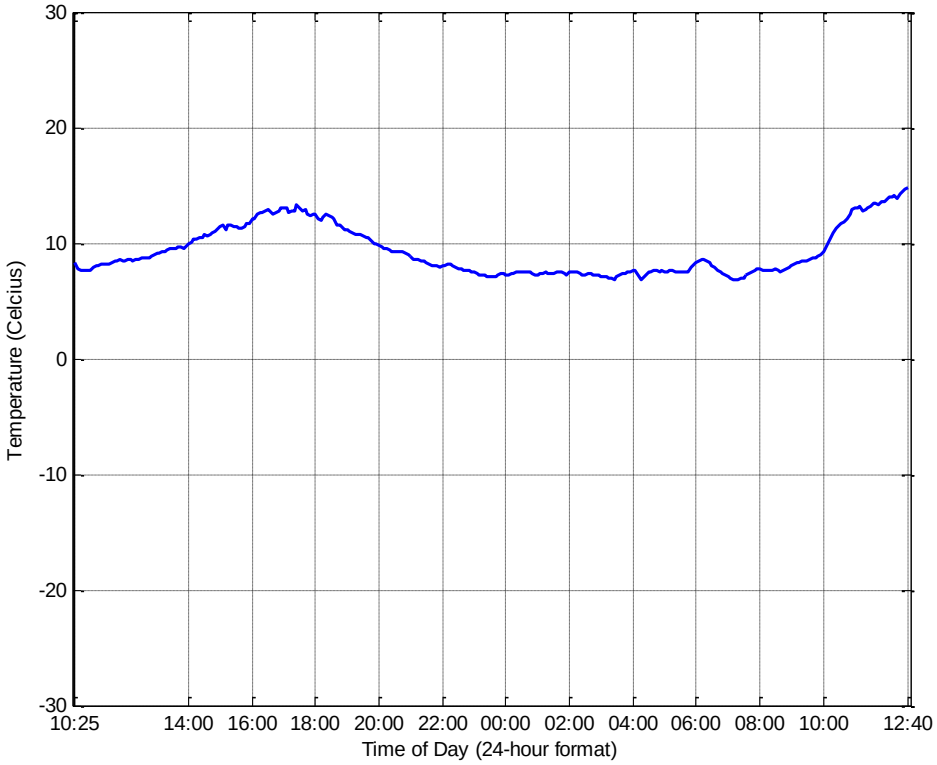

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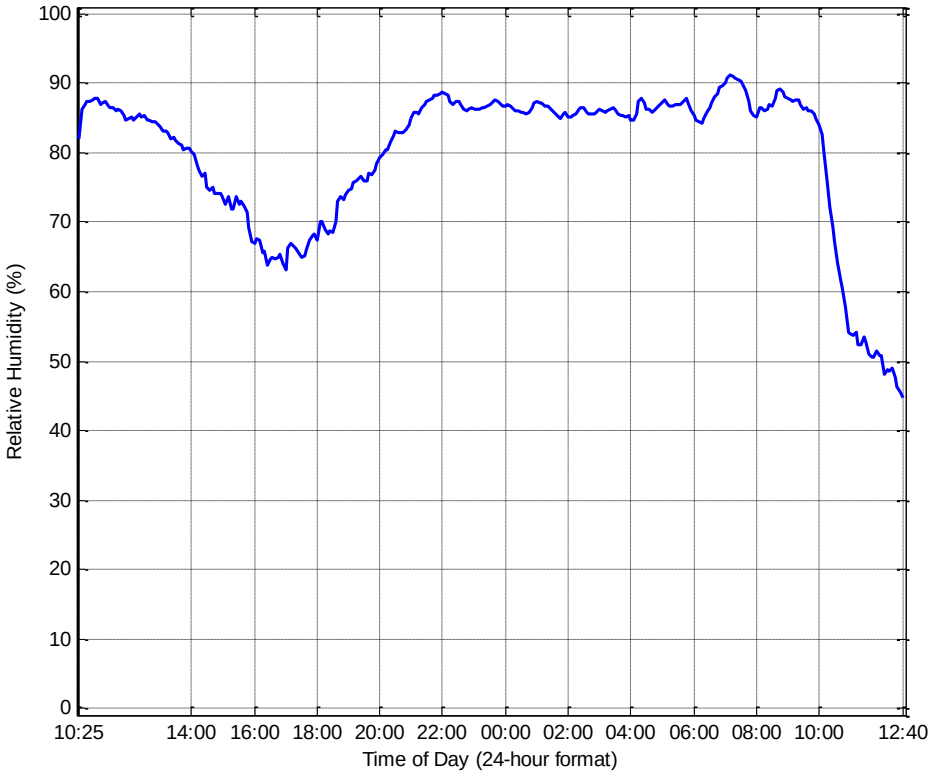

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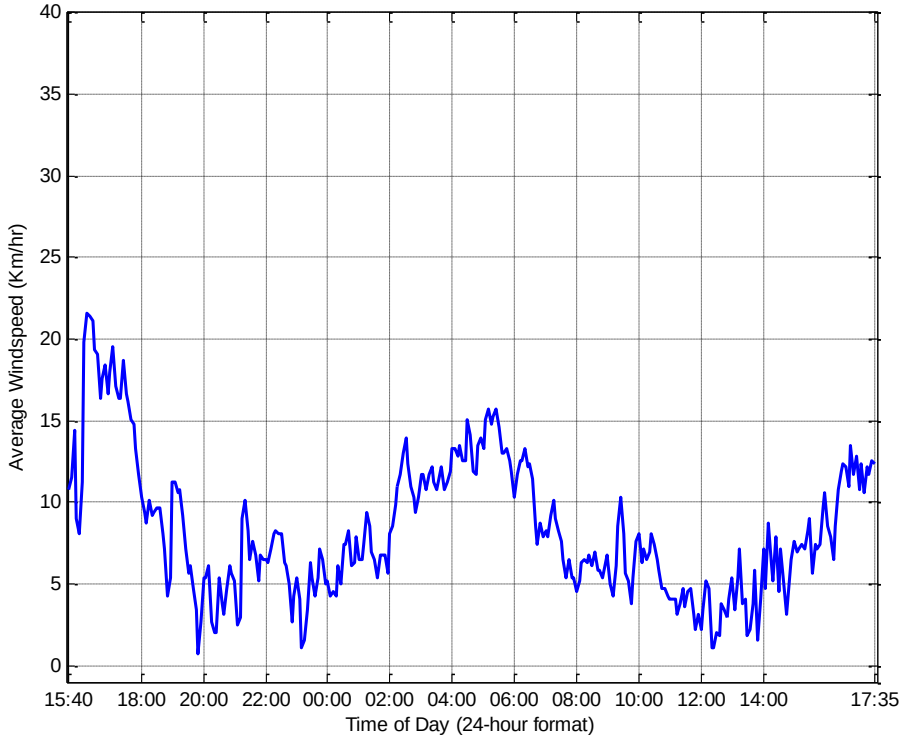

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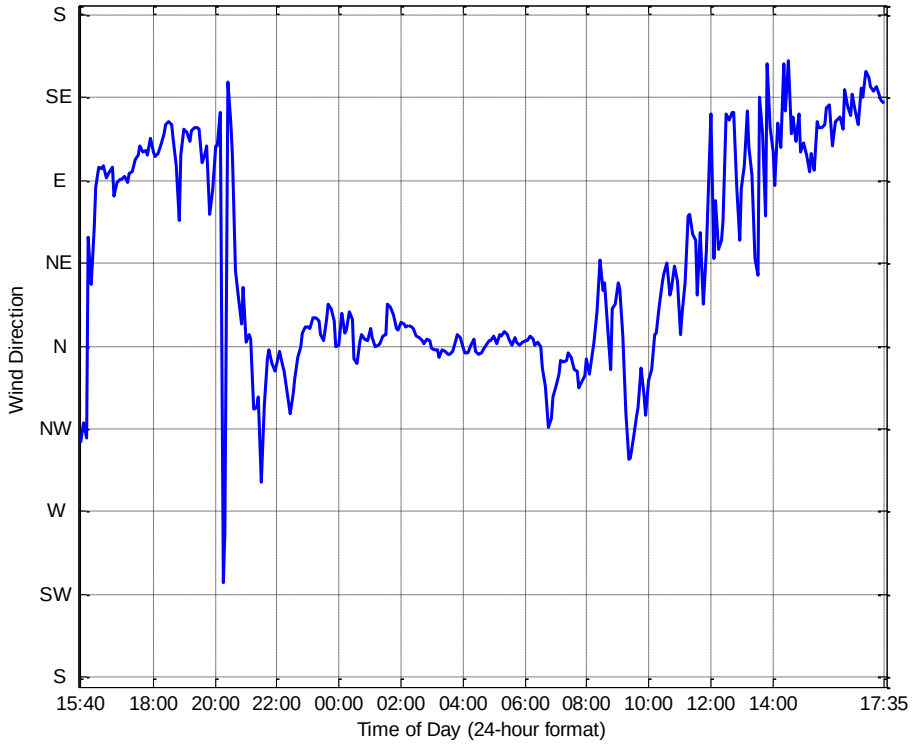

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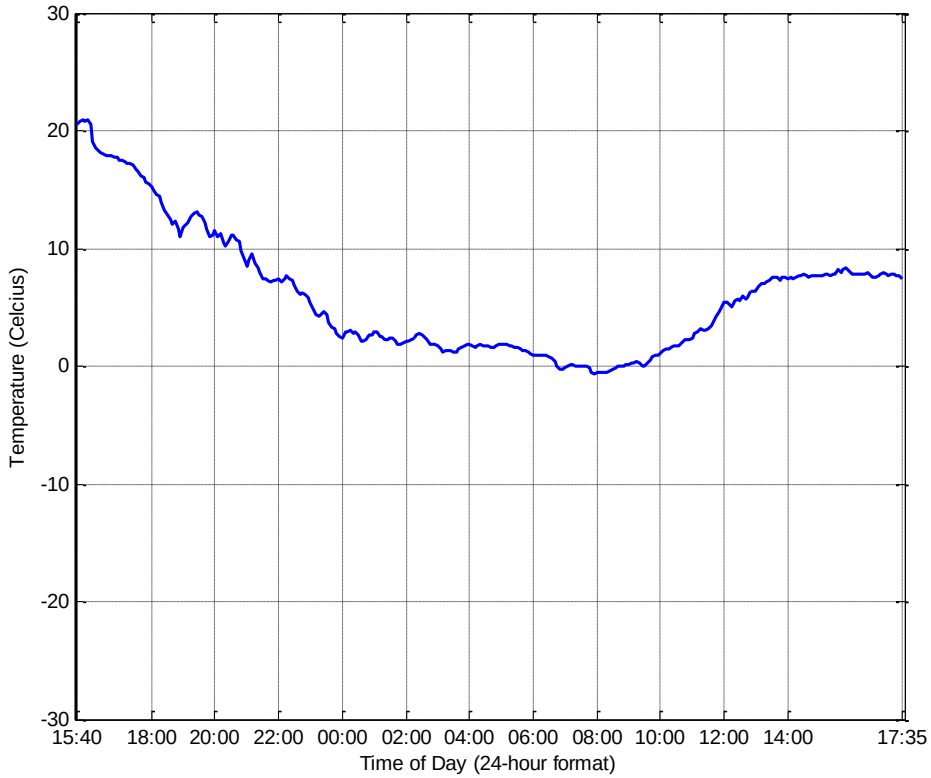

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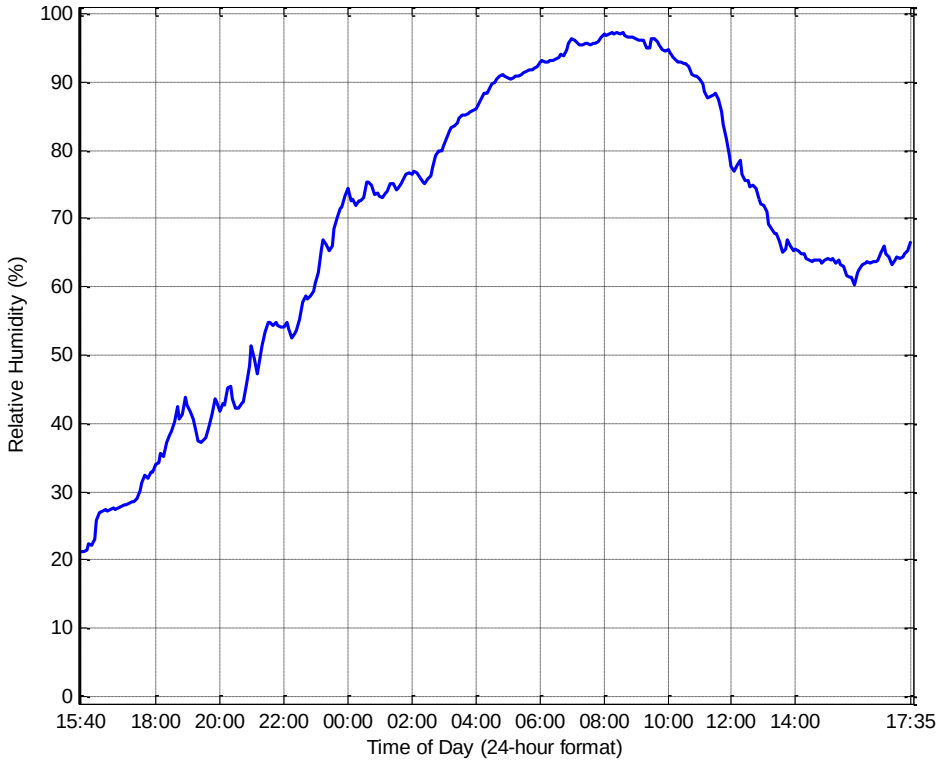

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