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## **1. SUMMARY**

A gas chromatography method using mass spectrometric detection with electron impact ionization and sample extraction with 65- $\mu\text{m}$  polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS)/divinylbenzene (DVB) solid phase micro-extraction (SPME) fibers for the determination of ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD) concentration in formulations containing mineral oil and test substance ranging in concentration from 49.4 to 502 mg/mL was validated in this study. In addition, the method was cross-validated to an alternate sample extraction with 100- $\mu\text{m}$  PDMS SPME fibers. Also in this study, test substance stability was assessed in calibration standards and processed quality control (QC) samples stored at room temperature for at least 8 days. In addition, formulations prepared at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL were assessed for test substance homogeneity and, following 8 and 15 days of room temperature storage, resuspension homogeneity and stability.

The ULSD assay procedure was validated in this study with 3 validation sessions. Quantitation was performed using calibration standards ranging in test substance concentration from 10.0 to 100 mg/mL. The mean back-calculated standard concentrations had inter-session variability ranging from 5.5% to 7.1% (12% at lowest concentration) relative standard deviation (RSD) and percent relative error (%RE) ranging from -1.9% to 1.7%, which met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for calibration standards, *i.e.*,  $\text{RSD} \leq 10\%$  and  $\% \text{RE}$  within  $\pm 10\%$  (except at the lowest level where  $\text{RSD} \leq 15\%$  and  $\% \text{RE}$  within  $\pm 15\%$  were acceptable). Assay precision and accuracy were verified by the analysis of QC samples prepared at 49.4 to 502 mg ULSD/mL. The mean calculated QC concentrations had inter-session variability (precision) ranging from 7.6% to 11% RSD and  $\% \text{RE}$  (accuracy) ranging from -7.1% to -2.3%. The results met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for precision and accuracy, *i.e.*,  $\text{RSD} \leq 15\%$  and  $\% \text{RE}$  within  $\pm 15\%$  (except at the lowest level where  $\text{RSD} \leq 20\%$  and  $\% \text{RE}$  within  $\pm 20\%$  were acceptable).

The ULSD assay procedure was cross-validated in this study with a single validation session. Quantitation was performed using calibration standards ranging in test substance concentration from 10.0 to 100 mg/mL. The mean back-calculated standard concentrations had intra-session variability ranging from 1.5% to 6.5% (11% at the lowest concentration) RSD and %RE ranging from -1.2% to 4.8%, which met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for calibration standards, *i.e.*,  $\text{RSD} \leq 10\%$  and %RE within  $\pm 10\%$  (except at the lowest level where  $\text{RSD} \leq 15\%$  and %RE within  $\pm 15\%$  were acceptable). Assay precision and accuracy were verified by the analysis of QC samples prepared at 49.4 to 502 mg ULSD/mL. The mean calculated QC concentrations had intra-session variability (precision) ranging from 0.17% to 4.1% RSD and %RE (accuracy) ranging from -10% to -3.5%. The results met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for precision and accuracy, *i.e.*,  $\text{RSD} \leq 15\%$  and %RE within  $\pm 15\%$  (except at the lowest level where  $\text{RSD} \leq 20\%$  and %RE within  $\pm 20\%$  were acceptable).

The test substance in calibration standards and processed QC samples stored at room temperature for at least 8 days met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for stability, *i.e.*, the post-storage concentration was not  $<90\%$  of the pre-storage value.

The results of the test substance homogeneity assessment in formulations prepared at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria, *i.e.*, the RSD for the mean concentration was  $\leq 10\%$  at a concentration within the acceptable limits (90% to 110% of target) with the following exceptions. The low group (50 mg/mL) and high group (500 mg/mL) formulations prepared on 4 May 2011 were 87.6% and 82.0% of the target concentration, respectively. Both formulations were re-prepared on 9 May 2011 and met the previously stated criteria.

Assessment of test substance resuspension homogeneity and stability of the 9 May 2011 formulations following 8 days of room temperature storage at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria for resuspension homogeneity, *i.e.*, the RSD for the mean concentration was  $\leq 10\%$  and the previously

stated protocol-specified acceptance criteria for stability. The results of the 15-day stability assessment of the 9 May 2011 low and high group formulations failed to meet the acceptance criteria, with post-storage concentrations of 75.9% and 77.0%, respectively, of the pre-storage value.

## **2. INTRODUCTION**

This report provides a detailed description of a gas chromatography (GC) method using mass spectrometric detection (MS) with electron impact (EI) ionization for the determination of ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD) concentration in formulations containing mineral oil and test substance ranging in concentration from 49.4 to 502 mg/mL. Assay specificity/selectivity, calibration reproducibility, precision, accuracy, ruggedness, and test substance stability in calibration standards and processed quality control (QC) samples stored at room temperature for at least 8 days were assessed. In addition formulations prepared at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL were analyzed to assess test substance homogeneity and, following 8 and 15 days of room temperature storage, resuspension homogeneity and stability.

The study protocol and deviations from the protocol are presented in Appendix A.

A list of abbreviations potentially used in this report is presented in Section 9. (Abbreviations).

### **2.1. KEY STUDY DATES**

| <b><u>Date(s)</u></b> | <b><u>Event(s)</u></b>                                              |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 28 April 2011 .....   | First date of analysis<br>(Experimental start/starting date)        |
| 25 August 2011 .....  | Last date of analysis<br>(Experimental termination/completion date) |

## **2.2. WIL RESEARCH KEY STUDY PERSONNEL**

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## **3. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES - MATERIALS AND METHODS**

### **3.1. TEST SUBSTANCE AND VEHICLE**

#### **3.1.1. TEST SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION**

The test substance, ULSD, was received from EPL Archives, Inc., Sterling, VA on behalf of American Petroleum Institute, Washington, DC on 10 November 2010 as follows:

| Identification                                            | Quantity Received | Physical Description |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| ULSD Blend of 7<br>CAS# 68334-30-5<br>[WIL log no. 8472A] | 5 Glass bottles   | Clear, yellow liquid |

The test substance was stored at room temperature, protected from light and was considered stable under this condition. A reserve sample of the test substance (approximately 0.85 g) was collected on 15 November 2010 and stored in the WIL Research Archives.

#### **3.1.2. VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION**

The vehicle used in preparation of the test substance formulations was mineral oil (USP; lot no. ZH1000, exp. date: 3 March 2012) received from Spectrum Chemicals, New Brunswick, NJ.

### **3.2. FORMULATION PREPARATION**

Formulations were prepared at the test substance concentrations indicated in the following table:

| Group | Test Substance | Concentration (mg/mL) |
|-------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Low   | 8472A          | 50                    |
| High  | 8472A          | 500                   |

The appropriate amount of the test substance for each formulation was weighed in a tared, calibrated glass container. The formulations were then brought to the calibration target with vehicle. The formulations were mixed until uniform using a magnetic stirrer. The test substance formulations were stirred continuously throughout the preparation and sampling procedures.

### **3.3. GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY**

|                       |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Column:               | Zebron ZB-1HT Inferno 15 m × 0.32 mm, 0.25-μm film-thickness                                                 |
| Temperature Program:  | Initial temperature 50°C, hold for 1.0 minute<br>Ramp 40°C/minute to 300°C, hold for 5.0 minutes             |
| Column Pressure:      | 5.0 psi                                                                                                      |
| Carrier Gas:          | Helium                                                                                                       |
| Injector Temperature: | 280°C                                                                                                        |
| Sample Introduction:  | Solid phase micro-extraction (SPME)<br>65-μm polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS)/divinylbenzene (DVB) or 100-μm PDMS |
| Retention Time:       | Approximately 2.0 to 4.0 minutes for ULSD peak group                                                         |
| Run Time:             | 12.25 minutes                                                                                                |

### **3.4. SAMPLE INCUBATION, EXTRACTION, AND DESORPTION PARAMETERS**

|                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Agitator Temperature: | 60.0°C                      |
| Incubation Time:      | 10 minutes                  |
| Agitator Speed:       | 750 rpm                     |
| Agitation Cycle:      | 2 seconds on, 4 seconds off |
| Extraction Time:      | 2 minutes                   |
| Desorption Time:      | 1 minute                    |

### **3.5. MASS SPECTROMETRY**

#### **Acquisition Parameters**

|                            |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mode:                      | Selected ion monitoring |
| Solvent Delay:             | 1.0 minute              |
| Ion Source:                | EI                      |
| Transfer Line Temperature: | 280°C                   |
| Ion Trap:                  | 210°C                   |
| Manifold Temperature:      | 60°C                    |

| Analyte | Mass<br>(amu) |
|---------|---------------|
| ULSD    | 145.7         |

### **3.6. PREPARATION OF CALIBRATION STANDARDS**

Calibration standards with a concentration range of 10.0 to 100 mg ULSD/mL were prepared by diluting aliquots of ULSD (WIL log no. 8472A, density of 837 mg ULSD/mL) with mineral oil in headspace vials. Each headspace vial had a total sample volume of 1 mL. Triplicate calibration standards were prepared at each concentration for the validation sessions. At least single calibration standards at each concentration were prepared for routine analysis.

### **3.7. PREPARATION OF QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLES**

As detailed in the following table, QC samples were prepared to simulate the processing of formulations at concentrations of 49.4, 100, and 502 mg ULSD/mL (nominal QC concentrations) by combining aliquots of ULSD (WIL log no. 8472A, density of 837 mg ULSD/mL) and vehicle (mineral oil) in headspace vials or polypropylene tubes. The processed samples were further diluted as necessary with mineral oil and mixed with vortex action. The samples were transferred to a headspace vial for analysis. Each headspace vial had a total sample volume of 1 mL. The QC samples were prepared in triplicate at each concentration; a single vehicle blank sample was prepared.

| QC Level | Nominal QC Concentration (mg/mL) | Vehicle Volume (mL) | ULSD Density (mg/mL) | ULSD Volume (mL) | Dilution | Theoretical Final Concentration (mg/mL) |
|----------|----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|
| Blank    | 0                                | 1.00                | 837                  | 0                | NA       | 0                                       |
| QC1      | 49.4                             | 0.941               | 837                  | 0.059            | NA       | 49.4                                    |
| QC2      | 100                              | 0.880               | 837                  | 0.120            | 2-fold   | 50.2                                    |
| QC3      | 502                              | 0.400               | 837                  | 0.600            | 10-fold  | 50.2                                    |

NA = Not applicable

### **3.8. FORMULATION SAMPLE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING**

Quadruplicate samples were collected using a syringe and dosing cannula and transferred to headspace vials or polypropylene tubes. Two samples from each quadruplicate set were processed for analysis, and the remaining 2 samples (back-up samples) were stored at room temperature, protected from light and if not needed for analysis, discarded after receipt of the Study Director's approval of analytical results. As indicated in the following table, formulation samples diluting as necessary with mineral oil and mixing with vortex action. The samples were transferred to a headspace vial for analysis. Each headspace vial had a total sample volume of 1 mL.

| Group | Target Test Substance Concentration (mg/mL) | Sample Volume (mL) | Dilution | Theoretical Final Concentration (mg/mL) |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|
| Low   | 50                                          | 1.0                | NA       | 50.0                                    |
| High  | 500                                         | 1.0                | 10-fold  | 50.0                                    |

NA = Not applicable

### **3.9. CALIBRATION AND QUANTITATION**

Single injections were made of each calibration standard, processed QC, and formulation sample. A calibration curve was constructed for each set of analyses. The ULSD peak areas (y) and the theoretical concentrations (x) of the calibration standards were fit with least-squares regression analysis to the quadratic function:

$$y=ax^2 + bx + c$$

Concentrations were calculated from the results of the regression analysis using Microsoft Excel<sup>®</sup>. The concentration data were transferred to another Excel<sup>®</sup> spreadsheet, where appropriate summary statistics, *i.e.*, mean, standard deviation (SD), relative standard deviation (RSD), percent relative error (%RE), and concentration as a percent of target concentration, were calculated and presented in tabular form. The concentrations of QC and formulation samples were calculated by applying any necessary factors to correct for sample dilution or unit conversion.

### **3.10. WIL RESEARCH COMPUTER SYSTEMS**

#### **3.10.1. REPORTING AND ANCILLARY SYSTEMS**

| Program/System                                                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Archive Management System (AMS)                                               | In-house developed application for storage, maintenance, and retrieval of information for archived materials ( <i>e.g.</i> , lab books, study data, wet tissues, slides, <i>etc.</i> ) |
| InSight <sup>®</sup> Publisher                                                | Electronic publishing system (output is Adobe Acrobat, PDF)                                                                                                                            |
| Master Schedule                                                               | Maintains the master schedule for the company.                                                                                                                                         |
| Microsoft <sup>®</sup> Office 2002 and 2007; GraphPad Prism <sup>®</sup> 2008 | Used in conjunction with the publishing software to generate study reports.                                                                                                            |

#### 4. **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Under the described chromatographic conditions, the retention time of the test substance peak group was approximately 2.0 to 4.0 minutes. Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3, and Figure 4 are typical chromatograms of a calibration standard, a processed QC sample, a processed formulation sample, and a processed QC blank sample, respectively. The total analysis time required for each run was 12.25 minutes.

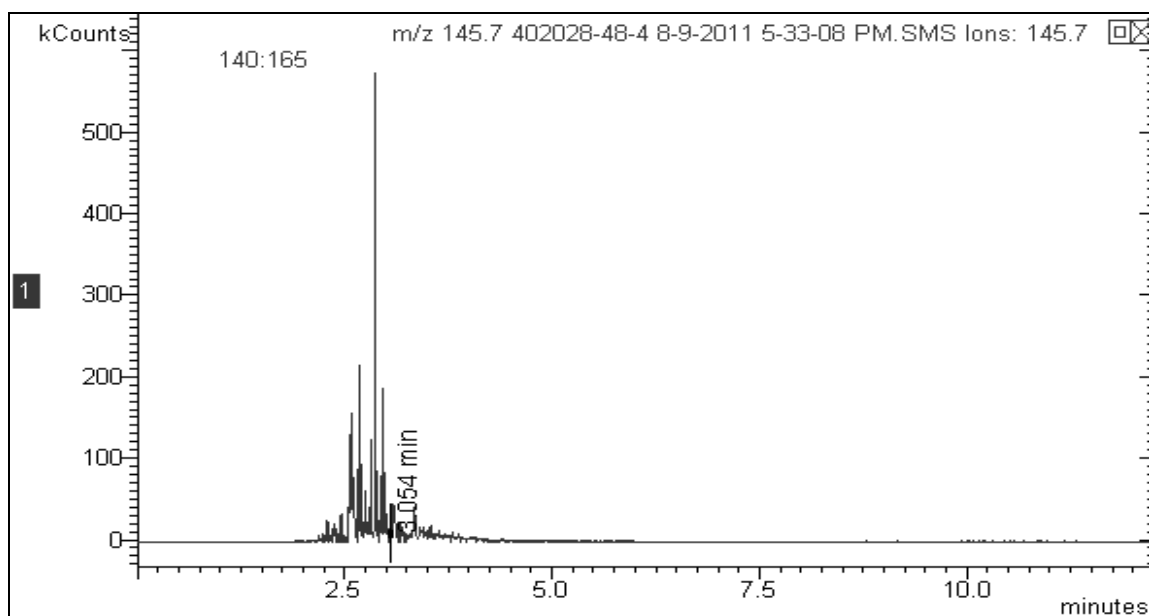


Figure 1: Representative Chromatogram of a 25.1 mg ULSD/mL Calibration Standard

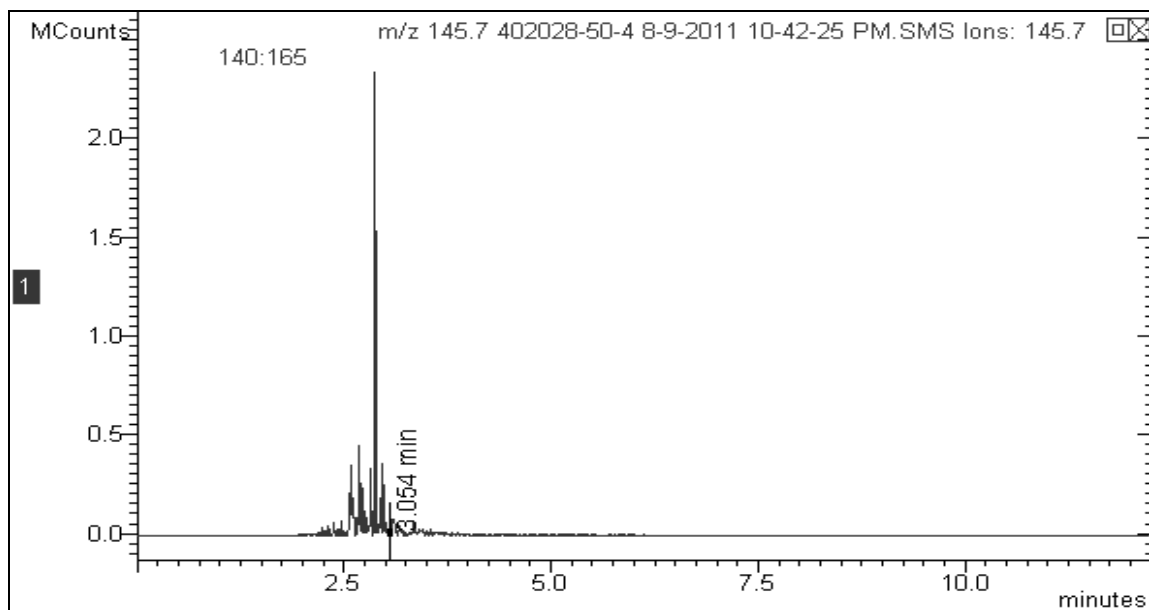


Figure 2: Representative Chromatogram of a Processed 502 mg ULSD/mL Quality Control Sample

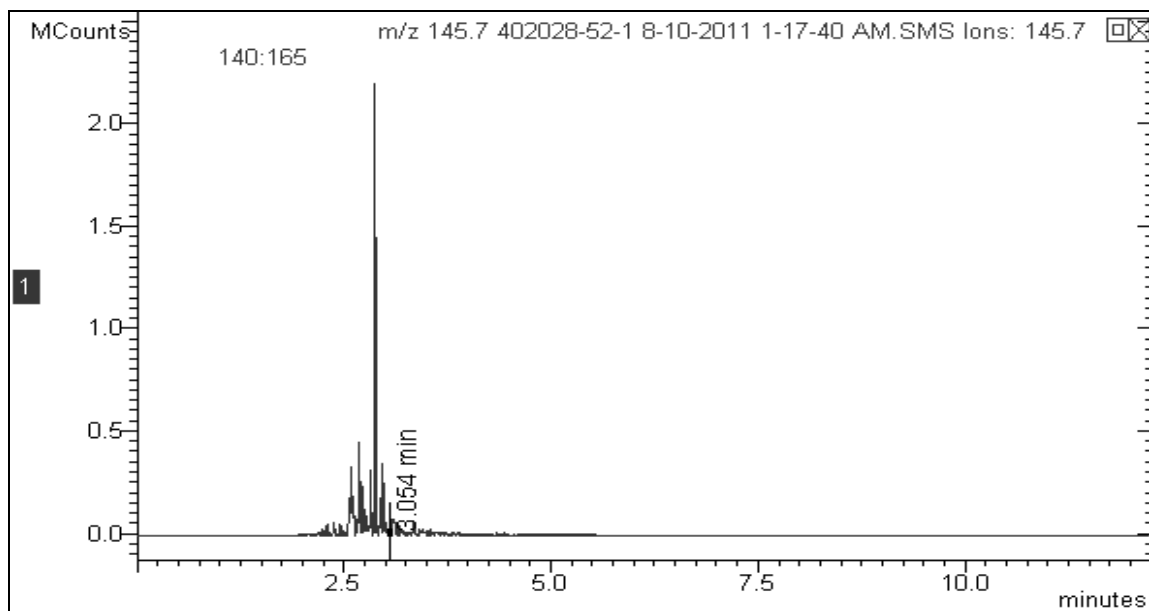


Figure 3: Representative Chromatogram of a Processed 500 mg ULSD/mL Formulation Sample

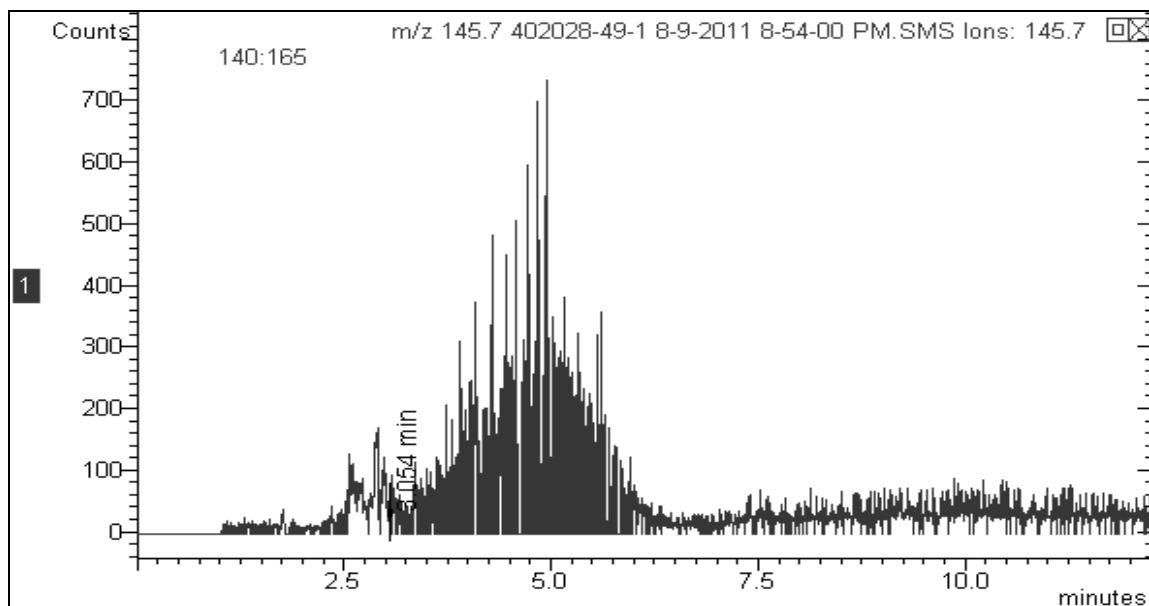


Figure 4: Chromatogram of a Processed Quality Control Blank Sample

#### **4.1. SPECIFICITY/SELECTIVITY**

As shown in Figure 4 (and in contrast to the chromatograms shown in Figure 1, Figure 2, and Figure 3), assay specificity/selectivity was confirmed when GC/MS analysis of a processed QC blank sample revealed that there were no significant peaks at or near the retention time for the test substance peak group (approximately 2.0 to 4.0 minutes).

#### **4.2. ASSAY VALIDATION: CALIBRATION REPRODUCIBILITY**

During each of the 3 method validation sessions (65- $\mu$ m PDMS/DVB fibers) and the subsequent single cross-validation session (100- $\mu$ m PDMS SPME fibers), triplicate calibration standards at 5 concentrations were prepared and analyzed as described previously. Single injections were made of each calibration standard. The resulting ULSD peak group areas versus theoretical ULSD concentration data were fit to the quadratic function using least-squares regression analysis. The results of the regression analyses were used to back-calculate the corresponding concentrations from the peak area data. As per the protocol, the reproducibility of the calibration curve data was considered valid when 1) the inter-session variability, expressed as RSD, of the back-calculated

concentrations at each calibration level was  $\leq 10\%$ , except at the lowest calibration level where  $\leq 15\%$  was acceptable; and 2) the mean back-calculated concentrations at each calibration level were within  $\pm 10\%$  of the theoretical values (percent relative error [%RE] within  $\pm 10\%$ ), except at the lowest calibration level where %RE within  $\pm 15\%$  was acceptable. Intra-session statistics were used to evaluate the single cross-validation session.

The back-calculated concentrations and the associated inter- and/or intra-session statistics for the ULSD assay validation and cross-validation calibration standards are summarized in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively, with the inter- or intra-session variability (RSD) of the back-calculated concentrations and the %RE of the inter- or intra-session mean concentrations summarized as follows.

| Validation         | RSD Range of Values<br>(%)          | %RE Range of Values<br>(%) |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Full (3 sessions)  | 5.5 to 7.1<br>(12% at lowest conc.) | -1.9 to 1.7                |
| Cross- (1 session) | 1.5 to 6.5<br>(11% at lowest conc.) | -1.2 to 4.8                |

Based on the stated criteria, the reproducibility of the ULSD calibration data was acceptable.

#### **4.3. ASSAY VALIDATION: PRECISION AND ACCURACY**

During each of the 3 method validation sessions and the subsequent single cross-validation session, triplicate QC samples at 3 concentrations were prepared and analyzed as described previously. Single injections were made of each processed QC sample. The results of the regression analyses were used to calculate the corresponding concentrations from the QC peak area data. The variability (RSD) of the calculated QC concentration data was used as a measure of assay precision, and the difference between theoretical and the calculated mean QC concentrations (%RE) was used as a measure of

assay accuracy. According to the protocol, the precision of the method was considered acceptable when the inter-session RSD of the calculated concentrations at each QC level was  $\leq 15\%$ , and the accuracy of the method was considered acceptable when the inter-session calculated mean concentration at each QC level had a %RE value within  $\pm 15\%$  (except at the lowest level where RSD  $\leq 20\%$  and %RE within  $\pm 20\%$  were acceptable). Intra-session statistics were used to evaluate the single cross-validation session.

The calculated concentrations and the associated inter- and/or intra-session statistics for the ULSD assay validation and cross-validation QC samples are summarized in Table 3 and Table 4, respectively, with the inter- or intra-session variability (RSD) of the calculated concentrations of each QC sample (precision) and the %RE values (accuracy) of the inter- or intra-session mean concentrations of the QC samples summarized as follows.

| Validation         | QC Range<br>(mg/mL) | RSD Range of Values<br>(%) | %RE Range of Values<br>(%) |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Full (3 sessions)  | 49.4 to 502         | 7.6 to 11                  | -7.1 to -2.3               |
| Cross- (1 session) | 49.4 to 502         | 0.17 to 4.1                | -10 to -3.5                |

Based on the previously stated criteria, the precision and accuracy of the ULSD assay was acceptable

#### **4.4. ASSAY RUGGEDNESS**

Assay ruggedness, as required by WIL Research SOP, was successfully demonstrated for this method because at least 2 of the 3 validation sessions were performed by different analysts.

#### **4.5. ASSAY ACCEPTABILITY**

In addition to the experimental samples, each analytical session consisted of (but was not limited to) calibration standards at a minimum of 4 concentrations and triplicate QC samples prepared at each of 3 concentrations. In this study, the formulations were

prepared at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL, and the QC samples were prepared at nominal concentrations of 49.4, 100, and 502 mg ULSD/mL. For an analytical session to be considered valid, at least two-thirds of the calculated QC concentrations with at least 1 sample at each concentration had to be 85% to 115% of the nominal QC concentration. All reported results were from analytical sessions that met the acceptance criteria.

#### **4.6. TEST SUBSTANCE STABILITY IN CALIBRATION STANDARDS**

Calibration standards prepared at 25.1 and 100 mg/mL and analyzed on 9 August 2011 were stored at room temperature for 8 days before being re-analyzed to assess test substance stability. The mean post-storage concentrations were 96.7% and 95.4% of the pre-storage values (Table 5), which met the protocol-specified requirement for stability, *i.e.*, the mean post-storage concentration was not <90% of the pre-storage value.

#### **4.7. TEST SUBSTANCE STABILITY IN PROCESSED SAMPLES**

QC samples prepared at nominal test substance concentrations of 1.00 and 200 mg/mL were processed and analyzed on 9 August 2011. The processed samples were stored at room temperature for 8 days before being re-analyzed to assess test substance stability. The mean post-storage concentrations were 97.1% and 97.3% of the pre-storage values (Table 5), which met the previously stated protocol-specified requirement for stability.

#### **4.8. TEST SUBSTANCE HOMOGENEITY ASSESSMENT OF FORMULATIONS**

Duplicate samples from the top, middle, and bottom strata of the formulations prepared on 4 May 2011 at target test substance concentrations of 50 and 500 mg/mL were analyzed to assess test substance homogeneity. The results of the homogeneity analysis are presented in Table 6, with the overall statistics summarized as follows:

| <b>Homogeneity Assessment of the 4 May 2011 Formulations</b> |                         |                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                                              | Low Group<br>(50 mg/mL) | High Group<br>(500 mg/mL) |
| Mean Concentration (mg/mL)                                   | 43.8                    | 410                       |
| SD                                                           | 3.0                     | 19                        |
| RSD (%)                                                      | 6.8                     | 4.6                       |
| Mean Concentration % of Target                               | 87.6                    | 82.0                      |

The homogeneity assessment of the 4 May 2011 formulations met the protocol-specified requirement, *i.e.*, the RSD for the mean concentration was  $\leq 10\%$  at a concentration within the acceptable limits (within 90% to 110% of target concentration) with the following exceptions. The low group (50 mg/mL) and high group (500 mg/mL) formulations prepared on 4 May 2011 were 87.6% and 82.0% of the target concentration, respectively.

#### **4.9. TEST SUBSTANCE HOMOGENEITY AND RESUSPENSION HOMOGENEITY ASSESSMENT OF FORMULATIONS**

Duplicate samples from the top, middle, and bottom strata of the formulations prepared on 9 August 2011 at target test substance concentrations of 50 and 500 mg/mL were analyzed to assess test substance homogeneity. The formulations that remained after sampling were divided into aliquots as would be used for daily dispensation. Representative aliquots were stored at room temperature for 8 and 15 days, at which time the test substance was resuspended by stirring. Duplicate samples were collected from the top and bottom strata of the aliquots and analyzed to assess 8 and 15 day resuspension homogeneity. The results of the homogeneity and resuspension homogeneity analyses are presented in Table 7, Table 8, and Table 9, respectively, with the overall statistics summarized as follows:

| <b>Homogeneity Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations</b> |                         |                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                                                 | Low Group<br>(50 mg/mL) | High Group<br>(500 mg/mL) |
| Mean Concentration (mg/mL)                                      | 54.2                    | 537                       |
| SD                                                              | 3.3                     | 9.4                       |
| RSD (%)                                                         | 6.0                     | 1.8                       |
| Mean Concentration % of Target                                  | 108                     | 107                       |

| <b>8-Day Room Temperature Resuspension Homogeneity Assessment<br/>of the 9 August 2011 Formulations</b> |                         |                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                                                                                         | Low Group<br>(50 mg/mL) | High Group<br>(500 mg/mL) |
| Mean Concentration (mg/mL)                                                                              | 51.8                    | 540                       |
| SD                                                                                                      | 3.6                     | 14                        |
| RSD (%)                                                                                                 | 7.0                     | 2.7                       |
| Mean Concentration % of Target                                                                          | 104                     | 108                       |

| <b>15-Day Room Temperature Resuspension Homogeneity Assessment<br/>of the 9 August 2011 Formulations</b> |                         |                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                                                                                          | Low Group<br>(50 mg/mL) | High Group<br>(500 mg/mL) |
| Mean Concentration (mg/mL)                                                                               | 42.2                    | 439                       |
| SD                                                                                                       | 3.0                     | 21                        |
| RSD (%)                                                                                                  | 7.0                     | 4.8                       |
| Mean Concentration % of Target                                                                           | 84.5                    | 87.7                      |

The homogeneity assessment of 9 August 2011 formulations met the previously stated protocol-specified requirement. The resuspension homogeneity assessments of the 9 August 2011 formulations met the protocol-specified requirement, *i.e.*, the RSD for the mean concentration was  $\leq 10\%$ .

#### **4.10. TEST SUBSTANCE STABILITY IN FORMULATIONS**

The formulations prepared and analyzed on 9 August 2011 were stored at room temperature, protected from light for 8 and 15 days before being re-analyzed to assess test substance stability. The results of the stability analysis are presented in Table 10 and Table 11. The mean concentrations and percent of time-zero values are summarized in the following table.

| Storage Condition | Storage Duration | Mean Concentration, mg/mL (% of Time-Zero) |                           |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                   |                  | Low Group<br>(50 mg/mL)                    | High Group<br>(500 mg/mL) |
| Room Temperature  | 8 Days           | 51.8 (95.6)                                | 521 (96.9)                |
|                   | 15 Days          | 41.1 (75.9)                                | 413 (77.0)                |

The post-storage test substance concentrations following 8 days of room temperature storage ranged from 95.6% to 96.9% of the pre storage values, which met the previously stated protocol requirement for stability. The post-storage test substance concentrations following 15 days of room temperature storage ranged from 75.9% to 77.0% of the pre-storage values, which did not meet the previously stated acceptance criteria.

#### **5. CONCLUSIONS**

A GC/MS method using EI ionization and sample extraction with 65- $\mu$ m PDMS/DVB SPME fibers for the determination of ULSD concentration in formulations containing mineral oil and test substance ranging in concentration from 49.4 to 502 mg/mL was validated in this study. In addition, the method was cross-validated to an alternate sample extraction with 100- $\mu$ m PDMS SPME fibers. Method specificity/selectivity, ruggedness, calibration reproducibility, precision, accuracy, and test substance stability in calibration standards and processed QC samples stored at room temperature for at least 8 days were assessed and validated, satisfying WIL Research SOP and protocol acceptance criteria.

The results of the test substance homogeneity assessment in formulations prepared at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL met the protocol-specified acceptance

criteria, *i.e.*, the RSD for the mean concentration was  $\leq 10\%$  at a concentration within the acceptable limits (90% to 110% of target) with the following exceptions. The low group (50 mg/mL) and high group (500 mg/mL) formulations prepared on 4 May 2011 were 87.6% and 82.0% of the target concentration, respectively.

Assessment of test substance resuspension homogeneity and stability following 8 and 15 days of room temperature storage at target concentrations of 50 and 500 mg ULSD/mL met the protocol-specified acceptance criteria with the following exception. The results of the 15-day stability assessment of the 9 August 2011 low and high group formulations failed to meet the acceptance criteria.

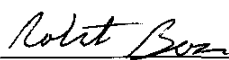
**6. REPORT REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

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## **7. QUALITY ASSURANCE STATEMENT**

### **7.1. PHASES INSPECTED**

| <u>Date(s) of<br/>Inspection(s)</u> | <u>Phase Inspected</u>                 | <u>Dates(s)<br/>Findings Reported to<br/>Study Director</u> | <u>Date(s) Findings<br/>Reported to<br/>Management</u> | <u>Auditor(s)</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 09-Aug-2011                         | Test Article<br>Analysis               | 09-Aug-2011                                                 | 26-Sep-2011                                            | M.Stauffer        |
| 19-Sep-2011                         | Study Records<br>(Rx-1, Rx-2)          | 19-Sep-2011                                                 | 25-Oct-2011                                            | M.Stauffer        |
| 19-Sep-2011,<br>20-Sep-2011         | Study Records<br>(A-1, A-2, A-3)       | 20-Sep-2011                                                 | 25-Oct-2011                                            | M.Stauffer        |
| 23-Sep-2011                         | Analytical<br>Chemistry Report         | 23-Sep-2011                                                 | 25-Oct-2011                                            | M.Stauffer        |
| 17-Oct-2011                         | Audited Analytical<br>Chemistry Report | 17-Oct-2011                                                 | 28-Nov-2011                                            | M.Stauffer        |
| 09-Jan-2012                         | Final Report                           | 09-Jan-2012                                                 | 10-Jan-2012                                            | E.Crookshank      |

This study was inspected in accordance with the United States EPA GLP Regulations (40 CFR Part 792), the OECD Principles of GLP, the WIL Research SOPs, and the protocol and protocol amendments as approved by the Sponsor. Review of the protocol and protocol amendments (if applicable) as well as a yearly internal facility inspection are conducted by the WIL Research Quality Assurance Department. A status report is submitted to management monthly.

This report accurately reflects the data generated during the study. The methods and procedures used in the study were those specified in the protocol, its amendments, and the WIL Research SOPs.

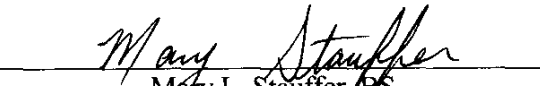
**7.2. APPROVAL**

This study was inspected according to the criteria discussed in Section 7.1.

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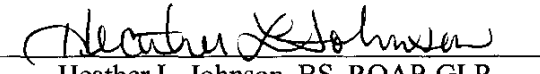
  
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## **8. DATA RETENTION**

The raw data, the retention sample(s) if applicable, pertinent electronic storage media, and the original final report are retained in the WIL Research Archives in compliance with regulatory requirements.

## 9. ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations may apply to this report:

|              |   |                                                       |
|--------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------|
| μ            | - | micro                                                 |
| μL           | - | microliter                                            |
| amu          | - | atomic mass unit                                      |
| btm          | - | bottom                                                |
| conc.        | - | concentration                                         |
| DI           | - | deionized                                             |
| DVB          | - | divinylbenzene                                        |
| EI           | - | electron impact                                       |
| EPA          | - | Environmental Protection Agency                       |
| ESI+         | - | positive electrospray ionization                      |
| g            | - | gram                                                  |
| GLP          | - | Good Laboratory Practices                             |
| hr           | - | hour(s)                                               |
| IS           | - | internal standard                                     |
| kg           | - | kilogram                                              |
| L            | - | liter                                                 |
| mg           | - | milligram                                             |
| mL           | - | milliliter                                            |
| mm           | - | millimeter                                            |
| msec         | - | milliseconds                                          |
| MS           | - | mass spectrometry                                     |
| NA           | - | not applicable                                        |
| ND           | - | not detected                                          |
| ng           | - | nanogram                                              |
| nm           | - | nanometer                                             |
| OECD         | - | Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development |
| PDMS         | - | polydimethylsiloxane                                  |
| ppm          | - | parts per million                                     |
| QC           | - | quality control                                       |
| %RE          | - | percent relative error                                |
| RSD          | - | relative standard deviation                           |
| SD           | - | standard deviation                                    |
| SOP          | - | standard operating procedure                          |
| SPME         | - | solid phase micro-extraction                          |
| ULSD         | - | ultra-low sulfur diesel                               |
| v            | - | volume                                                |
| w            | - | weight                                                |
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**TABLES 1 - 11**

Table 1. Back-Calculated Concentrations of the Validation Calibration Standards

| Theoretical Concentration<br>( mg/mL )  | 10.0  | 25.1 | 50.2  | 75.3  | 100    |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|--------|
| Set 1<br>(28 Apr 2011)                  | 8.49  | 24.5 | 55.0  | 79.1  | 104    |
|                                         | 10.5  | 23.8 | 48.1  | 73.8  | 101    |
|                                         | 11.3  | 24.0 | 53.8  | 67.5  | 97.0   |
| Mean                                    | 10.1  | 24.1 | 52.3  | 73.5  | 100    |
| SD                                      | 1.5   | 0.39 | 3.7   | 5.8   | 3.4    |
| %RSD                                    | 14    | 1.6  | 7.1   | 7.9   | 3.4    |
| %RE                                     | 1.0   | -4.1 | 4.1   | -2.4  | 0.48   |
| Set 2<br>(29 Apr 2011)                  | 11.3  | 21.1 | 50.5  | 187*  | 89.3   |
|                                         | 10.6  | 24.9 | 50.2  | 81.4  | 109    |
|                                         | 11.3  | 25.1 | 47.9  | 74.4  | 99.9   |
| Mean                                    | 11.1  | 23.7 | 49.5  | 77.9  | 99.2   |
| SD                                      | 0.42  | 2.3  | 1.4   | 5.0   | 9.6    |
| %RSD                                    | 3.8   | 9.6  | 2.8   | 6.4   | 9.7    |
| %RE                                     | 11    | -5.6 | -1.3  | 3.4   | -0.76  |
| Set 3<br>(4-5 May 2011)<br>(Ruggedness) | 8.95  | 26.0 | 65.0* | 72.5  | 104    |
|                                         | 4.64* | 24.9 | 54.6  | 76.9  | 96.1   |
|                                         | 8.97  | 27.3 | 44.9  | 75.9  | 100    |
| Mean                                    | 8.96  | 26.1 | 49.7  | 75.1  | 100    |
| SD                                      | 0.019 | 1.2  | 6.8   | 2.3   | 3.9    |
| %RSD                                    | 0.22  | 4.4  | 14    | 3.1   | 3.9    |
| %RE                                     | -10   | 3.9  | -0.94 | -0.27 | 0.072  |
| <b>Interset Statistics</b>              |       |      |       |       |        |
| <i>n</i>                                | 8     | 9    | 8     | 8     | 9      |
| Mean                                    | 10.2  | 24.6 | 50.6  | 75.2  | 99.9   |
| SD                                      | 1.2   | 1.7  | 3.6   | 4.3   | 5.5    |
| %RSD                                    | 12    | 6.9  | 7.1   | 5.7   | 5.5    |
| %RE                                     | 1.7   | -1.9 | 0.82  | -0.15 | -0.069 |

\* Standards will be excluded from summary statistics due to suspected preparation errors

Table 2. Back-Calculated Concentrations of the Cross-Validation Calibration Standards  
*Cross to 100  $\mu$ m PDMS SPME Fibers*

| Theoretical Concentration<br>(mg/mL)      | 10.0  | 25.1 | 50.2  | 75.3 | 100   |
|-------------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| <i>Cross-Validation</i><br>(17 June 2011) | 9.69  | 23.8 | 50.7  | 77.2 | 92.3  |
|                                           | 11.3  | 26.2 | 49.2  | 74.9 | 103   |
|                                           | 13.0* | 24.3 | 49.8  | 75.0 | 104   |
| <b><i>Intraset Statistics</i></b>         |       |      |       |      |       |
| <i>n</i>                                  | 2     | 3    | 3     | 3    | 3     |
| Mean                                      | 10.5  | 24.8 | 49.9  | 75.7 | 99.8  |
| SD                                        | 1.1   | 1.3  | 0.76  | 1.3  | 6.5   |
| %RSD                                      | 11    | 5.1  | 1.5   | 1.7  | 6.5   |
| %RE                                       | 4.8   | -1.2 | -0.57 | 0.54 | -0.23 |

\*Calibration standard excluded from summary statistics due to suspected preparation error

Table 3. Calculated Concentrations of the Validation Quality Control Samples

| Theoretical<br>Concentration<br>( mg/mL ) | 49.4 | 100    | 502  |
|-------------------------------------------|------|--------|------|
| Set 1<br>(28 Apr 2011)                    | 47.4 | 109    | 544  |
|                                           | 49.0 | 102    | 549  |
|                                           | 53.3 | 88.9   | 451  |
| Mean                                      | 49.9 | 99.9   | 515  |
| SD                                        | 3.1  | 10     | 55   |
| %RSD                                      | 6.1  | 10     | 11   |
| %RE                                       | 0.98 | -0.099 | 2.6  |
| Set 2<br>(29 Apr 2011)                    | 50.0 | 91.3   | 487  |
|                                           | 47.0 | 88.2   | 537  |
|                                           | 53.6 | 103    | 503  |
| Mean                                      | 50.2 | 94.2   | 509  |
| SD                                        | 3.3  | 7.9    | 26   |
| %RSD                                      | 6.5  | 8.4    | 5.0  |
| %RE                                       | 1.6  | -5.8   | 1.4  |
| Set 3<br>(4-5 May 2011)<br>(Ruggedness)   | 47.3 | 86.7   | 410  |
|                                           | 43.5 | 84.3   | 430  |
|                                           | 43.2 | 82.6   | 437  |
| Mean                                      | 44.7 | 84.5   | 426  |
| SD                                        | 2.3  | 2.1    | 14   |
| %RSD                                      | 5.1  | 2.4    | 3.3  |
| %RE                                       | -9.6 | -15    | -15  |
| <b>Inter-set Statistics</b>               |      |        |      |
| <i>n</i>                                  | 9    | 9      | 9    |
| Mean                                      | 48.2 | 92.9   | 483  |
| SD                                        | 3.7  | 9.4    | 53   |
| %RSD                                      | 7.6  | 10     | 11   |
| %RE                                       | -2.3 | -7.1   | -3.7 |

Table 4. Back-Calculated Concentrations of the Cross-Validation Quality Control Samples  
*Cross to 100  $\mu$ m PDMS SPME Fibers*

| <b>Theoretical Concentration<br/>(mg/mL)</b> | <b>49.4</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>502</b> |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| <i>Cross-Validation<br/>(17 June 2011)</i>   | 49.5        | 92.9       | 450        |
|                                              | 47.8        | 93.2       | 464        |
|                                              | 45.6        | 93.2       | 442        |
| <b><i>Intraset Statistics</i></b>            |             |            |            |
| <i>n</i>                                     | 3           | 3          | 3          |
| Mean                                         | 47.6        | 93.1       | 452        |
| SD                                           | 1.9         | 0.16       | 11         |
| %RSD                                         | 4.1         | 0.17       | 2.5        |
| %RE                                          | -3.5        | -6.9       | -10        |

Table 5. Minimum 8-Day Room Temperature Stability Analysis of the  
9 August 2011 Calibration Standards and Processed Quality Control Samples

| <u>Date Analyzed</u>         | <u>Theo. Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) | <u>Ref #</u><br>( 402028 - ) | <u>Line #</u><br>* | <u>Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) | <u>Percent of Time Zero</u><br>(%) | <u>Overall Percent of Time Zero</u><br>(%) |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <i>Calibration Standards</i> |                              |                              |                    |                        |                                    |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 25.1                         | 48 - 4                       | 9                  | 26.5                   | N/A                                | 96.7                                       |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 48 - 4                       | 45                 | 24.6                   | 92.7                               |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 25.1                         | 48 - 5                       | 10                 | 22.8                   | N/A                                |                                            |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 48 - 5                       | 46                 | 23.0                   | 101                                |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 100                          | 48 - 13                      | 18                 | 101                    | N/A                                | 95.4                                       |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 48 - 13                      | 47                 | 95.9                   | 95.2                               |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 100                          | 48 - 14                      | 19                 | 96.8                   | N/A                                |                                            |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 48 - 14                      | 48                 | 92.5                   | 95.6                               |                                            |
| <i>QC Samples</i>            |                              |                              |                    |                        |                                    |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 1.00                         | 49 - 2                       | 23                 | 55.9                   | N/A                                | 97.1                                       |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 49 - 2                       | 50                 | 54.8                   | 98.0                               |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 1.00                         | 49 - 3                       | 24                 | 53.6                   | N/A                                |                                            |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 49 - 3                       | 51                 | 51.6                   | 96.2                               |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 200                          | 50 - 4                       | 29                 | 544                    | N/A                                | 97.3                                       |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 50 - 4                       | 52                 | 550                    | 101                                |                                            |
| 09Aug2011                    | 200                          | 50 - 5                       | 30                 | 575                    | N/A                                |                                            |
| 18Aug2011                    |                              | 50 - 5                       | 53                 | 537                    | 93.5                               |                                            |

\* The line number for prestorage samples injected on 9Aug2011 shall be prefixed by sequence (402028h-) and the line number for poststorage stability samples injected on 18Aug2011 shall be prefixed by sequence (402028i-)

N/A = Not applicable

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Table 6. Homogeneity/Concentration Assessment of the 4 May 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 4-6 May 2011)

| <u>Group/<br/>Strata</u> | <u>Dose<br/>Conc.</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Ref #</u><br>( 402028 - ) | <u>Line #</u><br>*(402028d1-)<br>^(402028e-) | <u>Analyzed<br/>Conc.</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Percent of<br/>Target</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean<br/>Conc.</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>SD</u> | <u>RSD</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean Conc<br/>% of Target</u><br>(%) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Low/Top                  | 50                                 | 11 - 1                       | 34*                                          | 38.5                                   | 77.0                                | 43.8                               | 3.0       | 6.8               | 87.6                                    |
|                          |                                    | 11 - 2                       | 35*                                          | 43.0                                   | 86.0                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 1                       | 57^                                          | 43.8                                   | 87.7                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 2                       | 58^                                          | 48.2                                   | 96.4                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| Low/Mid                  |                                    | 11 - 3                       | 36*                                          | 44.4                                   | 88.8                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 11 - 4                       | 37*                                          | 41.2                                   | 82.4                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 3                       | 59^                                          | 47.2                                   | 94.4                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 4                       | 60^                                          | 45.3                                   | 90.6                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| Low/Btm                  |                                    | 11 - 5                       | 38*                                          | 43.9                                   | 87.9                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 11 - 6                       | 39*                                          | 40.3                                   | 80.5                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 5                       | 61^                                          | 47.5                                   | 95.0                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 13 - 6                       | 62^                                          | 42.2                                   | 84.4                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Top                 | 500                                | 12 - 1                       | 40*                                          | 428                                    | 85.5                                | 410                                | 19        | 4.6               | 82.0                                    |
|                          |                                    | 12 - 2                       | 41*                                          | 410                                    | 82.1                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 1                       | 63^                                          | 421                                    | 84.2                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 2                       | 64^                                          | 398                                    | 79.6                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Mid                 |                                    | 12 - 3                       | 42*                                          | 413                                    | 82.7                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 12 - 4                       | 43*                                          | 400                                    | 79.9                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 3                       | 65^                                          | 405                                    | 81.0                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 4                       | 66^                                          | 396                                    | 79.2                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Btm                 |                                    | 12 - 5                       | 44*                                          | 447                                    | 89.3                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 12 - 6                       | 45*                                          | 399                                    | 79.8                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 5                       | 67^                                          | 430                                    | 86.0                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 21 - 6                       | 68^                                          | 376                                    | 75.2                                |                                    |           |                   |                                         |

Page 11 and 12 samples collected/processed on 4 May 2011 and stored at room temperature and injected on 5 May 2011

Page 13 and 21 samples are back-up samples collected on 4 May 2011 and stored at room temperature until injection/processing on 6 May 2011

Table 7. Homogeneity/Concentration Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 9 August 2011)

| <b>Group/<br/>Strata</b> | <b>Dose<br/>Conc.</b><br>( mg/mL ) | <b>Ref #</b><br>( 402028 - ) | <b>Line #</b><br>(402028h-) | <b>Analyzed<br/>Conc.</b><br>( mg/mL ) | <b>Percent of<br/>Target</b><br>(%) | <b>Mean<br/>Conc.</b><br>( mg/mL ) | <b>SD</b> | <b>RSD</b><br>(%) | <b>Mean Conc<br/>% of Target</b><br>(%) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Low/Top                  | 50                                 | 51 - 1                       | 33                          | 58.6                                   | 117                                 | 54.2                               | 3.3       | 6.0               | 108                                     |
|                          |                                    | 51 - 2                       | 34                          | 51.4                                   | 103                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| Low/Mid                  |                                    | 51 - 3                       | 35                          | 52.7                                   | 105                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 51 - 4                       | 36                          | 52.7                                   | 105                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| Low/Btm                  |                                    | 51 - 5                       | 37                          | 58.1                                   | 116                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 51 - 6                       | 38                          | 51.5                                   | 103                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Top                 | 500                                | 52 - 1                       | 39                          | 546                                    | 109                                 | 537                                | 9.4       | 1.8               | 107                                     |
|                          |                                    | 52 - 2                       | 40                          | 545                                    | 109                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Mid                 |                                    | 52 -3*                       | 41                          | 658                                    | 132                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 52 - 4                       | 42                          | 540                                    | 108                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
| High/Btm                 |                                    | 52 - 5                       | 43                          | 525                                    | 105                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |
|                          |                                    | 52 - 6                       | 44                          | 529                                    | 106                                 |                                    |           |                   |                                         |

\* Sample excluded from summary statistics due to presence of unknown peak in chromatogram

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Table 8. 8-Day Room Temperature Resuspension Homogeneity Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 17-18 August 2011)

| Group/<br>Strata | Dose<br>Conc. | Ref #        | Line #     | Analyzed<br>Conc. | Percent of<br>Target | Mean<br>Conc. | SD  | RSD | Mean Conc<br>% of Target |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----|-----|--------------------------|
|                  | ( mg/mL )     | ( 402028 - ) | (402028i-) | ( mg/mL )         | (%)                  | ( mg/mL )     |     | (%) | (%)                      |
| Low/Top          | 50            | 66 - 1       | 30         | 56.3              | 113                  | 51.8          | 3.6 | 7.0 | 104                      |
|                  |               | 66 - 2       | 31         | 52.8              | 106                  |               |     |     |                          |
| Low/Btm          |               | 66 - 3       | 32         | 47.8              | 96                   |               |     |     |                          |
|                  |               | 66 - 4       | 33         | 50.2              | 100                  |               |     |     |                          |
| High/Top         | 500           | 67 - 1       | 35         | 540               | 108                  | 540           | 14  | 2.7 | 108                      |
|                  |               | 67 - 2       | 36         | 519               | 104                  |               |     |     |                          |
| High/Btm         |               | 67 - 3       | 37         | 551               | 110                  |               |     |     |                          |
|                  |               | 67 - 4       | 38         | 549               | 110                  |               |     |     |                          |

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Table 9. 15-Day Room Temperature Resuspension Homogeneity Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 24 August 2011)

| Group/<br>Strata | Dose      | Ref #        | Line #     | Analyzed  | Percent of | Mean      | SD  | RSD | Mean Conc   |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----|-----|-------------|
|                  | Conc.     |              |            | Conc.     | Target     | Conc.     |     |     |             |
|                  | ( mg/mL ) | ( 402028 - ) | (402028j-) | ( mg/mL ) | (%)        | ( mg/mL ) |     | (%) | % of Target |
|                  |           |              |            |           |            |           |     |     |             |
| Low/Top          | 50        | 83 - 1       | 37         | 39.2      | 78.5       | 42.2      | 3.0 | 7.0 | 84.5        |
|                  |           | 83 - 2       | 38         | 46.3      | 92.6       |           |     |     |             |
| Low/Btm          |           | 83 - 3       | 39         | 41.7      | 83.4       |           |     |     |             |
|                  |           | 83 - 4       | 40         | 41.7      | 83.4       |           |     |     |             |
| High/Top         | 500       | 84 - 1       | 41         | 439       | 87.9       | 439       | 21  | 4.8 | 87.7        |
|                  |           | 84 - 2       | 42         | 442       | 88.5       |           |     |     |             |
| High/Btm         |           | 84 - 3       | 43         | 411       | 82.3       |           |     |     |             |
|                  |           | 84 - 4       | 44         | 462       | 92.4       |           |     |     |             |

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Table 10. 8-Day Room Temperature Stability Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 17-18 August 2011)

| <u>Strata</u> | <u>Dose Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Ref #</u><br>( 402028 - ) | <u>Line #</u><br>(402028i-) | <u>Analyzed Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Percent of Target</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>SD</u> | <u>RSD</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean Conc % of Target</u><br>(%) | <u>Percent of Time Zero</u><br>(%) |
|---------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mid           | 50                            | 54 - 1                       | 40                          | 47.8                              | 95.5                            | 51.8                          | 5.7       | 11                | 104                                 | 95.6                               |
|               |                               | 54 - 2                       | 41                          | 55.8                              | 112                             |                               |           |                   |                                     |                                    |
| Mid           | 500                           | 65 - 1                       | 42                          | 495                               | 98.9                            | 521                           | 36        | 7.0               | 104                                 | 96.9                               |
|               |                               | 65 - 2                       | 43                          | 546                               | 109                             |                               |           |                   |                                     |                                    |

| <u>Theoretical Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) | <u>Mean Time Zero Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 50                                 | 54.2                                  |
| 500                                | 537                                   |

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Table 11. Minimum 15-Day Room Temperature Stability Assessment of the 9 August 2011 Formulations  
(Analyzed 24-25 August 2011)

| <u>Strata</u> | <u>Dose</u><br><u>Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Ref #</u><br>( 402028 - ) | <u>Line #</u><br>( 402028j- ) | <u>Analyzed</u><br><u>Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>Percent of</u><br><u>Target</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean</u><br><u>Conc</u><br>( mg/mL ) | <u>SD</u> | <u>RSD</u><br>(%) | <u>Mean Conc</u><br><u>% of Target</u><br>(%) | <u>Percent of</u><br><u>Time Zero</u><br>(%) |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Mid           | 50                                      | 54 -3^                       | 32                            | 41.8                                        | 83.6                                      | 41.1                                    | 2.5       | 6.1               | 82.2                                          | 75.9                                         |
|               |                                         | 54 -4^                       | 33                            | 38.3                                        | 76.6                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |
|               |                                         | 54 -5*                       | 50                            | 40.1                                        | 80.2                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |
|               |                                         | 54 -6*                       | 51                            | 44.2                                        | 88.3                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |
| Mid           | 500                                     | 82 -1^                       | 34                            | 449                                         | 89.8                                      | 413                                     | 33        | 7.9               | 82.7                                          | 77.0                                         |
|               |                                         | 82 -2^                       | 35                            | 413                                         | 82.7                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |
|               |                                         | 86 -1*                       | 52                            | 421                                         | 84.2                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |
|               |                                         | 86 -2*                       | 53                            | 370                                         | 74.1                                      |                                         |           |                   |                                               |                                              |

^Samples analyzed on 24 August 2011

\*Samples analyzed on 25 August 2011

| <u>Theoretical Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) | <u>Mean Time Zero Conc</u><br>(mg/mL) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 50                                 | 54.2                                  |
| 500                                | 537                                   |

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## **APPENDIX A**

### Study Protocol and Deviations

### **DEVIATIONS FROM THE PROTOCOL**

This study was conducted in accordance with the protocol and protocol amendments, except for the following.

- **Protocol Section 6.3.4** states that processed sample stability will be assessed for the highest and lowest standard concentrations used on study. The processed sample stability assessment conducted on 18 August 2011 assessed stability of the 25.1 mg/mL standard and not the 10.0 mg/mL standard, which was the lowest calibration standard level.

**Reason for Deviation:** Technician error.

**Impact:** None

- **Protocol Section 6.3.5** states that samples collected for the assessment of resuspension homogeneity are to be collected in duplicate. Resuspension homogeneity samples collected on 17 August 2011 and 24 August 2011 were collected in quadruplicate, with 1 set of duplicate samples serving as samples to be analyzed and the second duplicate set serving as back-up samples.

**Reason for Deviation:** Technician error.

**Impact:** None

These deviations did not negatively impact the quality or integrity of the data nor the outcome of the study.



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## **PROTOCOL AMENDMENT 1**

Sponsor: American Petroleum Institute

### Title of Study:

Analytical Validation and Stability Study of Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel in Mineral Oil Formulations

### Protocol Modifications:

1) **4.1.4 Lot Number:**

A lot number will not be reported.

2) **4.1.5 Expiration/Retest Date:**

An expiration/retest date will not be reported.

3) **4.1.6 Purity:**

Purity value is not available for this material.

### Reasons for Protocol Modification:

- 1) The barcode number (187840) was not provided on any of the samples received. Lack of lot number will be added to compliance section of report.
- 2) Documentation of the expiration/retest date for the test substance was not provided. Lack of information will be added to compliance section of report.
- 3) Due to the nature of the test substance (multiple components), a purity values is not applicable. Lack of information will be added to compliance section of report.

Approval:

Sponsor's approval was obtained via email on 13 Oct 2011.  
Date

**WIL Research Laboratories, LLC**

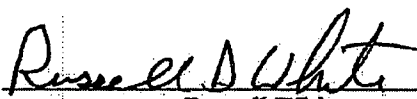
  
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## **PROTOCOL**

### **ANALYTICAL VALIDATION AND STABILITY STUDY OF ULTRA-LOW SULFUR DIESEL IN MINERAL OIL FORMULATIONS**

#### **Submitted To:**

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**1 OBJECTIVE:**

To develop and validate a method for the determination of ultra-low sulfur diesel concentration in mineral oil formulations using gas chromatography (GC) with flame ionization or mass spectrometric detection. Mineral oil formulations prepared at test substance concentrations of 50 and 500 mg/mL will be assessed for test substance homogeneity and, following 8 and 15 days of room temperature storage, resuspension homogeneity and stability.

This study will be conducted in compliance with the U.S. EPA/TSCA, 40 CFR Part 792, and the OECD, [C(97)186/Final], Good Laboratory Practice Standards. The study will also be conducted in accordance with the protocol and WIL Research Standard Operating Procedures.

**2 PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN THE STUDY:****2.1 Sponsor Representative:**

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Regulatory Technical Services

### 3 STUDY SCHEDULE:

Proposed Experimental Starting Date: March 2011

Proposed Experimental Completion Date: April 2011

Proposed Audited Report Date: Typically 6 weeks after the  
completion of validation activities.

### 4 TEST SUBSTANCE INFORMATION:

#### 4.1 Test Substance:

##### 4.1.1 Identification:

Ultra-low sulfur diesel

##### 4.1.2 CAS#:

68334-30-5

##### 4.1.3 CAS definition:

A complex combination of hydrocarbons produced by the distillation of crude oil. It consists of hydrocarbons having carbon numbers predominantly in the range of C9 through C20 and boiling in the range of approximately 163°C to 357°C (325°F to 675°F).

##### 4.1.4 Lot Number:

Blended ULSD (Barcode # 187840)



**4.1.5 Expiration/Retest Date:**

Retest in 5 years

**4.1.6 Purity:**

100%

**4.1.7 Storage Conditions:**

Room temperature

**4.1.8 Stability:**

The test substance is considered to be stable under the storage conditions provided by the Sponsor.

**4.1.9 Physical Description:**

To be documented by WIL Research Laboratories, LLC.

**4.1.10 Reserve Samples:**

Reserve samples of the test substance will be taken in accordance with WIL Standard Operating Procedures and stored in the Archives at WIL Research Laboratories, LLC indefinitely, unless otherwise specified.

**4.1.11 Personnel Safety Data:**

It is the responsibility of the Sponsor to notify the testing facility of any special handling requirements for the test substance. A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) should accompany the test substance upon arrival at the laboratory.

**4.1.12 Test Substance Disposition:**

With the exception of the reserve sample for each batch of test substance, all neat test substance remaining at study completion will be returned to the Sponsor. Alternatively, the test substance can be retained for subsequent studies.

**5 TEST SYSTEM:**

- Mineral Oil with and without test substance



## 6 EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN:

### 6.1 Overview of the Study:

Ultra-low sulfur diesel is the test substance for this study and will be referred to as the analyte. The method to be validated is for the determination of the analyte concentration in mineral oil formulations. This study will provide the necessary data that demonstrates the analytical method as valid.

### 6.2 Method Details

#### 6.2.1 Instrument

A GC equipped with a mass spectrometer and/or flame ionization detector, an autosampler, and MS workstation software, or equivalent system. Possible systems include:

- Varian 3800 GC System
- Varian 2200 Ion-Trap mass spectrometer

#### 6.2.2 Carrier:

Mineral Oil, USP (Spectrum Chemicals and Laboratory Products)

#### 6.2.3 Method:

The method validation activities include two phases: (1) method evaluation and development, and (2) formal method validation.

Method evaluation of sponsor-supplied methodology usually includes (but is not limited to) the following activities: (1) the analysis of standards prepared in an appropriate solvent to establish chromatography, including retention times, resolution, sensitivity, and to check proportionality of response; (2) the analysis of the analyte prepared in the matrix to confirm the presence or absence of interferences, to evaluate potential stability limitations, and to evaluate response proportionality. Sponsor supplied methodology and other literature will be used as a starting point for method evaluation/development. Method development/evaluation will not be audited by the WIL Quality Assurance Unit.



### **6.3 Study Details and Criteria:**

#### **6.3.1 Specificity:**

The specificity of the method will be determined by analyzing representative blank samples. The retention time window(s) corresponding to the analyte and internal standard (if applicable) will be examined for interferences and, if needed, appropriate efforts to minimize interfering peaks will be taken such as: adjustment or change of chromatographic parameters to maximize resolution of interference and analyte peaks; use of a more analyte-specific wavelength; and change in sample preparation procedure to minimize the presence of the interference in the sample to be analyzed. The success of these efforts will be determined when the method validation either passes or fails the accuracy and precision acceptance criteria for calibration and quality control samples.

#### **6.3.2 Calibration Reproducibility:**

A minimum of 3 validation sessions will be performed to validate the method for the determination of the analyte concentration in formulations. For each validation session, at least triplicate calibration standards at a minimum of 5 different analyte concentrations will be prepared and analyzed. The concentration of the calibration standards and the regression model used for the regression analysis will be specified in the written method to be validated. The results of the regression analysis will be used to back-calculate the calibration standard concentrations. The inter-session back-calculated concentration data at each calibration level must be precise (relative standard deviation [RSD] less than or equal to 10%, except at the lowest concentration level where it should not exceed 15%) and accurate (percent relative error [%RE] within  $\pm 10\%$  except at the lowest concentration level where it should not exceed  $\pm 15\%$ ).

#### **6.3.3 Accuracy and Precision:**

Quality control samples will be prepared at a minimum of 3 concentrations in blank matrix – one near the lowest, one near the middle and one near the highest formulation concentration expected for future studies. The concentration of the QC samples will be specified in the written method to be validated. At least 3 replicate quality control samples at each concentration level will be analyzed with the calibration standards during each validation session. The inter-session accuracy and precision will be established based on the analyzed concentrations of the quality control samples. The inter-session analyzed concentration data



at each QC level must be precise (RSD less than or equal to 15%, except at the lowest concentration level where 20% is acceptable), and accurate (RE is within  $\pm 15\%$ , except at the lowest concentration level where  $\pm 20\%$  is acceptable).

#### **6.3.4 Stability of Calibration Standards and Quality Control Samples:**

The room temperature and/or autosampler temperature stability of calibration standards and processed quality control samples will be evaluated after a minimum of 24 hours of storage.

At least duplicate samples at the highest and lowest concentration levels evaluated will be analyzed post-storage, and the results will be compared to pre-storage values, results from analysis of freshly prepared samples, or the theoretical pre-storage values.

The analyte will be considered stable if the post-storage value is not less than 90% of the pre-storage (or pre-storage equivalent) value. If a  $>10\%$  reduction occurs under the intended storage conditions, alternate storage conditions and/or durations may be evaluated as necessary to identify conditions that allow for stability during sample storage and processing.

#### **6.3.5 Homogeneity, Resuspension Homogeneity, and Stability of Mineral Oil Formulations:**

Test substance homogeneity, resuspension homogeneity, and stability in mineral oil formulations prepared at test substance concentrations of 50 and 500 mg/mL will be assessed immediately after preparation and after at least 8 and 15 days of room temperature storage. The formulations will be prepared according to instructions reviewed and authorized by the Study Director. The carrier and dose formulation preparations will be stirred during sample collection.

For the homogeneity assessment, samples (in at least duplicate) will be collected from the top, middle, and bottom strata of the formulations on the day of preparation and analyzed to assess test substance homogeneity in the formulations. Additional samples may be collected on the day of preparation from the middle stratum and stored appropriately for the assessment of stability. Following sample collection the formulations will be divided into aliquots representative of those used for daily dispensation and stored at room temperature for at least 8 and 15 days. After the intended storage, aliquots of the formulations will be resuspended by stirring for a minimum of 30 minutes and duplicate samples from the top and bottom strata of the



formulations will be collected and analyzed to assess resuspension homogeneity.

In order for the formulations to be considered homogeneous, the RSD for the mean concentration of the analyzed samples must be less than or equal to 10% at a concentration within the acceptable limits (90% to 110% of the target concentration). In order for the formulations to be considered homogeneous after resuspension, the RSD for the mean concentration of the analyzed samples must be less than or equal to 10%. In order for the test substance to be considered stable in the formulation, the post-storage assay concentration cannot be less than 90% of the pre-storage concentration.

#### **7 QUALITY ASSURANCE:**

The study will be audited by the WIL Quality Assurance Unit while in progress to assure compliance with GLP regulations, adherence to the protocol and to WIL SOP. The raw data and draft report will be audited by the WIL Quality Assurance Unit prior to submission to the Sponsor to assure that the final report accurately describes the conduct and the findings of the study.

This study will be included on the WIL master list of regulated studies.

#### **8 RECORDS TO BE MAINTAINED:**

All original raw data records, as defined by WIL SOPs and the applicable GLPs, will be stored in the Archives at WIL Research Laboratories, LLC. Records to be retained will include, but are not limited to the following:

- Protocol and protocol amendments
- A list of WIL study personnel involved in the conduct of the study
- The original chromatograms, spectra and other instrument generated data
- Calculations of concentration levels and appropriate test parameters

#### **9 WORK PRODUCT:**

The Sponsor will have title to all documentation records, raw data, and other work product generated during the performance of the study. All work product, including raw paper data and magnetically encoded records, will be retained at no charge for a period of six months following issuance of the final report in the Archives at WIL Research Laboratories, LLC. Thereafter, WIL Research Laboratories, LLC will charge a monthly archiving fee for retention of all work product. All work product will be stored in compliance with regulatory requirements.



Any work product, including documents, and samples, that are required by this protocol, its amendments, or other written instructions of the Sponsor, to be shipped by WIL Research Laboratories, LLC to another location will be appropriately packaged and labeled as defined by WIL's SOPs and delivered to a common carrier for shipment. WIL Research Laboratories, LLC will not be responsible for shipment following delivery to the common carrier.

## 10 REPORTS:

The final report will contain a summary, test substance data, methods and procedures, and an interpretation and discussion of the study results. The report will contain all information necessary to conform with current EPA and OECD specifications.

The contents of the report will be as follows:

- The study will be summarized in a formal report.
- Details of all experimental procedures and methods of calculation will be described.
- Sample preparation, chromatographic or other test conditions, calibration reproducibility, accuracy and precision will be detailed.
- Copies of chromatograms obtained in the analysis will be entered as appropriate.
- Any protocol or GLP deviations that may occur during the study will be detailed.
- A compliance statement and a Quality Assurance Unit statement will be included.

WIL Research Laboratories, LLC will provide one (1) electronic copy of an Audited Draft Report, submitted 6-8 weeks upon completion of the study prior to issuance of the final report. One (1) revision will be permitted as part of the cost of the study, from which the Sponsor's reasonable revisions and suggestions will be incorporated into the Final Report as appropriate. Additional changes or revisions may be made at extra cost. It is expected that the Sponsor will review the draft report and provide comments to WIL within a two (2) month time frame following submission. WIL will submit the Final Report within one (1) month following receipt of comments. If the Sponsor's comments/authorization to finalize the report have not been received at WIL Research Laboratories, LLC within one year following submission of the draft report, WIL Research Laboratories, LLC may elect to finalize the report following appropriate written notification to the Sponsor. Two (2) electronic copies of the Final Report (PDF) will be provided; requests for additional copies of the Final Report may result in additional charges.

## 11 PROTOCOL MODIFICATION:

Modification of the protocol may be accomplished during the course of this study. However, no changes will be made in the study design without the verbal or written permission of the Sponsor. In the event that the Sponsor verbally requests or approves a change in the protocol, such changes will be made by appropriate



documentation in the form of a protocol amendment. All alterations of the protocol and reasons for the modification(s) will be signed by the Study Director and the Sponsor Representative.

**12 PROTOCOL APPROVAL:**

Sponsor approval received via e-mail on 15 Mar 2011  
Date

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