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(ABSTRACT)

Chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) was included in the Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant (Roanoke County, Virginia) to oxidize manganese and iron, prevent tastes and odors, and avoid the formation of excessive halogenated disinfection by-products. A state-of-the-art, gas:solid ClO_2 generation system manufactured by CDG Technology, Inc. was installed at the plant and is the first full-scale use of this technology in the world. The ClO_2 generator produces a feed stream free of chlorine, chlorite ion (ClO_2^-), and chlorate ion (ClO_3^-), resulting in lower by-product concentrations in the treatment system

The objectives of this project were to study ClO_2 persistence and by-product concentrations throughout the treatment plant and distribution system and to evaluate granular activated carbon (GAC) columns for removing ClO_2^- from the finished water.

The ClO_2 dosages applied during this study were relatively low (<0.75 mg/L), and, as a result, ClO_2^- concentrations never approached the maximum contaminant level (MCL) (1.0 mg/L). Likewise, the plant effluent ClO_2 concentration never approached the maximum residual disinfectant level (MRDL) (0.80 mg/L), but concentrations as high as 0.15 mg/L reformed in the distribution system by ClO_2^- reaction with chlorine.

Chlorate ion was monitored despite the fact that no ClO_3^- MCL has been proposed, and concentrations were quite low (never greater than 0.10 mg/L) throughout the treatment plant and in the distribution system. The reasons for the low concentrations are that ClO_3^- is

not produced by the gas-solid generator used at the facility and ClO_2^- concentrations in the clearwell prior to chlorination were uniformly low.

The average ClO_2^- reduction upon passage of treated water through the GAC contactor was approximately 64 percent, but the GAC effectiveness was declining over the six-month study period. Apparently, GAC effectiveness, as shown by others, is short-lived, and if higher ClO_2 dosages are ever applied at the Roanoke County facility, the ClO_2^- concentrations will have to be reduced by either ferrous coagulants or reduced-sulfur compounds.

Regenerated ClO_2 concentrations in the distribution system were below 0.2 mg/L, but concentrations as low as 0.03 mg/L were found at homes of customers who complained of odors. During this study, twelve complaints were received from eight customers, and each complainant had recently installed new carpeting, which has been shown to contribute volatile organics that react with ClO_2 to produce odors similar to kerosene and cat urine. While meeting the ClO_2^- MCL likely will be no problem if the ClO_2 dose at the plant remains below 1.0 mg/L, the problem of offensive odors in the distribution system will likely continue as long as any ClO_2^- is in the finished water when chlorine is present.

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CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

Roanoke County, Virginia's Utility Department began using chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) as a preoxidant at its Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant (WTP) in August, 1997, approximately nineteen months after the plant became operational. The plant's raw water source is the Spring Hollow Reservoir, which is a pump-storage reservoir that impounds water from the Roanoke River. The plant is a Trident® process plant comprised of upflow adsorption clarifiers followed by trimedia filters and deep bed, post-filter granular activated carbon (GAC) filters. Chlorine dioxide is generated at the WTP by passing humidified chlorine gas through solid sodium chlorite (NaClO_2), a method that is unique in the water treatment industry. Other commercial generators produce ClO_2 from 25 percent NaClO_2 solutions with either aqueous or gaseous chlorine. Production of ClO_2 by the gas/solid system is easily regulated, even at low levels, and the generator effluent contains no chlorite (ClO_2^-), chlorate (ClO_3^-), or chlorine. The Spring Hollow WTP installation of this system was the first full-scale installation in the United States and provided a unique opportunity for a study of ClO_2 persistence and by-product concentrations throughout the treatment plant and distribution system, and evaluation of the GAC columns for removing ClO_2^- from the finished water.

Chlorine dioxide was included in the Spring Hollow WTP to oxidize manganese and iron, prevent tastes and odors, and avoid the formation of excessive halogenated disinfection by-products (DPBs). Chlorine dioxide is the favored oxidant for plants that desire preoxidation and DBP control. Unlike chlorine, ClO_2 oxidizes but does not chlorinate natural organic matter except under special circumstances not commonly found in drinking water

treatment plants. Inorganic disinfection by-products, however, are formed, and one of these, the chlorite ion (ClO_2^-), is currently regulated by a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 1.0 mg/L. The other inorganic by-product, chlorate ion (ClO_3^-), is not currently regulated, but an MCL will be promulgated some time in the future.

The ClO_2^- MCL is not the only concern associated with ClO_2 use. Utilities that apply ClO_2 as a preoxidant and add free chlorine to finished water prior to distribution often receive complaints of offensive odors in homes and businesses. Past studies have shown that these odors are caused by unidentified chemicals produced during air-phase reactions between ClO_2 released from water when the customer opens a tap and volatile organic compounds originating from a variety of sources, primarily new carpeting. Often, the problems have been sufficient cause for utilities to abandon ClO_2 addition at their treatment facilities. The problem does not occur in systems that convert free chlorine to monochloramine prior to distribution or remove ClO_2^- prior to chlorine addition. The ClO_2 MCL (0.80 mg/L), which is measured at the entrance to the distribution system, is relatively high compared to concentrations that reform in the distribution system and cause customer complaints. A relatively new ClO_2 analysis method can be used to quantify low ClO_2 concentrations (0.01 mg/L), and the availability of this method provided an opportunity for the author to study the association between odor complaints and ClO_2 levels in the distribution system.

Specific objectives of the study were to: (1) document changes in ClO_2 , ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- concentrations throughout the Spring Hollow WTP and the distribution system following ClO_2 pretreatment of raw water, (2) evaluate the effectiveness of GAC in post-

filter contactors for ClO_2^- removal, and (3) determine the extent of ClO_2 reformation in the distribution system and the concentrations associated with customer complaints of odors.

The research presented in this thesis was the basis of a technical presentation at the 1998 Annual American Water Works Association Conference and Exposition in Dallas, Texas. It appears in the proceedings of that conference (Ellenberger et al., 1998).

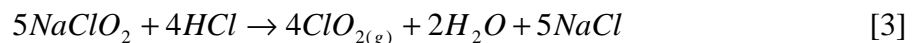
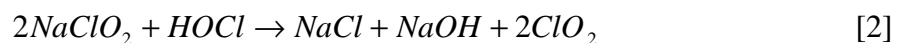
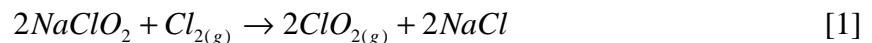
CHAPTER II LITERATURE REVIEW

Chlorine Dioxide and By-product Chemistry

Chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) exists as a volatile, energetic free radical and is quite reactive. It is explosive at 5.8 psi (40 kPa), or above atmospheric pressure at 6 psig (41 kPa). As a result, ClO_2 cannot be compressed or stored and must be generated on-site and solutions with concentrations greater than 10 g/L may present an explosive hazard (Aieta and Berg, 1986). Chlorine dioxide concentrations are generally in the range of 0.1 mg/L to 5.0 mg/L for water treatment.

Chlorine dioxide does not hydrolyze in water but remains a highly soluble gas above 11°C over a broad range of pH (2 to 10). Solutions are greenish-yellow and smell strongly chlorinous (Gordon and Rosenblatt, 1996). Aqueous solutions must be protected from light, as chlorine dioxide is subject to photolysis by ultraviolet light (Zika, 1985), and even fluorescent lights (Griese et al., 1992).

The most common methods for the generation of ClO_2 for drinking water treatment involve sodium chlorite (NaClO_2), either as a solid or in solution (Aieta and Berg, 1986). Sodium chlorite is reacted with either chlorine gas (Cl_2), hypochlorous acid (HOCl), or hydrochloric acid (HCl) in the following reactions (Aieta and Berg, 1986; Gordon et al., 1972):



During the first two reactions, an unstable intermediate, Cl_2O_2 , is formed if the reactants are in high concentrations. When chlorite ion (ClO_2^-) concentrations are low, the intermediate decays to chlorate ion (ClO_3^-). Chlorate ion production can also occur when initial reactant concentrations are low or when chlorine (or hypochlorous acid) is in excess. When initial reactant concentrations are high or when ClO_2^- concentrations are in excess, the intermediate decays to ClO_2 (Gordon and Rosenblatt, 1996).

During the generation of ClO_2 , it is desirable to minimize or eliminate unwanted by-products such as ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- as well as excess chlorine. The production of unwanted by-products can occur when there is feedstock contamination, improper generator control, or excess chlorine (Long et al., 1996; Gates, 1998). In Reaction 3, only an 80 percent conversion of NaClO_2 to ClO_2 is possible (Aieta and Berg, 1986), and, therefore, this method is not popular.

Recently, a method for generating high-purity ClO_2 by reaction of solid NaClO_2 with chlorine gas has become available (Gordon and Rosenblatt, 1996). The chlorine gas is first mixed with humidified air and then passed through a series of drums containing solid NaClO_2 . No unreacted NaClO_2 enters the system because the generated ClO_2 is in the gas phase, and ClO_3^- is not produced.

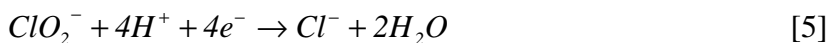
The main reaction product of ClO_2 in water is the chlorite ion. Its reduction occurs by an one electron transfer, forming ClO_2^- as shown in this half-reaction (White, 1972; Gordon et al., 1972):



Masschelein (1979) reported, "In aqueous solution, chlorination by chlorine dioxide is not a direct reaction. However, indirect chlorination by dioxide having undergone a previous

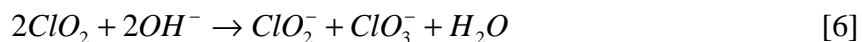
reaction may not necessary be excluded.” He attributed reports of chlorinated organic by-products produced to the presence of chlorine in the ClO₂ solution that was used. Chlorine, on the other hand, reacts with organic compounds to form chlorinated organic by-products (Rook, 1974; Bellar et al., 1974).

Chlorite ion, which also is an oxidant, reacts at a much slower rate than ClO₂ under conditions generally encountered in water treatment. Chlorite ion is reduced to chloride ion (Cl⁻) by the following reaction (Aieta and Berg, 1986; Gordon et al., 1972; Masschelein, 1979):

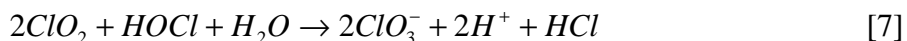


This reaction does not occur, however, unless reduced compounds such as ferrous iron (Fe²⁺), phenol, or humic materials are present. Typically, from 50 to 70 percent of the reacted ClO₂ appears as ClO₂⁻ with the balance forming either Cl⁻ or ClO₃⁻ (Aieta and Berg, 1986; Limoni et al., 1984; Rav-Acha et al., 1984; Werdehoff and Singer, 1987; Singer and O’Neil, 1987).

In basic solutions, ClO₂ disproportionates to form ClO₂⁻ and ClO₃⁻ (Aieta and Berg, 1986):



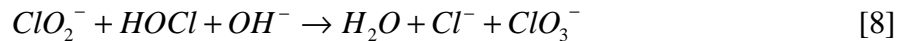
Under certain conditions chlorine and ClO₂ can react to form ClO₃⁻ (Aieta and Berg, 1986):



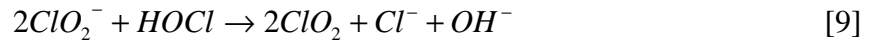
Chlorine dioxide is subject to photochemical decomposition through a series of reactions to Cl⁻ and ClO₃⁻ (Zika, 1985). Griese et al. (1992) reported significant formation of ClO₃⁻ (0.36 to 0.97 mg/L) when water containing from 3.56 mg/L to 3.99 mg/L ClO₂ was

exposed to fluorescent light. In control experiments, water treated with ClO_2 and kept in the dark did not contain ClO_3^- .

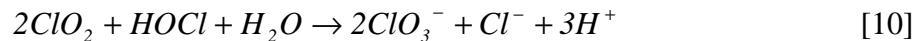
Chlorite ion reacts with chlorine in treated water to reform ClO_2 , in the same manner that ClO_2 is generated (Reaction 2 presented previously). This reaction, however, depends heavily on pH and relative reactant concentrations. In basic solutions when the hypochlorite ion (OCl^-) is present, greater amounts of ClO_3^- are formed by the following reaction (Gordon et al., 1990; Werdehoff and Singer, 1987):



In acidic solutions when ClO_2^- is in excess, more ClO_2 than ClO_3^- is formed (Gordon et al., 1972; Gordon et al., 1990; Werdehoff and Singer, 1987):



In neutral solutions chlorine and ClO_2 react to form ClO_3^- and Cl^- (Gordon et al., 1972):



Chlorine Dioxide Applications in Water Treatment

Chlorine dioxide is commonly used as a preoxidant and primary disinfectant during drinking water treatment. As a preoxidant, it is used mainly as an alternative to chlorine, for trihalomethane (THM) control (Dietrich et al., 1992b). It is also used for taste-and-odor control, manganese and iron oxidation, and color removal. In the United States, over 500 water treatment plants use ClO_2 full time and as many as 900 use it either part time or seasonally (Hoehn, 1993). In some European countries, ClO_2 is also used to maintain a distribution system residual. In the United States, ClO_2 application is generally followed by

free chlorine or chloramines to maintain the distribution system residual (Aieta and Berg, 1986).

Trihalomethane Control

In the early 1970s, two separate investigators found that chlorination of natural waters containing humic substances caused THM formation (Rook, 1974; Bellar et al., 1974). Since then, additional substances have been identified as precursors to THMs, including fulvic acids, algal materials, and various aromatic substances (Cooper et al., 1985). In 1976, chloroform was reported to cause an increased incidence of tumor formation (Gallagher et al., 1994 citing National Cancer Institute, 1976). Under the newly promulgated Stage 1 Disinfectant/Disinfection By-Product (D/DBP) Rule, total trihalomethanes (TTHMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs) are regulated at 0.080 mg/L and 0.060 mg/L, respectively (Federal Register, 1998). The search for alternatives to chlorine for disinfection and oxidation has been one of the primary research objectives in water treatment. Chlorine dioxide has been recommended both as an alternative preoxidant and supplemental disinfectant with chlorine (AWWA, 1982).

Chow and Roberts (1981) compared the application of chlorine and ClO_2 to two wastewater effluents. They reported no significant amounts of THMs were produced in either wastewater when ClO_2 was used. Only marginally significant amounts of total organic halogens (TOX) were produced with ClO_2 . When chlorine was used, significant amounts of both THMs and TOX were formed. Approximately one percent of the applied chlorine dose was converted to organic halogens.

A study was undertaken in Evansville, Indiana, to evaluate ClO_2 as an alternative to chlorine for pretreatment in order to reduce THMs (Lykins and Griese, 1986). The authors reported annual average total trihalomethane (TTHM) concentrations between $50 \mu\text{g/L}$ to $80 \mu\text{g/L}$ when using ClO_2 for predisinfection. During the year-long pilot study, the authors reported a reduction in finished water THMs of almost 60 percent when ClO_2 was used for predisinfection. The authors noted that the ClO_2 generator effluent contributed approximately $0.2 \text{ mg Cl}_2/\text{L}$ when the ClO_2 dose was 1.6 mg/L . The investigation also included an evaluation of total organic carbon (TOC) removal when both chlorine or ClO_2 were used for predisinfection, but no differences in average TOC concentrations were observed following treatment with both predisinfectants. The authors also noted that ClO_2 increased disinfection costs and cited another study (USEPA, 1983) in which the increased cost to customers of a utility in South Carolina was $\$1.77$ per residence per year.

Werdehoff and Singer (1987) conducted experiments with waters from various sources in Virginia to determine whether ClO_2 pretreatment reduced THM and TOX formation. The authors reported that ClO_2 treatment reduced THM and TOX precursor concentrations, but the extent to which they were reduced was dependent on the ratio of ClO_2 :TOC. A ratio of 0.4 or greater was necessary to obtain a reduction of greater than 10 percent. The authors also observed ClO_2^- was the major end product of the reaction between ClO_2 and fulvic acid, indicating that ClO_2 reacts primarily by a one-electron transfer.

In a study conducted by the Indianapolis Water Company (Long et al., 1996), raw water was dosed with high-purity ClO_2 (1 mg/L to 6 mg/L) and alum. The authors reported ClO_2 residuals ranging from 0 mg/L to 3.85 mg/L and TTHM levels from $1.4 \mu\text{g/L}$ to $10.4 \mu\text{g/L}$ compared to $69 \mu\text{g/L}$ and $69.9 \mu\text{g/L}$ in the chlorine-treated controls. The authors also

noted that the TTHM levels in the treated samples were due almost entirely to the TTHM content of the finished tap water used in preparing the ClO₂ solutions, and about 1.5 µg/L to 2.0 µg/L of TTHM were contributed per mg/L ClO₂ dose.

Taste and Odor Control

Chlorine dioxide was first employed in potable water treatment in 1944 at the Niagara River Plant in Niagara, New York (Synan et al., 1944). It was used successfully to control phenolic/chlorophenolic tastes and odors and seasonal algal tastes and odors at considerable cost savings over those associated with previously employed control methods, chlorine and activated carbon.

A water utility in Alberta, Canada, removed chlorophenolic and other tastes and odors from its water supply with ClO₂ treatment for tastes and odors, primarily caused by chlorophenols (Walker et al., 1986). The results indicated ClO₂ effectively removed the chlorophenolic tastes and odors. The investigators also found that algal and bacterial metabolites, presumed to be the cause of musty and fishy tastes and odors, were effectively eliminated with ClO₂ treatment. Chlorine dioxide treatment also eliminated algal and aquatic weed growths in outdoor basins.

Although ClO₂ can effectively oxidize some taste-and-odor compounds, certain ones are resistant. Lalezary et al. (1986) reported that ClO₂ reduced geosmin and 2-methylisoborneol (MIB) concentrations by only 30 percent at dosages and contact times considerably greater than those usually used for water treatment. Glaze et al. (1990), reported similar results for geosmin and MIB oxidation by ClO₂ with removal levels of 17

percent and 2 percent, respectively, but found that ozone reduced geosmin and MIB levels by 73 percent and 86 percent, respectively, at a dose of 4.0 mg/L.

Disinfection

The disinfection capabilities of ClO_2 were recognized in the 1940s not long after its introduction in water treatment (McCarthy, 1944). White (1972) mentioned several early studies in which ClO_2 was an effective bactericide over a broad range of pH values (Ridenour and Ingols, 1947) and an effective virucide (Hettche and Ehlbeck, 1953). White (1972) also reported on the work of Bernarde et al. (1965), who found that the disinfection efficiency of ClO_2 increases as a function of pH. Lykins et al. (1991) summarized CT (concentration times contact time) data from several more recent disinfection studies (Hoff, 1986; Federal Register, 1989; Korich et al., 1990) that show ClO_2 to be a superior disinfectant to free chlorine and chloramines against *Giardia lamblia*, *Giardia muris*, and *Cryptosporidium parvum*. The CT value for *Cryptosporidium* inactivation by ClO_2 is three orders of magnitude less than the CT values for inactivation by free chlorine and chloramines at pH 7 and 25°C (CT of 78 for 90 percent inactivation for ClO_2 , 7200 for 90 percent inactivation for chloramines, and 7200 for 99.9 percent inactivation for free chlorine).

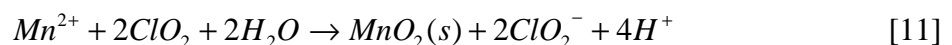
Finch et al. (1995) reported the CT value for 99.9 percent *Cryptosporidium* inactivation with ClO_2 was 140 (pH 7 and 25°C) using animal infectivity data. Liyanage et al. (1997) reported a synergistic effect on *Cryptosporidium parvum* inactivation when ClO_2 pretreatment was followed by application of free chlorine or monochloramine. They found that ClO_2 (1.3 mg/L for 120 minutes) followed by free chlorine (1.6 mg/L for 120 minutes) resulted in a 3 log-unit (99.9 percent) reduction in infectivity. Similarly, they found that

ClO₂ (1.5 mg/L for 120 minutes) followed by monochloramine (2.8 mg/L for 180 minutes) resulted in a 2.8 log-unit (99.84 percent) reduction in infectivity. The expected inactivations by ClO₂, free chlorine or monochloramine alone were 1.7 (98 percent), 0.0, and 0.0 log-units, respectively. The researchers hypothesized that the synergistic effect demonstrated by sequential disinfection is because “the stronger oxidant conditions the outer membrane of the oocysts so that the secondary oxidant can penetrate the oocyst wall more readily.”

Manganese Oxidation

Soluble manganese (Mn²⁺), which is commonly found in groundwater sources and reservoirs, can cause staining of laundry and plumbing fixtures, and black water (White, 1972). A secondary maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.05 mg Mn/L has been set for manganese to avoid these problems (Federal Register, 1979). During water treatment, Mn²⁺ is typically removed by oxidation and the resulting precipitate, manganese dioxide (MnO₂), is then removed by sedimentation and/or filtration (Knocke et al., 1987). Chlorine dioxide has been shown to be an effective manganese oxidant and reacts more rapidly than chlorine (White, 1972).

The oxidation-reduction reaction between Mn²⁺ and ClO₂ yields ClO₂⁻, which involves a one-electron transfer between ClO₂ and ClO₂⁻. Experiments conducted by Knocke et al. (1990) demonstrated that ClO₂⁻ cannot oxidize Mn(II). The reaction between ClO₂ and Mn²⁺ at a neutral pH occurs as follow (Knocke et al., 1990):

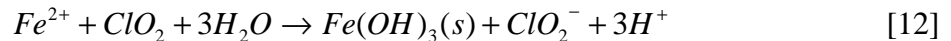


From the stoichiometry, 2.45 mg of chlorine dioxide are required to oxidize 1 mg of soluble manganese (White, 1972). Knocke et al. (1987) reported that a ClO₂ dose at least

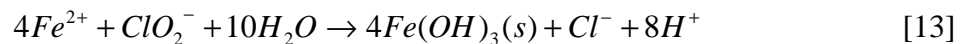
twice the stoichiometric quantity was required to reduce manganese levels below the secondary MCL (0.05 mg Mn/L). In that study, ClO₂ was effective over a pH range of 5 to 8 and at temperatures as low as 50°F (10°C). Chlorine dioxide dosages greater than 3 mg/L were required to reduce manganese concentrations to less than 0.05 mg Mn/L, when the total organic carbon (TOC) concentration was 8 mg/L. In water treatment applications, ClO₂ dosages of this magnitude would not be practical unless the resulting ClO₂⁻ concentration was reduced to below the MCL by the addition of ferrous iron or reduced-sulfur compounds. Knocke et al. (1990) showed that manganese forms a weak complex with organic acids and is capable of being oxidized by ClO₂.

Iron Oxidation

Iron can also cause staining of laundry and plumbing fixtures and promote the growth of iron bacteria in the distribution system (White, 1972). A secondary MCL of 0.3 mg/L has been set for iron to avoid these problems (Federal Register, 1979). Chlorine dioxide can rapidly oxidize iron to an insoluble, iron hydroxide (Fe(OH)₃), which can be removed by sedimentation and filtration. Iron oxidation by ClO₂ under water treatment conditions, occurs as follows (Knocke et al., 1990):



From the stoichiometry, 1.2 mg of chlorine dioxide was required to oxidize 1 mg of soluble iron (White, 1972). Chlorite ion also can oxidize Fe(II); the reaction is summarized as follows (Ondrus and Gordon, 1972):



Chlorine dioxide also can oxidize iron when it is complexed with organic compounds (Masschelein, 1979). Knocke et al. (1990), however, found that Fe(II) complexed with organics was stable in the presence of ClO_2 , even when the ClO_2 dosage was well in excess of the stoichiometric amount.

Analytical Techniques

Several methods for quantifying ClO_2 , ClO_2^- , and ClO_3^- are available. These include amperometric titration, N, N-diethyl-p-phenylenediamine titration (DPD), iodometric titration, chlorophenol red, and ion chromatography. The amperometric method is approved for compliance monitoring of ClO_2 , and ion chromatography is approved for ClO_2^- analyses (Federal Register, 1998). The lissamine green B Method for detection of ClO_2 at low levels in the presence of chlorine, has been developed, but it is not currently an EPA-approved method. These methods are discussed in the following sections.

The Amperometric Method

The amperometric method can be used to determine ClO_2 , Cl_2 , ClO_2^- , and ClO_3^- . It involves titrimetric determination of iodine that is formed when iodide is oxidized by the species of interest by titration. The titrant may be either phenylarsine oxide (PAO) or sodium thiosulfate (Aieta et al., 1984; APHA, 1995). During the procedure, several titration steps are required following various pretreatment and pH adjustments that allow differentiation between the various species. According to Aieta et al. (1984), “calculations are based on the equivalents of reducing titrant required to react with the equivalents of oxidants present.” No differentiation is made between free and combined chlorine by this procedure.

The method can be used for measuring ClO_2 concentrations in product streams of ClO_2 generators (10 mg/L to 1000 mg/L for individual species) and treated drinking water (0.1 to 1 mg/L) (Aieta et al., 1984). The method detection limit for ClO_2 was reported to be 0.05 mg/L. Analytical precision during the titration steps is imperative, as errors in one titration step will affect subsequent calculations. This method relies on calculations of the difference between two large numbers, and small differences in titrant volumes could potentially result in large cumulative errors. The method is subject to several interferences (e.g. dissolved oxygen, manganese, copper, and nitrate) at the low pH conditions required for the ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- analyses (Aieta et al., 1984). Chloramines are also potential interferences in ClO_2 measurements since they interfere with the amperometric method for free available chlorine (Jensen and Johnson, 1990).

During the study reported in this thesis, the amperometric method was used only to verify ClO_2 stock solution concentrations on a few occasions. It was not used for monitoring ClO_2 in either the treatment plant or distribution system.

Lissamine Green B Method

The lissamine green B (LGB) method for ClO_2 determination was recently developed by Chiswell and O'Halloran (1991). This colorimetric method is not subject to interferences common to other methods such as DPD, chlorophenol red, and amperometric titration. Lissamine green B has a greater redox potential (+1.0V) than combined chlorine, ClO_2^- , and ClO_3^- , and therefore, is not subject to interferences from those species. The authors raised the solution pH to ensure free chlorine would exist almost entirely as hypochlorite, thereby reducing the interference by free chlorine, as hypochlorous acid, which has a greater redox

potential than LGB. However, ClO_2 has been documented to disproportionate in basic solutions. The researchers determined that a solution of LGB in the presence of an ammonia-ammonium chloride buffer at pH 9.0 resulted in optimal conditions. The basis of the test is the oxidation of the lissamine green B dye, which results in reductions in absorbance.

The method involves the addition of a pH 9.0 ammonia buffer and LGB reagent solution to a sample, and the sample absorbance is analyzed by spectrophotometry at 614 nanometers (nm) typically in a 1 centimeter (cm) quartz cuvette. The pH 9.0 buffer ensures that any free chlorine is in the form of hypochlorite, a weaker oxidant than hypochlorous acid, that is less likely to react with the LGB reagent solution. At higher pH levels, the disproportionation of ClO_2 would become significant.

Research conducted recently by Hofmann et al. (1998) confirmed that the LGB method is not subject to interference by free chlorine, ClO_2^- , ClO_3^- , and permanganate at concentrations up to 5 mg/L. The authors reported the method detection limit to be 0.017 mg/L when the path length was 1 cm. The upper limit of the linear range was reported to be 1.8 mg/L. The authors investigated the effects of temperature and measured higher concentrations as the temperature decreased. A 30 percent positive error occurred when analyzed samples were at 4°C and compared to a calibration curve developed at 20°C. The error was less than 10 percent when the sample temperature was 12°C. The researchers recommended no more than 10°C difference between samples and standards. They also investigated potential interferences by color and noted that if the blank absorbance was attributed to both the LGB reagent and natural color, the change in absorbance following

ClO₂ addition would be due not only to oxidation of the LGB but also to color-causing compounds as well. They suggested the following equation:

$$[ClO_2]_{MEASURED} \propto \Delta Color_{REAGENT} + \Delta Color_{WATER MATRIX} \quad [14]$$

Five different waters with varying degrees of color were tested and the estimated maximum error was 0.05 mg/L. They found that after 10 minutes, ClO₂ did not oxidize the color and reacted only with the LGB reagent. The authors suggested using purged matrix water for preparing the calibration curves and blanks.

Ion Chromatography

Ion chromatography (IC) is used for the determination of ion concentrations in drinking water. It is also particularly useful for the determination of certain inorganic disinfection by-products, such as oxyhalides of chlorine and bromate, as it is not subject to interferences common in other methods (Pfaff and Brockhoff, 1990).

The USEPA developed Method 300.0B specifically for analyses of ClO₂⁻ and ClO₃⁻ which involves the use of an ion exchange column (Dionex AS9) that is specifically designed to enhance the separation of ClO₃⁻ and ClO₂⁻ from other closely eluting anions (NO₃⁻ and Cl⁻) (Pfaff et al., 1989). The sample is injected into the mobile phase (eluant), which carries the sample through the stationary phase (column). A guard column, which is a shorter version of the analytical column, is usually placed in front of the analytical column to protect the analytical column from contamination. The anions separate based on their affinity for the stationary phase.

After moving through the column, the separated anions flow through an anion micromembrane suppressor, which suppresses the background conductivity of the eluant.

After each anion passes through the suppressor, a conductimetric detector measures the conductivity. Each anion retention time is characteristic for the particular system configuration. The conductivity of column effluent is plotted over time by an integrator, which determines the area or height for each peak.

The unknown concentrations of each anion can be determined by comparison of peak height or peak area to a calibration curve developed from the analyses of a series of standard solutions. The concentrations are then plotted against either the peak height or peak area, and the regression is determined. The regression formula is then used to calculate the concentrations of the unknowns. Novatek (1993) recommends a correlation coefficient of at least 0.999. The reported detection limits for Method 300.0B are 0.01 mg/L and 0.003 mg/L for ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- , respectively (Pfaff et al., 1989).

According to Method 300.0B, ClO_2^- samples must be analyzed immediately because ClO_2^- is not stable in the presence of chlorine. Research by Pfaff and Brockhoff (1990) showed that ClO_2^- becomes unstable after one hour when chlorine is present. They reported that ClO_3^- should be stable for at least 30 days. Method 300.0B allows a holding time for ClO_3^- samples up to 28 days. Two studies (Dietrich et al., 1992a; Hautman and Bolyard, 1992) have shown that a preservative, ethylenediamine, can be added to the sample to increase the stability of ClO_2^- to 18 days. These studies also confirmed ClO_3^- is stable for at least 18 days without a preservative.

Chlorite Ion Concentrations in Distribution Systems

Chlorite ion is the most abundant ClO_2^- byproduct in the distribution system of utilities that add the oxidant during water treatment. Thompson et al. (1989) reported the use at their utility of 0.75 mg/L ClO_2 as a preoxidant and as a chlorine co-disinfectant at a dose of 0.75 mg/L. Residual ClO_2^- concentrations in the distribution system decreased from 0.76 mg/L to 0.67 mg/L with increasing distance from the treatment plant, while the ClO_3^- concentration remained constant throughout the system at an average concentration of 0.21 mg/L.

Other investigations of ClO_2^- concentrations in the distribution system have been reported by Gallagher et al. (1994), Bolyard et al. (1993), Hoehn et al. (1990), USEPA (1997) and Bubnis (1997). Gallagher et al. (1994) found ClO_2^- concentrations ranging from nondetectable to 2.41 mg/L in the distribution systems (including clear wells) of five utilities. Bolyard et al. (1993) found concentrations ranging from 0.052 mg/L to 0.74 mg/L at four sites where ClO_2 was being used. The USEPA (1997) summarized occurrence data collected from 65 utilities (885 samples). The mean ClO_2^- concentration was 0.58 mg/L while the range was from 0.01 mg/L to 2.60 mg/L. Bubnis (personal communication) reported a ClO_2^- concentration range of 0.21 mg/L to 0.86 mg/L in the distribution systems of 18 Texas utilities during 1997. A vast majority of the utilities would have met the current ClO_2^- MCL of 1.0 mg/L.

McGuire et al. (1999) presented evidence that residual ClO_2^- in the distribution system suppresses nitrification by killing ammonia-oxidizing bacteria, thus preventing nitrifier biofilm production. Coliforms and heterotrophic plate count bacteria were unaffected.

Chlorine Dioxide Concentrations in Distribution Systems and Associated Odors

In the United States, ClO_2 is seldom added directly to water entering the distribution system. An exception is the Gulf Coast Water Authority in Galveston, Texas. At that utility, ClO_2 has been applied both as a preoxidant (dose 0.75 mg/L) and again following filtration (dose 0.75 mg/L) as water entered the clearwell. Chlorine was also applied at the same time, and ammonia was added to form chloramine as the water entered the distribution system. Residual ClO_2 concentrations in the distribution system decreased from 0.31 mg/L as water exited the clearwell to 0.12 mg/L in the distribution system.

Direct addition to finished water is not the only way ClO_2 can appear in the distribution system, however. It can be regenerated in small amounts by the same reaction between residual ClO_2^- and free chlorine (Reaction 2) as occurs during ClO_2 generation at the treatment plant. Chlorate ion can also form by chlorine reactions with both ClO_2 (Reaction 7) and ClO_2^- (Reaction 2). Chlorine dioxide can also react with free chlorine to form both ClO_3^- and ClO_2^- . The concentrations of ClO_2 and its by-products one observes at any particular point in the distribution system are the results of a complex cyclic series of reactions involving ClO_2 formation, reduction to ClO_2^- and/or formation of ClO_3^- , and then ClO_2 reforms once again when free chlorine oxidizes ClO_2^- (Gallagher et al., 1994).

Chlorine dioxide in the distribution system can react to produce odors variously described as “cat urine,” “chlorine,” “petroleum” and “kerosene” in customers’ homes (Hoehn et al., 1990). Reports of tastes and odors in the distribution system that are related to ClO_2 use at the treatment plant date back to the 1940s when McCarthy (1944) reported a kerosene taste in the distribution system of a Massachusetts utility. He attributed the tastes, however, to ClO_2 oxidation and subsequent detachment of pipe slimes in the distribution

system, which, he believed, exposed airplane fuel that had entered the treatment plant several years earlier following a crash in the reservoir. Some of the fuel escaped treatment and entered the distribution system where he believed it coated the pipes. In time, according to McCarthy, the deposited airplane fuel must have been coated by a layer of biofilm that prevented further odor problems until he began applying ClO_2 at the treatment plant.

Hoehn et al. (1990) discovered the actual cause of the kerosene-like odors during an AWWA Research Foundation research project, namely that they result from reactions between volatile organics in the household air and ClO_2 volatilized at the tap. The specific organic compounds that produce the odor have not been determined at this time. New carpeting is the most common source of volatile organic compounds that may be precursors to the odors, but other sources (e.g. paints and hand soaps containing hydrocarbons) are possible. Hoehn et al. (1990) cited many reports linking ClO_2 -related odor complaints to new carpeting. These odors can be avoided either by substituting monochloramine for chlorine in the distributed water or by removing ClO_2^- at the treatment plant prior to distribution system chlorination.

Regulation of Chlorine Dioxide and Its By-products

Regulation of ClO_2 and its by-products has been one of the foremost concerns with its use. As more research studies are undertaken to address the need for health effects data on ClO_2 and its by-products, regulations may be set at scientifically based levels.

In July, 1994, the USEPA proposed a maximum residual disinfectant level (MRDL) of 0.8 mg/L for ClO_2 , and a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 1.0 mg/L for ClO_2^- in the Disinfection/Disinfectant By-product (D/DBP) Rule (Federal Register, 1994). The proposed

rule also specified a maximum residual disinfectant level goal (MRDLG) of 0.3 mg/L for ClO_2 and a maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG) of 0.08 mg/L for ClO_2^- . The Final D/DBP Rule (Federal Register, 1998) retained the proposed ClO_2^- MCL and the ClO_2 MRDL but increased both the MCLG for ClO_2^- and the MRDLG for ClO_2 to 0.8 mg/L on the basis of “a weight-of-evidence evaluation of all health data on ClO_2^- including a two-generation reproductive rat study sponsored by the Chemical Manufacturers Association (CMA, 1996).” In explaining the reason for increasing the ClO_2 MRDLG to 0.8 mg/L, the USEPA stated “that data on chlorite are relevant to assessing the risks of chlorine dioxide because chlorine dioxide is rapidly reduced to chlorite” (Federal Register, 1998). The promulgated limits were based on the “no observable adverse effect levels (NOAEL)” for hemolytic effects. No MCL for ClO_3^- was proposed in the D/DBP Rule because health effects data were not available at the time it was published.

Chlorite Ion Control

Meeting the MCL for ClO_2^- ion most likely will require control at the treatment plant if ClO_2 is applied at concentrations high enough for disinfection, especially if *Cryptosporidium* rather than *Giardia* becomes the target organism. Several removal strategies exist for ClO_2^- that vary in effectiveness and end products. While no MCL yet exists for ClO_3^- , once it is introduced into or formed in the distribution system, it cannot be removed.

Reduction by Ferrous Iron

Ondrus and Gordon (1972) reported ClO_2^- reduction by ferrous iron, Fe(II), under low pH (< 2.0) and high ionic strength (2.00 M) conditions. The overall reaction was:



Investigations of ClO_2^- reduction by ferrous iron were also undertaken by Griese et al. (1991). In this study, they found that ClO_2^- (ClO_2 dose 1.5 mg/L to 4.0 mg/L) could be completely removed in less than 30 minutes at pH 6.0 to 7.0. These studies were conducted with ferrous iron dosages well in excess of the stoichiometric requirement. The initial and final oxychlorine compound concentrations (e.g. the sum of ClO_2 , ClO_2^- , and ClO_3^-) were compared. The final oxychlorine compound concentration was comprised almost entirely of ClO_3^- , with no significant differences in the initial and final ClO_3^- concentrations. This indicated that the ClO_3^- originated as a contaminant in the ClO_2 generator effluent and not as a result of the ferrous iron treatment.

Further research conducted by Griese et al (1992), combined ClO_2^- reduction by ferrous iron with alternative ClO_2 generation methods. In the study, oxychlorine residuals remaining after water was treated with both liquid-phase and gas-phase ClO_2 generation systems were compared. The application of gas-phase ClO_2 resulted in minimal ClO_3^- concentrations, and the application of ferrous iron resulted in complete removal of ClO_2^- (ClO_2 dose 2.0 mg/L to 5.0 mg/L). Chlorate ion concentrations increased dramatically when water treated with ClO_2 , but not ferrous iron, was chlorinated, indicating the importance of removing ClO_2 and ClO_2^- prior to post chlorination. The researchers also verified that ClO_2 photochemically degrades to ClO_3^- when exposed to light, as described earlier.

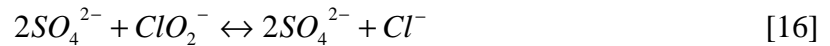
Iatrou and Knocke (1992) reported that ferrous iron added to water at a ratio of 3.1 mg Fe(II)/mg ClO_2^- effectively eliminated ClO_2^- from finished water. They reported also that ClO_2^- reduction by Fe(II) was complete within 1 to 2 minutes at typical water treatment conditions. No ClO_3^- formation occurred when solutions of ClO_2^- (initial concentration up to 4.0 mg/L) were treated with Fe(II) over a pH range of 5.5 to 8.0.

The possible interference of dissolved oxygen in the Fe(II)- ClO_2^- reaction was also investigated by Iatrou and Knocke (1992). They found that the Fe(II)- ClO_2^- reaction at neutral pH was not significantly affected by dissolved oxygen. Residual Fe(II) remaining when the dosages were in excess of the stoichiometric amount was eliminated by reaction with dissolved oxygen at pH 7.0. At pH 6.3 and below, excess Fe(II) was not removed by reaction with dissolved oxygen. In studies with alum coagulation, addition of Fe(II) did not interfere with dissolved organic carbon (DOC) removal or increase the settled-water turbidity.

Hurst and Knocke (1997) investigated ClO_2^- reduction by Fe(II) under alkaline pH conditions (pH 7 to 10) and found that a dosage slightly in excess of the stoichiometric amount was required to remove ClO_2^- effectively. The excess Fe(II) was necessary to account for some DO interference in the Fe(II)- ClO_2^- reaction. Again, no ClO_3^- formation was detected. A mass balance of the oxychlorine species for the Fe(II)- ClO_2^- reaction revealed that Cl^- was the major product (> 95 percent).

Reduction by Reduced-Sulfur Compounds

Gordon et al. (1990) reported ClO_2^- reduction by sulfur dioxide-sulfite ion ($\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}$), which they said occurred by the following reaction over a pH range of 4.0 to 7.5:



Their research indicated that ClO_2^- removal was more rapid when the pH was acidic. The authors reported complete ClO_2^- reduction in less than one minute when a tenfold weight excess of sulfur dioxide/sulfite ($\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}$) was reacted with 0.5 to 7.0 mg/L ClO_2^- at pH 5 and below and complete ClO_2^- reduction in less than 15 minutes at pH 6.5. The authors noted that dissolved oxygen may interfere with $\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}/\text{ClO}_2^-$ reaction by competing for $\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}$.

Griese et al. (1991) achieved complete ClO_2^- reduction following the addition of $\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}$, but significant amounts of ClO_3^- were formed when the pH ranged from 4.0 to 8.5. The authors noted an increase in ClO_3^- concentration when the $\text{SO}_2\text{-SO}_3^{2-}/\text{ClO}_2^-$ reaction occurred in the presence of dissolved oxygen. These results concur with those of Dixon and Lee (1991), who also noted significant ClO_3^- formation. Griese et al. (1991) concluded that the application of sulfur-based reducing agents was not a viable strategy for ClO_2^- removal during drinking water treatment. Griese et al. (1991) also evaluated sodium thiosulfate for ClO_2^- removal and found that it effectively reduced ClO_2^- over a pH range of 4.5 to 6.5. but the reaction was heavily dependent on pH and contact time. No significant ClO_3^- was formed.

Reduction by Granular Activated Carbon

Voudrias et al. (1983) determined that chloride ion (Cl^-) was the predominant end product in a study in which a ClO_2^- solution of 11 mg/L at pH 7 was passed through a granular activated carbon (GAC) column. During this study, the ClO_2^- removal rate declined significantly after 80 to 90 mg ClO_2^- per gram of carbon had been removed. They found that only 4 percent of the total Cl was not accounted for by Cl^- . In another experiment, the authors found that the GAC capacity for removing ClO_2^- was reduced when a solution of ClO_2^- and vanillic acid was passed through a GAC column. They hypothesized that GAC surface functional groups that otherwise would be available for reducing ClO_2^- become unavailable when organic compounds are adsorbed, thus reducing the ClO_2^- removal efficiency.

As part of a potable-water reuse study conducted by the Denver Water Department (Lohman and Rogers, 1987) ClO_2^- removal by GAC was evaluated. Results from a column experiment indicated that complete ClO_2^- reduction was achieved only when the GAC column loading rate was below 15 mL/min of up to 10 mg/L ClO_2^- . The authors concluded that at higher loading rates, the reaction time for complete ClO_2^- removal was exceeded. They reported that 80 percent ClO_2^- reduction was still achieved after 7,440 bed volumes had passed through the column (equivalent to six months full-scale operation). During plant-scale tests, complete ClO_2^- reduction was achieved (ClO_2 applied dose 1.5 mg/L) with an empty bed contact time (EBCT) of 30 to 40 minutes (equivalent hydraulic loading rate of 4.7 gpm/sf). No apparent differences in the performance of virgin and reactivated carbon were noted. Lohman and Rogers (1987) cited a study by Lykins and DeMarco (1983) who reported a ClO_2^- reduction of 67 percent with an EBCT of 7.7 (hydraulic loading rate 5.1

gpm/sf). Steinbergs (1986) reported ClO_2^- reduction of approximately 85 percent with an EBCT of 6.4 minutes (hydraulic loading rate of 4.3 gpm/sf).

Dixon and Lee (1991) reported that EBCT significantly influenced ClO_2^- removal by GAC. Longer EBCTs resulted in greater ClO_2^- removal efficiency. The authors suggested that the increased contact time allows greater opportunity for ClO_2^- to be reduced to Cl^- at the GAC surface. The researchers also reported that the ClO_2^- reacts with GAC by a dual mechanism, which appears to be an initial adsorption of ClO_2^- onto active sites followed by reduction of ClO_2^- to Cl^- as those sites become unavailable. This theory was also proposed by Lohman and Rogers (1987). In their study ClO_2^- was oxidized to ClO_3^- by GAC when free chlorine was present in the applied water. They indicated that widely varying results regarding ClO_2^- removal efficiency have been reported, and they attributed the variations in part to widely differing analytical techniques and differences in EBCT and loading rates in the various studies. Gallagher et al. (1994) also reported production of ClO_3^- when water containing both ClO_2^- and chlorine passed through a 55-inch GAC column; no ClO_2^- remained in the treated water.

Vel Leitner et al. (1992) found that ClO_2^- removal by GAC decreases as pH increases. They also reported that GAC type and dosage affected ClO_2^- removal efficiency. The production of ClO_3^- as an end-product was affected by influent ClO_2^- concentrations, activated carbon concentrations and type, and pH. When low influent ClO_2^- concentrations (< 50 mg/L) at pH 7, which are similar to water treatment plant conditions, were reacted with a large amount of GAC in a batch reactor, the major end product was Cl^- (> 90 percent). Chlorate ion concentrations were below the detection limit.

The Gulf Coast Water Authority reported that a pilot GAC filter for ClO_2^- removal was effective for only a short time, approximately 20,000 bed volumes. No chlorine was applied prior to the GAC filter, and, therefore, the ClO_3^- concentration remained unchanged through the filter (Thompson, 1993).

In summary, GAC appears to be only marginally effective for ClO_2^- removal, and, therefore, prohibitively expensive if used only for that purpose. While some have found that ClO_2^- removal by GAC was complete when the GAC influent contained chlorine, ClO_3^- was formed, which is not desirable.

Reduction by Powdered Activated Carbon

Orr (1990) demonstrated that powdered activated carbon (PAC) was only marginally effective for ClO_2^- removal. Only 35 to 50 percent of the ClO_2^- in water containing 20 mg/L ClO_2^- was removed during 30-minutes contact with 50 mg/L PAC, which is an extremely high dose for routine use during water treatment. Chlorate ion was present in the water at the end of the contact period, and the final pH was 5.5 to 6.0. The author attributed the ClO_3^- formation to a sequence of reactions in which ClO_2^- under acidic conditions (pH 5.5 to 6.0) forms ClO_2 and the ClO_2 subsequently oxidizes ClO_2^- to ClO_3^- (Masschelein, 1979). For reasons that could not be explained, ClO_2^- reduction by PAC was slightly more effective when the PAC was enmeshed in alum floc. In a similar experiment, 1 mg/L ClO_2^- was reduced by 78 percent in a solution contacted for four hours with 50 mg/L PAC enmeshed in alum floc. After further studies, the author determined that that ClO_2^- removal by PAC occurred by second-order reaction kinetics.

In another experiment, Orr (1990) devised a bench-scale simulation of a floc-blanket clarifier in which high concentrations of PAC were enmeshed in floc and kept suspended in a constantly flowing stream of water containing 9.5 mg/L. Greater than 90 percent ClO_2^- removal was achieved in this system over a period of 10 to 12 hours.

Grabeel (1992) evaluated the effects of pH on ClO_2^- removal by Ceca 20B PAC. After a four-hour contact period, 20 mg/L PAC removed 67.1 percent of ClO_2^- from a pH 5.5 solution of 5.56 mg/L ClO_2^- , while only 13.0 percent ClO_2^- removal occurred in a pH 7.5 solution of 4.81 mg/L ClO_2^- . While ClO_2^- removal was greater in the pH 5.5 solution, more ClO_3^- was formed. Chlorate ion concentrations near 1.0 mg/L were observed when the initial ClO_2^- dose was 5.0 mg/L. At pH 6.5 to 7.5, ClO_3^- concentrations were below 0.05 mg/L. The carbon usage rate at pH 5.5 (187 mg ClO_2^- removed/g PAC/4 hours) was much higher than that at pH 7.5 (31 mg ClO_2^- removal/g PAC/4 hours). The author noted that the initial ClO_2^- removal rate was rapid and then decreased significantly after two to four hours contact with PAC. The author believed that oxidation-reduction reactions were responsible for ClO_2^- removal by PAC because in all but one experiment, Cl^- accounted for 86 to 117 percent of the chlorine species at the end of the experiments.

Grabeel (1992) also compared ClO_2^- removal by two types of PAC, one a wood-based carbon (Westvaco Nuchar SA PAC) and the other a bituminous coal based carbon (Ceca 20B PAC). After a four-hour contact period at pH 5.5, the wood-based carbon removed 28.3 percent of the ClO_2^- and the bituminous coal carbon removed 67.1 percent. No ClO_3^- was detected in the water treated with the wood-based carbon, but, as summarized above, it was present in water treated with the bituminous coal carbon. The carbon usage rate for the

wood-based carbon was much lower than that of the bituminous coal carbon (77 mg ClO_2^- removed/g PAC/4 hours and 187 mg ClO_2^- removal/g PAC/4 hours, respectively).

Grabeel (1992) also evaluated ClO_2^- removal by PAC in a pilot-scale Superpulsator® (Infilco Degrémont, Richmond, Virginia) floc blanket clarifier that was treating water pretreated with ClO_2 . Removals were lower than expected, ranging from approximately 27 percent when the PAC dose was 10 mg/L to 59 percent when the dose was 20 mg/L. She attributed the low removals to inconsistent PAC feed rates caused by periodic feed-pump failures that caused PAC concentrations in the floc blanket to vary widely.

Mitchell (1993) further investigated the ClO_2^- -removal efficiency of 12 different PACs both in the presence and absence of chlorine. After a 15-minute reaction period four of the PACs reduced the ClO_2^- concentration by more than 40 percent when chlorine was absent while five others reduced it by more than 40 percent in solutions containing chlorine. After a 60-minute reaction period with no chlorine present, all but one PAC reduced the ClO_2^- concentration by 50 percent, and three PACs reduced it by 70 percent or more. Chlorine influence on ClO_2^- removal was inconclusive in that several PACs removed more ClO_2^- when it was present, and several removed more when it was absent. The author found that little additional ClO_2^- removal occurred after four hours contact with PAC. The author reported that “the extent of ClO_2^- removal was not related to:

- (a) The acid-extracted metal content (aluminum, boron, iron, magnesium, manganese, or zinc) or the total metal content,
- (b) The percentage of PAC passing through a 325 mesh screen,
- (c) The raw material from which the PAC was manufactured,

- (d) The iodine index of the carbon; which is an indicator of the total surface area of the PAC, including the smallest passages,
- (e) The BET surface area, a less accurate surface area measurement,
- (f) The density of the powdered activated carbon.”

The tests also showed that ClO_3^- was not present at levels detectable by ion chromatography when chlorine was absent but always was present when the test medium contained chlorine.

The author commented on the importance of pilot testing PACs for use in water treatment under the actual plant conditions, as various factors can contribute to PAC performance.

CHAPTER III MATERIALS AND METHODS

Reagents

The following ACS certified reagents were purchased from Fisher Scientific (Pittsburgh, PA): sodium carbonate anhydrous (CAS 497-19-8), potassium iodide (CAS 7681-11-0), phosphorus pentoxide (CAS 1314-56-3), and potassium persulfate (CAS 7727-21-1). Sodium chlorite (80 percent) (CAS 7758-19-2), sodium chlorate (99+ percent) (CAS 7775-09-9), lissamine green B (CAS 3087-16-9), and ethylenediamine (99.5+ percent) (CAS 107-15-3) were purchased from Aldrich (Milwaukee, WI). Ultrapure (99.7 percent) sodium chlorite purchased from Novatek (Oxford, OH) was used in chlorite standards for ion chromatography analysis.

All standard solutions were prepared in distilled, deionized water from either a Milli-Q ion exchange system (Millipore Corp., Milford, MA) or a Nanopure Ultrapure water system (Barnstead/Thermolyne, Dubuque, IA).

Glassware

All glassware was soaked prior to use in 1:1 nitric acid overnight, then rinsed five times in deionized, distilled water and allowed to air dry. Pipettes were soaked in laboratory detergent, rinsed with nitric acid, then rinsed three times with distilled, deionized water and dried in a laboratory oven at 105°C.

All standard ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- solutions were prepared in volumetric flasks and covered with aluminum foil to prevent light catalyzed reactions.

Collection of Samples for Ion Chromatography Analysis

Water samples collected for analysis at the Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant in Roanoke County, Virginia, included raw water, clarifier effluent, filter effluent, effluent from the GAC contactors, and clearwell effluent. The samples were collected in clean, dark amber, 125-mL, Nalgene bottles after the plant was on-line for several hours. Sample lines were flushed for ten minutes, and the bottles were rinsed several times before the samples were collected. Samples were then purged of ClO_2 with nitrogen gas for at least ten minutes, then preserved with approximately 50 mg/L ethylenediamine to prevent reactions between chlorine and chlorite. Samples were then refrigerated until they were analyzed by ion chromatography within 18 days (Dietrich et al., 1992a).

Ion Chromatography Method

Chlorite and chlorate were analyzed by ion chromatography (IC). The IC method was a modification of USEPA Method 300B (Pfaff et al., 1989), which requires ClO_2^- samples to be analyzed immediately with no preservative. Research by Dietrich et al. (1992a) has shown that ethylenediamine can be added to the samples to increase the stability of ClO_2^- to 18 days. A Dionex (Sunnyvale, CA) Ion Chromatograph 2010i module with a CDM3 conductivity detector and analytical gradient pump was used for all analyses. The ion chromatograph was equipped with an Ionpac AS9-HC analytical column and an Ionpac AG9-HC guard column. The operational parameters included:

Eluant - 9.0 mM sodium carbonate

Eluant Flow Rate - 1.0 mL/min

Sample Loop Volume - 100 μL

Suppression - Anion Self-Regenerating Suppressor II in the recycle mode

Detector Output Range - 3 microsiemens (μS)

The eluant was prepared fresh each time the analysis was performed and purged with helium for up to three hours prior to analysis to remove gases that might have obscured peaks of interest. The background conductivity was approximately 27 μS .

The samples were warmed to room temperature and all samples and standards were filtered through an in-line 0.45 μm filter before injection into the column. The retention times for ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- were approximately 5.2 minutes and 12.7 minutes, respectively. The retention times for fluoride, chloride, nitrite, nitrate, and sulfate ions were approximately 3.8, 6.9, 11.7, 13.9, and 20.4 minutes, respectively. The ion concentrations were quantified on the basis of either peak area calculated by an integrator (Hewlett Packard 3395 or 3396 Integrator) or manual peak height measurement.

Four standard solutions containing both ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- and two standard solutions containing only ClO_2^- were analyzed, and a peak area or peak height versus concentration calibration curve was determined by linear regression. A small chloride ion peak occurred because this ion was a contaminant in the sodium chlorite used to prepare the standard. A standard curve was prepared each time an analysis was performed.

Limits of Detection and Quantitation

The limits of detection (LOD) and quantitation (LOQ) for ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- by ion chromatography (IC) were determined. The LOD is the lowest concentration that can be confidently measured as different from zero, and the LOQ is the lowest concentration that can be measured accurately with confidence. The LODs were determined by EPA Method

600 (USEPA, 1982). Detection limits determined by the EPA method based on the variability of the measured concentrations of replicates of a low level standard.

A standard containing 0.02 mg/L of both ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- was analyzed 10 times, and the standard deviations of the mean ion concentrations were calculated. These standard deviations of the mean associated with each set of ion analyses were then multiplied by the Student's t-value that corresponded to the 99 percent confidence level. The LOQs were calculated by multiplying the LODs by five. The LODs and LOQs are shown below (Table 1) and the individual analyses are presented in Appendix Table A7.

Table 1

Chlorite Ion and Chlorate Ion Limits of Detection and Quantitation by Ion Chromatography

Analyte	Analytical Method	Limit of Detection mg/L	Limit of Quantitation mg/L
Chlorite Ion	IC	0.004	0.02
Chlorate Ion	IC	0.01	0.05

Analytical Comparison with Independent Laboratory

One quality assurance (QA) evaluation of the ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- IC analytical methods used at Virginia Tech laboratories was accomplished by splitting samples with an independent laboratory. Several field samples preserved with ethylenediamine were split into two aliquots. One was analyzed at Virginia Tech and the other at Novatek in Oxford, Ohio. Each lab used EPA method 300B, with the Dionex Ionpac AS9-HC analytical column and a Dionex Ionpac AG9-HC guard column. The two sets of analytical data were compared by a paired comparison t-test, and no significant differences were indicated at the 99 percent

confidence level. The individual data are presented in Appendix Table A8 and are shown graphically in Appendix Figures A1 and A2.

Chlorine Dioxide Generation

Chlorine dioxide was generated by a method developed by Granstrom and Lee (1958). Novatek provided specific directions (Novatek, 1993). Chlorine dioxide generated by this method is highly concentrated and contains no chlorine, ClO_2^- , or ClO_3^- . The method involves reacting potassium persulfate (2 g dissolved in 50 mL distilled, deionized water) with sodium chlorite (4 g dissolved in 25 mL distilled, deionized water) in a gas train similar to the one shown in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, (1995). The overall equation for the reaction is as follows (Granstrom and Lee, 1958):



The reaction vessel and two ClO_2 traps were 250-mL glass gas-washing bottles. Each vessel was wrapped with aluminum foil to avoid photolytic decomposition of the generated oxidant. The two ClO_2 traps contained distilled water and were immersed in an ice bath to improve the trapping efficiency. The generated gas was purged from the reaction vessel with nitrogen gas for approximately 45 minutes and forced through the gas train into the cold traps. The final vessel in the gas train was a 1500-mL Erlenmeyer flask containing aqueous potassium iodide to reduce any ClO_2 that escaped the chilled traps. The generated ClO_2 solution was a bright yellow-green color and the concentration varied from 300 mg/L to 1000 mg/L.

A working ClO₂ solution containing approximately 50 mg/L was prepared from the concentrated stock solution by diluting it with distilled, deionized water. The ClO₂ concentration of the working solution was determined by UV spectrophotometry at 360 nanometers (nm). The spectrophotometer was zeroed with deionized water. The concentration was then calculated from Beer-Lambert's Law, as follows:

$$a = \epsilon bc \quad [1]$$

Where:

a = absorbance

ϵ = ClO₂ extinction coefficient, 1225 M⁻¹cm⁻¹

b = cuvette path length

c = ClO₂ concentration, M.

The ClO₂ concentration was then expressed in mg/L by multiplying the molar concentration by 67,450 mg/L/mole.

Lissamine Green B Method

Chlorine dioxide concentrations in water samples collected from within the treatment plant and distribution system were determined by the lissamine green B method, which was developed by Chiswell and O'Halloran (1991). Separate standard curves were developed for each water type (raw, clarified, and distribution system) because the background absorbances differed markedly. Approximately 1 L of each water was collected and purged for 25 minutes to remove any ClO₂ that may have been present. Lissamine green B (LGB) solution (5 mL) and pH 9 buffer (10 mL) were added to each of seven, 100-mL volumetric flasks. Each flask was filled nearly to the mark with purged sample water, then appropriate amounts

of the working ClO₂ standard were pipetted into each flask with the tip of the pipette being placed under the liquid surface to avoid losses of the extremely volatile ClO₂. The ClO₂ standards were placed in a 1cm quartz cuvette, and the absorbance of each determined spectrophotometrically at 614 nm. Purged samples containing no ClO₂ were used to zero the spectrophotometer each time a standard curve was prepared. The goal was to generate standard curves with linear regression correlation coefficients (R^2) of at least 0.999.

The standard curve developed with clarifier effluent was used during the analysis of filter effluent. Effluents from the GAC contactors and clearwell were analyzed for ClO₂ on several occasions, but none was found. All samples for analysis by LGB were collected head-space free in red glass bottles to prevent light-catalyzed decomposition reactions.

Chlorine dioxide concentrations in the distribution system were also determined by the LGB method. Once the sample water is mixed with the dye and buffer, the absorbance is stable for at least one hour, even in the presence of chlorine (Chiswell and O'Halloran, 1991), and the collection and analysis of samples from six sites in the distribution system could be completed within that time.

Buffer and lissamine green B were added to six 100-mL volumetric flasks in the laboratory and taken to the sampling sites. Six samples were usually collected during each sampling trip, but these were not always at the same locations. On some occasions, customers at previously sampled locations turned off their outside taps in preparation for freezing weather, and, in those instances, samples were collected from another location in the same neighborhood. Water from one of the sites was used in the preparation of the standard curve, and the absorbances of the field samples were determined immediately upon return to the laboratory. The spectrophotometer was zeroed with the distribution system water.

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Introduction

Interest in chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) as an alternative to chlorine for oxidation and disinfection during water treatment has increased in recent years as utilities are required to meet increasingly stringent halogenated disinfection by-product (DBPs) regulations. It was first used in the 1940s by the City of Niagara Falls, New York, to control phenolic and chlorophenolic tastes and odors (Synan et al., 1944; McCarthy, 1944; Aston, 1947), though its value as a disinfectant was also recognized. Since 1970, most utilities apply ClO_2 as a

chlorine substitute at some point in their treatment process as part of their overall DBP control strategy (Dietrich et al., 1992b; Bissonette and Allegier, 1997).

Chlorine dioxide does not form halogenated organic by-products under typical water treatment conditions, but two important inorganic by-products, chlorite ion (ClO_2^-) and chlorate ion (ClO_3^-), are formed when ClO_2 is chemically reduced. Both of these by-products pose potential health risks.

Chlorate ion, once formed, cannot be removed by conventional water treatment techniques, but ClO_2^- concentrations can be either reduced or eliminated by treatment with reduced-sulfur compounds, ferrous iron compounds, granular activated carbon (GAC), and powdered activated carbon (PAC).

In July, 1994, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) proposed a maximum residual disinfectant level (MRDL) of 0.8 mg/L for ClO_2 and a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 1.0 mg/L for ClO_2^- in the Disinfectant/Disinfection By-Products (D/DBP) Rule (Federal Register, 1994). The Final D/DBP Rule, promulgated in December 1998, retained the proposed ClO_2 MRDL and ClO_2^- MCL (Federal Register, 1998). No MCL for ClO_3^- was proposed in the D/DBP Rule because health-effects data were not available at the time it was published.

The project described in this paper was designed to provide much-needed information regarding the fate of ClO_2 following its addition at a water treatment plant (WTP) and the development of by-products in the WTP and distribution system. Specific objectives were to: (1) document changes in ClO_2 , ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- concentrations throughout the Roanoke County WTP and distribution system following ClO_2 pretreatment of raw water, (2) evaluate the effectiveness of GAC in post-filter contactors for ClO_2^- removal, and (3) determine the

extent to which ClO₂ reforms in the distribution system following post chlorination of the treated water and the levels associated with customer complaints of odors.

Roanoke County Treatment Plant and Spring Hollow Reservoir

The Roanoke County, Virginia, Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant, which was the site for this research, went on-line in January, 1996. The plant is a Trident® process plant, which consists of upflow adsorption clarifiers followed by trimedia filters (Figure 1). The coagulant is hydroxylated ferric sulfate, and the dosage requirements typically are quite low (5-10 mg/L) because the water quality is excellent throughout the year. The coagulant is added at a static mixer ahead of the clarifiers, and the dose is controlled by a streaming current monitor.

Following filtration, the water passes through two GAC contactors arranged in series, each containing approximately 70,000 pounds (31,818 kg) of 8 X 30 mesh GAC (Cetco-Aquatec) to an individual depth of 42 inches. The approximate empty bed contact times (EBCTs) were 26 and 13 minutes at treatment rates of 5 and 10 million gallons per day (mgd), respectively. Chlorine and fluoride are added to the GAC-treated water prior to its storage in a 2 million gallon clearwell.

The plant serves approximately 36,000 customers with 8,850 connections. The daily demand during the period of this study was 2 to 3 mgd. The plant capacity is 15 mgd at the present filtration rate. The plant only operates 8 hours each day in order to fill storage tanks in the distribution system and the clearwell. The operators typically run one unit for the entire eight-hour period and bring a second unit on-line for part of the day. The plant is shut down at the end of the single, eight-hour shift.

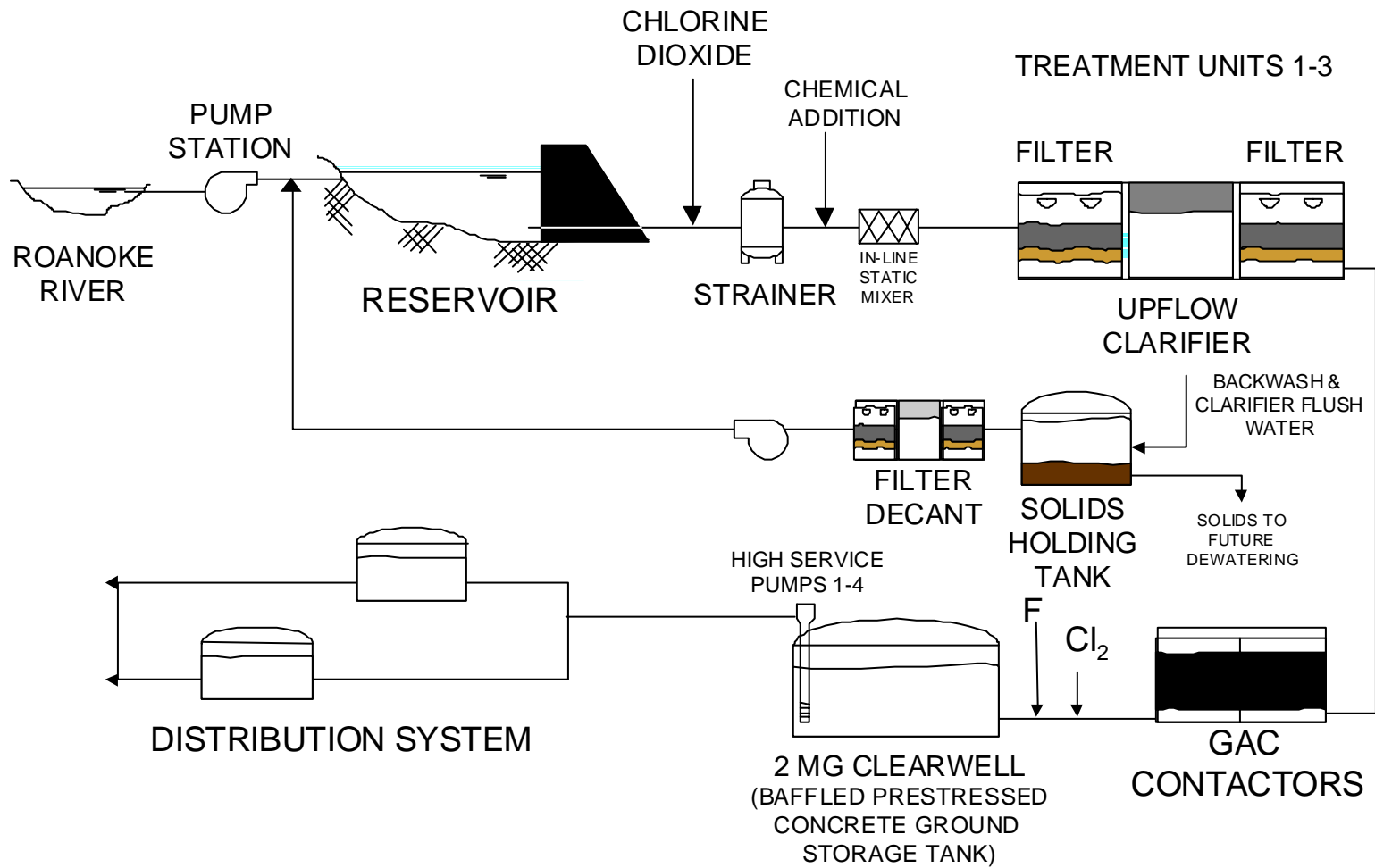


Figure 1. Roanoke County Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant

The plant's raw water source is the Spring Hollow Reservoir, which is a pump storage reservoir, was completed in 1995 and continued filling throughout 1996. Water is pumped from the Roanoke River to the Reservoir during high-flow periods. The full-pool elevation is 1410 feet (ft) mean sea level (msl), and the maximum depth at the dam is 240 ft. When full, the reservoir impounds 3.2 billion gallons.

Four raw-water intakes are located at elevations 1374 ft, 1344 ft, 1300 ft, and 1220 ft msl, and raw water flows by gravity to the treatment plant through a 36-inch main. The raw water quality is excellent (Table 1). Roanoke County owns a well system and also buys water from the cities of Roanoke and Salem, but the reservoir will eventually be the main drinking water source.

Chlorine dioxide was included in the design of the Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant as added insurance against problems with manganese, tastes and odors, and disinfection by-products should they ever arise. In the early stages of this project, manganese levels were at times elevated, but they were low during most of the study period because the reservoir thermally destratified in November and became uniformly aerobic from surface to bottom, preventing the release of manganese from the bottom sediments.

Table 1. Spring Hollow Reservoir Raw Water Characteristics

Characteristic	Average	Range
Turbidity, ntu	2.9	1.6-5.6
Total Organic Carbon, mg/L	1.9	1.7-2.1
Alkalinity, mg CaCO ₃ /L	132	120-143
Hardness, mg CaCO ₃ /L	150	140-166
pH	7.5	7.2-7.8

Chlorine Dioxide Generation

The ClO₂ generator (Figure 2) generates ClO₂ by reaction of solid sodium chlorite (NaClO₂) with chlorine gas according to equation [1]:



Chlorine gas is first mixed with humidified air and then passed through two drums containing solid NaClO₂ in series. The ClO₂ production rate is a function solely of the chlorine gas feed rate. Infinite turndown without recalibration is possible, thus making possible the delivery of ClO₂ dosages over a wide range. No unreacted NaClO₂ enters the system because the generated ClO₂ is in the gas phase, and ClO₃⁻ is not produced. This project was the first full-scale application of the CDG Technology, Inc. process, and the County chose the equipment because it was simple to operate and could reliably provide ClO₂ dosages over a wide range.

The generated ClO₂ is injected into a raw-water side stream off the 36-inch raw-water main through an ejector, which is a Venturi tube that creates a vacuum in the generator. The side stream then passes through a contactor, which consists of a network of pipes, to ensure thorough mixing, then through an air break to release any air that accumulates in the pipe, and, finally, back to the entrance to the 36-inch main near the Roanoke River approximately 400 ft below the treatment plant.

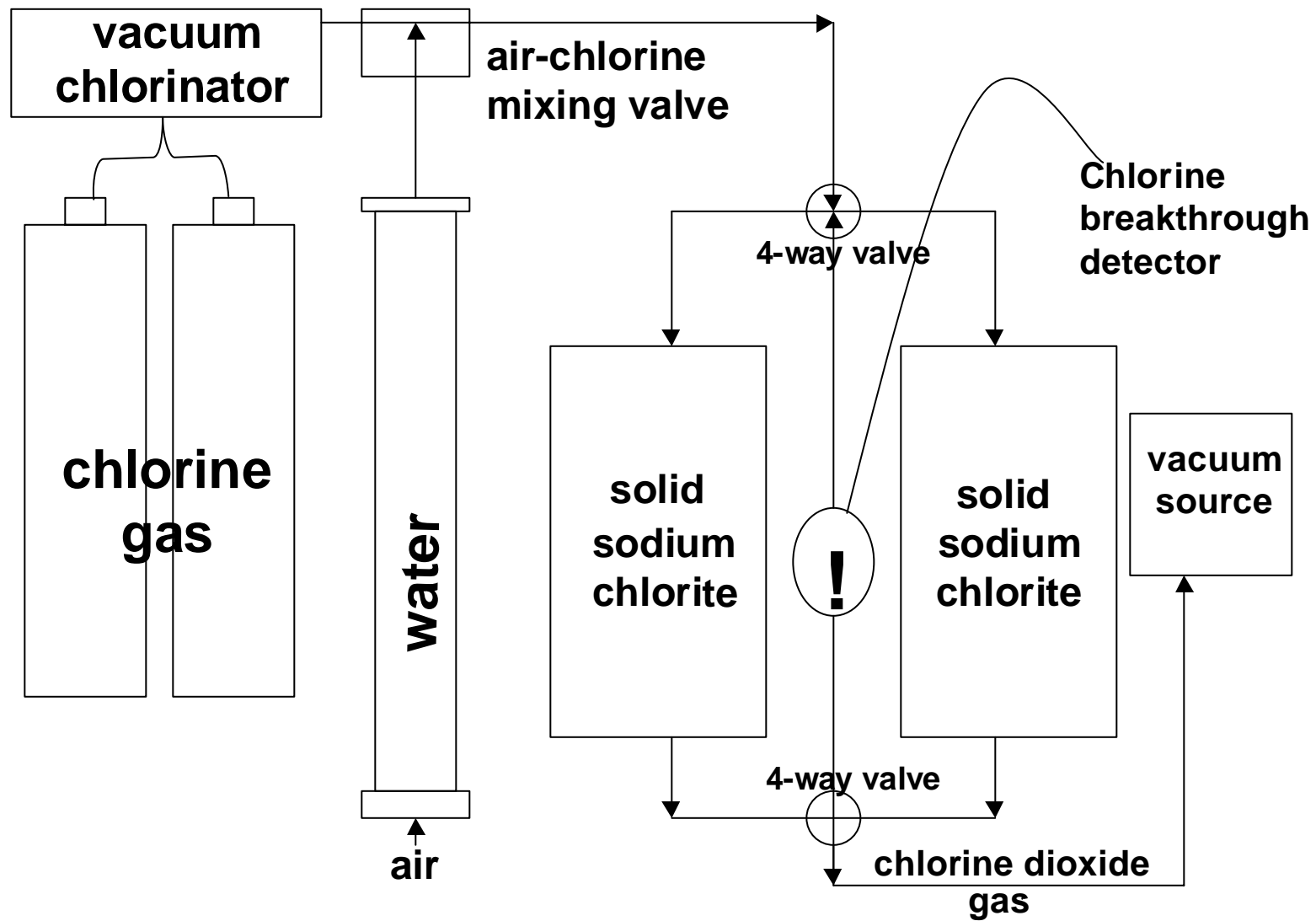


Figure 2. Schematic: full-scale *gas:solid*[™] chlorine dioxide generator

Experimental Methods

Sample Collection and Preservation Methods

During the study, water samples were collected in acid-washed Nalgene bottles from a variety of locations within the treatment plant and distribution system for analyses of ClO_2 and its by-products. Samples were collected within the treatment plant two to four hours after plant startup to ensure that equilibrium had been reached.

Sampling locations included: (1) raw water following ClO_2 addition but before coagulant addition, (2) clarifier effluent (filter-applied), (3) filter effluent, (4) post-filter GAC contactor effluent, and (5) clearwell effluent. Sample lines were flushed for approximately ten minutes, and sample bottles were rinsed several times before the samples were collected. The samples were immediately purged with nitrogen gas for at least ten minutes to remove ClO_2 , then preserved with ethylenediamine (approximately 50 mg/L) to prevent reactions between chlorine and ClO_2^- (Dietrich et al., 1992a). Samples were then refrigerated until they could be analyzed.

Chlorite and Chlorate Ion Analyses

Chlorite and chlorate were analyzed by ion chromatography (IC). The IC method was a modification of USEPA Method 300B (Pfaff et al., 1989), which requires ClO_2^- samples to be analyzed immediately with no preservative. Research by Dietrich et al. (1992a) has shown that a ethylenediamine can be added to the samples to increase the stability of ClO_2^- to 18 days. A Dionex (Sunnyvale, CA) Ion Chromatograph 2010i module equipped with a CDM3 conductivity detector, analytical gradient pump, Ionpac AS9-HC analytical column, and an Ionpac AG9-HC guard column. The eluant was 9.0 mM sodium carbonate dispensed at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min and the sample loop volume was 100 mL.

Suppression was achieved with an Anion Self-regenerating Suppressor II in the recycle mode, and the detector output range was 3 microsiemens (μS). Fresh eluant was prepared each day the analyses were performed and purged with helium for up to three hours before use to remove gases that might obscure peaks of interest. The background conductivity was approximately 27 μS .

Samples were warmed to room temperature before analysis and all samples and standards were filtered through an in-line 0.45 μm filter before they were injected into the column. The retention times for ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- were approximately 5.2 minutes and 12.7 minutes, respectively. Concentrations were quantified either by integrated peak areas (Hewlett Packard 3395 or 3396 Integrator) or by manual peak-height measurement. Four standard solutions containing both ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- and two standard solutions containing only ClO_2^- were analyzed. Calibration curves relating either peak area or peak height to analyte concentration by linear regression were developed after each analytical session. The ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- limits of detection (LOD), which were 0.004 mg/L and 0.01 mg/L, respectively; were determined according to EPA Method 600 (USEPA, 1982).

Laboratory-Scale Chlorine Dioxide Generation and Solution Standardization

High-purity ClO_2 solutions (i.e., no chlorine, ClO_2^- , or ClO_3^-) for use in developing standard curves were prepared by reacting 50 mL of two percent potassium persulfate with 25 mL of 16 percent NaClO_2 (Granstrom and Lee, 1958; Novatek, 1997). The generator consisted of three gas-washing bottles connected in series. The reactant solutions were mixed in the first bottle, and the generated ClO_2 was purged from the reaction mixture for approximately 45 minutes by a gentle flow of nitrogen gas through the second vessel, which was empty, and into the third vessel, which contained distilled water immersed in an ice bath.

Undissolved ClO₂ from the collection vessel was trapped in a flask containing a strong potassium iodide solution. Generated ClO₂ solutions contained from 300 mg/L to 1000 mg/L ClO₂, the lower concentrations resulting when the system was purged for too long a period. These solutions were stored in the refrigerator at 4°C when not in use.

Working solutions containing approximately 50 mg/L ClO₂ were prepared each day from the concentrated stock solutions and standardized by ultraviolet absorbance at 360 nanometers (nm) in a quartz cuvette. The instrument was zeroed with distilled, deionized water, and the working-standard concentration was determined by the Beer-Lambert Law as follows:

$$a = \epsilon b c$$

Where:

a = absorbance

ϵ = ClO₂ extinction coefficient, 1225 M⁻¹cm⁻¹;

b = cuvette path length

c = ClO₂ concentration, M

Chlorine Dioxide Analysis by the Lissamine Green B Spectrophotometric Method

Chlorine dioxide concentrations were determined by the lissamine green B method (Chiswell and O'Halloran, 1991). The value of this test lies in its sensitivity at low ClO₂ concentrations and the lack of interference by both chlorine and chloramines. Separate standard curves were prepared for analyses of raw water, clarifier effluent, and distribution-system samples collected in red glass containers (to prevent light catalysis of ClO₂) at several points. The distribution-system sampling sites were selected to provide a variety of hydraulic residence times.

The standard curves were prepared daily by adding varying amounts of standardized ClO_2 solution to approximately 25-30 mL of nitrogen-purged sample (to remove any ClO_2 that might be present) in 100-mL volumetric flasks. Lissamine green B solution (5 mL) and pH 9 buffer (10 mL) were then added to each flask and diluted with the purged sample to a final volume of 100 mL. Reagents were added at the same time to an unpurged sample for determination of the sample ClO_2 concentration. The absorbances of samples and standards were determined spectrophotometrically at 614 nm, and the purged sample was used as the instrument zero.

Chlorine dioxide concentrations at multiple points in the distribution system were determined on several occasions. Because the buffered lissamine green solution is stable in samples for at least an hour (Chiswell and O'Halloran, 1991), six samples could be collected, returned to the laboratory, and analyzed within the time limit. To facilitate the analysis, samples collected at the various sites were placed directly in volumetric flasks that already contained LGB and buffer. Samples were left at ambient temperature to avoid having to warm them prior to analysis. Each time system ClO_2 concentrations were determined, the standard curve was prepared anew in nitrogen-purged water from one of the sites, and the sample was used as the instrument zero.

Results

Treatment Plant ClO_2 , ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- Profiles

Figure 3 shows the ClO_2 concentrations at various points within the treatment plant from November 24, 1997, through February 5, 1998 (total residence time through the filters: approximately 35 minutes at design flow). During this period, dosages were low, ranging from none when the generator was inoperative to 0.42 mg/L, and quite variable. Raw-water

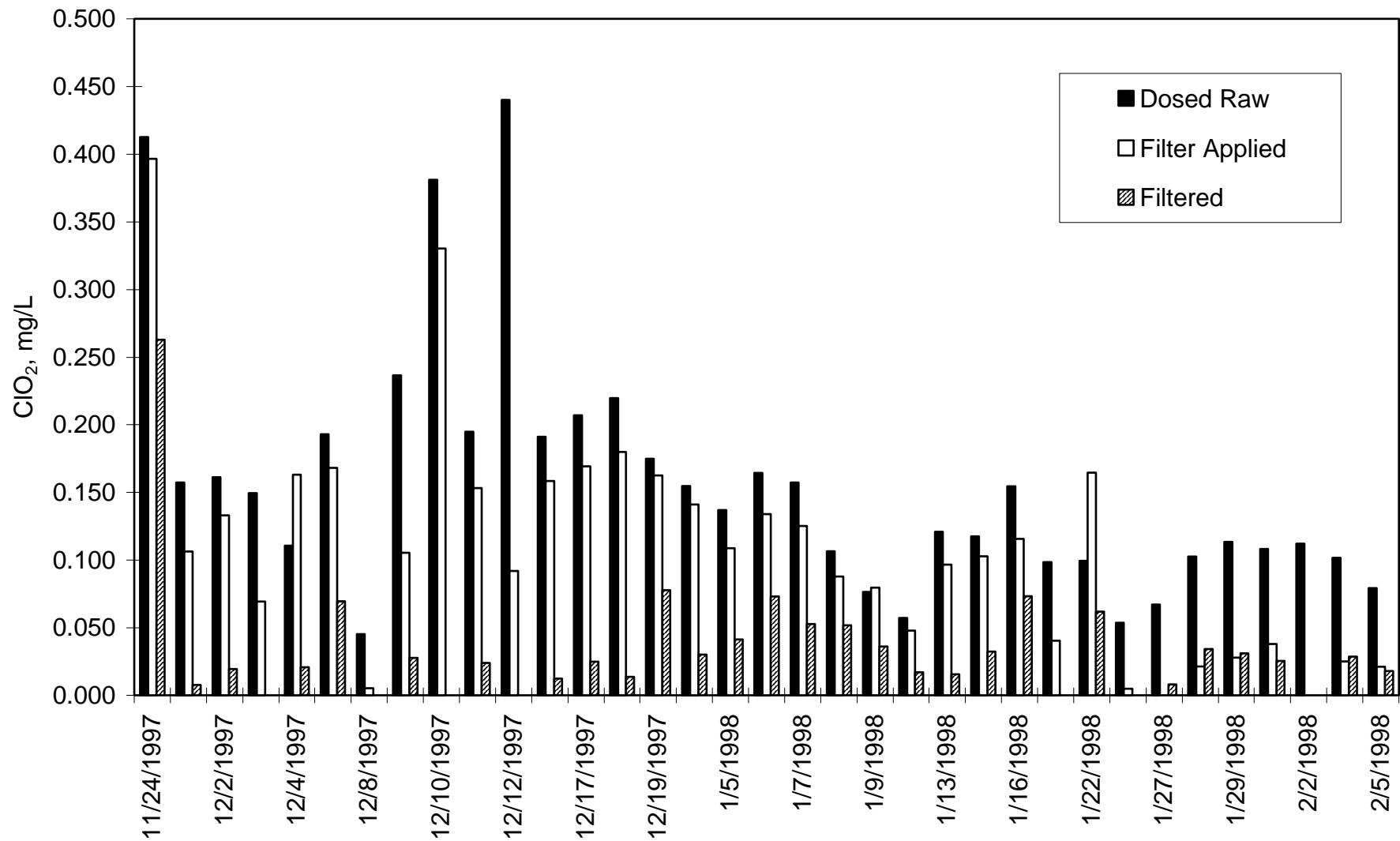


Figure 3. Chlorine dioxide concentrations throughout the treatment plant, November 24, 1997, through February 5, 1998

concentrations were determined less than five minutes after ClO_2 was added. In general, the reservoir water ClO_2 demand was slowly exerted, and ClO_2 persisted through the clarifiers and, on a few occasions, through the filters.

Figures 4 and 5 are box plots that show, respectively, the distributions of ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- concentrations throughout the treatment plant and in the clearwell from September 9, 1997, through February 10, 1998. Figure 6 shows the ClO_2 dosages, which ranged from none when the generator was not operating, to 0.96 mg/L (average 0.39 mg/L), throughout the same period.

Box plots were chosen for displaying the data because they provide information regarding the range and variability of the data. The interpretation of these plots, according to Gallagher et al. (1994), is as follows:

“Eighty percent of the concentrations fall in the range between the upper and lower tails that appear outside the boxes. Thus, 10 percent of the data fall below the lower tail (Q_{10}) and 90 percent fall below the upper tail (Q_{90}). The circles below or above each of the tails correspond to individual data points called outliers. The lower and upper lines composing the box are, respectively, the upper limits of the first and third quartiles of the data (Q_{25} and Q_{75} , respectively), and the line inside the box shows the upper limit of the second quartile (Q_{50}) and denotes the median value.”

Bonferoni corrected paired comparison t-tests ($\alpha = 0.0125$) were used to evaluate whether or not the day-to-day ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- concentrations at successive points in the treatment train differed significantly. For the paired comparison t-tests, data was used only

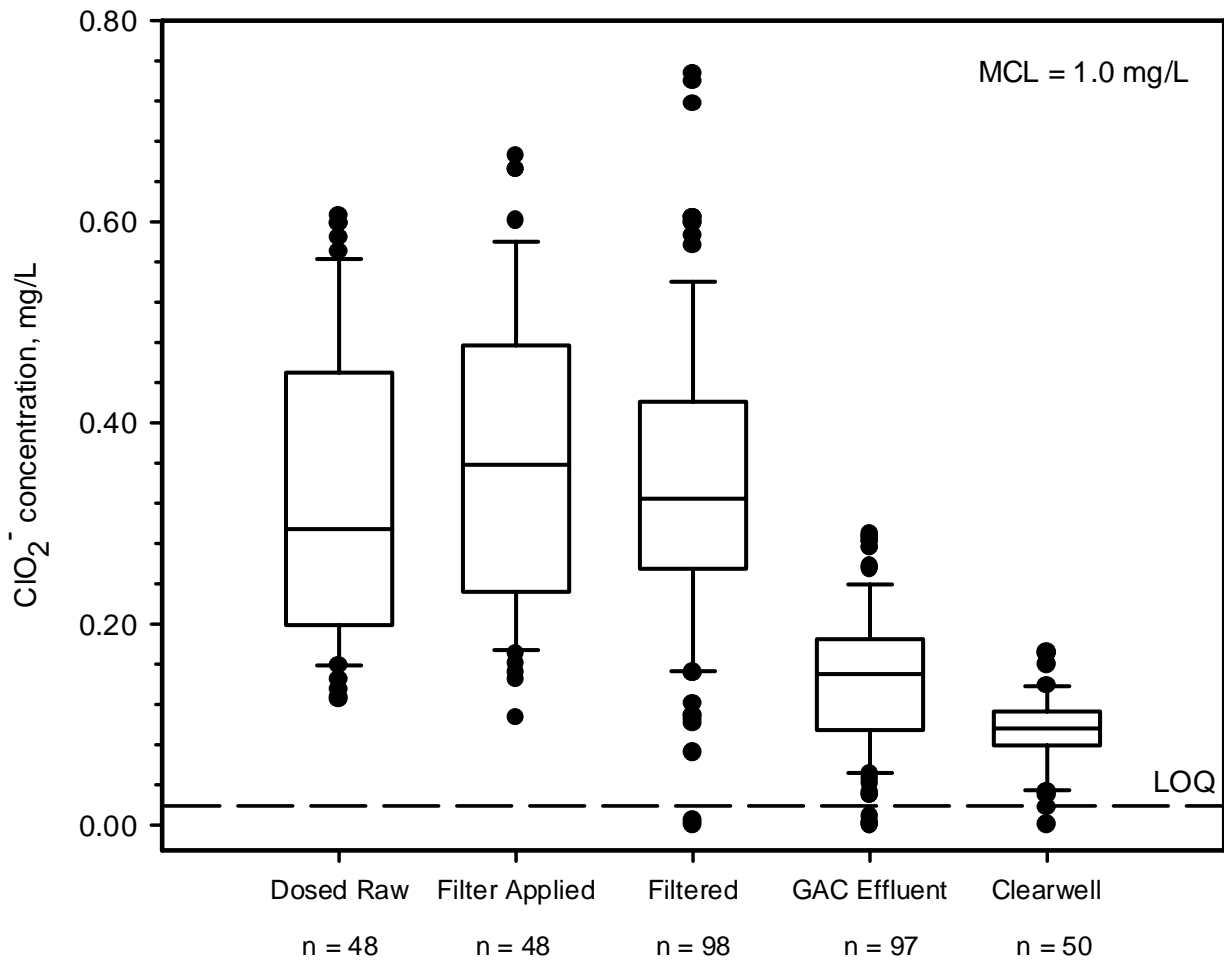


Figure 4. Variations in chlorite ion concentrations through the treatment plant, September 9, 1997, through February 10, 1998: Chlorine dioxide dosage over the period varied from 0 to 0.96 mg/L

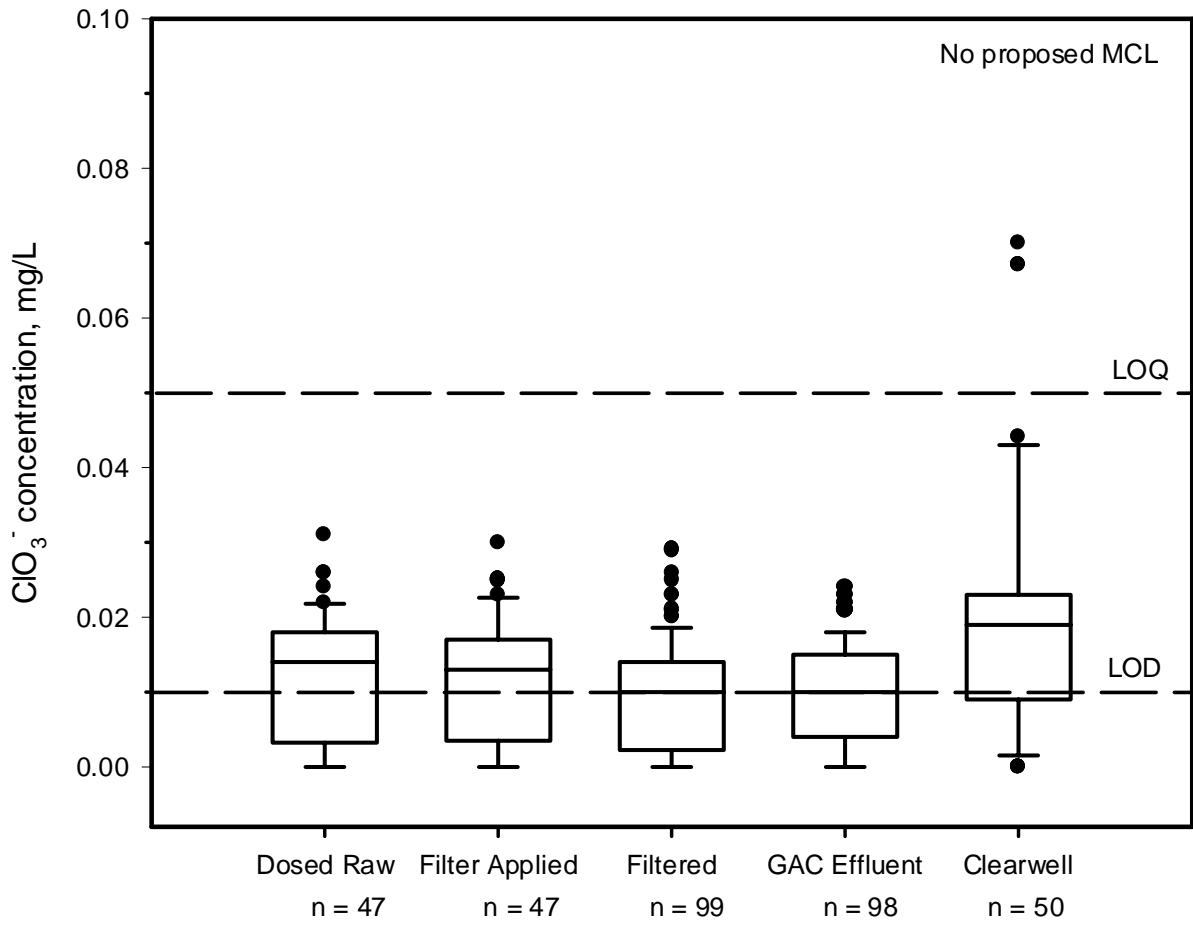


Figure 5. Variations in chlorate ion concentrations through the treatment plant, September 9, 1997, through February 10, 1998: Chlorine dioxide dosage over the period varied from 0 to 0.96 mg/L.

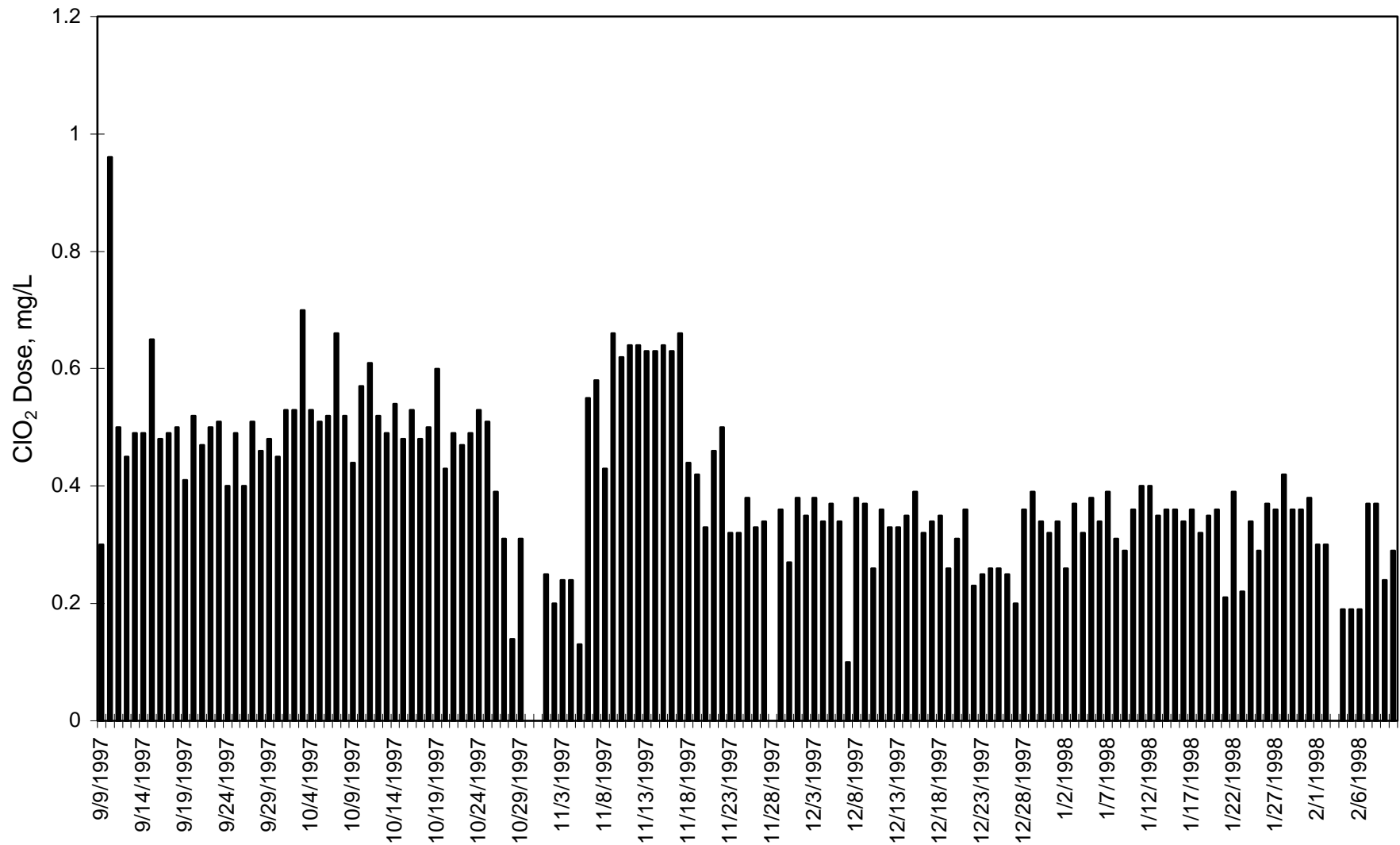


Figure 6. Chlorine dioxide dosages throughout the study period
 (Note: 0 mg/L dose indicates that ClO₂ generator was off)

from days when there were samples collected at each of the two locations being compared. The box plots present a summary of all the data collected at each successive location in the treatment train. The results showed that ClO_2^- concentrations in ClO_2 - treated raw water were significantly less than those in clarifier effluent (filter-applied water) but not significantly less than those in filtered water. Mean concentrations in raw water and clarifier effluent were 0.328 mg/L and 0.367 mg/L, respectively.

Figure 4 also shows a marked ClO_2^- reduction when filtered water passed through the GAC contactors. Concentrations in water exiting the contactors (GAC effluent) were significantly lower than those entering the contactors (shown as “filtered” in Figure 4). Mean concentrations entering and leaving the contactors were 0.337 and 0.146 mg/L, respectively, over the course of the study.

The paired comparison t-test also showed that the GAC effluent ClO_2^- concentrations were significantly greater than the ClO_2^- concentrations in chlorinated water leaving the treatment plant (“clearwell” in Figure 4). The mean ClO_2^- concentration in water leaving the clearwell was 0.092 mg/L, and concentrations ranged from less than the detection limit to 0.172 mg/L.

Chlorate ion concentrations remained quite low throughout the treatment process and were almost always less than quantitation limit (Figure 5). The ClO_3^- concentrations following post chlorination were statistically greater than those in the GAC effluent, even though the mean concentrations (0.02 mg/L and 0.01 mg/L, respectively) were quite low. The ClO_3^- concentrations in the clearwell ranged from less than the detection limit (0.01 mg/L) to 0.07 mg/L.

Chlorite Ion Removal by GAC Filtration

Figure 7 shows the relationship between the GAC influent ClO_2^- concentrations and ClO_2^- removal by the GAC contactor over the entire study period. The slope of the regression line (0.63) represents the overall average ClO_2^- removal achieved by the contactor expressed as a fraction of the influent concentration. Removals during the period ranged from 10 percent to 100 percent.

Figure 8 shows in bar-graph form the ClO_2^- concentrations in GAC influent and effluent during the entire study period. The effluent concentrations ranged from less than detection (0.004 mg/L) to 0.300 mg/L (average 0.146 mg/L and median 0.150 mg/L). The applied ClO_2 dosages during the study are indicated along the top of the figure, and the individual bar heights correspond to the individual concentrations in the GAC influent and effluent. The bars are not stacked.

The carbon usage rate (g ClO_2^- removed per kg GAC in the two contactors) is shown in Figure 9 as a function of the total water volume treated at various times during the study period. Figure 10 shows the cumulative usage rates over the study period. Both figures indicate that the usage rate was declining steadily.

Distribution System Levels of ClO_2 and Its By-products

Figure 11 shows locations in the distribution system where samples were collected for analyses of ClO_2 , ClO_2^- , and ClO_3^- . The average ClO_2 concentrations are listed next to each point. Use of the lissamine green B test made detection of small concentrations possible, even when the samples contained chlorine.

Figure 12 shows the distribution system ClO_2^- concentrations, which ranged from less than the detection limit (0.004 mg/L) to 0.125 mg/L (average and median concentrations:

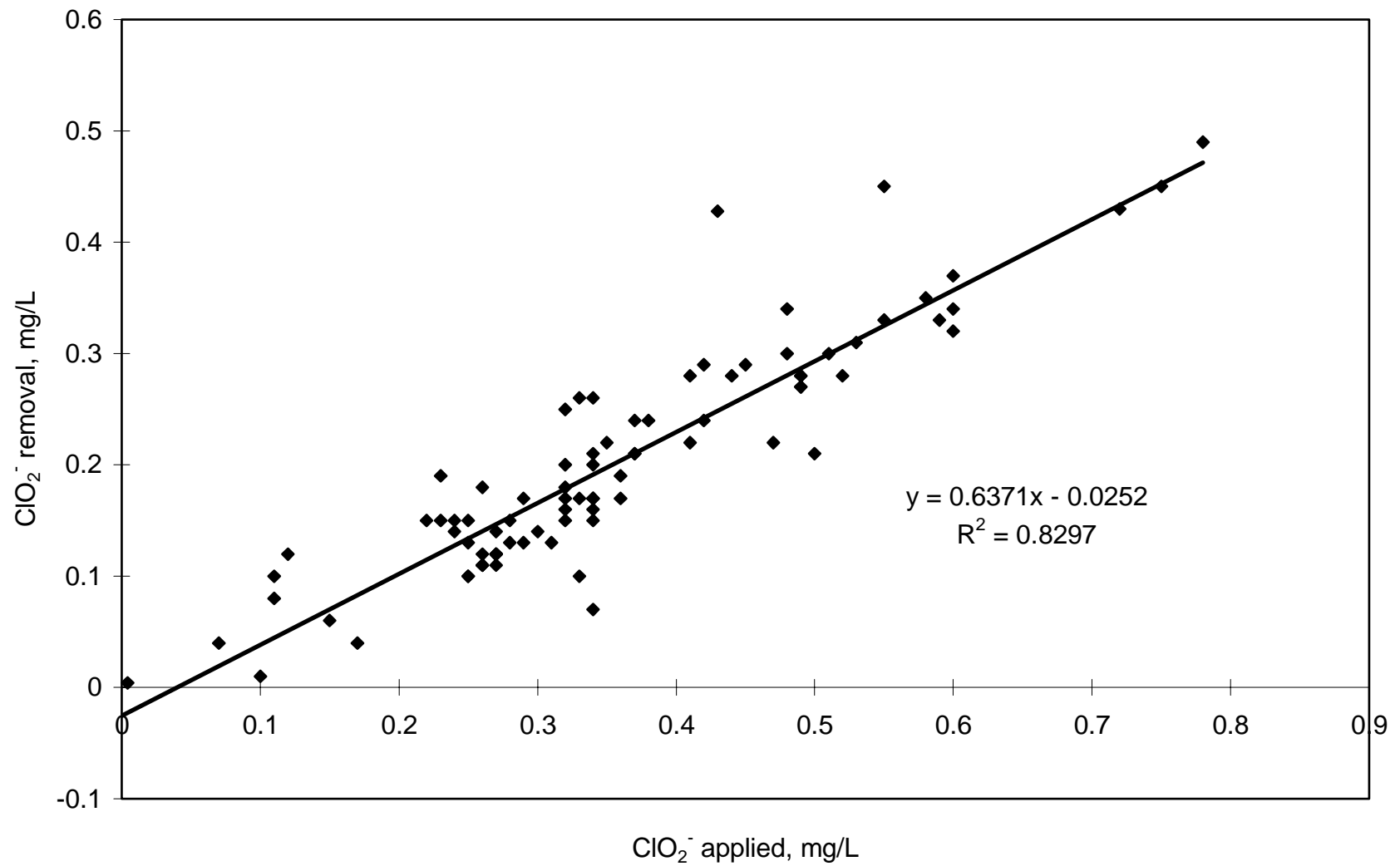


Figure 7. Chlorite ion removal by GAC contactors as a function of the applied concentration.

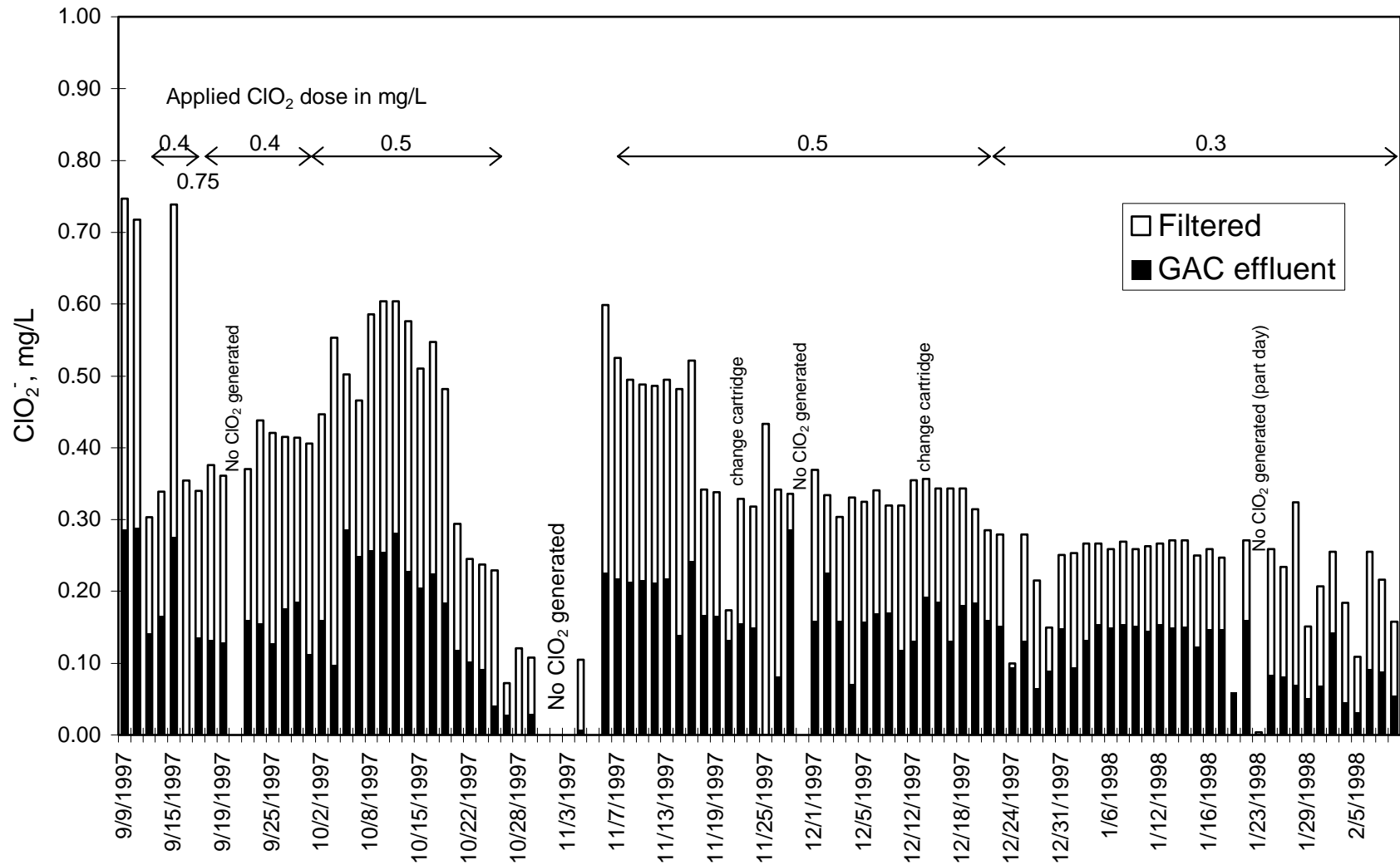


Figure 8. Comparison of GAC influent and effluent chlorite ion concentrations during the period of study.

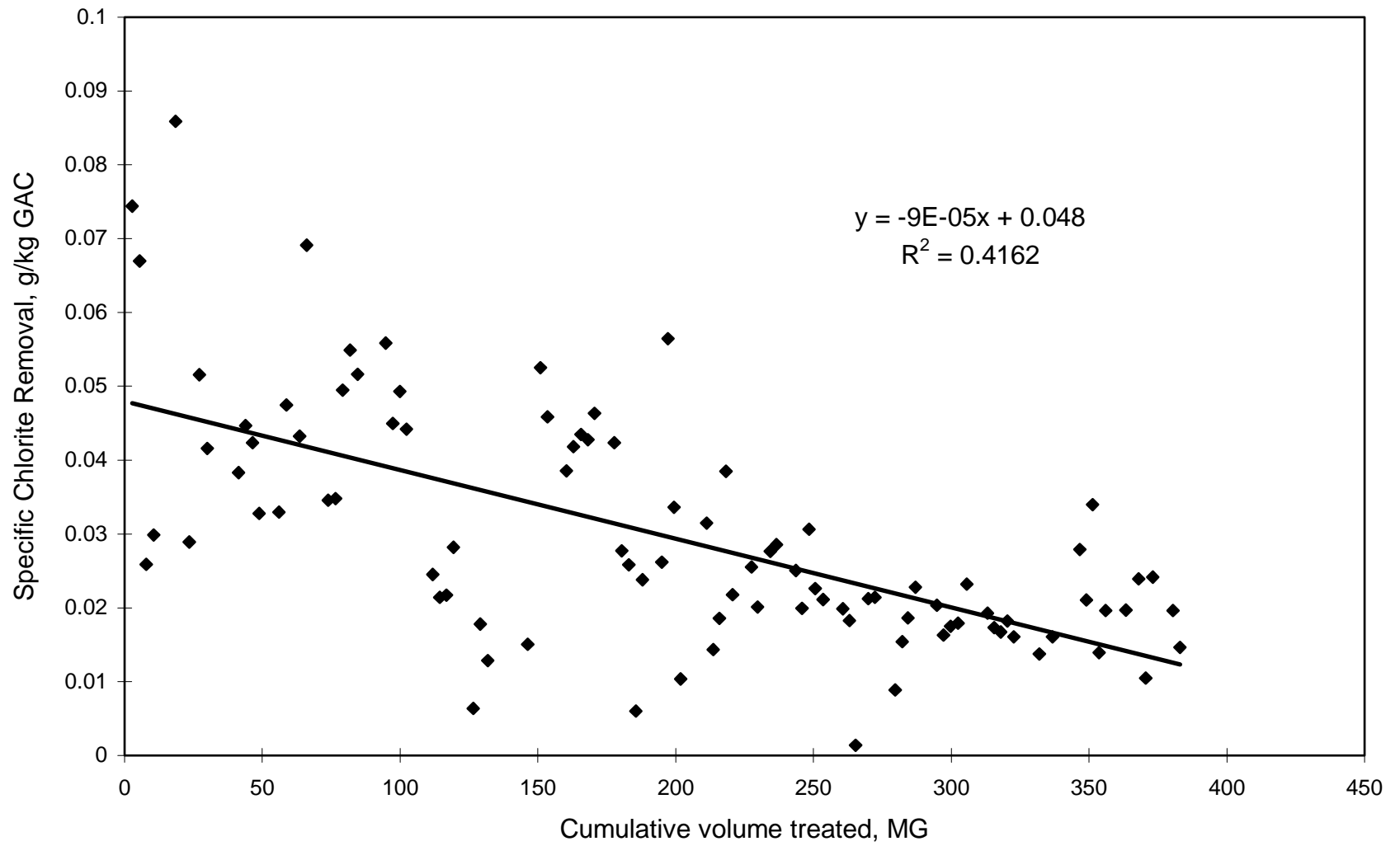


Figure 9. GAC usage rate over period of study (September 9, 1997 - February 10, 1998)

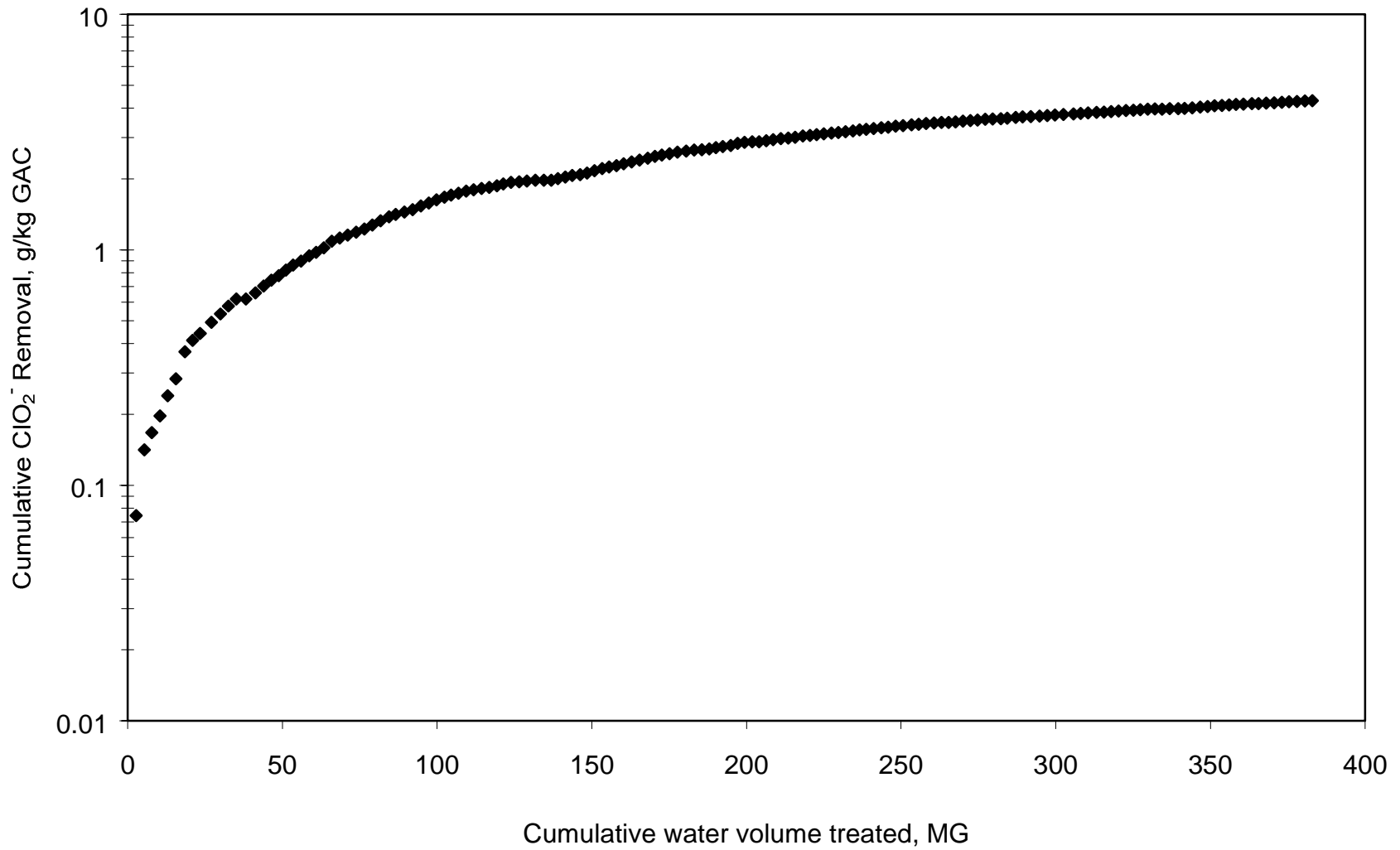


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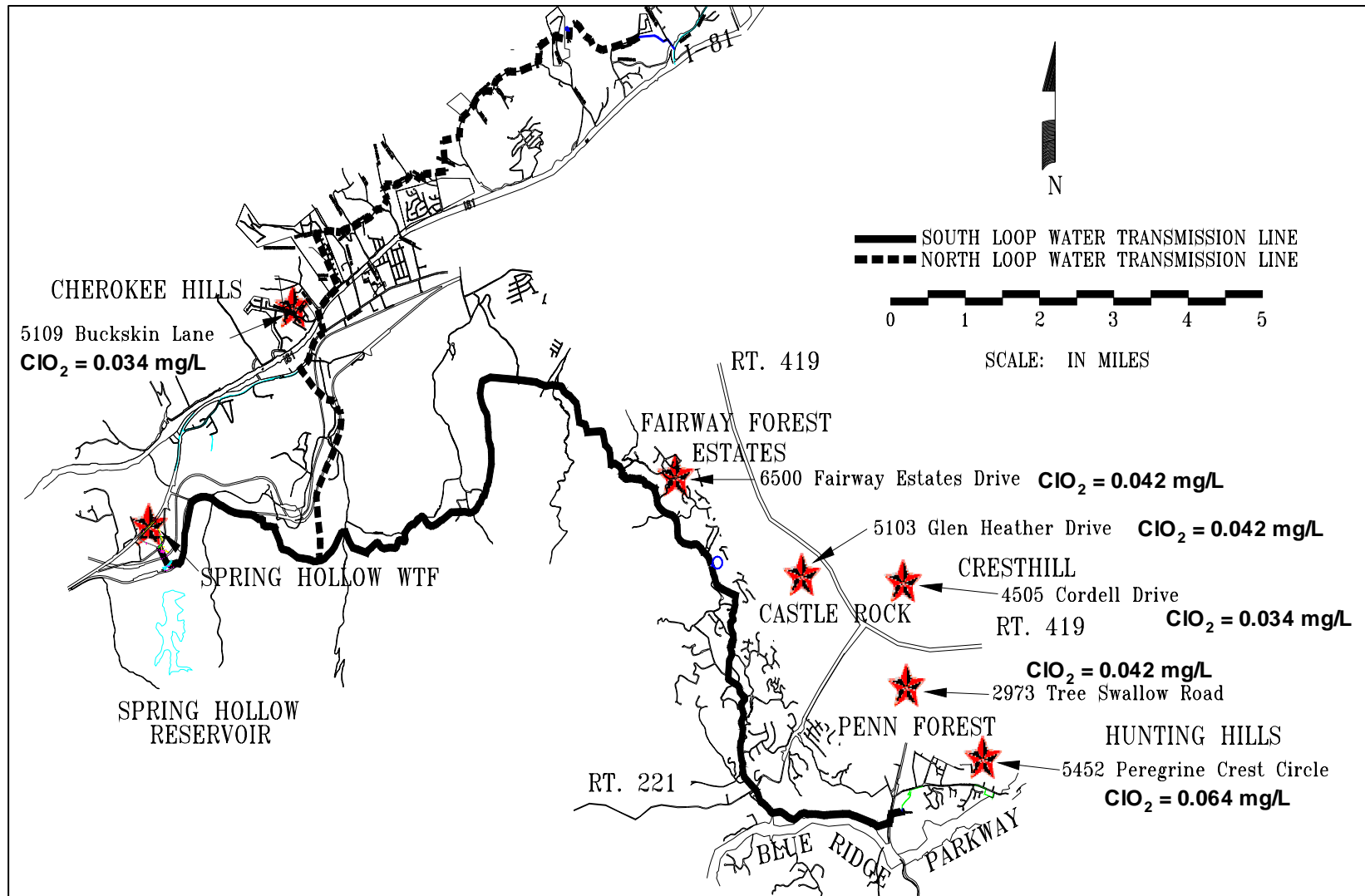


Figure 11. Roanoke County Water Distribution System

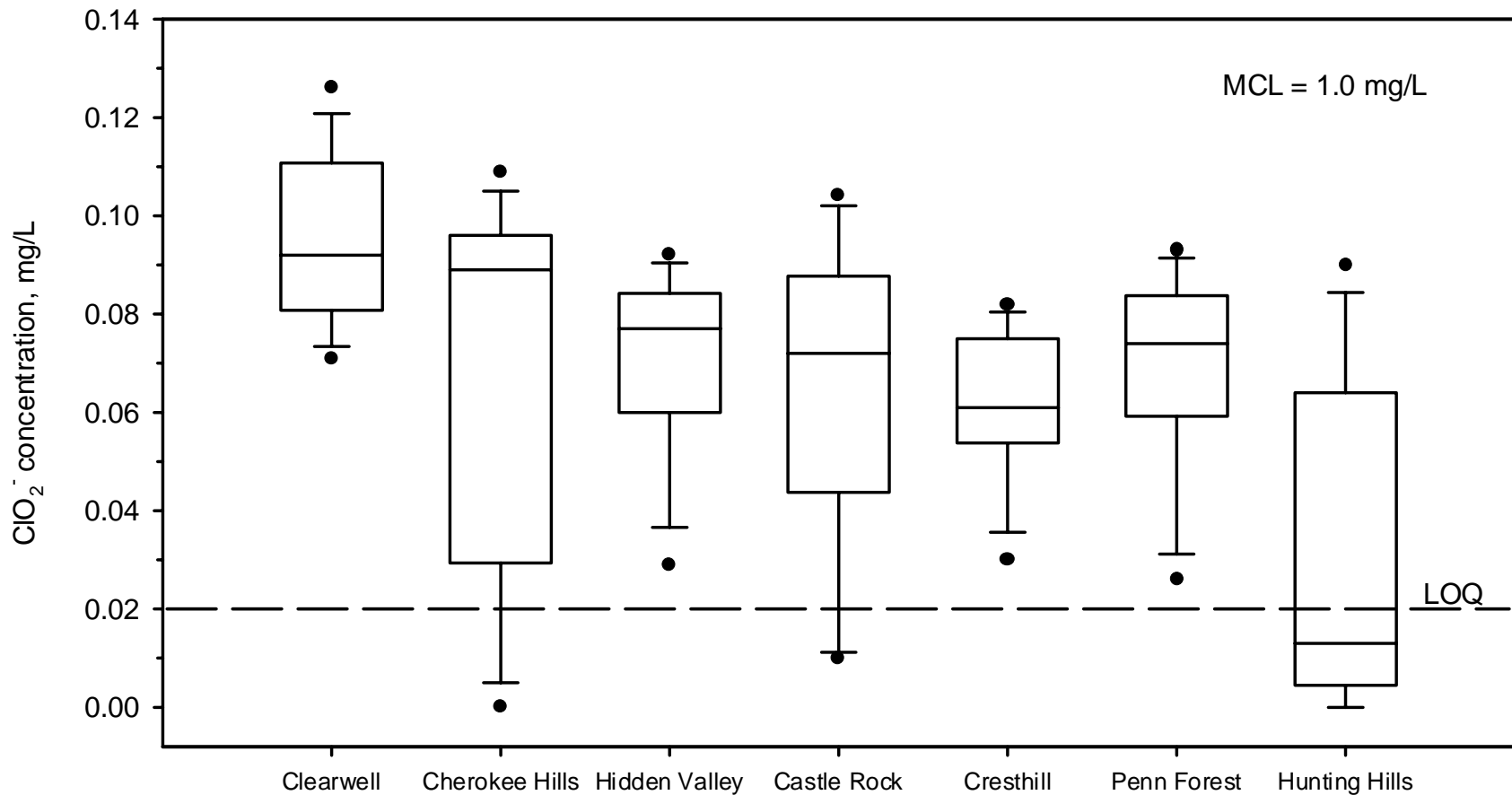


Figure 12. Comparison of chlorite concentrations in the Roanoke County clearwell and distribution system (n = 9). Sites are arranged (left to right) in order of increasing distance from the water treatment plant.

0.060 and 0.066 mg/L, respectively). Clearwell concentrations were compared one-by-one with concentrations at each of the distribution system sites with the paired comparison t-test. While the concentrations at the distribution system sites were significantly lower than the clearwell concentrations at all sites except the one nearest the treatment plant (Cherokee Hills), one cannot conclude that ClO_2^- decreased with increasing distance from the plant because the concentrations at the nearest site (Cherokee Hills) were not significantly greater than those at the farthest site (Hunting Hills). The reason they are not statistically different is probably because the distributions of data collected at the two sites differ markedly, and the median ClO_2^- concentration at the farthest site was well below the medians at the other sites. As can be seen in Figure 12, the data distributions at the other sites were more symmetrically distributed around the median.

Figure 13 shows the distribution system ClO_3^- concentrations, which ranged from 0.01 mg/L to 0.09 mg/L, and averaged 0.03 mg/L (median 0.03 mg/L). The concentrations were uniformly low throughout the distribution system and usually below the quantitation limit (0.05 mg/L). While it is difficult to say with certainty that they increased with increasing distance from the plant, the concentrations at Castle Rock, Cresthill, and Penn Forest were significantly greater than those in the clearwell effluent when tested by the paired comparison t-test, but concentrations at the other three locations were not statistically different than those in the clearwell effluent.

Figure 14 shows the ClO_2 concentrations at several distribution system locations on nine occasions. Concentrations at the farthest site (Hunting Hills) were significantly greater than those at the nearest site (Cherokee Hills) when tested by the paired comparison t-test but not at any other site. Concentrations during the nine sampling events ranged from less than

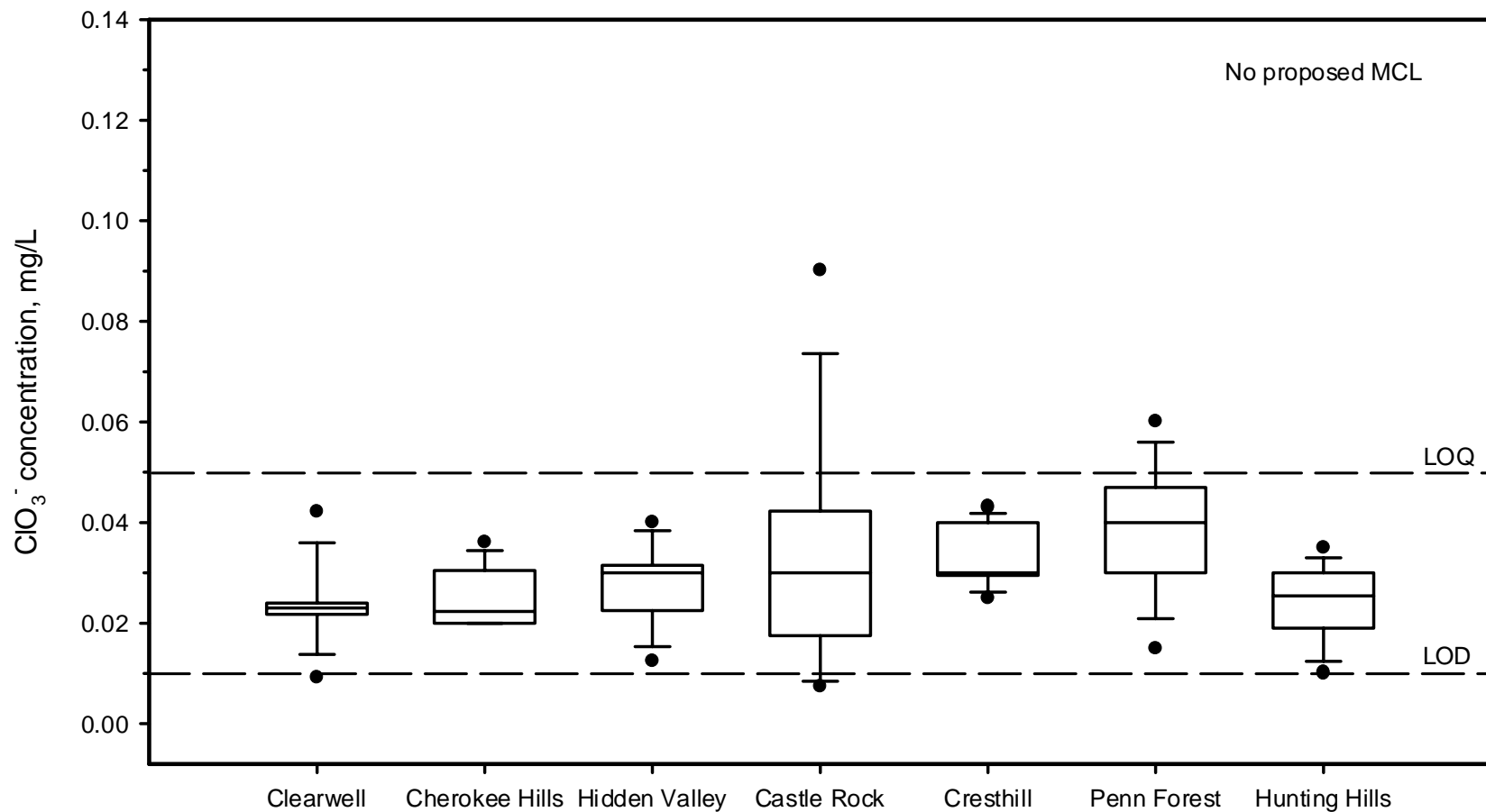


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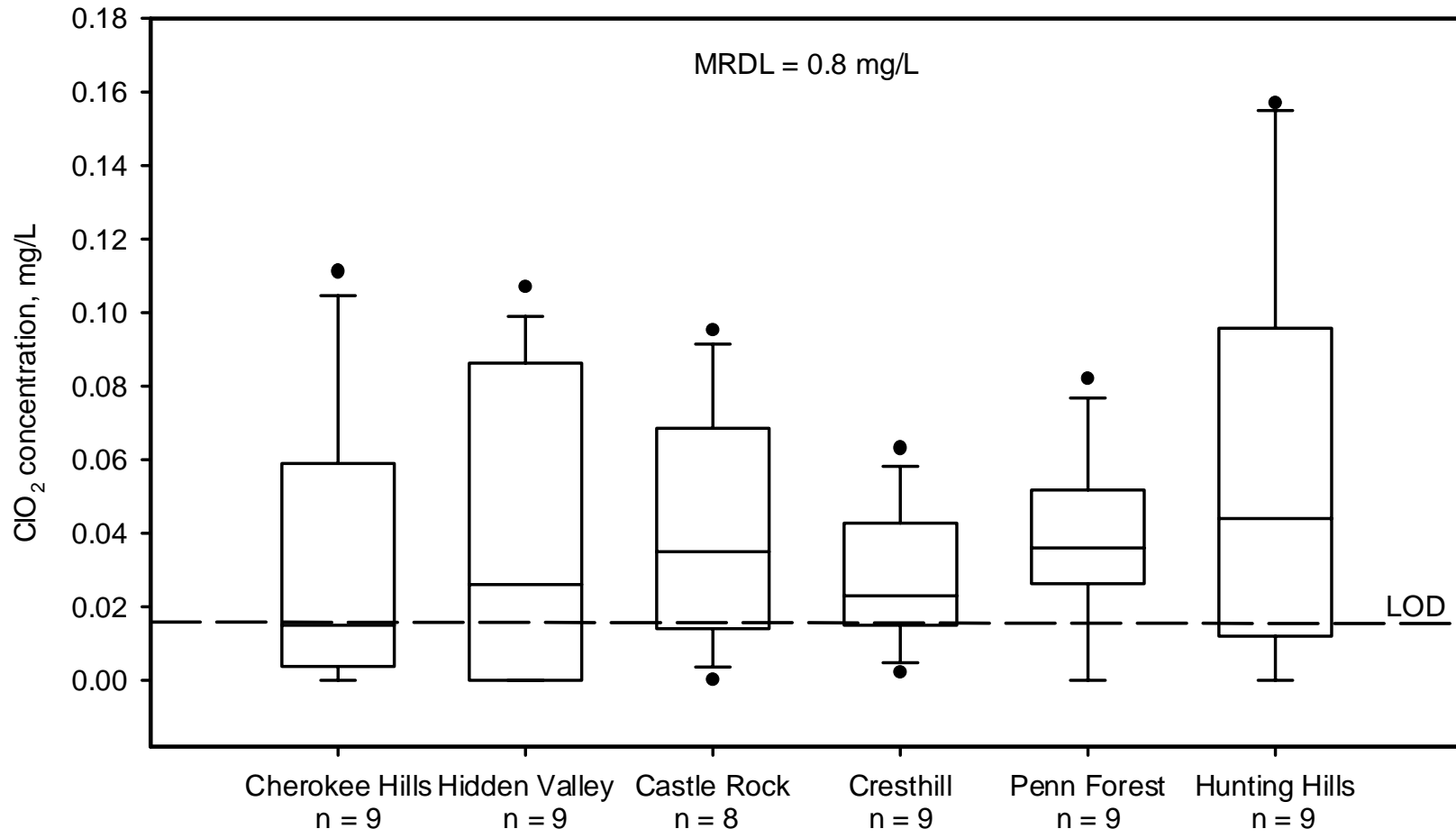


Figure 14. Comparison of chlorine dioxide concentrations in the Roanoke County distribution system. Sites are arranged (left to right) in order of increasing distance from the water treatment plant.

the detection limit (0.017 mg/L) to 0.15 mg/L, and averaged 0.043 mg/L (median 0.03 mg/L). Comparisons between the distribution-system ClO₂ concentrations with clearwell concentrations were not possible because concentrations in the clearwell were not routinely determined. On several occasions, no ClO₂ was detected in the clearwell.

During the study period, the County received twelve odor complaints that apparently were related to ClO₂ use at the treatment plant. Two complaints were received from customers at each of two locations and three complaints were received from another customer. New carpets had been installed at all eight locations within the previous six months. At six locations, new carpet had been installed within the previous week. One customer reported noticing an odor when the carpet was first installed but did not file a complaint for approximately one month after the installation date. Chlorine dioxide concentrations were determined at only two locations at the same time the complaints were being investigated, and they were quite low (0.07 mg/L and 0.03 mg/L).

The first customer to complain stated that the odor had persisted for two weeks after new carpeting was installed. Shortly thereafter, the ClO₂ generator was out of service for several days, and she no longer noticed any odors. Complainants described the odors with terms such as “petroleum smell,” “strange pungent odor,” “strong chemical smell,” and “sulfur smell.” At several locations, County employees who investigated the complaints described odors they detected as “kerosene-like,” “cat urine,” “chemical,” and “ClO₂.”

Near the end of December, 1997, the treatment plant operators responded to the increasing frequency of complaints (despite the fact that only eight complaints had been received) by reducing the ClO₂ dose to approximately 0.3 mg/L, and this action seemed to solve the problem. On March 28, 1998, however, a valve at the treatment plant

malfunctioned and the GAC contactor had to be removed from service so it could be repaired. Shortly after the contactor was taken off line, the County received two additional odor complaints, and in response, the operators reduced the ClO_2 dose still further to 0.25 mg/L. Thereafter, odor complaints ceased.

Chlorite ion concentrations in the distribution system following the final ClO_2 -dose reduction ranged from 0.165 mg/L near the plant to less than the detection limit (0.004 mg/L) at the most distant site. Chlorate ion concentrations ranged from 0.05 mg/L near the plant to less than the detection limit (0.01 mg/L) at the farthest point. Shortly after the final ClO_2 -dose reduction, ClO_2 was not detected in the distribution system.

Discussion

ClO_2 , ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- Distributions Through the Treatment Plant

Chlorine dioxide persistence and the ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- concentrations that one can detect in any particular treatment facility will be dictated by several conditions, including raw-water quality, the ClO_2 dose, and the residence time within the treatment plant. The residence time through the Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant is quite short (approximately 20 minutes to the filters), and the ClO_2 demand of the raw water is quite low because the total organic carbon concentrations rarely exceed 2.5 mg/L. These facts explain why ClO_2 was detected on most occasions throughout the treatment plant, even when the dosages were low. On many occasions, small but detectable ClO_2 concentrations persisted through the filters (Figure 3), which indicates that the filter media were relatively free of organic matter and did not exert a significant oxidant demand.

The ClO₂ dose during this study was reduced on several occasions as odor complaints from customers began to be received, and by the end of January, dosages were below 0.4 mg/L. Throughout the study period, therefore, ClO₂ residuals in the plant never exceeded the proposed MRDL (0.80 mg/L) because the dosages were well below that level on all but one occasion.

The presence of residual ClO₂ in the dosed raw water on most occasions (Figure 3) accounts for the higher ClO₂⁻ concentrations in the clarifier effluent (Figures 4) because ClO₂⁻ was formed when the unreacted ClO₂ in the raw water continued to react with organic matter. Gordon and Rosenblatt (1996) describe this reaction as:



Chlorite ion concentrations leaving the plant (clearwell sampling site) never exceeded the proposed MCL (1.0 mg/L) because ClO₂ dosages were less than 0.80 mg/L during most of the study (Figure 6), and they actually were even lower following chlorination in the clearwell (Figure 4). Chlorine oxidation of ClO₂⁻ to ClO₂ and ClO₃⁻ is the only plausible explanation for the observed ClO₂⁻ reductions.

Chlorate ion concentrations were routinely low throughout the treatment plant (Figure 5) and typically were only slightly greater than the limit of detection (0.01 mg/L), even in the clearwell following chlorination of the GAC effluent. Chlorate ion can be formed by photolytic disproportionation of ClO₂ (Zika et al., 1985) and by chlorine oxidation of ClO₂⁻, but the latter reaction no doubt was the major mechanism because the treatment units are not exposed to sunlight.

The low ClO_3^- concentrations in the treatment plant and distribution system reflect one benefit of the gas-solid generator, namely that ClO_3^- is not formed during the generation process. Gallagher et al. (1994) showed that the generators and feedstock solutions accounted for up to 40 percent of the observed distribution system ClO_3^- concentrations. Most of the ClO_3^- in their study was formed by chlorine reaction with ClO_2^- in the clearwell.

Chlorite Removal by GAC Filtration

Chlorite-ion removals by the virgin GAC contactors during this study averaged approximately 64 percent (Figure 7) but were declining rapidly as the study progressed (Figure 9). The GAC appeared to be approaching exhaustion for ClO_2^- removal by the end of this project (Figure 10). Activated carbon reduces ClO_2^- to chloride ion, but, in the process, adsorption sites are oxidized. Other studies have also shown that GAC is relatively ineffective for long-term ClO_2^- removal (Dixon and Lee, 1991).

The data from this study clearly show that the GAC contactor at the Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant may not adequately reduce ClO_2^- concentrations to below the MCL if ClO_2 dosages are increased to levels much greater than 1.0 mg/L, and some other technology, such as reduction by reduced iron or sulfur compounds would be required.

Chlorine Dioxide, Chlorite Ion and Chlorate Ion Occurrences in the Distribution

System

Chlorine dioxide reformed in the distribution system following chlorination of the GAC-filtered water and could be detected throughout the distribution system at levels ranging from less than the detection limit (0.017 mg/L) to 0.15 mg/L. None was detected in the clearwell effluent on several occasions, which may indicate that most, if not all, of the reformation occurred in the distribution system. Gallagher et al. (1994) reported that ClO_2

reformed in the clearwell at two locations and was found in the distribution systems as well. At both locations, ClO_2 was added as a preoxidant to raw water. No ClO_2 was present prior to the clearwell, but the mean concentration was 0.22 mg/L at one distribution system location and 0.03 mg/L at the other. The analyses were by amperometric titration rather than by the LGB method, however.

The reaction accounting for ClO_2 reformation is the same as the one that produces ClO_2 in the generator (equation 1 shown previously) except that the chlorine is dissolved in water as hypochlorous acid (HOCl) and the ClO_2^- is much less concentrated. The reaction continues throughout the distribution system as long as chlorine and ClO_2^- are present. The concentration at any particular point is the result of a complex cyclic series of reactions involving formation, reduction to ClO_2^- by reaction with organic matter and other chemically reduced substances, and then reformation once again by ClO_2^- oxidation. Chloride ion can be formed as well when ClO_2 reacts with organic matter, and one would expect both ClO_2 and ClO_2^- concentrations to diminish with increasing residence time in the distribution system. Chlorine dioxide concentrations in the Roanoke County distribution system followed no particular pattern, however, even though ClO_2^- concentrations at distribution system locations nearest and farthest from the treatment plant decreased significantly.

One would expect ClO_3^- concentrations to increase with increasing chlorine contact time in the distribution system, and concentrations at three of the distribution system sites (Castle Rock, Cresthill, and Penn Forest) were statistically greater than clearwell concentrations. Concentrations at all locations, however, were uniformly quite low, and while no ClO_3^- MCL has yet been proposed, the levels detected during this study most likely are not high enough to cause any concern.

Chlorine Dioxide-Related Odor Complaints

Only a small number of customers complained about odors in their homes, some repeatedly, and the complaints appeared to coincide with the installation of new carpeting. Previous research (Hoehn et al., 1990; Dietrich et al., 1992b) indicated a similar connection between new carpeting and odors associated with ClO_2 , and terms such as cat urine and kerosene-like have been used to describe them. Descriptors used by customers in the earlier studies were similar to those used by customers and operators during this study.

Odors could be detected when ClO_2 concentrations were quite low, as is evident from the low concentrations (0.03 mg/L and 0.07 mg/L) detected on two occasions at customers' homes on days the complaints were made. Odor complaints did not cease until the ClO_2 dosage at the treatment plant was reduced to less than 0.4 mg/L. Even at that low dose, complaints were received during a brief period when the GAC contactor was inoperative, which demonstrates the value of the GAC even though it was not 100 percent effective in eliminating ClO_2^- . The lissamine green B method made reliable analysis of low ClO_2 levels possible, and this study is the first to document that kerosene and cat-urine odors could be caused by ClO_2 concentrations as low as 0.03 mg/L.

Elimination of the odors can be accomplished by only two methods: one, the addition of reduced-iron coagulants or reduced sulfur compounds to remove ClO_2^- at the treatment plant or, two, substitution of chloramines for chlorine in the distribution system. The reducing agents reduce ClO_2^- ultimately to chloride ion (Masschelein, 1979), in which case chlorine can continue to be used. Chloramines do not oxidize ClO_2^- to form ClO_2 .

Summary and Conclusions

The chlorine dioxide demand of Spring Hollow Reservoir water was low throughout the study period, and, as a result, only low dosages were applied. As a result, ClO_2^- concentrations never exceeded the MCL (1.0 mg/L). Likewise, the plant effluent ClO_2 concentration never approached the MRDL (0.80 mg/L), but concentrations as high as 0.15 mg/L were detected in the distribution system.

Although no ClO_3^- MCL has been proposed, concentrations were quite low (never greater than 0.10 mg/L) throughout the treatment plant and in the distribution system. The reasons for the low concentrations are that ClO_3^- is not produced by the gas-solid generator used at the facility and that ClO_2^- concentrations in the clearwell were uniformly low.

The 7-ft deep GAC contactor reduced ClO_2^- concentrations, on average, by approximately 64 percent, but its effectiveness was declining over the six-month study period. Apparently, GAC effectiveness, as shown by others, is short-lived, and if higher ClO_2 dosages are ever applied at the Roanoke County facility, the ClO_2^- concentrations will have to be reduced by either ferrous coagulants or reduce-sulfur compounds.

While meeting the ClO_2^- MCL likely will be no problem if the ClO_2 dose at the plant remains below 1.0 mg/L, the problem of offensive odors in the distribution system will likely continue as long as any ClO_2^- is in the finished water when chlorine is present. Concentrations of reformed ClO_2 as low as 0.03 mg/L were detected at homes of customers who complained of offensive odors. During this study, twelve complaints were received from eight customers, and each of the customers had recently installed new carpeting.

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APPENDIX A

**CHLORITE ION AND CHLORATE ION
ANALYTICAL DATA**

Table A1. Chlorite ion concentration measured throughout the Roanoke County Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant, September 9, 1997 through February 10, 1998.

Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
9/9/1997	0.522	0.601	0.747	0.286	NS
9/10/1997	0.507	0.454	0.718	0.289	NS
9/11/1997	0.292	0.348	0.303	0.142	NS
9/12/1997	0.273	0.477	0.339	0.166	NS
9/15/1997	0.584	0.542	0.739	0.276	0.017
9/16/1997	0.362	0.420	0.354	NS	NS
9/17/1997	0.340	0.360	0.340	0.136	0.037
9/18/1997	0.338	0.352	0.376	0.133	0.033
9/19/1997	0.360	0.383	0.361	0.129	0.042
9/22/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
9/23/1997	0.360	0.430	0.370	0.160	<DL
9/24/1997	0.374	0.422	0.438	0.156	0.096
9/25/1997	0.202	0.392	0.421	0.128	0.086
9/26/1997	0.397	0.450	0.415	0.177	0.080
9/29/1997	0.429	0.399	0.414	0.186	0.090
9/30/1997	0.369	0.477	0.406	0.113	0.103
10/2/1997	0.412	0.428	0.447	0.160	0.129
10/3/1997	0.547	0.580	0.553	0.098	0.104
10/6/1997	0.495	0.666	0.502	0.286	0.159
10/7/1997	0.547	0.549	0.466	0.250	0.170
10/8/1997	0.582	0.549	0.586	0.257	0.172
10/9/1997	0.606	0.652	0.604	0.255	0.101
10/10/1997	0.598	0.580	0.604	0.282	0.137
10/14/1997	NS	NS	0.576	0.228	NS
10/15/1997	0.570	0.582	0.510	0.206	0.113
10/16/1997	NS	NS	0.547	0.225	NS
10/17/1997	0.471	0.540	0.482	0.185	0.119
10/21/1997	0.297	0.286	0.294	0.119	0.072
10/22/1997	0.262	0.271	0.245	0.103	0.067
10/23/1997	0.233	0.203	0.237	0.092	0.052
10/24/1997	NS	NS	0.229	0.041	NS
10/27/1997	NS	NS	0.072	0.029	NS
10/28/1997	NS	NS	0.121	<DL	NS
10/29/1997	NS	NS	0.108	0.030	NS
10/30/1997	NO CLO ₂				
10/31/1997	NO CLO ₂				

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Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
11/4/1997	NS	NS	0.105	0.008	NS
11/5/1997	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
11/6/1997	NS	NS	0.599	0.227	0.032
11/7/1997	NS	NS	0.525	0.218	0.125
11/10/1997	0.329	0.363	0.495	0.213	0.140
11/11/1997	NS	NS	0.488	0.216	NS
11/12/1997	NS	NS	0.486	0.212	NS
11/13/1997	0.291	0.357	0.495	0.218	0.139
11/14/1997	NS	NS	0.482	0.139	NS
11/17/1997	NS	NS	0.521	0.242	NS
11/18/1997	NS	NS	0.342	0.167	NS
11/19/1997	NS	NS	0.338	0.166	NS
11/20/1997	NS	NS	0.174	0.133	NS
11/21/1997	0.228	0.291	0.329	0.156	0.080
11/24/1997	0.217	0.519	0.318	0.150	0.087
11/25/1997	NS	NS	0.433	<DL	NS
11/26/1997	NS	NS	0.342	0.082	NS
11/27/1997	NS	NS	0.336	0.287	NS
11/28/1997	NO CLO ₂				
12/1/1997	NS	NS	0.369	0.159	NS
12/2/1997	NS	NS	0.334	0.227	NS
12/3/1997	0.272	0.352	0.304	0.159	0.092
12/4/1997	NS	NS	0.331	0.071	NS
12/5/1997	0.219	0.252	0.325	0.158	0.081
12/8/1997	NS	NS	0.341	0.170	NS
12/9/1997	NS	NS	0.320	0.171	NS
12/11/1997	NS	NS	0.320	0.118	0.071
12/12/1997	0.545	0.284	0.355	0.131	0.110
12/15/1997	NS	NS	0.357	0.193	NS
12/16/1997	NS	NS	0.343	0.186	NS
12/17/1997	NS	NS	0.343	0.131	0.113
12/18/1997	NS	NS	0.343	0.181	0.096
12/19/1997	NS	NS	0.314	0.185	NS
12/22/1997	NS	NS	0.285	0.161	NS
12/23/1997	0.163	0.185	0.279	0.152	0.097
12/24/1997	NS	NS	0.100	0.094	NS
12/26/1997	NS	NS	0.279	0.131	NS

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Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
12/29/1997	NS	NS	0.215	0.066	NS
12/30/1997	0.158	0.184	0.150	0.090	0.095
12/31/1997	NS	NS	0.251	0.149	NS
1/1/1998	NS	NS	0.253	0.095	NS
1/2/1998	NS	NS	0.267	0.133	NS
1/5/1998	NS	NS	0.267	0.154	NS
1/6/1998	NS	NS	0.259	0.150	NS
1/7/1998	0.162	0.219	0.269	0.154	0.089
1/8/1998	NS	NS	0.259	0.152	0.099
1/9/1998	NS	NS	0.263	0.145	NS
1/12/1998	0.196	0.225	0.267	0.154	0.107
1/13/1998	NS	NS	0.271	0.150	NS
1/14/1998	NS	NS	0.271	0.151	NS
1/15/1998	NS	NS	0.250	0.124	NS
1/16/1998	NS	NS	0.259	0.147	0.077
1/20/1998	NS	NS	0.247	0.147	NS
1/21/1998	NS	NS	<DL	0.059	NS
1/22/1998	0.186	0.232	0.271	0.161	0.082
1/23/1998	NS	NS	0.004	<DL	NS
1/26/1998	0.144	0.256	0.259	0.084	0.095
1/27/1998	0.124	0.232	0.234	0.082	0.113
1/28/1998	0.134	0.210	0.324	0.070	0.105
1/29/1998	0.211	0.151	0.151	0.051	0.103
1/30/1998	0.127	0.145	0.207	0.069	0.115
2/2/1998	0.161	0.273	0.255	0.143	0.102
2/4/1998	0.184	0.170	0.184	0.046	<DL
2/5/1998	0.170	0.107	0.109	0.032	0.029
2/6/1998	NS	NS	0.255	0.092	NS
2/9/1998	NS	NS	0.216	0.089	NS
2/10/1998	0.208	0.160	0.158	0.055	0.126

NS = Not Sampled

<DL = less than detection limit (0.004 mg/L)

Table A2. Chlorate ion concentration measured throughout the Roanoke County Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant, September 9, 1997 through February 10, 1998.

Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
9/10/1997	NS	NS	0.029	<DL	NS
9/11/1997	0.019	0.014	0.014	0.021	NS
9/12/1997	0.015	0.011	0.014	<DL	NS
9/15/1997	0.022	0.014	0.023	0.016	0.060
9/16/1997	0.019	0.011	<DL	NS	NS
9/17/1997	0.016	0.021	<DL	<DL	0.067
9/18/1997	0.018	0.019	0.017	<DL	0.042
9/19/1997	0.016	<DL	0.018	<DL	0.067
9/22/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
9/23/1997	0.014	0.019	0.014	<DL	<DL
9/24/1997	0.016	0.016	<DL	0.021	0.026
9/25/1997	0.015	0.015	0.018	0.017	0.025
9/26/1997	0.022	<DL	0.017	0.015	0.018
9/29/1997	0.015	0.018	0.017	0.014	0.019
9/30/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.017	0.022
10/2/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.016	0.016
10/3/1997	0.024	0.011	<DL	<DL	0.012
10/6/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.017
10/7/1997	0.012	<DL	0.011	0.015	<DL
10/8/1997	<DL	0.017	0.017	<DL	0.014
10/9/1997	0.015	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.011
10/10/1997	<DL	<DL	0.013	<DL	0.070
10/14/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/15/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
10/16/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/17/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.016
10/21/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
10/22/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
10/23/1997	<DL	0.030	<DL	<DL	<DL
10/24/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/27/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/28/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/29/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
10/30/1997	NO CLO ₂				
10/31/1997	NO CLO ₂				

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Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
11/3/1997	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
11/4/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
11/5/1997	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
11/6/1997	NS	NS	0.012	0.011	<DL
11/7/1997	NS	NS	0.020	0.012	0.019
11/10/1997	0.018	0.023	<DL	0.012	<DL
11/11/1997	NS	NS	0.021	0.024	NS
11/12/1997	NS	NS	0.029	0.011	NS
11/13/1997	0.014	0.017	0.020	0.023	0.022
11/14/1997	NS	NS	0.026	<DL	NS
11/17/1997	NS	NS	0.013	<DL	NS
11/18/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.018	NS
11/19/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.018	NS
11/20/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
11/21/1997	0.020	0.015	0.014	0.014	0.021
11/24/1997	0.019	0.025	<DL	0.021	0.022
11/25/1997	NS	NS	0.014	0.018	NS
11/26/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.017	NS
11/27/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
11/28/1997	NO CLO ₂				
12/1/1997	NS	NS	0.014	<DL	NS
12/2/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.016	NS
12/3/1997	0.018	0.020	0.017	0.016	0.023
12/4/1997	NS	NS	0.025	0.013	NS
12/5/1997	<DL	0.025	0.019	0.014	0.023
12/8/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.012	NS
12/9/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.018	NS
12/11/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	<DL
12/12/1997	0.031	0.017	<DL	0.015	0.022
12/15/1997	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
12/16/1997	NS	NS	0.013	<DL	NS
12/17/1997	NS	NS	0.012	0.017	NS
12/18/1997	NS	NS	0.011	<DL	0.042
12/19/1997	NS	NS	0.016	<DL	NS
12/22/1997	NS	NS	0.011	<DL	NS
12/23/1997	0.014	0.011	0.017	<DL	0.044
12/24/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.012	NS
12/26/1997	NS	NS	0.018	0.014	NS

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Date	Concentration, mg/L				
	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered	GAC Effluent	Clearwell
12/29/1997	NS	NS	<DL	0.011	NS
12/30/1997	<DL	0.016	<DL	0.012	<DL
12/31/1997	NS	NS	0.013	0.013	NS
1/1/1998	NS	NS	0.014	0.015	NS
1/2/1998	NS	NS	0.013	0.017	NS
1/5/1998	NS	NS	0.017	0.014	NS
1/6/1998	NS	NS	0.016	0.014	NS
1/7/1998	0.017	0.016	0.013	0.018	0.017
1/8/1998	NS	NS	0.013	0.015	0.021
1/9/1998	NS	NS	0.017	0.016	NS
1/12/1998	0.014	0.013	0.012	0.016	0.023
1/13/1998	NS	NS	<DL	0.014	NS
1/14/1998	NS	NS	<DL	0.013	NS
1/15/1998	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
1/16/1998	NS	NS	0.013	<DL	NS
1/20/1998	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
1/21/1998	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	NS
1/22/1998	0.017	0.023	<DL	<DL	0.021
1/23/1998	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	0.023
1/26/1998	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.014
1/27/1998	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.011
1/28/1998	<DL	<DL	0.014	<DL	<DL
1/29/1998	NS	NS	<DL	<DL	0.030
1/30/1998	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.028
2/2/1998	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.021
2/4/1998	<DL	0.013	0.011	0.022	<DL
2/5/1998	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.011
2/6/1998	NS	NS	0.014	<DL	NS
2/9/1998	NS	NS	0.013	<DL	NS
2/10/1998	0.026	0.016	<DL	0.015	0.027

NS = Not Sampled

<DL = less than detection limit (0.011 mg/L)

Table A3. Chlorite ion concentrations in the Roanoke County Distribution System, November 25, 1997 through February 13, 1998.

Date	Concentration, mg/L					
	Hunting Hills	Penn Forest	Oak Grove	Castle Rock	Hidden Valley	Cherokee Hills
11/25/1997	0.060	0.074	0.061	0.077	0.064	0.089
12/2/1997	0.011	0.026	0.044	0.054	0.077	0.109
12/9/1997	<DL	0.070	0.070	0.010	0.050	<DL
12/11-12/12/1997	0.010	0.040	0.030	0.010	0.030	0.030
12/17/1997	0.090	0.070	0.080	0.070	0.090	0.130
1/8/1998	0.050	0.090	0.070	0.100	0.080	0.100
1/16/1998	<DL	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.100
1/23/1998	0.010	0.090	0.060	0.060	0.080	0.050
2/13/1998	0.080	0.080	0.060	0.100	0.090	0.090

<DL = less than detection limit (0.004 mg/L)

Table A4. Chlorate ion concentrations in the Roanoke County Distribution System, November 25, 1997 through February 13, 1998.

Date	Concentration, mg/L					
	Hunting Hills	Penn Forest	Oak Grove	Castle Rock	Hidden Valley	Cherokee Hills
11/25/1997	0.035	0.046	0.025	0.040	0.040	0.032
12/2/1997	0.016	0.050	0.028	0.049	0.036	0.036
12/9/1997	0.020	0.040	0.030	0.040	0.030	0.020
12/11-12/12/1997	<DL	0.030	0.040	<DL	0.020	0.020
12/17/1997	0.030	0.060	0.040	0.090	0.030	0.030
1/8/1998	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.020	0.030	0.020
1/16/1998	0.025	0.015	0.043	0.022	0.012	0.022
1/23/1998	0.025	0.040	0.033	<DL	0.023	0.023
2/13/1998	0.030	0.040	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.020

<DL = less than detection limit (0.011 mg/L)

Table A5. Data for the calculation of chlorite ion and chlorate ion limits of detection by ion chromatography.

Actual Concentration = 0.02 mg/L

Replicate	Concentration, mg/L	
	Chlorite ion	Chlorate ion
1	0.0236	0.0203
2	0.0248	0.0162
3	0.0236	0.0155
4	0.0236	0.0229
5	0.0225	0.0141
6	0.0248	0.0264
7	0.0236	0.0206
8	0.0214	0.0197
9	0.0214	0.0163
10	0.0214	0.0153

Std dev	0.0013	0.0039
T	2.8214	2.8214
MDL, mg/L	0.0037	0.0111
LOQ, mg/L	0.0184	0.0555

Std dev = standard deviation
T = Student's T-value
MDL = method detection limit
LOQ = limit of quantitation

Table A6. Comparison of chlorite ion and chlorate ion concentrations in split samples analyzed at Virginia Tech and Novatek, an independent laboratory.

Date	Chlorite ion, µg/L		Chlorate ion, µg/L	
	Novatek	Va Tech	Novatek	Va Tech
9/17/1997	44	37	68	67
9/24/1997	103	96	30	26
10/2/1997	147	129	22	16
10/8/1997	162	172	28	14

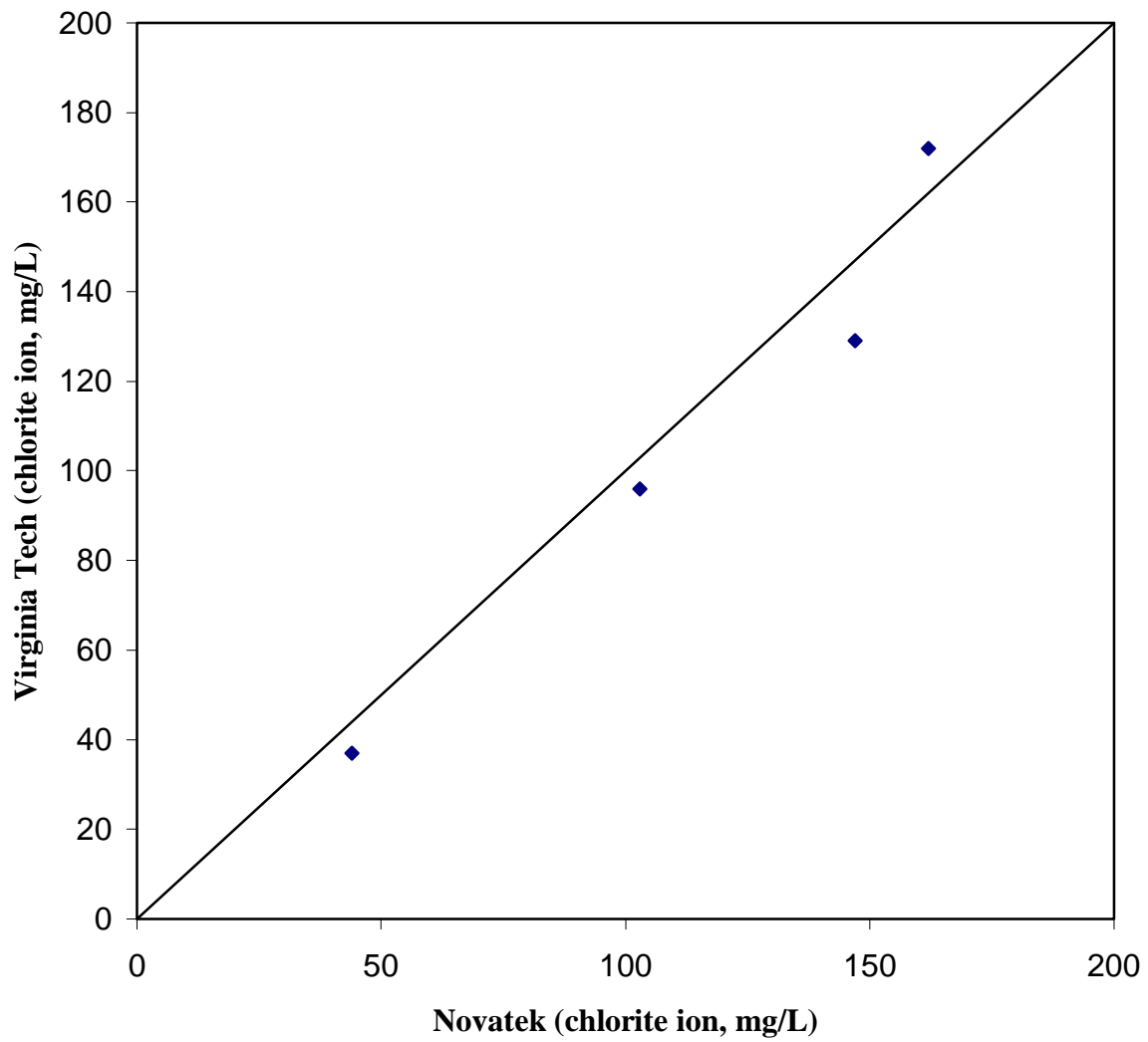


Figure A1. Comparison of chlorite ion concentrations determined at Virginia Tech and Novatek (see Table A8)

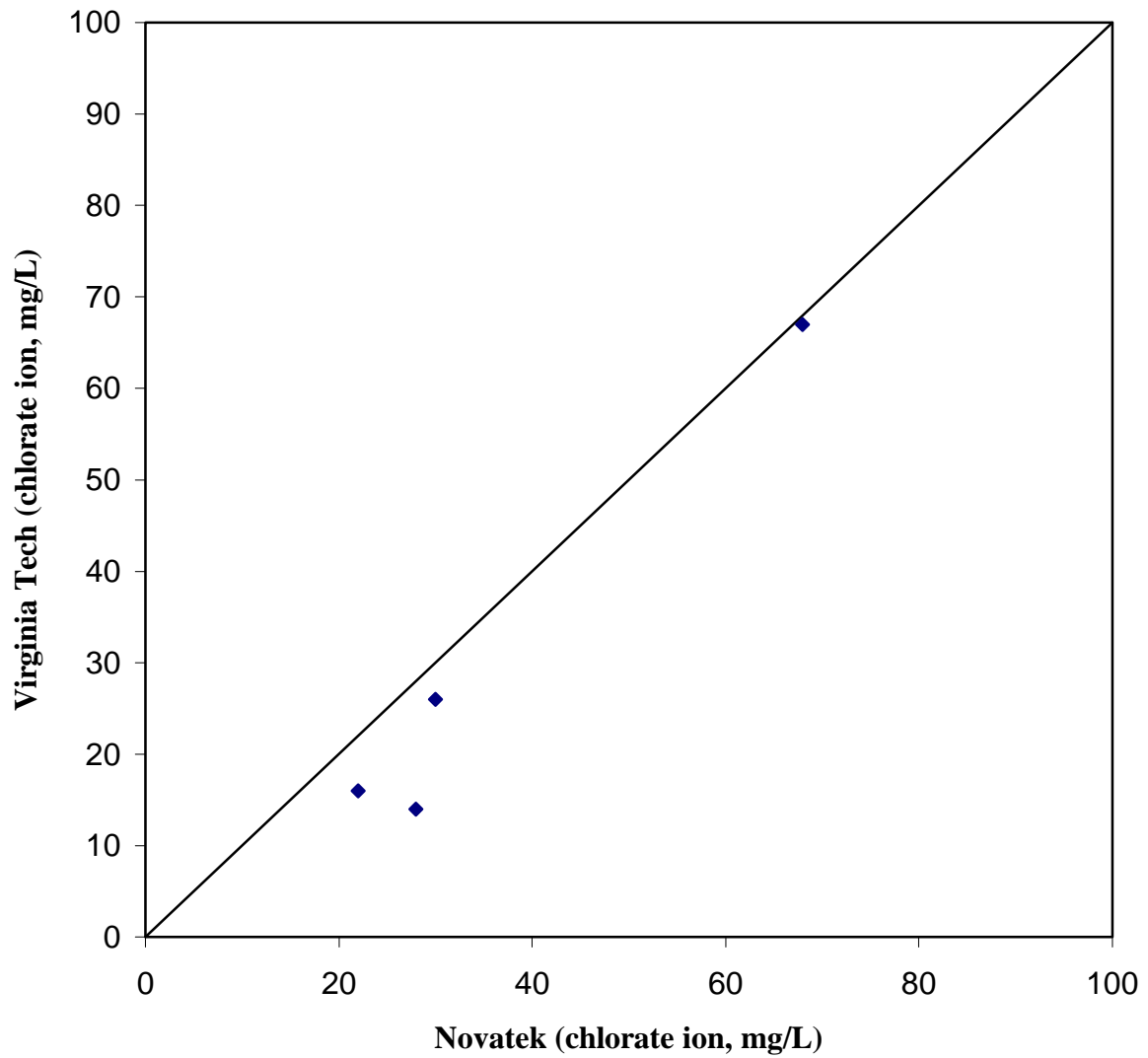


Figure A2. Comparison of chlorate ion concentrations determined at Virginia Tech and Novatek (see Table A8)

APPENDIX B

**CHLORINE DIOXIDE
ANALYTICAL DATA**

Table B1. Chlorine dioxide concentration measured throughout the Roanoke County Spring Hollow Water Treatment Plant, November 24, 1997 through February 5, 1998.

Date	Dosed Raw	Filter Applied	Filtered
11/24/1997	0.413	0.397	0.263
11/25/1997	0.157	0.106	<DL
12/2/1997	0.161	0.133	0.020
12/3/1997	0.150	0.069	<DL
12/4/1997	0.111	0.163	0.021
12/5/1997	0.193	0.168	0.070
12/8/1997	0.045	<DL	<DL
12/9/1997	0.236	0.105	0.028
12/10/1997	0.381	0.330	<DL
12/11/1997	0.195	0.153	0.024
12/12/1997	0.440	0.092	<DL
12/16/1997	0.191	0.159	<DL
12/17/1997	0.207	0.169	0.025
12/18/1997	0.220	0.180	<DL
12/19/1997	0.175	0.163	0.078
12/22/1997	0.155	0.141	0.030
1/5/1998	0.137	0.109	0.041
1/6/1998	0.164	0.134	0.073
1/7/1998	0.157	0.125	0.053
1/8/1998	0.107	0.088	0.052
1/9/1998	0.076	0.080	0.036
1/12/1998	0.057	0.048	0.017
1/13/1998	0.121	0.097	<DL
1/15/1998	0.117	0.103	0.032
1/16/1998	0.154	0.116	0.073
1/20/1998	0.099	0.040	<DL
1/22/1998	0.099	0.165	0.062
1/26/1998	0.054	<DL	<DL
1/27/1998	0.067	<DL	<DL
1/28/1998	0.102	0.021	0.034
1/29/1998	0.114	0.028	0.031
1/30/1998	0.108	0.038	0.025
2/2/1998	0.112	<DL	<DL
2/4/1998	0.102	0.025	0.028
2/5/1998	0.079	0.021	0.018

<DL = less than detection limit (0.017 mg/L)

Table B2. Chlorine dioxide concentrations in the Roanoke County Distribution System
November 25, 1997 through February 13, 1998.

Date	Concentration, mg/L					
	Hunting Hills	Penn Forest	Oak Grove	Castle Rock	Hidden Valley	Cherokee Hills
11/25/1997	0.157	0.069	0.063	0.083	0.086	0.095
12/02/1997	0.152	0.082	0.051	0.054	0.107	0.111
12/05/1997	NS	NS	0.026	NS	NS	NS
12/09/1997	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL
12/10/1997	NS	NS	0.037	NS	NS	NS
12/11- 12/12/1997	0.077	0.036	0.021	0.095	0.087	0.019
12/17/1997	0.066	0.040	0.040	0.047	0.032	0.047
01/08/1998	0.044	0.035	0.023	0.071	0.020	<DL
01/16/1998	<DL	<DL	0.026	<DL	<DL	<DL
01/23/1998	0.029	0.046	<DL	0.023	0.026	<DL
02/13/1998	<DL	0.036	<DL	<DL	<DL	<DL

NS = not sampled

<DL = less than detection limit (0.017 mg/L)

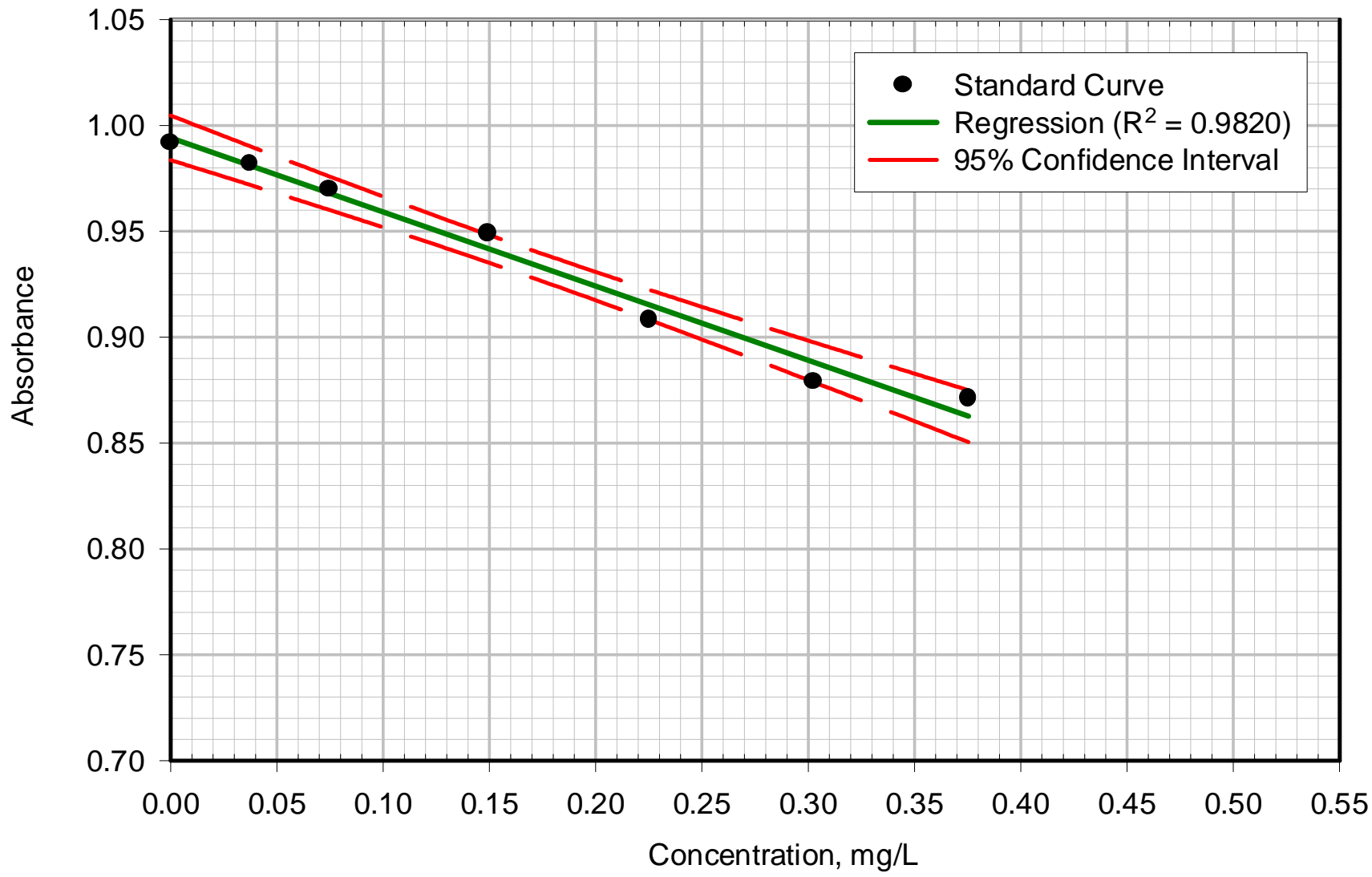


Figure B1. LGB Standard Curve in Finished Water 11/25/97

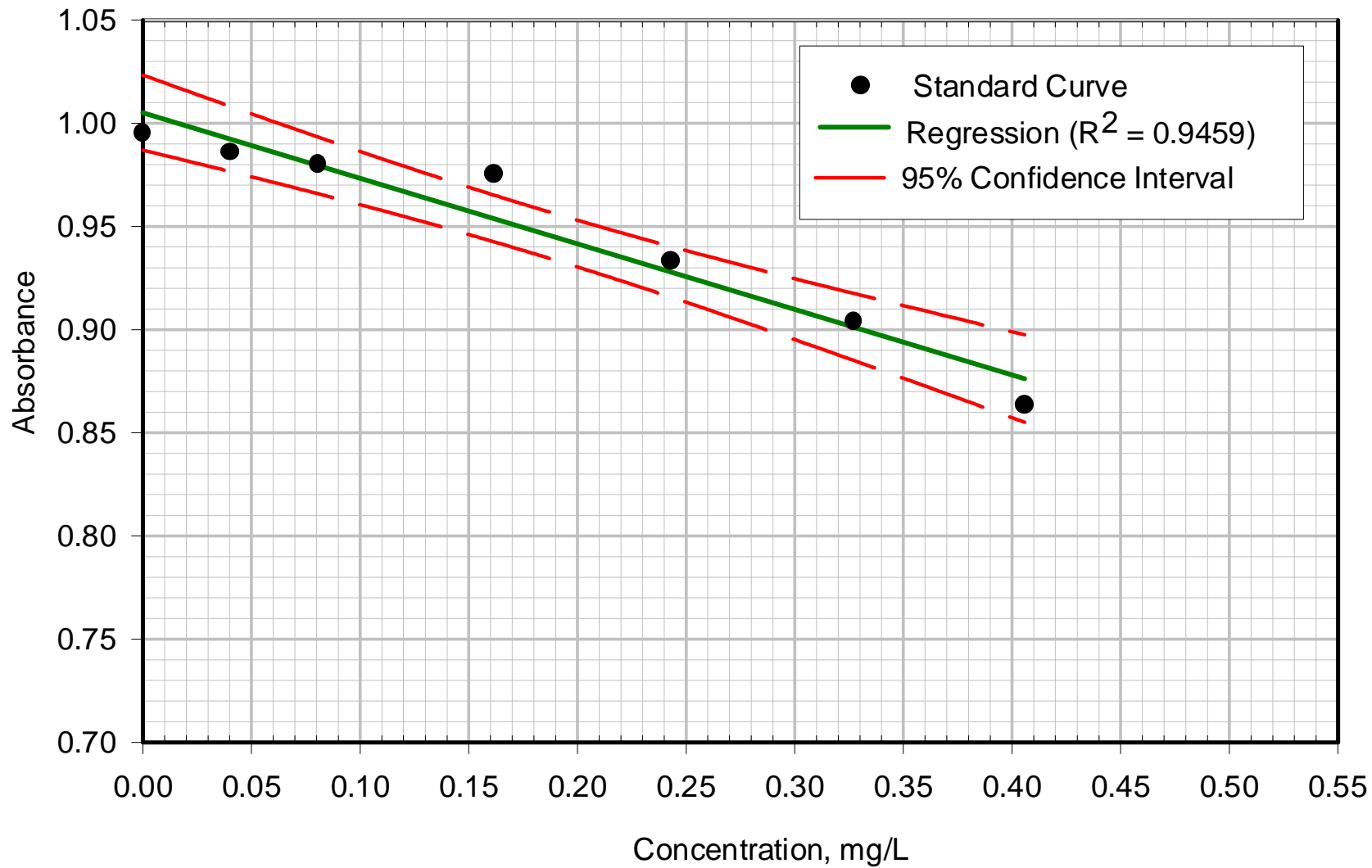


Figure B2. LGB Standard Curve in Finished Water 12/2/97

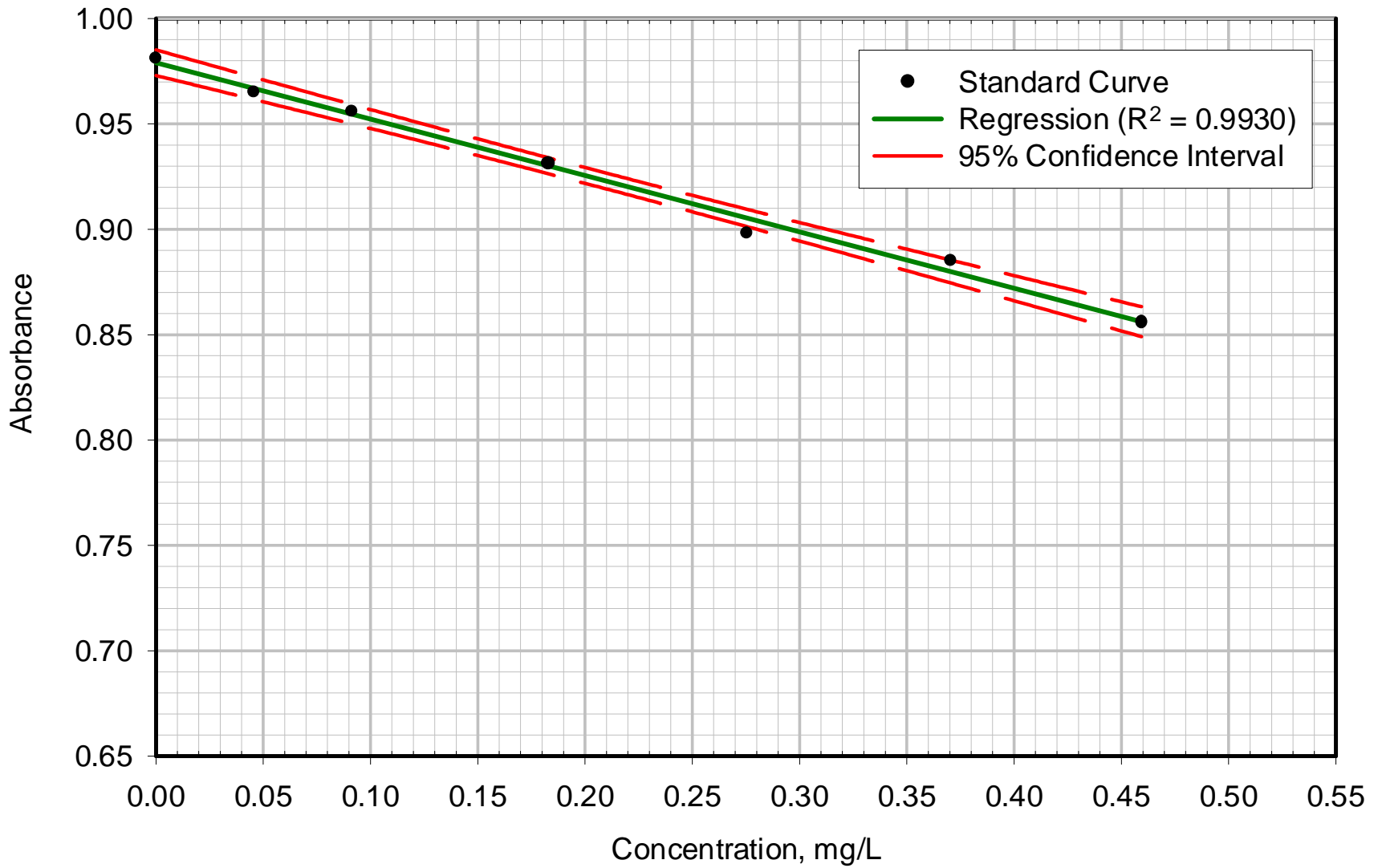


Figure B3. LGB Standard Curve in Distribution System Water, Vauxhall Road, 12/5/97

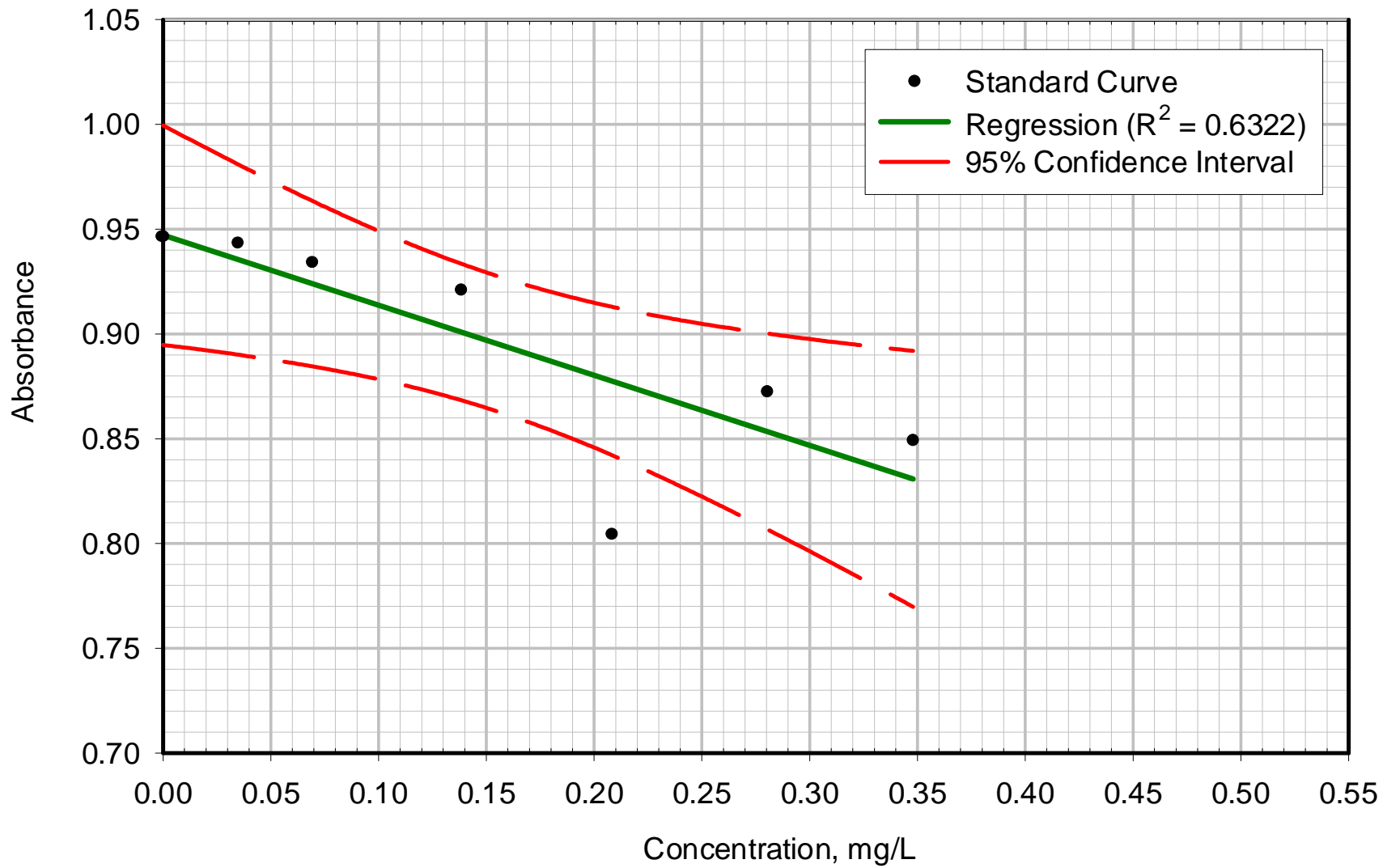


Figure B4. LGB Standard Curve in Distribution System Water, Vauxhall Road, 12/9/97

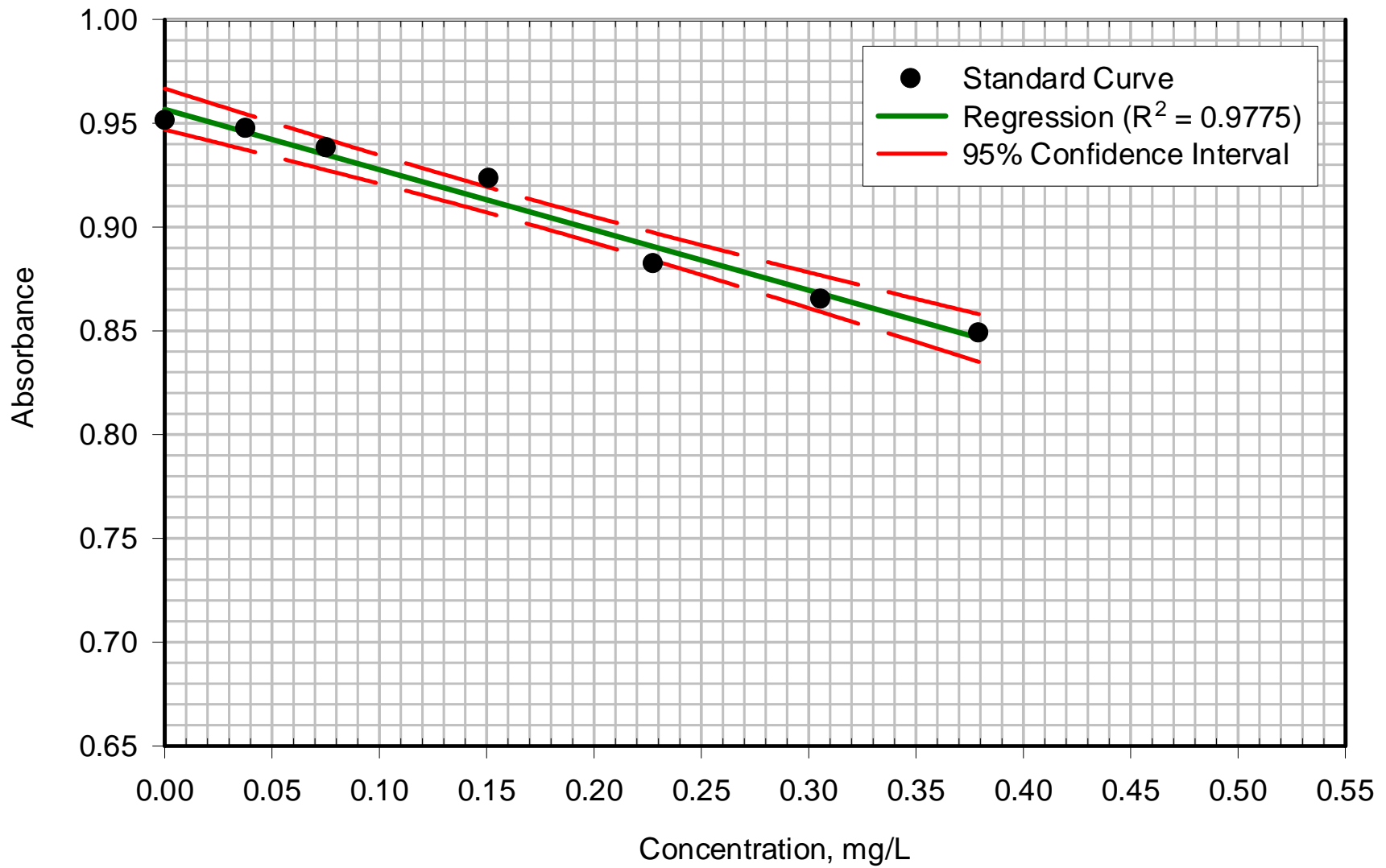


Figure B5. LGB Standard Curve in Distribution System Water, Cordell Drive, 12/10/97

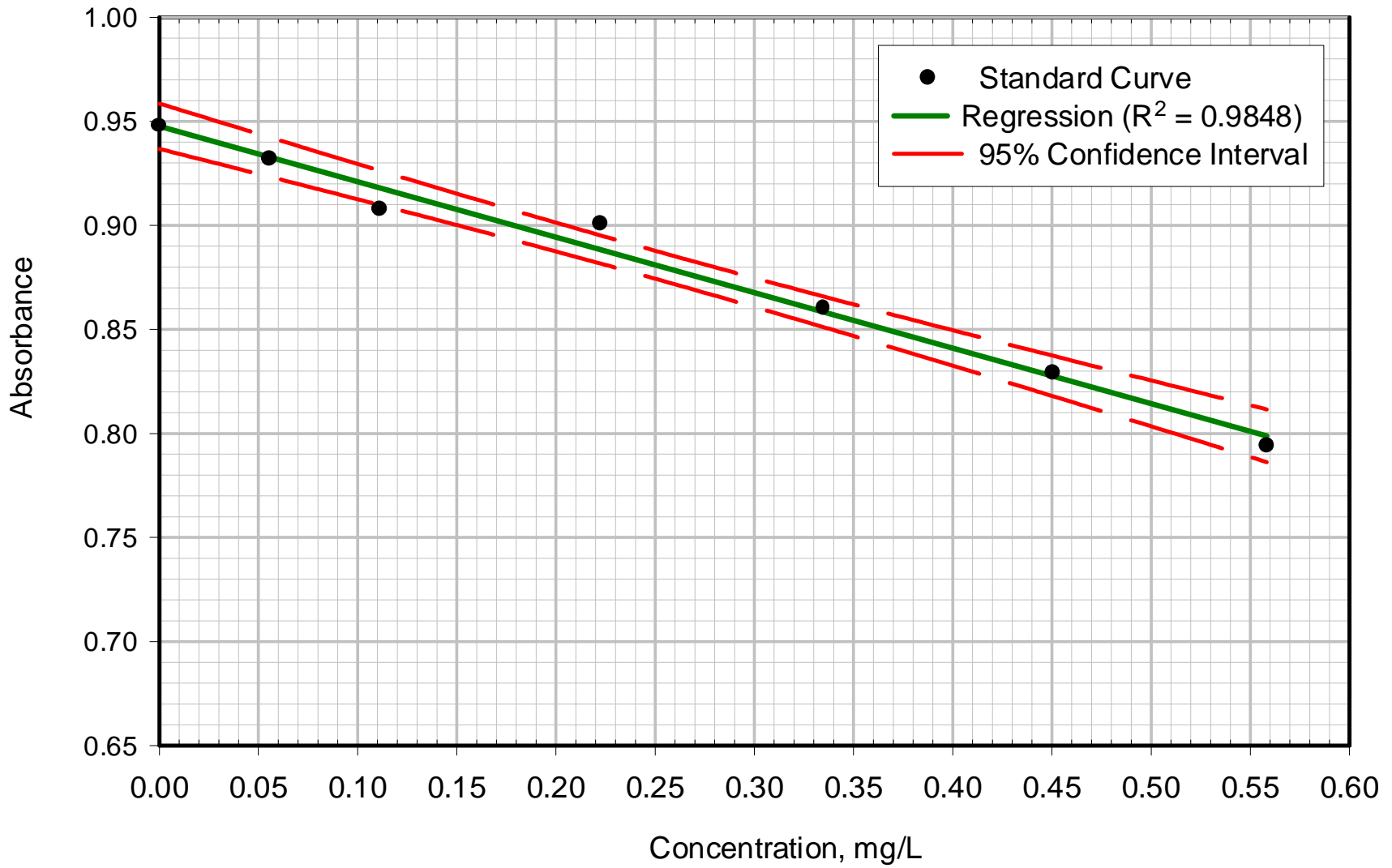


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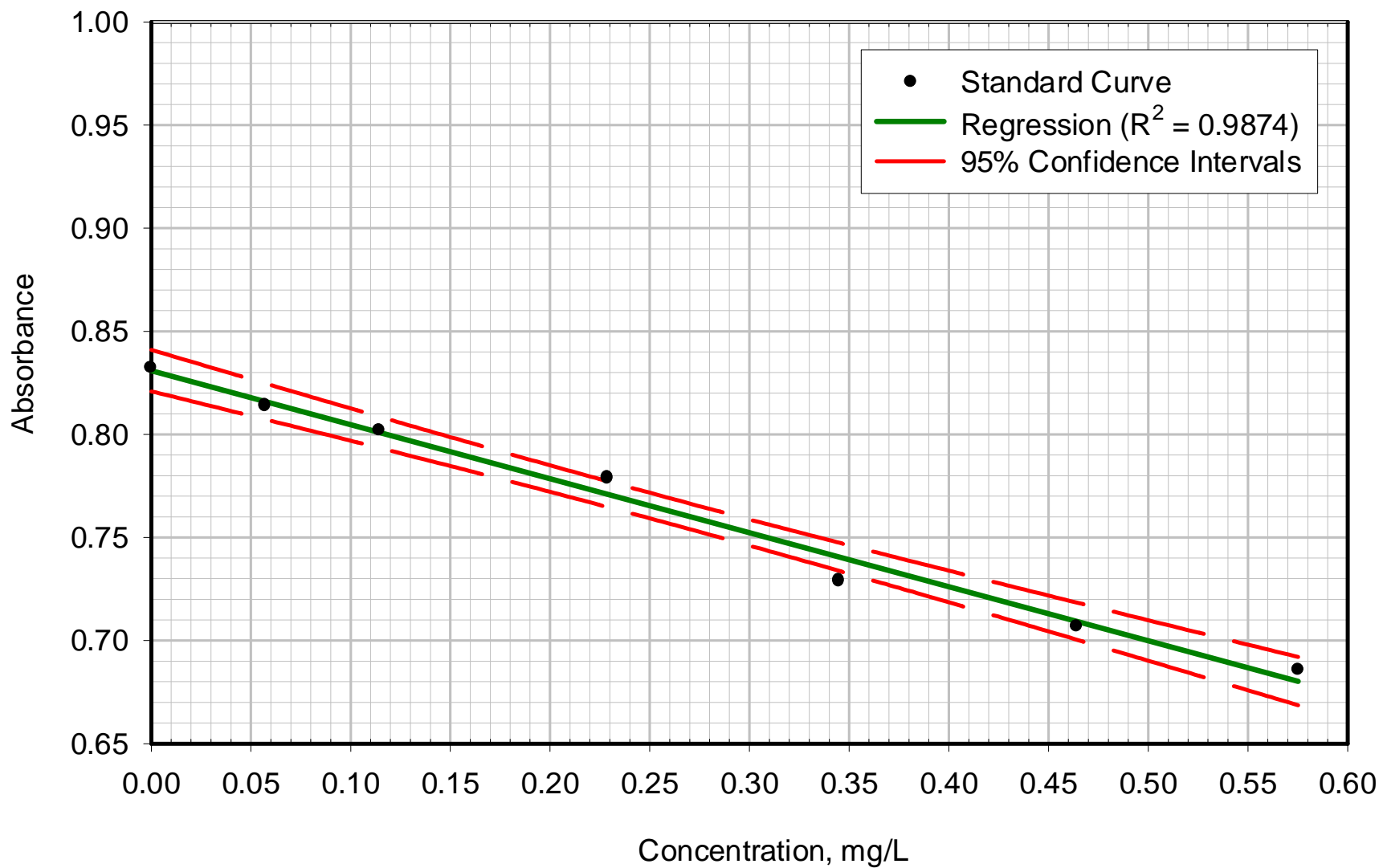


Figure B7. LGB Standard Curve for Analysis of ClO₂ in Distribution System Water from Buckskin Lane, 12/12/97

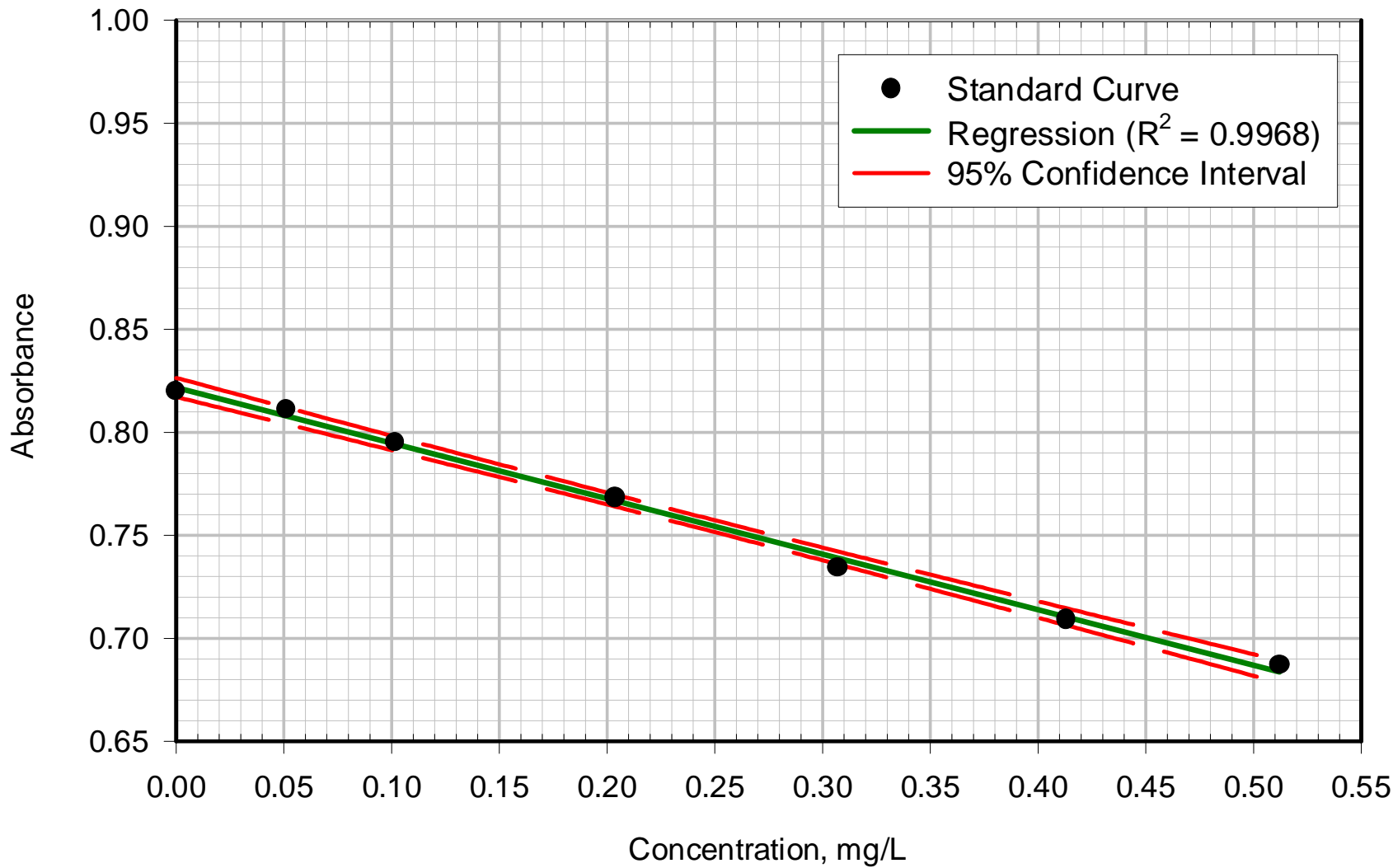


Figure B8. LGB standard curve in distribution system water, Buckskin Lane, 12/17/97

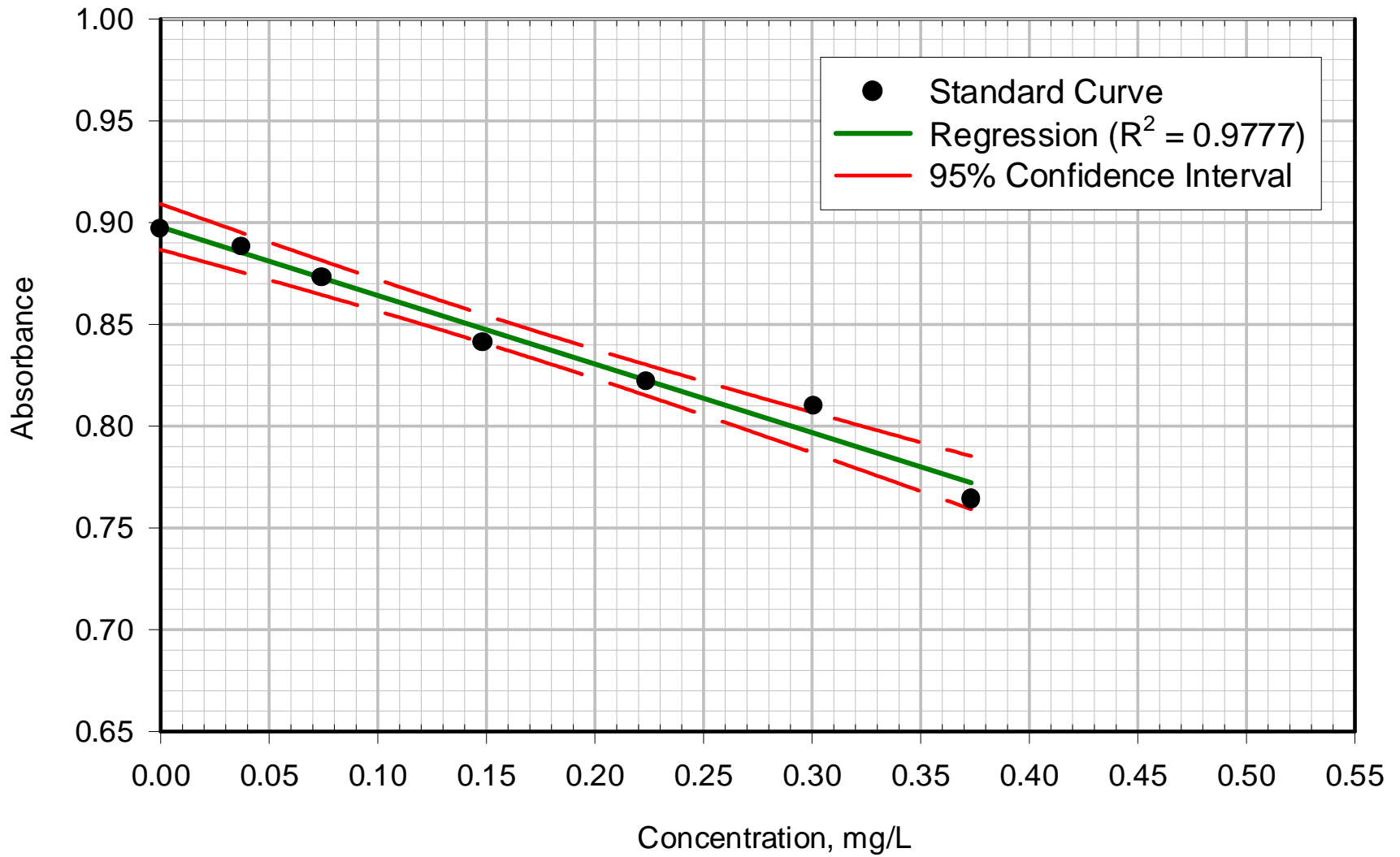


Figure B9. LGB Standard Curve in Distribution System Water, Cordell Drive, 1/8/98

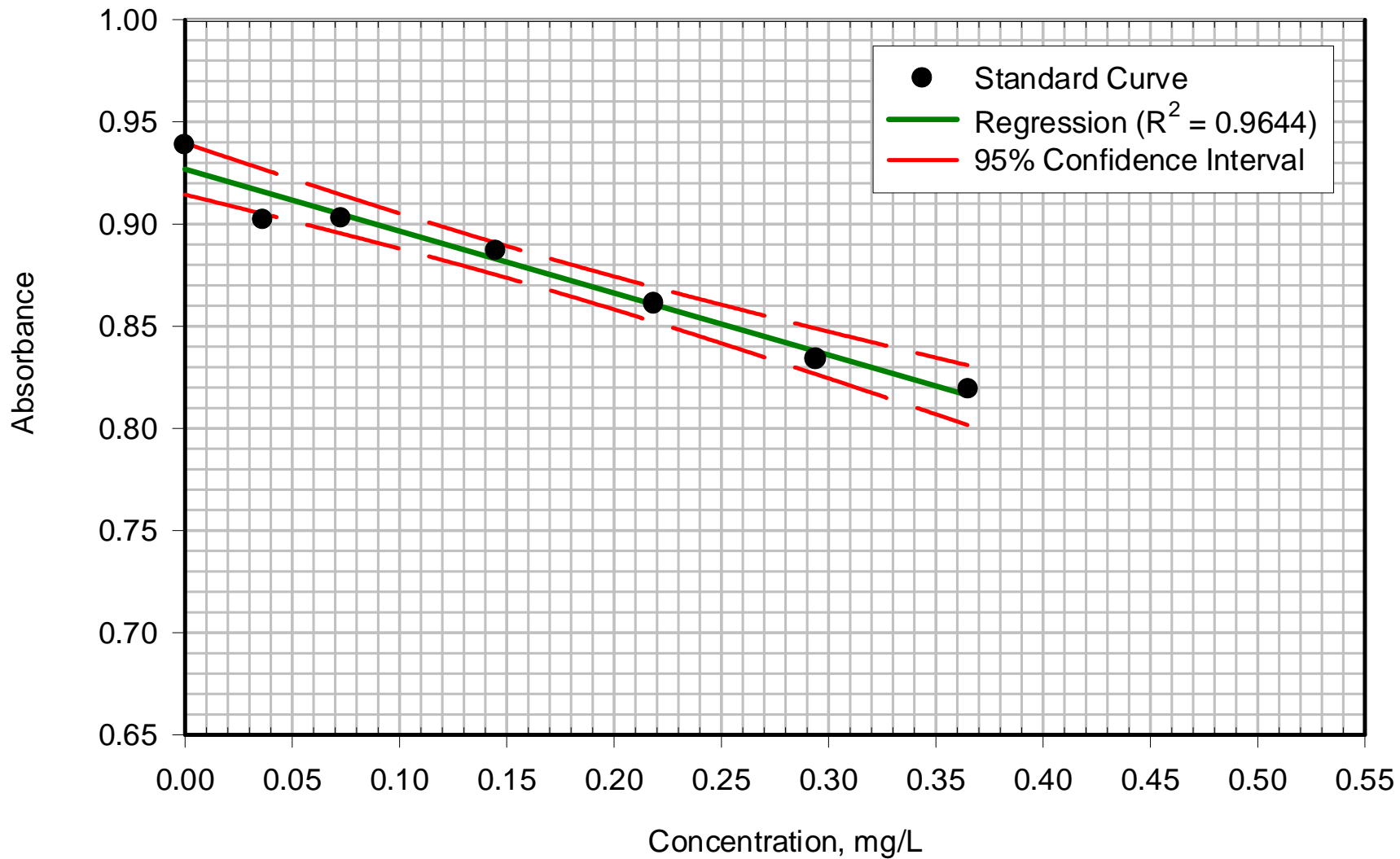


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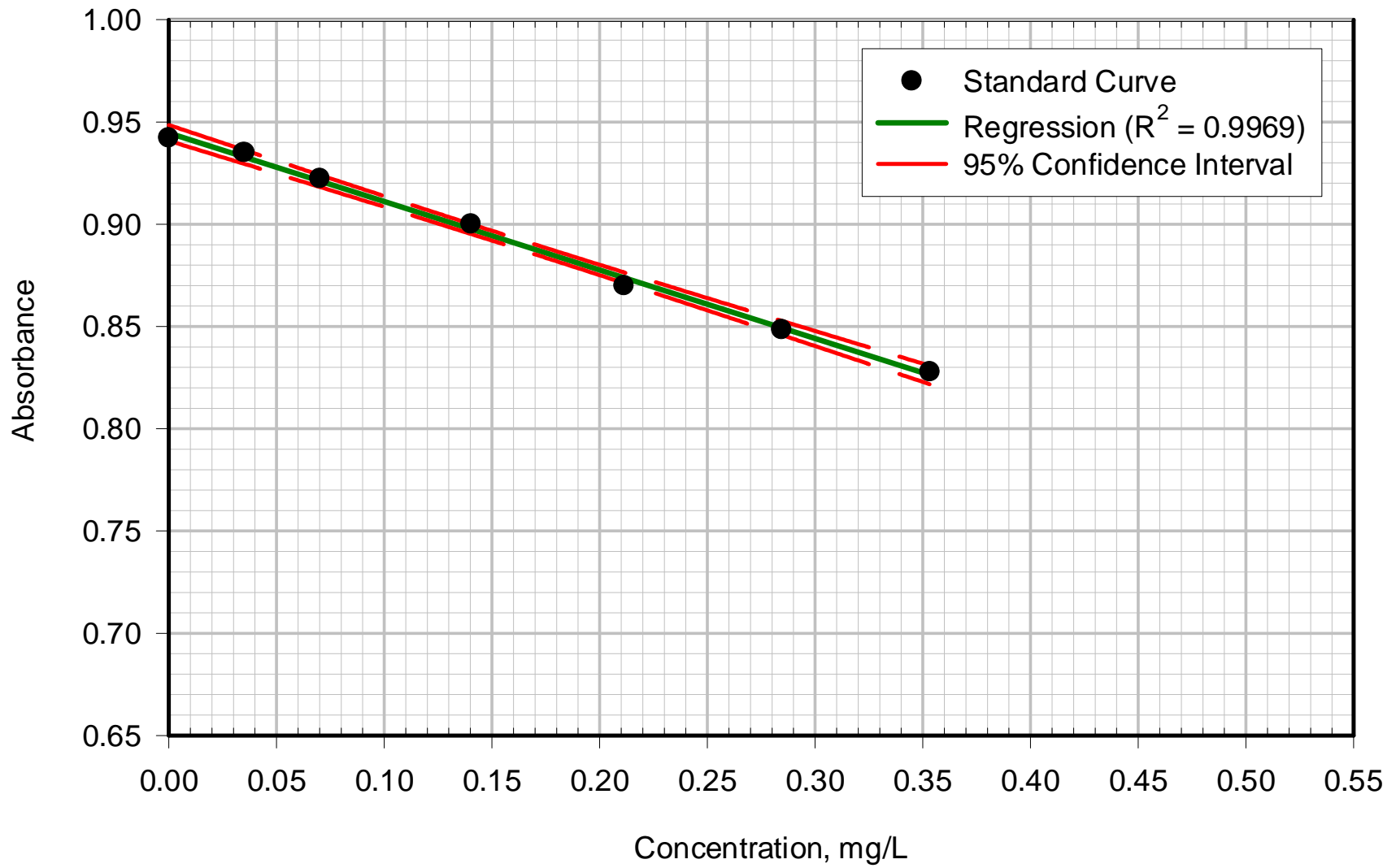


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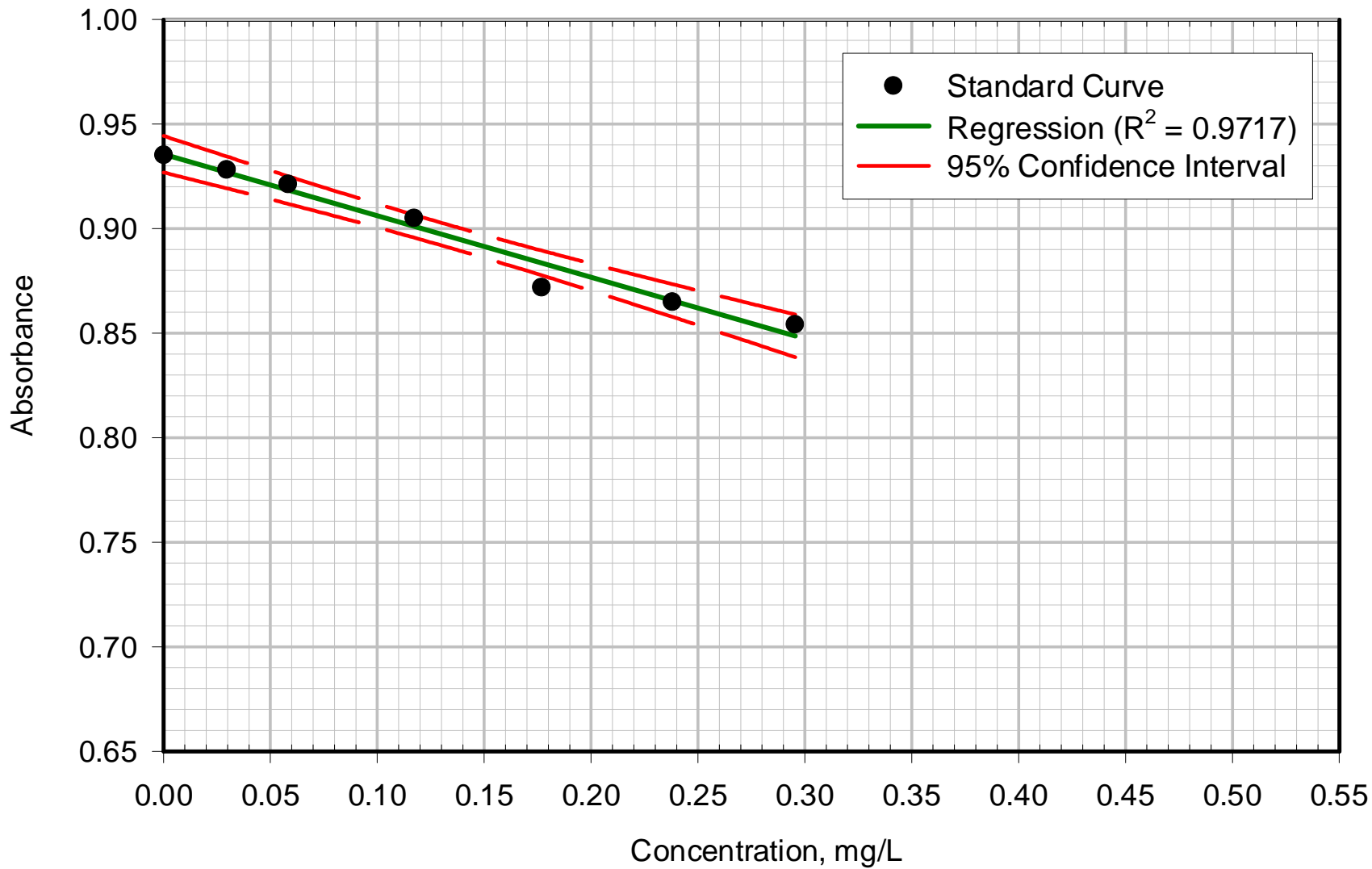


Figure B12. LGB Standard Curve in Distribution System Water, Perigrine Crest Circle, 2/13/98

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