

# REVIEW OF TOXICITY BIOMONITORING REPORT

## Environmental Toxicology, NPDES Permitting Program/OWQ

Biomonitoring Review Report: <b>IDEM/100/29/334/136/2024</b>	Document Date:	04/1222024
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**Discharger:** Evonik Corporation Laboratories  
 (Formerly Evonik Degussa) NPDES No. IN0002861  
 City: Lafayette County: Tippecanoe State: IN Zip: 47909

### I. Background Information: (To be Completed by the Testing Lab.)

**A. Test Material:**

Effluent/W. Water: Whole Effluent Outfall No(s): 001  
 Grab/Composite: 24-hr Composite Date(s) Effluent Collected: 04/07/2024 04/09/2024 04/11/2024  
 Concentrations Used: Control, 6.25%, 12.5%, 25%, 50%, 100% Dilution Factor: 0.5  
 Dilution Water: Receiving Water  Reconstituted  Perrier   
 Name of Receiving Water Body: Wabash River Test Date(s): 04/09/2024- 04/15/2024

**B. Testing Laboratory:** BIOMONITOR INC. 8802 West Washington St  
 City: Indianapolis State IN Zip 46231

**Responsible Person(s):**

Study Director/Manager: Michael Britton  
 Technical Staff: Initials  
 Phone No. 317-297-7713

**C. Toxicity Test Conducted:**

Acute Test:	Short-Term Chronic Test:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia / reticulata</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 2. <i>Daphnia magna</i> or <i>D. pulex</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 3. <i>Pimephales promelas</i> (FH. minnow) <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Other: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia / reticulata</i> Survival & Reproduction test <input type="checkbox"/> 2. <i>Pimephales promelas</i> (FH. minnow) Larval Survival & Growth test <input type="checkbox"/> 3. <i>Selenastrum capricornutum</i> Growth <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Other: _____

**D. Chemical Analyses Checklist:**

Parameter	Day							Comment
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>1. Control:</b>								
D.O. Initial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Final	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
pH Initial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Final	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Alkalinity:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Hardness:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Conductivity:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Chlorine:	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	_____
<b>2. Test Sample:</b>								
D.O. Initial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Final	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
pH Initial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Final	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	_____
Alkalinity:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Hardness:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Conductivity:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	_____
Chlorine:	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	100% Only _____

**II. *Daphnia* or *Ceriodaphnia* Toxicity Test Information**  
(To be Completed by the Testing Lab.)

**A. Data Analyses:**

Statistical Test	Method Used	Comment
Normality test:	<u>Chi-Square Test</u>	<u>Passed. Indicates Normal Distribution for Reprod.</u>
Homogeneity test:	<u>Hartley Test</u>	<u>Passed. Indicates Equal Variances for Reprod.</u>
Significance test:		
1. Parametric	<u>Dunnett's Test</u>	<u>Passed. No Significant Difference for Reproduction</u>
2. Non-Parametric:	<u>Steel Many-One Rank Test</u>	
	<u>Fisher's Exact Test</u>	<u>Passed. No Significant Difference for Survival.</u>
3. Are the Critical Values of Significance Provided?		<u>Yes</u>
4. Other:		

**B. Toxicity Test Results:**

**1. Acute:**

LC<sub>50</sub> (48-hr): > 100% Effluent (<1TU<sub>a</sub>)

**2. Chronic:**

<b>NOEL:</b>	<b>Survival</b>	<u>100% (1 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<b>Reproduction</b>	<u>50% (2 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u> <u>IC<sup>25</sup> = 85%(1.2 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<b>Growth</b>	_____
<b>LOEL:</b>	<b>Survival</b>	_____	<b>Reproduction</b>	_____	<b>Growth</b>	_____
<b>Chronic Value:</b>	<b>Survival</b>	_____	<b>Reproduction</b>	_____	<b>Growth</b>	_____

**C. Permit Limits Requirement:**

**1. Acute:**

LC<sub>50</sub> (48-hr): 17.9% Effluent (5.6 TU<sub>a</sub>)

**2. Chronic:**

<b>NOEL:</b>	<b>Survival</b>	<u>4.2% effluent</u> <u>(24.9 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<b>Reproduction</b>	<u>4.2% effluent</u> <u>(24.9 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<b>Growth</b>	_____
<b>LOEL:</b>	<b>Survival</b>	_____	<b>Reproduction</b>	_____	<b>Growth</b>	_____

**D. Reference Toxicant Data:**

- Reference Toxicant:** Copper chloride, Reagent Grade, from Carolina Biological
- Test Date:** March 19 - 27, 2024
- Results:** 48-hr LC<sub>50</sub> = 80 µg/L, NOEL (Reprod.) = 40 µg/L, LOEL (Reprod.) = 80 µg/L as Cu.
- Acceptable Range:** Within Laboratory Control Limits

**E. Permit Limits Compliance:** (To be Completed by IDEM Staff Only)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pass (LC <sub>50</sub> )	<u>(1 TU<sub>a</sub>)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fail (LC <sub>50</sub> )	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pass (NOEL/Survival)	<u>(1 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fail (NOEL/Survival)	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pass (NOEL/Reprod.)	<u>(2 TU<sub>c</sub>)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fail (NOEL/Reprod.)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pass (NOEL/Growth)	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fail (NOEL/Growth)	_____

Is the Test Acceptable? Yes  No  Reason Passed for Surv/Reprod.

**III. Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) Toxicity Test Information**  
*(To be completed by the testing lab)*

**A. Data Analyses:**

Statistical Test	Method Used	Comment
Normality test:	<u>Chi-Square Test</u>	_____
Homogeneity test:	<u>Hartley Test</u>	_____
Significance test:		
1. Parametric:	<u>Dunnett's Test</u>	_____
2. Non-Parametric:	<u>Fisher's Exact Test</u>	_____
3. Are the Critical Values of Significance Provided?		_____
4. Other:		_____

**B. Toxicity Test Results:**

1. Acute:

LC50 (48-hr): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Chronic:

NOEL: Survival	_____	Reproduction	_____	Growth	_____
LOEL: Survival	_____	Reproduction	_____	Growth	_____
Chronic Survival Value:	_____	Reproduction	_____	Growth	_____

**C. Permit Limits Requirement:**

1. Acute:

LC50 (48-hr): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Chronic:

NOEL: Survival	_____	Reproduction	_____	Growth	_____
LOEL: Survival	_____	Reproduction	_____	Growth	_____

**D. Reference Toxicant Data:**

- Reference Toxicant: \_\_\_\_\_
- Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Results: \_\_\_\_\_
- Acceptable Range: \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Permit Limits Compliance:** (To be completed by IDEM Staff only)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pass (LC <sub>50</sub> [48-hr])	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Fail (LC <sub>50</sub> [48-hr])	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass (NOEL/Survival)	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Fail (NOEL/Survival)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass (NOEL/Reprod.)	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Fail (NOEL/Reprod.)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass (NOEL/Growth)	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Fail (NOEL/Growth)	_____

Is the Test Acceptable? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. GLP and QA/QC Compliance:**  
(To be completed by IDEM Staff Only)

**A. Does the Biomonitoring Report provide?**

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|---|-------|-------------------------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1. GLP Compliance Statement:                        | Yes   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. QA/QC Compliance Statement:                      | Yes   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Were the required GLPs followed?                 | Yes   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. If not, the Report lacks what major information: | _____ |                                     |    |                          |

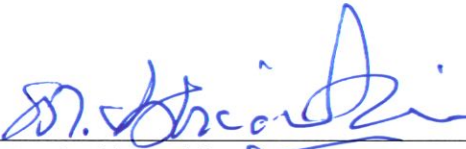
**B. Laboratory Raw Data Sheets:**

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|--|-------|-------------------------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1. Does the Report enclose raw data sheets?                | Yes   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Does the raw data sheets provide essential information? | Yes   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. If not, the Report lacks what major information:        | _____ |                                     |    |                          |

**V. Comments and Recommendations:**  
(To be Completed by IDEM Staff Only)

- In April 2024 in the Quarterly testing whole effluent from **Evonik Corporayion Tippecanoe Laboratories, Lafayette, IN** did not show any acute or chronic toxicity to *Ceriodaphnia dubia* tested as the most sensitive test organism. The 48-hr LC<sub>50</sub> to the test species was **100% effluent (<1 TU<sub>a</sub>) as compared to 17.9% Effluent (5.6 TU<sub>a</sub>)** and acceptable. Likewise, the NOEL for *Ceriodaphnia* Survival and Reproduction was **100% effluent (1 TU<sub>c</sub>) and 50% effluent (2 TU<sub>c</sub>)** respectively, and acceptable as compared to **4.2% effluent (24.9 TU<sub>c</sub>)** WET compliance limit in the facility NPDES permit.

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