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1 Introduction

Stratford Coal Pty Limited (DCPL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Yancoal Australia Limited (Yancoal), has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct monthly noise monitoring for the Stratford Mining Complex (SMC) operations guided by the requirements of the *Stratford Mining Complex (Stratford Extension Project) Noise Management Plan* (NMP), Document No. NMP-R01-A, dated March 2018. This report presents the results and findings from the operator-attended noise surveys conducted between Wednesday 30 January 2019 and Thursday 31 January 2019.

It is understood that the SMC collectively comprises the Stratford Coal Mine (SCM), the Bowens Road North Open Cut (BRNOC) and the associated coal processing and handling facilities. Run-of-mine (ROM) coal from the Duralie Coal Mine (DCM) is transported by rail to the SMC, where it is processed along with ROM coal from the SCM and BRNOC. SMC coal is then loaded and railed on the North Coast Railway to the port of Newcastle.

The objectives of the noise monitoring programme for this operating period were as follows:

- Conduct three rounds of external operator-attended noise measurements at the six nominated locations, representative of receivers in the area surrounding the SMC. The six nominated external operator-attended noise measurement locations are:
  - Atkins – Off Wenhams Cox Road, Stratford
  - Clarke – Off Wenhams Cox Road, Stratford
  - Hall – Upper Avon Road
  - Lowrey – Off Crowthers Road, Stratford
  - Pryce Jones – The Bucketts Way, Craven
  - Van der Drift – Wood Street. Stratford

  Noise monitoring will occur for a day, evening and night period. The day, evening and night periods being those defined in the NSW *Industrial Noise Policy* (EPA 2000).
- The operator will quantify and characterise the maximum (L_{Amax}) and the intrusive (L_{Aeq} and L_{Ceq}) noise level contributions from SMC operations over a 15 minute measurement period. In addition, the operator will quantify and characterise the overall levels of ambient noise (i.e. L_{Amax}, L_{A1}, L_{A10}, L_{A50}, L_{A90}, and L_{Aeq}) over the 15 minute measurement interval.
- Assess the noise emissions of SMC and determine compliance with respect to the limits contained in the NMP.

In addition to monthly noise monitoring at the nominated residential receivers, the NMP requires quarterly noise monitoring of rail activity and verification monitoring of the Real Time Noise Monitor (RTNM) network however these were not conducted during the January monitoring.

The following report uses specialist acoustic terminology. An explanation of common terms is provided in **Appendix A**.

2 SMC Noise Criteria

The figures presented in this Section are extracts from the *Stratford Extension Project* (SSD-4966) Development Consent dated 29 May 2015.

2.1 Project Approval Schedule 3 Environmental Performance Conditions

ACQUISITION UPON REQUEST

1. Upon receiving a written request for acquisition from an owner of the land listed in Table 1, the Applicant shall acquire the land in accordance with the procedures in conditions 5-6 of Schedule 4.

Table 1: Land subject to acquisition upon request

Property ID	
40/51/Cr1 – L. Blanch	42 – D. Blanch
Cr7 – Pryce-Jones	Cr 2 – Boorer

Note: To interpret the location referred to in Table 1 see the applicable figure in Appendix 5.

However, the obligation to acquire a property does not apply if the Applicant has a negotiated agreement with the owner/s of the relevant land that sets aside acquisition under the terms of this consent, and the Applicant has advised the Department in writing of the terms of this agreement.

ADDITIONAL MITIGATION UPON REQUEST

2. Upon receiving a written request from the owner of any residence on the land listed in Tables 1 and 2, the Applicant shall implement additional noise mitigation measures (such as double glazing, insulation, and/or air conditioning) at the residence in consultation with the owner. These measures must be reasonable and feasible and directed towards reducing the noise impacts of the development on the residence.

If within 3 months of receiving this request from the owner, the Applicant and the owner cannot agree on the measures to be implemented, or there is a dispute about the implementation of these measures, then either party may refer the matter to the Secretary for resolution.

Table 2: Land subject to additional noise mitigation upon request

Property ID	Property ID
31(1) – Isaac	60 – Healy / Greenwood
44 – Cross / Jane	36 – Wallace
37 – Worth	29 – Ward
15(3) – Falla	

Note: To interpret the locations referred to in Table 2 see the applicable figure in Appendix 5.

However, the obligation to implement noise mitigation measures does not apply if the Applicant has a negotiated agreement with the owner/s of the relevant residence or land that sets aside noise mitigation measures under the terms of this consent, and the Applicant has advised the Department in writing of the terms of this agreement.

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Hours of Operation

3. The Applicant shall comply with the operating hours in Table 3.

Table 3: Operating hours

Activity	Operating Hours
• Open cut mining operations in the Bowens Road North and Roseville West Extension pits • Recovery and transport of CHPP rejects for re-processing • Construction of the noise mitigation bunds on the western side of the Avon North, Roseville West Extension and Stratford East pits	7 am to 6 pm, 7 days per week
• Open cut mining operations in the Avon North and Stratford East pits • Coal processing, loading and dispatch of product coal trains	24 hours a day, 7 days per
• Maintenance activities	week

Noise Criteria

4. The Applicant shall ensure that the noise generated by the development does not exceed the criteria in Table 4 at any residence on privately-owned land.

Table 4: Noise criteria dB(A)

Land	Day $L_{Aeq(15\ min)}$	Evening $L_{Aeq(15\ min)}$	Night $L_{Aeq(15\ min)}$	Night $L_{A1\ (1\ min)}$
40/51/Cr1 – L. Blanch	43	43	43	50
Cr7 – Pryce-Jones	43	43	43	49
42 – D. Blanch	42	42	42	50
Cr 2 – Boorer	41	41	41	49
31(1) – Isaac	40	40	40	48
36 – Wallace	39	39	39	47
44 – Cross / Jane				
60 – Healy / Greenwood	39	39	39	45
37 – Worth	38	38	38	46
29 – Ward	38	38	37	45
23 – Bagnall	37	37	37	45
31(2) – Isaac				
296 – Watson				
297 – Bosma				
298 – Yates	36	36	36	45
15(3) – Falla	39	35	35	45
15(2) – Falla	36	35	35	45
Stratford Village	37	36	35	45
All other privately-owned residences	35	35	35	45

- *To interpret the locations referred to in Table 4 see the applicable figure(s) in Appendix 5.*
- *Stratford village is shown on the figure(s) in Appendix 5.*

2.2 EPL Noise Limits – SMC Operations

The noise limits specified in EPL 5161 are consistent with the noise criteria specified in SSD-4966.

2.3 Noise Limits at the Nominated Attended Noise Monitoring Locations

The site specific noise limits for the six nominated attended noise monitoring locations are summarised in **Table 1**.

Table 1 Noise Limits for the Nominated Noise Monitoring Locations

Locality	Intrusiveness Criteria $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$			Night $L_{A1(1minute)}$ Criterion
	Day	Evening	Night	Night
Atkins[1]	35	35	35	45
Clarke[1,2]	37	37	37	45
Hall	35	35	35	45
Lowrey	35	35	35	45
Pryce Jones[3]	43	43	43	49
Van der Drift	37	36	35	45

Note 1: Owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd

Note 2: Criteria adopted from Bagnall as a guide only and are not definitive at this location.

Note 3: Land subject to acquisition upon request.

3 Operational Noise Monitoring Methodology

3.1 General Requirements

All acoustic instrumentation employed throughout the monitoring programme has been designed to comply with the requirements of AS IEC 61672.1 – 2004 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters – Specifications*, AS IEC 61672.2-2004, AS IEC 61672.3-2004 and carried current NATA or manufacturer calibration certificates. Instrument calibration was checked before and after each measurement survey, with the variation in calibrated levels not exceeding ±0.5 dBA.

All operator-attended noise measurements were conducted using a one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2270 (s/n 2679354) together with a Svantek SV30A acoustical calibrator (s/n 24713).

3.2 Operator-attended Noise Monitoring Locations

Noise monitoring was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the NMP.

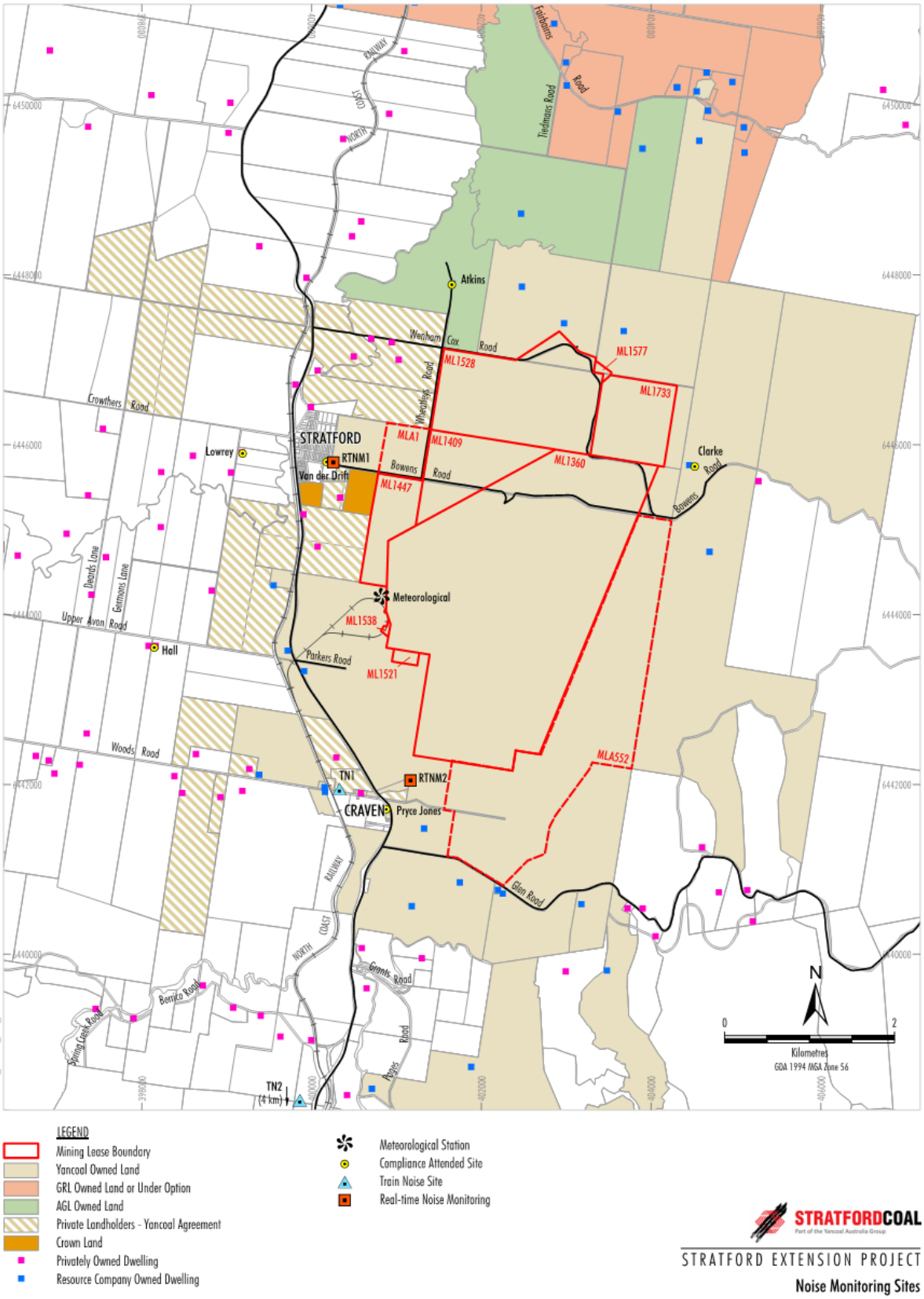
Operator-attended noise measurements were conducted during the day, evening and night-time period for a minimum of 15 minutes per period at each of the six nominated residential noise monitoring locations. The details of the operator-attended SMC operational noise monitoring locations are contained within **Table 2** and shown generally in **Figure 1**. During the operator-attended noise measurements, the character and relative contribution of ambient noise sources and SMC contributions were determined by observations on site.

Table 2 SMC Operational Noise Monitoring Locations

Monitoring Location	Receiver Type	Resident / Owner	Monitoring Location - MGA Zone 56	
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)
Atkins	Residence	Atkins	401544	6447134
Clarke	Residence	Clarke	404406	6445783
Hall	Residence	Hall	398269	6443709
Lowrey	Residence	Lowrey	399193	6445879
Pryce Jones	Residence	Pryce Jones	400807	6441846
Van der Drift	Residence	Van der Drift	400171	6445775

The objective of the SMC operational operator-attended noise monitoring was to measure the maximum (L_{Amax}) and the $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise level contributions at the nearest potentially affected receptors to determine the noise contribution of mining activities associated with SMC operations over a 15 minute measurement period. During the measurement, the operator also quantifies and characterises the overall levels of ambient noise in the area (i.e. L_{Amax}, L_{A1}, L_{A10}, L_{A90}, and L_{Aeq}) over the 15 minute measurement interval.

Figure 1 Stratford Mining Complex Attended Noise Monitoring Locations



Source: NMP

4 Results

4.1 Operator-attended Noise Monitoring - SMC Operational Activity

Operator-attended noise measurements were conducted during a day, evening and night period between Wednesday 30 January 2019 and Thursday 31 January 2019. Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at residential locations are provided in **Sections 4.1.1** to **4.1.6**

A summary of the results for the attended noise monitoring are displayed graphically in **Appendix B** showing L_{Amax}, L_{Aeq}, and $L_{Aeq(<1.25kHz)}$ in 1-second intervals throughout the monitoring survey.

Ambient noise levels presented include all noise sources such as transport (roads, rail and aircraft), fauna (insects, frogs, birds, and bats), farm animals (cows, bulls), the natural environment (wind, wind in trees), domestic noises, other industrial operations as well as SMC noise emissions.

Weather data during the monitoring period has been obtained from the weather station located on the SMC site.

The tables provide the following information:

- Date and start time, operator and equipment details.
- Monitoring location.
- Wind velocity (m/s) and temperature (ºC) at the measurement location.
- Typical maximum (L_{Amax}) and contributed $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise levels.

4.1.1 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results – 'Atkins'

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Atkins' are provided in **Table 3**. Monitoring location 'Atkins' represents residential receptors located to the north of the site.

Table 3 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Atkins'

Period	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		L_{Amax}	L_{A1}	L_{A10}	L_{A90}	L_{Aeq}	L_{Aeq} (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/19 11:26 36°C 1 m/s SW	59	42	34	27	32	30	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 26-32 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 29 dBA** *Other noise events:* Road traffic 42 Livestock 48-59 Insects 24-28 Birdsong 37
Evening	30/1/19 21:11 27°C 3 m/s NE	46	39	36	33	35	27	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 23-31 Track slap 39 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 27 dBA** *Other noise events:* Livestock 35-43 Insects 36-46
Night	30/1/19 22:25 26°C 2 m/s N 2 CC	52	46	45	29	39	27	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 23-31 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 26 dBA** **L_{Amax} contribution 31 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 35-52 Distant traffic 31

SMC operations were audible during the day, evening and night-time surveys. SMC operations generated an $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise contribution of 29 dBA, 27 dBA and 26 dBA during the day, evening and night-time, respectively. During the night time period general engine noise generated L_{Amax} noise levels of up to 31 dBA at the monitoring location.

4.1.2 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Clarke'

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Clarke' are provided in **Table 4**. Monitoring location 'Clarke' represents residential receptors located to the east of the site, and is a SMC owned property. The monitoring results at Clarke are used to determine SMC contributions at the 'Bagnall' residence located further to the east.

Table 4 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Clarke'

Clarke	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		L_{Amax}	L_{A1}	L_{A10}	L_{A90}	L_{Aeq}	L_{Aeq} (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/19 11:00 35°C 1 m/s SE	64	46	42	35	40	39	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Track slap 46 Engine noise 35-42 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 40 dBA** *Other noise events:* Birdsong 42-64 Insects 24-26
Evening	30/1/19 21:40 27°C 2 m/s NE	53	52	51	33	47	32	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Haul trucks 30-40 Digger 25-30 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 32 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 34-53
Night	30/1/19 22:00 26°C 2 m/s NE 2 CC	52	50	42	32	39	32	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Haul trucks 30-39 Digger 25-30 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 32 dBA** **L_{Amax} contribution 39 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 32-52

Mining operations in the Avon North open cut were the dominant noise source during the day, evening and night-time periods. SMC operations generated an $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise contribution of 40 dBA, 32 dBA and 32 dBA during the day, evening and night-time, respectively. During the night time period the operation of haul trucks generated L_{Amax} noise levels of up to 39 dBA at the monitoring location.

Taking into account the distance between the observed SMC operations and the nearest privately owned residence Bagnall, $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise levels of 33 dBA during the daytime and 25 dBA during the evening and night-time are predicted at the Bagnall location. L_{Amax} noise levels are predicted to be 32 dBA. This figure is considered conservative as it takes into account corrections for propagation distance only (i.e. no shielding due to topography or atmospheric absorption). As such SMC operations are considered to be compliant at the Bagnall location.

4.1.3 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Hall'

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Hall' are provided in **Table 5.** Monitoring location 'Hall' represents residential receptors located to the southwest of the site.

Table 5 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Hall'

Period	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		L_{Amax}	L_{A1}	L_{A10}	L_{A90}	L_{Aeq}	L_{Aeq} (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/18 12:18 35°C 2.5 m/s S	58	51	45	30	41	32	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Barely Audible** Engine noise <25 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <25 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 30-58 Road traffic 32-36 Mechanical plant 30-32
Evening	30/1/19 20:01 29°C 6 m/s NE	48	42	37	28	35	28	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** CHPP 25-28 Engine noise 28-30 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 26 dBA** *Other noise events:* Train horn 48 Insects 32-39 Road traffic 28-34
Night	30/1/19 23:37 25°C 2 m/s N 3 CC	46	40	39	35	37	23	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise <25 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <25 dBA** **L_{Amax} contribution <25 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 35-40 Livestock 46

SMC operations were barely audible during the day and audible during the evening and night-time operator attended noise surveys at this location. SMC operations generated an $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise contribution of <25 dBA during the day, 26 dBA during the evening and <25 dBA during the night-time. During the night time period the SMC operations generated L_{Amax} noise levels of <25 dBA at the monitoring location.

4.1.4 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Lowrey'

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Lowrey' are provided in **Table 6**. Monitoring location 'Lowrey' represents residential receptors located to the west of the site and west of Bucketts Way.

Table 6 Attended Noise Survey Results - 'Lowrey'

Lowrey	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		L_{Amax}	L_{A1}	L_{A10}	L_{A90}	L_{Aeq}	L_{Aeq} (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/19 10:30 34°C 3 m/s N	54	50	48	34	45	38	*Site related noise events:* **SMC:Barely Audible** Engine noise <25 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <25 dBA** *Other noise events:* Train 46-54 Insects 34-41 Road traffic 37-48
Evening	30/1/18 20:46 28°C 3 m/s NE	59	51	50	45	48	34	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 24-34 (occasional) **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <25 dBA** *Other noise events:* Dog barking 33-43 Road traffic 30-43 Insects/frogs 46-59 Aeroplane 49
Night	31/1/19 00:04 25°C 3 m/s N 3 CC	58	55	51	37	46	29	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 25-28 Track slap 33 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 27 dBA** **L_{Amax} contribution 33 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects/frogs 37-58 Dog barking 35 Road traffic 45

SMC operations were barely audible during all monitoring periods at this location. The SMC $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise contribution was estimated at <25 dBA during the day and evening and 27 dBA during the night-time with an L_{Amax} up to 33 dBA.

4.1.5 Operator-attended Noise Survey Results - 'Pryce-Jones'

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Pryce Jones' are provided in **Table 7.** Monitoring location 'Pryce Jones' represents residential receptors located in Craven to the south of the site.

Table 7 Attended Noise Survey Results – 'Pryce Jones'

Period	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAeq (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/19 12:49 35°C 2.5 m/s S	77	69	59	35	57	56	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Inaudible** *Other noise events:* Road traffic 59-77 Insects 35-40 Birdsong 38-45
Evening	30/1/19 19:39 29°C 5 m/s NE	71	67	53	32	53	52	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** CHPP 28-32 Bump/clunk 39 Occasional engine noise 30-34 **LAeq(15minute) contribution 32 dBA** *Other noise events:* Road traffic 64-71 Insects 34-46 Livestock 34
Night	30/1/19 23:14 25°C 3 m/s NNE 0 CC	67	42	39	35	38	28	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 24-33 **LAeq(15minute) contribution 28 dBA** **LAmax contribution 33 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 34-42 Operator 67

SMC operations were inaudible during the day and audible the evening and night-time period surveys at this location. The evening and night surveys generated an $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 32 dBA and 28 dBA respectively with engine noise generating an L_{Amax} of 33 dBA during the night-time period.

4.1.6 Van der Drift

Results of the operator-attended noise surveys at 'Van der Drift' are provided in **Table 8.**

Table 8 Attended Noise Survey Results – 'Van der Drift'

Van der Drift	Date/Start Time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor dBA (15 minute)						Description of Noise Emissions and Typical Maximum Noise Levels (dBA)
		L_{Amax}	L_{A1}	L_{A10}	L_{A90}	L_{Aeq}	L_{Aeq} (≤1.25kHz)	
Day	31/1/19 10:52 35°C 2 m/s NNW	66	60	49	35	47	39	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Barely Audible** Engine noise <30 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <30 dBA** *Other noise events:* Construction (not site related) 37-66 Road traffic 35-46 Insects 39-50
Evening	30/1/19 20:24 28°C 3 m/s NE	70	63	47	29	49	44	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Barely Audible** Engine noise <30 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution <25 dBA** *Other noise events:* Birdsong 38-70 Residents 35-64
Night	30/1/19 22:48 25°C 1 m/s N 0 CC	58	42	34	28	34	30	*Site related noise events:* **SMC: Audible** Engine noise 25-39 Track slap 28 **$L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ contribution 29 dBA** **L_{Amax} contribution 39 dBA** *Other noise events:* Insects 25-31 Birdsong 58 Road traffic 34-41

SMC operations were barely audible during the day and evening and audible during the night-time operator attended noise surveys at this location generating an $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise contribution of <30 dBA, <25 dBA and 29 dBA respectively. L_{Amax} noise levels of 39 dBA were measured during the night-time survey.

5 Performance Assessment

5.1 Operations

Results of the operator-attended noise measurements compared with the relevant noise criteria contained in the SMC Development Consent are given in **Table 9**.

Table 9 Performance Assessment – Operations

	Estimated SMC $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ Noise Level dBA[1]			Noise Criteria $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ dBA			Compliance		
	Day	Eve	Night	Day	Eve	Night	Day	Eve	Night
Atkins	29	27	26	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clarke[2]	40	32	32	37	37	37	N/A[4]	N/A[4]	N/A[4]
Bagnall[3]	33	25	25	37	37	37	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hall	<25	26	<25	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lowrey	<25	<25	27	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pryce Jones	I/A	32	28	43	43	43	Yes	Yes	Yes
Van der Drift	<30	<25	29	37	36	35	Yes	Yes	Yes

Note 1: I/A = Inaudible.
Note 2: Owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd. Criteria adopted from Bagnall.
Note 3: Calculated result from monitoring location Clarke.
Note 4: Criteria adopted as a guide only.

Results presented in **Table 9** indicate that SMC operations during the operator-attended noise monitoring at all privately owned locations were compliant with the relevant Development Consent conditions. Noise levels at Clarke were above the adopted noise criteria, however the Clarke property is owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd.

5.2 Sleep Disturbance

Results of the night period sleep disturbance measurements compared with the relevant noise criteria contained in the Development Consent are given in **Table 10.**

Table 10 Performance Assessment – Sleep Disturbance

Location	SMC $L_{A1(1minute)}$ Contribution	Noise Criteria $L_{A1(1minute)}$	Compliance
Atkins	31	45	Yes
Clarke[2]	39	45	N/A[4]
Bagnall[3]	32	45	Yes
Hall	<25	45	Yes
Lowrey	33	45	Yes
Pryce Jones	33	49	Yes

Location	SMC $L_{A1(1minute)}$ Contribution	Noise Criteria $L_{A1(1minute)}$	Compliance
Van der Drift	39	45	Yes

Note 1: I/A = Inaudible.

Note 2: Owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd. Criteria adopted from Bagnall.

Note 3: Calculated result from monitoring location Clarke.

Note 4: Criteria adopted as a guide only.

Table 10 indicate that SMC operations during the night-time operator-attended noise monitoring at all privately owned locations were compliant with the relevant Development Consent conditions. Noise levels at Clarke were above the adopted noise criteria, however the Clarke property is owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd.

6 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Stratford Coal Pty Limited to conduct monthly noise monitoring for the Stratford Mining Complex (SMC) operations guided by the requirements of the *Stratford Mining Complex Noise Management Plan* (NMP), Document No. NMP-R01-A, dated March 2018.

Operator-attended noise monitoring was conducted at six residential receiver locations between Wednesday 30 January 2019 and Thursday 31 January 2019 in order to determine the noise performance of the SMC operations against the Development Consent conditions.

Based on the measured SMC noise contribution, compliance with the relevant operational noise criteria was achieved at all noise monitoring locations during the day, evening and night monitoring periods, with the exception of Clarke during the day period. Noise levels at Clarke were above the adopted noise criteria, however the Clarke property is owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd.

Based on the measured SMC noise contribution, compliance with the relevant sleep disturbance noise criteria was achieved at all noise monitoring locations during the night-time noise monitoring period, with the exception of Clarke. Noise levels at Clarke were above the adopted noise criteria, however the Clarke property is owned by Stratford Coal Pty Ltd.

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APPENDIX A

Acoustic Terminology

The following is a brief description of the acoustic terminology.

Acoustic Terminology	Description
'A' Weighted	Frequency filter applied to measured noise levels to represent how humans hear sounds.
dBA	'A' Weighted overall sound pressure level.
L_{90} , L_{10}, L_1	A statistical measurement giving the sound pressure level which is exceeded for the given percentile of an observation period, i.e., L_{90} is the level which is exceeded for 90 percent of an observation period. L_{90} is commonly referred to as the background sound level.
L_{Amax}	Highest value of the A-weighted sound pressure level with a specified time weighting that occurs during a given event.

APPENDIX B

Operator Attended Noise Survey Charts

Figure B1 – Day Period – 'Atkins' Operator Attended Noise Survey Results

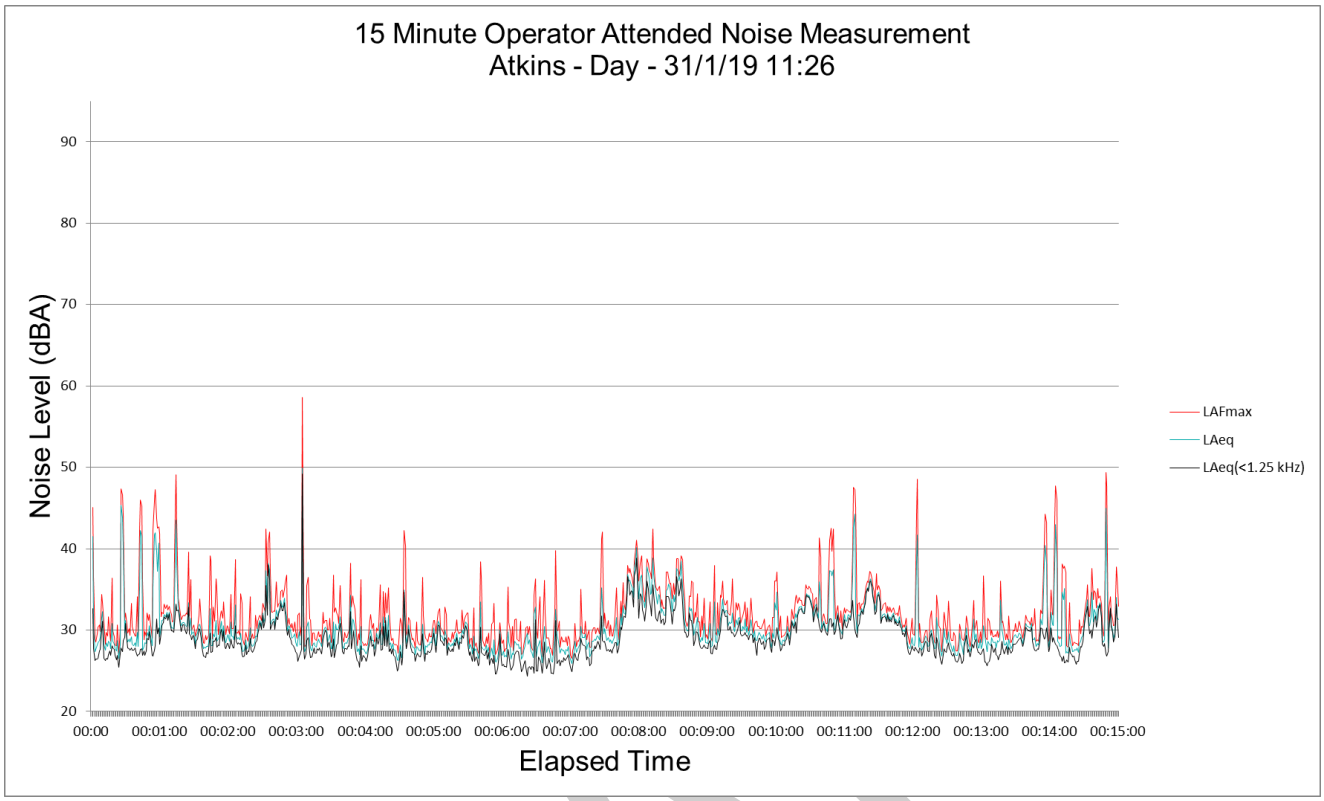


Figure B2 – Evening Period – 'Atkins' Operator Attended Noise Survey Results

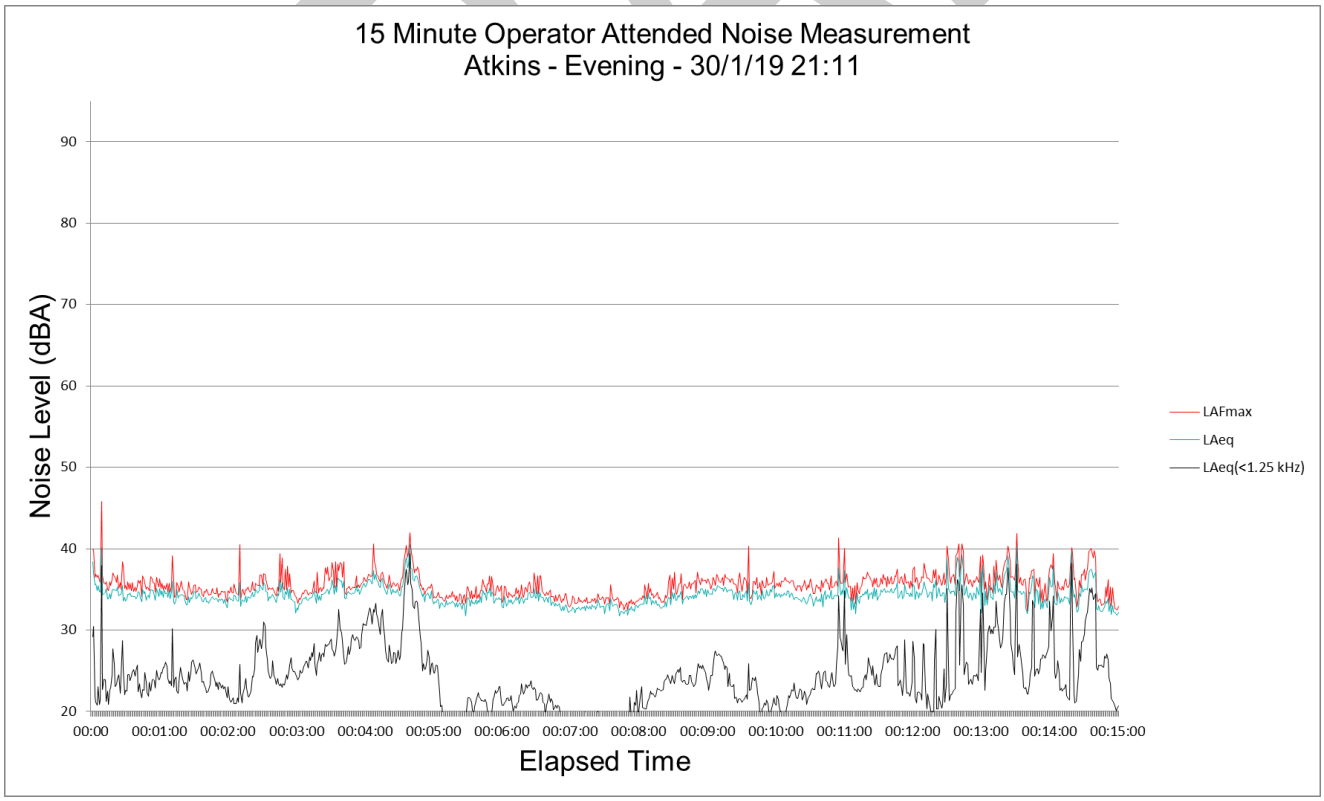
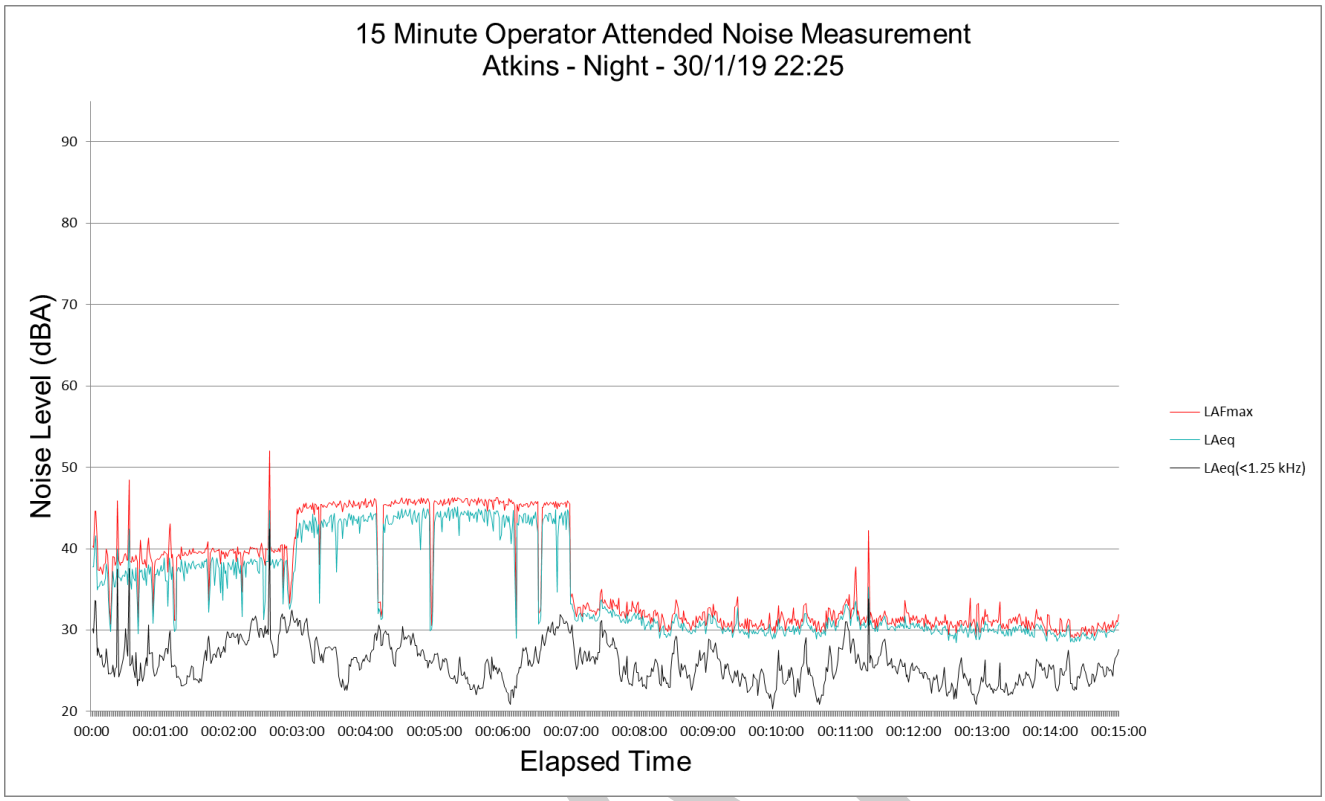


Figure B3 – Night Period – 'Atkins' Operator Attended Noise Survey Results



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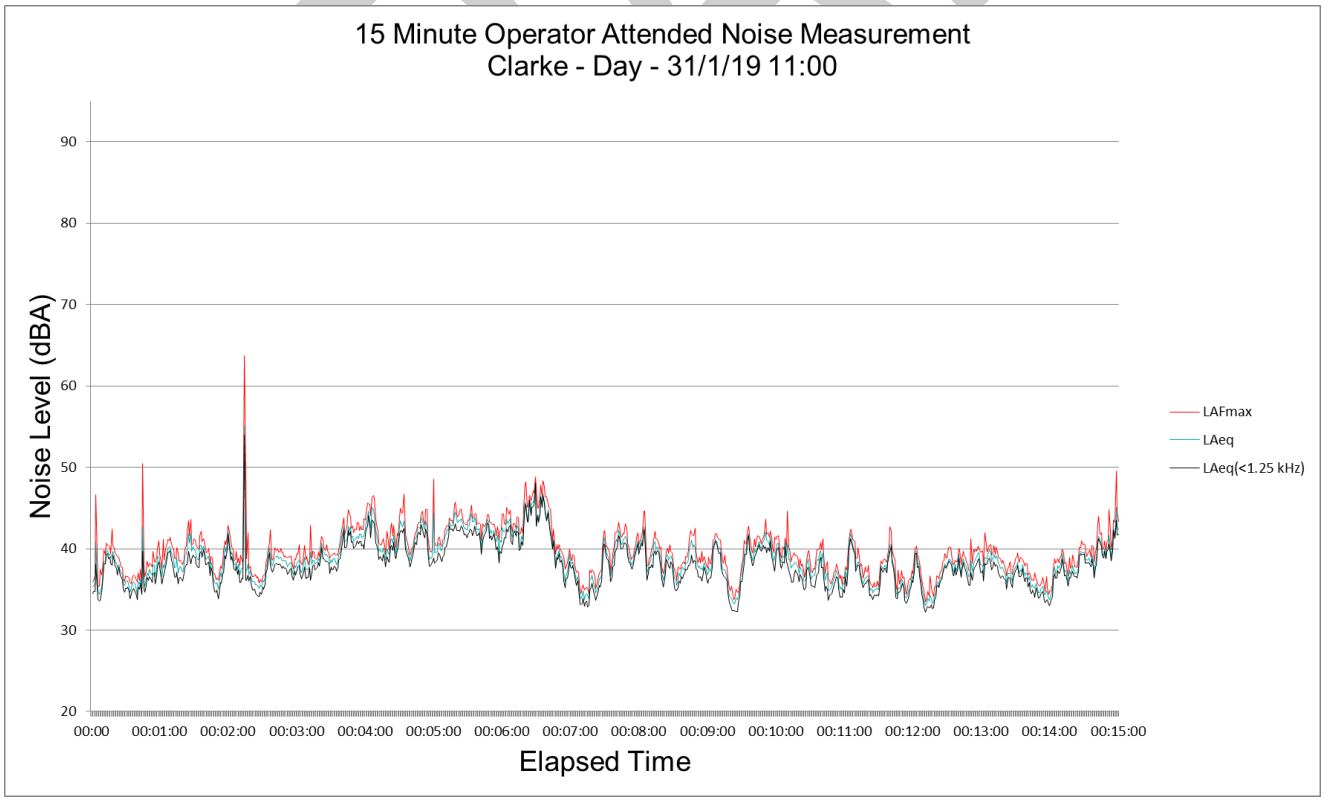

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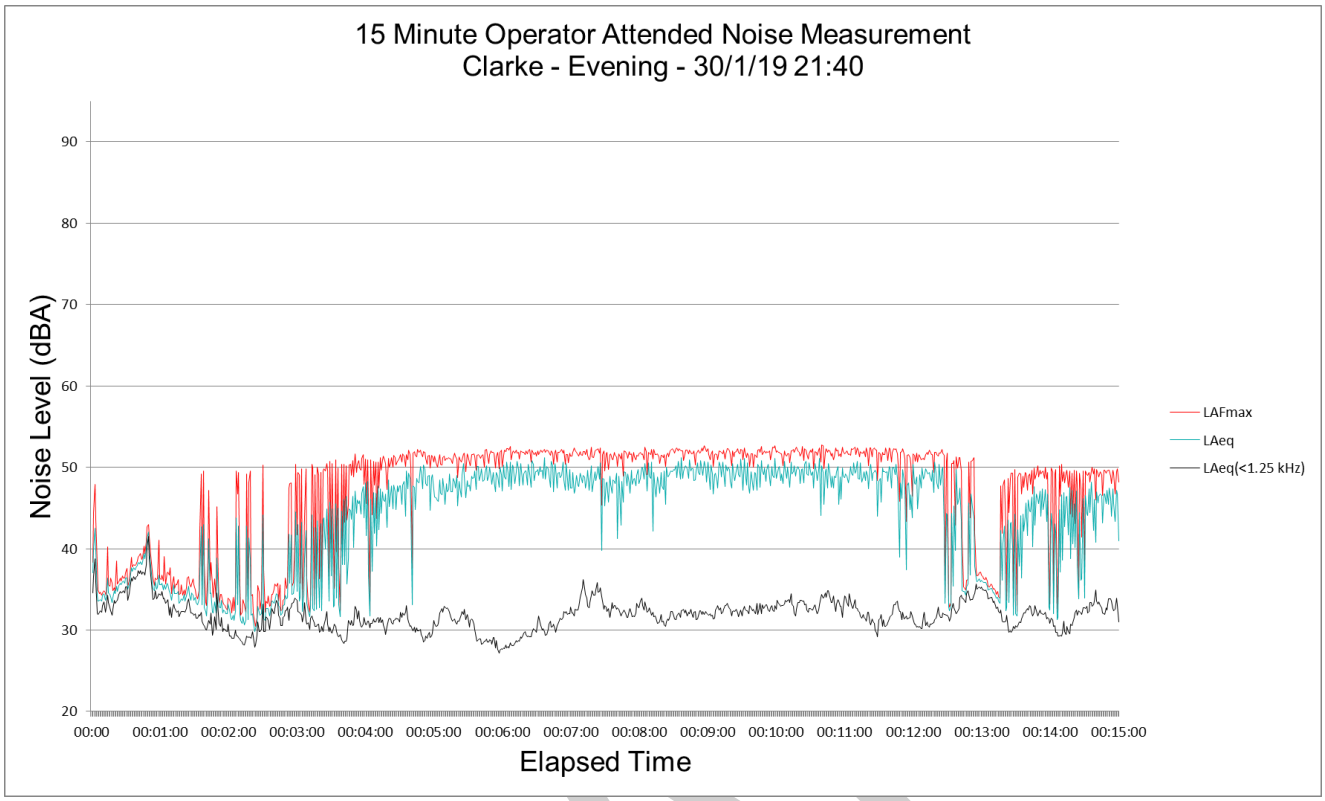

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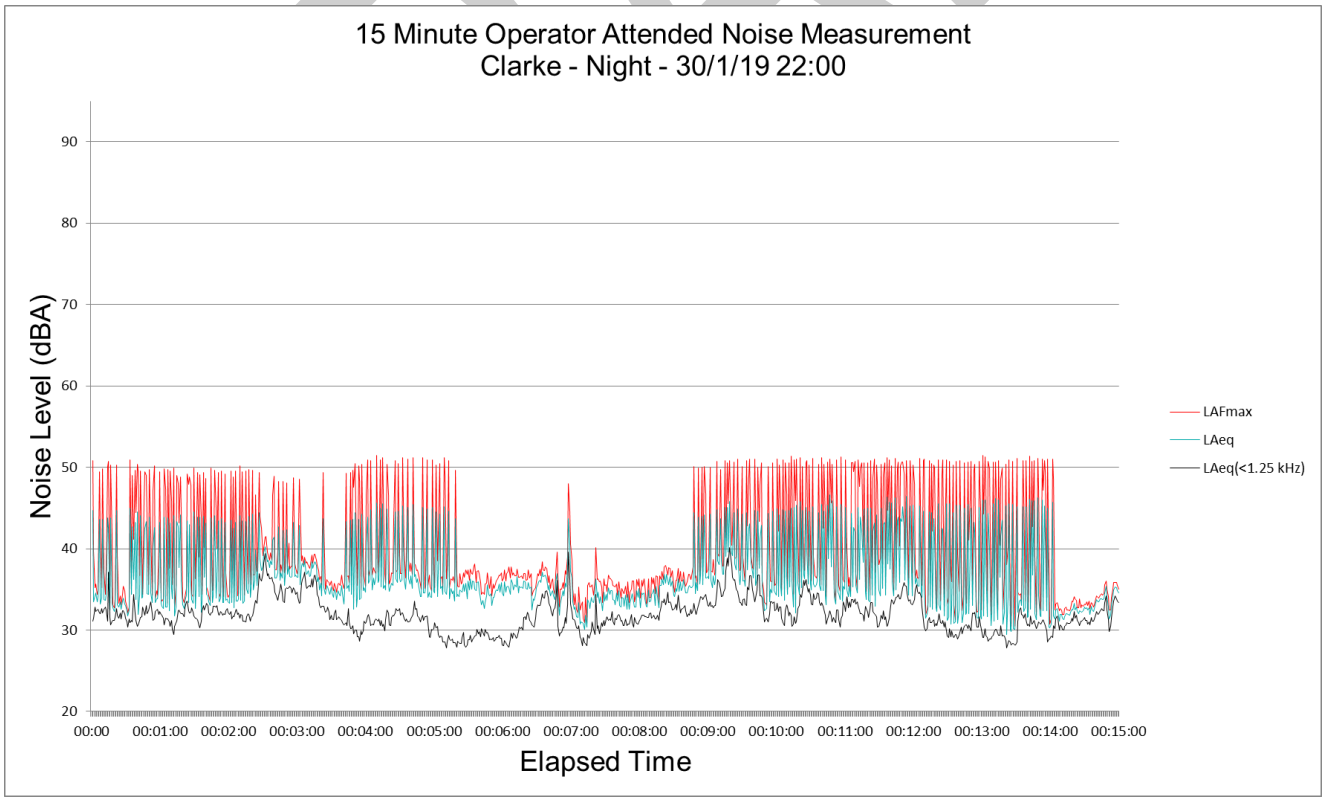

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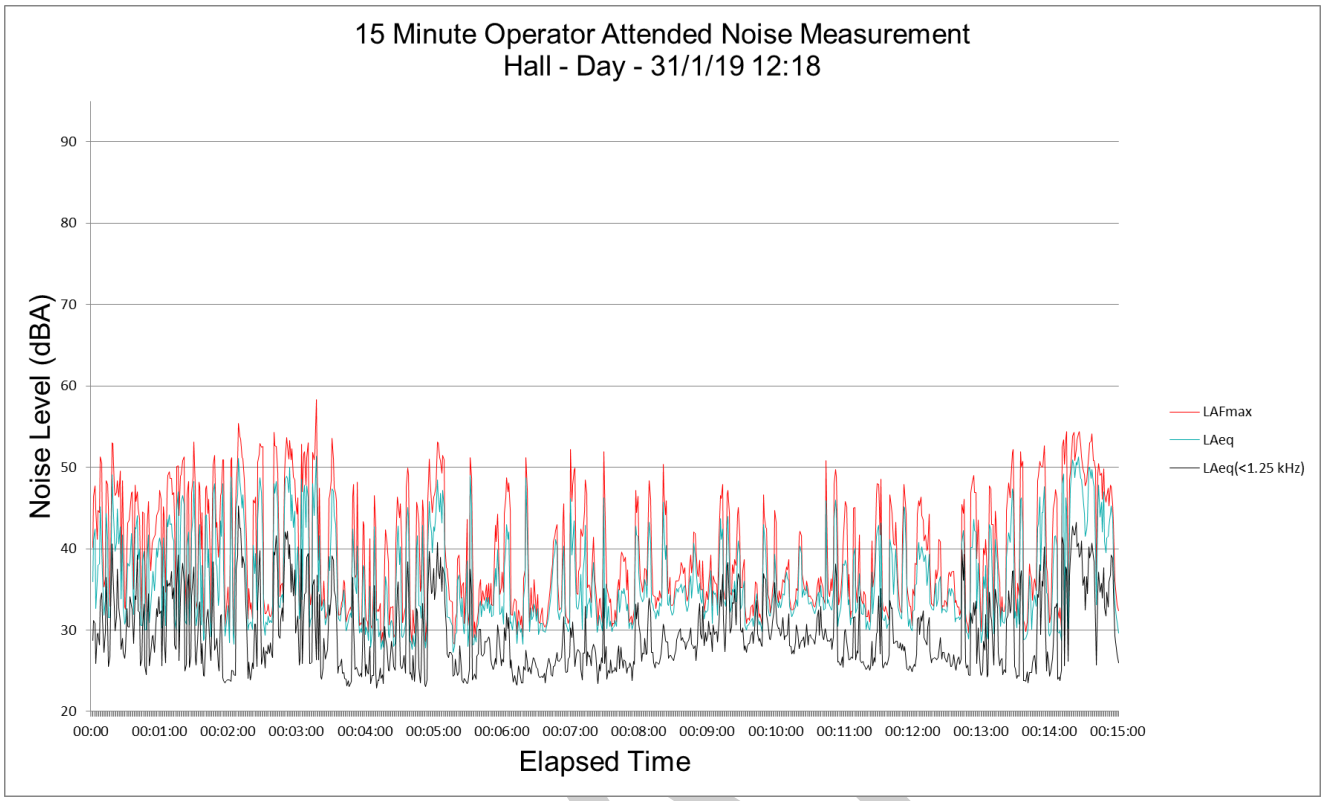

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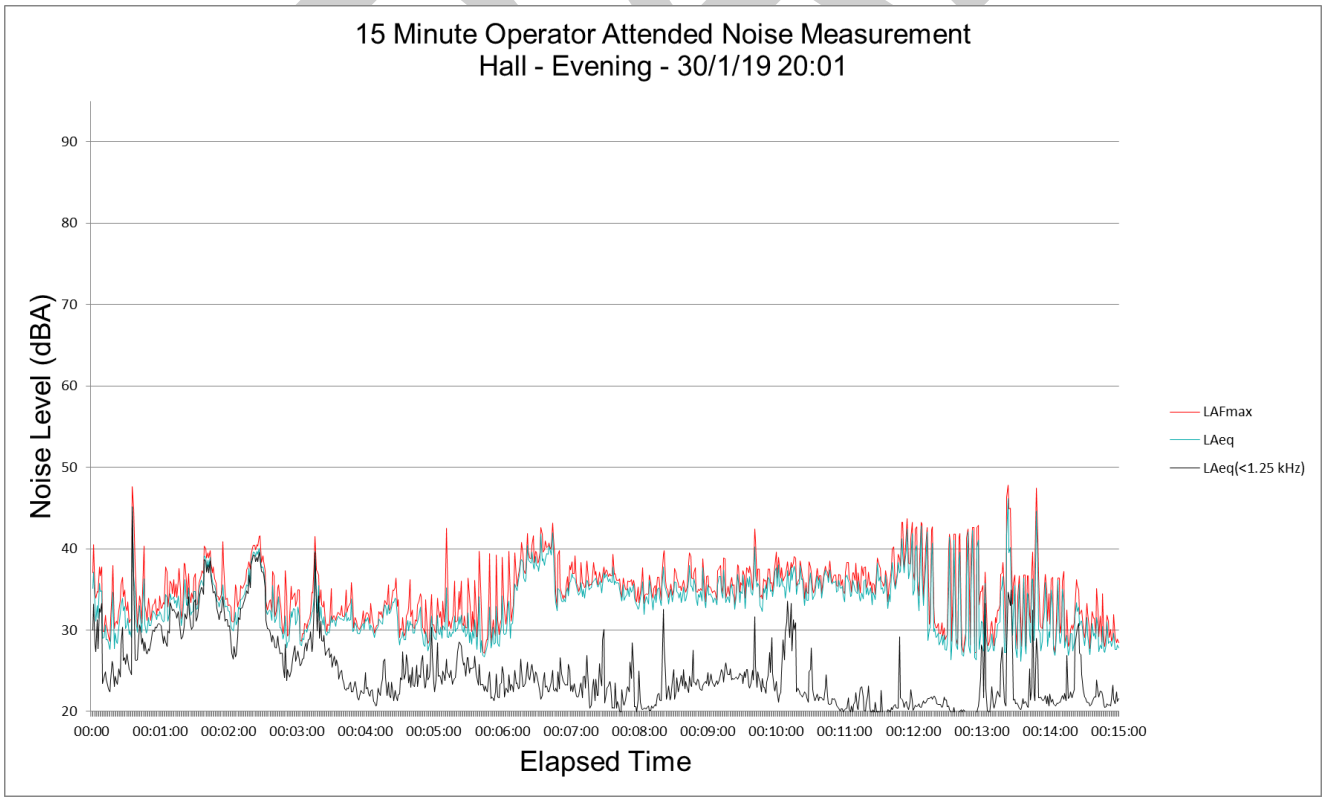

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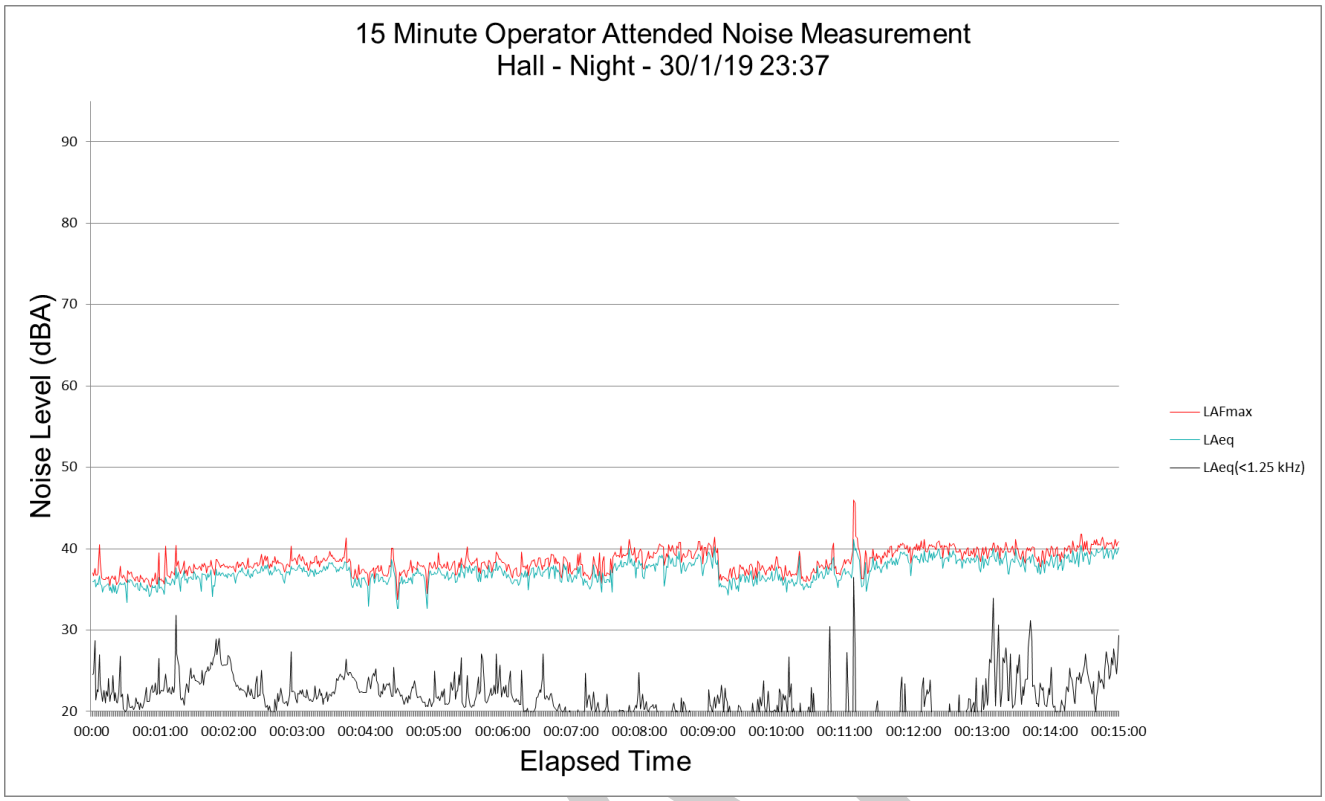

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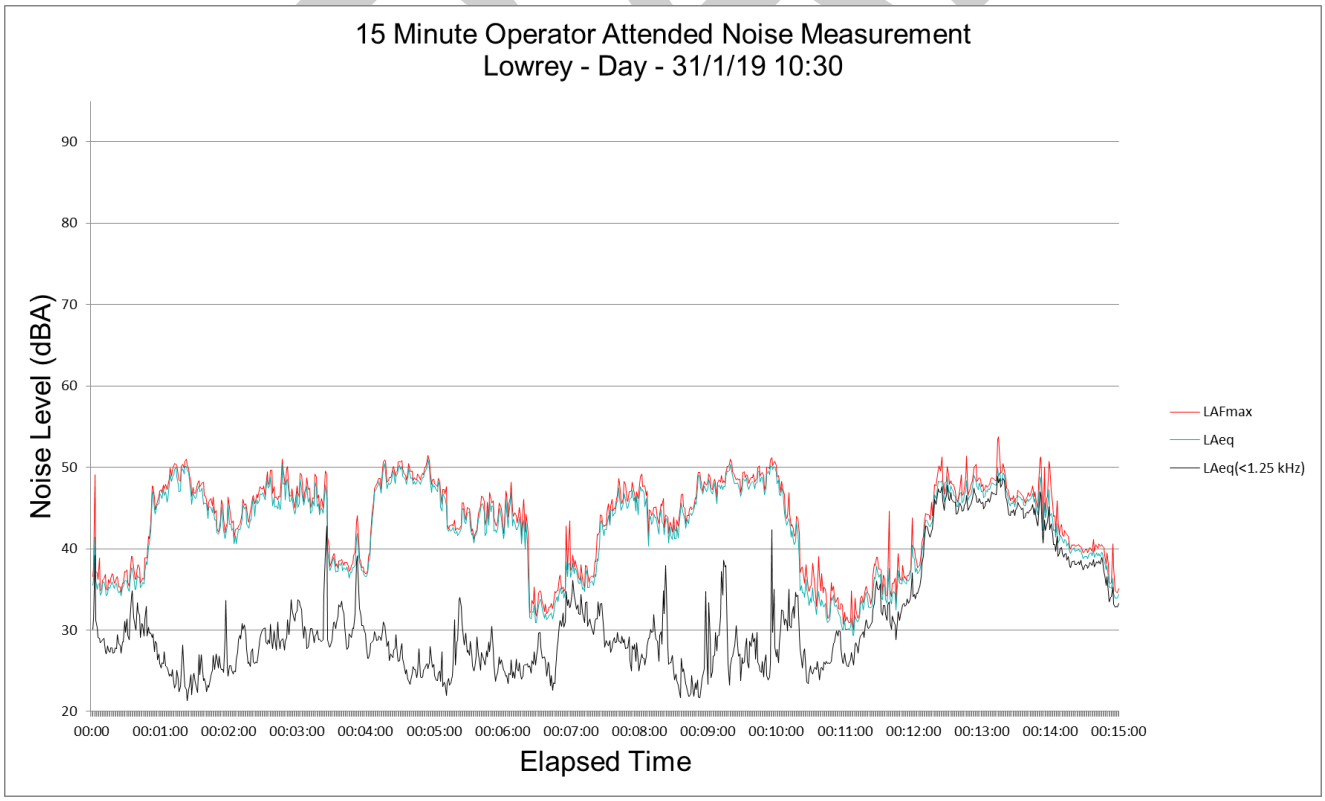

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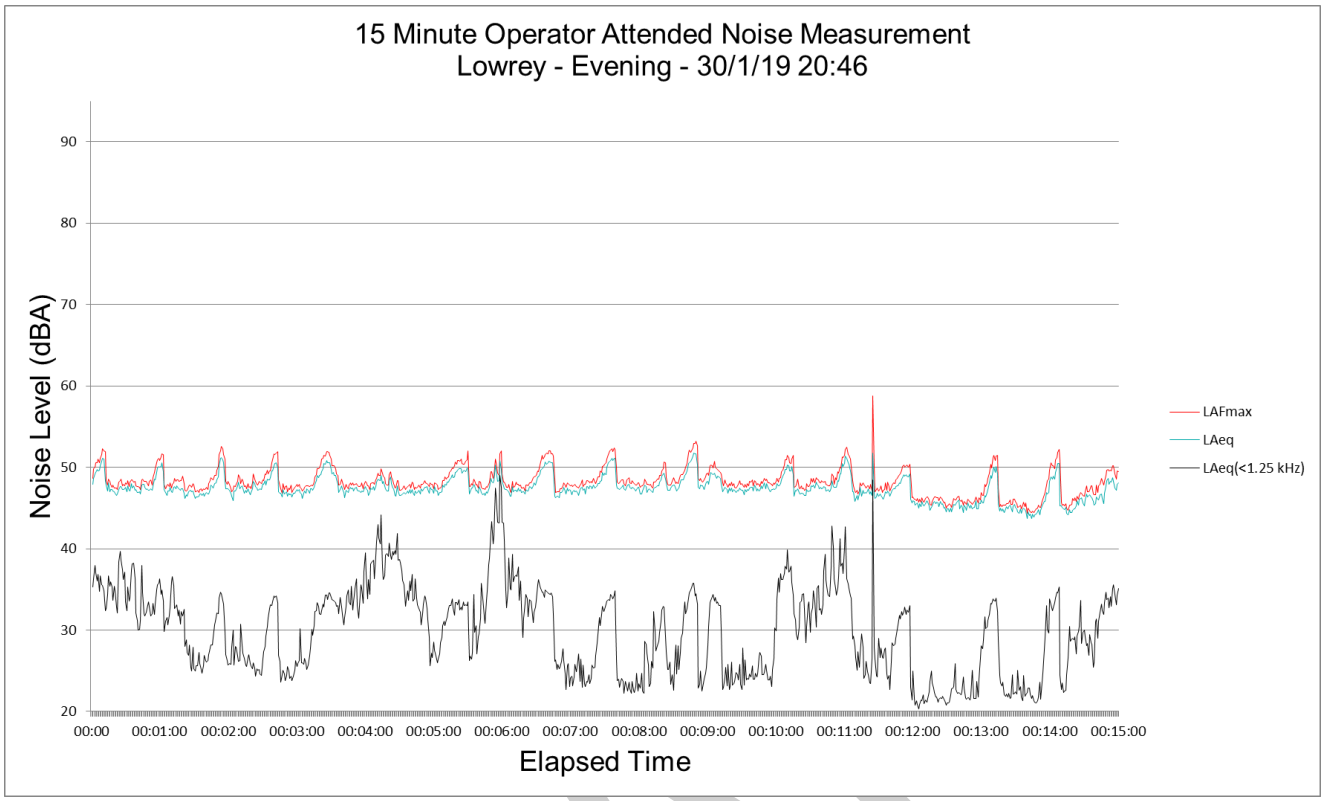

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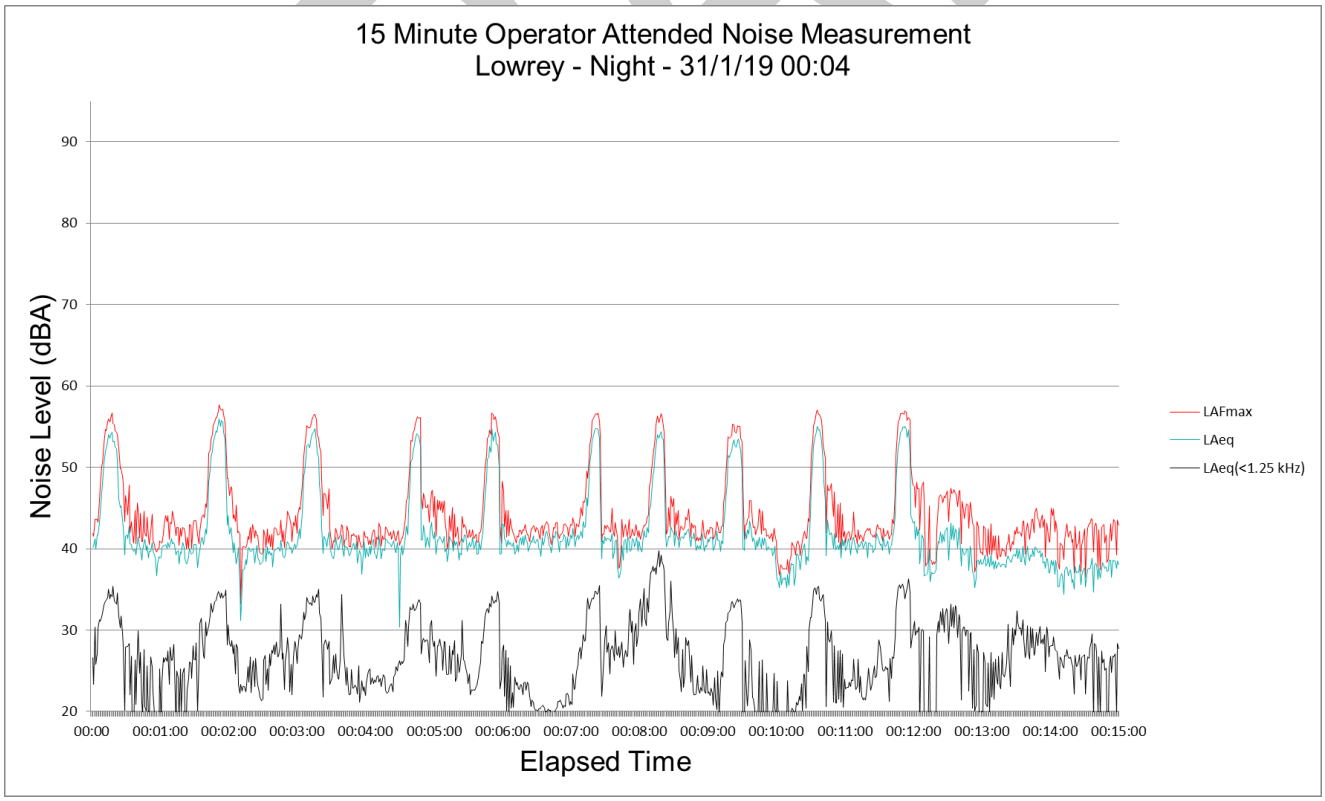

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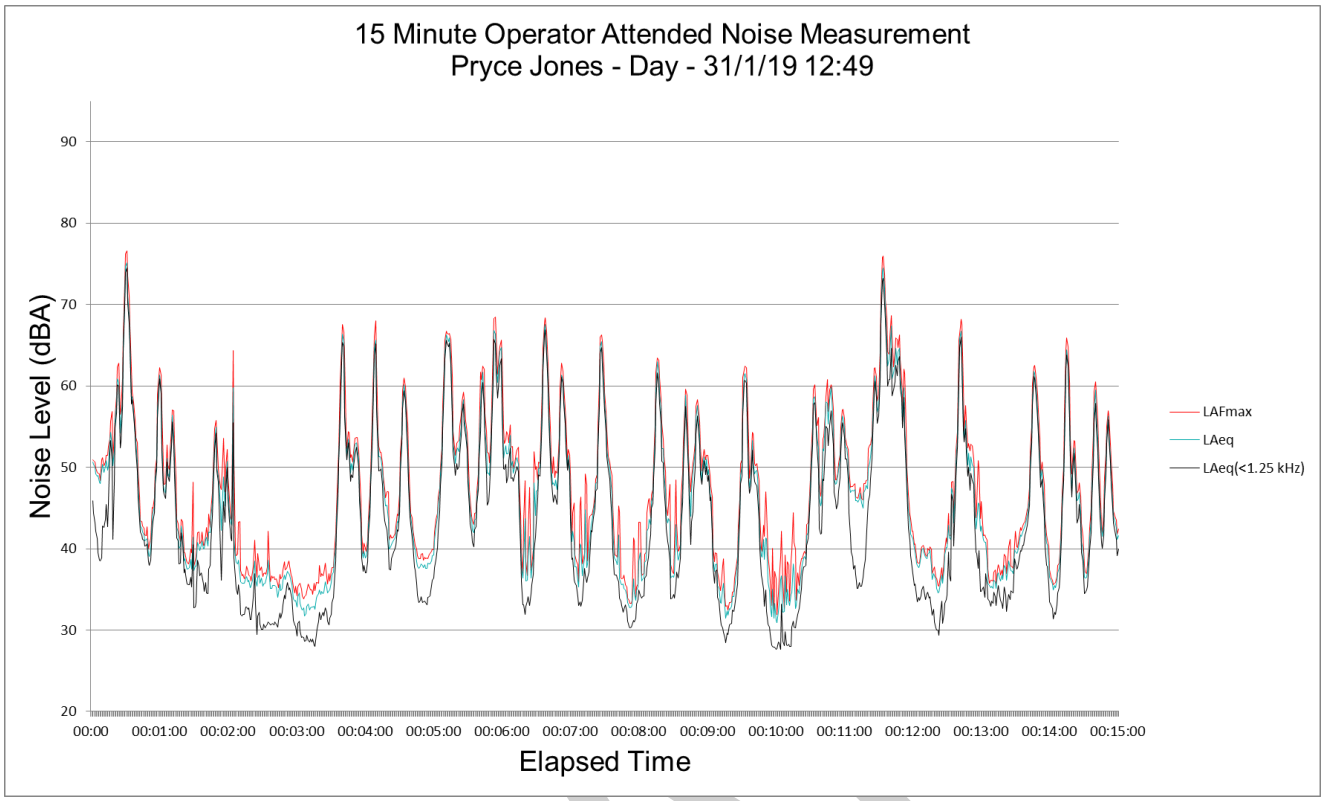

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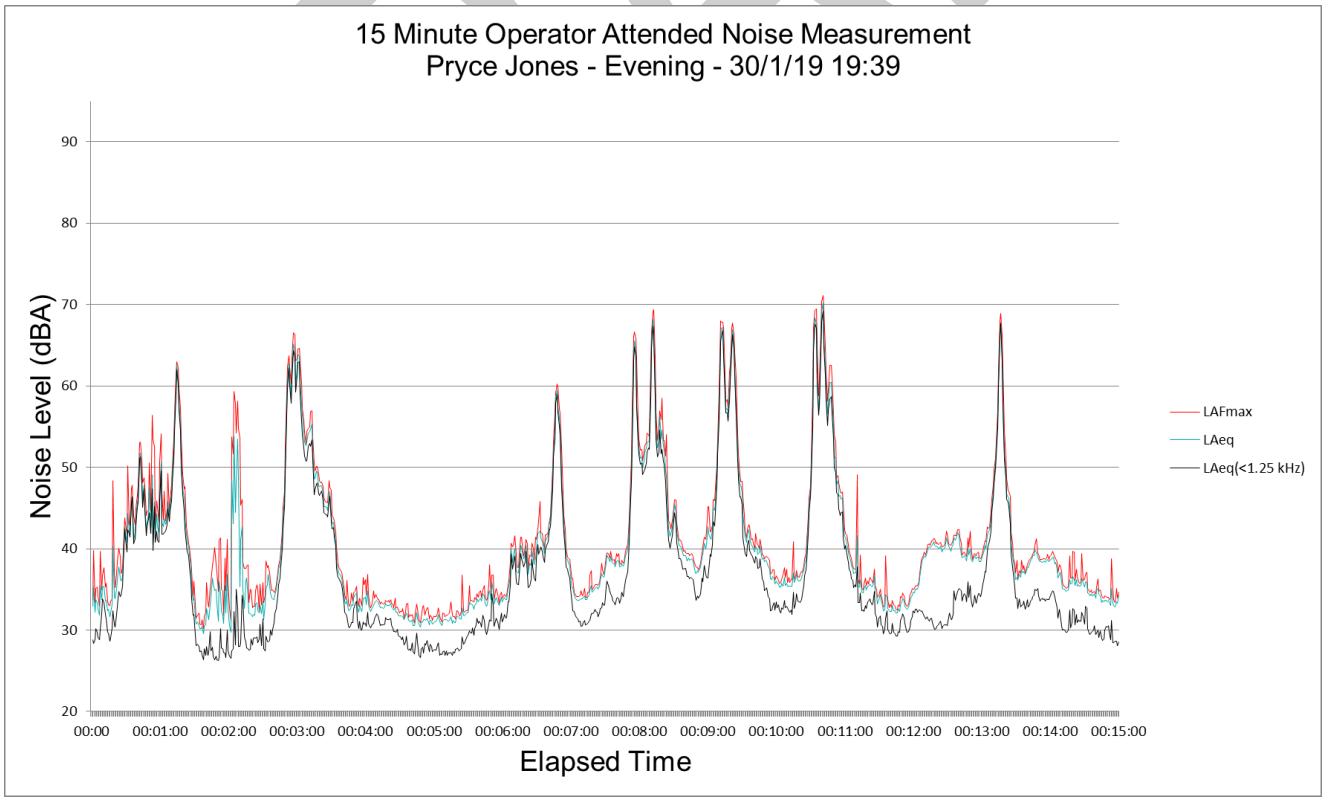

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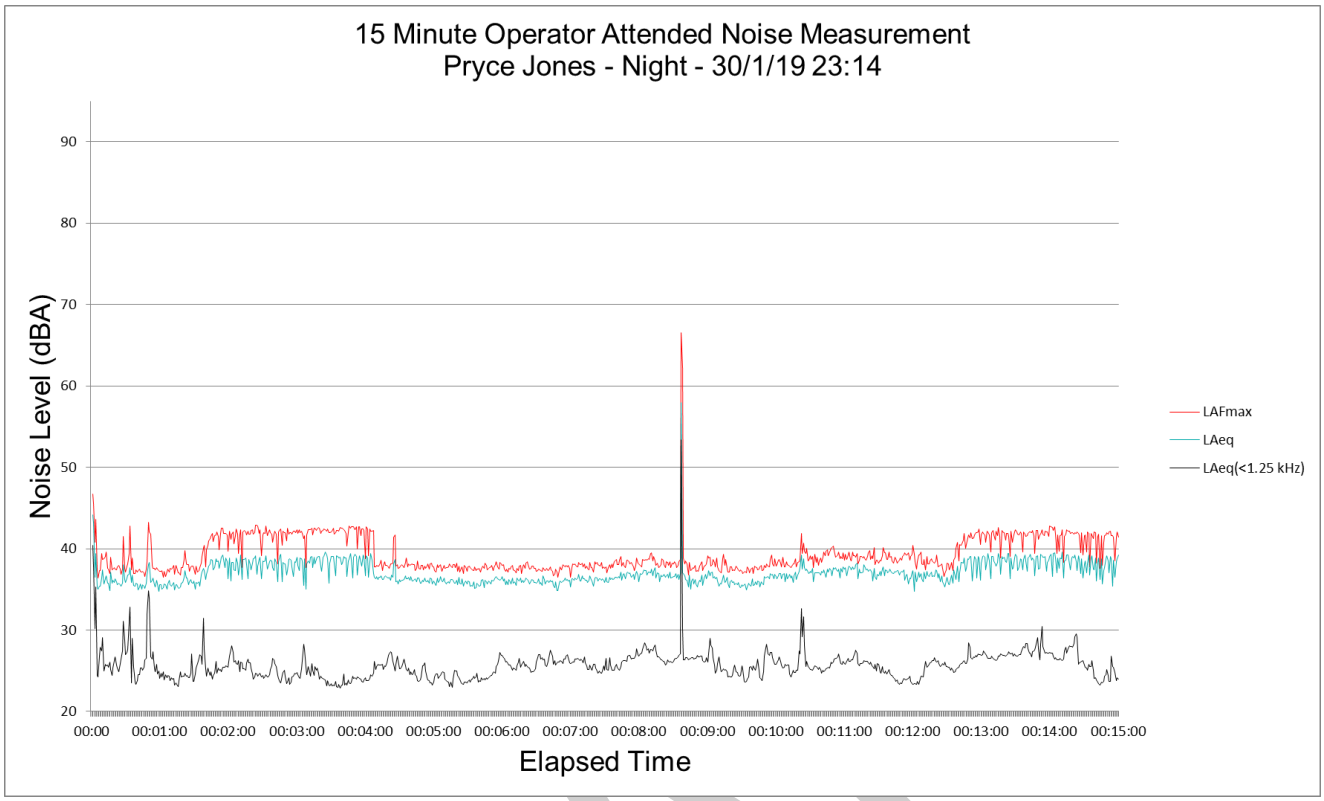

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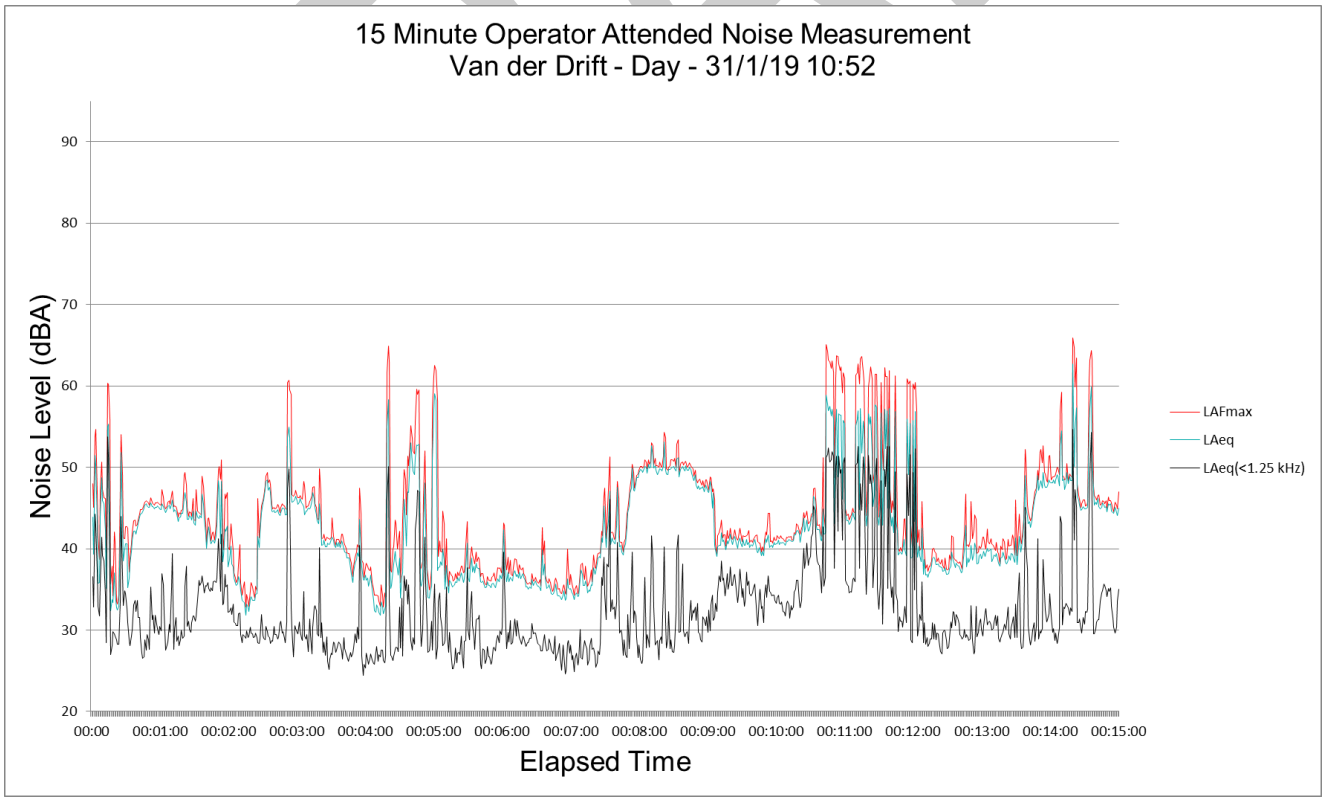

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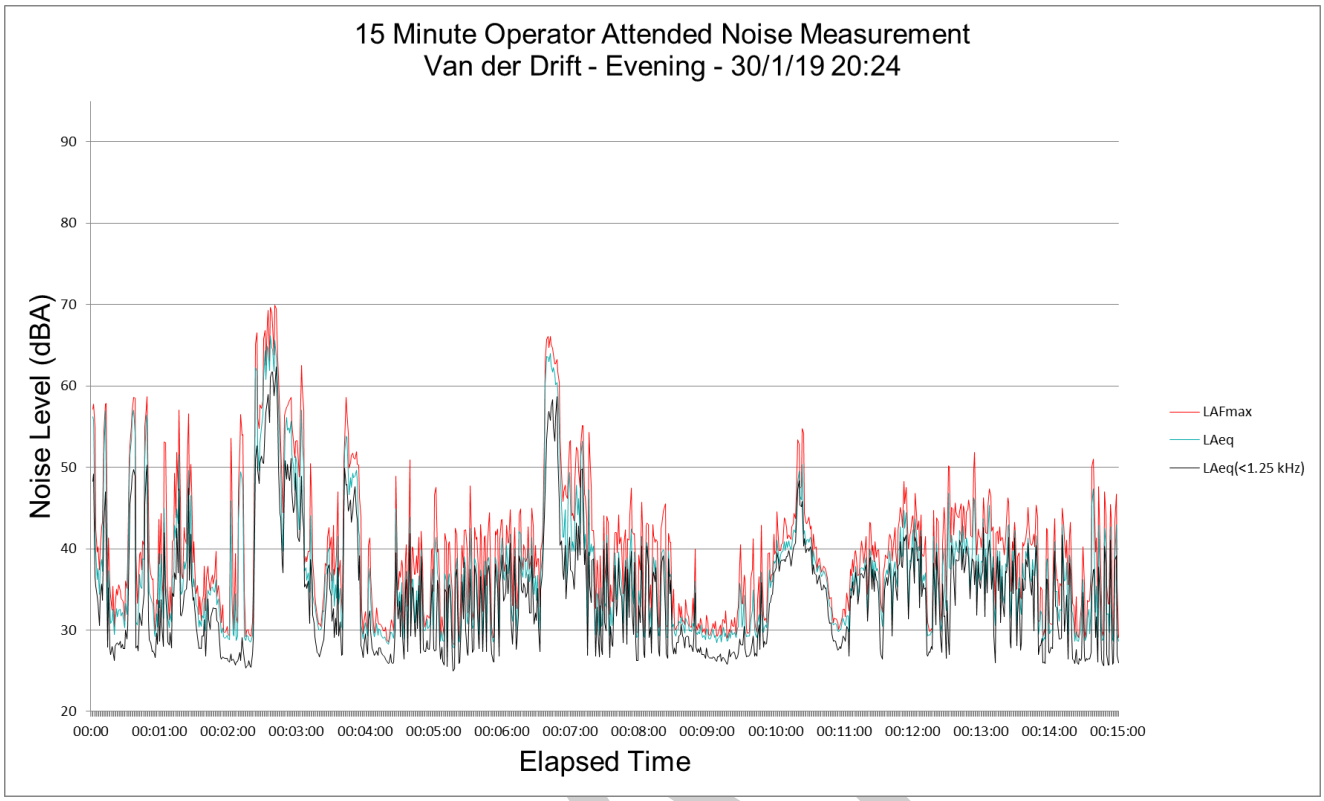

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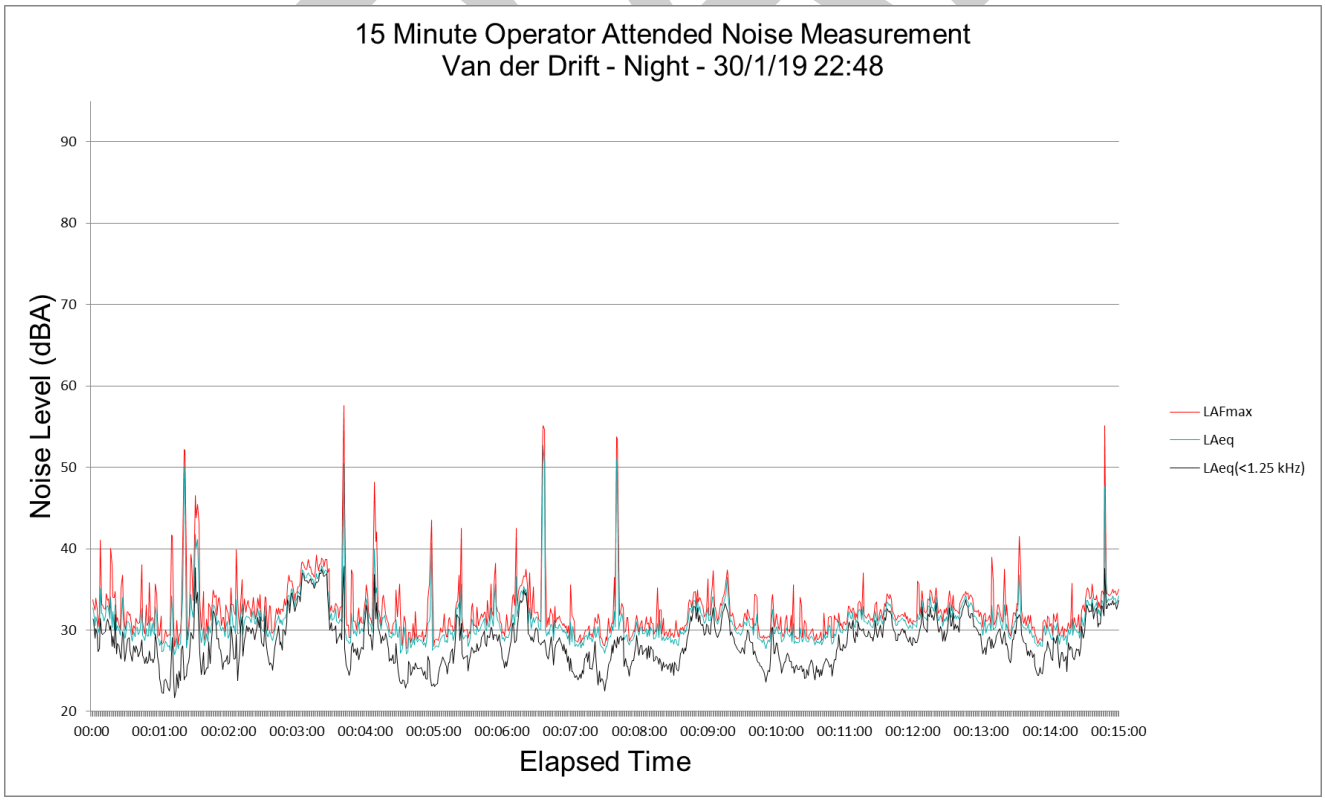

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