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Two preliminary CPSC staff reports were prepared using draft chamber data provided by the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL). The October 2009 CPSC staff report (<http://www.cpsc.gov/info/drywall/TabB.pdf>) was a preliminary evaluation of drywall chamber emissions of total volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and total volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs). The March 2010 CPSC staff report (<http://www.cpsc.gov/info/drywall/chamber0310.pdf>) provided a preliminary analysis on the drywall chamber reactive sulfur gas emissions.

The attached final report from LBNL, "Small-Chamber Measurements of Chemical-Specific Emission Factors for Drywall," contains minor changes in emission factor values for certain chemical emission measurements compared to the October 2009 and March 2010 CPSC staff reports. These changes reflect the final quality control and quality assurance calculations and completion of the low temperature and low humidity testing on all 30 drywall samples supplied to LBNL by the CPSC. In addition, the LBNL report provides the identities of the VOCs and VSCs measured in the drywall emissions. None of the differences in this report would change any of the conclusions in the CPSC staff 2009 and 2010 reports.

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## **ABSTRACT**

Imported drywall installed in U.S. homes is suspected of being a source of odorous and potentially corrosive indoor pollutants. To support an investigation of those building materials by the Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC), Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), measured chemical-specific emission factors for 30 samples of drywall materials. Emission factors are reported for 75 chemicals and 30 different drywall samples encompassing both domestic and imported stock and incorporating natural, synthetic, or mixed gypsum core material. The CPSC supplied all drywall materials. Once received, the drywall samples were isolated and conditioned in dedicated chambers, then they were transferred to small chambers where emission testing was performed. Four sampling and analysis methods were utilized to assess: (1) volatile organic compounds, (2) low molecular weight carbonyls, (3) volatile sulfur compounds, and (4) reactive sulfur gases. LBNL developed a new method that combines the use of solid phase microextraction (SPME) with small emission chambers to measure the reactive sulfur gases, then extended that technique to measure the full suite of volatile sulfur compounds. The testing procedure and analysis methods are described here in detail. Emission factors were measured under a single set of controlled environmental conditions. The results are compared graphically for each method and in detailed tables for use in estimating indoor exposure concentrations.

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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACH	air changes per hour
CPSC	U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
GC	gas chromatography
HPLC	high-performance liquid chromatography
LBNL	Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
LOD	limit of detection
LOQ	limit of quantification
MS	mass spectrometry
MSD	mass spectrometry detector
PDMS	polydimethylsiloxane
RH	relative humidity
RSGs	reactive sulfur gases
SCD	sulfur chemiluminescence detector
SPME	solid-phase microextraction
T	temperature
TD	thermo desorption
TDS	thermal desorption system
TIC	total ion chromatogram
UV	ultraviolet
VOCs	volatile organic compounds
VSCs	volatile sulfur compounds

## INTRODUCTION

Gypsum is a mineral that is used widely to manufacture drywall and plaster for homes and commercial buildings constructed in the United States and worldwide (Founie, 2003). Gypsum, or calcium sulfate dihydrate ( $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), is either mined or collected as a byproduct of flue-gas desulfurization systems installed at coal-fired power plants. The production of drywall follows several steps, where the raw gypsum material is passed through a kiln to produce a partially dehydrated form that can be ground to a powder form called *plaster of Paris*. The plaster is mixed with additives and water to create a slurry that is poured and sandwiched between two continuous sheets of paper. The sheets are cut to the desired length and dried by passing them through an oven.

Imported (Chinese) drywall installed in U.S. homes is suspected of being a source of odorous and potentially corrosive indoor pollutants. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has received reports of possible corrosion-related problems with heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems; electric appliances; electronic devices; smoke alarms; security systems; and electrical switches in affected homes. Residents have reported a spectrum of health concerns, including recurrent headaches, irritated and itchy eyes and skin, difficulty breathing, persistent coughs, runny noses, sinus infections and congestion, sore throats, frequent nosebleeds, and asthma attacks.

The biological conversion of sulfate in gypsum drywall is known to produce hydrogen sulfide in construction and demolition landfills (Lee et al., 2006). Sulfur in ambient air from industrial areas is associated with both odor and health problems (Kim et al., 2006a, 2006b; Pal et al., 2009). Hydrogen sulfide and carbonyl sulfide have been identified as possible synergistic factors in the tarnishing of silver items in museums (Ankersmit et al., 2005).

The CPSC's investigation of reports on drywall concerns incorporates three parallel tracks: (1) evaluating the relationship between the drywall and reported health symptoms; (2) evaluating the relationship between the drywall and electrical and fire safety issues in affected homes; and (3) tracing the origin and the distribution of the drywall. To assess the impact on human health and to support testing for electrical and fire safety, the CPSC has initiated a series of laboratory tests that provide elemental characterization of drywall, characterization of chemical emissions, and in-home air sampling.

The chemical emission testing is being conducted at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL). The goal of the LBNL testing is to identify the individual chemical constituents in the emission stream from drywall samples and determine chemical-specific emission rates for a range of material samples from both domestic and imported drywall. The LBNL work focused primarily on volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs), but also considered volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and low molecular weight carbonyls, including formaldehyde. Emission rates are derived and reported in terms of standard emission factors using units of chemical mass released per unit area of emitting surface per unit time, as measured at constant environmental temperature, relative humidity, and ventilation rate.

This report provides details of the procedure LBNL utilized to measure chemical-specific emission factors for drywall using small, well-mixed, continuous-flow emission

chambers. Testing results are provided for 30 samples. This investigation was conducted under a single set of environmental conditions (25 °C, 50% relative humidity, and an area-specific ventilation rate of ~1.5 cubic meters per square meter [ $\text{m}^3/\text{m}^2$ ] of emitting surface per hour). Measurements reported here provide a baseline value for emission factors for a range of both imported and domestic drywall samples but exclude variations in environmental conditions that may exist in homes or other built structures, including various combinations of temperature, humidity, and ventilation rate.

## **METHODS**

This section describes LBNL's experimental methods, including an overview and background for the approach; methods used for handling, preparing, conditioning, and testing the samples; air sampling and analysis; and data analysis.

### ***Background on the Experimental Approach***

Much of the work at LBNL focused on sulfur compounds. Efforts to measure sulfur compounds in air have included both indoor and outdoor environments using real-time sulfur gas analyzers, passive samplers or active samples collected in containers or focused on sorbent material and analyzed using a variety of laboratory-based analytical instruments. In addition to the research cited in the introduction, studies have measured reduced or volatile sulfur compounds in ambient air near (1) industrial areas (Pal et al., 2009; Kim et al., 2006a, 2006b); (2) sewage treatment plants (Ras et al., 2008a, 2008b); and (3) animal feeding operations (Trabue et al., 2008; Ni et al., 2000). Unlike LBNL's small-chamber study of individual drywall samples, such studies have not measured sulfur components emitted directly by specific materials. Controlled laboratory emission chambers are needed to collect the analytes directly from the material of interest to quantify material-specific emission factors. The analytical methods LBNL developed to work with the emission testing chambers are similar to and based on those used to analyze samples of ambient air for sulfur compounds, including gas chromatography, mass spectrometry, solid phase microextraction, and sulfur chemiluminescence detection. However, the LBNL team found that the methods for ambient air samples described in the literature had to be modified to meet the needs for direct emission testing, particularly for the reactive sulfur gases. The approach developed by LBNL for measuring the reactive sulfur gases combines the use of solid phase microextraction (SPME) with small emission testing chambers to measure the reactive sulfur gases. The approach is also adapted to measure the full suite of volatile sulfur compounds in emission chambers for future work.

### ***Overview of Experimental Approach***

The CPSC provided LBNL with all drywall samples for testing. Before testing began, individual pieces for testing were cut from the sample provided and installed in stainless steel conditioning chambers that were supplied with a continuous stream of clean, humidified air. The samples were isolated continuously in either the conditioning chambers or test chambers until emissions measurements were completed. The emissions testing was performed in small chambers housed inside a larger controlled-environment chamber. A continuous supply of clean, humidified air was passed through each chamber, and the outflow was exhausted to a fume hood. Air samples were collected directly from

the chambers after concentrations achieved a steady state where the concentrations of compounds in the chamber were constant in time. The measurements collected from the chambers were analyzed using a range of methods, depending on the target chemical class. The measured concentration for each chemical was used along with known ventilation rates, chamber volume, and projected material surface area to calculate the material-specific emission factor for each chemical. Details of the approach are provided below.

### ***Material Handling and Preparation***

CPSC staff collected drywall samples from manufacturers, drywall suppliers, and storage warehouses. Samples were cut into approximately one-square-foot (0.09-m<sup>2</sup>) pieces, heat-sealed individually in Tedlar bags, and assigned a unique identification number. Tedlar bags have been found to provide suitable storage for air samples, including those collected for analysis of volatile sulfur compounds (Mochalski et al., 2009). An identification label typically was affixed to the outside of each bag. For some samples, the labels were applied directly to the face of the material; if so, the labeled part of the drywall sample was not included in the emissions testing. The individually bagged material samples were boxed and shipped to LBNL, along with a list of identification numbers. When the samples arrived at LBNL, they were removed from the box, inspected, then returned to the shipping box and stored at room temperature until testing began.

In preparation for testing, the samples were removed from their individual sealed bags. A 6-inch (15.25-cm) square was cut from each piece by scoring the facing paper using a straight edge and clean razor knife, then breaking the material along the scored line. The raw edges of the drywall were filed smooth using a drywall rasp, and a small amount of gypsum material was collected and archived for each sample. The raw edges were then sealed with aluminum tape low in volatile organic compounds (VOCs), leaving both the front and back paper faces of the drywall exposed. Typically, only a single face of a material is tested for emissions to determine release into the living space of a structure, but in this case, it was also important to characterize emissions into the wall space in order to assess corrosion effects. The resulting measurements using this approach provide an average emission rate for the front and back face of the material. The exposed paper faces were unfinished (*i.e.*, no paint or plaster was applied to the drywall before testing). After the total exposed area of each sample was measured, it was placed in an individual conditioning chamber where it remained until testing.

### ***Material Conditioning***

The drywall materials collected for this study represented either domestic or imported stock. Records documenting the manufacture date and/or storage history were not available to LBNL researchers. Therefore, it was important to fully condition the samples to allow potential contaminants that were not indigenous to the material to off-gas before testing. Further, it was important to provide a clean and controlled environment to allow the samples to equilibrate with the test conditions, particularly the target humidity used in testing, before transferring the samples to the test chamber.

Sixteen individual conditioning chambers were constructed using 6-liter (L) air-tight stainless steel food-grade containers ([www.noplastics.ca](http://www.noplastics.ca)). Each container was plumbed with a dedicated inlet and outlet line and mounted on a panel for easy access. To

eliminate interference by atmospheric oxidants (Pandey and Kim, 2009), dry house air was passed through an activated carbon filter followed by a HEPA filter; then part of the air stream was passed through a bubbler containing deionized water. A small amount of activated carbon was placed in the bubbler reservoir. The wet and dry air streams were remixed to produce the desired relative humidity and avoid problems associated with high humidity (Pandey and Kim, 2009). The humidified air was delivered at approximately 250 cubic centimeters per minute (cc/min; 1.4 air changes per hour [ACH]) to each chamber using flow-control valves and taper-tube flow meters.

Initial screening experiments identified several cyclic siloxanes<sup>1</sup> at elevated levels that were increasing with time in the conditioned materials. The silicone gaskets in the lid of the conditioning chambers were suspected as the source of the cyclic siloxanes, so the lids were lined with Teflon film for all subsequent experiments. Evaluation of Teflon indicates that it does not create interference with the accurate measurement of reduced sulfur compounds from material samples (Mochalski, 2009; Kim et al., 2006a), and indeed, no further siloxane contamination was detected in the conditioning system.

Drywall samples were conditioned for a minimum of one week before initial emissions testing, but conditioning and testing continued for several months while analytical methods were optimized. Conditioning time was recorded for the individual samples as they were tested.

### ***Material Testing***

The LBNL emissions testing approach, using small emission chambers, follows ASTM Standard Guide D-5116-97 (ASTM International, 2002) and California Specification 01350 (CDHS, 2004). The approach has been used for a wide range of building materials measuring both VOCs and carbonyls as described previously (Maddalena et.al., 2009), and as summarized below.

The testing apparatus consisted of four 10.75-L stainless steel chambers that were treated with Sulfinert<sup>®</sup> coating (Restec 2005; SilcoTech 2009; <http://www.silcotek.com/>), an inert silica layer that minimizes the interaction between the stainless steel and active compounds such as hydrogen sulfide, sulfur dioxide, and the low molecular weight mercaptans. The test materials were placed on a Sulfinert<sup>®</sup> coated screen resting in the horizontal orientation slightly below the center of the test chambers, and the chambers were sealed with clamp-on lids. The chambers were mounted inside an oven that provided a constant temperature and controlled atmosphere.

The standard, or baseline, test conditions for this work were as follows. The chamber temperature,  $T$  (°C), was 25 °C; the inlet flow,  $F$  (in liters per minute of carbon-filtered, preconditioned air) to each chamber was maintained at 1 L per minute and 50% relative humidity (RH). The inlet flow was supplied continuously to each test chamber and the exhaust flow from each chamber was vented to a fume hood. The desired  $RH$  was achieved by mixing streams of carbon/HEPA filtered air that was either dry or water-saturated as described for the conditioning chambers. The emitting surface area of the tested materials, including the front and back faces,  $A$  (m<sup>2</sup>), was approximately 0.04 (6-

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<sup>1</sup> Hexamethylcyclotrisiloxane (D3, CAS#541-05-9); Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4, CAS# 556-67-2); and Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5, CAS# 541-02-9).

inch-square pieces of drywall), resulting in a loading factor,  $L$  ( $\text{m}^2/\text{m}^3$ ), of 3.7 and an area-specific air flow rate of  $1.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$  for each sample. The ventilation rate in the chambers was approximately 5.6 ACH. Although most emission factors were measured using these standard conditions, the initial method development phase of the study used a higher temperature and humidity and a reduced ACH. As a result, emission factors for some of the low molecular weight carbonyls, including formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and acetone, were measured under the nonstandard conditions, which are indicated along with the results.

The collection of air samples for measuring chemical emissions was initiated after the sample was loaded into the test chamber and kept there for a minimum of one hour to allow time for conditions to stabilize. Because the samples were preconditioned at the target RH, the emission rates were expected to be constant, such that the approach to steady state concentration in the chamber would follow the exponential relationship described by Equation 1.

$$\frac{C_t}{C_{ss}} = 1 - \exp(-k \times t) \quad (1)$$

Where:

$C_t$  is the concentration (micrograms per cubic meter [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ]) in the chamber at elapsed time  $t$  (h) after loading the sample into the chamber;

$C_{ss}$  is the true steady state concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in the chamber; and

$k$  is the removal rate ( $\text{h}^{-1}$ ) of the chemical from the chamber, where the lower-bound removal rate would be equivalent to the ACH for non-reacting chemicals.

Using Eq. 1 and assuming a constant emission rate with an ACH on the order of 5.6, the time to reach 99% of steady state (i.e.,  $C_t/C_{ss}=0.99$ ) is approximately one hour.

The air sampling methods and analytical methods are described in detail below, but in general, active samples were collected on commercially available thermodesorption tubes for VOCs and VSCs, and on derivatizing sorbent cartridges for aldehydes by pulling air directly from the chambers through the sampling tube. The sampling rate was maintained at less than 80 percent of the total flow through the chamber to prevent backflow of air into the test chamber. Commercially available solid-phase microextraction (SPME) fibers coated with a polydimethylsulfoxide/carboxen layer (Sigma-Aldrich, 1998, Ras et al. 2008b) were used to passively sample sulfur gases directly from the chambers. This was done by inserting the SPME fiber through an access port in the chamber. These sampling and analysis methods are described in the following paragraphs.

### ***Air Sampling and Analysis***

Four different combinations of sampling and analytical methods were utilized to characterize chemical emissions from the drywall materials: (1) a method utilizing thermodesorption gas chromatography mass spectroscopy (TD-GC/MS) to identify and quantify VOCs; (2) a derivitization-based sampling followed by liquid extraction and high-performance liquid chromatography with an ultraviolet detector (HPLC-UV) to quantify low molecular weight carbonyls; (3) a thermodesorption gas chromatography

sulfur chemiluminescence detector (TD-GC/SCD) to quantify VSCs; and (4) a solid-phase micro extraction gas chromatography sulfur chemiluminescence detector (SPME-GC/SCD) to quantify reactive sulfur gases. Each method is described in detail below.

### *Volatile Organic Compounds*

VOC samples were collected onto multibed sorbent tubes (P/N 012347-005-00; Gerstel or equivalent) having a primary bed of Tenax-TA sorbent backed with a section of Carbosieve. Tenax has been found to be a suitable sorbent material for actively sampling reactive sulfur compounds (Devai and Delaune, 1996; Pandey and Kim, 2009; Baltussen et al., 1999); however we were unable to retain the ultra-volatile reactive sulfur gases in the GC inlet during thermodesorption. Therefore, the active sampling using Tenax/Carbosieve sorbent tubes was used only for the VSCs, and the SPME method was developed (see discussion below) for the RSGs.

Prior to use, the sorbent tubes were conditioned by a helium purge ( $> 10$  cc/min) at  $280$  °C for 60 minutes and sealed in Teflon-capped tubes. VOC samples were collected directly onto the sampling tubes from the exit port of the small emission chamber containing the test sample. A variable-speed peristaltic pump was used to pull air through the sample tubes at a rate of  $\sim 200$  cc/min. Flows were checked at least twice during each sampling period using either a bubble flow meter or a *DryCal* gas flow meter (BIOS, 500 cc/min). Approximately 12 L were collected from the emission chamber. A backup sampling tube was used periodically to check for breakthrough.<sup>2</sup> After samples were collected, the sorbent tubes were sealed with Teflon-lined caps and transferred to a freezer until analysis. Samples typically were analyzed within one day of collection. Sample stability for a wide range of VOCs has been confirmed previously in our laboratory after freezer storage times of more than two months.

Sorbent tubes were thermally desorbed for analysis by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (TD-GC/MS) using a thermodesorption auto-sampler (Model TDSA2, Gerstel); a thermodesorption oven (Model TDS3, Gerstel); and a cooled injection system (Model CIS4, Gerstel). Desorption was performed in splitless mode, and the desorbed sample was refocused on the CIS4 inlet in solvent vent mode at flow of 30 cc/min. Desorption temperature in the TDS3 oven started at  $25$  °C with a 0.5-minute delay after loading the tube, followed by a  $60$  °C/min ramp up to  $250$  °C, and a 4-minute hold time. The cooled injection system was fitted with a Tenax-packed glass liner (P/N 013247-005-00, Gerstel) that was held at  $-10$  °C throughout desorption and then heated within 0.2 minutes to  $270$  °C at a rate of  $12$  °C/second (s), followed by a 3-minute hold time. Compounds were resolved on a GC (Series 6890Plus, Agilent Technologies) equipped with a 30-meter HP-1701 14% cyanopropyl phenyl methyl column (Model 19091U-233; Agilent Technologies) at an initial temperature of  $1$  °C for 0.5 minutes, then ramped first to  $40$  °C at  $25$  °C/min, then to  $115$  °C at  $3$  °C/min, and finally to  $250$  °C at  $10$  °C/min holding for 10 minutes.

The resolved analytes were detected using an electron impact mass spectrometer (MS) (5973, Agilent Technologies). The MS was operated in scan mode. All compounds that

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<sup>2</sup> Some earlier measurements were collected at 100 cc/min during the method development phase of the project, but the higher flow rate of 200 cc/min provided better detection limits without resulting in breakthrough of either VOCs or VSCs. Therefore, the final method utilized the higher sampling rate.

exceeded the detection limit (1-5 nanogram [ng]) were identified by a library search using the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) mass spectral search program for the NIST/EPA/NIH mass spectral library (version 2.0d build April 26, 2005), followed by comparison to reference standards, as needed. Multipoint calibrations were prepared from pure standards for quantification. When pure standards were not used, the analyte was reported in terms of toluene equivalence, by comparing the instrument response for the total ion chromatogram (TIC) for the chemical to a multipoint calibration of TIC toluene. All pure standards and analytes were referenced to an internal standard (~120 ng) of 1-bromo-4-fluorobenzene that was added directly to the thermodesorption tube before analysis.

#### *Low Molecular Weight Carbonyls*

The target analytes in the aldehyde analysis were formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and acetone. Higher carbon-number aldehydes were analyzed using the VOC method described above. The volatile carbonyls, including formaldehyde, acetaldehyde and acetone are quantified using USEPA Method TO-11 (McClenny and Holdren, 1999). As with the VOCs and VSCs (discussed below), air samples were drawn directly from the small emission chamber at steady state. Samples were collected on commercially available silica gel cartridges coated with 2,4-dinitrophenyl-hydrazine (XPoSure Aldehyde Sampler, Waters Corporation). A vacuum pump (Model DOA-P104-AA, Gast) was used to draw chamber air through the sample cartridge at ~800 cc/min; sample flow rates were regulated by electronic mass flow controllers. Sample cartridges were capped and stored in the freezer until extraction.

Prior to analysis, cartridges were eluted with 2 milliliters (mL) of high-purity acetonitrile into 2-mL volumetric flasks, and the eluent was brought to a final volume of 2 mL before analysis. Extracts were analyzed by high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) (1200 Series, Agilent Technologies) using a C<sub>18</sub> reverse-phase column with 65:35 H<sub>2</sub>O:acetonitrile mobile phase at 0.35 mL/min and UV detection at 360 nanometers. Commercially available hydrazone derivatives of formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and acetone were used to prepare multipoint calibrations for the target aldehydes.

#### *Volatile Sulfur Compounds*

Samples were collected for the volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs) using the same types of tubes and sampling method described above for the VOCs. Initially the VOCs and the VSCs were to be analyzed in parallel, with a new GC equipped setup to run parallel MS and sulfur chemiluminescence detectors (SCD). Difficulties with the instrument, however, necessitated using the instrument and method described above for VOCs and the new instrument to focus on the VSCs, as described here. Thus, two independent TDS samples were collected and analyzed separately for VSCs and VOCs. Results from the TDS samples for VSCs subsequently were used with the SPME samples that were collected simultaneously with the VSCs, as described in the next section, to determine the compound-specific sampling rate for the SPME fiber in the small chambers. This information facilitated the use of the SPME method for quantifying emissions across the full set of sulfur compounds (Sigma-Aldrich, 1998) in the emission chambers.

We used both the TD-GC/SCD method and the SPME-GC/SCD method to detect sulfur compounds and quantify emission factors. SCD is suited to identifying and discriminating among extremely low concentrations of sulfur components (Yan, 2006); and SPME has been found to be effective in identifying VSCs in air (Ras et al., 2008b; Shirey, 1997). As described further in the results and discussion section, both methods were used to quantify VSCs. After the air samples were collected on the sorbent tubes (~12 L), the samples were thermally desorbed for analysis by gas chromatography/sulfur chemiluminescence detection (TD-GC/SCD) and using a TD auto-sampler (Model TDSA2, Gerstel); a TD oven (Model TDS-G, Gerstel); and a cooled injection system (CIS) (Model CIS4, Gerstel). The cooled injection system was fitted with a glass bead packed inlet liner (P/N 013247-005-00, Gerstel). TDS desorption was performed in splitless mode with initial temperature 20 °C, a 0.5-minute delay, then a 120 °C/min ramp up to 225 °C and a 2.3-minute hold time. The transfer line temperature was constant at 225 °C. The cryogenic inlet trap was held at -120 °C throughout desorption phase and run in solvent vent mode with a vent flow of 30 cc/min. Following TDS desorption, the CIS was heated to 150 °C at a rate of 16 °C/s, followed by a 0.71-minute hold time. Compounds were resolved on a GC (Series 7890A, Agilent Technologies) equipped with a 30 m × 0.32 mm DB1 column with 1-micron film thickness (Agilent J&W DB-1). The initial temperature was 10 °C for 1 min, then ramped at 8 °C/min to 120 °C, 4 °C/min to 180 °C, then 16 °C/min to 260 °C and held for 5 min. The sulfur chemiluminescent detector was operated with 45 cc/min fuel, 52 cc/min oxidant, and a burner temperature of 800 °C.

Initial identification of VSCs in the emission stream was accomplished using the GC described above but interfaced directly to a MS (5975C inert, Agilent Technologies). A 12-L sample was collected from a chamber containing three times the normal loading of a drywall sample (sample 7339) that previously had been identified as emitting the highest levels and widest range of sulfur-containing compounds (see results for VSCs). Following initial identification by mass spectral library search, the SCD detector was installed, and a second 12-L sample was analyzed. The pattern of retention times and peak heights was used to identify the peaks in the SCD analysis based on results from the MS analysis. Then a series of pure standards was run to positively identify chemicals where pure standards were available and to determine the relationship between chemical structure and retention time. The pure standards were run individually by injecting 1 microliter (μL) of pure standard into a warm dilution bulb (2 L) containing several glass beads, which then was allowed to rest in an oven at 70 °C. An aliquot of the initial dilution subsequently was spiked into a second warm dilution bulb using a gas-tight syringe. Then a known aliquot of the diluted standard was transferred directly to a sampling tube and purged for several minutes before analysis. The results from the pure standards provide retention windows for a series of sulfides and disulfides of increasing symmetric alkyl number. This is shown in Figure 1. Relative retention times are useful for qualitative identification of unknown contaminants (Castello, 1999; Goodner, 2008). The retention windows derived in this work from known standards were used to qualitatively identify VSCs in cases of an inconclusive match by either mass spectral or pure standard retention times.

The mass of each VSC was quantified by its sulfur chemiluminescence response. The SCD has a number of advantages for sulfur gas analysis over other detectors, including a wide linear range and equimolar response for all sulfur compounds, plus very good sensitivity and selectivity (Hua et.al., 2004; Yan, 2006; Pandey and Kim, 2009). The equimolar response allows for the quantification of all analytes in the sample, even unknowns, based on a single standard calibration. Several pure standards were used to develop a multipoint calibration for sulfur-containing chemicals. The initial work did not include an internal standard, but the final TD-GC/SCD method used thiophene (CAS# 8014-23-1) generated in a diffusion oven and added to each sampling tube prior to analysis to track method performance.

After the chemical composition of the emission stream was characterized for the VSCs, two of the higher-emitting materials from the first set of drywall samples were tested using both TD-GC/SCD and SPME-GC/SCD simultaneously. This testing was done to estimate the apparent sampling rate for the SCD fiber in order to relate the SPME method described in the next section to the TD-GC/SCD calibration for sulfur across the range of compounds in the samples. The SPME method was initially developed specifically for the ultra-volatile reactive sulfur gases, but subsequent analysis indicated that the SPME fiber could be used for the full range of sulfur-containing compounds (Sigma-Aldrich, 1998) when the sampling rate for the chamber conditions was known. The relationship between the chemiluminescence detector response and the sample volume for either the SPME or TDS methods is given by:

$$R_i = \frac{EF_i \times L_s}{ACH} \times V \quad (2)$$

Where:

$R_i$  is the SCD response (relative area) for chemical “ $i$ ”;

$EF_i$  is the SCD sample emission factor (ng/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for chemical “ $i$ ”;

$L_s$  is the loading of drywall sample “ $s$ ” in the chamber (m<sup>2</sup>/m<sup>3</sup>);

$ACH$  is the air changes per hour in the chamber during sampling; and

$V$  is the sample volume (m<sup>3</sup>).

The same equation applies to both the SPME sample and the TD sample, but because the SPME is a passive sampling method, we cannot directly measure the sampling rate or total sample volume. To estimate the apparent SPME sample volume, we assume a constant chemical-specific emission rate ( $EF_i \times L_s$ ) for both the TDS and SPME samples, then expand Eq. 2 to include both sampling methods, and solve for the apparent SPME sample volume:

$$V_{SPME} = \frac{R_{SPME-i} \times ACH_{SPME}}{R_{TDS-i} \times ACH_{TD}} \times V_{TD} \quad (3)$$

Five measurements were collected using both the SPME and TDS sampling methods for two different drywall samples, resulting in 70 chemical-specific SPME/TDS response

ratios. The resulting sampling rate, or volume, indicated a slightly decreasing trend with increasing retention time. Because the sample size was insufficient to model this trend, an average sample volume is used across all chemicals eluting after the last reactive sulfur gas (carbon disulfide). Details are provided in the results section, but the apparent sampling rate for the VSCs sampled on the SPME fiber, given the standard chamber conditions, is ~31 mL/min (coefficient of variation, 30%), resulting in an apparent sample volume throughout the 50-minute SPME sample period of 1.6 L. This sample volume is used, along with the chemical-specific mass (sulfur equivalent) determined from the SPME-GC/SCD analysis and equations described in the data analysis section, to estimate VSC emission factors for some of the drywall samples.

### *Reactive Sulfur Gases*

LBNL explored various active sampling methods for quantifying the reactive sulfur gases, including: (1) on-line cryogenic sampling whereby chamber air is drawn directly into a cryogenically cooled thermodesorption tube and desorbed into the cooled injection system (see Pandey and Kim, 2009 for discussion of cryogenic trapping); (2) on-line cryogenic sampling through a Nafion drying tube (<http://www.permapure.com/>) to reduce icing in the cryogenic trap and inlet; and (3) direct large-volume (1 to 5 cc) injection from chamber to cooled injection system. Various sorbent materials and temperature regimes also were tested. None of the conditions provided satisfactory results for the reactive ultra volatile sulfur gases due to interferences, low response, and/or inconsistent recoveries. Therefore, we elected to use a SPME sampling approach as recommended by Sigma-Aldrich (1998) and used in Ras et al. (2008b).

We modified this approach to sample directly from the emission chamber. A polydimethylsiloxane/carboxen (PDMS/Carboxen, Supelco) stationary phase (0.75  $\mu\text{m}$  film thickness) installed in a manual SPME holder was conditioned in the GC inlet at 300  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  with elevated purge flow for two hours before use. PDMS/Carboxen fibers have been found to be the most inert material for collecting volatile and reactive sulfur compounds (Baltussen et al., 1999). PDMS with Carboxen has been found to achieve the best sensitivity for most reduced sulfur compounds (Pandey and Kim, 2009). The holder was inserted through a sampling port mounted in the front of the emission chamber, and the fiber was extended into the chamber to start the sampling. A 50-minute sampling period was found to provide adequate response for the range of reactive sulfur gases. This is illustrated in Figure 2. Ras et al. (2008) found that analytes reached equilibrium conditions at 45 min with SPME. After sampling, the SPME fiber was retracted then immediately transferred to the hot (250  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) injector, and the fiber was extended into the injector in splitless mode for 2 min followed by a 50-mL/min purge for 1 min, and then a 15-mL/min purge for the rest of the run. The fiber remained in the inlet for at least 10 min before retracting the fiber and returning the sampler to the emission chamber to start collecting the next sample. The column flow in the GC during analysis was 1 mL/min and oven start temperature was -50  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  held for 2 min, then increased first to 100  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at 10  $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$ , then to 180  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at 4  $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$ , and finally to 260  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at 16  $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$  and held for 5 min. The column and detector were the same as those described for the VSC analysis. The SPME fiber was stored in the hot injector between sampling periods.

### **Data Analysis**

LBNL calculated the material-specific emission rates from measurements collected from the small chambers at steady state. Under steady state conditions, the concentration in the chamber is constant so that a simple mass balance can be used to estimate emission rates as a function of measured concentration. The steady state form of the mass balance equation for calculating area-specific emission factors,  $EF$  ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ), in a well-mixed system is:

$$EF = \frac{F \times (C - C_B)}{A} \quad (4)$$

Where:

$F$  ( $\text{m}^3/\text{h}$ ) is the ventilation flow rate;

$A$  ( $\text{m}^2$ ) is the exposed surface area of the test material;

$C$  ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) is the measured steady state concentration in the chamber; and

$C_B$  ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) is the background or blank concentration in the empty chamber.

The air change rate in the chamber,  $ACH$  ( $\text{L}/\text{h}$ ), is the ventilation rate divided by the chamber volume ( $F/V$ ). The loading factor of the material,  $L$  ( $\text{m}^2/\text{m}^3$ ), is the exposed surface area of the test material, divided by the chamber volume. Thus, an alternate form of Equation 4 is:

$$EF = \frac{ACH \times (C - C_B)}{L} \quad (5)$$

which is the form used to estimate emission factors in this work.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

This section describes and discusses the measured emissions from the drywall samples, including emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), low molecular weight carbonyl compounds, volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs), and reactive sulfur gases (RSGs).

### **Overview of Experimental Results**

The small-chamber emissions testing facility at LBNL was used to determine standard emission factors for 30 samples of drywall provided by the CPSC. Unless otherwise indicated, all emission factors were determined at 25 °C, at 50% relative humidity, and with an air flow rate of  $\sim 1.5 \text{ m}^3$  air per  $\text{m}^2$  emitting surface area per hour. Emission factors are reported in units of  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$  for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), low molecular weight carbonyls, and reactive sulfur gases (RSGs), and in units of  $\text{ng}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$  for volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs). The results are summarized by analytical method and presented graphically; complete results are listed in tables at the end of this report. The second set of 13 drywall samples were tested blind (*i.e.*, LBNL analysts did not know the

source, history, or status of the samples being tested); so for consistency, all results in this section are presented without interpretation or comparison.

### ***Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds***

Experimental results for the VOCs are provided in Figures 3 through 5 and in Table 1. Figure 3 compares the total ion chromatograms for VOCs in the emission stream from the first 17 drywall samples tested. Because all the measurements were collected using the same air sample volume and chamber conditions, the peak height on the chromatograms indicate the relative emissions from each sample. The chromatograms are sorted based on the height of the tallest peak. The first significant peak in all the samples is the internal standard (4-bromofluorobenzene, BFB, CAS # 460-00-4). The only other significant peak in the spectra is butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT, CAS # 128-37-0). Subsequent work on a different project found that the tape used to seal sample edges may have been a source of BHT in the measurements, but this has not been confirmed. Therefore, we report the results for BHT, with the caveat that it may be an experimental artifact. The four digits to the right of each chromatogram in Figure 3 correspond to the last four digits of the CPSC drywall sample tracking number. The chromatogram for sample 8036 is visible only partly at the bottom of the figure because of an instrument failure during the analysis. Sample 8036 was retested along with the second set of 13 samples. All material emission factors are listed in Table 1.

The presence of lower-concentration VOC emissions is illustrated in Figure 4, which zooms in on the response axis of the total ion chromatogram for sample 7339. Most of the chemicals in the emission stream are near or below the limit of quantitation (LOQ) of about 1 nanogram (ng), representing a lower-bound measurement of emission factors of  $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ . Values above the LOQ are listed in bold text in Table 1. Emission factors that were below the LOQ are also listed as values in standard for all chemicals detected in the emission stream, but these values should be considered qualitative.

The VOC emission factors from all 30 drywall samples are summarized graphically in the stacked column chart in Figure 5. Refer to Table 1 for emission factors. The purpose of the stacked column format in Figure 5 is to show the total VOC emissions at a glance and the relative contribution of several chemicals to the emission stream. In considering all samples, we note that the primary VOC constituents in the emission streams were butylated hydroxytoluene,<sup>3</sup> hexanal, and 1-chlorododecane, followed by numerous chemicals having lower emission factors. Only the first 11 chemicals are identified in Figure 5. The remaining 15 identified VOCs in the emission stream are combined and reported as “other.”

Table 1 summarizes the VOC emission factors for all chemicals and all samples tested. All values are corrected for background levels in the chambers and analysis method (*i.e.*, they are blank-corrected values). Results are reported for all values that exceed the limit of detection (LOD). Although values for emission factors that exceed the LOD – but are

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<sup>3</sup> Butylated hydroxytoluene subsequently was found to be an artifact of the aluminum tape used to seal the edges on building materials being tested in the emission chambers. Method blanks performed during this study, including the tape, did not show elevated levels of VOCs but a subsequent project did indicate that the tape may be a source of BHT. Therefore, the reader is cautioned that the results reported for BHT emissions from drywall are not yet confirmed.

less than the LOQ – indicate the presence of the chemical in the emissions stream, the reported values should be considered an approximation only. Values that exceed the LOQ are listed in bold type. The first three rows of the table also include results for the low molecular weight aldehydes that were measured using the HPLC-UV method. More details on these compounds are in the next section.

### ***Emissions of Low Molecular Weight Carbonyls***

Because the low molecular weight carbonyls—including formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and acetone—are reactive and highly volatile, they are not readily quantified using the VOC method. Emission factors for those three chemicals were measured separately using the HPLC-UV method. The results are summarized graphically in Figure 6 and tabulated along with the VOC results in Table 1 (first three rows).

Initially, we intended to measure all emission factors at elevated temperature ( $T$ ) and humidity ( $RH$ ). Instrumentation problems stemming from the elevated moisture in the samples required measuring emission factors for the VOCs, and sulfur containing compounds at a lower (standard)  $T$  and  $RH$ . The HPLC-UV method, which sampled using a derivatization step that was not affected by the elevated  $T$  and  $RH$  so the first set of 17 drywall samples are reported for those elevated conditions. The second set of 13 drywall samples are reported for standard conditions. The emission factors in Figure 6 are sorted from high to low based on the sum of formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and acetone emission factors (background-corrected). The values from the measurements under higher  $T$  and  $RH$  are presented to the left of the vertical line on the chart, and the values from measurements under standard  $T$  and  $RH$  are presented to the right of the line in Figure 6. It has been established that elevated  $T$  and  $RH$  increases emission rates of formaldehyde from a variety of building materials (Van Netten et.al, 1989; Zhang et.al., 2007; Parthasarathy et.al., 2010).

### ***Emissions of Volatile Sulfur Compounds***

Experimental results for the VSCs are provided in Figures 7 through 11 and in Table 2. Figure 7 compares the sulfur gas emission fingerprints for the first 17 drywall samples tested. The chromatograms shown in Figure 7 are from the solid-phase micro extraction (SPME) sampling approach using the sulfur chemiluminescence detector (SCD); so it shows the full range of sulfur gases emitted, including both the VSCs and the RSGs. Although the SCD provides equimolar response to sulfur, possible differences in the passive sampling rate (Ras et.al., 2008) on the SPME fiber and differences in response with increasing molecular weight for the reactive sulfur gases (Kim, 2005) mean that the peak areas are not necessarily proportional to emissions of individual chemicals, as discussed later in this section. Figure 7 is separated into two regions, as indicated by the labeled brackets above the chromatograms. The first region comprises the RSGs quantified using the SPME method (see next section). The second region comprises the VSCs. The preferred method for quantifying VSCs was by active sampling on Carbo-seive-backed Tenax tubes that are thermally desorbed for analysis using the TD-GC/SCD method. However, to extend the SPME method to the full set of sulfur gases for use in future work with the small chambers, the sampling rate for the SPME fiber was estimated using results from parallel samples collected using both sampling methods. This extended SPME method then was used to quantify VSC emission factors for several of the samples, as described later in this section.

The chromatograms in Figure 7 are sorted from top to bottom in descending order based on the total sulfur gas response area from each sample. The large peak in the first three samples that elute around 27 minutes was consistently lower based on the TD-GC/SCD method, indicating that this peak may be an artifact in the SPME sampling due to an unusually rapid sampling rate on the SPME fiber, or strong preferential partitioning into the fiber from the air. The figure is intended to provide an overall comparison of the fingerprints of the emissions streams from the samples.

A chromatogram for sample 7339, measured using the TD-GC/SCD method, is shown in Figure 8. This is the same sample as shown in the top-most chromatogram in Figure 7. Given the equimolar response of the SCD and the comparable sample volume collected using the active air sampling approach, the peak heights in Figure 8 are proportional to sulfur. Each peak represents a unique chemical, and the relative peak heights indicate the relative emission strength of each chemical in the emission stream normalized to sulfur content. Sample 7339 was found to have the most consistent chemical fingerprint for the widest range of VSCs of all the samples tested. Therefore, this sample was used to identify the sulfur gases during method development, as described earlier in the methods section. A total of 39 VSCs were identified in the emission stream, and an additional three chemicals tentatively were identified as C-8 disulfides (chemicals having a disulfide bond and containing 8 carbon atoms) based on retention time windows derived in this work and shown in Figure 1 (see Castello, 1999 for a discussion of retention index systems and relative retention times used to identify compounds) and major ions in the mass spectrum.

The sulfur chemiluminescence detector is much more sensitive to sulfur-containing chemicals than is the mass spectrometer used in the VOC analysis. The VSC measurement shown in Figure 8 was collected simultaneously with a VOC measurement. Results for the low level VOC measurements were presented in Figure 4. The sulfur-containing chemicals in Figure 8 were well below the approximate LOQ shown in Figure 4 using the mass spectrometer. For perspective, the largest peaks shown in Figure 8 are at or below the grey line that indicate the LOQ in Figure 4.

The VSC emission factors for all samples are summarized graphically in the stacked column chart in Figure 9. The approach used to estimate the sampling rate or sample volume for the SPME fiber was described earlier in the methods section. The resulting estimated SPME sample volumes are plotted relative to retention times in Figure 10. Although there is a slight decreasing trend with increasing retention time, the scatter in the data did not allow this trend to be modeled. Therefore, an average sample volume (1.55 L for 50-minute sampling time) was used for all chemicals to estimate concentrations and subsequent emission factors.

The advantage of using the extended SPME approach is that the method provides both RSG and VSC results from a single measurement, and the highly controlled conditions in the small emission chambers provide good precision with the SPME fiber. The average coefficient of variation was 15 percent for the top 12 chemicals measured in replicate SPME samples, with precision ranging from 4 percent to a high of 37 percent.

All of the chemical-specific emission factors for VSCs are reported in Table 2 for the tested drywall samples. For the VSCs, the lowest calibration point was ~3 picogram (pg);

the lowest reported value of the known analytes in the samples was  $\sim 1$  pg; and the integration method for the SCD was set up to reject peaks having an area less than about 0.65 pg where all mass values are reported as sulfur equivalent.<sup>4</sup> Using the average sample volume, loading factor, and air change rate from the study, the values correspond to a lower-bound emission rate for the method of about 0.1 ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h. Therefore, all values reported in Table 2 exceed the LOQ.

### ***Emissions of Reactive Sulfur Gases***

Experimental results for the RSGs are provided in Figures 7, 11, and 12, and in Table 3. Fingerprints for emissions of reactive sulfur gases (RSGs) are compared on the left side of Figure 7, along with the other VSCs for the first 17 samples. The chromatography of the ultra-volatile and reactive sulfur gases tailed significantly, as shown for sample 7339 in Figure 11. To resolve the first three chemicals for quantification, a tangent skim integration method was used first to integrate the carbonyl sulfide and sulfur dioxide. Then the combined area was integrated, and hydrogen sulfide was calculated as the difference.

After further testing, we found that the chromatographic tailing could be reduced significantly by ventilating the chamber with nitrogen instead of air. We also discovered during this testing that diluting the calibration standard for the RSGs with air resulted in the formation of SO<sub>2</sub>. This elevated SO<sub>2</sub> did not occur when the calibration gas was diluted with nitrogen, indicating that oxidation was occurring either in the chamber or on the SPME sampling fiber, or in the instrument inlet, even within the short period required to measure the emissions. Kovalenko et al. (2001) discuss the formation of excessive amounts of polysulfides during oxidation of hydrogen sulfide with oxygen. Work by Bandosz, 2002, found that hydrogen sulfide could be oxidized on activated carbon although the Carboxen sorbent used in the SPME sampling is a different form of carbon. Ras et al. (2008a), optimized their analytical protocol for TD-GC/MS by using 99.999 percent pure helium during thermal desorption and helium gas as a carrier to GC and an inert MS to reduce potential oxidation artifacts. Others found that using Carboxen as an adsorbent (as applied to the PDMS stationary film on the SPME fiber) can produce large quantities of sulfur compounds as artifacts during desorption (Devai and Delaune, 1996). Therefore, we note that the SO<sub>2</sub> measured in the emission stream from drywall samples in this study may be due in part to the oxidation of hydrogen sulfide. All of the emissions measurements were performed in air, and we report the results as measured with the H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub> reported separately, but there is a strong possibility that the sulfur in the SO<sub>2</sub> is an artifact of oxidation of H<sub>2</sub>S. Confirming the source of SO<sub>2</sub> requires further investigation.

The measured emission factors for the RSGs are summarized graphically in the stacked column chart in Figure 12. The actual values for the emission factors are given in Table 3. Table 3 is oriented differently than the previous tables, in which the CPSC tracking

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<sup>4</sup> Because the SCD output is reported as mass of sulfur, the results reported here are normalized to sulfur equivalent mass in each compound. To convert from the sulfur equivalent mass reported in Tables 2 and 3 to the molecular mass of chemical “i”, multiply the reported emission factor (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h in Table 2 or  $\mu\text{g-S}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$  in Table 3) by the  $MW_i/32/n_s$  where  $MW_i$  is the molecular weight of the compound, 32 is the mass of a sulfur, and  $n_s$  is the number of sulfur atoms in the molecule.

numbers are listed as row headings, and the chemical names are given as column headings.

The RSGs reported in Table 3 were sampled passively using the SPME fiber. The lowest calibration point for the method was about 0.8 parts per billion (ppb), or  $\sim 1 \mu\text{g-S}/\text{m}^3$ , a value limited more by our ability to dilute the calibration standard gas than by the instrument detection. In addition, the detection and quantification limits differ for the chemicals, depending on the passive sampling rate, and how each chemical partitions into the PDMS/Carboxen film. The integration method was set up to reject peak areas less than a value that represented approximate emission factors for hydrogen sulfide, carbonyl sulfide, sulfur dioxide, methyl mercaptan, ethyl mercaptan, and dimethyl sulfide of 0.54, 0.47, 0.21, 0.06, 0.01, and  $0.01 \mu\text{g-S}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ , respectively.

## CONCLUSION

Emission factors are reported for 75 chemicals, determined using four different sampling and analysis methods, and representing 30 different drywall samples encompassing both domestic and imported stock and a range of manufacturing types. The values reported here can be used to calculate preliminary exposure concentrations in residences by relating the emission factors to drywall loading in the residence. We note, however, that the measurements presented in this Interim Report were collected under a single set of environmental conditions, so there is uncertainty in relating emission factors derived from the small chamber measurements to whole-house exposure concentrations.

Further steps designed to reduce the uncertainty in predicted exposure concentrations might include experiments designed specifically to determine (1) the deposition velocity of emitted chemicals, including reactive sulfur gases, to common indoor surfaces; (2) the relationship between emission rates from drywall and ventilation rates more typical of residences; (3) the influence of temperature and relative humidity on emission factors; and (4) the effect of drywall coverings—including plasters, paints, and papers—that have differing porosities.

There may be opportunities for further interpretation of the emission factor data when the drywall materials are categorized (*i.e.*, domestic, imported, natural, synthetic, mixed, year of production). We anticipate that further data analyses can be performed to compare emissions of the chemical constituents and identify statistically different categories of material. After the data are categorized (based on either statistical analysis or empirical information, such as domestic versus imported, or synthetic versus natural), then standard procedures can be used to construct statistical distributions for emission factors. Such statistical distributions could facilitate analysis designed to reduce uncertainty by using probabilistic modeling to combine the laboratory-based emissions measurements with results from field studies that measure whole-house concentrations.

## FIGURES

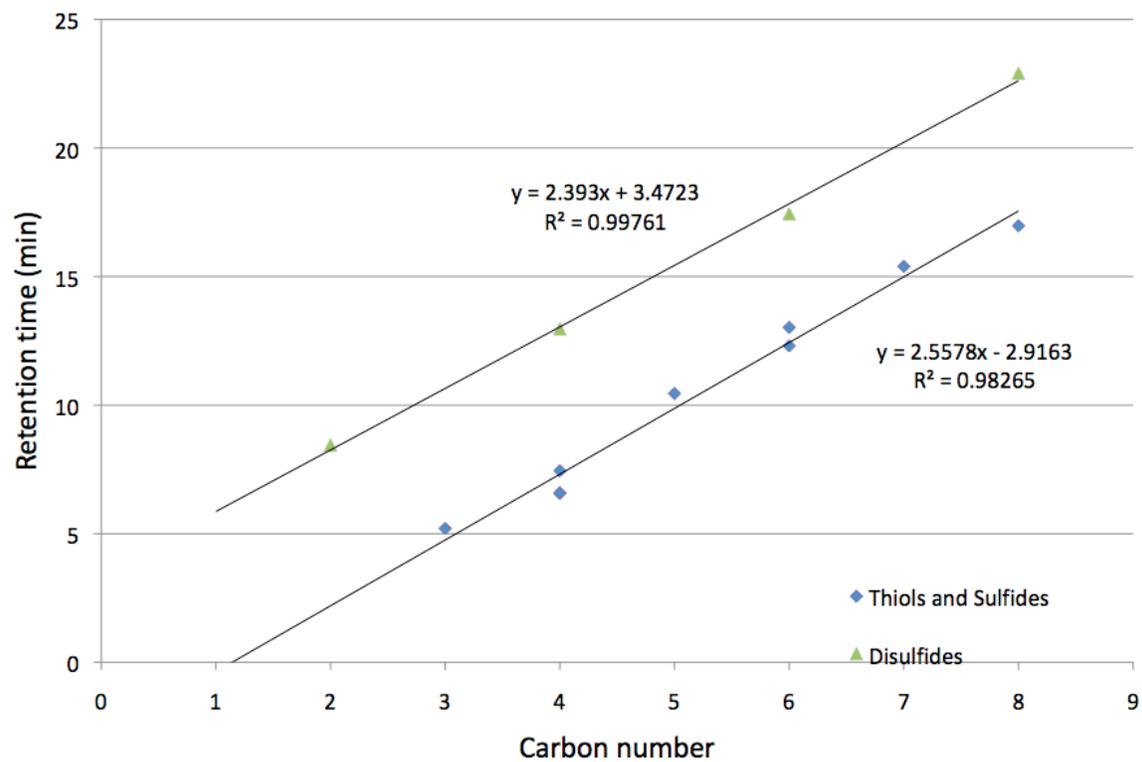


Figure 1: Relationships between chromatographic retention times using the method for volatile sulfur compounds and the number of carbon atoms in sulfides (solid diamonds) or symmetric disulfides (solid triangles).

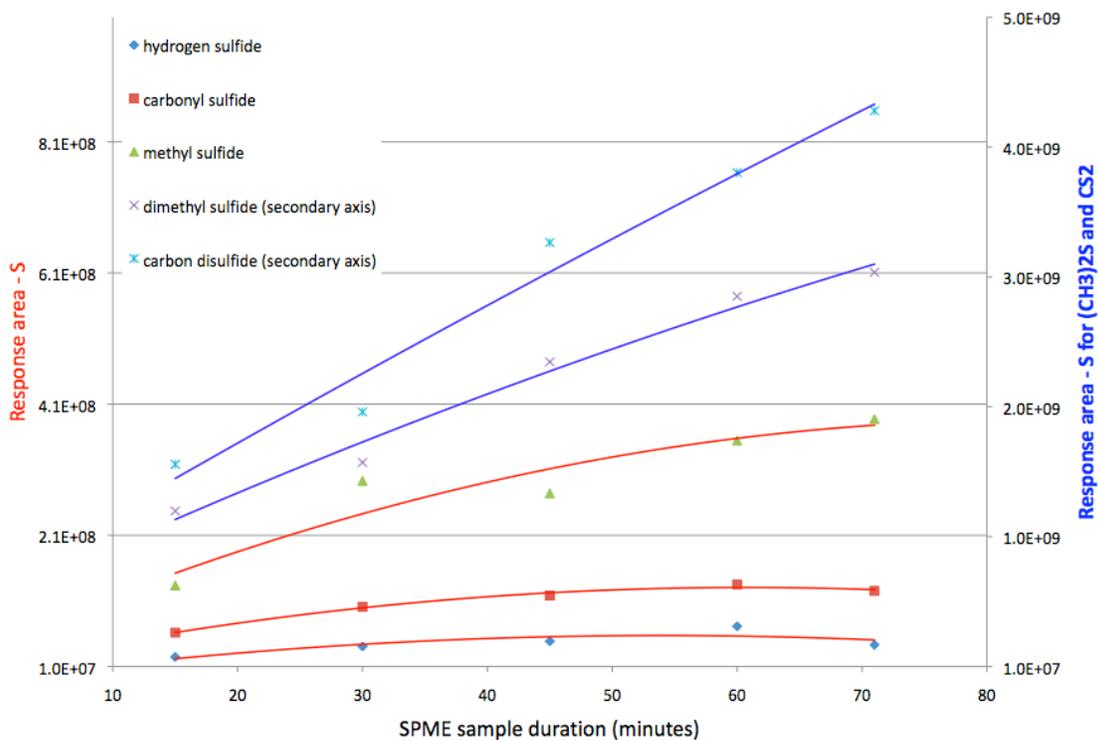


Figure 2: During development of the solid-phase microextraction (SPME) method, the sampling rate was evaluated to determine the optimum sampling time. Fifty minutes was selected as an appropriate sample time to provide adequate response for a range of chemicals within the time constraints of the analysis by gas chromatography. This figure also illustrates the difference in partitioning into the SPME fiber for the sulfur gases and shows that as the molecular size increases, the uptake rate becomes linear over the full 50-minute sampling period.

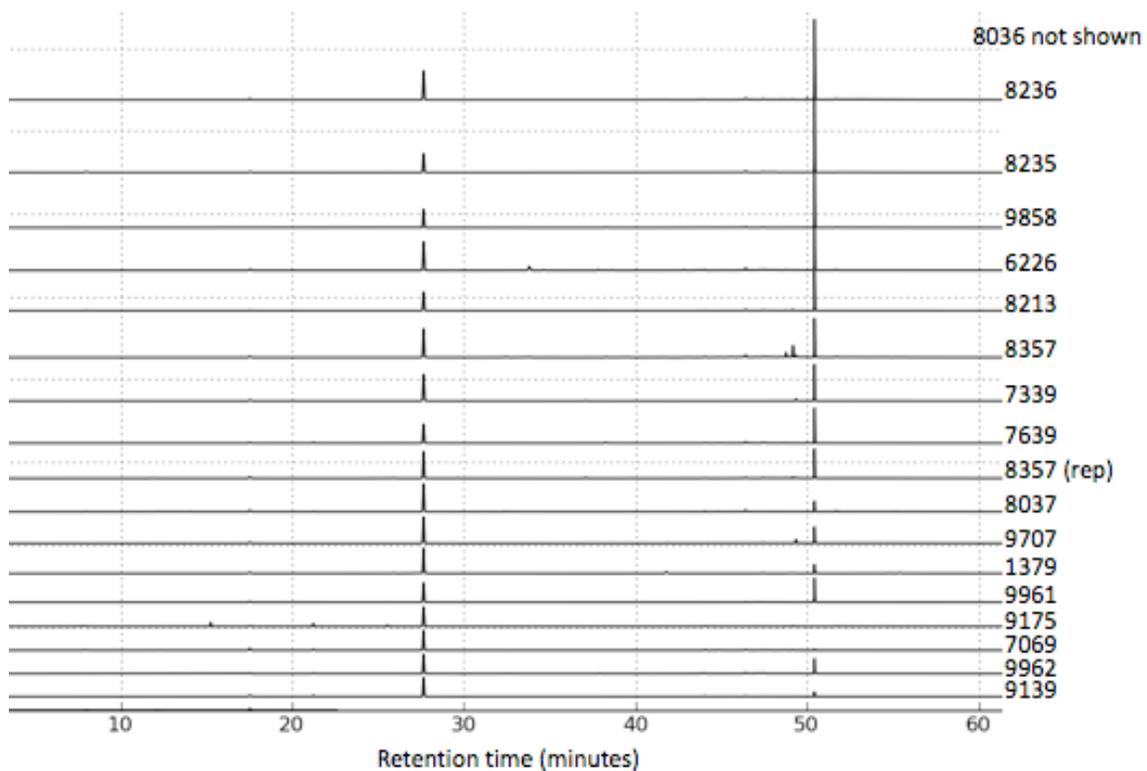


Figure 3: Total ion chromatograms for volatile organic compounds are compared for the first 17 samples tested. The peak at about 28 minutes is the internal standard added to each sample before analysis. The larger peak after 50 minutes represents butylated hydroxytoluene. Other chemicals were identified at very low concentrations, as shown in the chromatogram in Figure 4 and as reported in Table 1.

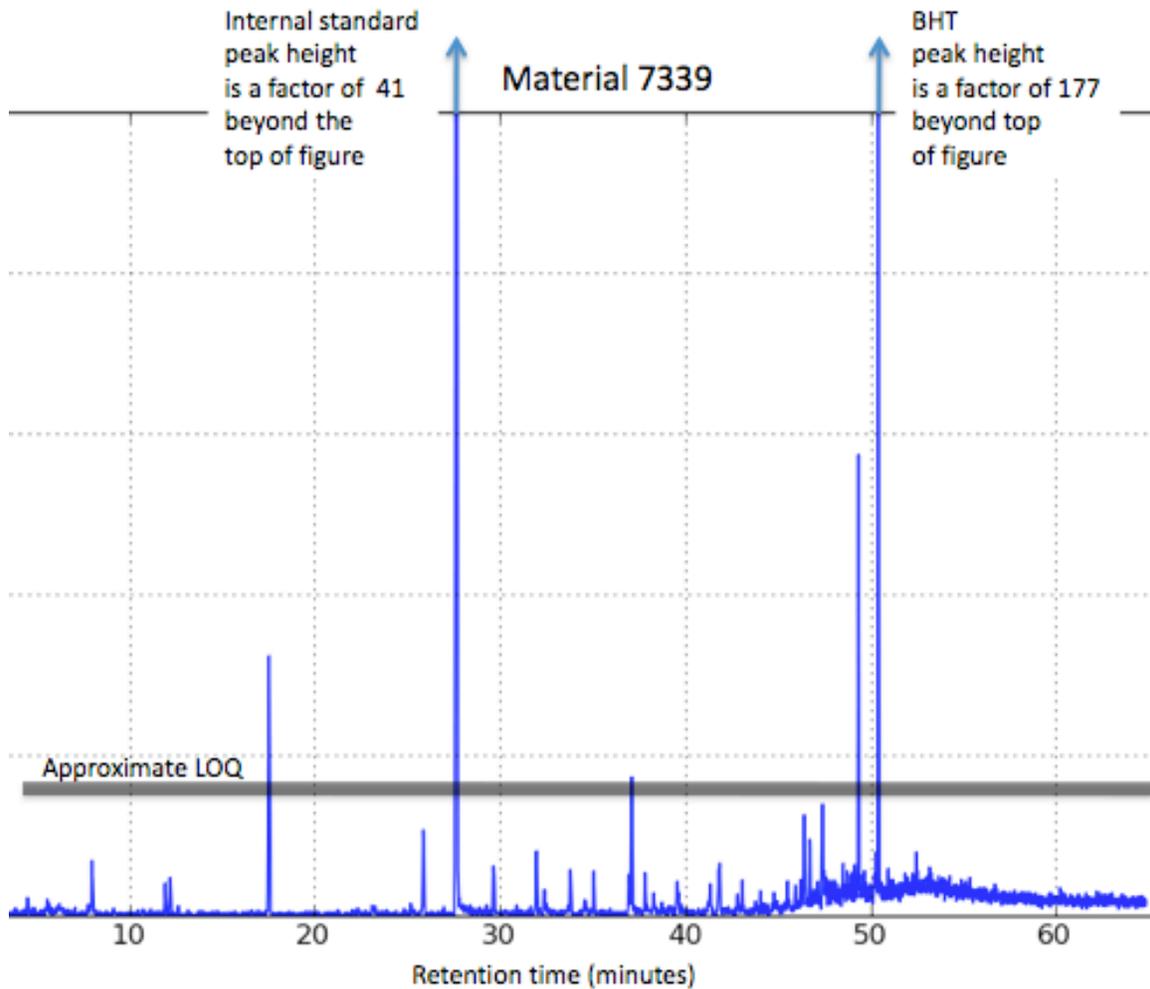


Figure 4: This figure zooms in on the chromatogram from Figure 3 at the peak height (y-axis) to show the chromatographic fingerprint of the lower-concentration volatile organic compounds in the emission stream for sample 7339. Only a few of the peaks (chemicals) exceed the approximate limit of quantitation of about 1 ng, representing an emission factor of  $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ .

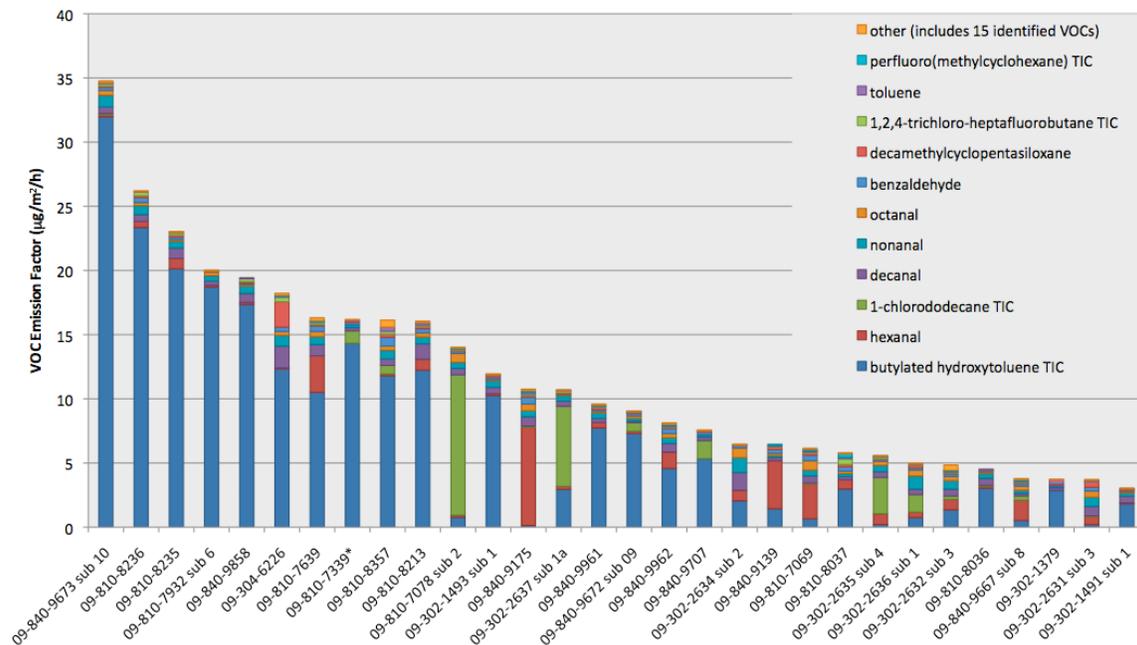


Figure 5: A compilation of total emissions of volatile organic compounds from the tested samples. The CPSC material tracking number is listed across the category axis. The legend lists the specific chemicals in the order in which they are stacked. The chemicals having "TIC" at the end of their names were quantified as toluene, based on their total ion chromatogram.

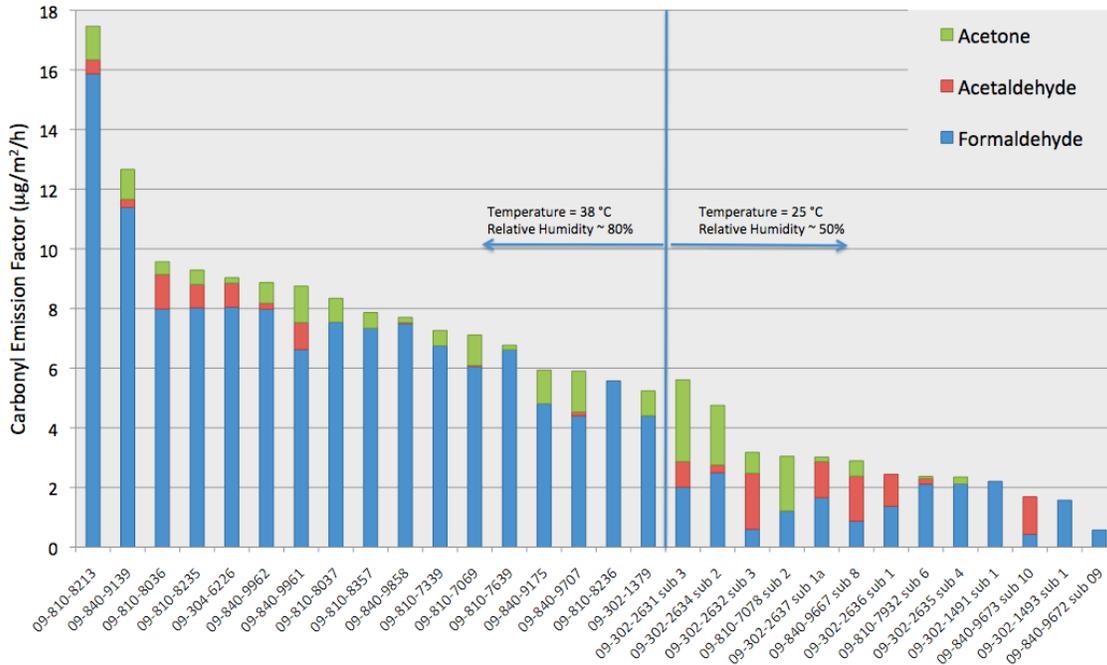


Figure 6: The sum of low molecular weight carbonyl emissions from the tested samples. The CPSC material tracking numbers are listed across the category axis. The legend lists the specific chemicals in the order in which they are stacked. Samples reported to the left of the vertical line were measured at a temperature of 38 C° ( $\pm 1\%$  coefficient of variation) and relative humidity (RH) of 69% ( $\pm 7\%$ ). The values to the right of the vertical line were measured at 25 C° ( $\pm 1\%$ ) and 49% RH ( $\pm 3\%$ ).

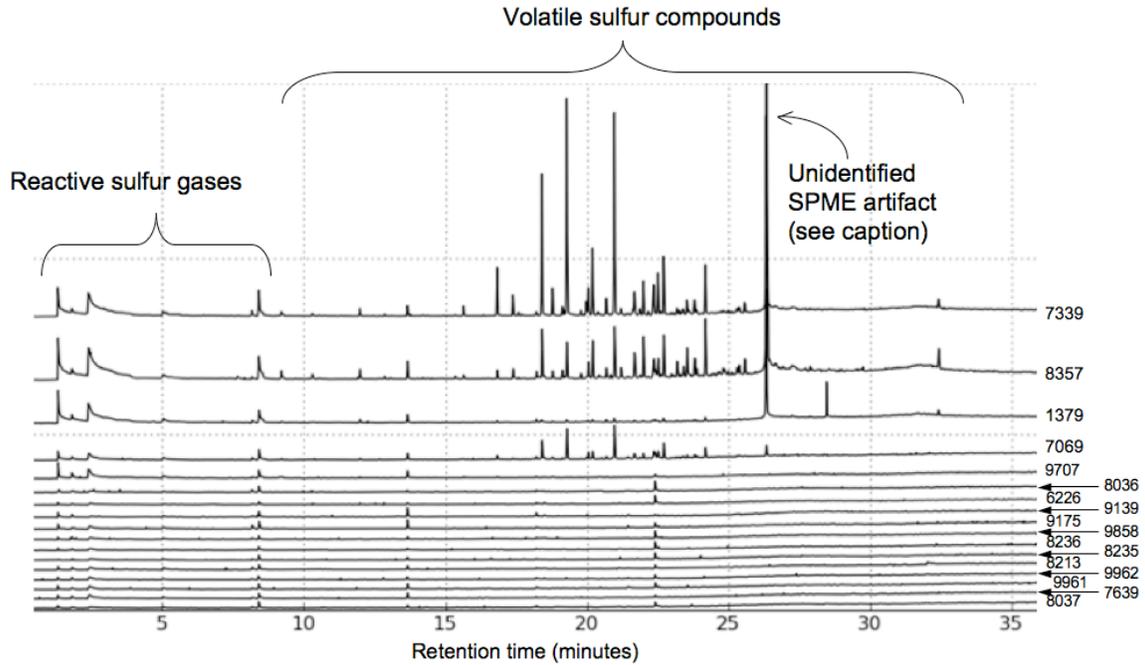


Figure 7: Comparison of sulfur gas emission fingerprints for the first 17 samples tested. The chromatograms are derived from 50-minute solid-phase microextraction (SPME) samples quantified using the sulfur chemiluminescence (SCD). Thus, although all sulfur gases emitted from the drywall samples (RSGs and VSCs) are shown, the response area of the peaks are not proportional to the relative strength of the individual chemical emissions. The RSGs are represented by the peaks eluting in the first eight minutes, and the VSCs are represented by the remaining peaks. The last four digits of the CPSC tracking number are listed down the right side of the figure. The chromatograms are sorted from top to bottom based on descending total sulfur gas emissions. The possible unidentified SPME artifact is discussed in the body of the report.

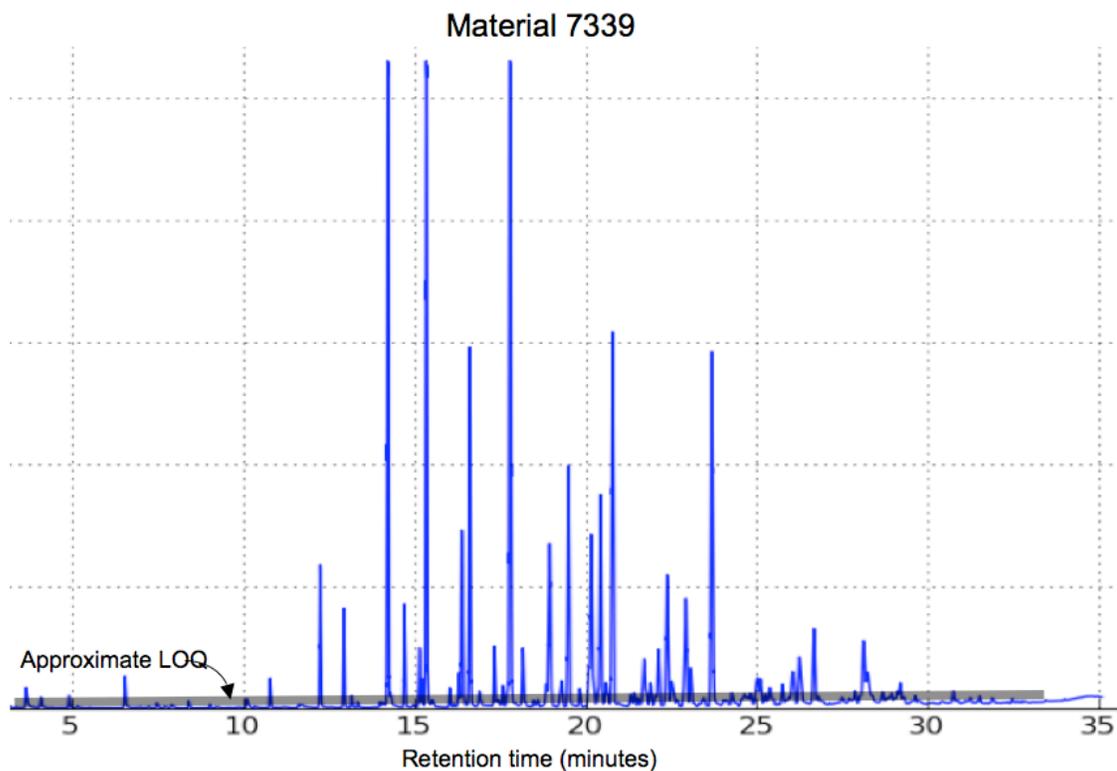


Figure 8: A single chromatogram from one of the samples listed in the previous figure, but using the sampling method for volatile sulfur compounds, not the SPME method. The grey line shows the approximate limit of quantification for this method. In this figure, given the equimolar response of the detector, the peak areas (and heights) are approximately proportional to the sulfur gas emission rate in terms of the mass of sulfur.

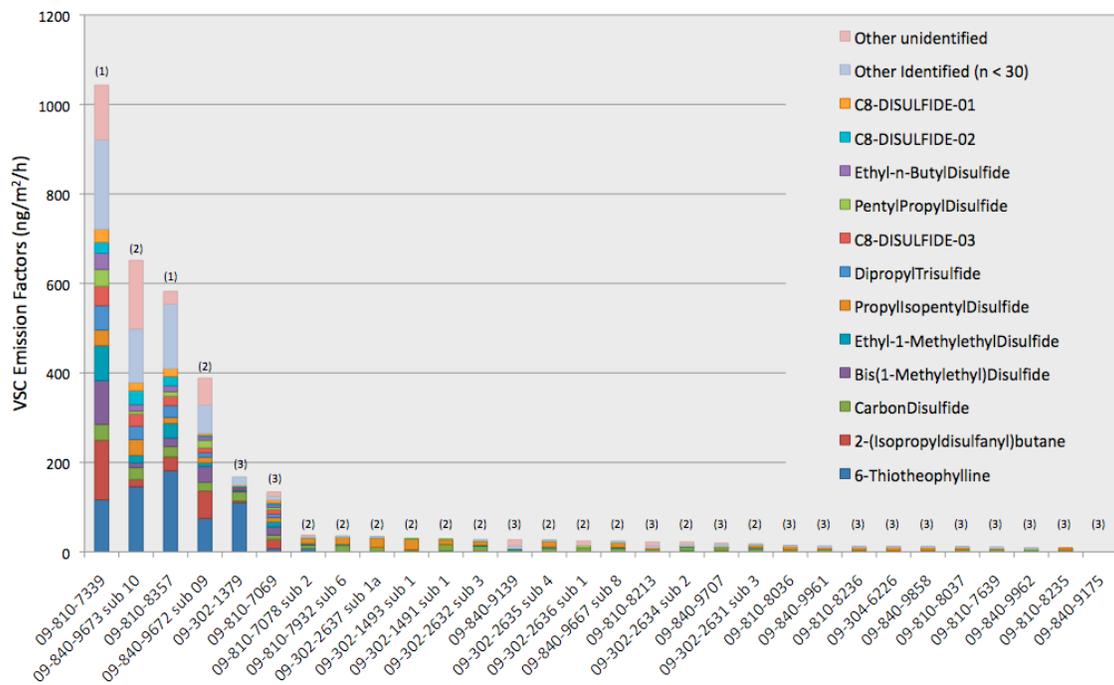


Figure 9: The sum of volatile sulfur (VSC) emissions from the tested samples. The CPSC material tracking number is listed across the category axis, and the legend lists the specific chemicals in the order in which they are stacked. The number in parenthesis above each column indicates the sampling and analysis method used for that sample where: (1) indicates that both the SPME-GC/SCD and TD-GC/SCD method were used; (2) indicates that the TD-GC/SCD method was used; and (3) indicates that the SPME-GC/SCD method was used. Note that the emission factors for the VSCs are reported in units of  $\text{ng}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ . The 12 chemicals listed capture > 80% of the chemical mass in the emission stream. The segment in the stacked columns labeled as “other identified ( $n < 30$ )” includes the sum of all remaining identified chemicals in the emissions stream. The top segment includes all remaining unidentified chemicals.

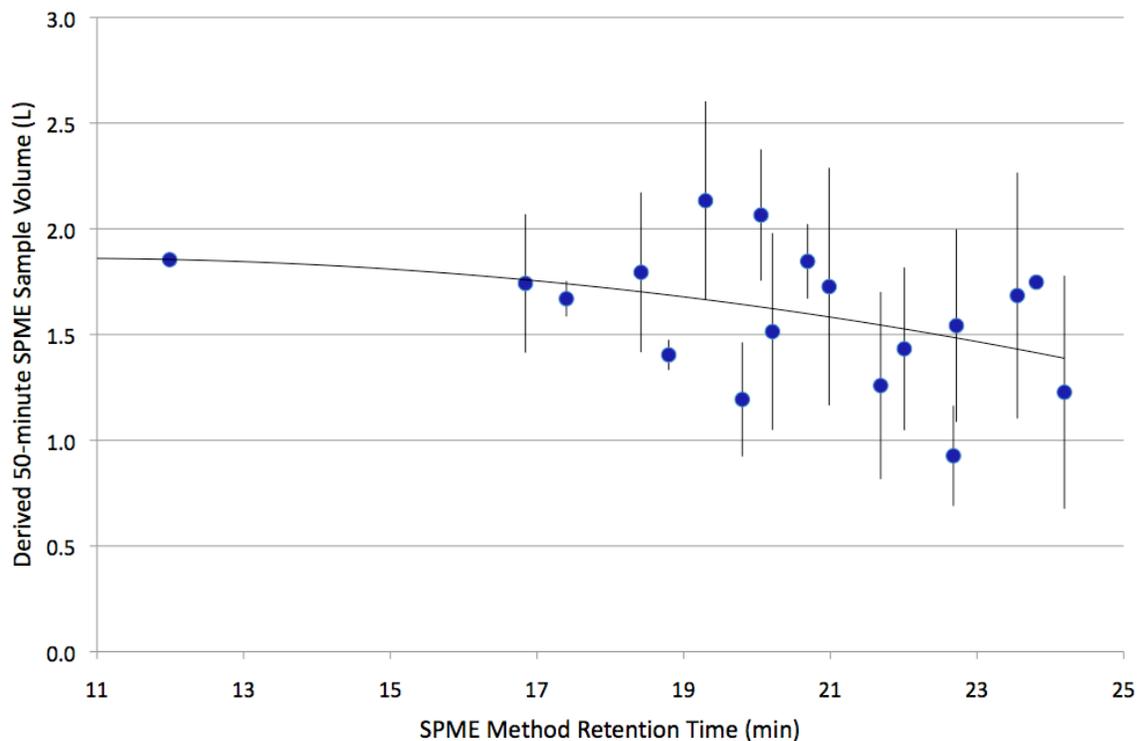


Figure 10: The relationship between the derived sample volume for a 50-minute SPME sample collected from the small chamber under standard conditions is shown across the range of retention times for the measured volatile sulfur compounds (VSCs) in the emission stream. The data presented here represent 70 sample pairs from five independent measurements collected from two different samples. The line indicating a decreasing trend in sample rate with increasing retention time can be explained by a decrease in chemical diffusivity with increasing molecular size. Because the trend is not significant over the limited range in which most of the measured VSCs elute (between 17 and 24 minutes), the data were used to estimate an average SPME sampling rate for all VSCs.

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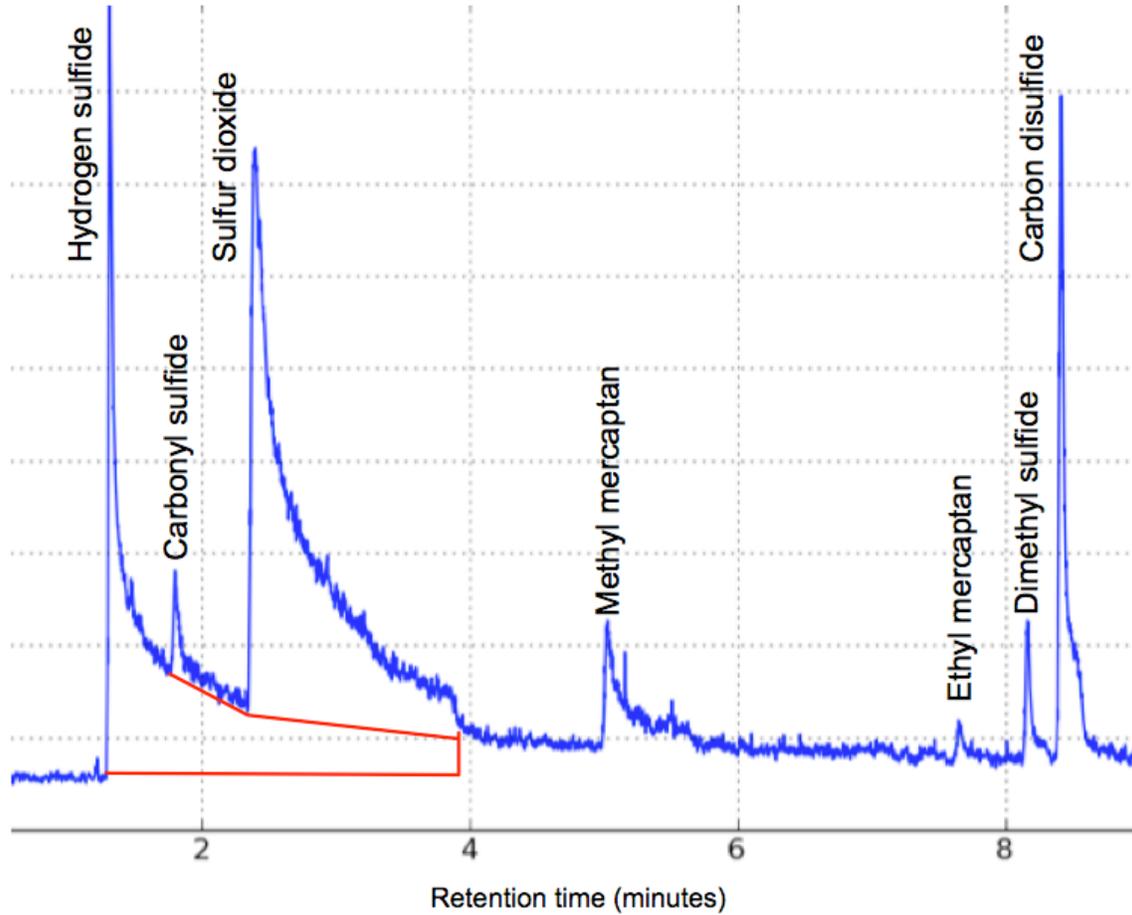


Figure 11: A zoomed region for material 7339 from Figure 7 with each peak identified. Significant tailing in the early eluting chemicals required a tangent skim method for peak integration to resolve the first three chemicals. The baselines for carbonyl sulfide and sulfur dioxide were drawn first as shown, to estimate the peak area for each chemical; then a second baseline encompassing all three peaks; was drawn and the area for hydrogen sulfide was determined by subtraction.

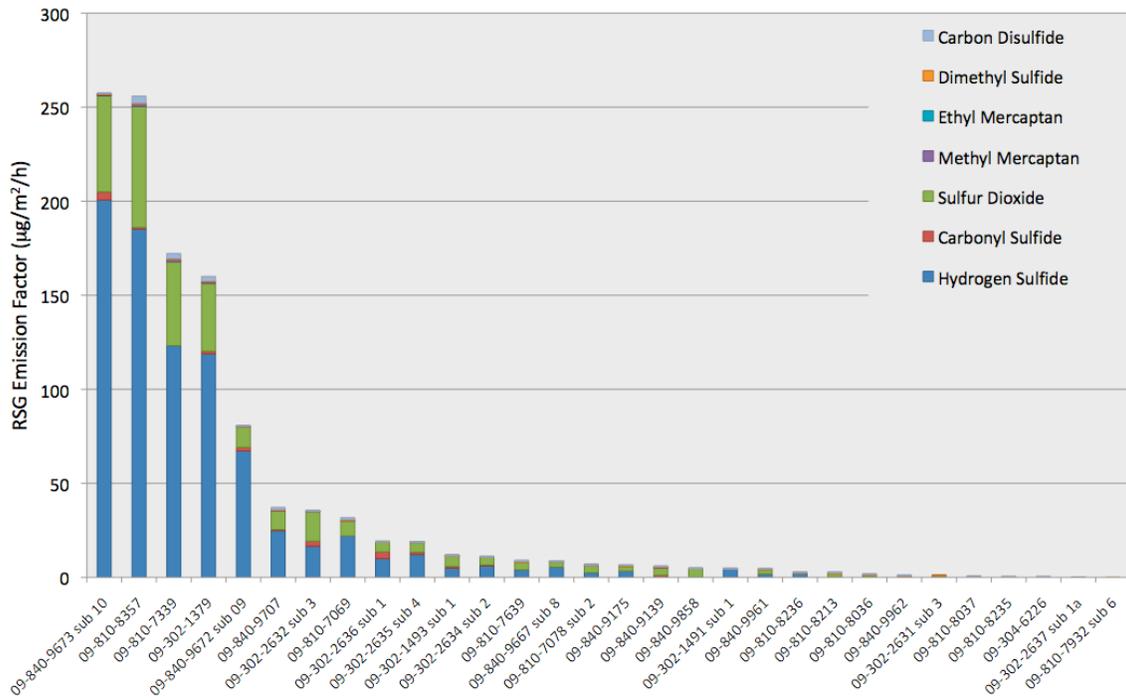


Figure 12: The sum of reactive sulfur gases. The CPSC material tracking number is listed across the category axis, and the legend lists the specific chemicals in the order in which they are stacked. The units are in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ , and actual values are listed in Table 3.

## TABLES

Table 1: Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-302-1379	09-302-1491 sub 1	09-302-1493 sub 1	09-302-2631 sub 3	09-302-2632 sub 3
Formaldehyde	<b>4.40</b>	<b>2.20</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>0.60</b>
Acetaldehyde				<b>0.86</b>	<b>1.88</b>
Acetone	<b>0.83</b>			<b>2.74</b>	<b>0.70</b>
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC <sup>5</sup>					0.01
Trichloroethylene					0.03
Toluene	<b>0.36</b>	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.12
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal		0.08	0.14	<b>0.63</b>	<b>0.81</b>
Ethylbenzene					0.02
m/p-xylene					0.05
$\alpha$ -pinene					
o-xylene					0.02
Styrene					
d-limonene					<b>0.22</b>
Benzaldehyde	0.06	0.10	0.16	<b>0.29</b>	0.19
1,4-dichlorobenzene					
Octanal		0.11	0.08	<b>0.48</b>	<b>0.33</b>
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	0.10	0.04	0.12	<b>0.43</b>	0.08
Nonanal	0.09	<b>0.21</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>0.69</b>	<b>0.63</b>
Phenol			0.03	0.04	
Naphthalene					0.02
Decanal	<b>0.21</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.72</b>	<b>0.53</b>
$\alpha$ -terpineol					
1-chlorododecane - TIC				0.07	<b>0.27</b>
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>2.86</b>	<b>1.81</b>	<b>10.25</b>	<b>0.20</b>	<b>1.35</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC		0.07	0.09	0.06	0.07
TXIB <sup>6</sup>					0.01
Diethylphthalate					

<sup>5</sup> A “- TIC” at the end of a chemical name indicates that the chemical was quantified based on the total ion chromatogram using the toluene calibration, so the values are reported as toluene equivalents.

<sup>6</sup> 2,2,4-Trimethyl-1,3-pentanediol di-isobutyrate, CAS 6846-50-0.

Table 1 (continued): Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-302-2634 sub 2	09-302-2635 sub 4	09-302-2636 sub 1	09-302-2637 sub 1a	09-304-6226
Formaldehyde	<b>2.49</b>	<b>2.12</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>1.66</b>	<b>8.04</b>
Acetaldehyde	0.26		<b>1.07</b>	<b>1.20</b>	<b>0.81</b>
Acetone	<b>2.00</b>	0.23		0.15	0.18
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC					0.07
Trichloroethylene					
Toluene	0.02	0.06	0.03	0.02	0.07
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal	<b>0.82</b>	<b>0.83</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.24</b>	0.01
Ethylbenzene					
m/p-xylene		0.01			
$\alpha$ -pinene					
o-xylene					
Styrene		0.01			
d-limonene					
Benzaldehyde	<b>0.23</b>	0.15	0.16	0.07	<b>0.34</b>
1,4-dichlorobenzene					
Octanal	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.45</b>	0.10	<b>0.31</b>
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	0.03	0.04	0.19	0.04	1.98
Nonanal	<b>1.12</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>0.80</b>
Phenol			0.02		0.08
Naphthalene					0.03
Decanal	<b>1.38</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>1.70</b>
$\alpha$ -terpineol					
1-chlorododecane - TIC		<b>2.83</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>6.23</b>	
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>2.06</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>2.95</b>	<b>12.39</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC		0.15	0.08	0.20	<b>0.34</b>
TXIB					0.02
Diethylphthalate					

Table 1 (continued): Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-810-7069	09-810-7078 sub 2	09-810-7339	09-810-7639	09-810-7932 sub 6
Formaldehyde	<b>6.06</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>6.75</b>	<b>6.62</b>	<b>2.11</b>
Acetaldehyde	0.03				0.19
Acetone	<b>1.02</b>	<b>1.83</b>	<b>0.51</b>	0.15	0.07
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC	0.12	0.04		0.02	0.02
Trichloroethylene					
Toluene	0.10	0.03	0.06	0.12	0.02
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal	<b>2.73</b>	0.17		<b>2.86</b>	0.14
Ethylbenzene	0.01			0.01	
m/p-xylene				0.01	
$\alpha$ -pinene					
o-xylene					
Styrene					
d-limonene				0.17	
Benzaldehyde	<b>0.42</b>	0.17	0.18	<b>0.43</b>	0.07
1,4-dichlorobenzene					
Octanal	<b>0.73</b>	<b>0.69</b>		<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.31</b>
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	0.17	0.04	0.12	0.11	
Nonanal	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.44</b>	0.19	<b>0.58</b>	<b>0.38</b>
Phenol	0.01	0.04	0.04		
Naphthalene	0.02			0.03	
Decanal	<b>0.54</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>0.33</b>
$\alpha$ -terpineol					
1-chlorododecane - TIC	0.08	<b>10.94</b>	<b>0.97</b>		
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>0.64</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>14.33</b>	<b>10.50</b>	<b>18.71</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC	0.06	0.13		0.15	
TXIB				0.02	
Diethylphthalate					

Table 1 (continued): Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-810-8036	09-810-8037	09-810-8213	09-810-8235	09-810-8236
Formaldehyde	<b>7.98</b>	<b>7.54</b>	<b>15.87</b>	<b>8.02</b>	<b>5.57</b>
Acetaldehyde	<b>1.16</b>		<b>0.47</b>	<b>0.78</b>	
Acetone	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.80</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>0.48</b>	
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC		<b>0.35</b>			
Trichloroethylene					
Toluene	0.02	0.09	0.18	0.09	0.07
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal	<b>0.20</b>	<b>0.73</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>0.81</b>	<b>0.47</b>
Ethylbenzene			0.01		
m/p-xylene			0.02	0.01	
$\alpha$ -pinene					
o-xylene					
Styrene		0.01	0.01		
d-limonene					
Benzaldehyde	0.12	<b>0.34</b>	<b>0.33</b>	0.19	<b>0.38</b>
1,4-dichlorobenzene					
Octanal	0.13	0.18	<b>0.31</b>	0.14	<b>0.23</b>
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	0.06	0.18	0.16	0.14	0.13
Nonanal	<b>0.37</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.67</b>
Phenol			0.03		
Naphthalene			0.01		
Decanal	<b>0.54</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>1.19</b>	<b>0.80</b>	<b>0.53</b>
$\alpha$ -terpineol					
1-chlorododecane - TIC	0.02				
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>3.04</b>	<b>2.97</b>	<b>12.23</b>	<b>20.13</b>	<b>23.35</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC	0.04	<b>0.44</b>	0.12	0.17	<b>0.29</b>
TXIB		0.01	0.02		
Diethylphthalate					

Table 1 (continued): Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-810-8357	09-840-9139	09-840-9175	09-840-9667 sub 8	09-840-9672 sub 09
Formaldehyde	<b>7.34</b>	<b>11.39</b>	<b>4.81</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.57</b>
Acetaldehyde		0.27		<b>1.50</b>	
Acetone	<b>0.52</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>0.51</b>	
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC		0.09	0.10	0.15	0.04
Trichloroethylene					
Toluene	<b>0.32</b>	0.06	0.16	0.02	0.02
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal	0.14	<b>3.75</b>	<b>7.72</b>	<b>1.57</b>	0.18
Ethylbenzene	0.06		0.02		
m/p-xylene	0.15		0.06		
$\alpha$ -pinene	0.03				
o-xylene	0.10				
Styrene	0.01		0.01		
d-limonene					
Benzaldehyde	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.29</b>	<b>0.53</b>	<b>0.24</b>	0.16
1,4-dichlorobenzene					
Octanal	<b>0.34</b>	0.17	<b>0.52</b>	<b>0.32</b>	0.17
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	<b>0.23</b>	0.18	0.11	0.02	0.07
Nonanal	<b>0.64</b>	0.12	<b>0.45</b>	<b>0.22</b>	0.18
Phenol	0.01				
Naphthalene	0.01		0.01		
Decanal	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.25</b>	<b>0.71</b>	<b>0.20</b>	0.13
$\alpha$ -terpineol	0.01				
1-chlorododecane - TIC	<b>0.67</b>		0.04	<b>0.34</b>	<b>0.66</b>
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>11.79</b>	<b>1.44</b>	0.13	<b>0.53</b>	<b>7.30</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC	<b>0.23</b>	0.08	0.12	0.12	0.07
TXIB	0.03				
Diethylphthalate	0.08				

Table 1 (continued): Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for volatile organic compounds and aldehydes

	09-840-9673 sub 10	09-840-9707	09-840-9858	09-840-9961	09-840-9962
Formaldehyde		<b>4.40</b>	<b>7.50</b>	<b>6.62</b>	<b>7.98</b>
Acetaldehyde		0.13	0.03	<b>0.90</b>	0.20
Acetone		<b>1.37</b>	0.18	<b>1.23</b>	<b>0.69</b>
Perfluoro(methylcyclohexane) TIC				0.01	0.09
Trichloroethylene					
Toluene	0.02	0.07	0.09	0.13	0.08
Tetrachloroethylene					
Hexanal	0.17		0.16	<b>0.42</b>	<b>1.28</b>
Ethylbenzene				0.02	
m/p-xylene				0.05	
$\alpha$ -pinene					
o-xylene					
Styrene	0.01				
d-limonene					
Benzaldehyde	<b>0.23</b>	<b>0.20</b>	0.10	0.12	<b>0.39</b>
1,4-dichlorobenzene					0.05
Octanal	<b>0.38</b>		0.12	0.12	<b>0.32</b>
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	0.10	0.08	0.12	0.17	0.10
Nonanal	<b>0.88</b>	0.15	<b>0.54</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.42</b>
Phenol	0.08				
Naphthalene					
Decanal	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.28</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.67</b>
$\alpha$ -terpineol					
1-chlorododecane - TIC	0.10	<b>1.42</b>			
Butylated hydroxytoluene TIC	<b>31.97</b>	<b>5.33</b>	<b>17.36</b>	<b>7.73</b>	<b>4.58</b>
1,2,4-trichloro-heptafluorobutane -TIC	<b>0.23</b>		<b>0.21</b>	0.05	0.05
TXIB	0.01				
Diethylphthalate					

Table 2: Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-302-1379	09-302-1491 sub 1	09-302-1493 sub 1	09-302-2631 sub 3	09-302-2632 sub 3
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS <sup>7</sup>	2.62				
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS					
1-Propanethiol-PS					
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS					
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS	6.00				
sec-Butyl Mercaptan					
1-Pentanethiol-PS					
1,3-Propanedithiol					
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide					1.05
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS					
Diethyl Disulfide-PS					
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS					
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide	2.71			0.68	0.65
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide				1.27	1.52
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide					
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide	2.58				
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide					
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	1.88				
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS	2.19				
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS	2.51				
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanyl)butane	3.73				
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide					
C8-DISULFIDE-01	2.66				
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
C8-DISULFIDE-02	2.13				
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol					
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide		10.12	22.85	7.20	8.48
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide		2.15	2.15	0.81	1.67
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS					
C8-DISULFIDE-03	3.02				
C8-DISULFIDE-04					
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide					
Benzothiazole					
Dipropyl Trisulfide					
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide					
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol					
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide					
6-Thiotheophylline	110.36	2.49	3.37		0.96
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur	5.21				

<sup>7</sup> A “-PS” at the end of a chemical name indicates that it was identified using a pure standard.

Table 2 (continued): Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-302-2634 sub 2	09-302-2635 sub 4	09-302-2636 sub 1	09-302-2637 sub 1a	09-304-6226
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS					
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS					
1-Propanethiol-PS					
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS					
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS				0.26	1.71
sec-Butyl Mercaptan					
1-Pentanethiol-PS					
1,3-Propanedithiol					
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide				1.21	
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS					
Diethyl Disulfide-PS					
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS					
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide	0.66	0.37			
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	1.28	0.87			
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide					
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide					
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide					
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS					
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS					
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanylbutane					
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide					
C8-DISULFIDE-01					
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
C8-DISULFIDE-02					
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol					
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide		13.44		21.51	8.37
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide	1.39	1.76	6.38	1.50	
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS					
C8-DISULFIDE-03					
C8-DISULFIDE-04					
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide					
Benzothiazole					
Dipropyl Trisulfide					
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide					
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol					
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide					
6-Thiotheophylline	2.61			0.62	
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur					

Table 2 (continued): Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-810-7069	09-810-7078 sub 2	09-810-7339	09-810-7639	09-810-7932 sub 6
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS	1.17		3.93		
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS			0.70		
1-Propanethiol-PS			1.23		
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS			0.77		
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS	4.27		3.07	3.53	
sec-Butyl Mercaptan			0.74		
1-Pentanethiol-PS			0.31		
1,3-Propanedithiol			2.21		
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide	2.76	1.78	18.34		
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS		0.64			
Diethyl Disulfide-PS			8.74		
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS		0.15	1.20		
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide	11.11	1.27	78.11		0.56
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide		0.48	13.82		1.05
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide			5.05		
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide			3.29		
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide	18.24	0.24	97.75		
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide			1.98		
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide			15.74		
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	6.05		36.21		
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS			16.47		
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS			6.61		
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanylbutane	20.96		133.14		
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide			5.53		
C8-DISULFIDE-01	6.80		29.16		
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide			5.45		
C8-DISULFIDE-02	3.75		24.17		
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol			2.92		
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide	9.55	12.14	35.10	2.08	16.02
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide	5.43	1.36	37.55		2.04
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS					
C8-DISULFIDE-03	9.55		43.60		
C8-DISULFIDE-04			10.40		
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide			15.36		
Benzothiazole			24.34		
Dipropyl Trisulfide	7.84		54.23		
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide			9.23		
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol			12.39		
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide			19.18		
6-Thiotheophylline	7.25	7.73	116.48		
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur			7.33		

Table 2 (continued): Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-810-8036	09-810-8037	09-810-8213	09-810-8235	09-810-8236
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS					
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS					
1-Propanethiol-PS					
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS					
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS	1.51	1.38	2.82		1.57
sec-Butyl Mercaptan					
1-Pentanethiol-PS					
1,3-Propanedithiol					
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide					
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS					
Diethyl Disulfide-PS					
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS					
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide					
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide					
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide					
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide					
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide					
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS					
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS					
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanyl)butane					
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide			1.98		
C8-DISULFIDE-01					
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide					
C8-DISULFIDE-02					
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol					
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide	8.90	5.86	3.60	5.28	7.47
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide					
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS					
C8-DISULFIDE-03					
C8-DISULFIDE-04					
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide					
Benzothiazole					
Dipropyl Trisulfide					
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide					
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol					
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide					
6-Thiotheophylline					
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur					

Table 2 (continued): Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-810-8357	09-840-9139	09-840-9175	09-840-9667 sub 8	09-840-9672 sub 09
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS	5.40				1.20
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS	0.51				
1-Propanethiol-PS	2.94				
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS	1.74				
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS	6.63	5.98			
sec-Butyl Mercaptan	0.68				
1-Pentanethiol-PS	0.54				
1,3-Propanedithiol	1.97				0.89
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide	4.94				10.94
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS					
Diethyl Disulfide-PS	7.15				0.51
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS					0.48
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide	32.97	2.97		0.63	8.64
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	2.14			1.24	12.42
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide	2.86				0.81
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide	6.17				0.72
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide	18.89				35.07
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide	1.12				0.52
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide	5.98				3.18
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	13.04				7.49
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS	17.50				4.14
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS	4.42				5.38
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanylbutane	25.39				61.42
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide	17.38				
C8-DISULFIDE-01	18.09				4.28
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	3.07				3.22
C8-DISULFIDE-02	20.73				3.07
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol	0.75				2.06
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide	13.07			10.90	12.10
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide	10.64			1.81	17.43
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS					
C8-DISULFIDE-03	20.55				10.48
C8-DISULFIDE-04	9.05				1.34
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide	16.23				1.82
Benzothiazole	15.74				7.07
Dipropyl Trisulfide	26.54				10.14
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide	7.49				2.63
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol	9.35				1.98
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide	6.57				2.25
6-Thiotheophylline	181.44				74.90
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur	12.67				

Table 2 (continued): Emission factors (ng-S/m<sup>2</sup>/h) for volatile sulfur compounds

	09-840-9673 sub 10	09-840-9707	09-840-9858	09-840-9961	09-840-9962
Isopropyl Mercaptan-PS	2.16				
tert-Butyl Mercaptan-PS	0.64				
1-Propanethiol-PS	0.44				
tert-Amyl Mercaptan-PS	0.65				
Dimethyl Disulfide-PS	0.37	5.18	2.01	3.89	2.06
sec-Butyl Mercaptan	0.40				
1-Pentanethiol-PS	0.63				
1,3-Propanedithiol	1.33				
Methyl Isopropyl Disulfide	2.31				
di-n-PropylSulfide-PS					
Diethyl Disulfide-PS	4.36				
Methyl Propyl Disulfide-PS	0.60				
Ethyl-1-Methylethyl Disulfide	16.87				
Methyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	1.97				
1,1-Dimethylethyl Ethyl Disulfide	4.85				
Ethyl-n-Propyl Disulfide	1.01				
Bis(1-Methylethyl)Disulfide	10.55				
(1-Methylethyl)(1,1-Dimethylethyl)Disulfide	2.63				
1-Methylethyl Propyl Disulfide	6.96				
Ethyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	14.36				
Di-n-butyl Sulfide-PS	1.02				
Dipropyl Disulfide-PS	1.18				
2-(Isopropyl)disulfanyl)butane	16.41				
Ethylisopentyl Disulfide	9.65				
C8-DISULFIDE-01	17.85				
Propyl-n-Butyl Disulfide	3.67				
C8-DISULFIDE-02	31.37				
o-(Propylthio)-Phenol	1.35				
Propyl Isopentyl Disulfide	35.38	0.95	7.27	4.45	
Pentyl Propyl Disulfide	6.56	0.47			3.73
Di-sec-Butyl Disulfide-PS	8.84				
C8-DISULFIDE-03	27.30				
C8-DISULFIDE-04	12.05				
Pentyl(1-methylethyl)Disulfide	19.08				
Benzothiazole	8.53				
Dipropyl Trisulfide	29.69				
n-Propyl-n-Hexyl Disulfide	7.67				
2-[(2-Methylpropyl)thiol]-Phenol	8.83				
n-Butyl-n-Pentyl Disulfide	6.94				
6-Thiotheophylline	145.40	2.73			
CyclicOctaatomicSulfur					

Table 3. Emission factors ( $\mu\text{g-S}/\text{m}^2/\text{h}$ ) for reactive sulfur gases

	Hydrogen Sulfide	Carbonyl Sulfide	Sulfur Dioxide	Methyl Mercaptan	Ethyl Mercaptan	Dimethyl Sulfide	Carbon Disulfide
09-302-1379	118.83	1.35	36.09	0.93		0.40	2.44
09-302-1491 sub 1	4.60			0.27		0.02	0.05
09-302-1493 sub 1	4.86	0.90	5.89	0.25		0.01	0.04
09-302-2631 sub 3			1.13	0.04		0.01	
09-302-2632 sub 3	16.56	2.70	15.73	0.46	0.03	0.01	0.12
09-302-2634 sub 2	6.33	0.27	4.58			0.01	0.08
09-302-2635 sub 4	12.13	1.21	5.50	0.22		0.01	0.08
09-302-2636 sub 1	9.96	3.62	5.21	0.40		0.02	0.08
09-302-2637 sub 1a				0.02		0.00	0.02
09-304-6226						0.18	0.45
09-810-7069	22.04		8.13	0.27		0.31	1.08
09-810-7078 sub 2	2.45		4.37	0.02		0.01	0.02
09-810-7339	123.16		44.60	1.33		0.44	2.70
09-810-7639	3.99		4.24			0.24	0.72
09-810-7932 sub 6						0.00	
09-810-8036			1.36			0.23	0.48
09-810-8037						0.18	0.69
09-810-8213			2.00			0.31	0.67
09-810-8235	0.12					0.16	0.36
09-810-8236	2.39					0.15	0.48
09-810-8357	185.14	0.87	64.36	1.47		0.36	3.67
09-840-9139		1.12	4.11	0.15		0.31	0.53
09-840-9175	3.32		2.53			0.38	0.59
09-840-9667 sub 8	5.48		3.01	0.27		0.01	0.02
09-840-9672 sub 09	67.21	1.88	11.09	0.39		0.02	0.23
09-840-9673 sub 10	200.69	4.25	51.04	1.06	0.05	0.03	0.59
09-840-9707	24.75	0.66	10.25	0.10		0.29	1.21
09-840-9858			4.99				0.13
09-840-9961	1.74		2.54			0.16	0.49
09-840-9962			0.61			0.19	0.54

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