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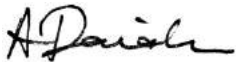
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Executive Summary

Aercoustics Engineering Limited (“Aercoustics”) was retained by South Kent Wind LP to complete the acoustic audit requirements outlined in the Renewable Energy Approval (“REA”) for South Kent Wind Project (“SKWP”). SKWP operates under REA #2871-8UKGPC, issued on June 15, 2012.

In response to Section G of the REA, emission audit (“E-Audit”) tests were conducted at six (6) SKWP turbines and test reports were submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (“MECP”). Based on these reports, the MECP requested that additional supporting immission audit (“I-Audit”) tests be conducted at receptor locations close to each test turbine in order to support the completion of the E-Audit requirement.

This report presents the results of the additional I-Audit assessment for receptor R2794 near turbine T060. The E-Audit results for T060 indicated that the measured sound power level of the test turbine exceeded the sound power level set out in the REA. In addition, the maximum measured tonal audibility of the turbine exceeded 3 dB and thus would need to be evaluated in the far field. As such, the audit at R2794 was conducted to assess compliance of the sound pressure level and tonal audibility in the far field.

The monitoring near receptor R2794 was conducted over the following period:

| Audit Receptor | Audit Start Date | Audit End Date | Monitoring Duration (weeks) |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| R2794 | September 18, 2019 | November 12, 2019 | 8 |

The audit has been completed as per the methodology outlined in Parts D and E5.5 RAM-I (Revised Assessment Methodology) of the “*MECP Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise*” (updated April 21, 2017). The assessment requirements outlined in the Protocol have been met with sufficient data for assessment.

Based on the results presented in this report, the cumulative sound impact calculated at R2794 complies with the MECP sound level limits in the 7 m/s wind bin. However, the cumulative sound impact exceeds the limit by 1 dB in each of the 5 m/s and 6 m/s wind bins.

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1 Introduction

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This report presents the results of the I-Audit assessment for receptor R2794 near turbine T060.

The audit was completed per the methodology outlined in Part D and Part E of the Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise (“Compliance Protocol” or “Protocol”), April 2017 revision. The Compliance Protocol is an Ontario MECP document used to evaluate noise from a wind turbine at nearby receptors.

2 Background

The most up-to-date E-Audit report submitted and reviewed by the MECP for turbine T060 is as follows:

REPORT ID: 13228.00.T060.RP5, South Kent Wind Farm – Turbine T060, IEC 61400-11 Edition 3.0 Measurement Report dated 21 December 2018 – Revision 5.

The results of the E-Audit test are summarized in Table 1 below.

Table 1: E-Audit Results Summary

| Sound Power | | | Maximum Tonal Audibility | |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| REA (dBA) | Audit (dBA) | Exceeds REA plus 0.5 dB* (Y/N) | Audit (dBA) | Exceeds 3 dB** (Y/N) |
| 104 | 104.9 | Y | 5.8 | Y |

* REA sound power levels plus 0.5 dB threshold specified in accordance with Section E3.1 of the Protocol.

** 3 dB threshold specified in accordance with Section D3.8.3 of the Protocol.

The E-Audit results indicated that the measured sound power level of the test turbine exceeded the sound power level set out in the REA. In addition, the maximum measured tonal audibility of the turbine exceeded 3 dB and thus would need to be assessed in the far field.

In review of the report, the MECP requested that additional supporting measurements be conducted at the receptor location closest to the test turbine, in accordance with Section E.3.1.2 of the Protocol. This feedback was delivered in an email dated January 4, 2019 and further clarified in a call on January 14, 2019.

For reference, a detailed summary of the sound power and tonal audibility assessment results from the T060 E-Audit is provided in Appendix F.

3 Facility Description

South Kent Wind Project is a wind facility comprising 124 Siemens SWT-101 wind turbines with name plate capacities of 2.221 MW, 2.126 MW, 1.903 MW, and 1.824 MW. The total name plate capacity of the facility is 270 megawatts. Each turbine has a hub height of 99.5 metres. The facility is located in the Chatham-Kent Municipality.

The facility has two large substation transformers rated at 148 and 129 MVA. The facility is designed to operate 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

4 Audit Location

The receptor selection process, measurement equipment, and details regarding the monitoring locations are provided in this section.

4.1 Receptor Selection

Measurement equipment was erected at receptor R2794 near the test turbine T060. The measurement location was selected as per Section E3.1.2 of the Compliance Protocol, wherein measurements are to be conducted at the point of reception with the greatest predicted noise impact from the specified test turbine (“worst-case receptor”). The frequent downwind conditions were also considered for receptors with similar predicted partial sound levels from the test turbine. The prevailing wind direction for the site is discussed in the following section.

The worst-case receptors for T060 are R5208 and R2742, which are located on a small lot surrounded by a line of trees. Due to the trees and the buildings on the lot, monitoring would not have been feasible at these locations. In addition, land access for the neighbouring property, R2736, was denied. Supporting documentation is provided in Appendix G. As a result, measurement locations at an equivalent distance of 554 m from R5208 to T060 were considered. A location near R2794 was selected such that the monitor could be placed approximately 554 metres from T060 in the predominant downwind direction. This receptor location was selected in consultation with the MECP and confirmed in an email from the MECP dated July 19, 2019.

The receptor selection table for T060 is shown in Table 2 below. Predicted sound impacts at the receptor were obtained from the Noise Assessment Report for SKWP prepared by Hatch and dated May 7, 2013. A sound model using the original assessment report

parameters was created by Aeroustics to calculate predicted sound levels at monitor locations.

Table 2: Receptor Selection Table

| SPL Rank | Point of Reception ID | Nearest Turbine | Distance to Test Turbine (m) | Predicted Overall Sound Level (dBA) | Predicted Partial Sound Level from <u>test turbine</u> only* (dBA) | Wind Direction from Test Turbine | Notes |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | R5208 | T060 | 554 | 39.0 | 36.6 | Crosswind | Location not suitable for monitor setup |
| 2 | R2742 | T060 | 570 | 38.9 | 36.3 | Crosswind | Location not suitable for monitor setup |
| 3 | R2736 | T060 | 572 | 38.8 | 36.3 | Crosswind | Land access denied |
| 4 | R2794 | T060 | 604 | 39.1 | 35.7 | Downwind | - |
| - | Location near R2794** | T060 | 554 | 39.4 | 36.5 | Downwind | Measured location |

* These values are predicted based on the manufacturer specified sound power level for each turbine, not the measured sound power levels. They are included to be indicative of the relative contribution of the turbine of interest at each location.

** Proxy location selected in consultation with the MECP.

4.1.1 Historical Wind Direction

Historical wind direction information was provided by SKWP and used to support selection of suitable audit receptors. This wind direction information is provided in Figure 1, and the prevailing downwind direction for the facility was determined to be 210°.

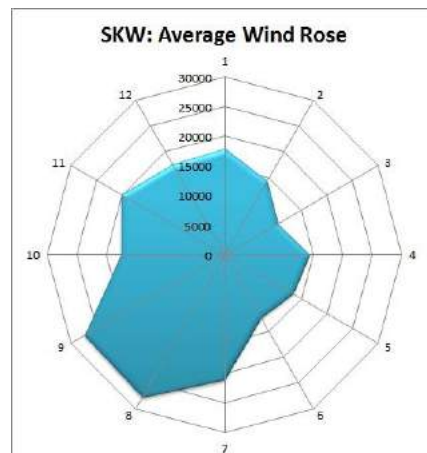


Figure 1: Historical Wind Rose used for Receptor Selection

4.2 Monitoring Location

The monitor was erected approximately 75 metres from the coordinates of R2794, 75 metres closer to the test turbine (turbine T060). The distance between the monitor location and the test turbine was 25 metres shorter than the distance between the worst-case receptor (R5208) and the test turbine. The monitor was erected at the receptor height of 4.5 metres. The ground cover between the measurement location and the nearest turbines was open field, predominantly covered with short crops.

Table 3 provides a summary of the receptor and monitor locations. Site photographs and plans are provided in Appendix A.

Table 3: Coordinates and Turbines to Receptor and Measurement Locations

| Audit Receptor | Measurement Duration | Location | Coordinates (UTM x,y, Zone 17T) | Distance to Test Turbine (m) | Predicted Overall Sound Level (dBA) |
|----------------|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| R2794 | Sep 18, 2019 – Nov 12, 2019 | Receptor | 406980 mE / 4688130 mN | 604 | 39.1 |
| | | Monitor | 406932 mE / 4688072 mN | 529 | 39.6 |

4.3 Existing Ambient Environment

The ambient acoustic environment for the SKWP site is comprised of a mixture of many different ambient sources. The contribution of noise from flora, fauna, traffic, and industry near the monitor location were considered throughout the measurement campaign.

Existing ambient noise sources were categorized as either extraneous – such as short-term events, or frequency-specific noise – or constant noise sources as part of the existing ambient sound environment. In the case of extraneous noise sources, filtering was employed to reduce or remove it, as further discussed in Section 5.3.2. For constant noise sources identified as being a part of the existing ambient sound environment, efforts were made to ensure that the noise was equally present in both *Total Noise* and *Background* periods, as further discussed in Section 5.3.3.

4.3.1 Flora Noise

Ambient noise from flora refers to the noise generated by wind blowing over vegetation and foliage and is typically proportional to wind speed, with higher wind speeds generating increased amounts of noise. Due to its ever-present and broadband nature, noise from flora is considered a constant noise source as part of the existing ambient environment.

The monitor was located in a field with medium-height crop cover, which was later cleared, and which had a negligible noise impact on the measurements. An area of approximately 40x40 ft was cleared around the monitor prior to installation. The monitor was also located approximately 25 metres from a tree line to the north-east.

4.3.2 Fauna Noise

Noise from fauna refers to noise typically arising from the activity of insects, birds, livestock, or dogs. Noise of this nature may be concentrated at high frequencies (such as crickets chirping) or limited to short-term events (such as dogs barking). Noise from fauna is considered extraneous noise.

Cricket noise was present at the monitor location and was especially prominent in the early fall months from September to November. There was also a dog on the property. There were no other significant sources of fauna noise identified at the monitor location.

4.3.3 Traffic Noise

Traffic noise may include short-term events such as individual car passbys (considered extraneous noise) or constant noise (i.e. “traffic hum”) from high-volume or frequently travelled roads and highways.

The monitor was located over 350 metres from 10 Line to the north-west. Due to the distance from the nearest road, individual car passbys were not a significant source of noise throughout the measurement campaign.

The monitor was not located near any major highways and therefore constant traffic noise was not a concern during the measurements.

4.3.4 Industry Noise

No significant sources of industry noise were identified in the vicinity of the monitor.

4.3.5 Self-Generated Noise

Self-generated noise is noise which results from wind blowing over the monitoring equipment and is a factor at high wind speeds at the measurement position. This noise was minimized by a secondary wind screen installed around the microphone in accordance with Section D2.1.4 of the Protocol. The insertion loss of the wind screen has been tested and was accounted for in the analysis.

4.3.6 Other Sources

No other notable ambient noise sources were identified in the vicinity of the monitor.

5 Audit Methodology

For the duration of the measurement campaign, acoustic and weather data were logged simultaneously in one-minute intervals at the measurement location. Analysis and filtering were conducted in accordance with Sections D5.2 and E5.5 of the Protocol, with additional filters applied as needed—following the guidance in the Protocol—to remove or reduce extraneous ambient noise (see Section 5.3.2 below) and ensure representative ambient conditions (see Section 5.3.3 below).

Intervals that passed the filtering criteria were sorted into integer wind bins¹ depending on the measured wind speed at 10 metres above ground level (“10m-AGL”) and classified as either *Total Noise* or *Background* depending on the operation of the nearby SKWP turbines. The *Turbine-Only* sound level for each wind bin was determined by logarithmically subtracting the average *Background* levels from the *Total Noise* level in wind bins with sufficient data for assessment.

The calculation of the average measured tonal audibility was determined in accordance with IEC 61400-11 Edition 3.0, as per Section D3.8.3 of the Protocol, with modifications to adapt the method to immission measurements. Calculations were conducted based on the narrowband spectra of the intervals within the tonality assessment dataset from 20 Hz to 3000 Hz with a frequency resolution of 2 Hz. As per IEC 61400-11, a tone would have to be present in at least 20% of the samples in order to be deemed relevant and evaluated under the penalty scheme (discussed in Section 5.4.3). This reduces the possibility of intermittent tones related to either the unsteady operation of the turbines, or from other contaminating sources, being attributed to the steady state operation of the turbines.

The assessment dataset was determined based on the minimum power output of the test turbine corresponding to a tonal audibility greater than 0 dB in the T060 E-Audit test results. Table 3 presents a summary of the relevant tones for this assessment as determined from the E-Audit, and includes the frequency range, tonal audibility range, and corresponding turbine operational parameters during which elevated tonal audibility levels were observed. A centre frequency of 460 Hz was selected for the tonality assessment.

Table 4: Summary of Relevant Tones from T060 E-Audit

| Turbine ID | Frequency Range (Hz) | Tonal Audibility (dB) | Hub Height Wind Speed Range (m/s) | Electrical Power Output Range (kW) |
|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| T060 | 426 – 494 | 0.1 – 5.8 | 8 – 12.5 | 1095 – 2126 |

5.1 Measurement Equipment

The following acoustic and non-acoustic measurement equipment was installed at the monitor location:

- One (1) Type 1 sound level meter with microphone and pre-amplifier, installed at receptor height;
- One (1) primary and one (1) secondary² windscreen for the microphone; and
- One (1) anemometer, installed at 10m-AGL

¹ An integer wind bin spans 1 m/s, centred on each integer wind speed, open at the low end and closed at the high end.

² The 1/3 octave band insertion loss of the secondary windscreen has been tested and has been accounted for in the data analysis.

The measurement equipment was configured to log one-minute equivalent sound levels (L_{eq}) in A-weighted broadband and 1/3rd octave band frequencies. The microphone was installed at least 5 metres away from any large reflecting surfaces, as far away as practically possible from trees and other foliage, and in direct line of sight to the nearest SKWP turbines.

Table 5 lists the specific make, model, and serial numbers for the measurement equipment.

Table 5: Equipment Details

| Audit Receptor | Equipment | Make/Model | Serial Number | Date of Last Calibration |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| R2794 | Data Acquisition Card | NI 9234 | 1CAF70D | July 22, 2019 |
| | Signal Conditioner | PCB 480E09 | 35339 | June 18, 2019 |
| | Microphone | PCB 377B02 | 177780 | June 19, 2019 |
| | Pre-Amplifier | PCB 426E01 | 49750 | June 19, 2019 |
| | Weather Anemometer | Vaisala WXT536 | P4111045 | October 8, 2018 |

The measurement chain was calibrated before, during, and after the measurement campaign using a type 4231 Brüel & Kjær acoustic calibrator. The measurement equipment was also verified by laboratory calibration per the requirements in Section D2.3 of the Protocol; calibration certificates are provided in Appendix D.

5.2 Measurement Parameters

Measurement equipment was configured to run from approximately 9pm to 6am, local time. The measurement parameters acquired and used in the audit are listed in Table 6.

Table 6: Measurement Parameters Used in the Study

| Parameter Group | Measurement Parameters | Notes |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Acoustic (microphone height) | L_{Aeq} | dBA |
| | L_{90} | dBA |
| | 1/3 rd Octave Band | dBA (20 Hz – 10 kHz) |
| | Signal Recording | Uncompressed raw files |
| Weather (10-m height) | Wind Speed | m/s |
| | Wind Direction | 0-360° |
| | Temperature | °C |
| | Humidity | 0-100% |
| | Precipitation | mm |
| Turbine (hub height) | Wind Speed | Provided by operator |
| | Yaw Angle | Provided by operator |
| | Power Output | Provided by operator |
| | Rotational Speed | Provided by operator |

SKWP wind turbine operational information was collected during the measurement campaign using the facility SCADA system and provided to Aercoustics by South Kent Wind LP.

5.3 Filtering Criteria

Intervals were included or excluded from analysis depending on several filtering criteria. Some of these criteria apply to all intervals and some apply only for *Total Noise* or *Background* intervals. Measurement intervals were first passed through the *All Intervals* filters, after which they were sorted into either *Total Noise* or *Background* categories based on the operation of the nearby turbines. Intervals were included in the assessment dataset if they met all the following criteria:

All Intervals

- Occurred between 10pm – 5am
- Had no precipitation within one hour before or after
- Had an ambient temperature above -20°C
- Had minimal influence from extraneous ambient noise sources

Total Noise Intervals

- All nearby turbines were operating
- Test turbine was generating sufficient power:
 - *For sound pressure level analysis:* Test turbine was generating at least 85% of the maximum rated power output
 - *For tonality analysis:* Test turbine was generating at least the minimum power output corresponding to the conditions where the measured tonal audibility was greater than 0 dB during the E-Audit test
- Monitor was located downwind of the test turbine

Background Intervals

- All nearby turbines were parked (i.e. not rotating)

5.3.1 Turbines in Study Area

As noted above, several filtering criteria were applied based on the operation of the nearest turbine and the turbines in the surrounding area. To verify the operation of these turbines, information from the facility SCADA was processed along with the acoustic and weather data.

The minimum number of turbines included in the study area for the receptor and verified for *Total Noise* measurements was selected based on the guidance of Section D3.8.1 of the Protocol:

D3.8.1 Overall equivalent sound level – wind turbines operational

“[...] At a minimum, all relevant turbines of the subject and adjacent wind facilities, typically within 3 km of the measurement location should be operational. In the event that an adjacent wind facility dominates the background sound levels, subsequent to approval by the Ministry, an alternative measurement location may be selected.”

The minimum number of turbines included in the study area of the receptor and verified for *Background* measurements was selected based on the guidance of Section D3.5.2 of the Protocol:

D3.5.2 Acoustic measurements with wind turbines parked

“Ambient noise measurements shall be carried out at a point of reception with all turbines in the vicinity of the point of reception parked. The prediction model will be used to determine the number of turbines that require parking in order for the predicted noise contribution of the wind facility to fall to 30 dBA or 10 dB less than the applicable criterion.”

The turbines in the study area of the receptor are listed in Table 7 below.

Table 7: Turbines Included in the Study Area

| Audit Receptor | Turbines verified for <i>Total Noise</i> Measurements | Turbines verified for <i>Background</i> Measurements |
|----------------|--|--|
| R2794 | T054, T055, T056, T057, T058, T060, T097, T100, T111, T163, T164 | T055, T056, T057, T060, T100, T111, T164 |

Parked turbines do not rotate or generate power. There is some idling of the blades (~2 RPM or less), but the acoustic impact of the turbines in this condition is negligible at the receptor. The turbines were confirmed to be running in their normal operating mode for the duration of the monitoring campaign. See Appendix B for a statement from the operator.

5.3.2 Removal of Extraneous Noise

‘Extraneous noise’ is defined as ambient sound sources unrelated to the operation of the wind facility. The removal or reduction of extraneous noise sources in the measurement data is important to ensure the assessment of turbine-only sound levels is as accurate and free of contamination as possible. The Protocol provides the following guidance regarding extraneous noise:

C2.4.7 Extraneous noise sources³

“Measurements are to be inhibited when the sound level is affected by noise from extraneous sources such as vehicle noise, dogs barking and wind gusts (i.e. other than wind turbine sound).”

“The same result can also be achieved by digitally recording the sound level time history and later editing out the extraneous events and recalculating the descriptors such as Leq. This should address measurement situations where extraneous sounds were not inhibited.”

D3.5 Acoustic measurements

“[...] In addition, if the background sound levels are greater than the applicable exclusion limits then the applicable limits are the background sound levels without extraneous noise sources.”

D5.3 Effects of insects and fauna

“The analysis shall identify the influence of any insects, fauna, or other extraneous but constant sources of noise and verify them through sound recordings. Noise from insects

³ It is acknowledged that the measurements in this report follow Part D and Part E of the Protocol and this guidance is from Part C. Nevertheless, the guidance regarding the removal of extraneous noise in Part C is applicable here as the requirement to remove contamination from the measurement dataset follows good engineering principles for noise measurements.

can be removed from the 1/3rd octave spectra of each measurement. It has to be shown, however, that the contribution of the wind turbine noise in those frequencies is minimal.”

D6 Assessment of compliance

“[...] However, if the background sound levels are greater than the applicable exclusion limits then the applicable limits are now the background sound levels without extraneous noise sources.”

Extraneous noise can be steady or transient. Steady noise can be removed via filtering or removal of specific 1/3rd octave bands affected by the contamination (as per Protocol section D5.3). Transient noise can be removed or reduced from the dataset by automatic and manual filtering techniques.

Steady noise from crickets, identified at a frequency of 1600 Hz and above and verified through listening tests, was removed from the 1/3rd octave spectra for all measurements. The contribution from the wind turbine noise in those frequencies was evaluated as further discussed in Section 6.4.2.

Extraneous noise from car passbys and other short-term events was removed by manually removing intervals that had been verified through listening tests to have audible contamination.

5.3.3 Representative Ambient Conditions

The conditions present during the *Total Noise* and *Background* periods must be from similar weather and wind shear conditions, per Protocol section D3.8.2:

D3.8.2 Overall equivalent sound level – wind turbines parked

“Ambient noise measurements should be performed with the turbines parked and conducted within the same general measurement period and with the same weather and wind shear conditions. Measurements of ambient noise obtained during other periods are not recommended and should only be used with great caution to ensure that they represent the “current” ambient noise.”

Background measurements were collected periodically throughout the measurement campaign to ensure the *Background* and *Total Noise* measurements were collected during similar conditions in the same seasons.

5.3.4 Adjacent Wind Facilities

No additional wind facilities were present in the area adjacent the receptor location.

5.4 Compliance Criteria

The minimum criteria required for an assessment of compliance per the Compliance Protocol are detailed in this section.

5.4.1 Sample Size Requirements

Requirements per the RAM-I methodology of the Compliance Protocol (Section E5.5) are used for this audit. Per Section E5.5 of the Protocol, an assessment dataset is considered complete if at least three wind bins from 1 – 7 m/s (inclusive) or two wind bins from 1 – 4 m/s (inclusive) are complete. A wind bin is considered complete if there are at least 60 valid *Total Noise* and 30 valid *Background* intervals.

For the purposes of the tonal audibility analysis of these far field measurements, per Section D3.8.3 of the protocol, a wind bin is considered complete if there are at least five (5) one-minute intervals for *Total Noise* and *Background*.

5.4.2 Sound Level Limits

Sound level limits vary with 10m-AGL wind speed and by class designation. The area surrounding the South Kent Wind Project site has previously been designated as Class 3. Exclusion limits for a Class 3 area are summarized in Table 8 below.

Table 8: MECP Exclusion Limits (Class 3)

| Wind speed at 10 m height, 10m-AGL (m/s) | Sound Level Exclusion Limit (dBA) |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ≤ 6 | 40 |
| 7 | 43 |

These sound level limits apply to points of reception. Given that the predicted impact at the monitoring location is greater than the predicted impact at the receptor (see Table 3, Section 4.2), results at the monitor are conservative and can be used to show compliance at the receptor.

5.4.3 Tonal Penalty

Any applicable tonal penalties are based on the mean tonal audibility for each wind bin and are calculated according to Annex C of ISO 1996-2-2007, per Section E5.5.2 of the Protocol. The penalty scheme is summarized in Table 9 below.

Table 9: Calculation of Applicable Tonal Penalty

| Mean Audibility, ΔL | Tonal Adjustment, K_T |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\Delta L \leq 4$ dB | 0 dB |
| $4 \text{ dB} < \Delta L \leq 10$ dB | $\Delta L - 4$ dB |
| $10 \text{ dB} < \Delta L$ | 6 dB |

5.5 Deviations

Any deviations from the methods prescribed in the Protocol are discussed in this section.

5.5.1 Measurement Bandwidth

As noted in Table 6, the measurement bandwidth used is 20 – 10,000 Hz. This is a deviation from the Protocol Section D2.1.1 requirement of a 20 – 20,000 Hz frequency

response. Due to the high attenuation of noise levels at high frequencies, noise at the receptor from the wind facility above 10,000 Hz will be insignificant⁴.

6 Audit Results

Sound levels and weather conditions measured throughout the course of the I-Audit campaign are summarized in the following sections.

6.1 Audit Duration

The length of the monitoring campaign is summarized in Table 10 below.

Table 10: Length of Monitoring Campaign

| Audit Receptor | Audit Start Date | Audit End Date | Monitoring Duration (weeks) |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| R2794 | September 18, 2019 | November 12, 2019 | 8 |

6.2 Weather Conditions

Throughout the measurement campaign, a variety of weather conditions were encountered. The range of weather conditions measured in the assessment dataset are summarized in Table 11. Note that the assessment dataset includes the *Total Noise* and *Background* data that remains after filtering.

Table 11: Range of Weather Conditions in Assessment Dataset

| Audit Receptor | Atmospheric Pressure (hPa) | 10m-AGL Wind Speed (m/s) | Relative Humidity (%) | Temperature (°C) | Hub-Height Wind Speed (m/s) |
|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| R2794 | 986 – 999 | 0.1 – 10.8 | 48 – 90 | 2 – 25 | 0 – 16.1 |

During the audit period, the predominant wind direction was measured to be from the south-west. A wind rose detailing the measured wind directions observed during the entire measurement campaign is provided in Figure 2. Note that wind directions shown on the wind rose indicate the direction the wind is coming from. The purple shaded region represents the downwind condition from the test turbine at the monitor location.

⁴ From Table 2 of ISO 9613-2, acoustic frequencies above 8 kHz experience attenuation from atmospheric absorption alone of more than 80 dB/km.

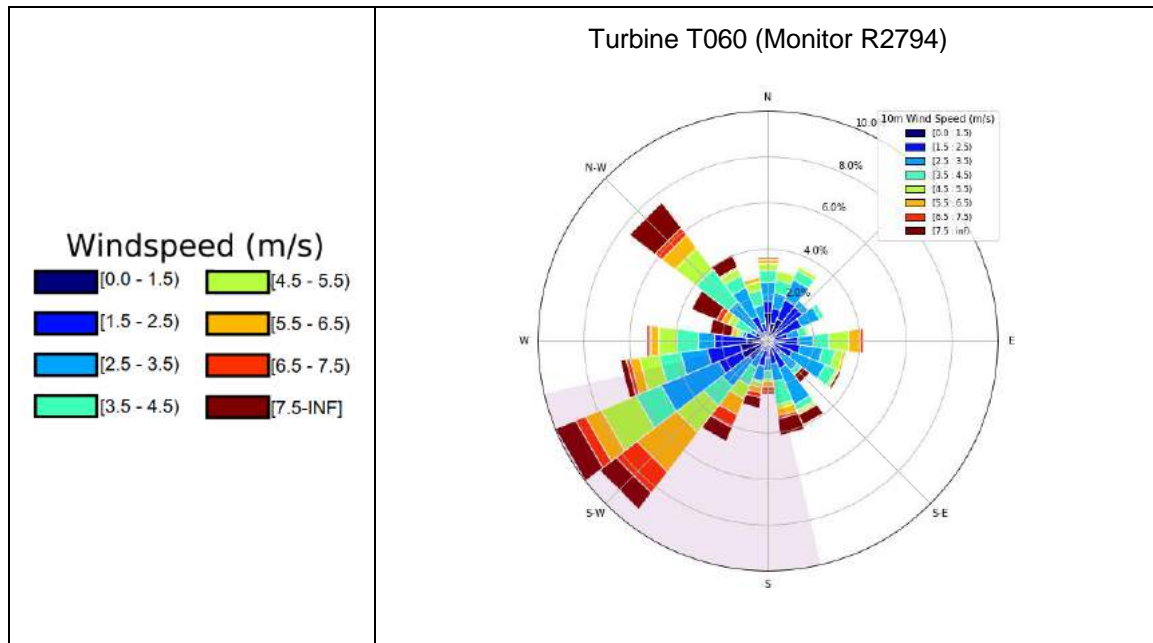


Figure 2: Wind Rose (All Measured Data)

From Figure 2, the distribution of wind directions observed during the measurement campaign is similar to those expected based on the historical wind rose provided in Section 4.1.1. Wind roses for the assessment dataset are included in Appendix C.

6.3 Data Excluded due to Filtering Criteria

A range of power output and wind conditions were measured over the course of the audit campaign. Table 12 provides the amount of time during the measurements (between 9pm and 6am) where the two main filtering conditions (high turbine power and downwind conditions) were met, i.e. the percentage of time during the measurement campaign that a receptor experienced the maximum noise impact from the South Kent Wind Project facility.

Table 12: Prevalence of Suitable Turbine Conditions During Measurements

| Audit Receptor | Test Turbine | Prevalence of Downwind | Prevalence of High Output (>85% power) | Prevalence of Downwind and High Output |
|----------------|--------------|------------------------|--|--|
| R2794 | T060 | 35% | 5% | 3% |

These conditions represent the minimum requirements for valid *Total Noise* intervals. The additional filters discussed in Section 5.3 further reduced the assessment dataset.

6.4 Measured Sound Levels

Average measured sound levels by wind bin for *Total Noise* and *Background* periods are presented in Table 13 below. As noted in Section 5.3, the sound pressure level assessment dataset was filtered based on a minimum power threshold of 85% of the maximum turbine power output.

Table 13: Average Measured Sound Levels, RAM-I Analysis

| Audit Receptor | Period | Measurement Parameter | Wind Bin (m/s) | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| R2794 | Total Noise | Number of Samples | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 105 | 196 | 91 |
| | | Average L_{Aeq} (dBA) | - | - | - | - | 42 | 42 | 44 |
| | | Standard Deviation (dB) | - | - | - | - | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 |
| | Background | Number of Samples | 149 | 130 | 16 | 16 | 44 | 55 | 47 |
| | | Average L_{Aeq} (dBA) | 29 | 29 | - | - | 35 | 38 | 41 |
| | | Standard Deviation (dB) | 2.5 | 2.2 | - | - | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.8 |

- Sound level not reported in wind bin if minimum sample size not met for *Total Noise* (60) or *Background* (30).

It should be noted that the sound levels presented here are rounded to the nearest integer; all calculations and analysis are conducted using the un-rounded sound levels.

Measurement data points from Table 13 are also plotted in Figure 3 below.

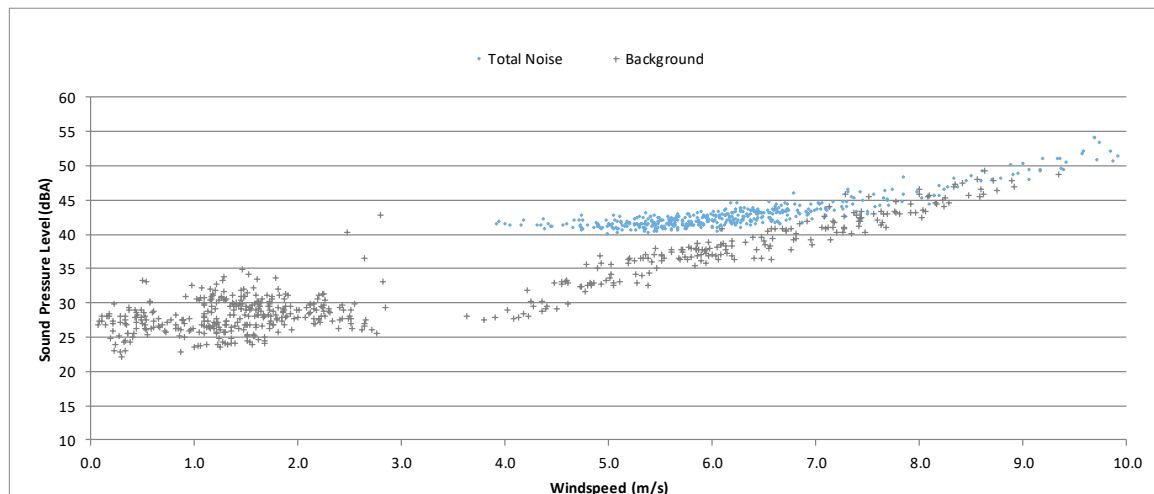


Figure 3: Average Measured Total Noise and Background Sound Levels
Monitor Near R2794

6.4.1 Tonal Adjustment

Tonal audibility results for R2794 in the far field of T060 are presented in Table 14 below. As noted in Section 5.3, the tonal assessment dataset was filtered based on a minimum power threshold of 1095 kW.

Table 14: Tonality Assessment Table

| Centre Frequency | Tonality Parameter | Wind Bin (m/s) | | | | | | |
|------------------|--|----------------|---|------|------|-----|-----|------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 460 Hz | Data Points in Wind Bin | 0 | 2 | 53 | 138 | 276 | 281 | 105 |
| | Data Points with Detected Tone | - | - | 36 | 100 | 235 | 212 | 51 |
| | Tonal Presence | - | - | 68% | 72% | 85% | 75% | 49% |
| | Mean Tonal Audibility, ΔL (dB) | - | - | -3.2 | -0.8 | 0.7 | 1.3 | -0.1 |
| | Tonal Adjustment, K_T (dB) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- Sound level not reported in wind bin if minimum sample size (5) not met.

From the results in Table 14, no tones were detected that exceeded the 4 dB threshold for tonal penalties. As a result, no tonal penalty is applicable.

6.4.2 Other Adjustments

As noted in Section 5.3.2, the 1/3rd octave band frequencies of 1600 Hz and above were removed from the assessment dataset due to contamination from cricket noise. The contribution from the wind facility at these excluded frequencies was determined at the monitor location by calculating the partial noise impact from the facility in the excluded frequency range. The impact from the facility at 1600 Hz and above was determined to be 26.9 dBA at the monitor. The impact has been added logarithmically to the final calculated Turbine-Only sound level at the monitor location shown in Table 16.

6.5 Turbine-Only Sound Levels

The average measured sound levels by wind bin for *Total Noise* and *Background* periods are presented in Table 15.

Table 15: Calculated Turbine-Only Sound Levels, RAM-I Analysis

| Audit Receptor | Measurement Period | Wind Bin (m/s) | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|----------------|----|---|---|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| R2794 | Total Noise (dBA) | - | - | - | - | 42 | 42 | 44 |
| | Background (dBA) | 29 | 29 | - | - | 35 | 38 | 41 |
| | Signal to Noise (dBA) | - | - | - | - | 7.0 | 4.6 | 2.5 |
| | Turbine-Only (dBA) [monitor location] | - | - | - | - | 41 | 40 | 40* |
| | Tonal Adjustment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- Sound level not reported in wind bin if minimum sample size not met for *Total Noise* (60) or *Background* (30).

* Signal-to-noise level less than 3 dB. Increased uncertainty in determination of Turbine-Only Sound Impact.

7 Assessment of Compliance

This section provides the results of the measurements and calculations as they pertain to the determination of compliance of the facility in accordance with the criteria listed in Section 5.4 of this report.

7.1 Assessment Table

Table 16 compares the final Turbine-Only sound levels for each wind bin at the Receptor location to the applicable exclusion limits and background sound levels. Final Turbine-Only sound levels at the Point of Reception are calculated by taking the Turbine-Only sound level at the measurement location and applying any applicable adjustments as indicated in Table 15.

Table 16: Assessment Table

| Audit Receptor | Wind speed at 10m-AGL (m/s) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| | | | | | | | | |
| R2794 | Turbine-Only Sound Level (dBA) | - | - | - | - | 41 | 41 | 40* |
| | Background Sound Level (dBA) | 29 | 29 | - | - | 35 | 38 | 41 |
| MECP Exclusion Limit (dBA) | | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 43 |
| Compliance? (Y/N) | | - | - | - | - | No | No | Yes |

- Sound level not reported in wind bin if minimum sample size not met for *Total Noise* (60) or *Background* (30).

* Signal-to-noise level less than 3 dB. Increased uncertainty in determination of Turbine-Only Sound Impact.

7.2 Statement of Compliance

Based on the Receptor Turbine-Only sound levels presented in Table 16, sound immission levels at the audited receptor is in compliance with the applicable sound level limit in the 7 m/s wind bin and exceeds the applicable sound level limits by 1 dB in each of the 5 and 6 m/s wind bins.

8 Conclusion

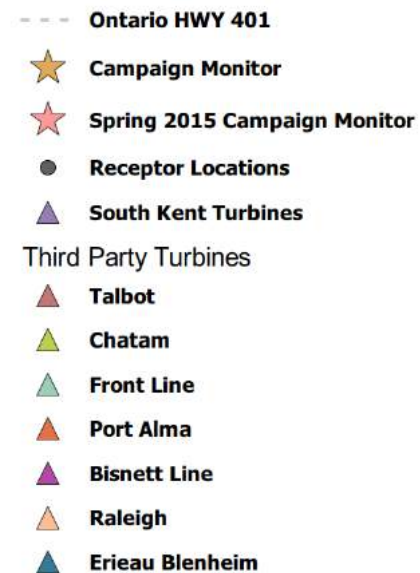
Aeroustics was retained by South Kent Wind LP to complete an additional supporting I-Audit at the worst-case receptor of turbine T060, in response to the E-Audit test submitted December 21, 2018 and reviewed by the MECP.

The additional I-Audit measurements were conducted in accordance with the MECP Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise from September 18, 2019 to November 12, 2019 at receptor R2794 near T060. The assessment requirements outlined in the Protocol have been met with sufficient data for assessment.

Based on the results presented in this report, the cumulative sound impact calculated at R2794 complies with the MECP sound level limits in the 7 m/s wind bin. However, the cumulative sound impact exceeds the limit by 1 dB in each of the 5 m/s and 6 m/s wind bins.

Appendix A

Site Details



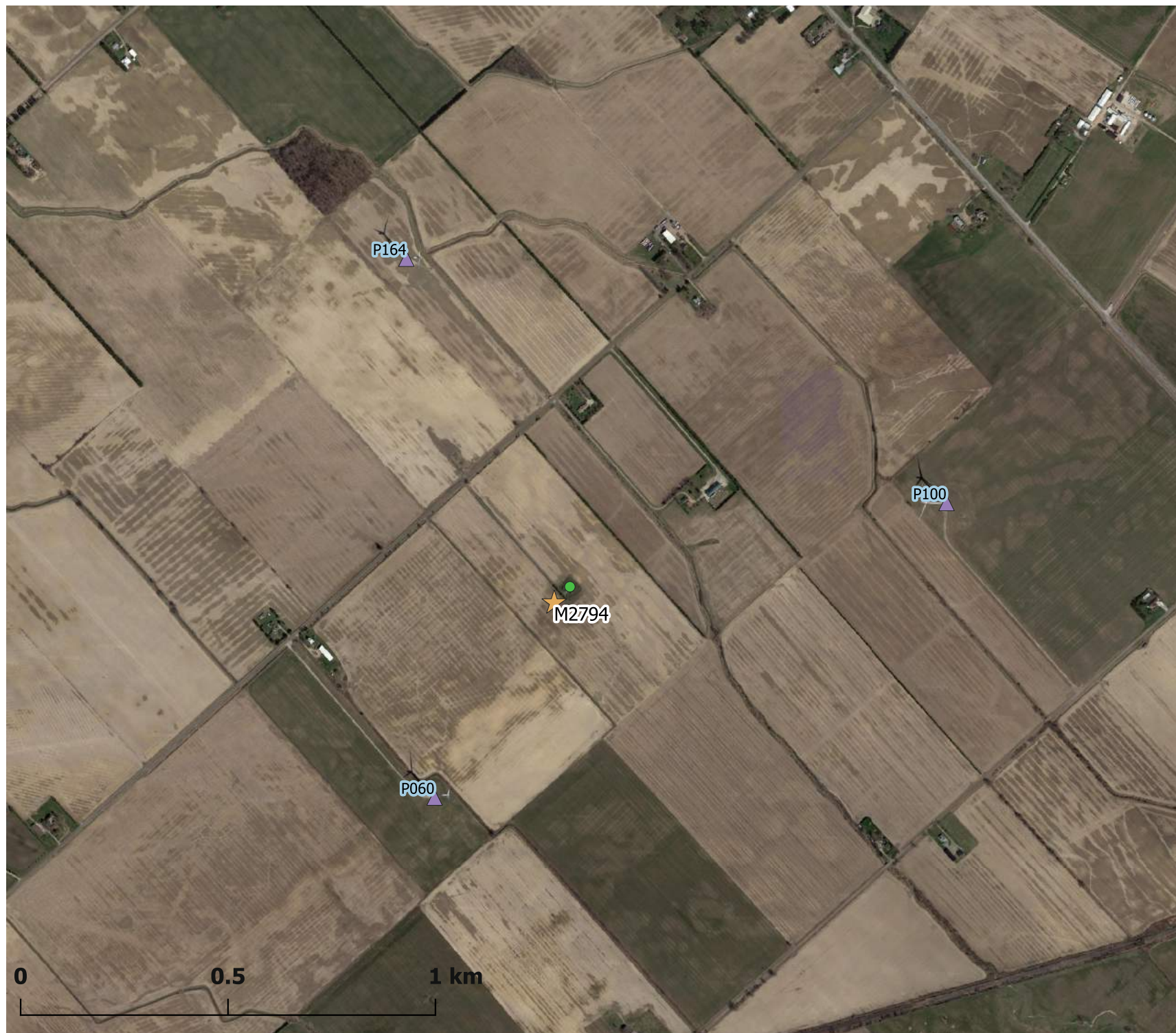
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Appendix A.1

Site Plan Overview





Legend

- Campaign Receptor
- ★ Campaign Monitor
- ▲ South Kent Turbines



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Appendix A.2

Monitor and Receptor Location



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Monitor to T060



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Appendix A.4

Monitor to Receptor

Appendix B

Statement from the Operator



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February 12, 2020

Director, Environmental Approvals Access and Service
Integration Branch Ministry of Environment
2 St. St Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A
Toronto ON M4V 1L5

Subject: South Kent Wind Project (REA #2871-8UKGPC) Receptor Emission Audit 2019-2020

Dear Director

Please accept this letter as confirmation that all turbines tested during the acoustics measurement campaign conducted by Aercoustics Engineering Limited from September 18, 2019 to January 22, 2020 were operating normally for the duration of the campaign, with the exception of specific time periods during which the turbines were placed in remote owner stop to facilitate ambient noise measurements.

The turbines placed in remote owner stop for ambient measurements were different depending on the receptor targeted, and were as follows:

- R4368: T001, T002, T003, T004, T006, T106, T118, T138, T166
- R3287: T031, T032, T033, T034, T035, T036, T039, T040, T041, T108, T135, T156
- R3344: T026, T028, T029, T030, T035, T036, T042, T108, T109, T120, T135
- R3167: T032, T033, T037, T038, T039, T040, T045, T046
- R2794: T055, T056, T057, T060, T100, T111, T164
- R4248: T001, T002, T003, T004, T006, T093, T102, T138, T152, T166, T167

The turbines verified for operational measurements were different depending on the receptor targeted, and were as follows:

- R4368: T001, T002, T003, T004, T006, T007, T008, T093, T106, T107, T118, T138, T166, T167
- R3287: T024, T029, T030, T031, T032, T033, T034, T035, T036, T039, T040, T041, T042, T108, T120, T135, T155, T156
- R3344: T026, T028, T029, T030, T031, T034, T035, T036, T041, T042, T108, T109, T120, T135, T155
- R3167: T032, T033, T034, T037, T038, T039, T040, T041, T044, T045, T046
- R2794: T054, T055, T056, T057, T058, T060, T097, T100, T111, T163, T164
- R4248: T001, T002, T003, T004, T006, T093, T102, T138, T152, T166, T167

Sincerely,

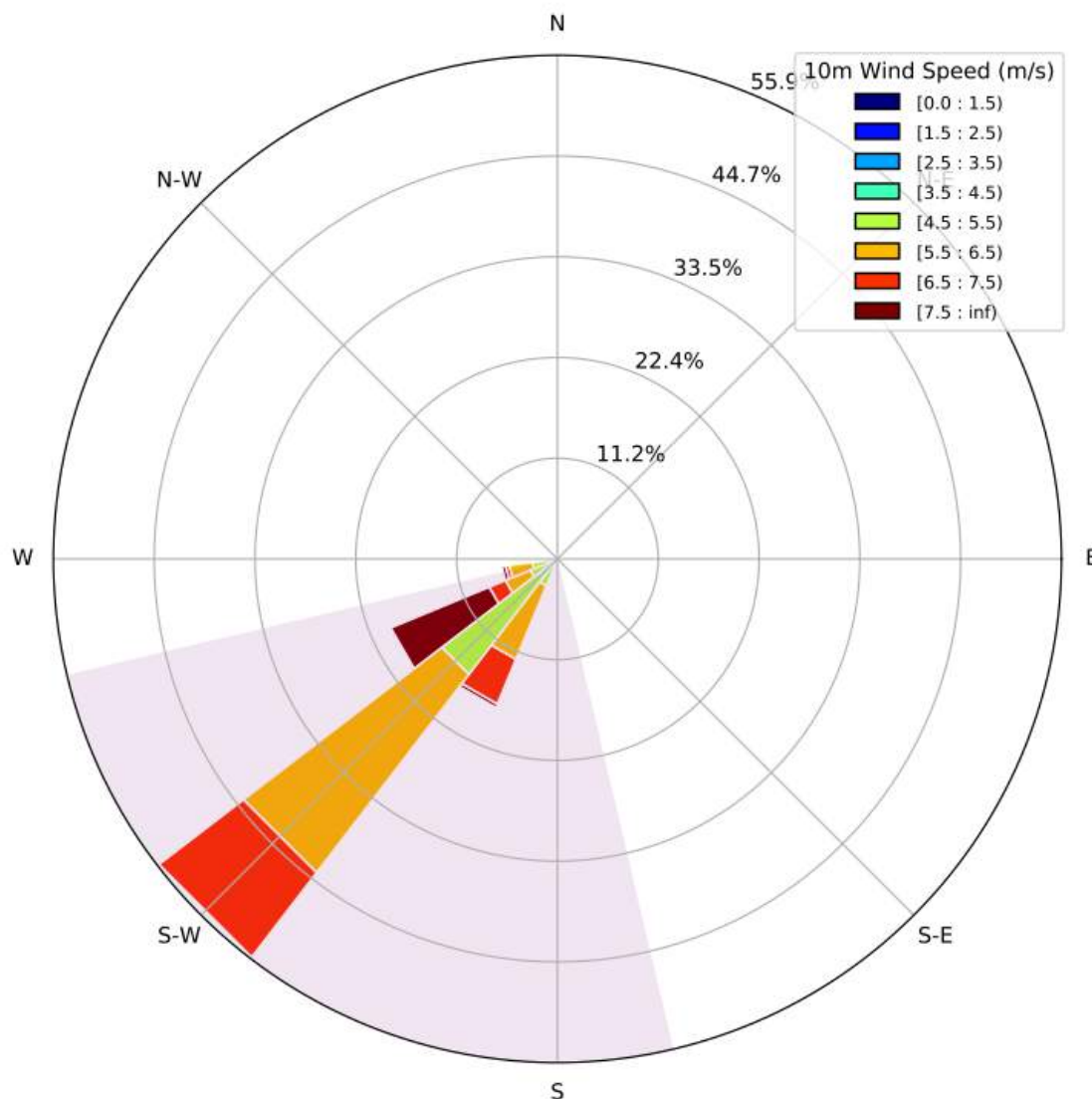
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C: 519-350-9373

Appendix C

Wind Roses

Legend

 Turbine Downwind Direction



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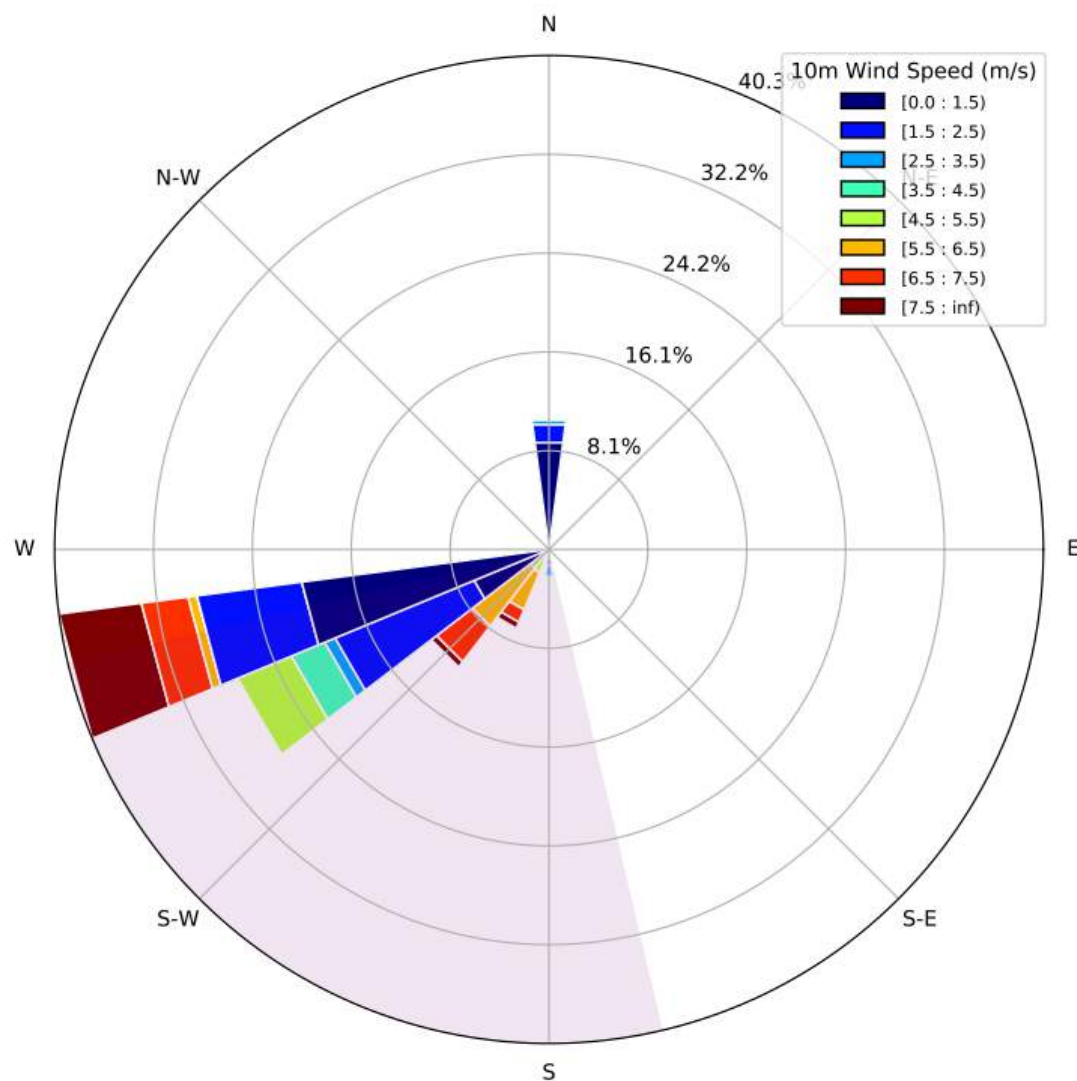
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Appendix C.1

Supplementary Wind Rose
based on Assessment Data
Total Noise

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 Turbine Downwind Direction



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Appendix C.2

Supplementary Wind Rose
 based on Assessment Data
 Background Noise

Appendix D

Calibration Certificates

CALIBRATION CERTIFICATES

Details are disclosed in the table below regarding the calibration of the equipment used for the Immission Audit at monitor location R2794. The associated calibration certificates are provided in this appendix.

| Audit Receptor | Equipment | Make/Model | Serial Number | Date of Last Calibration |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| R2794 | Data Acquisition Card | NI 9234 | 1CAF70D | July 22, 2019 |
| | Signal Conditioner | PCB 480E09 | 35339 | June 18, 2019 |
| | Microphone | PCB 377B02 | 177780 | June 19, 2019 |
| | Pre-Amplifier | PCB 426E01 | 49750 | June 19, 2019 |
| | Weather Anemometer | Vaisala WXT536 | P4111045 | October 8, 2018 |

CERTIFICATE of CALIBRATION

Make : PCB Piezotronics

Reference # : 157557

Model : 378B02

Customer : Aercoustics Engineering Ltd
Mississauga, ON

Descr. : Microphone System 1/2" Free Field

Serial # : 132222

P. Order : 2019.06.14C

Asset # : 01167

Cal. status : Received in spec's, no adjustment made.
Preamp System with Mic 377B02 s/n 177780

Navair Technologies certifies that the above listed instrument was calibrated on date noted and was released from this laboratory performing in accordance with the specifications set forth by the manufacturer.

Unless otherwise noted in the calibration report a 4:1 accuracy ratio was maintained for this calibration.

Our Quality System system complies with the requirements of ISO-9001-2015 and is registered under certificate CA96/269, working standards used for calibration are certified by or traceable to the National Research Council of Canada or the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

Calibrated : Jun 19, 2019

By : 

Cal. Due : Jun 19, 2021

Petro Onasko

Temperature : 23 °C ± 2 °C Relative Humidity : 30% to 70%

Standards used : J-216 J-324 J-333 J-420 J-512

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Calibration Report for Certificate :

157557

| Make | | Model | Serial | Asset | | |
|------------------|--|--------|--------|-------|--|--|
| PCB Piezotronics | | 378B02 | 132222 | 01167 | | |
| PCB Piezotronics | | 426E01 | 049750 | 01167 | | |
| PCB Piezotronics | | 377B02 | 177780 | 01167 | | |

Sensitivity at 250 Hz

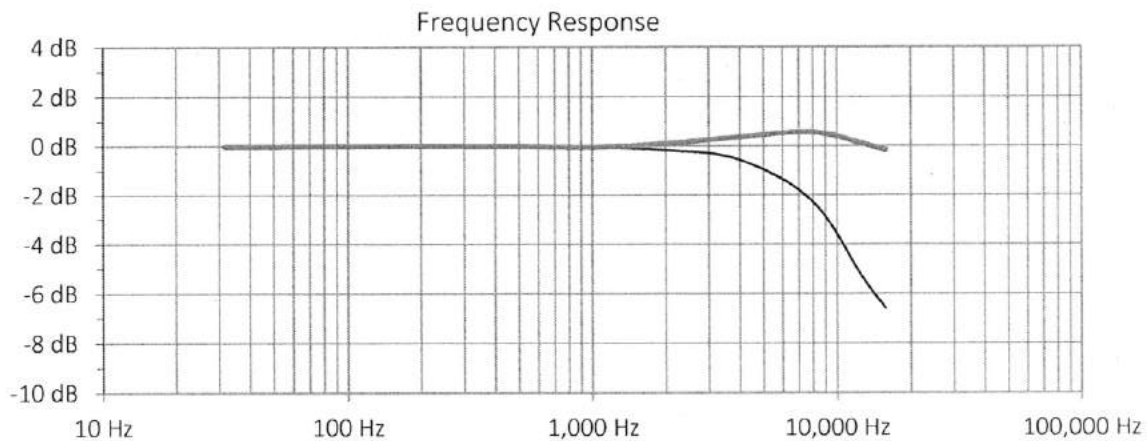
| Specs Nom | Unit | Min | Reading | Max | | In/Out |
|-----------|---------------|--------|---------|--------|--|--------|
| 50 | mV/Pa | 39.72 | 44.78 | 62.94 | | In |
| -26.02 | dB re 1V/Pa | -28.02 | -26.98 | -24.02 | | In |
| 0 | dB re 50mV/Pa | -2 | -0.96 | 2 | | In |

Ambient Conditions: Static Pressure 98.8 kPa
Temperature 24.9°C
Rel.Humidity 46.0%

Frequency response

| | Lower | Upper |
|--------|----------|------------|
| Freq | Pressure | Free Field |
| Hz | dB | dB |
| 31.5 | -0.03 | -0.03 |
| 63.1 | -0.01 | -0.02 |
| 125.9 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 251.3 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 502.5 | -0.01 | -0.01 |
| 1005.1 | -0.06 | -0.04 |
| 1978.7 | -0.17 | 0.09 |
| 3957.5 | -0.56 | 0.35 |
| 7914.9 | -2.24 | 0.55 |
| 12663 | -5.30 | 0.10 |
| 15830 | -6.60 | -0.18 |

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CERTIFICATE of CALIBRATION

Make : PCB Piezotronics

Reference # : 157553

Model : 480E09

Customer : Aeroustics Engineering Ltd
Mississauga, ON

Descr. : Conditioning Amplifier

Serial # : 00035339

P. Order : 2019.06.14C

Asset # : 01213

Cal. status : Received in spec's, no adjustment made.

Navair Technologies certifies that the above listed instrument was calibrated on date noted and was released from this laboratory performing in accordance with the specifications set forth by the manufacturer.

Unless otherwise noted in the calibration report a 4:1 accuracy ratio was maintained for this calibration.

Our Quality System system complies with the requirements of ISO-9001-2015 and is registered under certificate CA96/269, working standards used for calibration are certified by or traceable to the National Research Council of Canada or the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

Calibrated : Jun 18, 2019

By : 

Cal. Due : Jun 18, 2021

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Temperature : 23 °C ± 2 °C Relative Humidity : 30% to 70%

Standards used : J-233 J-255 J-367 J-512

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|--------------|------------------------|--------|---------|

Calibration Report for Certificate : 157553

| Make | Model | Serial No | Asset |
|------------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| PCB Piezotronics | 480E09 | 00035339 | 01213 |

| Test | Input | Min | Reading | Max | In/Out |
|------|-------|-----|---------|-----|--------|
|------|-------|-----|---------|-----|--------|

Gain accuracy at 1 kHz

Gain Set

| | | | | | | | |
|-------|---------|--|--------|----------|--------|--|----|
| • 1 | 1.000 V | | 0.9800 | 1.0001 V | 1.0200 | | In |
| • 10 | 0.100 V | | 0.9800 | 0.9996 V | 1.0200 | | In |
| • 100 | 0.010 V | | 0.9800 | 0.9935 V | 1.0200 | | In |

Gain Flatness

Gain • 1

| | | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|--|------|------|-----|--|----|
| 10 Hz | 1.000 V | | -5.0 | 0.2% | 5.0 | | In |
| 10 kHz | 1.000 V | | -5.0 | 0.0% | 5.0 | | In |
| 50 kHz | 1.000 V | | -5.0 | 0.1% | 5.0 | | In |
| 100 kHz | 1.000 V | | -5.0 | 0.0% | 5.0 | | In |

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| | | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|--|------|-------|-----|--|----|
| 10 Hz | 0.100 V | | -5.0 | 0.2% | 5.0 | | In |
| 10 kHz | 0.100 V | | -5.0 | 0.0% | 5.0 | | In |
| 50 kHz | 0.100 V | | -5.0 | -0.1% | 5.0 | | In |
| 100 kHz | 0.100 V | | -5.0 | -0.8% | 5.0 | | In |

Gain • 100

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|--------|---------|--|------|------|-----|--|----|
| 10 Hz | 0.010 V | | -5.0 | 0.1% | 5.0 | | In |
| 10 kHz | 0.010 V | | -5.0 | 1.5% | 5.0 | | In |
| 50 kHz | 0.010 V | | -5.0 | 1.7% | 5.0 | | In |

Compliant Calibration Certificate

Template Revision: Feb2018

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|----------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
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| Date Printed: | 23-JUL-2019 | Page: | 1 of 14 |
| Customer: | Aercooustics Engineering LTD (CA) 1004 Middlegate Rd No 1100 ONTARIO MISSISSAUGA, L4Y 1M4 CANADA | | |
| Manufacturer: | National Instruments | Model: | NI 9234 |
| Serial Number: | 1CAF70D | Description: | MODULE ASSY,NI 9234, 4 AI CONFIGURABLE |
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| Calibration Date: | 22-JUL-2019 | Recommended Calibration Due: | 22-JUL-2020 |
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| Lab Technician: | Rachel McKinnon | Driver Info: | NI-DAQmx:17.6.0 |
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Calibration Notes

| Type | Note |
|-------|---|
| Asset | Verification and adjustment were performed. |

Standards Used

| Manufacturer | Model | Type | Tracking Number | Calibration Due | Notes |
|----------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Fluke | 5720A | Calibrator | 8253 | 18-AUG-2019 | |
| National Instruments | PXI-4461 | Function generator | 9520 | 20-AUG-2019 | |
| National Instruments | PXI-4071 | Digital multimeter | 8241 | 17-DEC-2019 | |
| National Instruments | PXI-4132 | SMU | 9845 | 21-JUN-2020 | |

The standards used in this calibration are traceable to NIST and/or other National Measurement Institutes (NMI's) that are signatories of the International Committee of Weights and Measures (CIPM) mutual recognition agreement (MRA).

Calibration Results

As Found

Verify Accuracy

| Lower Range | Upper Range | Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
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| -5 V | 5 V | 0 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | -0.00001 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 0 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -3.99983 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 3.99992 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | 0.00009 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -3.99972 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 3.99982 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | -0.00007 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -3.99993 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 3.99988 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | 0.00002 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -3.99985 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |

As Found

Verify Gain Matching

| Max Gain Difference for Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | -0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 1 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | -0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 2 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | 0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 3 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | 0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |

As Found

Verify Phase Matching

| Max Phase Difference for Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | -0.013 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.011 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.013 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.009 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | -0.133 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.105 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.133 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.073 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |

As Found

Verify Common Mode Rejection Ratio

| Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|---------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 51.980 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 51.355 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 57.702 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 51.880 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |

As Found

Verify IEPE Current

| Channel | Rate | DMM Range | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.091 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.068 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.072 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.071 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |

As Found

Verify IEPE Compliance Voltage

| Channel | Rate | SMU Voltage Limit | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.854 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.858 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.859 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.858 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |

As Left

Verify Accuracy

| Lower Range | Upper Range | Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|-------------|-------------|---------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------|-------|
| -5 V | 5 V | 0 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 4.00002 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 0 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | -0.00000 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 0 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -4.00000 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 4.00000 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | 0.00001 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 1 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -3.99997 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 3.99969 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | -0.00032 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 2 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -4.00031 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | 4.00000 V | 3.99520 V | 4.00001 V | 4.00480 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | 0.00000 V | -0.00120 V | -0.00000 V | 0.00120 V | Passed | |
| -5 V | 5 V | 3 | -4.00000 V | -4.00480 V | -4.00001 V | -3.99520 V | Passed | |

As Left

Verify Gain Matching

| Max Gain Difference for Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | 0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 1 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | -0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 2 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | -0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |
| 3 | 10240 | 10240 | 4 V | -0.040 dB | 0.000 dB | 0.040 dB | Passed | |

As Left

Verify Phase Matching

| Max Phase Difference for Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | -0.013 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.010 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.013 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | -0.085 Degrees | 0.009 Degrees | 0.085 Degrees | Passed | |
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | -0.132 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.105 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.132 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 10000 Hz | -0.490 Degrees | 0.073 Degrees | 0.490 Degrees | Passed | |

As Left

Verify Common Mode Rejection Ratio

| Channel | Rate | Samples per Channel | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|---------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 51.406 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 49.973 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 51.474 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 16384 | 1000 Hz | 40.000 dB | 50.744 dB | 100.000 dB | Passed | |

As Left

Verify IEPE Current

| Channel | Rate | DMM Range | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.081 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.068 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.072 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 0.01 A | 2.000 mA | 2.000 mA | 2.071 mA | 2.200 mA | Passed | |

As Left

Verify IEPE Compliance Voltage

| Channel | Rate | SMU Voltage Limit | Test Value | Low Limit | Reading | High Limit | Status | Notes |
|---------|-------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|--------|-------|
| 0 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.852 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 1 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.858 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 2 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.859 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |
| 3 | 51200 | 24 V | 2 mA | 19.000 V | 20.857 V | 24.000 V | Passed | |

TEST REPORT

Product family WXT530 series
Product type WXT536
Order code 6B1B2A4B1B1B
Serial number P4111045
Manufacturer Vaisala Oyj, Finland
Test date 8 October 2018

This test report certifies that the product was thoroughly tested and inspected, and found to meet its published test limits when it was shipped from Vaisala.

Test results

| Test | Result | Lower limit | Upper limit | Unit |
|------------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|------|
| Rain response | 389 | 345 | 575 | mV |
| Zero wind speed | 0 | 0 | 0.4 | m/s |
| Pressure difference | -0.12 | -1 | 1 | hPa |
| Temperature difference | 0.33 | -2 | 2 | °C |
| Humidity difference | -0.8 | -10 | 10 | %RH |
| Heating current | 0.72 | 0.6 | 0.8 | A |
| Current (service port) | 1.04 | 0.5 | 2 | mA |
| Communication (service port) | pass | PASS | PASS | - |
| Current (main port) | 0.71 | 0.5 | 2 | mA |
| Communication (main port) | pass | PASS | PASS | - |

Ambient conditions / Humidity 36.77 ±5 %RH, Temperature 22.3 ±1 °C, Pressure 1008.7 ±1 hPa.

Signature

Technician

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CALIBRATION SHEET

Instrument WXTPTU
Serial number P3240216
Manufacturer Vaisala Oyj, Finland
Test date 12 August 2018

This test report certifies that the instrument was thoroughly tested and inspected, and found to meet its published test limits when it was shipped from Vaisala.

Calibration results

| Test phase of calibration process | Reference value | Observed value | Difference* | Uncertainty** |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| Pressure | 1079.6 | 1079.6 | 0 | ± 0.4 hPa |
| Pressure | 897.2 | 897.2 | 0 | ± 0.4 hPa |
| Pressure | 796.6 | 796.6 | 0 | ± 0.4 hPa |
| Pressure | 595.9 | 595.9 | 0 | ± 0.4 hPa |
| Temperature | 59.7 | 59.7 | 0 | ± 0.2 °C |
| Temperature | -5.8 | -5.8 | 0 | ± 0.2 °C |
| Temperature | -32.8 | -32.8 | 0 | ± 0.2 °C |
| Temperature | 25.1 | 25 | -0.1 | ± 0.2 °C |
| Temperature | -51.9 | -51.9 | 0 | ± 0.2 °C |
| Relative humidity | 29.4 | 29.4 | 0 | ± 2 %RH |
| Relative humidity | 57.2 | 57.2 | 0 | ± 2 %RH |
| Relative humidity | 91.5 | 91.5 | 0 | ± 3 %RH |

*The test points for error values are polynomial fitting curve fitting points.

**The calibration uncertainty given at 95 % confidence level, k = 2

Traceability

The working standards for pressure and temperature are calibrated at Vaisala Measurement Standards Laboratory (MSL) by using MSL working standards traceable to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST, USA). The relative humidity values are calculated from measured temperature and dew-point temperature values. The dew-point working standards are traceable to the Finnish National Humidity Laboratory (MIKES).

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Appendix E
MECP I-Audit Checklist

MECP I-Audit Checklist**Wind Energy Project – Screening Document – Acoustic Audit Report – Immission**
Information Required in the Acoustic Audit Report – Immission

| Item # | Description | Complete? | Comment |
|--------|---|-----------|---|
| 1 | Did the Sound level Meter meet the Type 1 Sound level meter requirements according to the IEC standard 61672-1 Sound level Meters, Part 1: Specifications? Section D2.1.1 | ✓ | |
| 2 | Was the complete sound measurement system, including any recording, data logging or computing systems calibrated immediately before and after the measurement session at one or more frequencies using an acoustic calibrator on the microphone (must not exceed $\pm 0.5\text{dB}$)? Section D2.1.3 | ✓ | |
| 3 | Are valid calibration certificate(s) of the noise monitoring equipment and calibration traceable to a qualified laboratory? Is the validity duration of the calibration stated for each item of equipment? Section D2.3 | ✓ | |
| 4 | Was the predictable worst case parameters such as high wind shear and wind direction toward the Receptor considered? Section D3.2 | ✓ | |
| 5 | Is there a Wind Rose showing the wind directions at the site? Section D7 (1e) | ✓ | |
| 6 | Did the results cover a wind speed range of at least 4-7 m/s as outlined in section D 3.8.? | ✓ | |
| 7 | Was the weather report during the measurement campaign included in the report? Section D7 (1c) | ✓ | |
| 8 | Did the audit state there was compliance with the limits at each wind speed category? Section D6 | × | Sound immission levels at the audited receptor exceed the applicable sound level limits by 1 dB in each of the 5 and 6 m/s wind bins. |
| 9 | Are pictures of the noise measurement setup near Point of reception provided? Section D3.3.2 & D3.4 | ✓ | |
| 10 | Was there justification of the Receptor location choice(s) prior to commencement of the I-Audit? Section D4.1 | ✓ | |
| 11 | Was there sufficient valid data for different wind speeds? Section D5.2 # 3 | ✓ | |
| 12 | Was the turbine (operational) specific information during the measurement campaign in tabular form (i.e. wind speed at hub height, anemometer wind speed at 10 m height, air temperature and pressure and relative humidity) Section D3.7 | ✓ | |
| 13 | Were all the calculated standard deviations at all relevant integer wind speeds provided? Section D7 (2d) | ✓ | |
| 14 | Compliance statement | ✓ | |
| 15 | All data included in an Excel spreadsheet | ✓ | |
| 16 | If deviations from standard; was justification of the deviations provided | ✓ | |

Appendix F
E-Audit Report Summary

E-AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY

This section provides a summary of the results from the following E-Audit report:

REPORT ID: 13228.00.T060.RP5, South Kent Wind Farm – Turbine T060, IEC 61400-11 Edition 3.0 Measurement Report dated 21 December 2018 – Revision 5.

Sound Power Level of Turbine

The calculated apparent sound power level at hub height is summarized in Table 1. Corresponding sound power levels for 10 m height wind speeds are provided in Table 2.

Table 1 – $L_{WA, K}$ at each integer wind speed

| Wind Speed (m/s) | Apparent L_{WA} , (dBA) | Uncertainty (dB) |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 7.5 | 102.5* | 1.0 |
| 8 | 103.3 | 0.9 |
| 8.5 | 104.0 | 0.8 |
| 9 | 104.1 | 0.8 |
| 9.5 | 104.2 | 0.8 |
| 10 | 104.4 | 0.7 |
| 10.5 | 104.8 | 0.8 |
| 11 | 104.9 | 0.8 |
| 11.5 | 104.8 | 0.8 |
| 12 | 104.7 | 0.8 |
| 12.5 | 104.7 | 0.9 |

Values marked with an asterisk * denote 3 to 6 dB difference between Turbine ON and Background

Table 2 – $L_{WA 10m, K}$ at each integer wind speed

| Wind Speed (m/s) | Apparent L_{WA} , (dBA) | Uncertainty (dB) |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 5 | 101.8* | 1.0 |
| 6 | 103.9 | 0.8 |
| 7 | 104.4 | 0.8 |
| 8 | 104.8 | 0.8 |
| 9 | 104.7* | 1.4 |

Values marked with an asterisk * denote 3 to 6 dB difference between Turbine ON and Background

Tonality Analysis

The tonality analysis for the turbine is summarized in Table 3. All ΔL_{in} and ΔL_a values reported represent the energy average of all data points with an identified tone that fall within the same frequency of origin.

Table 3 – Tonality Assessment Summary

| Wind Speed (m/s) | Frequency (Hz) | Tonality, ΔL_{tn} (dB) | Tonal audibility, ΔL_a (dB) | FFT's with tones | Total # of FFT's | Presence (%) |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 7.5 | 416 | -5.0 | -2.7 | 74 | 119 | 62% |
| 8 | 426 | -0.2 | 2.0 | 61 | 177 | 34% |
| 8.5 | 475 | -4.7 | -2.4 | 187 | 189 | 99% |
| 9 | 111 | -4.5 | -2.5 | 55 | 55 | 100% |
| 9 | 476 | -2.2 | 0.1 | 55 | 55 | 100% |
| 9.5 | 111 | -3.9 | -1.9 | 25 | 25 | 100% |
| 9.5 | 476 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 25 | 25 | 100% |
| 10 | 112 | -3.1 | -1.0 | 14 | 14 | 100% |
| 10 | 478 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 14 | 14 | 100% |
| 10.5 | 119 | -0.4 | 1.6 | 18 | 18 | 100% |
| 10.5 | 489 | 1.6 | 3.9 | 17 | 18 | 94% |
| 11 | 119 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 29 | 29 | 100% |
| 11 | 491 | 1.4 | 3.7 | 27 | 29 | 93% |
| 11.5 | 119 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 43 | 43 | 100% |
| 11.5 | 492 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 43 | 43 | 100% |
| 12 | 119 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 36 | 36 | 100% |
| 12 | 492 | 1.2 | 3.4 | 35 | 36 | 97% |
| 12.5 | 119 | -0.1 | 1.9 | 8 | 8 | 100% |
| 12.5 | 494 | 1.2 | 3.5 | 8 | 8 | 100% |

Closure

Measurements and analyses per IEC 61400-11:2012 (Edition 3.0) were performed on turbine T060 of the South Kent Wind Farm, located in the municipality of Chatham-Kent. The test turbine was found to have a maximum apparent sound power level of 104.9 dBA and a maximum tonal audibility of 5.8 dB.

Appendix G

Additional Justification



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February 12, 2020

Director, Environmental Approvals Access and Service
Integration Branch Ministry of Environment
2 St. St Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A
Toronto ON M4V 1L5

Subject: South Kent Wind Project (REA #2871-8UKGPC) Receptor Imission Audit 2019-2020 Land Access

Dear Director

Please accept this letter acknowledging on August 2, 2019 South Kent did attempt to get access granted to lands for receptor R2736, but the land owner declined to participate in the Audit.

Also, South Kent could not use receptor R3282 due to the fact that the potential monitor location was inside of a horse pen. For the safety of the animals it was decided to use another location on the same lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Aikenhead". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kevin Aikenhead
Facility Manager
South Kent Wind
C: 519-350-9373

End of Report
