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Description:

Calibration factors for the air monitoring stations at
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The reported expanded uncertainties are based on a standard uncertainty multiplied by a coverage factor k=2 providing a level of confidence of approximately 95% The uncertainty evaluation has been carried out in accordance with UKAS requirements.

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NOx analysers

Station	Date of Audit	Species	Analyser Serial no	Zero Response ¹	Zero uncertainty ppb	Calibration Factor ²	Factor uncertainty %	Converter eff. (%) ³
Falkirk Bainsford	28-Jul-17	NOx	HUK15020067	0.2	2.5	1.0037	3.50	97.1
		NO		0.2	2.5	1.0420	3.50	
Falkirk Grangemouth MC	26-Jul-17	NOx	8906170204	-1.4	2.5	1.0348	3.50	96.1
		NO		0.8	2.5	1.0736	3.50	
Falkirk Haggs	06-Sep-17	NOx	1401925	3.0	2.6	1.0875	3.50	98.3
		NO		2.0	2.7	1.0853	3.50	
Falkirk Hope Street	27-Jul-17	NOx	8907040214	-0.4	2.5	1.0325	3.50	98.1
		NO		-0.9	2.5	1.0570	3.50	
Falkirk West Bridge Street	28-Jul-17	NOx	1228	1.9	2.5	1.0449	3.51	103.3
		NO		0.5	2.5	1.0476	3.50	

PM10 analysers

Station	Date of audit	Analyser Serial no	Calculated ko	Uncertainty %	Total flow	Uncertainty %	Main flow	Uncertainty %
Falkirk Bainsford	28-Jul-17	27493	12515	1.0	16.51	2.2	3.07	2.2
Falkirk Banknock	06-Sep-17	6179			4.73	2.2		2.2
Falkirk Grahams Rd	27-Jul-17	22988	12945	1.0	16.40	2.2	3.15	2.2
Falkirk Grangemouth MC	26-Jul-17	22697	13835	1.0	16.92	2.2	2.96	2.2
Falkirk Haggs	06-Sep-17	23170	14404	1.0	16.53	2.2	3.07	2.2
Falkirk West Bridge Street	28-Jul-17	7661			4.15	2.2		2.2

SO2 analysers

Station	Date of Audit	Analyser Serial no	Zero Response ¹	Zero uncertainty ppb	Calibration Factor ²	Factor uncertainty %	Response to m-xylene (ppb)
Falkirk Bo'ness	27-Jul-17	616X6GNF	3.3	2.4	0.7387	3.1	-0.2
Falkirk Grangemouth MC	26-Jul-17	SM7N38YX	2.5	2.5	0.9123	3.0	1.1
Falkirk Hope Street	27-Jul-17	103004	1.8	2.5	0.8800	3.0	44.9
Falkirk Grangemouth Zetland Park	26-Jul-17	408066600209	0.1	2.5	0.8508	3.1	2.4
Grangemouth Moray	25-Jul-17	124MLC3B	1.3	2.4	0.8159	3.2	0.1



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The gaseous ambient analysers listed above have been tested for zero response, calibration factor, linearity and converter efficiency (NO_x analysers) by documented methods. The factors have been calculated using certified gas standards. The particulate analysers listed above have been tested for sample flow rates and k₀(where appropriate) by documented methods. Note that the test results are valid on the day of test only, as analyser drift over time cannot be quantified. All results for gaseous species are given in ppb (parts per billion) mole fractions or ppm (parts per million) mole fractions.

¹ The zero response is the zero reading on the data logging system of the analyser when audit zero gas was introduced to the analysers under test.

² The calibration factor is the multiplying factor required to scale the reading on the data logging system of the analyser into reported concentration units (ppb for NO, NO_x, SO₂, O₃ and ppm for CO. Where 1ppm = 1000ppb). It should be used in conjunction with the zero response. A corrected concentration is calculated using the following equation:

$$\text{Concentration} = F(\text{Output} - \text{Zero Response})$$

Where F = Calibration Factor provided on this certificate
Output = Reading on the data logging system of the analyser
Zero Response = Zero Response provided on this certificate

³ Converter eff. is the measured efficiency of the NO₂ to NO converter within the oxides of nitrogen analyser under test.

⁴ The measured main flow rate (where this is applicable) is the flow rate through the sensor unit of the TEOM particulate analyser under test. The measured total flow rate is the total flow rate through the particulate analyser under test. Units of flow are l.min⁻¹, reported at prevailing ambient conditions unless otherwise specified. Where flow rates are highlighted in bold, it indicates that measurements were not made at the analyser sample inlet. These measurements therefore may not accurately reflect analyser performance in normal operation.

⁵ The calculated k₀ value (specifically for TEOM analysers) is the calculated k₀ spring constant based on tests undertaken with filters of known weight. The % deviation indicates the closeness of the calculated result to the manufacturer's specified value of k₀.

The calibration results shaded are those that fall within our scope of accreditation, all other results on this certificate are not UKAS accredited, but have been included for completeness.