

# **Study Design and Analytical Results Used to Evaluate Carry-Over Contamination by Volatile Organic Compounds in Surface- and Ground-Water Sampling Procedures**

By Brandon L. Taglioli<sup>1</sup>, Gregory C. Delzer<sup>2</sup>, and John S. Zogorski<sup>2</sup>

Open-File Report 00-384

<sup>1</sup>South Dakota School of Mines and Technology Contract Student

<sup>2</sup>U.S. Geological Survey, Rapid City, S. Dak.

## **U.S. Department of the Interior**

Bruce Babbitt, Secretary

## **U.S. Geological Survey**

Charles G. Groat, Director

The use of firm, trade, and brand names in this report is for identification purposes only and does not constitute endorsement by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Rapid City, South Dakota: 2001

### **For additional information write to:**

**District Chief  
U.S. Geological Survey  
1608 Mt. View Road  
Rapid City, SD 57702**

### **Copies of this report can be purchased from:**

**U.S. Geological Survey  
Information Services  
Box 25286  
Denver, CO 80225-0286**

# FOREWORD

The mission of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is to assess the quantity and quality of the earth resources of the Nation and to provide information that will assist resource managers and policy-makers at Federal, State, and local levels in making sound decisions. Assessment of water-quality conditions and trends is an important part of this overall mission.

One of the greatest challenges faced by water-resources scientists is acquiring reliable information that will guide the use and protection of the Nation's water resources. That challenge is being addressed by Federal, State, interstate, and local water-resource agencies and by many academic institutions. These organizations are collecting water-quality data for a host of purposes that include: compliance with permits and water-supply standards; development of remediation plans for a specific contamination problem; operational decisions on industrial, wastewater, or water-supply facilities; and research on factors that affect water quality. An additional need for water-quality information is to provide a basis on which regional and national-level policy decisions can be based. Wise decisions must be based on sound information. As a society we need to know whether certain types of water-quality problems are isolated or ubiquitous, whether there are significant differences in conditions among regions, whether the conditions are changing over time, and why these conditions change from place to place and over time. The information can be used to help determine the efficacy of existing water-quality policies and to help analysts determine the need for and likely consequences of new policies.

To address these needs, the Congress appropriated funds in 1986 for the USGS to begin a pilot program in seven project areas to develop and refine the National Water-Quality Assessment (NAWQA) Program. In 1991, the USGS began full implementation of the program. The NAWQA Program builds upon an existing base of water-quality studies of the USGS, as well as those of other Federal, State, and local agencies. The objectives of the NAWQA Program are to:

- Describe current water-quality conditions for a large part of the Nation's freshwater streams, rivers, and aquifers.

- Describe how water quality is changing over time.

- Improve understanding of the primary natural and human factors that affect water-quality conditions.

This information will help support the development and evaluation of management, regulatory, and monitoring decisions by other Federal, State, and local agencies to protect, use, and enhance water resources.

The goals of the NAWQA Program are being achieved through ongoing and proposed investigations of 59 of the Nation's most important river basins and aquifer systems, which are referred to as Study Units. These Study Units are distributed throughout the Nation and cover a diversity of hydrogeologic settings. More than two-thirds of the Nation's freshwater use occurs within the 59 Study Units and more than two-thirds of the people served by public water-supply systems live within their boundaries.

National synthesis of data analysis, based on aggregation of comparable information obtained from the Study Units, is a major component of the program. This effort focuses on selected water-quality topics using nationally consistent information. Comparative studies will explain differences and similarities in observed water-quality conditions among study areas and will identify changes and trends and their causes. The first topics addressed by the national synthesis are pesticides, nutrients, volatile organic compounds, and aquatic biology. Discussions on these and other water-quality topics will be published in periodic summaries of the quality of the Nation's ground and surface water as the information becomes available.

This report is an element of the comprehensive body of information developed as part of the NAWQA Program. The program depends heavily on the advice, cooperation, and information from many Federal, State, interstate, Tribal, and local agencies and the public. The assistance and suggestions of all are greatly appreciated.

*Robert M. Heisch*

Chief Hydrologist

# CONTENTS

Abstract.....	1
Introduction .....	1
Background.....	1
Acknowledgments .....	1
Study Design.....	2
Surface-Water Samples.....	5
Sampling Procedures .....	6
Analytical Results.....	6
Ground-Water Samples.....	12
Sampling Procedures .....	12
Analytical Results.....	13
References Cited.....	17
Appendices .....	19
1. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units.....	21
2. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units.....	29

## FIGURES

1. Map showing Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program .....	2
2. Photograph of volatile organic compound hand sampler used for collection of surface-water samples.....	5
3. Graph showing comparison of concentrations of 87 volatile organic compounds in samples collected using a volatile organic compound hand sampler, which was exposed to low levels of VOCs during the prior decontamination process, and a hand-dipped sample.....	11
4. Typical ground-water sampling configuration.....	12

## TABLES

1. Volatile organic compounds analyzed as part of the U.S. Geological Survey National Water-Quality Assessment Program .....	3
2. Summary of surface-water samples collected and used for evaluation of carry-over contamination.....	6
3. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC- grade water (sample 1) from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program.....	7
4. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program.....	10
5. Summary of ground-water samples collected and used for evaluation of carry-over contamination .....	13
6. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program .....	14
7. Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program.....	17

CONVERSION FACTORS

	Multiply	By	To obtain
	foot (ft)	0.3048	meter
	mile (mi)	1.609	kilometer

# Study Design and Analytical Results Used to Evaluate Carry-Over Contamination by Volatile Organic Compounds in Surface- and Ground-Water Sampling Procedures

By Brandon L. Taglioli, Gregory C. Delzer, and John S. Zogorski

## ABSTRACT

The study described in this report was designed to determine the magnitude, if any, of carry-over contamination of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in environmental samples resulting from contaminated source solution used to clean the sampling equipment. In general, the study compared the presence of VOCs in environmental samples collected using clean samplers with environmental samples collected after the samplers had been exposed to small concentrations of VOCs during the routine decontamination process. This report documents the study design and presents analytical results from a total of five surface-water samples and six ground-water samples to evaluate carry-over contamination. Results indicate that the VOCs did not carry over from the source solution used to clean sampling equipment to surface-water and ground-water samples collected subsequently. However, additional evaluation of carry-over contamination of methylbenzene in ground-water samples may be warranted.

## INTRODUCTION

### Background

Prior to August 1997, some volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were detected frequently in the source solution used by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Water-Quality Assessment (NAWQA) Program to collect VOC blank samples. This source solution (hereinafter termed non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water) was commercially available.

Several of the VOCs present in the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water and respective blank samples also were detected frequently in environmental samples at similar concentrations. These concentrations were generally small—near 0.1 µg/L (micrograms per liter). Notable VOCs detected in the blank samples, non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water, and environmental samples included 2-butanone, 1,3 and 1,4-dimethylbenzene, dithiocarbonic anhydride, ethylbenzene, methylbenzene, and 2-propanone.

Similar concentrations of VOCs in environmental samples and blank samples prepared using the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water made it difficult to determine if the detections in the environmental sample were true environmental concentrations or carry-over contamination from the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used to clean the equipment. Therefore, a new higher quality source solution was prepared at the USGS National Water-Quality Laboratory (NWQL) in Denver, Colorado, and used as part of onsite cleaning protocols in August 1997 and thereafter. This source solution is a commercially available pesticide-grade water that has been purged with nitrogen gas to remove VOCs. This water is hereinafter termed nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water.

The study described in this report was designed to determine the magnitude, if any, of carry-over concentrations of VOCs present in the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used by the USGS to clean sampling equipment prior to August 1997. In general, the study compared the presence of VOCs in environmental samples collected using clean samplers with environmental samples collected after the samplers had been exposed to small concentrations of VOCs during the routine decontamination process. This study was completed between March and October 1998.

The purpose of this report is to document the study design and present analytical results of the study.

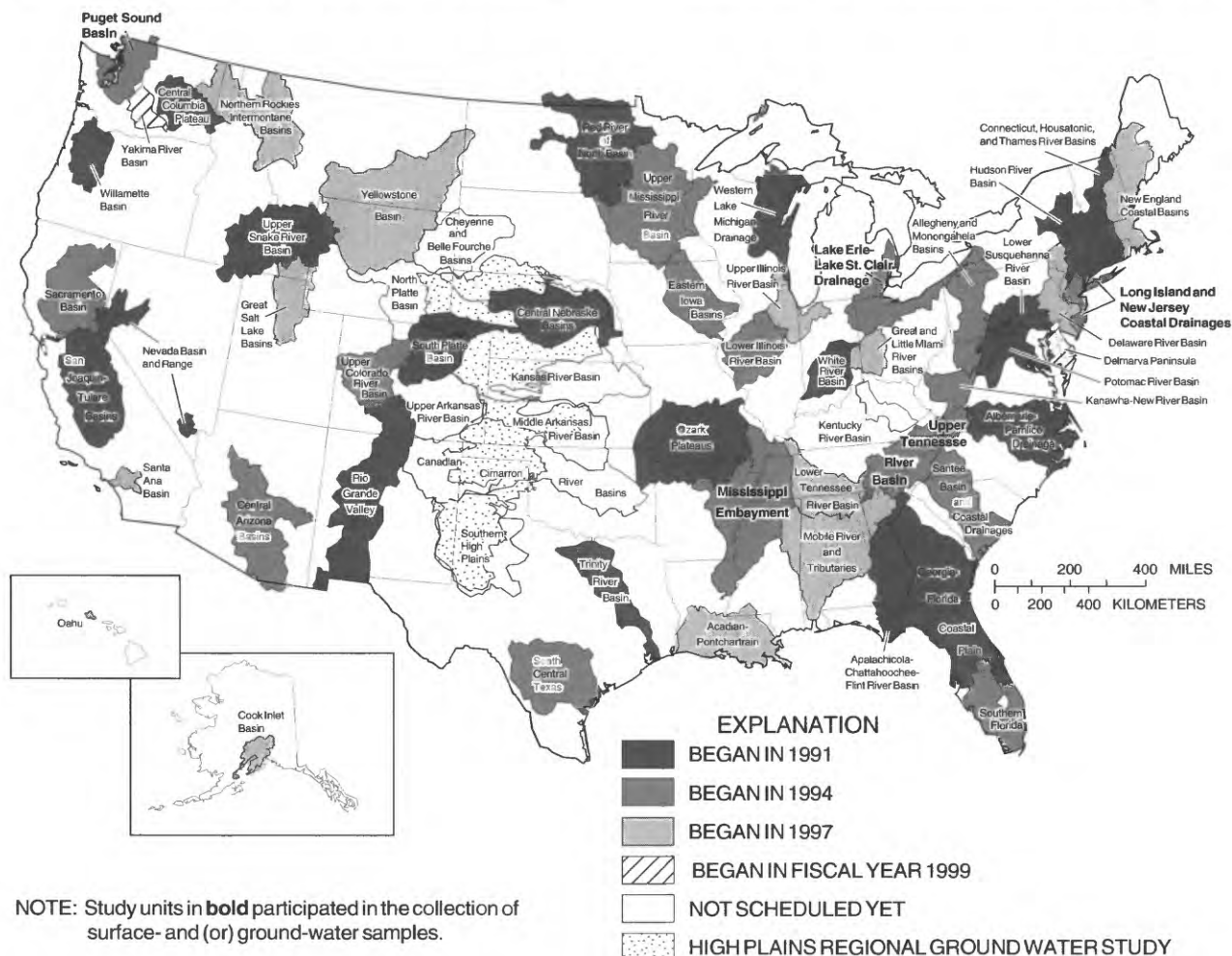
Results of this study will be used to further evaluate the quality of VOC data collected in the NAWQA Program.

## Acknowledgments

The authors acknowledge and thank the many people that assisted in this study. In particular, the authors appreciate the help of project personnel from five USGS NAWQA Study Units who collected surface- and (or) ground-water samples. These Study Units are the Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage (LERI), the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages (LINJ), the Mississippi Embayment (MISE), the Puget Sound Basin (PUGT), and the Upper Tennessee River Basin (UTEN), as shown in figure 1. The authors also thank the VOC section of the NWQL, who performed the laboratory analyses of VOC samples.

## STUDY DESIGN

This study was intended to determine if the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used during equipment-cleaning procedures prior to August 1997 contaminated subsequently collected surface- and ground-water samples. In addition, this study provides some insight about the ability of rinsing protocols to remove small concentrations of VOCs that may otherwise carry over from environmental sample to environmental sample. To make these determinations, the nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water currently used in equipment cleaning was spiked with as many as 87 VOCs to achieve a theoretical concentration of 0.1 µg/L for most VOCs. This spiked water is herein-after termed spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. Table 1 lists the 87 VOCs spiked into the nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. The same analytes are included on the NWQL's low-level VOC method (schedule 2020) that is used in the NAWQA Program.



**Figure 1.** Location of National Water-Quality Assessment Program Study Units and their proposed implementation dates (modified from Gilliom and others, 1995).

**Table 1.** Volatile organic compounds analyzed as part of the U.S. Geological Survey National Water-Quality Assessment Program

[Compounds are identified by the following: PCODE, U.S. Geological Survey parameter code; CAS number, Chemical Abstract Services number; IUPAC compound name, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry compound name]

PCODE	CAS number	IUPAC compound name	PCODE	CAS number	IUPAC compound name
Target Analytes					
34030	71-43-2	Benzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> )	34541	78-87-5	1,2-Dichloropropane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (propylene dichloride)
32101	75-27-4	Bromodichloromethane (CHBrCl <sub>2</sub> ) (dichlorobromomethane)	34704	10061-01-5	<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>(Z)</i> -1,3-dichloropropene)
50002	593-60-2	Bromoethene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Br) (vinyl bromide)	34699	10061-02-6	<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>(E)</i> -1,3-dichloropropene)
34413	74-83-9	Bromomethane (CH <sub>3</sub> Br) (methyl bromide)	77135	95-47-6	1,2-Dimethylbenzene (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) ( <i>o</i> -xylene)
77342	104-51-8	<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) (1-phenylbutane)	85795	108-38-3	1,3-Dimethylbenzene (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) ( <i>m</i> -xylene) and
34301	108-90-7	Chlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl) (monochlorobenzene)		106-42-3	1,4-Dimethylbenzene (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) ( <i>p</i> -xylene)
34311	75-00-3	Chloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl) (ethyl chloride)	77128	100-42-5	Ethenylbenzene (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) (styrene)
39175	75-01-4	Chloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl) (vinyl chloride)	50004	637-92-3	2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O) (ethyl <i>tert</i> -butyl ether, ETBE)
34418	74-87-3	Chloromethane (CH <sub>3</sub> Cl) (methyl chloride)	34371	100-41-4	Ethylbenzene (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) (phenylethane)
82625	96-12-8	1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> Cl) (dibromochloropropane, DBCP)	39702	87-68-3	1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene (C <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> ) (hexachlorobutadiene)
32105	124-48-1	Dibromochloromethane (CHBr <sub>2</sub> Cl) (chlorodibromomethane)	34396	67-72-1	1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> ) (carbon hexachloride)
77651	106-93-4	1,2-Dibromoethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ) (ethylene dibromide, EDB)	50005	994-05-8	2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O) ( <i>tert</i> -amyl methyl ether, TAME)
34536	95-50-1	1,2-Dichlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>o</i> -dichlorobenzene)	78032	1634-04-4	2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane (C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O) (methyl <i>tert</i> -butyl ether, MTBE)
34566	541-73-1	1,3-Dichlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>m</i> -dichlorobenzene)	34010	108-88-3	Methylbenzene (C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) (toluene)
34571	106-46-7	1,4-Dichlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>p</i> -dichlorobenzene)	77223	98-82-8	(1-Methylethyl)benzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (isopropylbenzene)
34668	75-71-8	Dichlorodifluoromethane (CCl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) (CFC 12)	34696	91-20-3	Naphthalene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) (arrylonitrite)
34496	75-34-3	1,1-Dichloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (ethylidene chloride)	81577	108-20-3	2,2'-Oxybis[propane] (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O) (diisopropyl ether, DIPE)
32103	107-06-2	1,2-Dichloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (ethylene dichloride)	34210 <sup>1</sup>	107-02-8	2-Propenal (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O) (acrolein)
34501	75-35-4	1,1-Dichloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (vinylidene chloride)	34215	107-13-1	2-Propenenitrile (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N)
77093	156-59-2	<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>(Z)</i> -1,2-dichloroethene)	77224	103-65-1	<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (1-phenylpropane)
34546	156-60-5	<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>(E)</i> -1,2-dichloroethene)	34475	127-18-4	Tetrachloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> ) (perchloroethene, PCE)
34423	75-09-2	Dichloromethane (CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (methylene chloride)	32102	56-23-5	Tetrachloromethane (CCl <sub>4</sub> ) (carbon tetrachloride)



**Table 1.** Volatile organic compounds analyzed as part of the U.S. Geological Survey National Water-Quality Assessment Program—Continued

[Compounds are identified by the following: PCODE, U.S. Geological Survey parameter code; CAS number, Chemical Abstract Services number; IUPAC compound name, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry compound name]

PCODE	CAS number	IUPAC compound name	PCODE	CAS number	IUPAC compound name
<b>Target Analytes—Continued</b>					
32104	75-25-2	Tribromomethane (CHBr <sub>3</sub> ) (bromoform)	39180	79-01-6	1,1,2-Trichloroethene (C <sub>2</sub> HCl <sub>3</sub> ) (trichloroethylene, TCE)
77652	76-13-1	1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane (C <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ) (CFC 113)	34488	75-69-4	Trichlorofluoromethane (CCl <sub>3</sub> F) (CFC 11)
77613	87-61-6	1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> )	32106	67-66-3	Trichloromethane (CHCl <sub>3</sub> ) (chloroform)
34551	120-82-1	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> )	77443	96-18-4	1,2,3-Trichloropropane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> ) (allyl trichloride)
34506	71-55-6	1,1,1-Trichloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> ) (methyl chloroform)	77222	95-63-6	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (pseudocumene)
34511	79-00-5	1,1,2-Trichloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> ) (vinyl trichloride)			
<b>Other Analytes</b>					
81555	108-86-1	Bromobenzene (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Br) (phenyl bromide)	77103	591-78-6	2-Hexanone (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O) (butyl methyl ketone, MBK)
77297	74-97-5	Bromochloromethane (CH <sub>2</sub> BrCl) (methylene chlorobromide)	77424	74-88-4	Iodomethane (CH <sub>3</sub> I) (methyl iodide)
81595	78-93-3	2-Butanone (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O) (methyl ethyl ketone, MEK)	77356	99-87-6	1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) ( <i>p</i> -isopropyltoluene)
77041	75-15-0	Dithiocarbonic anhydride (CS <sub>2</sub> ) (carbon disulfide)	81597	80-62-6	Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate (C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) (methyl methacrylate)
77275	95-49-8	1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene (C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> Cl) ( <i>o</i> -chlorotoluene)	78133	108-10-1	4-Methyl-2-pentanone (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O) (isobutyl methyl ketone, MIK)
77277	106-43-4	1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene (C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> Cl) ( <i>p</i> -chlorotoluene)	81593	126-98-7	2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N) (methyl acrylonitrile)
78109	107-05-1	3-Chloro-1-propene (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl) (allyl chloride)	49991	96-33-3	Methyl 2-propenoate (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) (methyl acrylate)
30217	74-95-3	Dibromomethane (CH <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ) (methylene bromide)	77350	135-98-8	(1-Methylpropyl)benzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) ( <i>sec</i> -butylbenzene)
73547	110-57-6	<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) ( <i>E</i> )-1,4-dichloro-2-butene)	81576	60-29-7	1,1'-Oxybisethane (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O) (diethyl ether)
77173	142-28-9	1,3-Dichloropropane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (trimethylene dichloride)	81552	67-64-1	2-Propanone (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O) (acetone)
77170	594-20-7	2,2-Dichloropropane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> )	77562	630-20-6	1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> )
77168	563-58-6	1,1-Dichloropropene (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> )	34516	79-34-5	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> )
77353	98-06-6	(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) ( <i>tert</i> -butylbenzene)	49999	488-23-3	1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) (prehitene)
81607	109-99-9	1,4-Epoxybutane (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O) (tetrahydrofuran)	50000	527-53-7	1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ) (isodurene)
77220	611-14-3	1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (2-ethyltoluene)	77221	526-73-8	1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (hemimellitene)
73570	97-63-2	Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) (ethyl methacrylate)	77226	108-67-8	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene (C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ) (mesitylene)

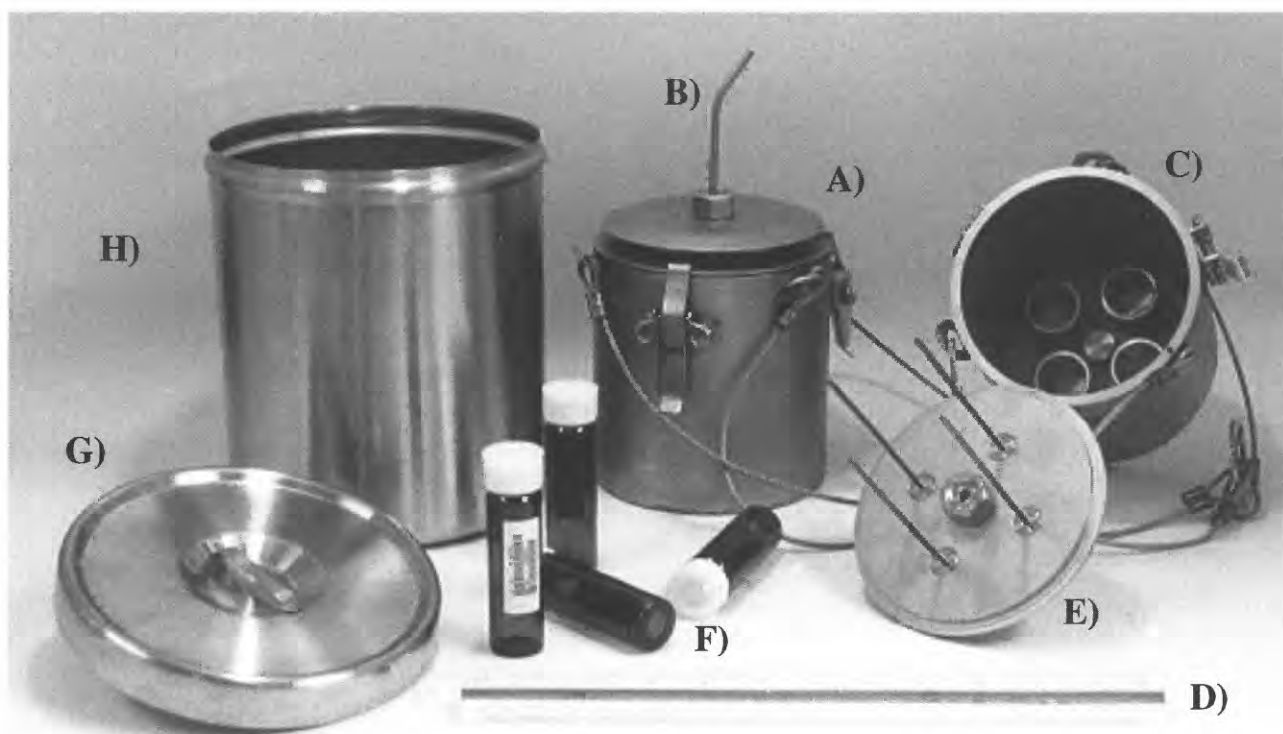
<sup>1</sup>Not analyzed after April 30, 1998.

The analytes in table 1 are divided into two groups—target analytes (55 compounds) and other analytes (32 compounds). The compounds 1,3- and 1,4-dimethylbenzene are listed as individual target analytes in table 1; however, the NWQL reports the concentration sum of these two compounds because these isomers coelute and cannot be separated by the purge-and-trap gas chromatography/mass spectrometry method (Connor and others, 1998). NAWQA target analytes were selected because of their known human-health and (or) aquatic-life concern, or because of their high frequency of occurrence in surface water and ground water, or because of their potential for large-scale use in commerce (Bender and others, 1999). The "other analytes" were included on the NWQL's

VOC schedule because they are analyzed as part of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's revised method for drinking-water samples (Connor and others, 1998). The NWQL discontinued analysis of 2-propenal as a VOC target analyte on April 30, 1998.

## SURFACE-WATER SAMPLES

Prior to August 1997, surface-water equipment was decontaminated according to procedures specified in Shelton (1997). These sampling procedures indicate that field-equipment blank samples are to be collected after equipment decontamination and immediately before the routine surface-water sample. After decontamination, the sampler (fig. 2) is rinsed three



### EXPLANATION

- A) ASSEMBLED VOC HAND SAMPLER EVALUATED FOR COLLECTION OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (VOCs) AND COMPONENT PARTS/RELATED ITEMS
- B) REPLACEABLE AIR EXHAUST TUBE
- C) INSIDE OF BODY OF VOC HAND SAMPLER SHOWING HOLDER FOR VOLATILE ORGANIC ANALYSIS (VOA) VIALS
- D) ENGINEER'S SCALE FOR REFERENCE (APPROXIMATELY 12 INCHES IN LENGTH)
- E) BOTTOM OF VOC HAND SAMPLER LID SHOWING REPLACEABLE FILLING PORTS
- F) VOA VIALS
- G) CANISTER LID
- H) CANISTER USED TO PROCESS FIELD BLANKS

**Figure 2.** Volatile organic compound hand sampler used for collection of surface-water samples.

times with native water before collection of the surface-water sample. The surface-water phase of this study tests the assumption that this native-water rinsing process removes the residual contamination, if any, that may have resulted from the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used during decontamination procedures prior to August 1997.

## Sampling Procedures

A field-blank sample was first collected from spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water in a stainless-steel container using the VOC hand sampler (sample 1). The VOC hand sampler subsequently was rinsed three times with the native stream water. Then, a surface-water sample was collected from the stream (sample 2) with the VOC hand sampler while a hand-dipped sample was collected concurrently near the same stream location (sample 3). Halde and others (1999) indicate that hand dipping a sample is statistically the same as using the VOC hand sampler. Occasionally, sample 3 was collected with a separate (pre-cleaned) VOC hand sampler. Sample 3 is representative of a surface-water sample collected according to procedures specified in Shelton (1997). Concentrations of carry-over VOCs from decontamination procedures to environmental samples would be characterized primarily through comparison of sample 2 and sample 3.

Each of the three samples just mentioned was collected on five different occasions at four different surface-water sites (table 2). Two samples were collected from one site in the LERI Study Unit, one sample was collected from each of two different sites in the LINJ Study Unit, and one sample was collected from one site in the PUGT Study Unit.

## Analytical Results

The results of the analysis of field-blank samples containing spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 1) are listed in table 3. Detected VOC concentrations ranged from 0.0067 to 11.7  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . All VOCs analyzed were detected in the samples from the LINJ and PUGT Study Units. The LERI Study Unit samples were spiked with a solution containing only 13 primary VOCs. However, this solution was contaminated with five additional VOCs. All 18 VOCs were detected.

The data for the VOC hand sampler that had been exposed to the spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 2) and the hand-dipped surface-water sample (sample 3) are listed in appendix 1. Seventy-six of the 87 VOCs analyzed were not detected in surface-water samples 2 and 3. Eleven VOCs—benzene; cis-1,2-dichloroethene; 1,2-dimethylbenzene; 1,3 and 1,4-dimethylbenzene; ethylbenzene; 2-methoxy-2-methylpropane; methylbenzene; 1,1,2-trichloroethene; trichloromethane; and 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene—were detected a total of 21 times in both sample 2 and sample 3 at similar concentrations (table 4). Three VOCs—benzene; chloromethane; and 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene—were detected at small concentrations (less than 0.015  $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) in sample 3 but not in sample 2. Furthermore, 2-methoxy-2-methylpropane was the only VOC detected in sample 2 and not in sample 3.

Figure 3 compares concentrations of 87 VOCs in samples collected using a VOC hand sampler, which was exposed to low levels of VOCs during the prior decontamination process, with concentrations in hand-dipped samples. In figure 3, VOC concentrations that were not detected were given a value of 0.001  $\mu\text{g/L}$  for plotting purposes. Results indicate that the VOCs did not carry over from the spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used to clean sampling equipment to surface-water samples collected subsequently.

**Table 2.** Summary of surface-water samples collected and used for evaluation of carry-over contamination

[VOC, volatile organic compound]

Procedure sample number	Description	Total number of samples collected at four sites
1	Field-blank sample containing spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water using VOC hand sampler.	5
2	Environmental sample collected using the VOC hand sampler that had been exposed to the spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water and rinsed three times with native stream water.	5
3	Environmental sample collected by hand dipping a sample vial or using a separate VOC hand sampler concurrently with sample 2.	5

**Table 3.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 1) from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in sample 1 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)				
	Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit		Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit		Puget Sound Basin Study Unit
	Site A	Site A <sup>1</sup>	Site A	Site B	Site A
Target Analytes					
Benzene	E 0.013	E 0.022	0.152	0.155	0.170
Bromodichloromethane	.104	E .078	.214	.178	.185
Bromoethene	<.100	<.100	.240	.279	.362
Bromomethane	<.148	<.148	E .418	E .560	E .260
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.186	<.186	.403	.524	.548
Chlorobenzene	<.028	<.028	.135	.156	.141
Chloroethane	<.120	<.120	.316	.375	.449
Chloroethene	<.112	E .028	.180	.252	.342
Chloromethane	<.254	<.254	E .594	E .800	E .780
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.214	<.214	.989	.857	.653
Dibromochloromethane	E .092	E .066	.801	.703	.651
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.036	<.036	.203	.188	.179
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.048	<.048	.213	.194	.153
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.054	<.054	.178	.173	.139
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	E .089	.092	.169	.169	.143
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<.096	<.096	E .098	E .170	E .220
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.066	<.066	.257	.228	.280
1,2-Dichloroethane	E .100	.097	.660	.496	.548
1,1-Dichloroethene	E .052	E .043	.102	.116	.165
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.038	<.038	.158	.152	.168
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.032	<.032	.137	.139	.205
Dichloromethane	<.382	<.382	1.55	1.40	1.79
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.068	<.068	.268	.235	.254
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.092	<.092	.286	.290	.266
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.134	<.134	.437	.470	.421
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	.144	.194	.184
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	E .021	E .015	.295	.391	.377
Ethynylbenzene	<.042	<.042	.152	.173	.143
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.054	<.054	.134	.161	.168
Ethylbenzene	E .081	E .065	.100	.151	.148

**Table 3.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 1) from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program—Continued

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in sample 1 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)				
	Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit		Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit		Puget Sound Basin Study Unit
	Site A	Site A <sup>1</sup>	Site A	Site B	Site A
<b>Target Analytes—Continued</b>					
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<0.142	<0.142	0.332	0.371	0.371
1,1,1,2,2,2- Hexachloroethane	<.362	<.362	1.41	1.51	1.01
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.112	<.112	.308	.364	.331
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	.116	E .100	.394	.377	.448
Methylbenzene	<.038	E .036	E .150	.154	.163
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<.032	<.032	.103	.145	.146
Naphthalene	<.250	<.250	.837	.925	.748
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.098	<.098	.361	.330	.387
2-Propenal	NA	NA	<250	<250	<250
2-Propenenitrile	<1.23	<1.23	E 9.59	7.61	E 7.25
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.042	<.042	.126	.142	.139
Tetrachloroethene	E .057	E .041	.176	.188	E .410
Tetrachloromethane	E .045	E .032	.342	.402	.255
Tribromomethane	.103	E .078	.403	.370	.322
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.032	<.032	E .046	E .059	E .076
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.266	<.266	.932	.981	.805
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.188	<.188	.610	.675	.553
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	E .060	E .052	.124	.126	.165
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	.269	.240	.223
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	E .082	E .065	.133	.139	.168
Trichlorofluoromethane	<.092	<.092	.126	.145	.220
Trichloromethane	<.052	<.052	.208	.178	.198
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.070	<.070	.348	.321	.245
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	<.056	E .007	.190	.230	.193
<b>Other Analytes</b>					
Bromobenzene	<.036	<.036	.164	.181	.131
Bromochloromethane	<.044	<.044	.210	.177	.178
2-Butanone	<1.65	<1.65	7.11	6.27	7.09
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.080	<.080	.180	.198	E .340
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.042	<.042	.142	.162	.144
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.056	<.056	.188	.202	.186

**Table 3.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 1) from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program—Continued

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in sample 1 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)				
	Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit		Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit		Puget Sound Basin Study Unit
	Site A	Site A <sup>1</sup>	Site A	Site B	Site A
Other Analytes—Continued					
3-Chloro-1-propene	<0.196	<0.196	0.228	0.243	0.355
Dibromomethane	<.050	<.050	.226	.190	.189
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<.692	<.692	3.72	2.81	2.21
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.116	<.116	.491	.426	.417
2,2-Dichloropropane	<.078	<.078	.172	.180	.236
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.026	<.026	E .091	.097	.148
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	.285	.282	.341
1,4-Epoxybutane	<1.15	<1.15	E 2.68	E 2.63	E 2.68
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.100	<.100	.296	.352	.296
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.278	<.278	.999	1.04	.832
2-Hexanone	<.746	<.746	3.04	2.78	2.92
Iodomethane	<.076	<.076	E .320	E .300	E .310
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.110	<.110	.244	.333	.323
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.350	<.350	1.26	1.36	1.30
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.374	<.374	1.52	1.20	1.31
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<.570	<.570	2.33	2.03	2.08
Methyl-2-propenoate	<.612	<.612	2.39	2.17	2.34
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.048	<.048	.106	E .100	.136
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.170	<.170	.812	.629	.791
2-Propanone	5.29	<4.90	1.9	8.67	11.7
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.044	<.044	.176	.178	.164
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.132	<.132	.745	.615	.484
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.230	<.230	.728	.819	.712
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.240	<.240	.828	.956	.820
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<.124	<.124	.470	.509	.453
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.044	<.044	.133	.170	.169

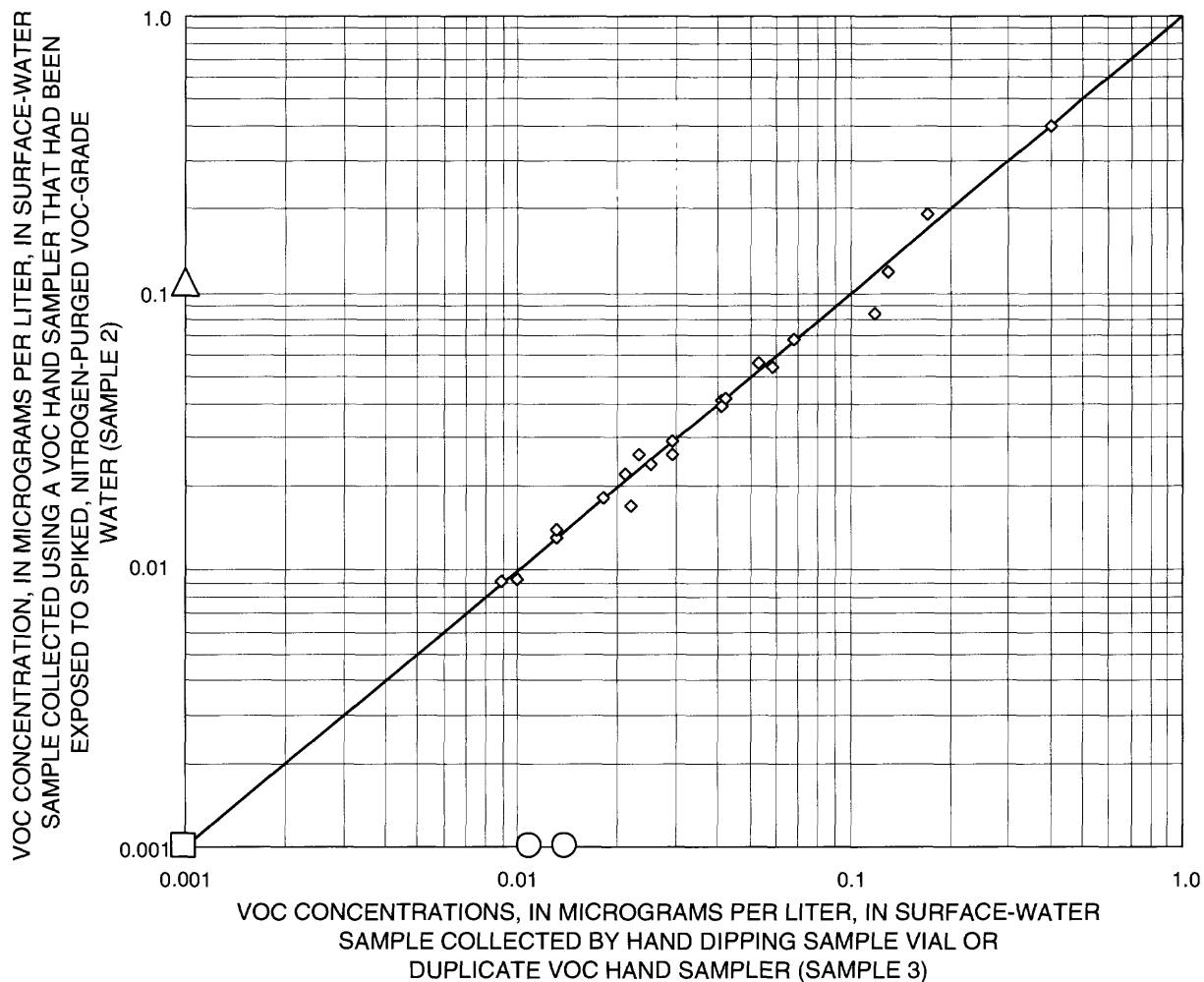
<sup>1</sup> Two samples from the same site were collected from the Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit.

**Table 4.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program

[IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; ND, not detected; E, estimated]

Study Unit (fig. 1)	VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations (micrograms per liter)	
		Sample 2	Sample 3
Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage	Site A		
	<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	E 0.042	E 0.042
	1,1,2-Trichloroethene	E .120	E .130
	Trichloromethane	E .026	E .023
	Site A <sup>1</sup>		
	<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	E .017	E .022
	2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	E .190	E .170
	Methylbenzene	E .056	E .053
Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages	Site A		
	Benzene	ND	E .011
	2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	E .11	ND
	1,1,2-Trichloroethene	E .029	E .029
	Trichloromethane	E .022	E .021
	Site B		
	Benzene	E .018	E .018
	1,2-Dimethylbenzene	E .014	E .013
	1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	E .026	E .029
	Ethylbenzene	E .009	E .010
	2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	.400	.402
	Methylbenzene	E .068	E .068
	Trichloromethane	E .013	E .013
	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	ND	E .014
Puget Sound Basin	Site A		
	Benzene	E .009	E .009
	Chloromethane	ND	E .011
	Methylbenzene	E .039	E .041
	Trichloromethane	E .041	E .041
	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	E .084	.118

<sup>1</sup> Two samples from the same site were collected from the Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit.



#### EXPLANATION

- 1:1 LINE
- ◇ DETECTED IN SAMPLES COLLECTED BY VOC HAND SAMPLER (SAMPLE 2)  
AND BY HAND DIPPING (SAMPLE 3) (21 PAIRS)
- NOT DETECTED IN SAMPLES COLLECTED BY EITHER THE VOC HAND  
SAMPLER OR BY HAND DIPPING (400 PAIRS)
- △ DETECTED IN SAMPLE 2 AND NOT DETECTED IN SAMPLE 3 (1 PAIR)
- DETECTED IN SAMPLE 3 AND NOT DETECTED IN SAMPLE 2 (3 PAIRS)

**Figure 3.** Comparison of concentrations of 87 volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in samples collected using a VOC hand sampler, which was exposed to low levels of VOCs during the prior decontamination process, with concentrations in hand-dipped samples.



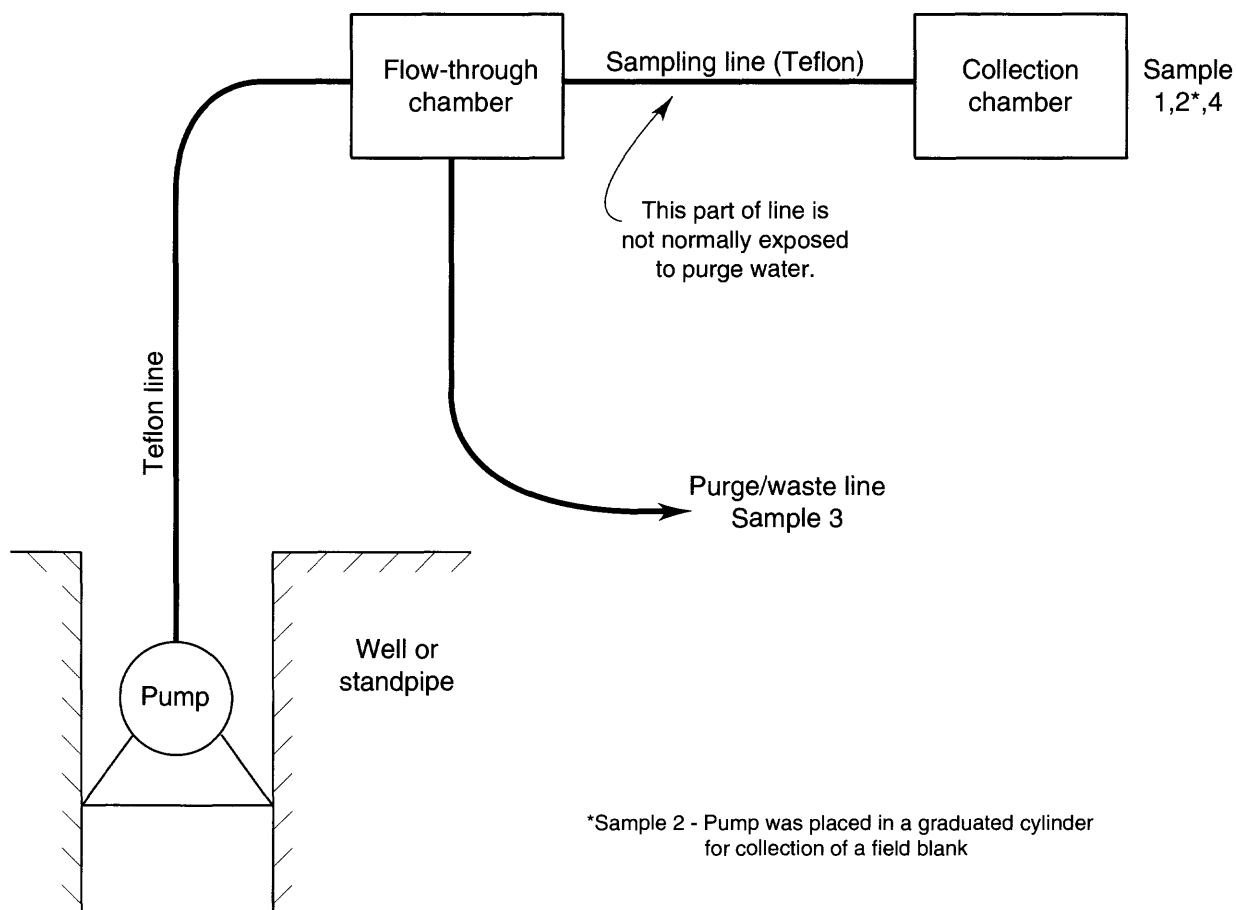
## GROUND-WATER SAMPLES

Prior to August 1997, ground-water equipment was decontaminated according to procedures specified in Koterba and others (1995). These protocols indicate field-equipment blank samples are to be collected after applying decontamination procedures. Well-purge criteria are part of the process in collecting ground-water samples. The ground-water phase of this study tests the assumption that the purge process removes the residual contamination, if any, that may have resulted from the non-nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water used during decontamination procedures prior to August 1997.

### Sampling Procedures

For this study, the well was first purged according to Koterba and others (1995), and an

environmental sample was collected using a previously cleaned pump (sample 1). This sample is representative of an environmental sample collected by NAWQA Study Units. The pump then was removed from the well, and sampling equipment was decontaminated as described by Koterba and others (1995). A field-blank sample then was collected using the spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 2). The exterior of the pump was rinsed with nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water, the pump was placed back in the well, and the well was purged using the same flow rate and amount of time as in the initial purge for sample 1. Current (2000) decontamination protocols do not require the normal sampling line from the flow-through chamber to the collection chamber to be rinsed during the purging process (fig. 4). As such, the third sample (sample 3) was collected from the purge/waste line, and sample 4 was collected from the collection



**Figure 4.** Typical ground-water sampling configuration.

chamber. Thus, the effect of not rinsing the normal sampling line would be characterized through comparison of sample 3 and sample 4. Concentrations of carry-over VOCs from decontamination procedures to environmental samples would be characterized primarily through comparison of sample 1 and sample 4. It is important to note, however, samples collected from the MISE Study Unit did not include a sample from the well-purge/waste line (sample 3). Also, samples collected from MISE used a 50-ft Teflon line for sampling well A and a 150-ft polyethylene line for sampling well B.

Except as noted above, each of the four samples just mentioned was collected at six different wells (table 5). Ground-water samples for this study were collected from two separate well locations at each of three participating Study Units. Two wells were sampled in the LINJ, MISE, and UTEN Study Units.

## Analytical Results

Detected concentrations in the spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water (sample 2) ranged from

0.022 to 27.6 µg/L (table 6). The data for the ground-water sample collected by NAWQA Study Units (sample 1), the ground-water sample collected from the waste line (sample 3), and the ground-water sample collected from the normal sampling location (collection chamber) (sample 4) are listed in appendix 2. Eighty-four of the 87 VOCs analyzed were not detected in ground-water samples 1, 3, or 4. All three samples from well A in the UTEN Study Unit had similar concentrations of trichloromethane (table 7). Also, none of the 87 VOCs listed in table 1 were detected in any of the three samples collected from well A in the LINJ Study Unit. These results indicate that the VOCs did not carry over from the source solution used to clean sampling equipment to ground-water samples collected subsequently. Excluding the UTEN trichloromethane data, three VOCs—methylbenzene, tetrachloroethene, and trichloromethane—were detected a total of six times in samples 3 and (or) 4 but not in sample 1. These three compounds may warrant further carry-over evaluation, especially methylbenzene that was found in sample 4 at three of the six sampled wells.

**Table 5.** Summary of ground-water samples collected and used for evaluation of carry-over contamination

Procedure sample number	Description	Total number of samples collected from six wells
1	Ground-water sample collected from the collection chamber before ground-water equipment had been exposed to spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water.	6
2	Field-blank sample containing spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water.	6
3	Ground-water sample collected from the wasteline after ground-water equipment had been exposed to spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water.	6
4	Ground-water sample collected from the collection chamber after ground-water equipment had been exposed to spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water.	6

**Table 6.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)					
	Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages		Mississippi Embayment		Upper Tennessee River Basin	
	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B
Target Analytes						
Benzene	0.169	0.176	0.138	0.13	0.128	0.135
Bromodichloromethane	.182	.185	.155	.148	.165	.163
Bromoethene	.266	.292	.198	.209	.224	.276
Bromomethane	E .780	E .820	E .320	E .490	E .620	E .720
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	.390	.426	.314	.118	.308	.340
Chlorobenzene	.175	.181	.137	.106	.123	.119
Chloroethane	.311	.344	E .099	.189	.249	.339
Chloroethene	.224	.252	.168	.189	.177	.252
Chloromethane	E .440	E .470	E .430	E .420	E .350	E .450
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	.779	.820	.776	.686	.644	.624
Dibromochloromethane	.665	.684	.632	.566	E .085	.531
1,2-Dibromoethane	.184	.187	.171	.156	.136	.160
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	.176	.175	.140	E .088	.118	.139
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	.167	.171	.129	E .068	1.16	.120
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	.163	.167	.132	E .069	.128	.116
Dichlorodifluoromethane	E .080	E .100	E .073	E .046	E .100	E .120
1,1-Dichloroethane	.249	.260	.192	.194	.219	.236
1,2-Dichloroethane	.471	.494	.423	.403	.520	.502
1,1-Dichloroethene	.104	.120	E .085	E .083	.098	.120
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	.182	.192	.136	.139	.145	.141
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	.163	.175	.118	.119	.135	.179
Dichloromethane	1.37	1.48	1.16	1.20	1.36	1.43
1,2-Dichloropropane	.268	.275	.221	.220	.214	.217
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	.261	.279	.248	.229	.209	.216
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	.383	.410	.395	.348	.426	.370
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	.210	.213	.172	.127	.147	.147
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	.392	.421	.328	.214	.290	.307
Ethenylbenzene	.189	.196	.137	.106	.141	.146
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	.171	.175	.152	.151	.142	.130
Ethylbenzene	.159	.169	.132	E .090	.110	.110

**Table 6.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program—Continued

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)					
	Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages		Mississippi Embayment		Upper Tennessee River Basin	
	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B
Target Analytes—Continued						
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	0.271	0.318	0.215	E 0.077	0.232	0.259
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	1.32	1.42	1.24	.852	.949	.982
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	.376	.382	.350	.327	.304	.291
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	.667	.675	.369	.525	.658	.685
Methylbenzene	.173	.183	.202	.185	.129	.129
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	.146	.156	.103	E .071	.095	.102
Naphthalene	.579	.882	E 1.90	E 1.20	.949	.758
2,2'-oxybis[propane]	.362	.383	.355	.318	.300	.297
2-Propenal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	4.38	4.5	5.17	4.79	5.40	5.80
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	.133	.147	.113	E .053	E .089	.097
Tetrachloroethene	.314	.346	.218	.130	.243	.268
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	.158	.173	.130	.104	.117	.132
Trichlorofluoromethane	.101	.127	E .089	E .065	.117	.147
Trichloromethane	.187	.194	.145	.155	.161	.164
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	.685	.754	.234	.506	.665	.669
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	.200	.211	.156	.093	.148	.153
Tetrachloromethane	.176	.200	.142	.112	.168	.199
Tribromomethane	.381	.402	.391	.351	.330	.327
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	E .046	E .057	E .046	E .022	E .055	E .054
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	.853	.891	.836	.389	.730	.685
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	.588	.601	.556	.233	.493	.474
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	.124	.140	.100	.093	.114	.137
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	.232	.236	.224	.202	.201	.203
Other Analytes						
Bromobenzene	.174	.175	.142	.099	.128	.128
Bromochloromethane	.187	.178	.146	.147	.162	.156
2-Butanone	6.98	6.96	18.40	9.52	6.75	6.43
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	.187	.212	E .320	E .140	.165	.219
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	.172	.179	.124	E .074	.116	.122

**Table 6.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program—Continued

[All samples were spiked, nitrogen-purged VOC-grade water. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	VOC concentrations in ground-water sample 2 from three Study Units (fig. 1) (micrograms per liter)					
	Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages		Mississippi Embayment		Upper Tennessee River Basin	
	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B	Well A	Well B
Other Analytes—Continued						
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	0.202	0.210	0.154	E 0.083	0.145	0.153
3-Chloro-1-propene	.245	.284	.216	.235	.269	.260
Dibromomethane	.187	.188	.176	.160	.161	.177
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	E 2.20	E 2.50	E 3.60	E 3.40	E 3.40	E 3.30
1,3-Dichloropropane	.445	.449	.431	.388	.382	.345
2,2-Dichloropropane	.100	.121	.132	.117	.140	.174
1,1-Dichloropropene	.122	.141	.096	E .071	.094	.113
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	.275	.301	.236	.135	.216	.236
1,4-Epoxybutane	8.13	8.23	<9.00	E 6.40	6.54	6.63
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	.317	.331	.267	.149	.222	.231
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	.979	1.00	.959	.868	.825	.788
2-Hexanone	2.73	2.72	2.98	2.74	2.35	2.21
Iodomethane	E .360	E .390	E .28	E .340	E .290	E .340
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	.278	.302	.221	E .091	.201	.222
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	1.36	1.40	1.40	1.30	1.15	1.06
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	1.30	1.32	1.41	1.27	E .900	1.32
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	2.22	2.24	2.24	2.10	1.95	1.75
Methyl-2-propenoate	5.77	5.87	2.45	4.72	5.29	5.12
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	.125	.137	.119	E .044	E .088	.097
1,1'-Oxybisethane	.615	.640	.641	.613	.586	.649
2-Propanone	27.6	25.3	13.6	21.2	E 26.0	E 27.0
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	.172	.175	.130	.126	.141	.136
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	.519	.510	.520	.473	.476	.437
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	.773	.790	E 1.00	E .470	.798	.783
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	.715	.744	.800	.363	.672	.698
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	.446	.461	.380	.216	.348	.351
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	.158	.169	.123	E .068	.110	.117

**Table 7.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) detected in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from three Study Units of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program

[IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; ND, not detected; E, estimated; NA, not analyzed]

Study Unit (fig. 1)		VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations (micrograms per liter)		
			Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
Mississippi Embayment	Well A	Methylbenzene	ND	NA	E 0.065
	Well B <sup>1</sup>	Methylbenzene	ND	NA	E .044
	Well B <sup>1</sup>	Tetrachloroethene	ND	NA	E .004
Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages	Well A	ND	ND	ND	ND
	Well B	Methylbenzene	ND	E 0.015	ND
Upper Tennessee River Basin	Well A	Trichloromethane	E 0.015	E .015	E .014
	Well B	Trichloromethane	ND	E .010	ND
		Methylbenzene	ND	E .022	E .019

<sup>1</sup>A 150-ft polyethylene sample line was used. All other samples were collected using a Teflon sampling line.

## REFERENCES CITED

- Bender, D.A., Zogorski, J.S., Halde, M.J., and Rowe, B.L., 1999, Selection procedure and salient information for volatile organic compounds emphasized in the National Water-Quality Assessment Program: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 99-182, 32 p.
- Connor, B.F., Rose, D.L., Noriega, M.C., Murtagh, L.K., and Abney, S.R., 1998, Methods of analysis by the U.S. Geological Survey National Water-Quality Laboratory—determination of 86 volatile organic compounds in water by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, including detections less than reporting limits: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 97-829, 78 p.
- Halde, M.J., Delzer, G.C., and Zogorski, J.S., 1999, Study design and analytical results used to evaluate a surface-water point sampler for volatile organic compounds: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 98-651, 31 p.
- Koterba, M.T., Wilde, F.D., and Lapham W.W., 1995, Ground-water data-collection protocols and procedures for the National Water-Quality Assessment Program—collection and documentation of water-quality samples and related data: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 95-399, 113 p.
- Shelton, L.R., 1997, Field guide for collecting samples for analysis of volatile organic compounds in stream water for the National Water-Quality Assessment Program: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 97-401, 14 p.

---

---

## APPENDICES

---

---

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit (fig. 1)				
	Target Analytes			
Sample date	5-9-98	5-9-98	6-3-98	
Benzene	<0.064	<0.064	<0.064	<0.064
Bromodichloromethane	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096
Bromoethene	<.200	<.200	<.200	<.200
Bromomethane	<.296	<.296	<.296	<.296
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.372	<.372	<.372	<.372
Chlorobenzene	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056
Chloroethane	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240
Chloroethene	<.224	<.224	<.224	<.224
Chloromethane	<.508	<.508	<.508	<.508
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.428	<.428	<.428	<.428
Dibromochloromethane	<.364	<.364	<.364	<.364
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.072	<.072	<.072	<.072
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.108	<.108	<.108	<.108
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<.192	<.192	<.192	<.192
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.268	<.268	<.268	<.268
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088
<b><i>cis</i>-1,2-Dichloroethene</b>	<b>E .042</b>	<b>E .042</b>	<b>E .017</b>	<b>E.022</b>
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
Dichloromethane	<.764	<.764	<.764	<.764
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.136	<.136	<.136	<.136
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.184	<.184	<.184	<.184
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.268	<.268	<.268	<.268
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.128	<.128	<.128	<.128
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	<.128	<.128	<.128	<.128
Ethylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.084	<.084
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.108	<.108	<.108	<.108
Ethylbenzene	<.060	<.060	<.060	<.060
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<.284	<.284	<.284	<.284
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.724	<.724	<.724	<.724
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.224	<.224	<.224	<.224
<b>2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane</b>	<.224	<.224	<b>E .190</b>	<b>E .170</b>
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<.076	<.076	<b>E .056</b>	<b>E .053</b>



**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued				
Target Analytes—Continued				
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<0.064	<0.064	<0.064	<0.064
Naphthalene	<.500	<.500	<.500	<.500
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196
2-Propenal	NA	NA	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	<2.45	<2.45	<2.45	<2.45
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.084	<.084
Tetrachloroethene	<.076	<.076	<.076	<.076
Tetrachloromethane	<.176	<.176	<.176	<.176
Tribromomethane	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.532	<.532	<.532	<.532
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.376	<.376	<.376	<.376
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.128	<.128	<.128	<.128
<b>1,1,2-Trichloroethene</b>	<b>E .120</b>	<b>E .130</b>	<b>E .054</b>	<b>E .058</b>
Trichlorofluoromethane	<.184	<.184	<.184	<.184
<b>Trichloromethane</b>	<b>E .026</b>	<b>E .023</b>	<b>E .024</b>	<b>E .025</b>
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.140	<.140	<.140	<.140
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
Other Analytes				
Bromobenzene	<.072	<.072	<.072	<.072
Bromochloromethane	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088
2-Butanone	<3.30	<3.30	<3.30	<3.30
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.160	<.160	<.160	<.160
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.084	<.084
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.392	<.392	<.392	<.392
Dibromomethane	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<1.38	<1.38	<1.38	<1.38
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.232	<.232	<.232	<.232
2,2-Dichloropropane	<.156	<.156	<.156	<.156
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.052	<.052	<.052	<.052
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.192	<.192	<.192	<.192
1,4-Epoxybutane	<2.30	<2.30	<2.30	<2.30
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.200	<.200	<.200	<.200

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
<b>Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>				
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>				
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<0.556	<0.556	<0.556	<0.556
2-Hexanone	<1.49	<1.49	<1.49	<1.49
Iodomethane	<.152	<.152	<.152	<.152
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.220	<.220	<.220	<.220
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.700	<.700	<.700	<.700
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.748	<.748	<.748	<.748
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<1.14	<1.14	<1.14	<1.14
Methyl-2-propenoate	<1.22	<1.22	<1.22	<1.22
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.340	<.340	<.340	<.340
2-Propanone	<9.81	<9.81	<9.81	<9.81
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.264	<.264	<.264	<.264
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.460	<.460	<.460	<.460
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.480	<.480	<.480	<.480
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<.248	<.248	<.248	<.248
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene		<.088	<.088	<.088
<b>Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit</b>				
	<b>Target Analytes</b>			
Sample date	3-17-98		3-19-98	
<b>Benzene</b>	<.064	<b>E .011</b>	<b>E .018</b>	<b>E .018</b>
Bromodichloromethane	<.096	<.096	<.048	<.048
Bromoethene	<.200	<.200	<.100	<.100
Bromomethane	<.296	<.296	<.148	<.148
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.372	<.372	<.186	<.186
Chlorobenzene	<.056	<.056	<.028	<.028
Chloroethane	<.240	<.240	<.120	<.120
Chloroethene	<.224	<.224	<.112	<.112
Chloromethane	<.508	<.508	<.254	<.254
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.428	<.428	<.214	<.214
Dibromochloromethane	<.364	<.364	<.182	<.182
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.072	<.072	<.036	<.036
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.096	<.096	<.048	<.048
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.108	<.108	<.054	<.054
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.100	<.100	<.050	<.050

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit				
Target Analytes—Continued				
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<0.192	<0.192	<0.096	<0.096
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.132	<.132	<.066	<.066
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.268	<.268	<.134	<.134
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.088	<.088	<.044	<.044
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.076	<.076	<.038	<.038
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.064	<.064	<.032	<.032
Dichloromethane	<.764	<.764	<.382	<.382
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.136	<.136	<.068	<.068
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.184	<.184	<.092	<.092
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.268	<.268	<.134	<.134
<b>1,2-Dimethylbenzene</b>	<.128	<.128	<b>E .014</b>	<b>E .013</b>
<b>1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene</b>	<.128	<.128	<b>E .026</b>	<b>E .029</b>
Ethynylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.042	<.042
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.108	<.108	<.054	<.054
<b>Ethylbenzene</b>	<.060	<.060	<b>E .009</b>	<b>E .010</b>
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<.284	<.284	<.142	<.142
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.724	<.724	<.362	<.362
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.224	<.224	<.112	<.112
<b>2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane</b>	<b>E .110</b>	<.224	.400	.402
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<.076	<.079	<b>E .068</b>	<b>E .068</b>
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<.064	<.064	<.032	<.032
Naphthalene	<.500	<.500	<.250	<.250
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.196	<.196	<.098	<.098
2-Propenal	<500	<500	<250	<250
2-Propenenitrile	<2.45	<2.45	<1.23	<1.23
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.042	<.042
Tetrachloroethene	<.076	<.076	<.038	<.038
Tetrachloromethane	<.176	<.176	<.088	<.088
Tribromomethane	<.208	<.208	<.104	<.104
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.064	<.064	<.032	<.032
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.532	<.532	<.266	<.266
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.376	<.376	<.188	<.188
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	<.032	<.032
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.128	<.128	<.064	<.064
<b>1,1,2-Trichloroethene</b>	<b>E .029</b>	<b>E .029</b>	<.038	<.038

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit				
Target Analytes—Continued				
Trichlorofluoromethane	<0.184	<0.184	<0.092	<0.092
<b>Trichloromethane</b>	<b>E .022</b>	<b>E .021</b>	<b>E .013</b>	<b>E .013</b>
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.140	<.140	<.070	<.070
<b>1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene</b>	<.112	<.112	<.056	<b>E .014</b>
Other Analytes				
Bromobenzene	<.072	<.072	<.036	<.036
Bromochloromethane	<.088	<.088	<.044	<.044
2-Butanone	<3.30	<3.30	<1.65	<1.65
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.160	<.160	<.080	<.080
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.084	<.084	<.042	<.042
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.112	<.112	<.056	<.056
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.392	<.392	<.196	<.196
Dibromomethane	<.100	<.100	<.050	<.050
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<1.38	<1.38	<.692	<.692
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.232	<.232	<.116	<.116
2,2-Dichloropropane	<.156	<.156	<.078	<.078
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.052	<.052	<.026	<.026
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.192	<.192	<.096	<.096
1,4-Epoxybutane	<2.30	<2.30	<1.15	<1.15
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.200	<.200	<.100	<.100
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.556	<.556	<.278	<.278
2-Hexanone	<1.49	<1.49	<.746	<.746
Iodomethane	<.152	<.152	<.076	<.076
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.220	<.220	<.110	<.110
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.700	<.700	<.350	<.350
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.748	<.748	<.374	<.374
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<1.14	<1.14	<.570	<.570
Methyl-2-propenoate	<1.22	<1.22	<.612	<.612
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	<.048	<.048
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.340	<.340	<.170	<.170
2-Propanone	<9.81	<9.81	<4.90	<4.90
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.088	<.088	<.044	<.044
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.264	<.264	<.132	<.132
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.460	<.460	<.230	<.230
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.480	<.480	<.240	<.240

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
<b>Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit</b>				
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>				
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<0.248	<0.248	<0.124	<0.124
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.088	<.088	<.044	<.044
<b>Puget Sound Basin Study Unit</b>				
<b>Target Analytes</b>				
Sample date	4-6-98			
<b>Benzene</b>	<b>E .0091</b>	<b>E .0089</b>	NA	NA
Bromodichloromethane	<.048	<.048	NA	NA
Bromoethene	<.100	<.100	NA	NA
Bromomethane	<.148	<.148	NA	NA
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.186	<.186	NA	NA
Chlorobenzene	<.028	<.028	NA	NA
Chloroethane	<.120	<.120	NA	NA
Chloroethene	<.112	<.112	NA	NA
<b>Chloromethane</b>	<.254	<b>E.011</b>	NA	NA
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.214	<.214	NA	NA
Dibromochloromethane	<.182	<.182	NA	NA
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.036	<.036	NA	NA
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.048	<.048	NA	NA
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.054	<.054	NA	NA
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.050	<.050	NA	NA
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<.096	<.096	NA	NA
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.066	<.066	NA	NA
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.134	<.134	NA	NA
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.044	<.044	NA	NA
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.038	<.038	NA	NA
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.032	<.032	NA	NA
Dichloromethane	<.382	<.382	NA	NA
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.068	<.068	NA	NA
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.092	<.092	NA	NA
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.134	<.134	NA	NA
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	NA	NA
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	NA	NA
Ethynylbenzene	<.042	<.042	NA	NA
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.054	<.054	NA	NA
Ethylbenzene	<.030	<.030	NA	NA

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
<b>Puget Sound Basin Study Unit—Continued</b>				
<b>Target Analytes—Continued</b>				
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<0.142	<0.142	NA	NA
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.362	<.362	NA	NA
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.112	<.112	NA	NA
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	<.112	<.112	NA	NA
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<b>E .039</b>	<b>E .041</b>	NA	NA
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<.032	<.032	NA	NA
Naphthalene	<.250	<.250	NA	NA
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.098	<.098	NA	NA
2-Propenal	<250	<250	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	<1.23	<1.23	NA	NA
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.042	<.042	NA	NA
Tetrachloroethene	<.038	<.038	NA	NA
Tetrachloromethane	<.088	<.088	NA	NA
Tribromomethane	<.104	<.104	NA	NA
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.032	<.032	NA	NA
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.266	<.266	NA	NA
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.188	<.188	NA	NA
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.032	<.032	NA	NA
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	NA	NA
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	<.038	<.038	NA	NA
Trichlorofluoromethane	<.092	<.092	NA	NA
<b>Trichloromethane</b>	<b>E .041</b>	<b>E .041</b>	NA	NA
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.070	<.070	NA	NA
<b>1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene</b>	<b>E .084</b>	.118	NA	NA
<b>Other Analytes</b>				
Bromobenzene	<.036	<.036	NA	NA
Bromochloromethane	<.044	<.044	NA	NA
2-Butanone	<1.65	<1.65	NA	NA
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.080	<.080	NA	NA
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.042	<.042	NA	NA
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.056	<.056	NA	NA
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.196	<.196	NA	NA
Dibromomethane	<.050	<.050	NA	NA
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<.692	<.692	NA	NA
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.116	<.116	NA	NA

**Appendix 1.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in surface-water samples 2 and 3 from Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage, Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, and Puget Sound Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter			
	Site A		Site A <sup>1</sup> or Site B	
	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 2	Sample 3
<b>Puget Sound Basin Study Unit—Continued</b>				
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>				
2,2-Dichloropropane	<0.078	<0.078	NA	NA
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.026	<.026	NA	NA
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	NA	NA
1,4-Epoxybutane	<1.15	<1.15	NA	NA
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.100	<.100	NA	NA
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.278	<.278	NA	NA
2-Hexanone	<.746	<.746	NA	NA
Iodomethane	<.076	<.076	NA	NA
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.110	<.110	NA	NA
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.350	<.350	NA	NA
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.374	<.374	NA	NA
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<.570	<.570	NA	NA
Methyl-2-propenoate	<.612	<.612	NA	NA
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.048	<.048	NA	NA
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.170	<.170	NA	NA
2-Propanone	<4.90	<4.90	NA	NA
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.044	<.044	NA	NA
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.132	<.132	NA	NA
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.230	<.230	NA	NA
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.240	<.240	NA	NA
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<.124	<.124	NA	NA
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.044	<.044	NA	NA

<sup>1</sup>Two samples from the same site were collected from the Lake Erie-Lake St. Clair Drainage Study Unit.

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit (fig. 1)						
Target Analytes						
Sample date	8-11-98			8-11-98		
Benzene	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100
Bromodichloromethane	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
Bromoethene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
Bromomethane	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186
Chlorobenzene	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028
Chloroethane	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120
Chloroethene	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
Chloromethane	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214
Dibromochloromethane	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
Dichloromethane	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
Ethynylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054
Ethylbenzene	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<.142	<.142	<.142	<.142	<.142	<.142
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<b>E .015</b>	<.054



**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>						
<b>Target Analytes—Continued</b>						
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<0.032	<0.032	<0.032	<0.032	<0.032	<0.032
Naphthalene	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098
2-Propenal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
Tetrachloroethene	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102
Tetrachloromethane	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088
Tribromomethane	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038
Trichlorofluoromethane	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092
Trichloromethane	<.052	<.052	<.052	<.052	<.052	<.052
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056
<b>Other Analytes</b>						
Bromobenzene	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036
Bromochloromethane	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
2-Butanone	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196
Dibromomethane	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116
2,2-Dichloropropane	<.078	<.078	<.078	<.078	<.078	<.078
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096
1,4-Epoxybutane	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>						
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>						
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<0.278	<0.278	<0.278	<0.278	<0.278	<0.278
2-Hexanone	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746
Iodomethane	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570
Methyl-2-propenoate	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170
2-Propanone	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
<b>Mississippi Embayment Study Unit (fig. 1)</b>						
Sample date	<b>Target Analytes</b>					
	<b>9-10-98</b>			<b>9-10-98</b>		
Benzene	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<.100
Bromodichloromethane	<.048	NA	<.048	<.048	NA	<.048
Bromoethene	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<.100
Bromomethane	<.150	NA	<.150	<.150	NA	<.150
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.190	NA	<.190	<.190	NA	<.190
Chlorobenzene	<.028	NA	<.028	<.028	NA	<.028
Chloroethane	<.120	NA	<.120	<.120	NA	<.120
Chloroethene	<.110	NA	<.110	<.110	NA	<.110
Chloromethane	<.250	NA	<.250	<.250	NA	<.250
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.210	NA	<.210	<.210	NA	<.210
Dibromochloromethane	<.180	NA	<.180	<.180	NA	<.180
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.036	NA	<.036	<.036	NA	<.036
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.048	NA	<.048	<.048	NA	<.048
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.054	NA	<.054	<.054	NA	<.054
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.050	NA	<.050	<.050	NA	<.050

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Mississippi Embayment Study Unit (fig. 1)</b>						
<b>Target Analytes</b>						
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<0.140	NA	<0.140	<0.140	NA	<0.140
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.066	NA	<.066	<.066	NA	<.066
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.130	NA	<.130	<.130	NA	<.130
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.044	NA	<.044	<.044	NA	<.044
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.038	NA	<.038	<.038	NA	<.038
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.032	NA	<.032	<.032	NA	<.032
Dichloromethane	<.380	NA	<.380	<.380	NA	<.380
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.068	NA	<.068	<.068	NA	<.068
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.090	NA	<.090	<.090	NA	<.090
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.130	NA	<.130	<.130	NA	<.130
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.060	NA	<.060	<.060	NA	<.060
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	<.060	NA	<.060	<.060	NA	<.060
Ethenylbenzene	<.042	NA	<.042	<.042	NA	<.042
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.054	NA	<.054	<.054	NA	<.054
Ethylbenzene	<.030	NA	<.030	<.030	NA	<.030
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<.140	NA	<.140	<.140	NA	<.140
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.360	NA	<.360	<.360	NA	<.360
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.110	NA	<.110	<.110	NA	<.110
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	<.170	NA	<.170	<.170	NA	<.170
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<.050	NA	<b>E .065</b>	<.050	NA	<b>E.044</b>
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<.032	NA	<.032	<.032	NA	<.032
Naphthalene	<.250	NA	<.250	<.250	NA	<.250
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.098	NA	<.098	<.098	NA	<.098
2-Propenal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	<1.20	NA	<1.20	<1.20	NA	<1.20
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.042	NA	<.042	<.042	NA	<.042
<b>Tetrachloroethene</b>	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<b>E.0041</b>
Tetrachloromethane	<.088	NA	<.088	<.088	NA	<.088
Tribromomethane	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<.100
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.032	NA	<.032	<.032	NA	<.032
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.270	NA	<.270	<.270	NA	<.270
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.190	NA	<.190	<.190	NA	<.190
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.032	NA	<.032	<.032	NA	<.032
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.064	NA	<.064	<.064	NA	<.064
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	<.038	NA	<.038	<.038	NA	<.038

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Mississippi Embayment Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>						
<b>Target Analytes—Continued</b>						
Trichlorofluoromethane	<0.090	NA	<0.090	<0.090	NA	<0.090
Trichloromethane	<.052	NA	<.052	<.052	NA	<.052
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.160	NA	<.160	<.160	NA	<.160
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	<.056	NA	<.056	<.056	NA	<.056
<b>Other Analytes</b>						
Bromobenzene	<.036	NA	<.036	<.036	NA	<.036
Bromochloromethane	<.044	NA	<.044	<.044	NA	<.044
2-Butanone	<1.60	NA	<1.60	<1.60	NA	<1.60
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.370	NA	<.370	<.370	NA	<.370
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.042	NA	<.042	<.042	NA	<.042
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.056	NA	<.056	<.056	NA	<.056
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.200	NA	<.200	<.200	NA	<.200
Dibromomethane	<.050	NA	<.050	<.050	NA	<.050
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<.700	NA	<.700	<.700	NA	<.700
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.120	NA	<.120	<.120	NA	<.120
2,2-Dichloropropane	<.078	NA	<.078	<.078	NA	<.078
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.026	NA	<.026	<.026	NA	<.026
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<.100
1,4-Epoxybutane	<9.00	NA	<9.00	<9.00	NA	<9.00
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.100	NA	<.100	<.100	NA	<.100
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.280	NA	<.280	<.280	NA	<.280
2-Hexanone	<.700	NA	<.700	<.700	NA	<.700
Iodomethane	<.210	NA	<.210	<.210	NA	<.210
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.110	NA	<.110	<.110	NA	<.110
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.350	NA	<.350	<.350	NA	<.350
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.370	NA	<.370	<.370	NA	<.370
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<.570	NA	<.570	<.570	NA	<.570
Methyl-2-propenoate	<1.40	NA	<1.40	<1.40	NA	<1.40
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.048	NA	<.048	<.048	NA	<.048
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.170	NA	<.170	<.170	NA	<.170
2-Propanone	<5.00	NA	<5.00	<5.00	NA	<5.00
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.044	NA	<.044	<.044	NA	<.044
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.130	NA	<.130	<.130	NA	<.130
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.230	NA	<.230	<.230	NA	<.230
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.200	NA	<.200	<.200	NA	<.200

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Mississippi Embayment Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>						
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>						
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<0.120	NA	<0.120	<0.120	NA	<0.120
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.044	NA	<.044	<.044	NA	<.044
<b>Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Unit (fig. 1)</b>						
<b>Target Analytes</b>						
Sample date	7-28-98			7-29-98		
Benzene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
Bromodichloromethane	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
Bromoethene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
Bromomethane	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148	<.148
<i>n</i> -Butylbenzene	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186	<.186
Chlorobenzene	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028	<.028
Chloroethane	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120	<.120
Chloroethene	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
Chloromethane	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254	<.254
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214	<.214
Dibromochloromethane	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182	<.182
1,2-Dibromoethane	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138	<.138
1,1-Dichloroethane	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066	<.066
1,2-Dichloroethane	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134
1,1-Dichloroethene	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethene	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
Dichloromethane	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382	<.382
1,2-Dichloropropane	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068	<.068
<i>cis</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092
<i>trans</i> -1,3-Dichloropropene	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134	<.134
1,2-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,3 and 1,4-Dimethylbenzene	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
Ethynylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
2-Ethoxy-2-methylpropane	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054
Ethylbenzene	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030	<.030

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued						
Target Analytes—Continued						
1,1,2,3,4,4-Hexachloro-1,3-butadiene	<0.142	<0.142	<0.142	<0.142	<0.142	<0.142
1,1,1,2,2,2-Hexachloroethane	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362	<.362
2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112	<.112
2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166	<.166
<b>Methylbenzene</b>	<.054	<.054	<.054	<.054	<b>E .022</b>	<b>E .019</b>
(1-Methylethyl)benzene	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
Naphthalene	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250	<.250
2,2'-Oxybis[propane]	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098	<.098
2-Propenal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2-Propenenitrile	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23	<1.23
<i>n</i> -Propylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
Tetrachloroethene	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102	<.102
Tetrachloromethane	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088	<.088
Tribromomethane	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104	<.104
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266	<.266
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188	<.188
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032	<.032
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064	<.064
1,1,2-Trichloroethene	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038	<.038
Trichlorofluoromethane	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092	<.092
<b>Trichloromethane</b>	<b>E .015</b>	<b>E .015</b>	<b>E .014</b>	<.052	<b>E .010</b>	<.052
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162	<.162
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056
Other Analytes						
Bromobenzene	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036	<.036
Bromochloromethane	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
2-Butanone	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65	<1.65
Dithiocarbonic anhydride	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370	<.370
1-Chloro-2-methylbenzene	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042	<.042
1-Chloro-4-methylbenzene	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056	<.056
3-Chloro-1-propene	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196	<.196
Dibromomethane	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050	<.050
<i>trans</i> -1,4-Dichloro-2-butene	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692	<.692
1,3-Dichloropropane	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116	<.116

**Appendix 2.** Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in ground-water samples 1, 3, and 4 from the Long Island and New Jersey Coastal Drainages, the Mississippi Embayment, and the Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Units—Continued

[Bold type indicates detected compounds and concentrations. IUPAC, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry; E, estimated; <, less than; NA, not analyzed]

VOC (IUPAC compound name)	Concentrations, in micrograms per liter					
	Well A			Well B		
	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 1	Sample 3	Sample 4
<b>Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Unit (fig. 1)—Continued</b>						
<b>Other Analytes—Continued</b>						
2,2-Dichloropropane	<0.078	<0.078	<0.078	<0.078	<0.078	<0.078
1,1-Dichloropropene	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026	<.026
(1,1-Dimethylethyl)benzene	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096	<.096
1,4-Epoxybutane	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79	<8.79
1-Ethyl-2-methylbenzene	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100	<.100
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.278	<.278	<.278	<.278	<.278	<.278
2-Hexanone	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746	<.746
Iodomethane	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208	<.208
1-Isopropyl-4-methylbenzene	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110	<.110
Methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350	<.350
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374	<.374
2-Methyl-2-propenenitrile	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570	<.570
Methyl-2-propenoate	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36	<1.36
(1-Methylpropyl)benzene	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048	<.048
1,1'-Oxybisethane	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170	<.170
2-Propanone	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90	<4.90
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132	<.132
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230	<.230
1,2,3,5-Tetramethylbenzene	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240	<.240
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124	<.124
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044	<.044