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Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch
Underground Storage Tank Section
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Dear Mr. Takaba:

**SUBJECT: RED HILL TANK COMPLEX
SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING RESULTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017
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 September 21, 2017.

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 31,050 ppbv, 5,682 ppbv, and 17,273 ppbv, respectively. Tank 5 was emptied in January 2014 and has not contained fuel since that time. VOC concentrations in all down-gradient soil vapor monitors were below 420 ppbv.

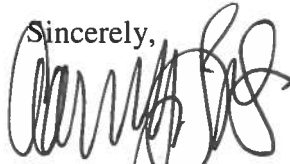
All other VOC concentrations measured in September were about 20 to 1,400 times below the action levels, with no consistent trends observed. Possible reasons for the results are speculative and may include, but not be limited to, ongoing projects in the tunnel, groundwater level fluctuations, rainfall (or lack thereof), bi-product of biodegradation, and fuel movement in the tanks and piping.

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

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
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By direction of the
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Enclosure: 1. Summary of Soil Vapor Sampling Results for Tanks 2 through 18 and 20 through September 2017 (18 pages)

Copy to: Mr. Bob Pallarino, U.S. EPA Region 9, Underground Storage Tank Program Office
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Figure 1
Soil Vapor Measurements
SV02

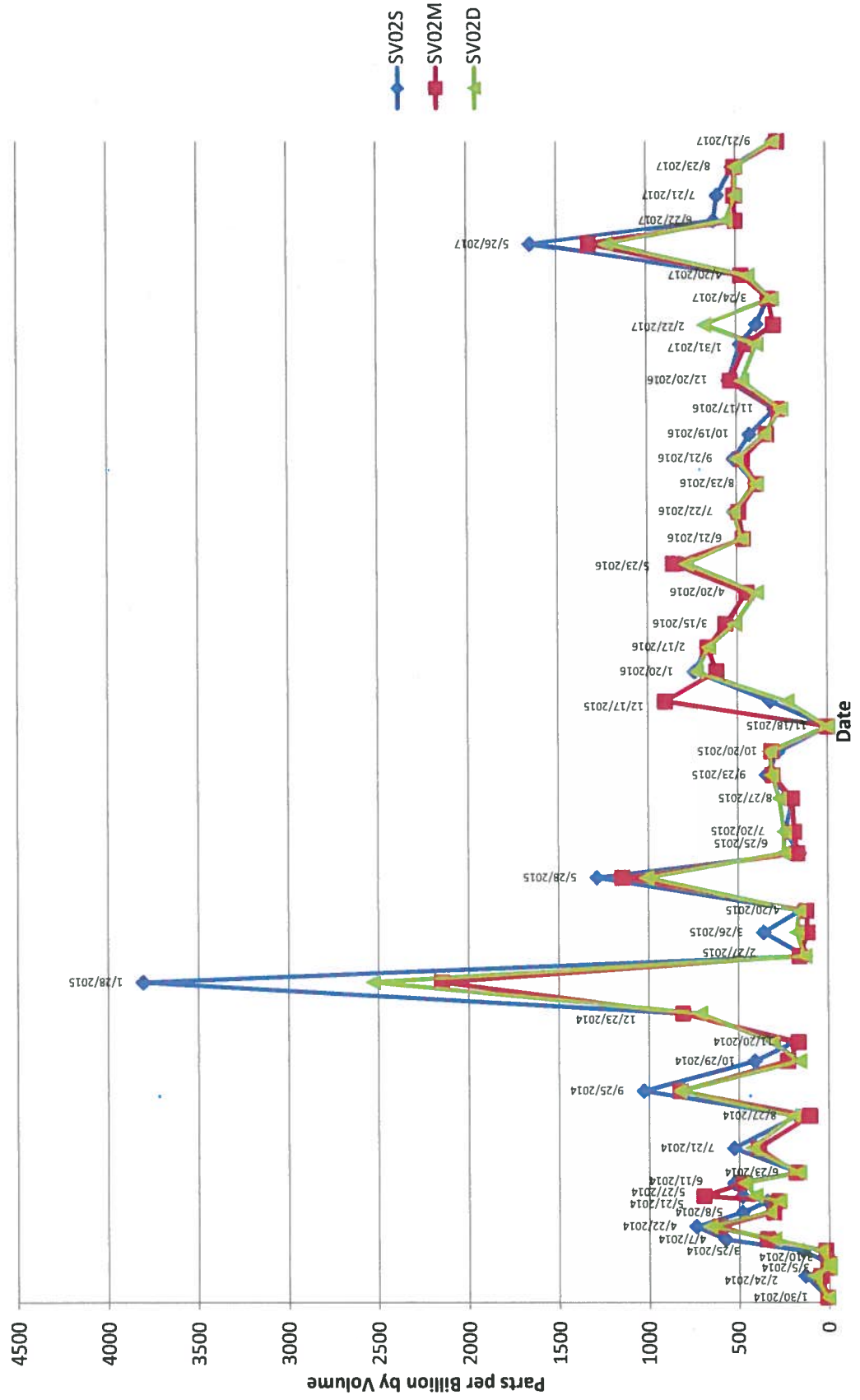


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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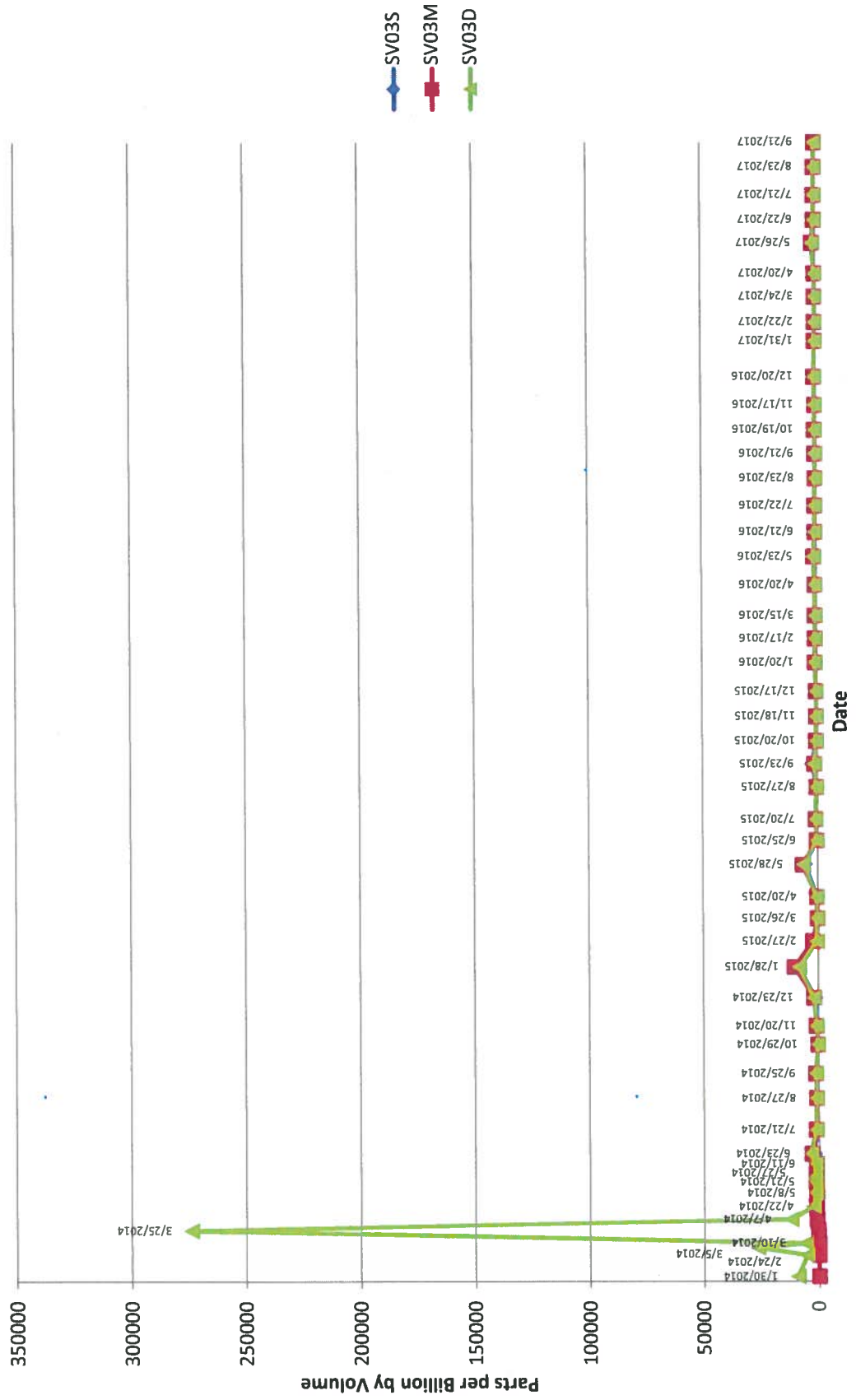


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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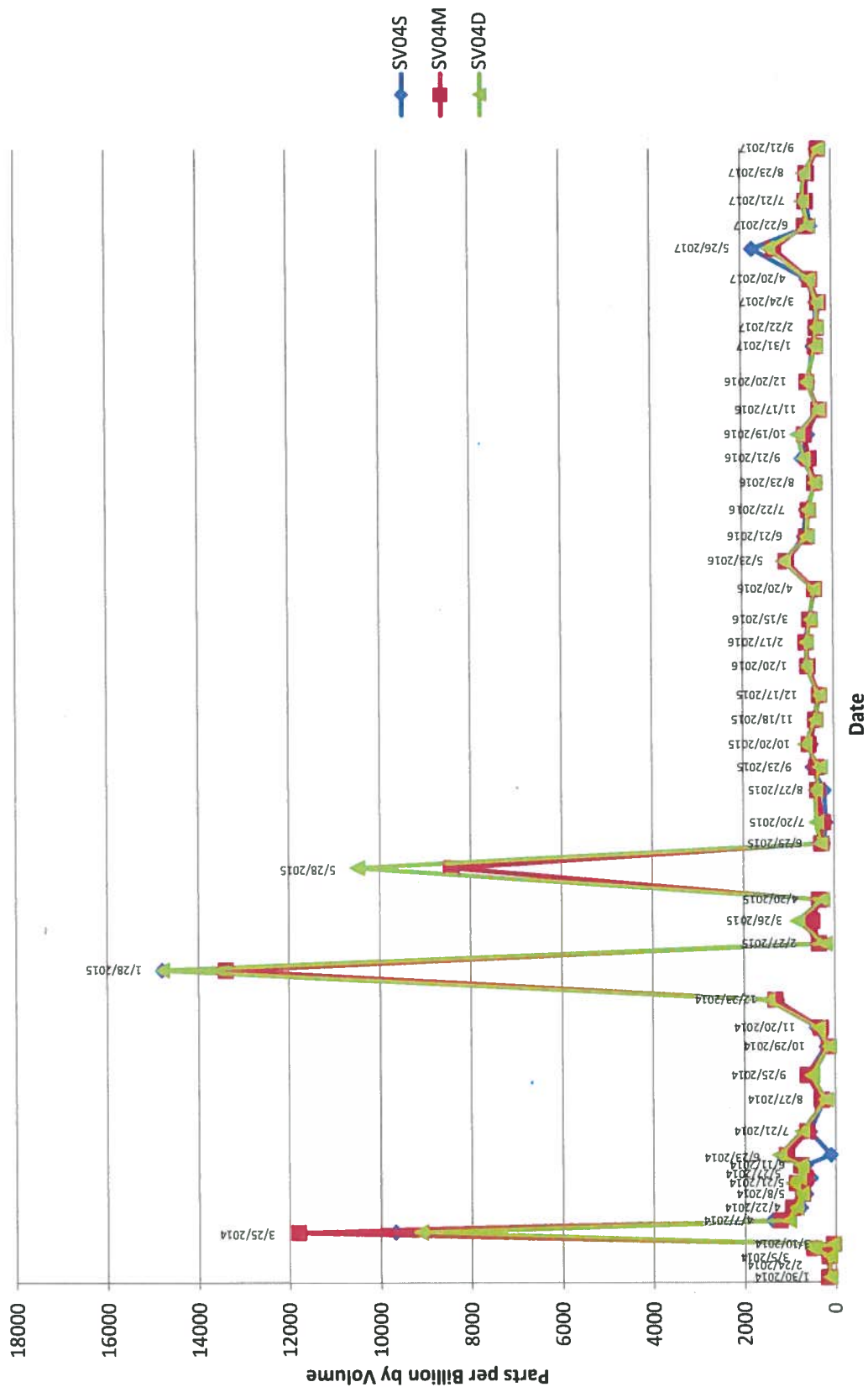


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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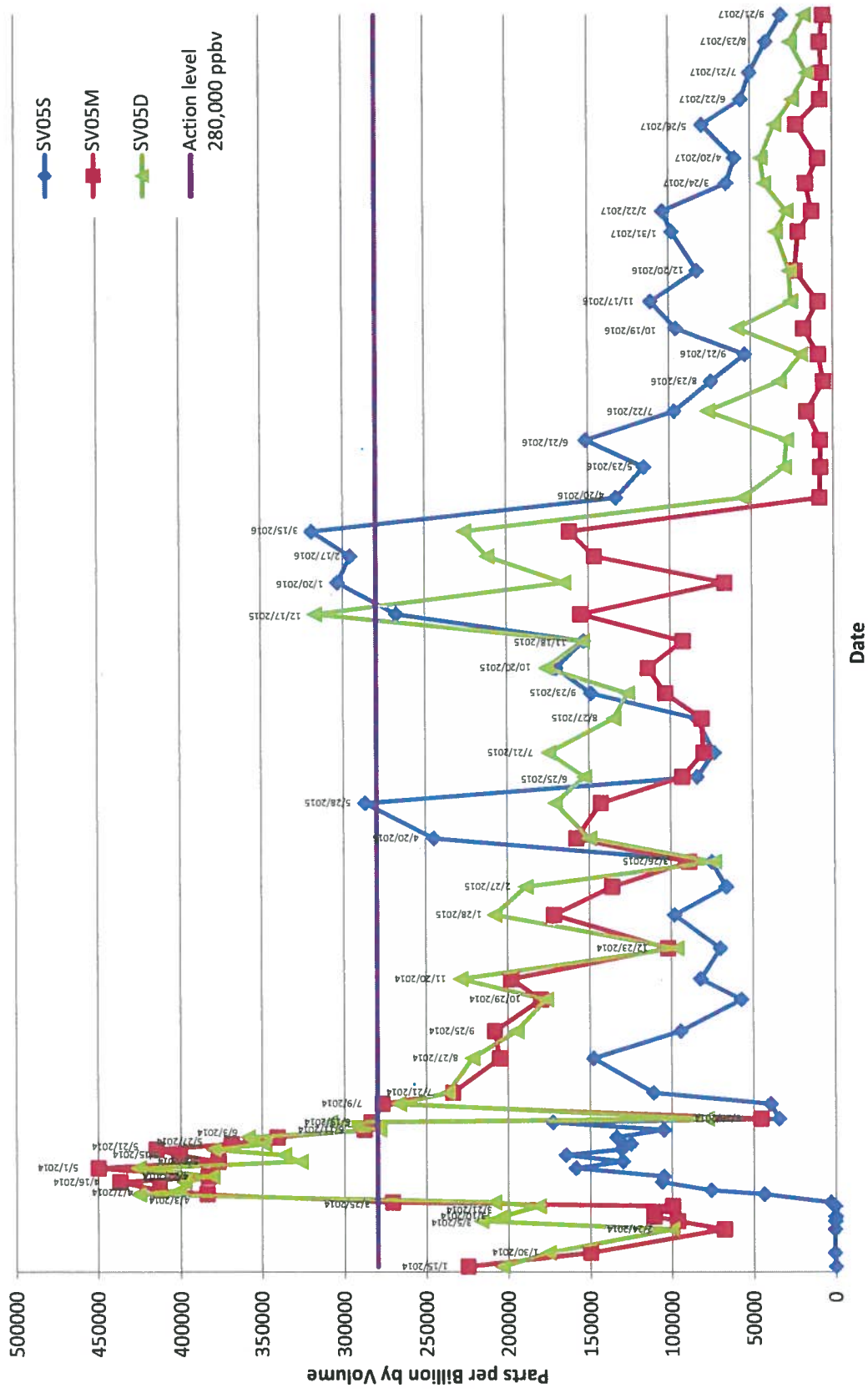


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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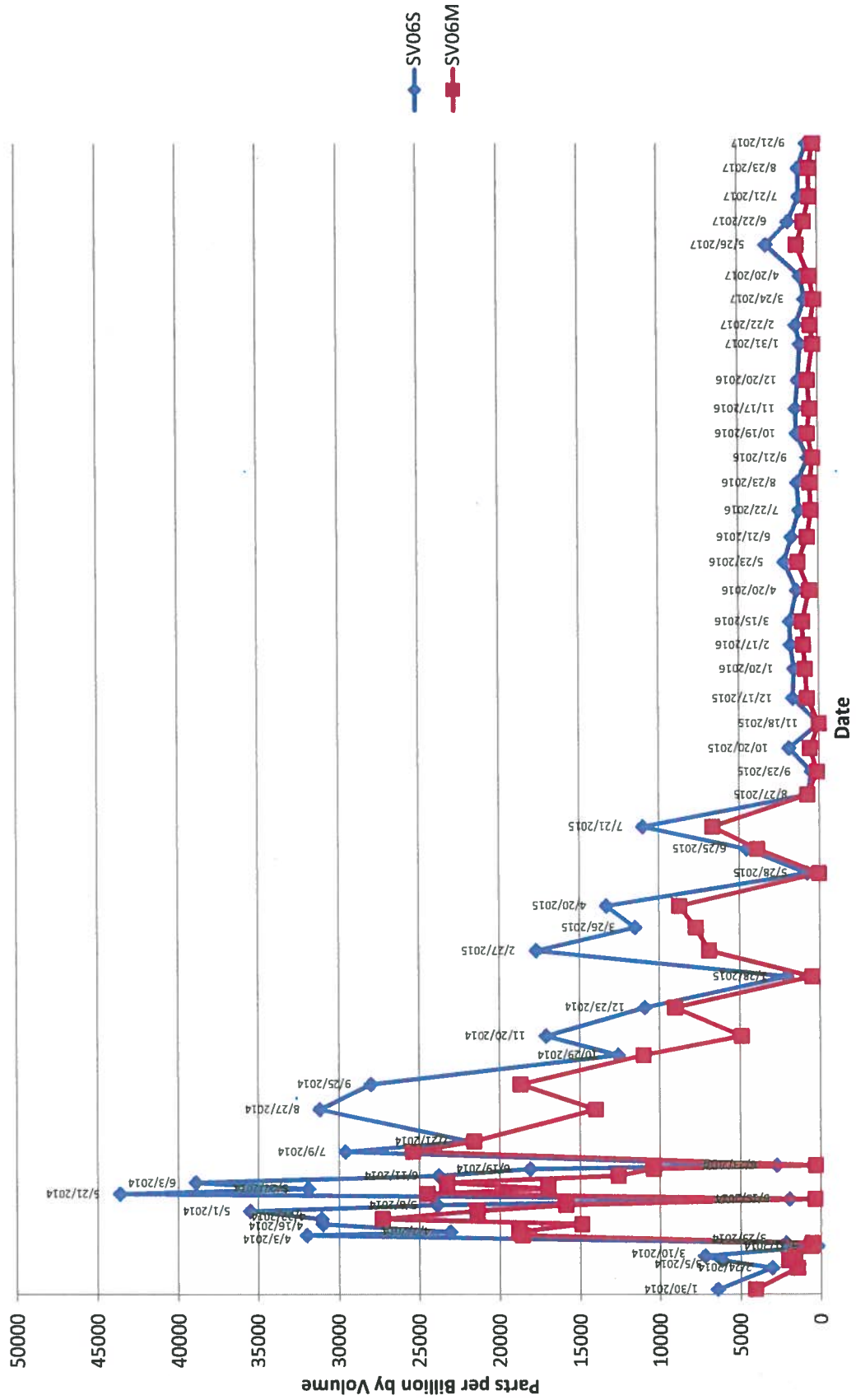


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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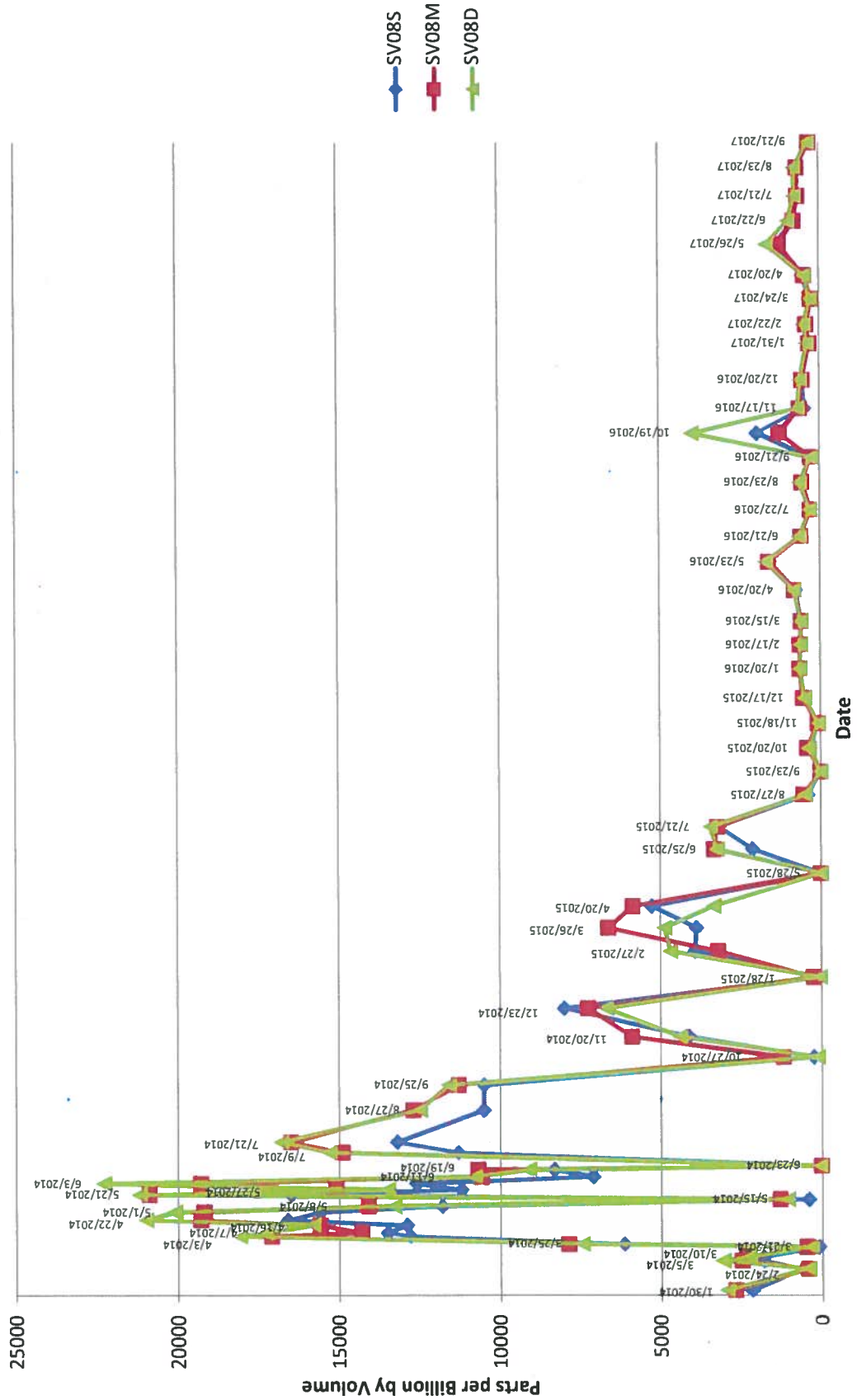


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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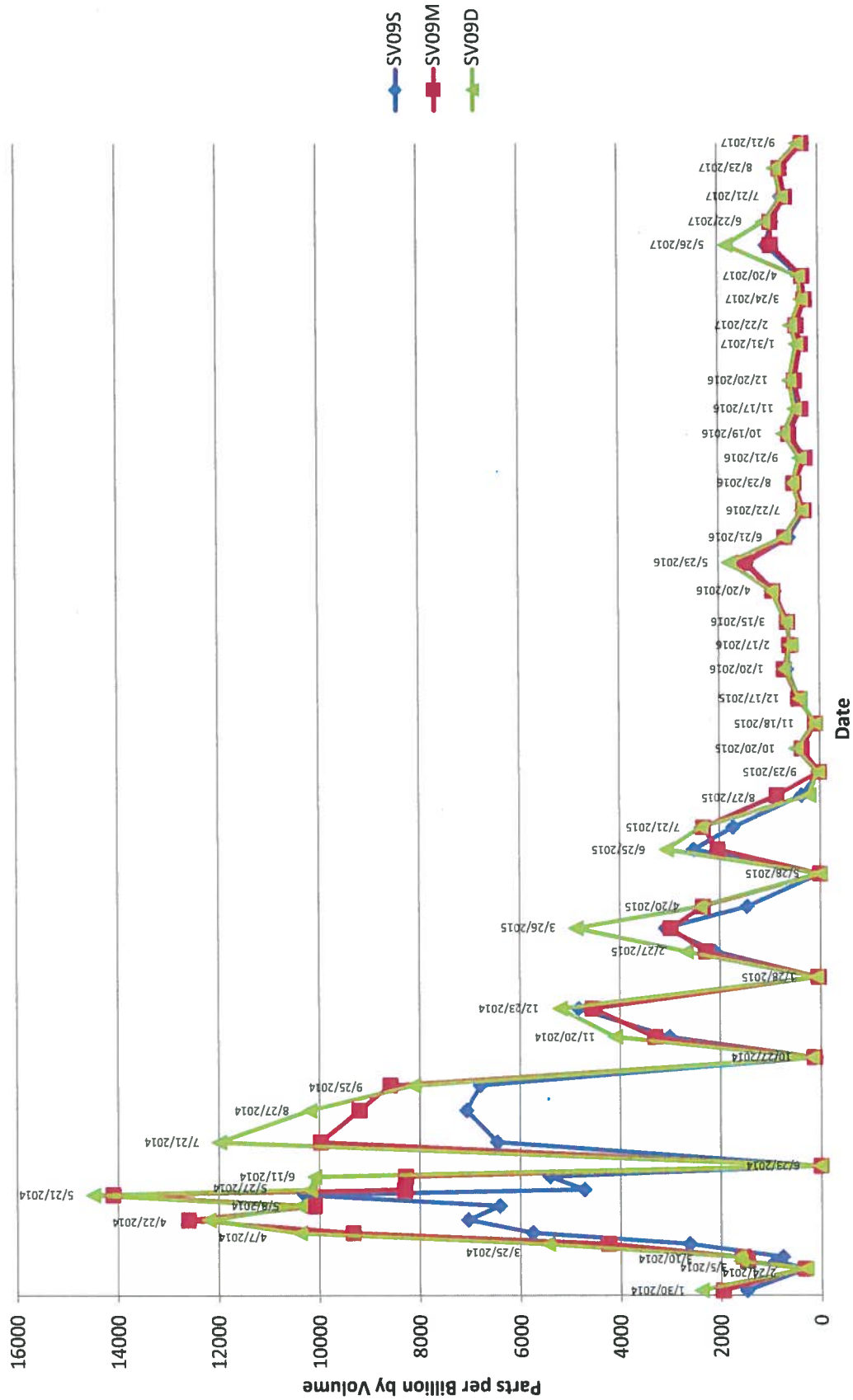


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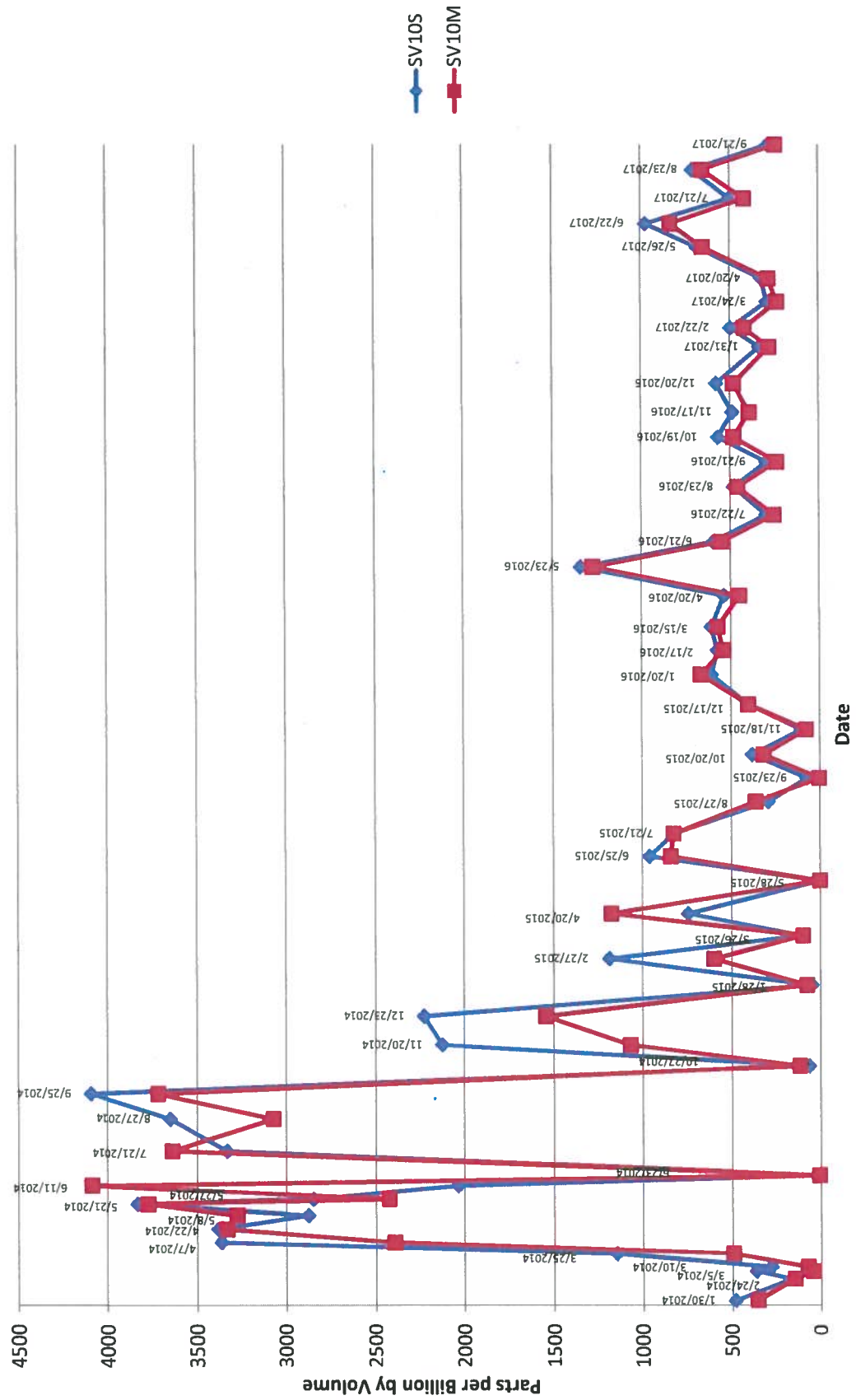


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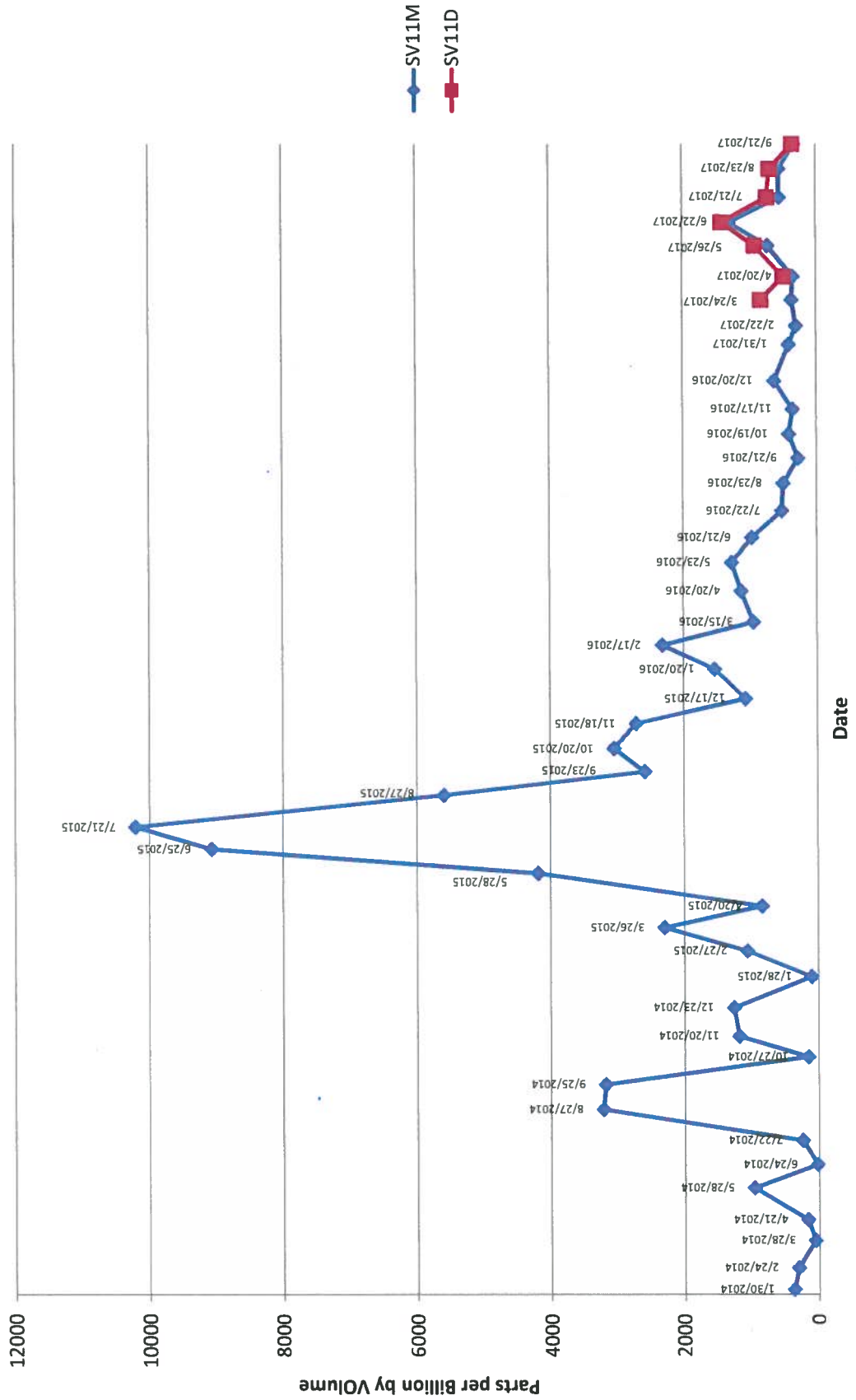


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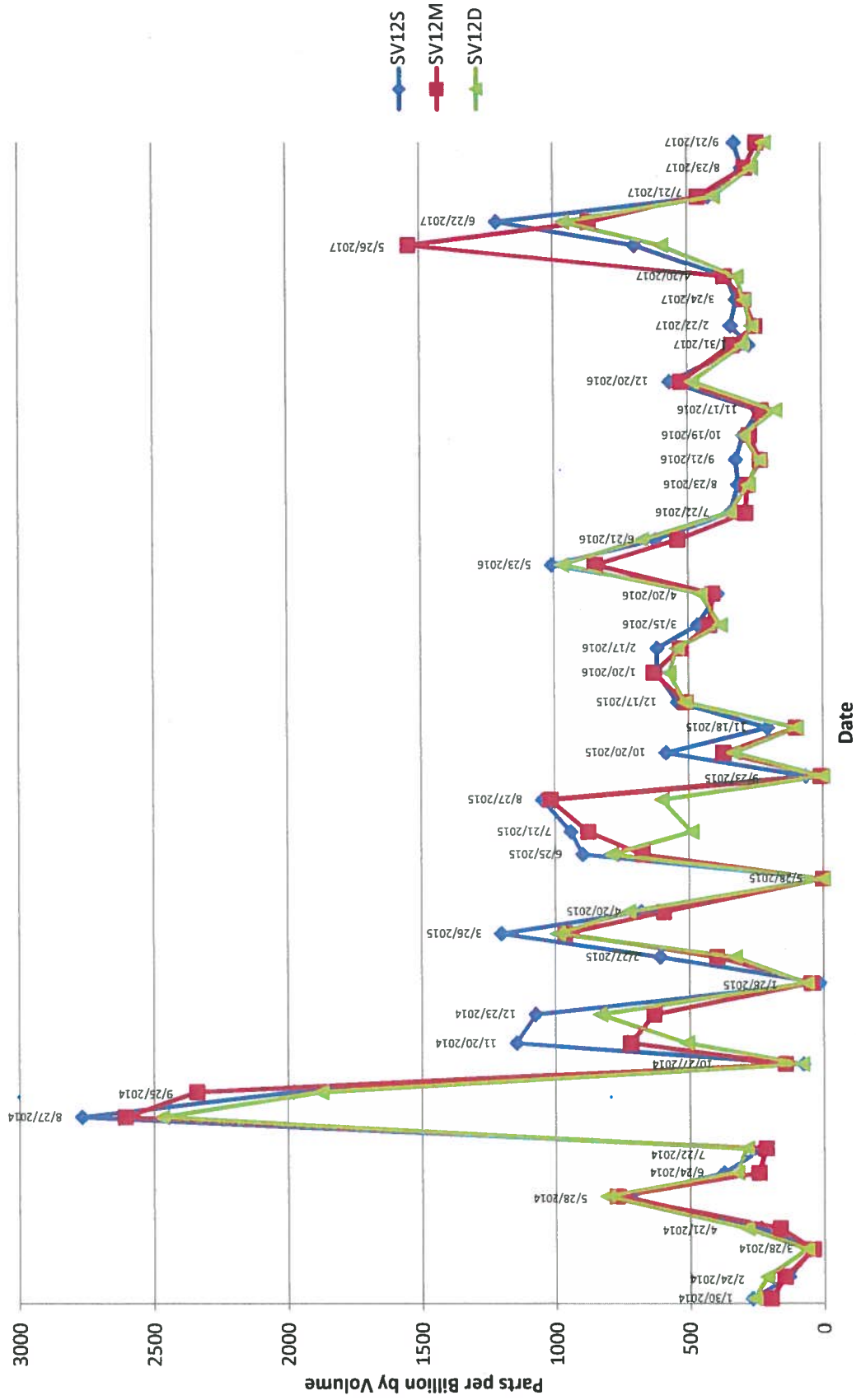


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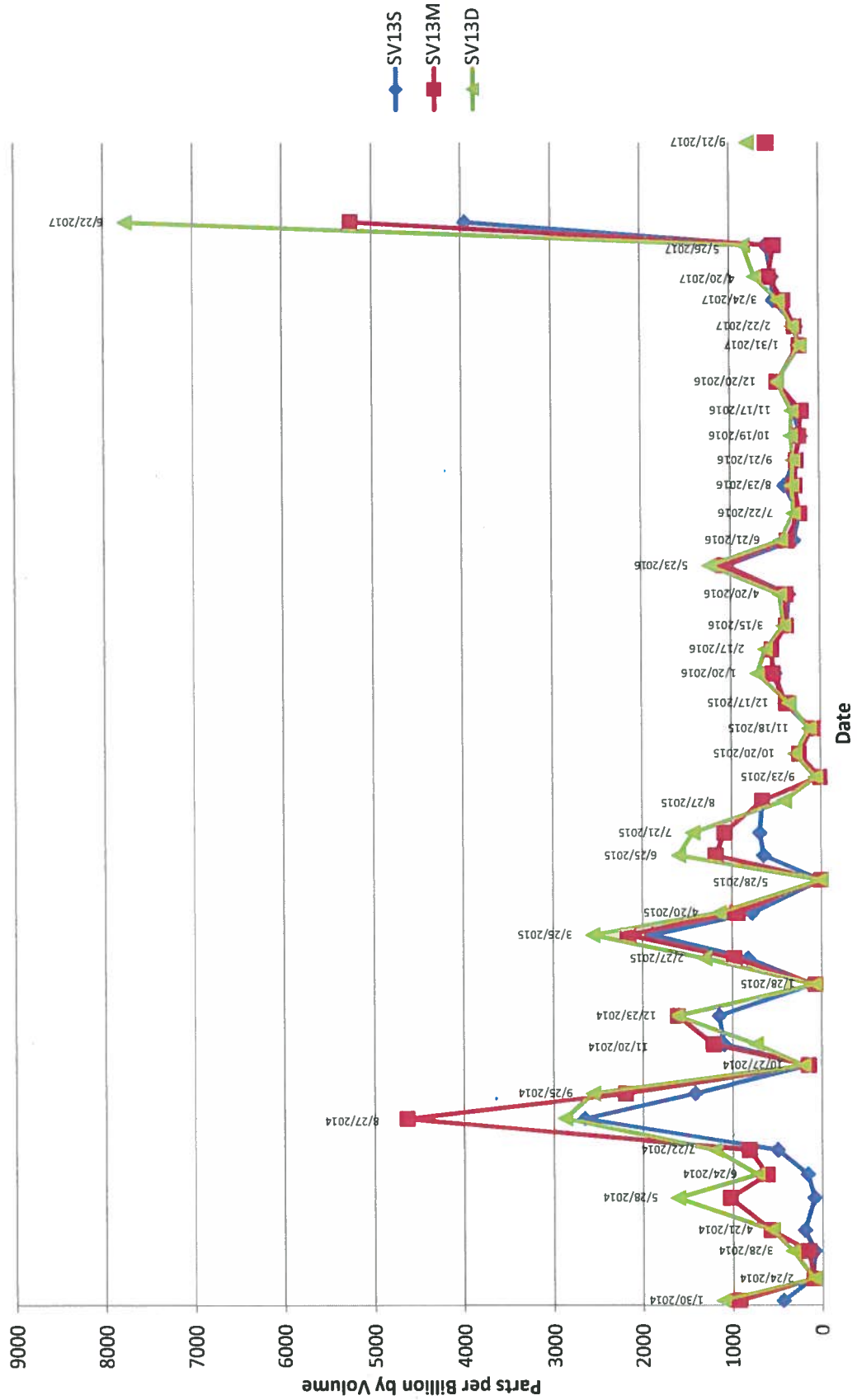


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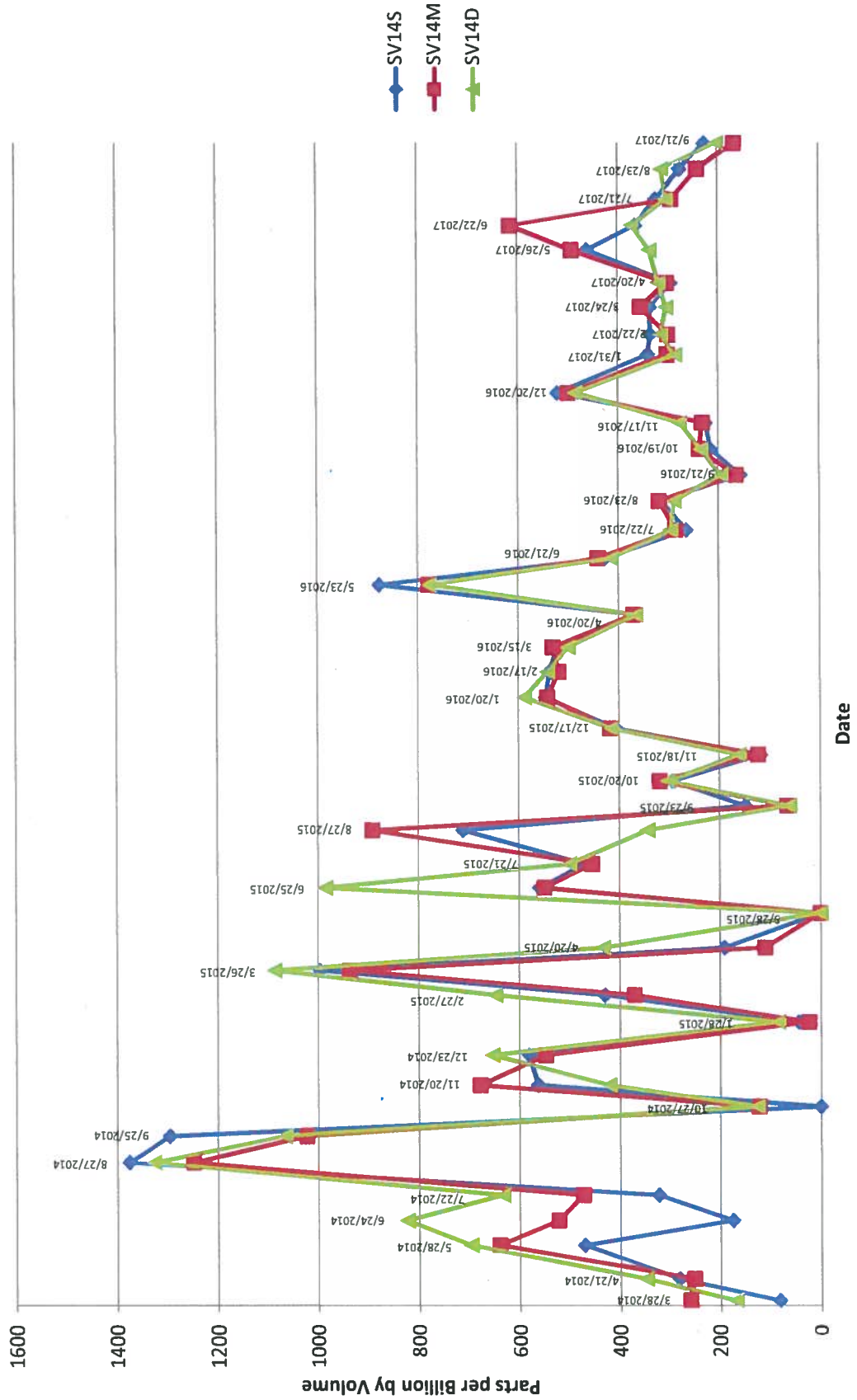


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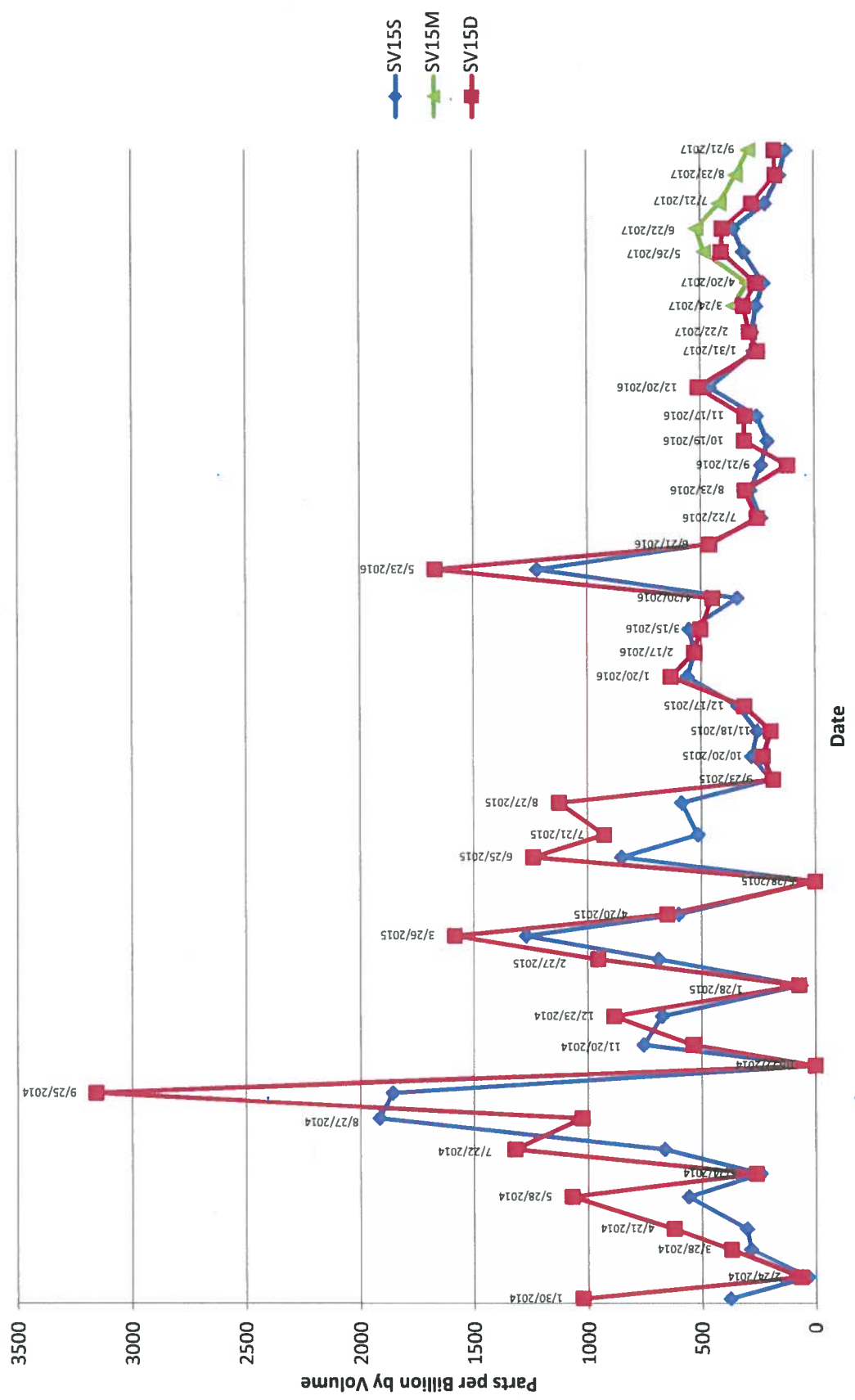


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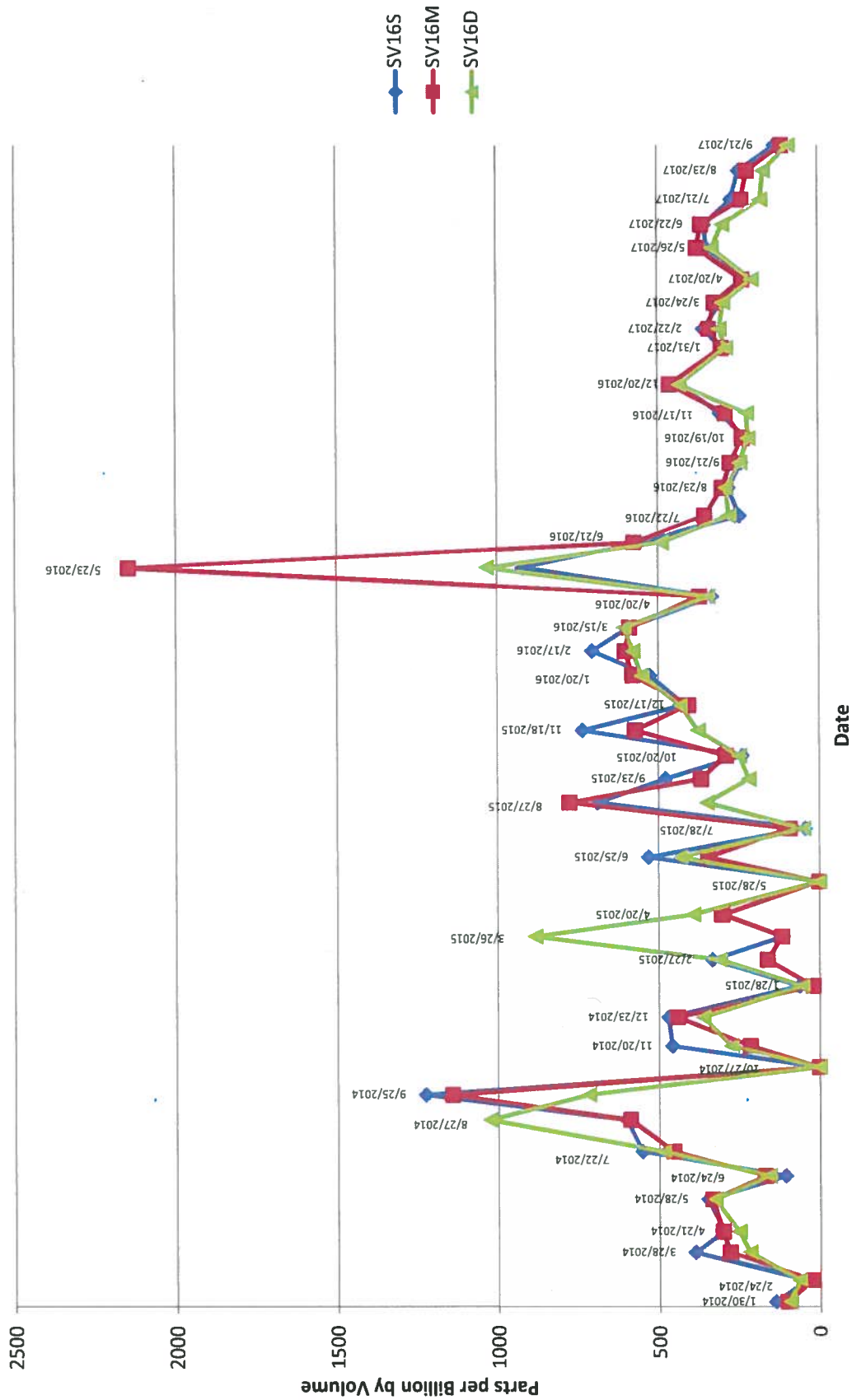


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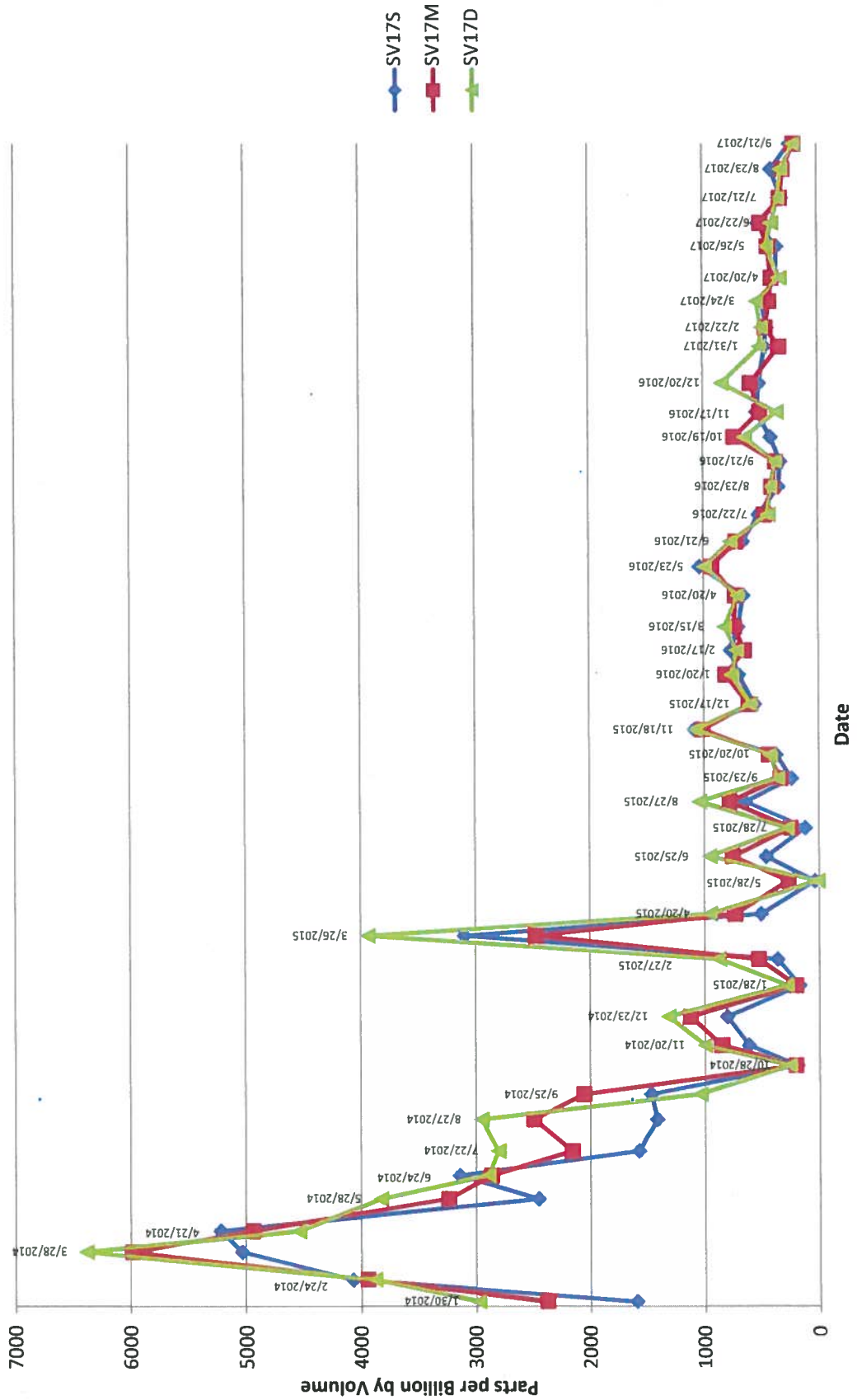


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Soil Vapor Measurements
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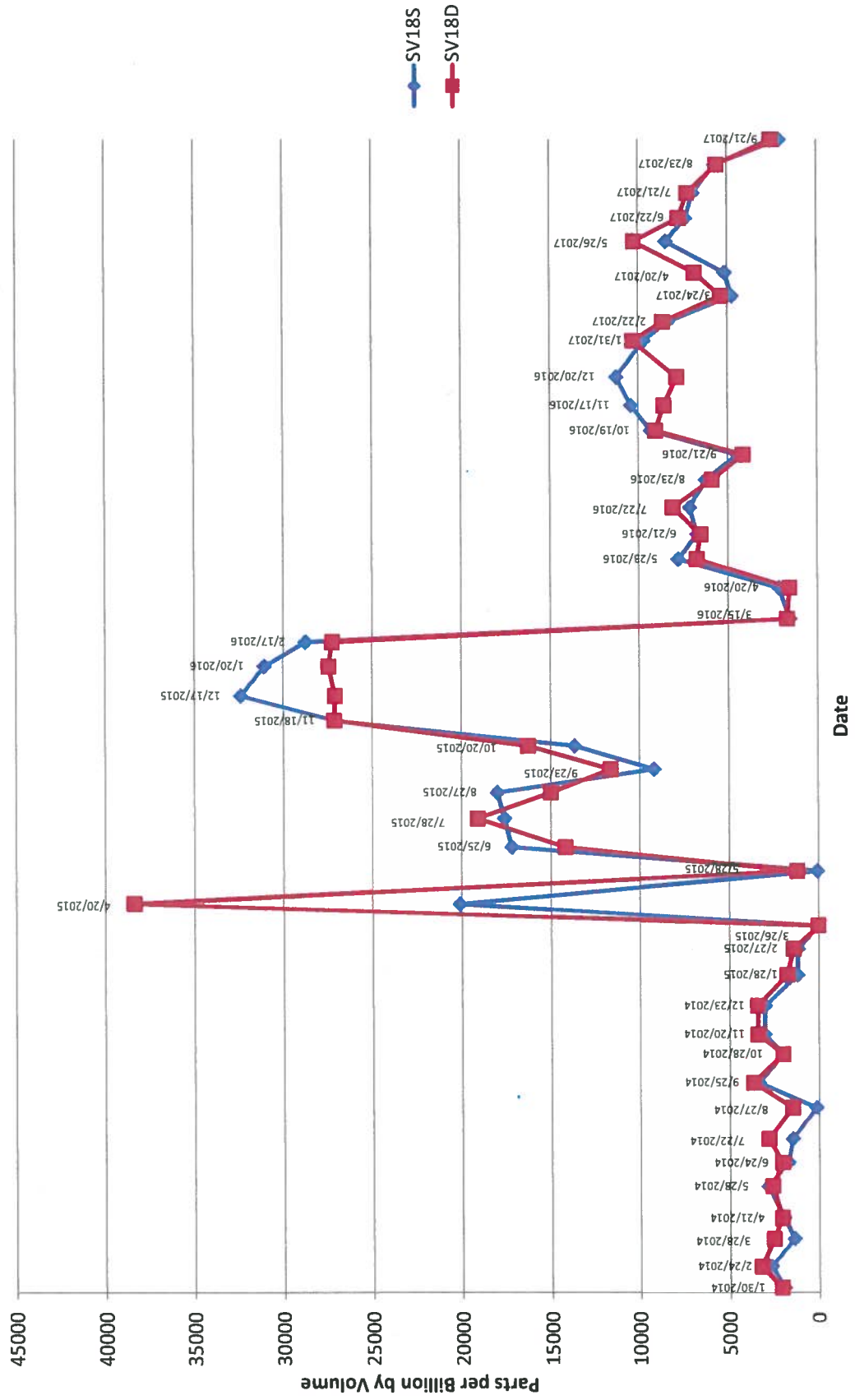


Figure 18
Soil Vapor Measurements
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