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Dear Mr. Takaba:

SUBJECT: RED HILL TANK COMPLEX
SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING RESULTS FOR DECEMBER 2016
DOH FACILITY ID NO. 9-102271
DOH RELEASE ID NO. 990051, 010011, 020028, AND 140010

Soil vapor samples were collected from beneath all active and accessible Red Hill tanks on December 20, 2016.

Soil vapor VOC concentrations were measured in the field using a photo-ionization detector. The soil vapor sampling results are being submitted as Enclosure 1.

A conservative approach is to assess the integrity of the associated tank system if VOC concentrations exceed 280,000 ppbv in soil vapor monitoring points (SVMPs) beneath tanks containing JP-5 or JP-8, or 14,000 ppbv in SVMPs beneath tanks containing marine diesel fuel. These values are 50 percent of the calculated vapor concentration from fuel-saturated water.

At Tank 5, the concentrations of VOCs detected in the front, middle, and outer edge soil vapor monitoring probes were 82,860 ppbv, 23,123 ppbv, and 26,447 ppbv, respectively. Tank 5 was emptied in January 2014 and has not contained fuel since that time. No fuel level discrepancies were observed in the other tanks, and VOC concentrations in all down-gradient soil vapor monitors were below 1,000 ppbv.

All other VOC concentrations measured in December were about 25 to 1,075 times below the action levels, with no consistent trends observed. Possible reasons for the results are speculative and may include, but not be limited to, ongoing projects in the tunnel, groundwater level fluctuations, rainfall (or lack thereof), and fuel movement in the tanks and piping.

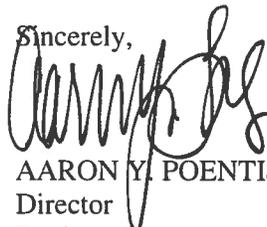
Soil vapor VOC concentration trends will continue to be monitored. The next soil vapor sampling event is scheduled for January 2017, and will include collecting samples from soil vapor monitoring probes beneath all active and accessible tanks.

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If there are any questions regarding this matter, or if more information is needed, please contact Mr. Melvin Muraoka at (808) 471-3869.

Sincerely,



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Director

Regional Environmental Department

By direction of the

Commander

Enclosure: 1. Summary of Soil Vapor Sampling Results for Tanks 2 through 18 and 20 through December 2016 (18 pages)

Copy to: Mr. Bob Pallarino, U.S. EPA Region 9, Underground Storage Tank Program Office
Mr. John Floyd, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor
Mr. Rockne Krill, DLA Energy Pacific

Figure 1
Soil Vapor Measurements
SV02

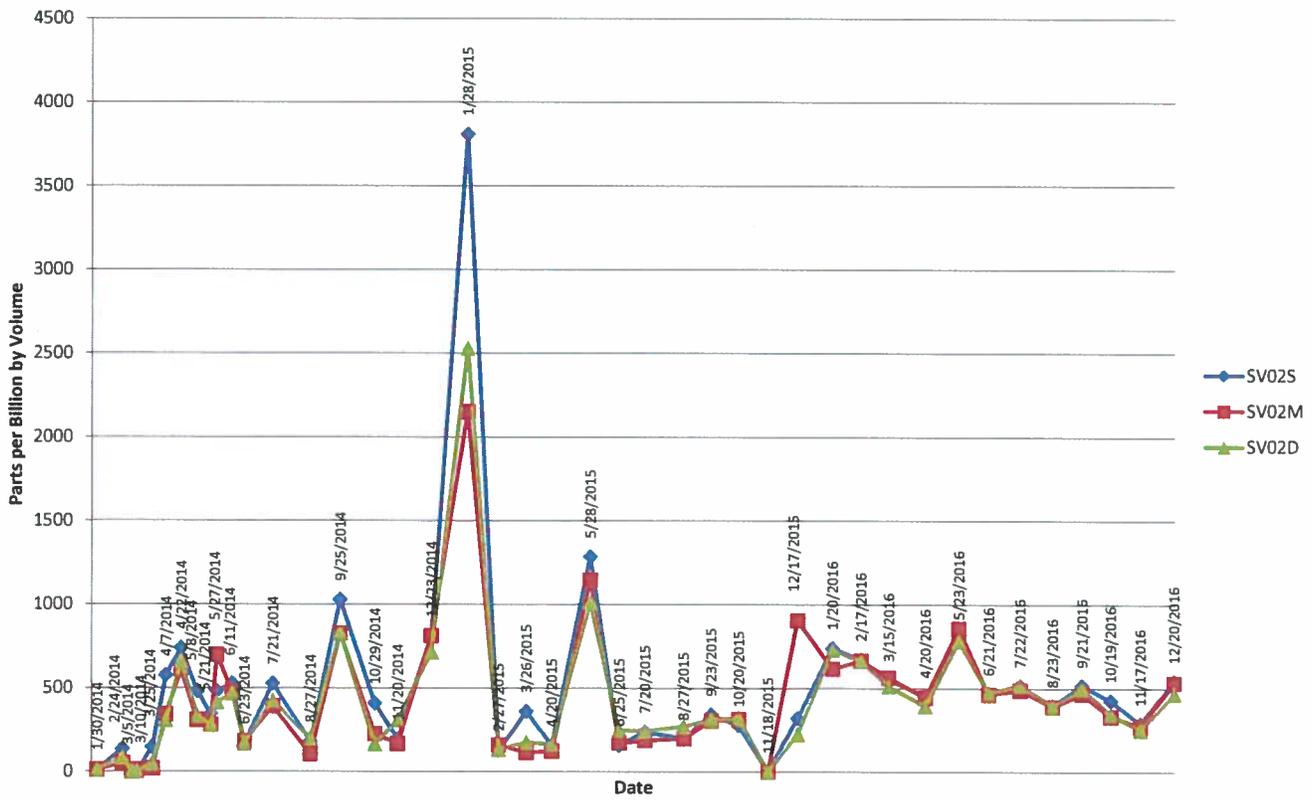


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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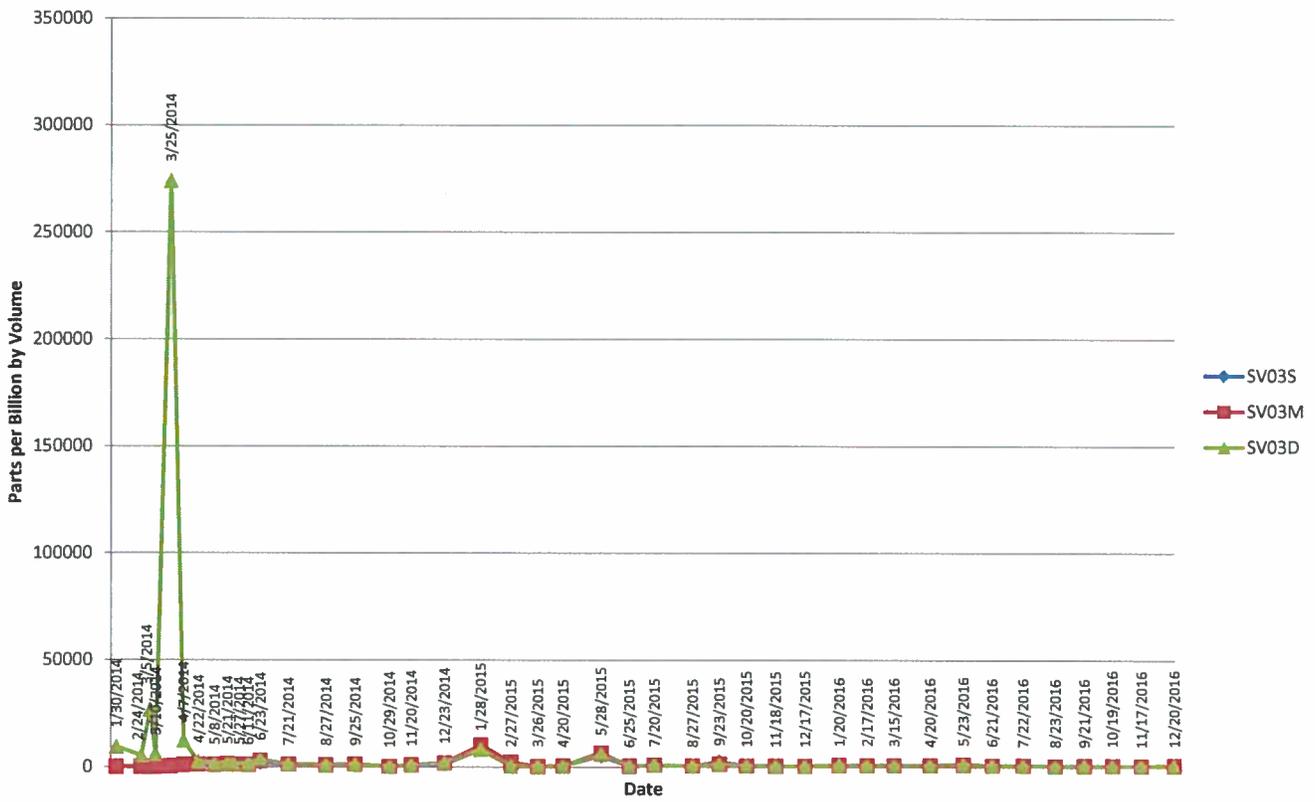


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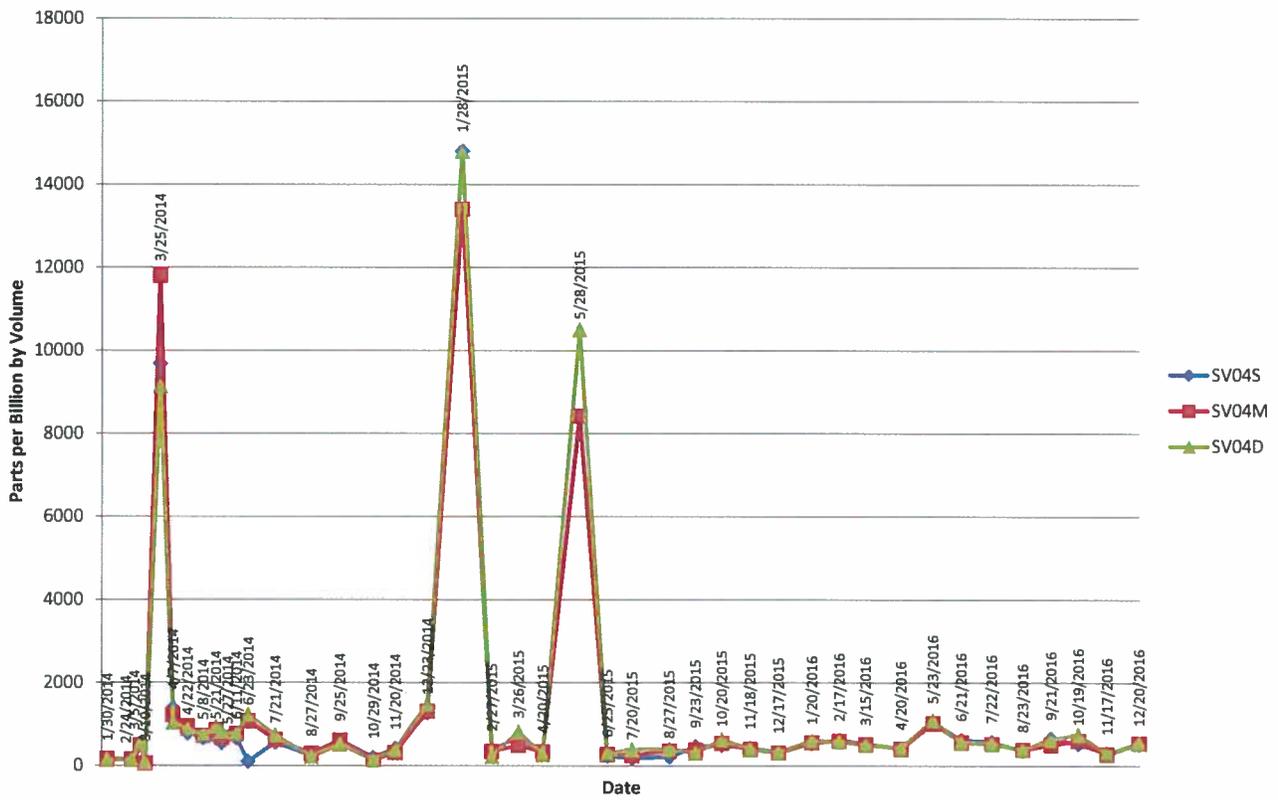


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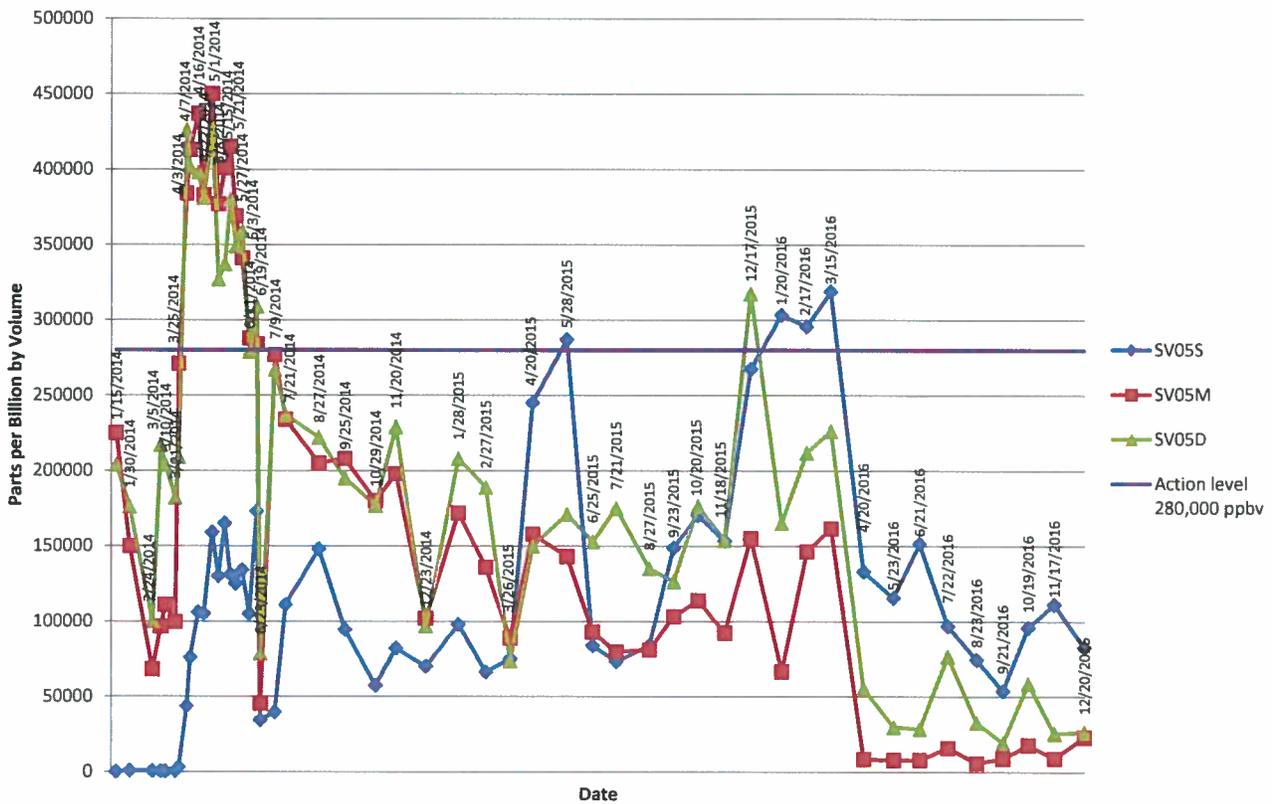


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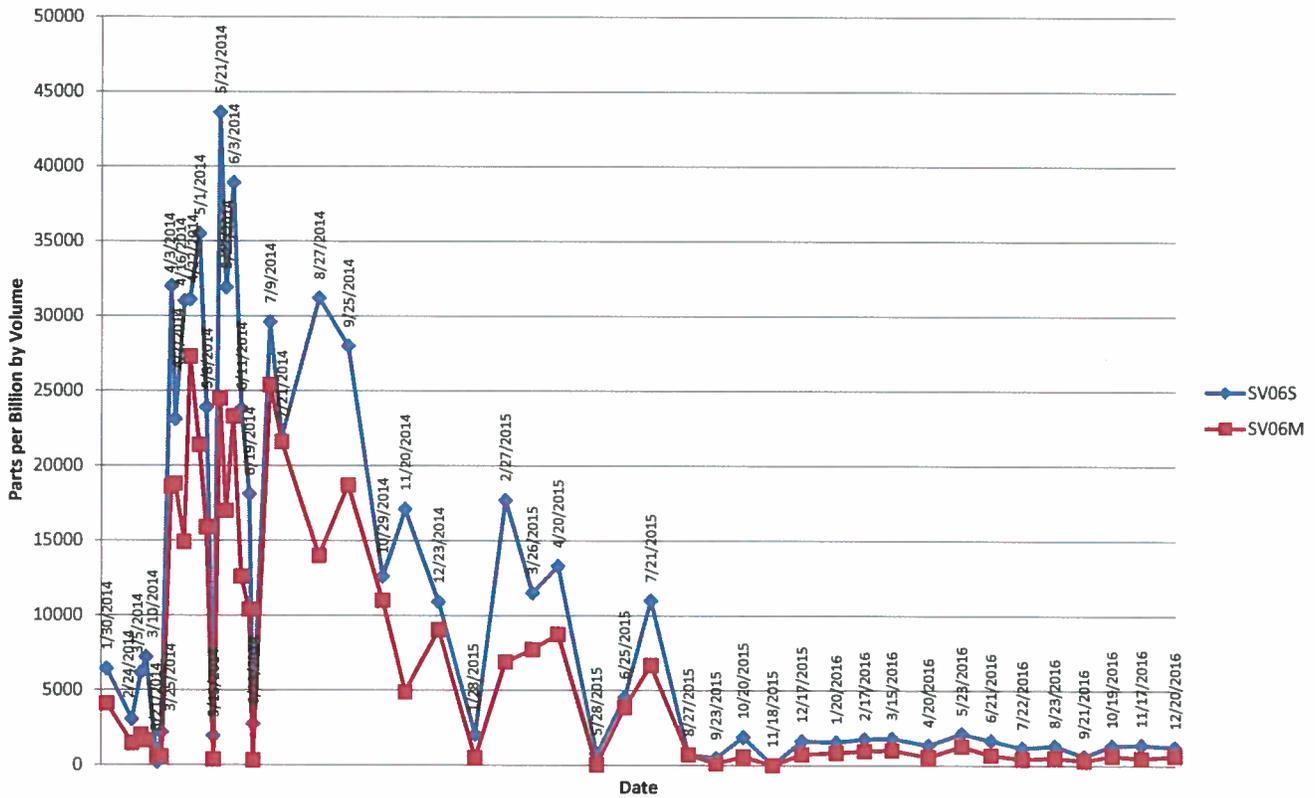


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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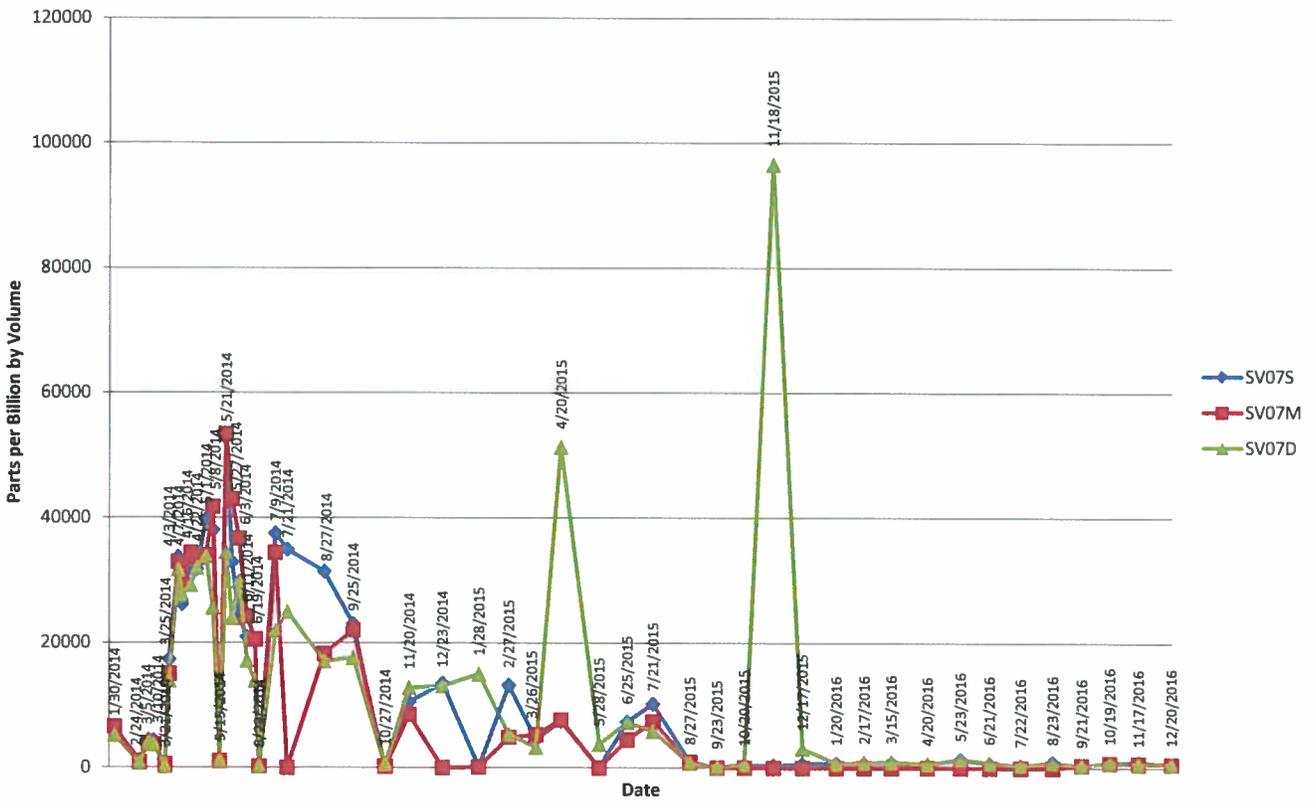


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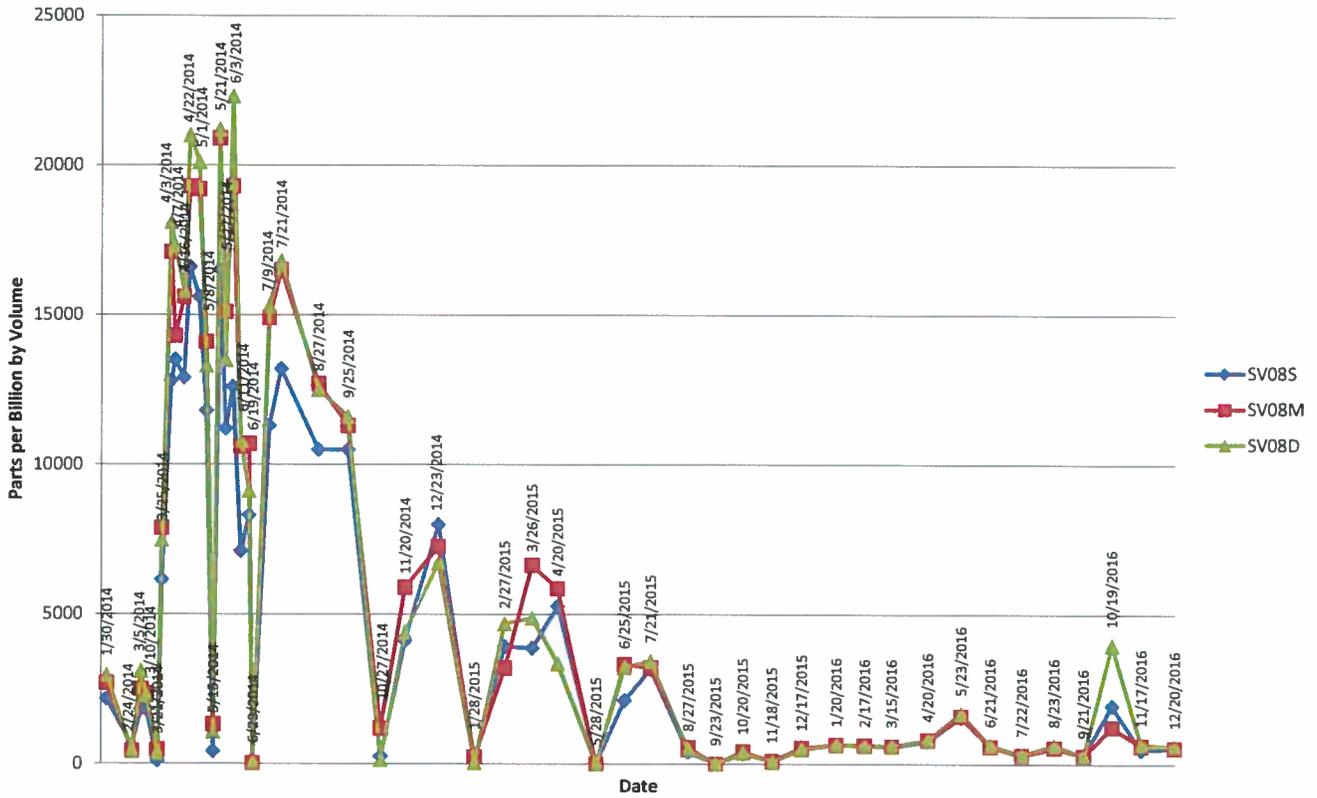


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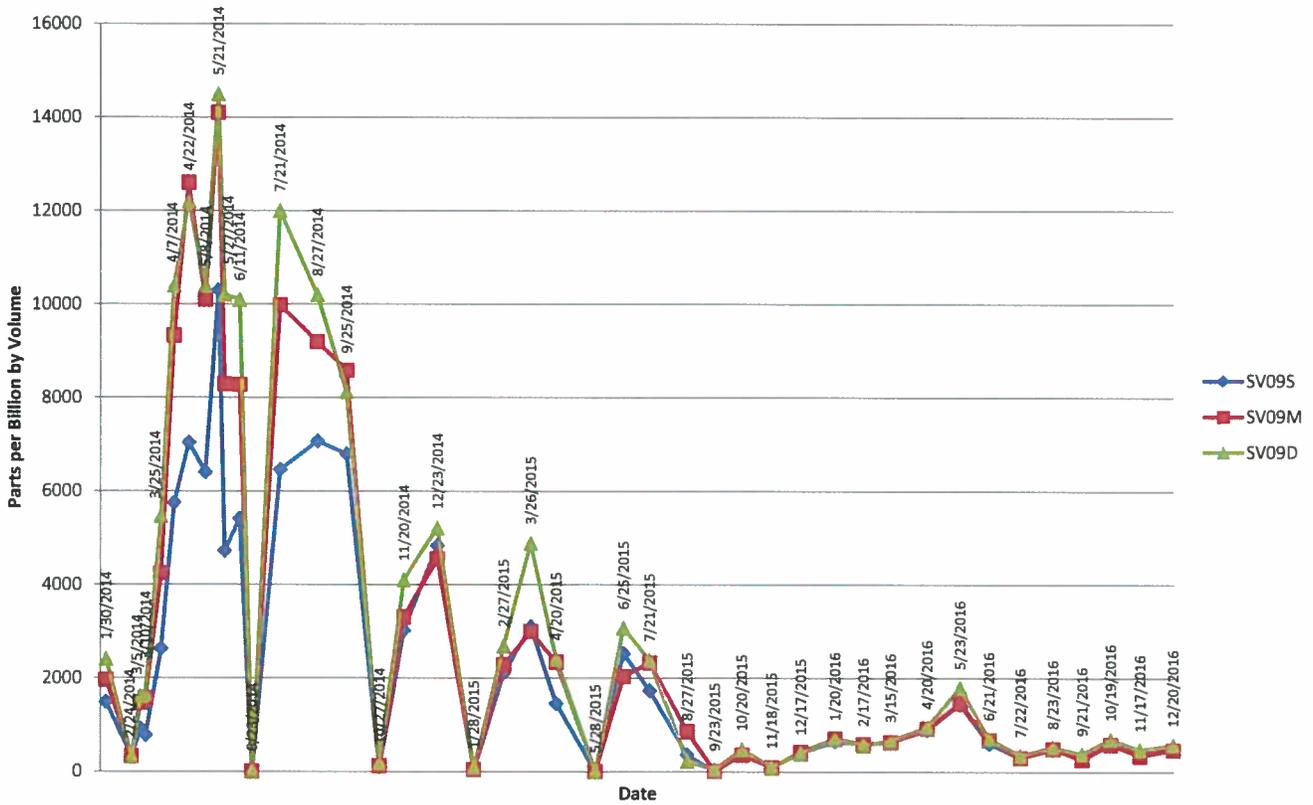


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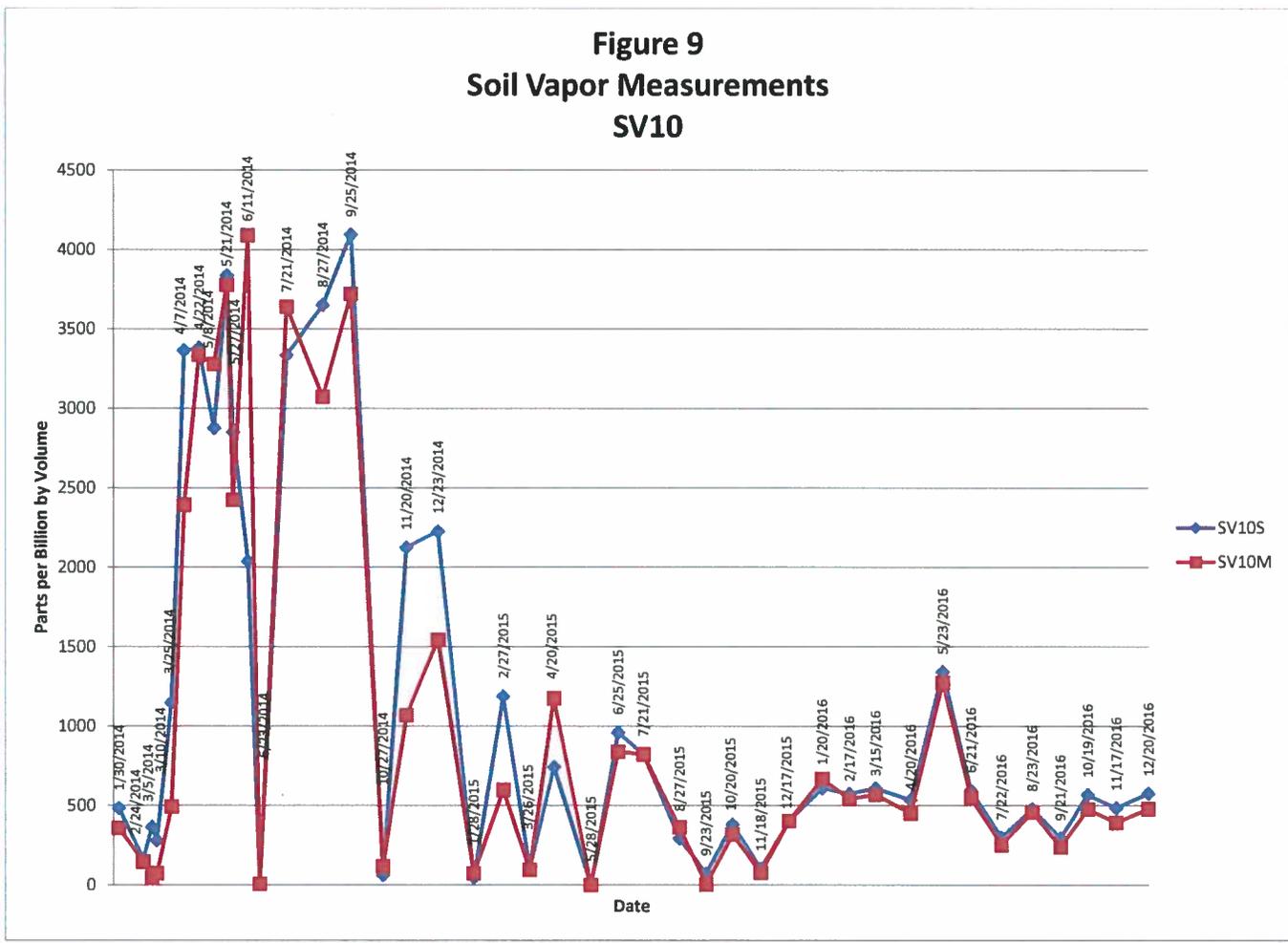


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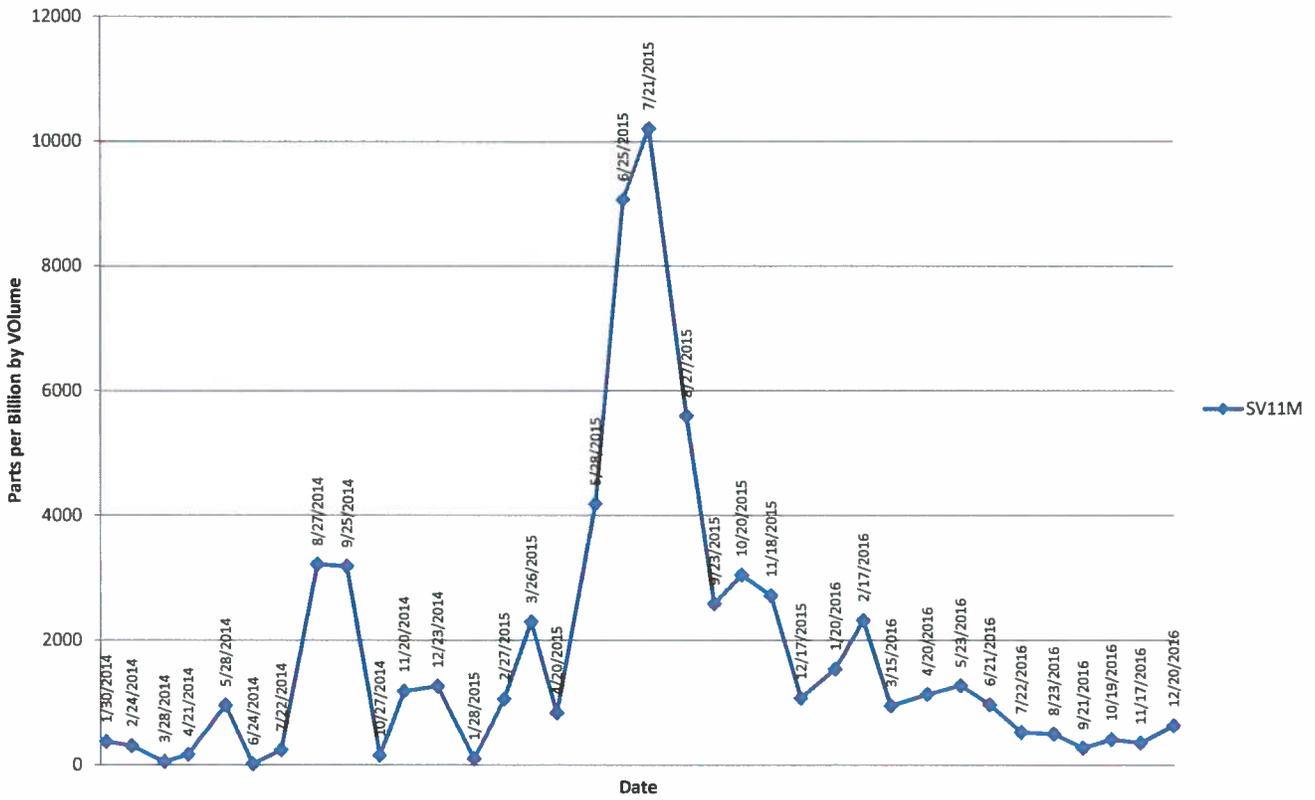


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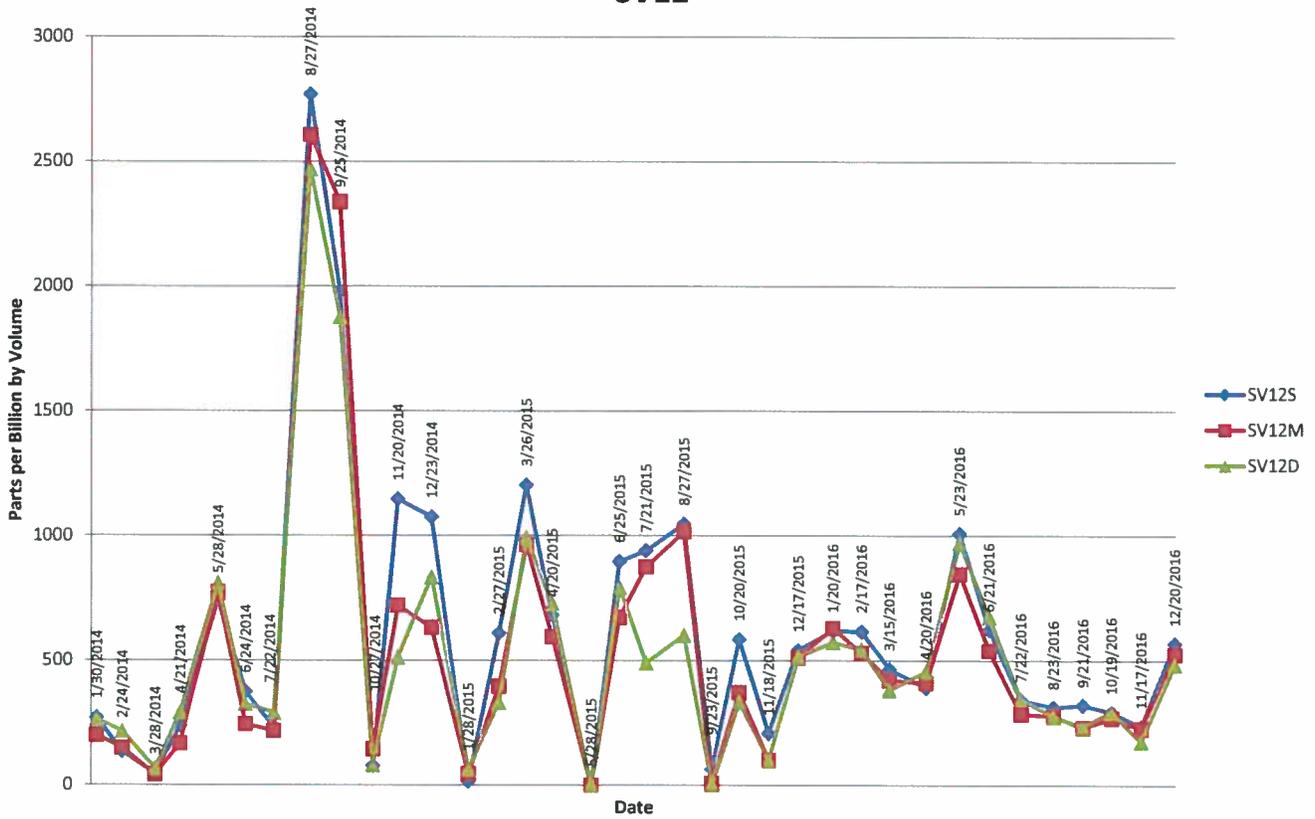


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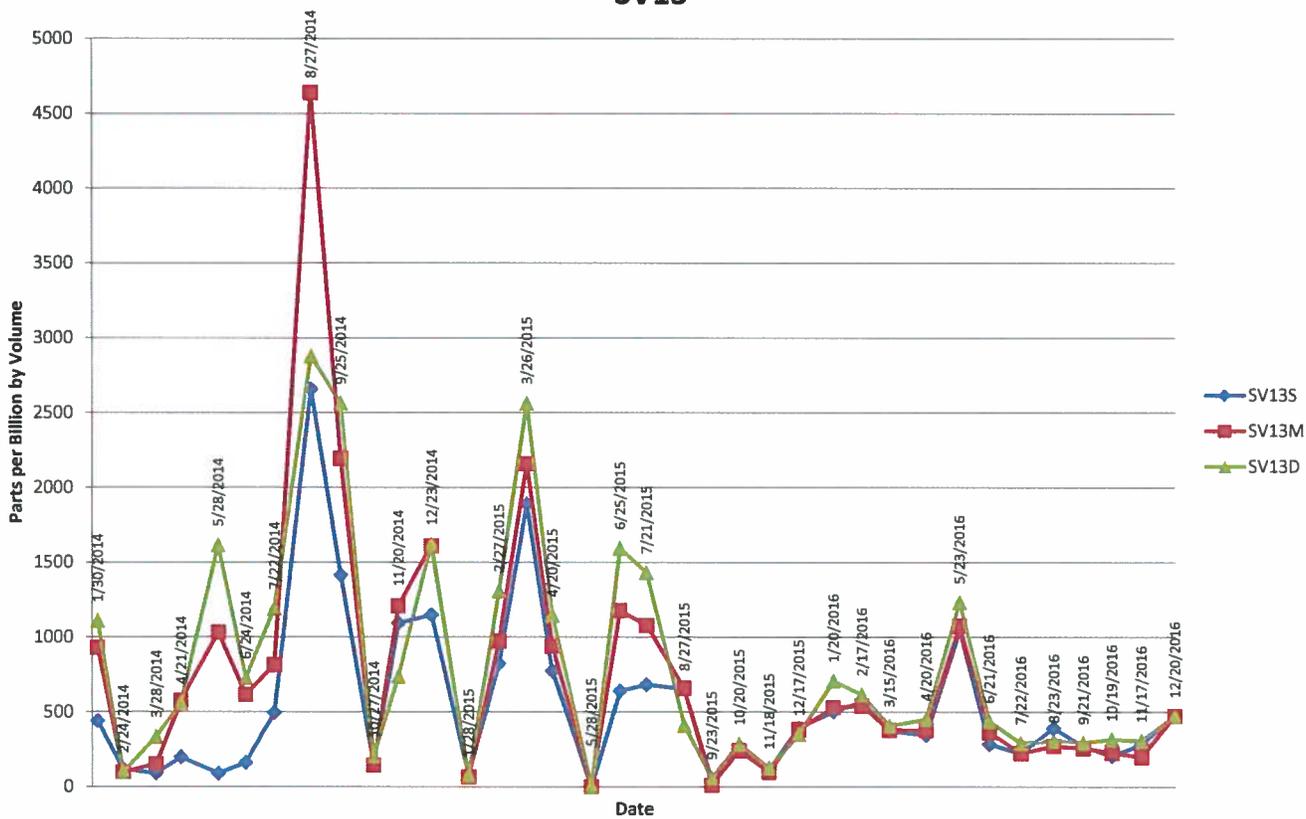


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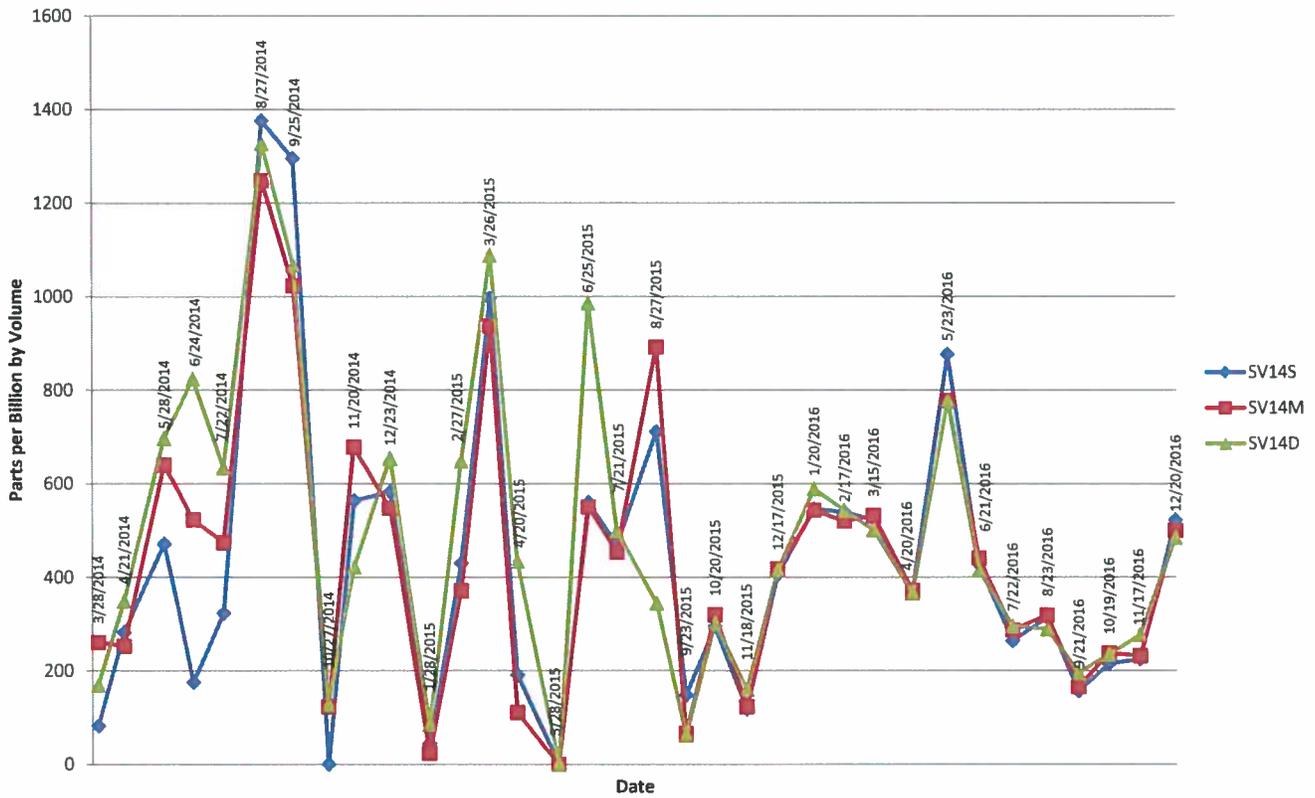


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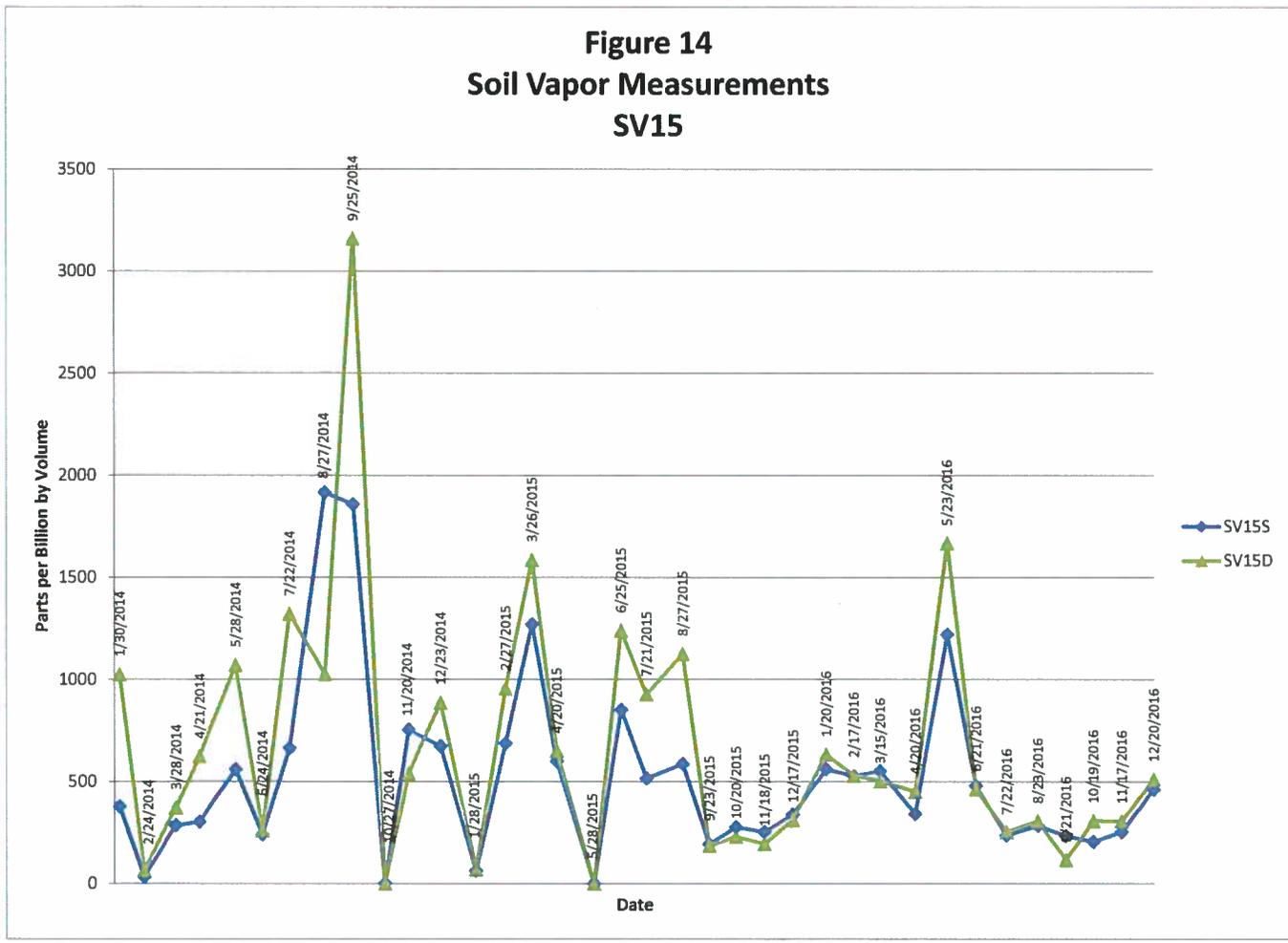


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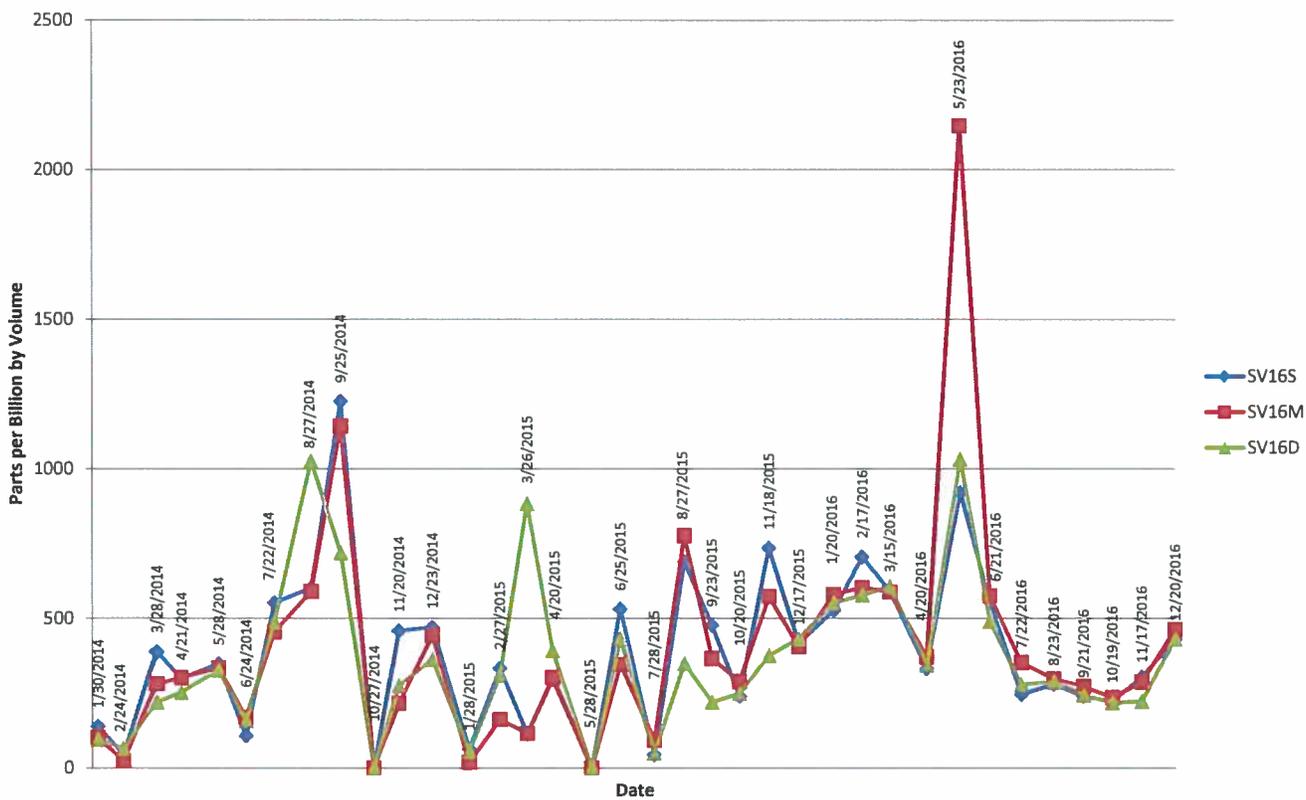


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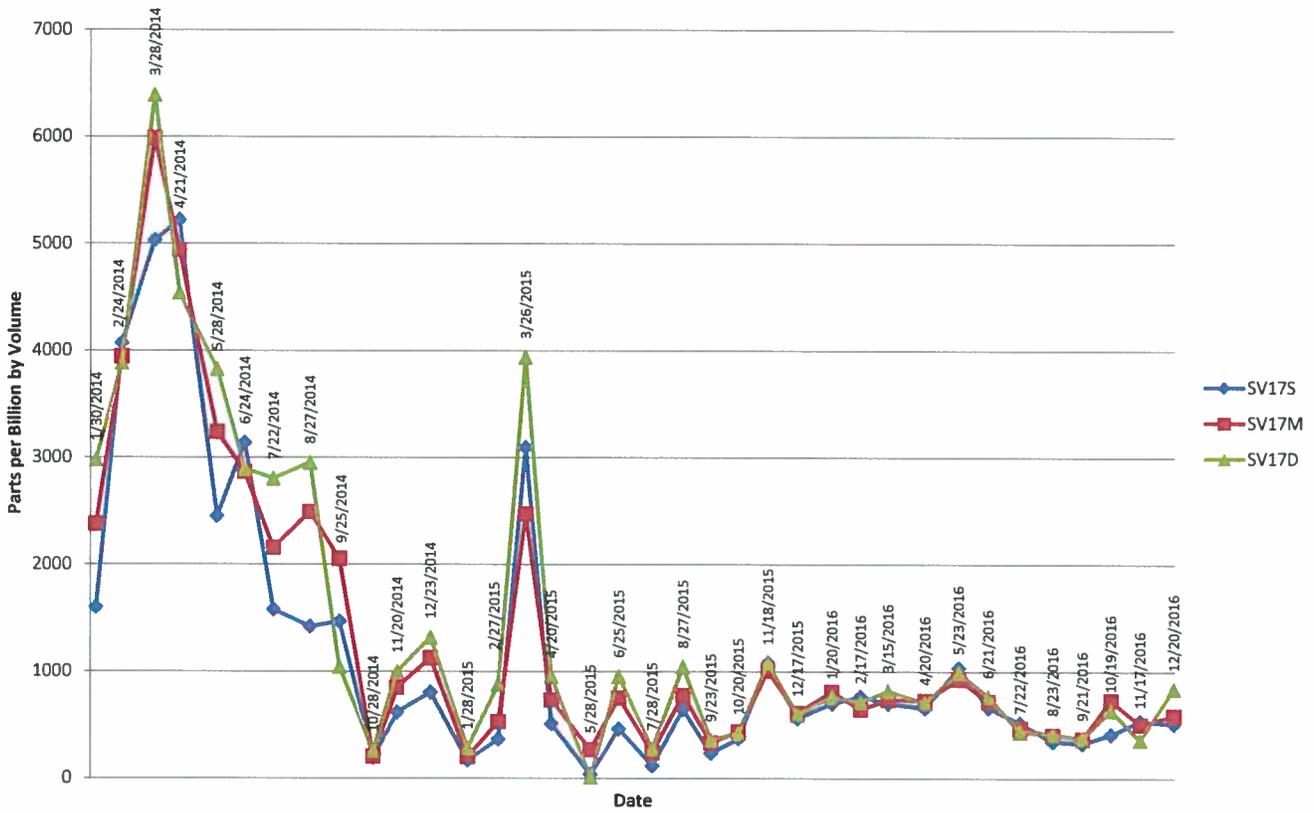


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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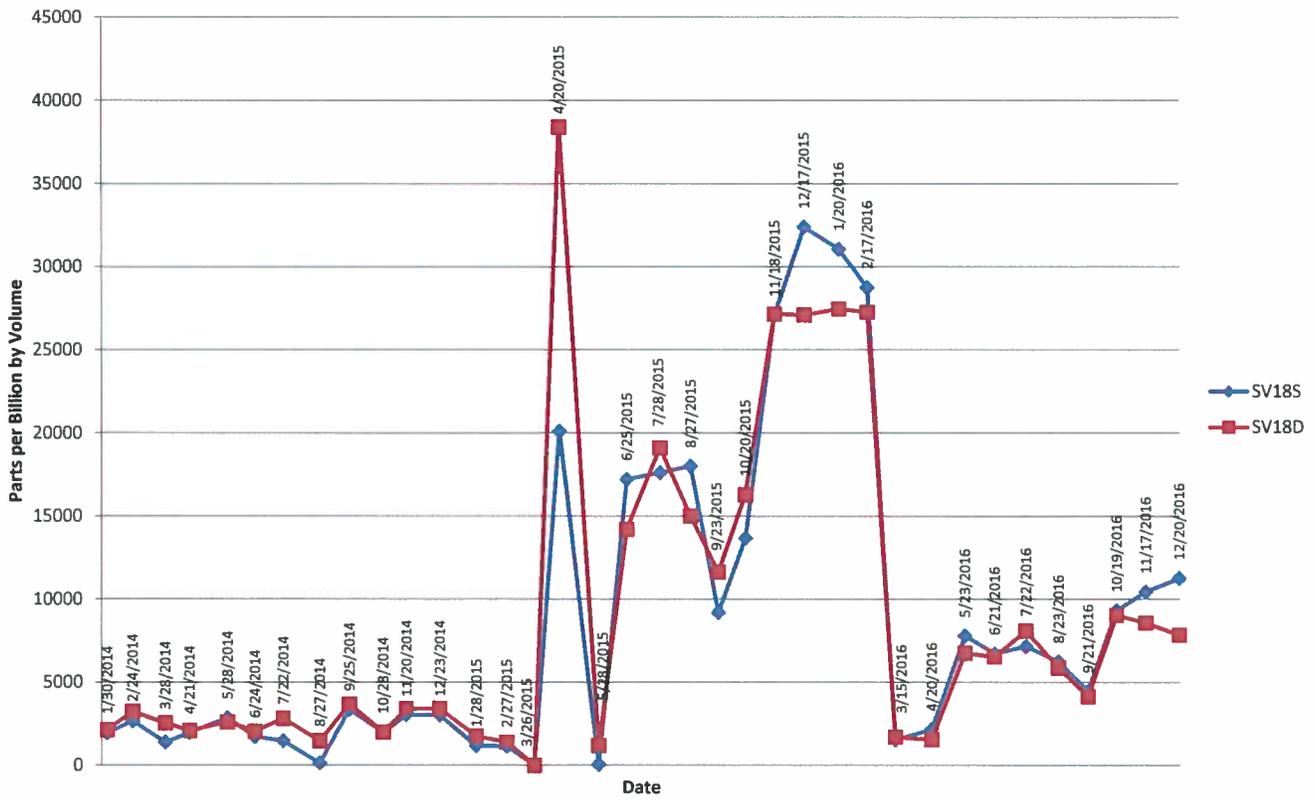


Figure 18
Soil Vapor Measurements
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