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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct groundwater sampling and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from two boreholes BH1 and BH3 as indicated in the map below. Borehole BH2 has been decommissioned and no longer exists on site.

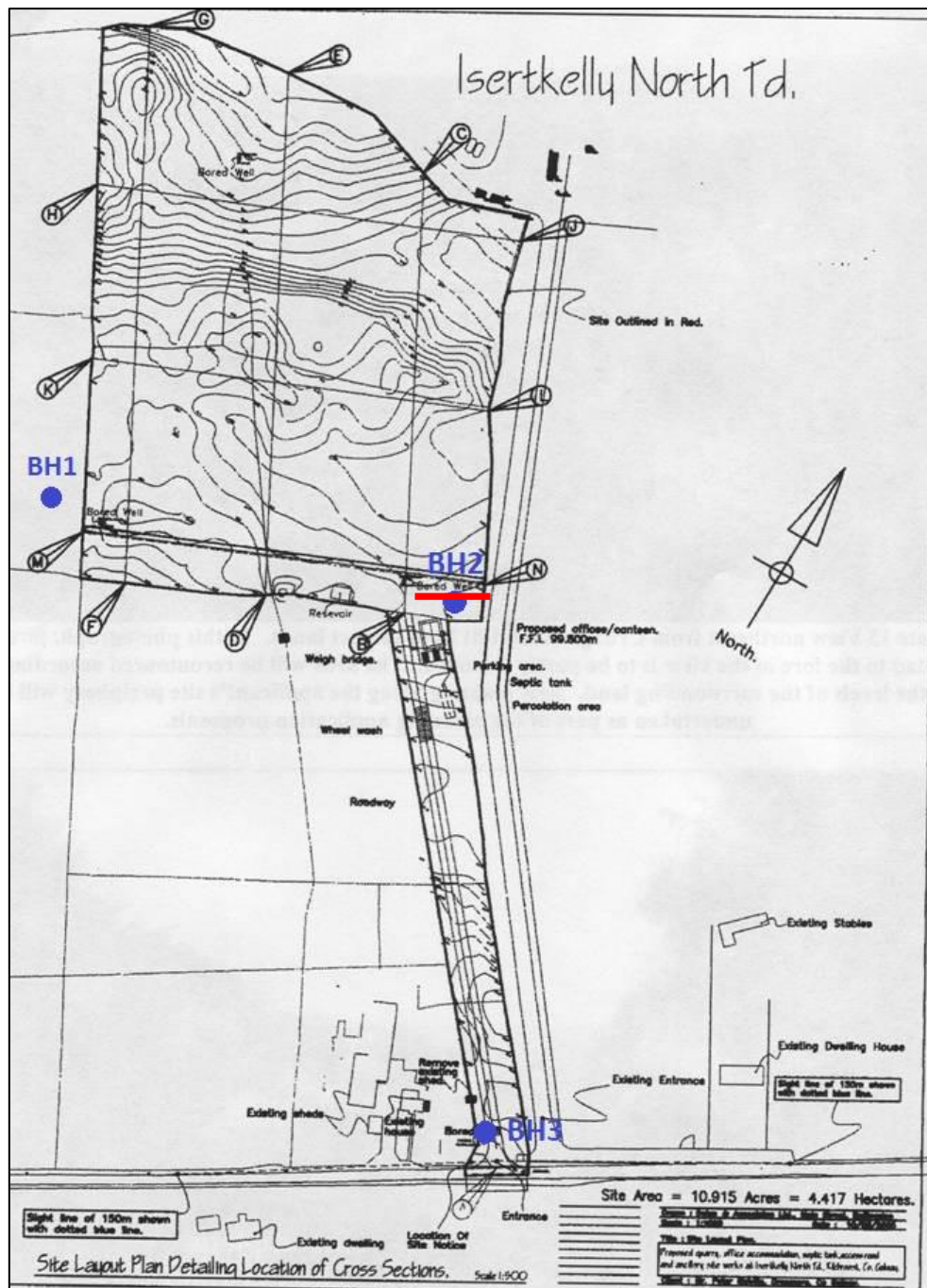


Figure 1-1 Borehole Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

The majority of the results for BH3 fall within the relevant guideline values for the monitoring period Q3 2023. However, both the faecal coliform bacteria and Escherichia Coli bacteria were both above the recommended limit with values. The levels of phosphate detected were also above the recommended limits.

The results for Certificate of analysis can be seen in Appendix 1.

Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

3. Results

Groundwater and surface water quality was assessed by comparing analytical results to the most relevant of the following water quality guidelines – Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC):

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

The results for the groundwater analysis can be seen in the table below.

*Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

Table 2 - 1 BH3 Monitoring Results Q2 2023

Parameter	Result	Units	Generic Assessment Criteria	Source
COD	< 10	mg O ₂ /l	No Value	-
Ammonia	< 0.050	mg/l	175 µg/l	GTV
Nitrate	2.4	mg/l	37.5 mg/l	GTV
Nitrite	< 0.020	mg/l	375 µg/l	GTV
Phosphate	0.60	mg/l	0.035 mg/l	GTV
Chloride	8.7	mg/l	187.5 mg/l	GTV
TPH (C6 – C10)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C10 – C21)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C21 – C40)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
Total TPH (C6 – C40)	< 10	µg/l	7.5 µg/l	GTV
Total Organic Carbon	< 2.0	mg/l	No Value	-
Electrical Conductivity	570	µS/cm	1875 µS/cm	GTV
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	55	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	55	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Ground water Level	17.2	Meters	N/A	-

GTV = Groundwater Threshold Value. Outlined in Groundwater Regulations (S.I. No. 9 of 2010 / S.I. No. 366 of 2016).

IGV = Interim Guideline Values (IGVs) presented by EPA in 2003.

4. Discussion


Faecal coliform bacteria and Escherichia Coli bacteria were above the recommended limit for the monitoring period Q3 2023. During and after precipitation, bacteria, and other harmful microorganisms from any of these sources may be washed into rivers, lakes, or groundwater. Poor well construction or poor maintenance can increase the risk of groundwater contamination. Total coliform bacteria are not likely to cause illness, but their presence indicates that your water supply may be vulnerable to contamination by more harmful microorganisms. The presence of E.coli in water indicates recent faecal contamination and may indicate the possible presence of disease-causing pathogens, such as bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Although most strains of E.coli bacteria are harmless, certain strains, such as E.coli 0157:H7, may cause illness. The level of phosphate was also higher than the groundwater threshold value of 0.035 mg/l. All other results for the groundwater monitoring of BH3 fall within the recommended water quality guidelines for the monitoring period Q3 2023.

The generic assessment criteria values come from the following documents:


- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis GW Monitoring


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Determinand	Accred.	SOP	Units	LOD	
Electrical Conductivity at 25C	U	1020	µS/cm	1.0	570
Chemical Oxygen Demand	U	1100	mg O2/l	10	< 10
Chloride	U	1220	mg/l	1.0	8.7
Ammonia (Free)	N	1220	mg/l	0.050	< 0.050
Nitrite as NO2	U	1220	mg/l	0.020	< 0.020
Nitrate as NO3	U	1220	mg/l	0.50	2.4
Phosphate	U	1220	mg/l	0.200	0.60
Total Organic Carbon	U	1610	mg/l	2.0	< 2.0
TPH >C6-C10	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
TPH >C10-C21	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
TPH >C21-C40	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
Total TPH >C6-C40	U	1670	µg/l	10	< 10



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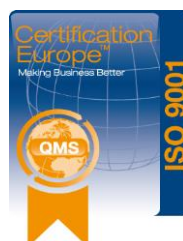
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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct dust deposition monitoring and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from three dust monitoring points D1, D2 and D3 as indicated in the map below.

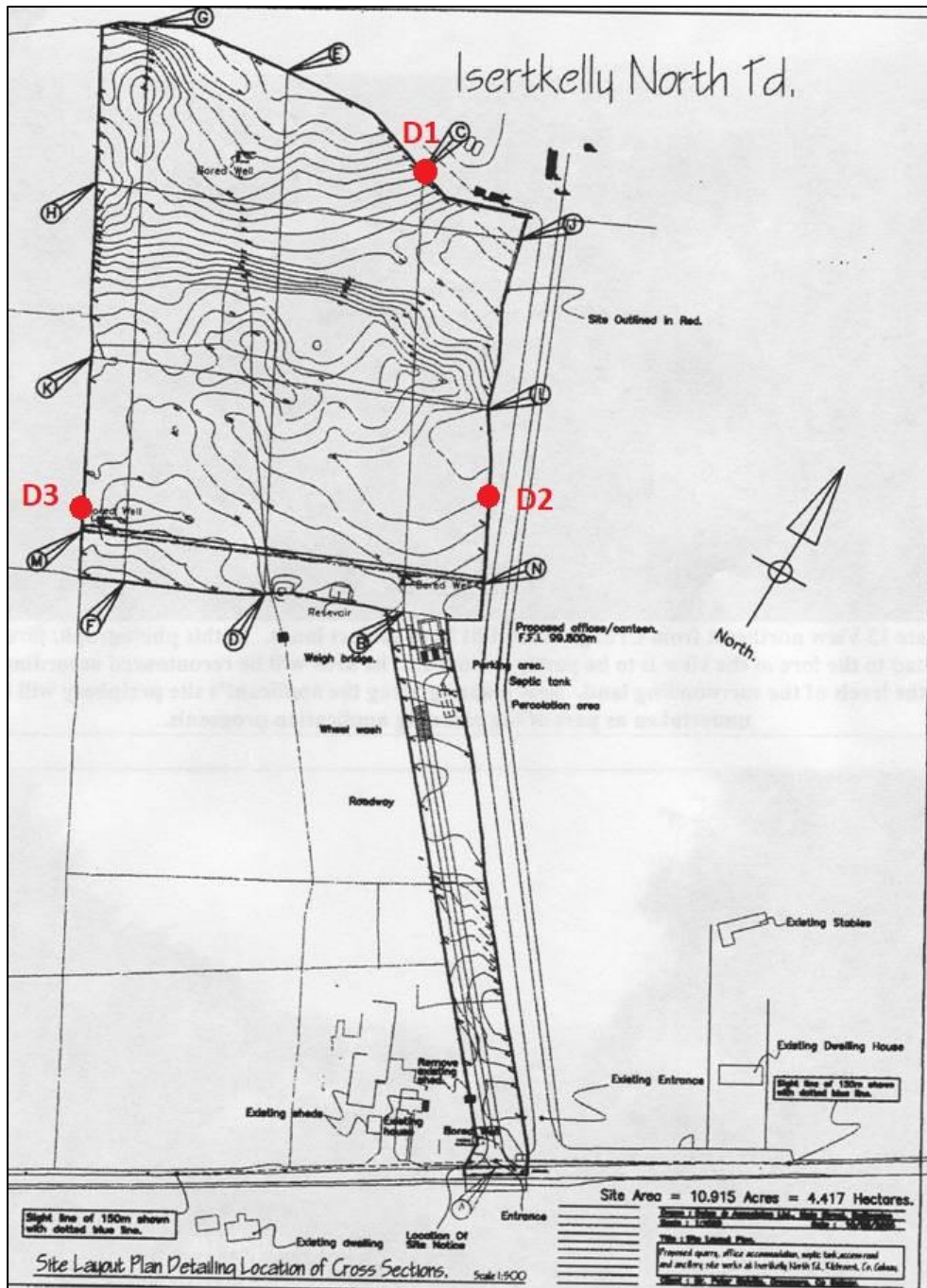


Figure 1-1 Dust Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q3 2023.

All results for the Bergerhoff monitoring points were below the TA Luft Dustfall limit.

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3. Methodology

Environmental Efficiency Consultants Ltd conduct environmental dust deposition monitoring on a quarterly basis at Kilchreest Quarry. Environmental Efficiency collects Bergerhoff bottles on-site following each monitoring period and, upon return to the laboratory, conducts testing in accordance with the company's internal SOP's; SOP 03.04 Determination of Suspended Solids/SOP 99.12 Total Dust Deposition, to determine Total Dust Deposition at each monitoring location in mg/m²/day. Results are subsequently compared to a dust limit value of 350 mg/m²/day, as prescribed by German TA Luft Guidelines, to determine whether dust levels constitute levels which are not acceptable as per this environmental quality standard (i.e., levels at which there may be nuisance caused or hazard posed).

4. Results

Environmental dust monitoring results for each monitoring period are presented in the tables below. Certificates of analysis are provided in Appendix 1.

Table 4 - 1 Dust Monitoring Results – Q3 2023

Location	Units of Measurement	Results	Prescribed Limit Value	Compliant
D1	mg/m ² /day	314.1	350	Yes
D2	mg/m ² /day	203.7	350	Yes
D3	mg/m ² /day	178.3	350	Yes

5. Conclusion

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q3 2023. The dust fall limit specified for the quarry is based on the German TA Luft Environmental Guidelines which specifies a limit of 350 mg/m²/day. All results for the three monitoring locations were below the prescribed limit value for Q3 2023.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis



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Certificate of Analysis for Total Dust Deposition

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Site code: KC

Period: Q3 2023

Collected by: IM

Analysed by: IM

Sample method: Bergerhoff bottle

Sample type: Dust fall

SOP: 99.12

Results

Location	Start monitoring	End monitoring	Date analysed	Days on site	Result, mg/m2 day
D1	01-Sep-23	30-Sep-23	02-Oct-23	30	314.1
D2	01-Sep-23	30-Sep-23	02-Oct-23	30	203.7
D3	01-Sep-23	30-Sep-23	02-Oct-23	30	178.3

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1. Introduction

The client is required to carry out a noise survey at various specified locations in the vicinity of the site. This document reports the results of the noise survey.

2. Executive Summary

A noise survey to EPA NG4 was undertaken on 26-Sep-23. The compliance of the locations with the specified limits is shown in the table below.

Table 2-1 Summary of compliance

Location	Noise Sensitive Location	Day	Night-time
N1	No	N/A	N/A
N4	No	N/A	N/A
NSL2	Yes	Compliant	Compliant
NSL3	Yes	Compliant	Compliant

3. Facility Description

The following activities are carried out on the site

- Hauling of materials from the site using HGV lorries.
- The operation of machinery.

The site has the hours of operation shown in the table below.

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Table 3-1 Hours of operation

Period	Operational hours	Surveyed
Day	08:00 – 17:00	Yes
Evening - No monitoring	Not operational	No
Night-time	Not operational	Yes

4. Monitoring requirements

Noise is required to be monitored at the locations shown in the table immediately below. The noise limits applicable, the required number of sampling periods (e.g. number of separate measurements at one location during one monitoring period, e.g. daytime) and the required duration of each sampling period are shown in the second table below. Note that noise monitoring was only carried out during periods where there was activity or equipment running on the site.

Table 4-1 Locations monitored

Location	Location Description	NSL
N1	Entrance	No
N4	Boundary	No
NSL2	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	Beside house	Yes

Table 4-2 Periods monitored and limits

Monitoring Period	Monitored	NSL	Limit. dBA	Allowance, dBA	T (Sampling Period), minutes	No. of runs
Day	Yes	Yes	55	0	60	1
Night-time	Yes	Yes	45	0	15	1
Day	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	60	1
Night-time	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	15	1

5. Sampling Methodology

5.1 Instrumentation Used

The equipment shown in the table below was used during the noise survey. All Sound Level Meters are Type I. The SLMs and calibrators are identified by a LEN (Laboratory Equipment Number) and this is shown in the table below. Calibration certificates for the equipment, where appropriate, are shown in the appendices and are referenced by the LEN.

Table 5-1 Equipment Used

Equipment used	LEN (Lab equipment Number)	Make/Model	Serial Number	Cal cert
First SLM	LEN 089	Svante SV2	40396	Yes
Second SLM	LEN 128	Svante SV1	128783	Yes
First Calibrator	LEN 071	Cirrus	51431	Yes
Anemometer	LEN 127	Testo 410-1	N/A	N/A

All noise measurements were 'A' weighted and the time-weighting 'Fast' was applied (to equate to human ear hearing). Each SLM is calibrated in the field before the start of the survey and again at the end of the survey. Unless stated otherwise in this report, there was no drift in calibration greater than 0.1 dB over the duration of the survey.

All SLMs used are capable of third band octave measurement. Third band octave readings were recorded at all locations where tonal noise was subjectively detected by the survey personnel. Where tonal noise was detected, the third band octave readings were analysed off site to verify the presence of tonal. The simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used for this purpose.

5.2 Noise Survey Personnel

The noise survey was undertaken by Environmental Efficiency staff as follows:

Author (Name & Quals)	Ivan Mahon, Site Technician
Author (Initials)	IM

5.3 Meteorological Conditions

Weather conditions on the day of monitoring were considered appropriate for surveying purposes and therefore did not affect the readings i.e. conditions were dry and wind speed was less than 5 m/s (the normal upper limit for taking measurements). The Sound Level Meter was also fitted with a windshield to minimise interference from

potential meteorological conditions, in keeping with good practice. The meteorological conditions during the survey periods are shown below.

Table 5-2: Meteorological Conditions

Survey	Date	Time	Av. wind speed, m/s	Temp, C	Prevailing wind direction	Weather
Start	26-Sep-23	12:54:00	1.0	20.1	SW	No precipitation
Completion	26-Sep-23	19:06:00	3.5	16.6	W	No precipitation

5.4 Measurement Locations

The locations of noise monitoring locations are described in the table below and shown in Figure 5-1. Photographs of the SLM at each location are shown following the map.

Table 5-3: Description of monitoring locations

Location	Height above ground, m	Distance from reflective surface, m	Location Description	Noise sensitive location
N1	1.2	>3.5	Site entrance	No
N4	1.2	>3.5	Boundary	No
NSL2	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes

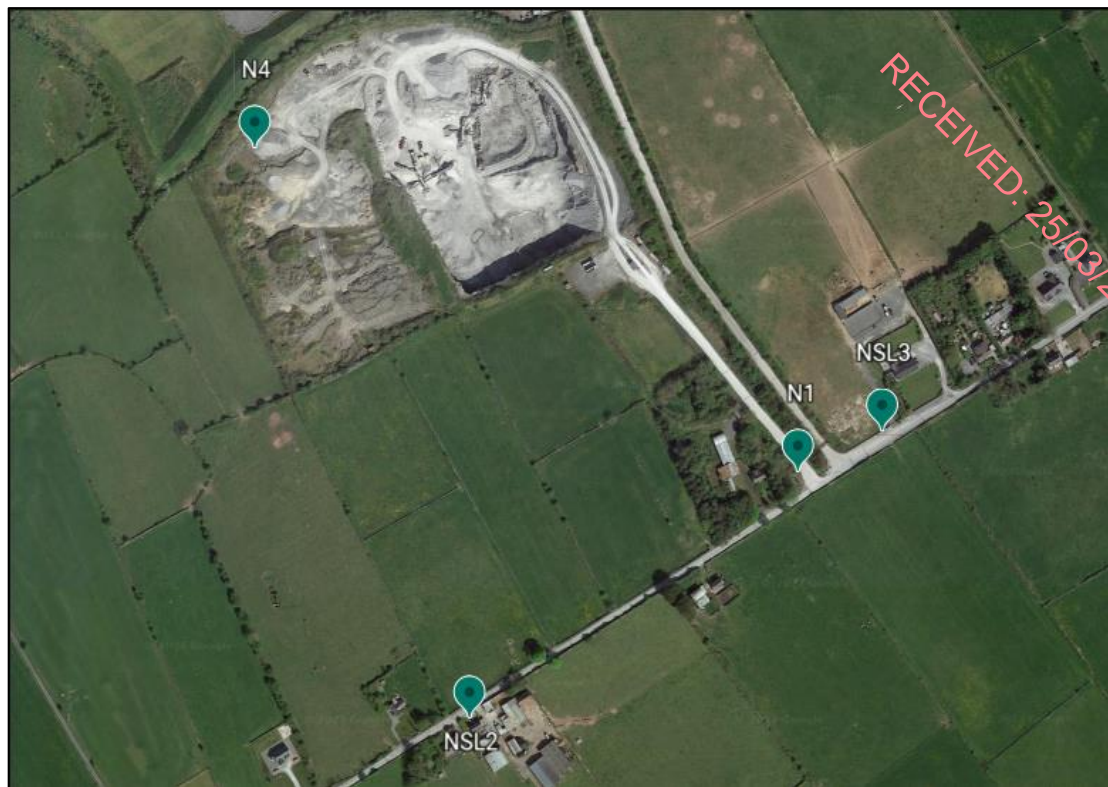


Figure 5 - 1 Site Map



Figure 5 - 2 Photograph SLM at N1



Figure 5 - 3 Photograph SLM at N4

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Figure 5 - 4 Photograph SLM at NSL2



Figure 5 - 5 Photograph SLM at NSL3

5.5 Ground attenuation

If the intervening ground between a noise source and a measurement location is acoustically absorptive, this can result in a reduction in noise level at the receptor due to absorption of sound energy by the ground itself. On the contrary, if the intervening ground is acoustically reflective ground, it produces the opposite effect

The details of the intervening ground between sources and measurement positions are described in the following table:

Table 5-4: Ground attenuation

Location	% Soft Ground	% Hard Ground	Comments
N1	85	15	No comment
N4	0	100	No comment
NSL2	0	100	No comment
NSL3	60	40	No comment

6. Noise Survey

The measurement parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAF10 plus the derived parameter LAr,T are tabulated below in the tables for each monitoring location. Associated particulars such as a description of the on-site noise and off-site noise noticed at each location are also provided where relevant. A graphical representation of the parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAr,T over each monitoring period is provided in the graphs above each table.

The derived noise parameter LAr,T, termed the Rated Noise Level, includes a penalty of 5 dBA for tonal or impulsive noise where such noise is present. This penalty is normally added to LAeq,T. Where traffic or other off site noise sources are significant, the parameter LAF90 may be a better descriptor of site noise and where this is the case the Rated Noise Level is equal to LAF90 plus the penalty. In the tables below, where LAF90 is considered a better descriptor of site noise, an asterisk is appended to the measurement.

The penalty for on-site tonal noise and/or on-site impulsive noise is only applied during the daytime and evening periods. No tonal or impulsive noise is permitted during night-time; if such noise is present then this is a breach regardless of the LAeq,T or LAF90 noise level.

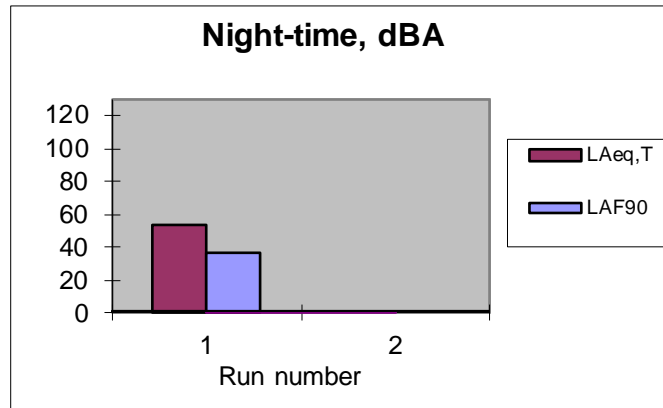
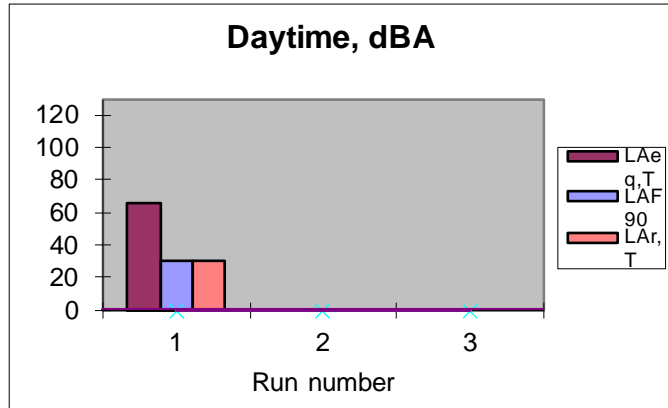
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The parameter LAFmax has no bearing on compliance and is not shown in the tables below; however, as it may be required to be reported separately (e.g. in an Annual Environmental Report) it is included in the appendices.

The column headed 'On site impulsive' states whether impulsive noise was heard by the monitoring personnel.

Location N1

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	¹ LAF90	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	26/09/2023 12:54	66	30	57	No	N/A	No	30	Road traffic	Kango demolition noise, HGVs	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 089	26/09/2023 18:15	54	36	50	No	N/A	No	36	Road traffic	None	N/A

¹ LA90 was chosen due to the significant volume of traffic

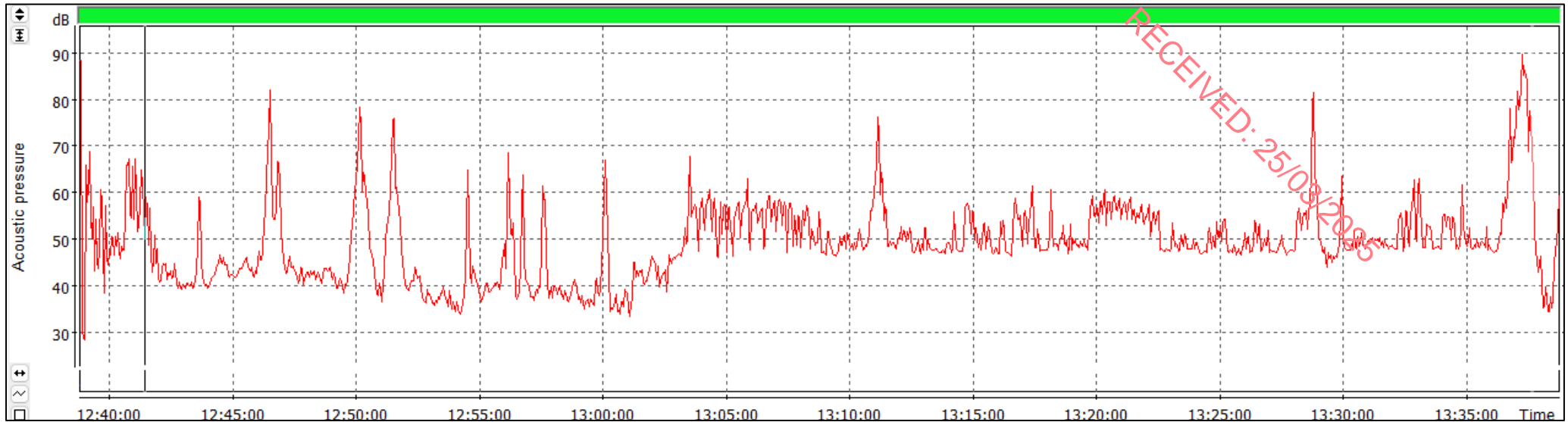


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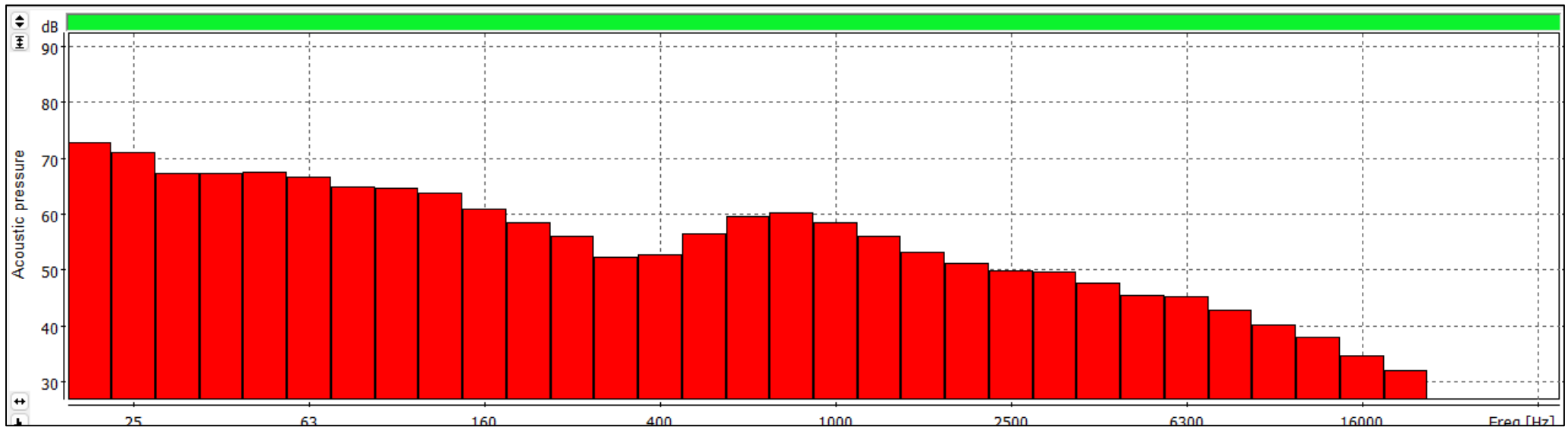
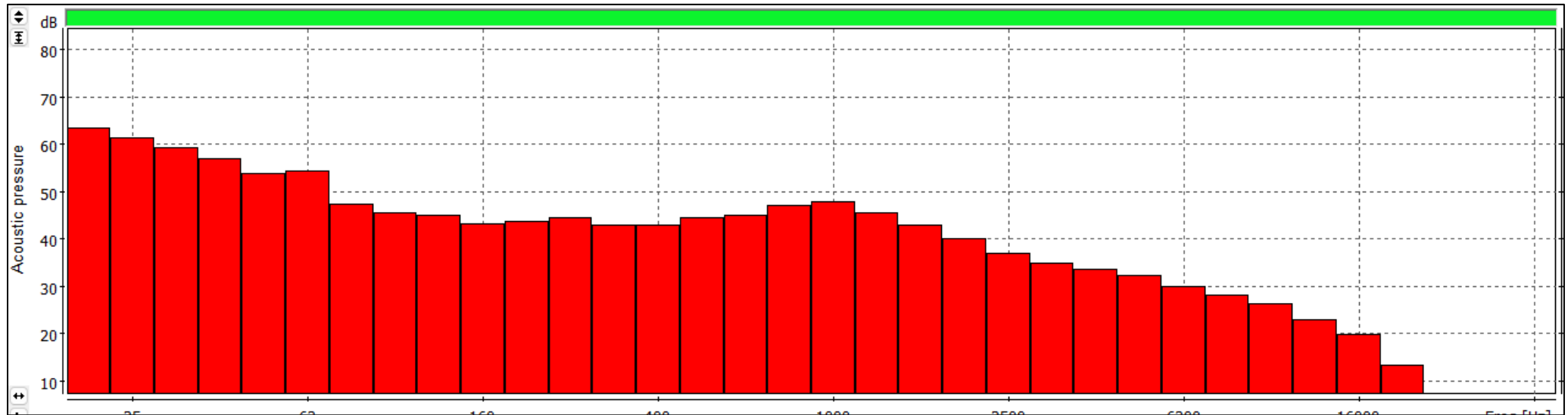
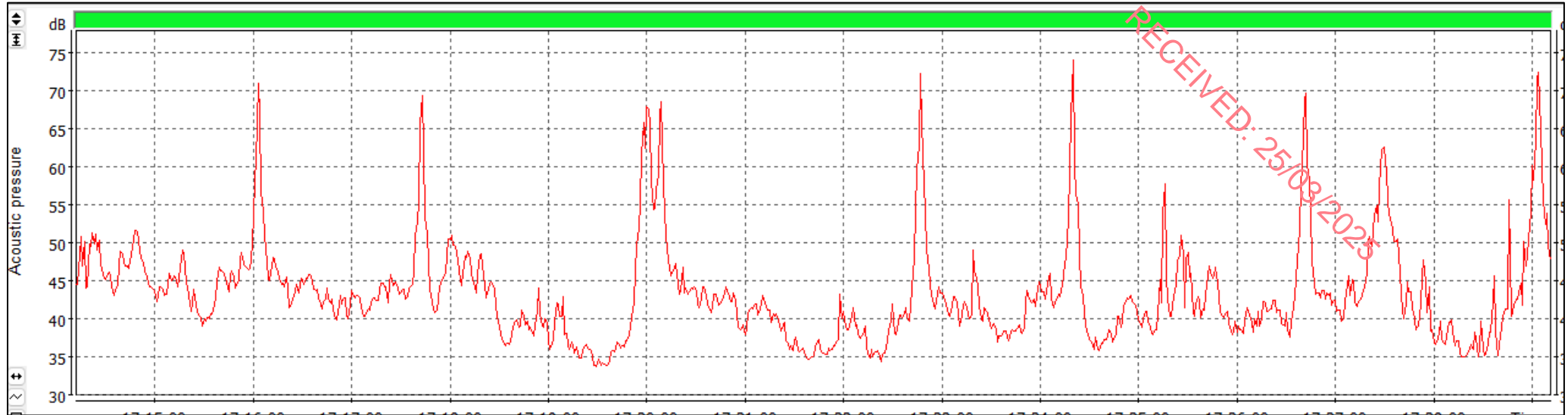
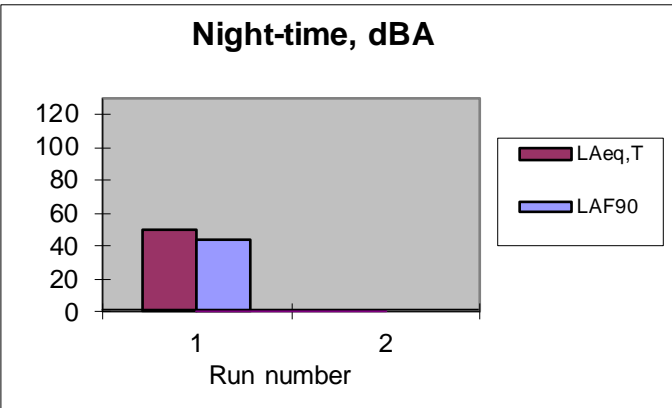
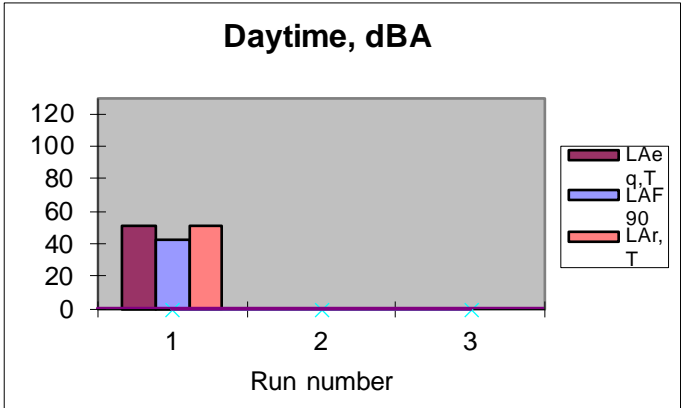


Figure 6 - 2 N1 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave



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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90}	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	26/09/2023 14:04	52	42	54	No	N/A	No	52	Road traffic	HGVs, Site operations	N/A
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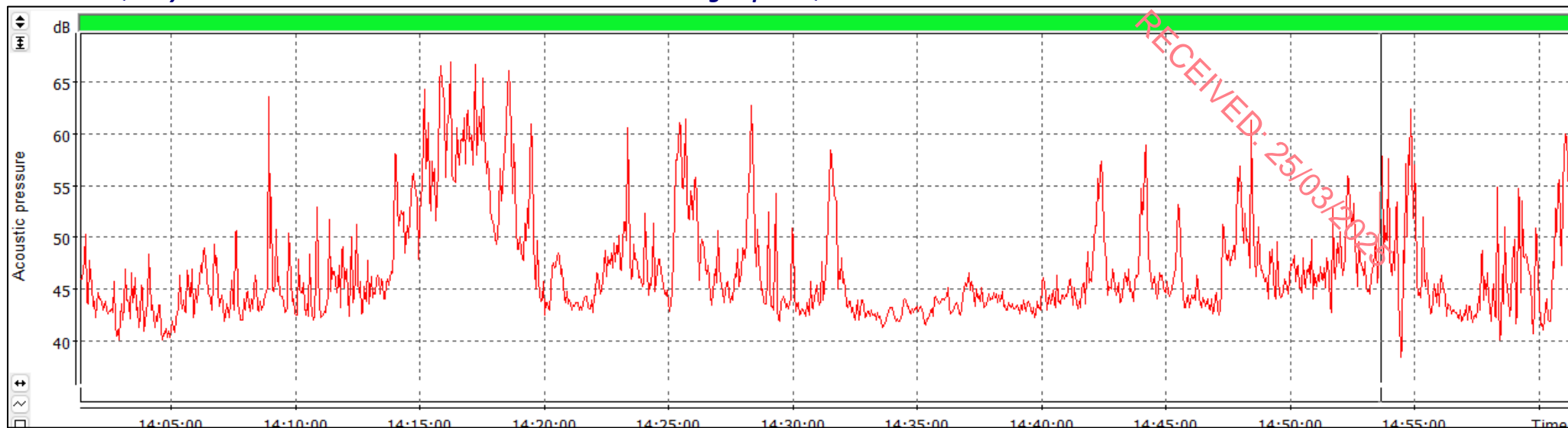


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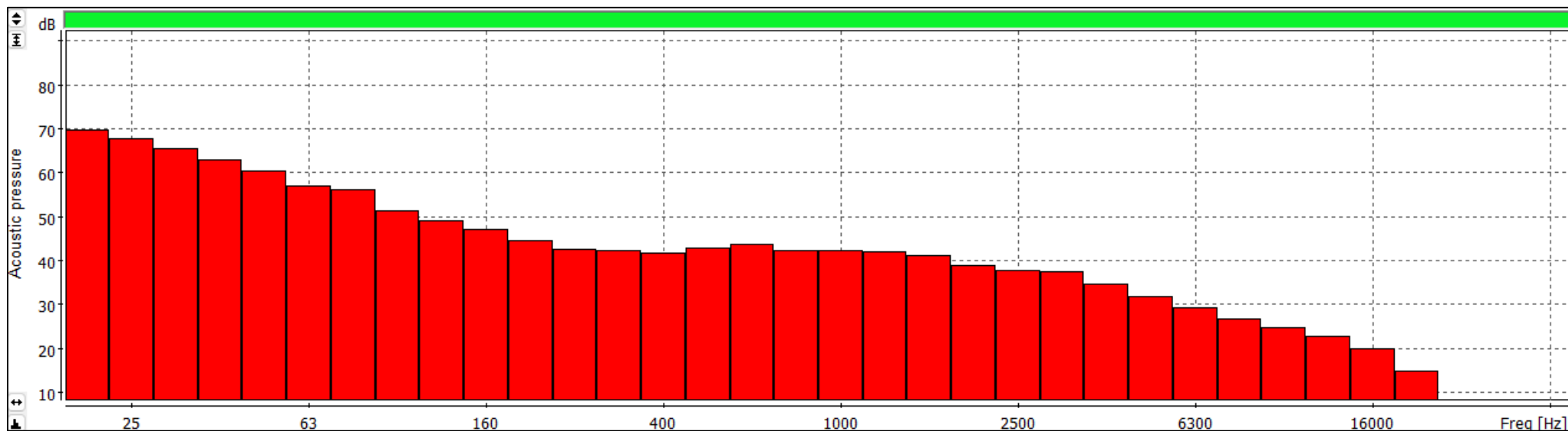


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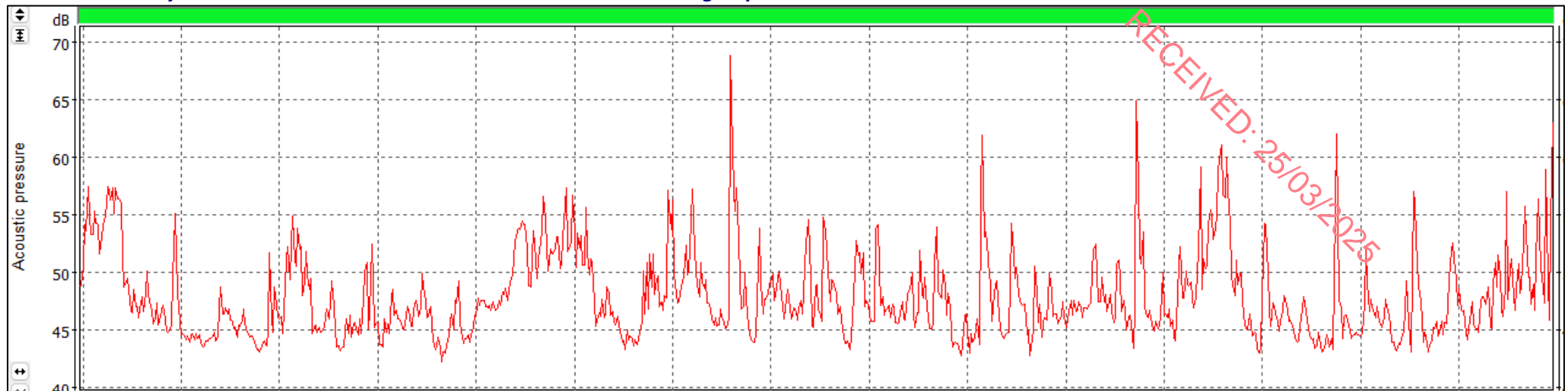


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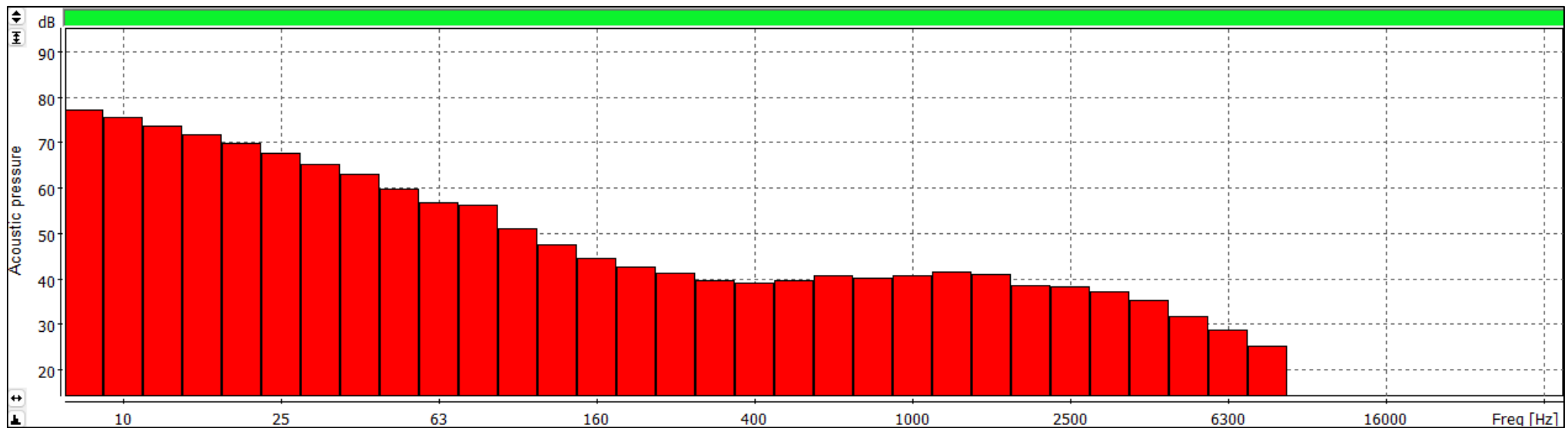
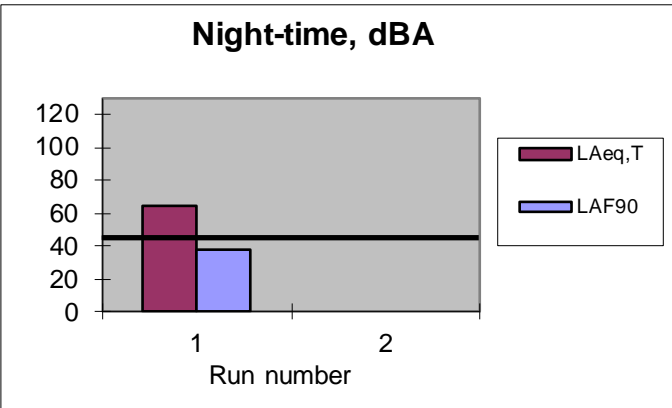
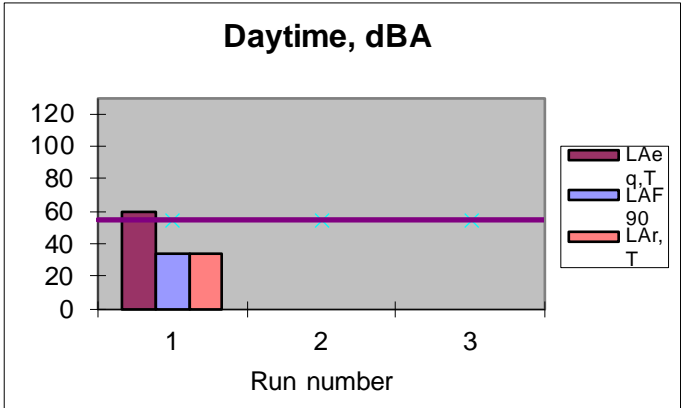


Figure 6 - 8 N4 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	¹ L _{AF90}	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	26/09/2023 14:06	60	34	52	No	N/A	No	34	Road traffic	None	Yes
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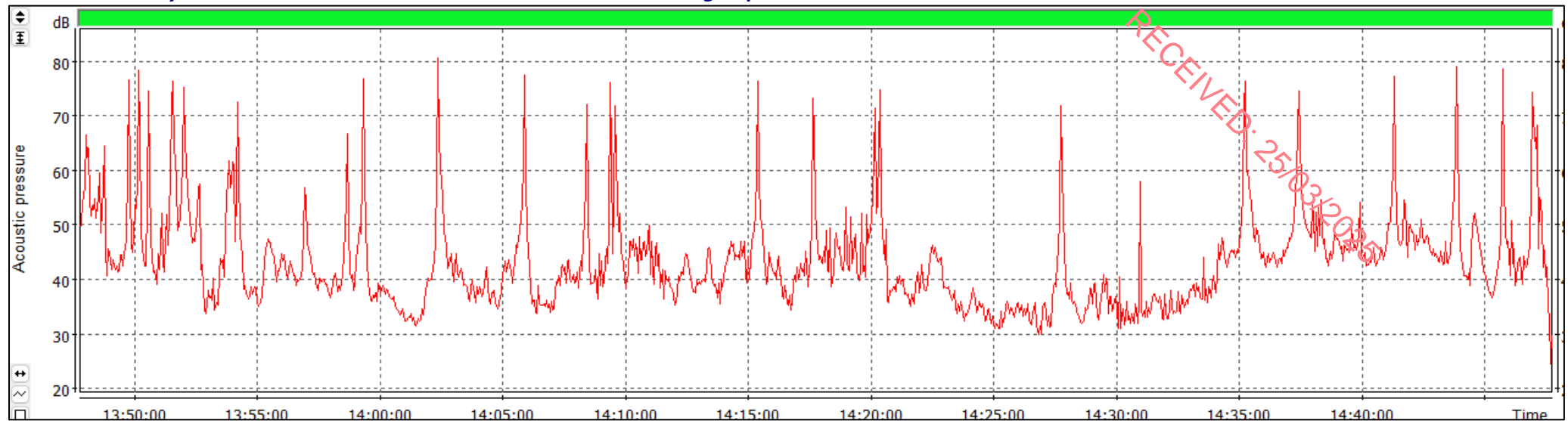


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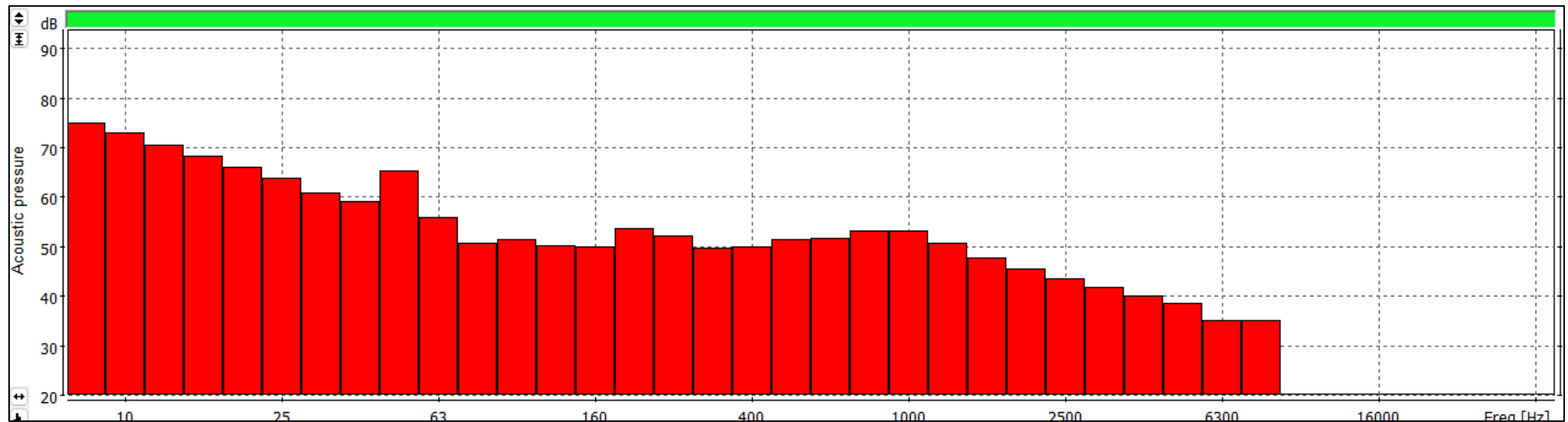
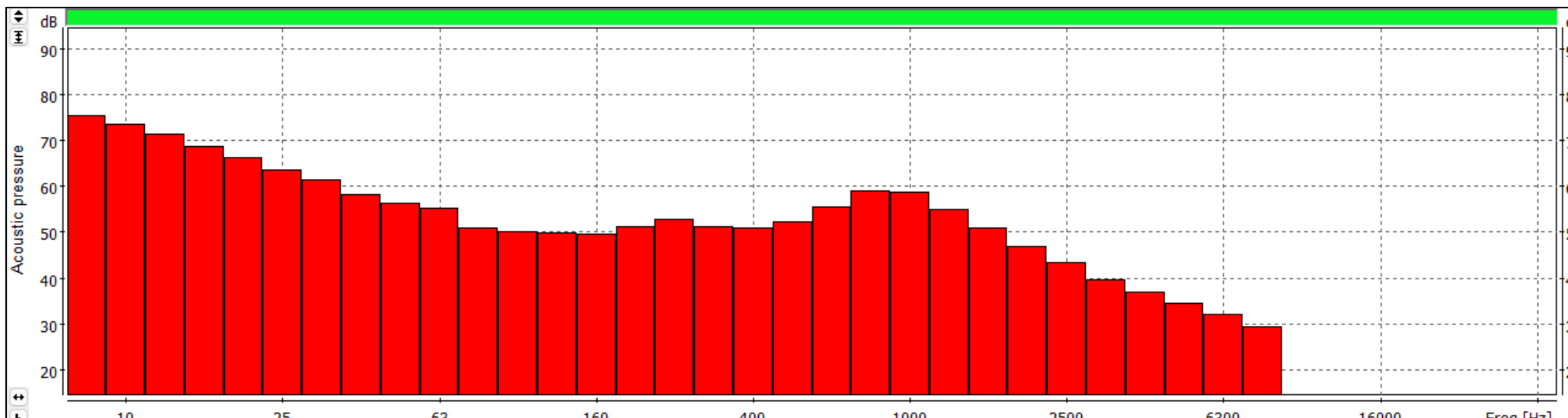
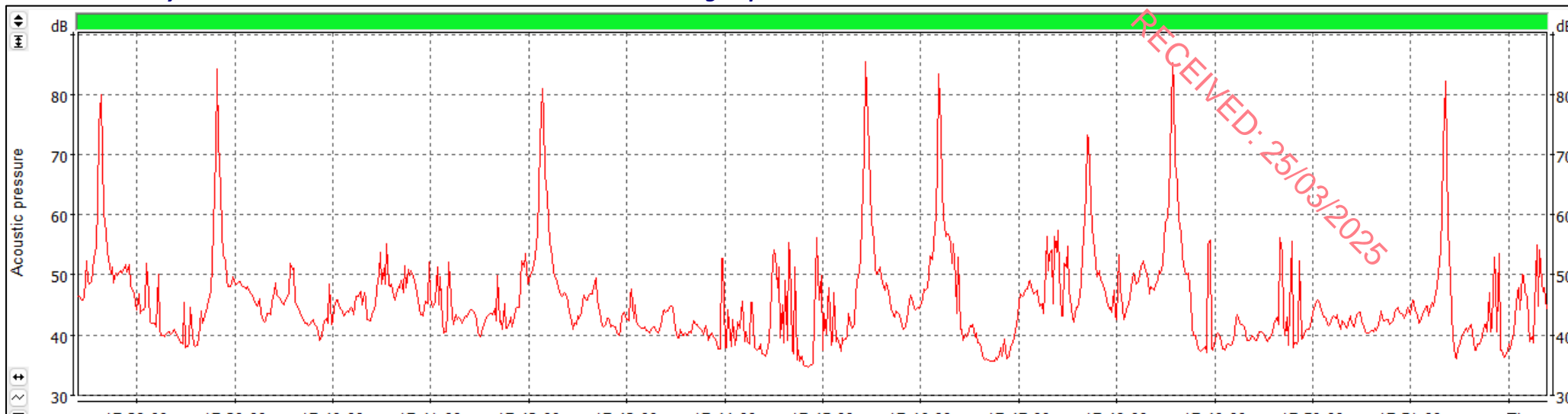
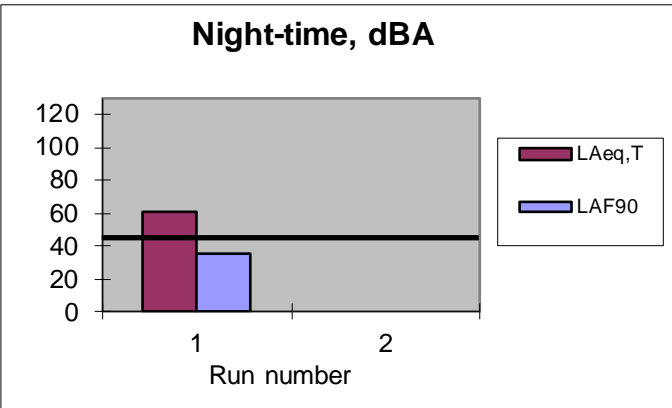
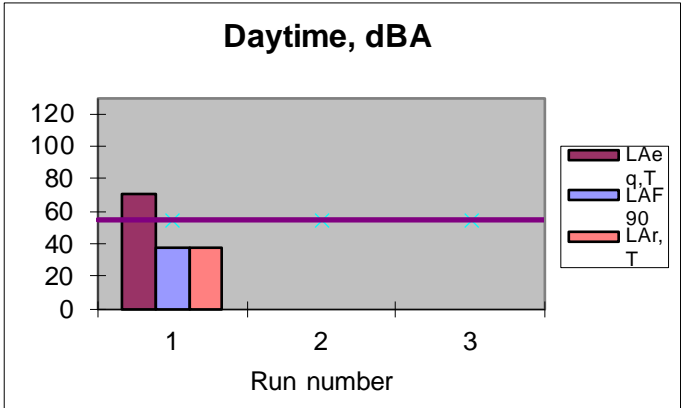


Figure 6 - 10 NSL2 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave



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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	¹ LAF90	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	26/09/2023 12:49	71	38	52	No	N/A	No	38	Road traffic	HGVs	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 128	26/09/2023 18:06	61	36	57	No	N/A	No	36	Road traffic	None	Yes

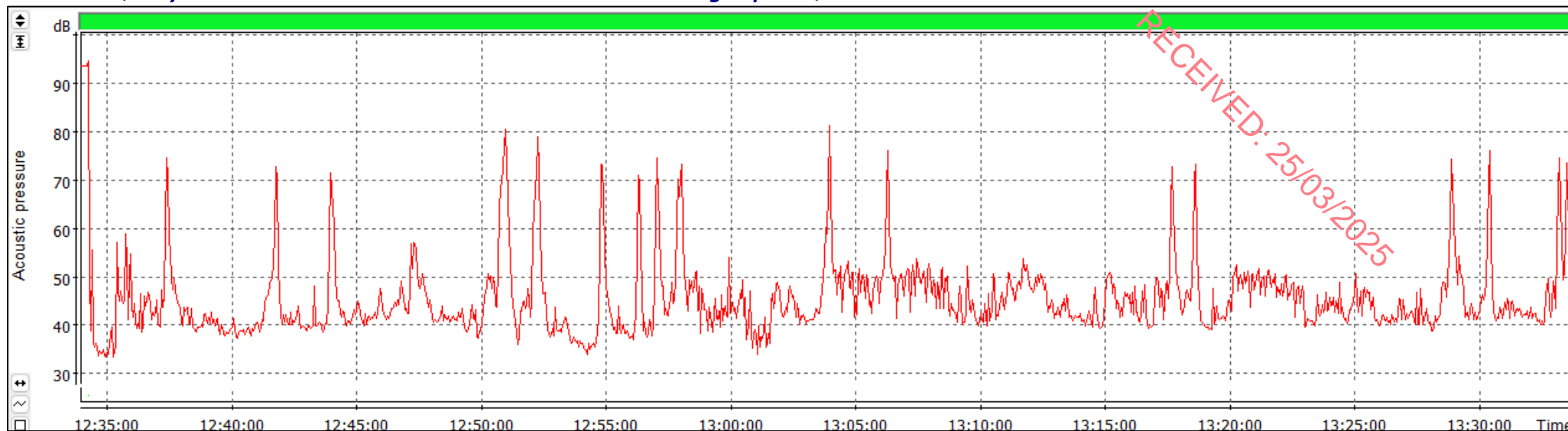


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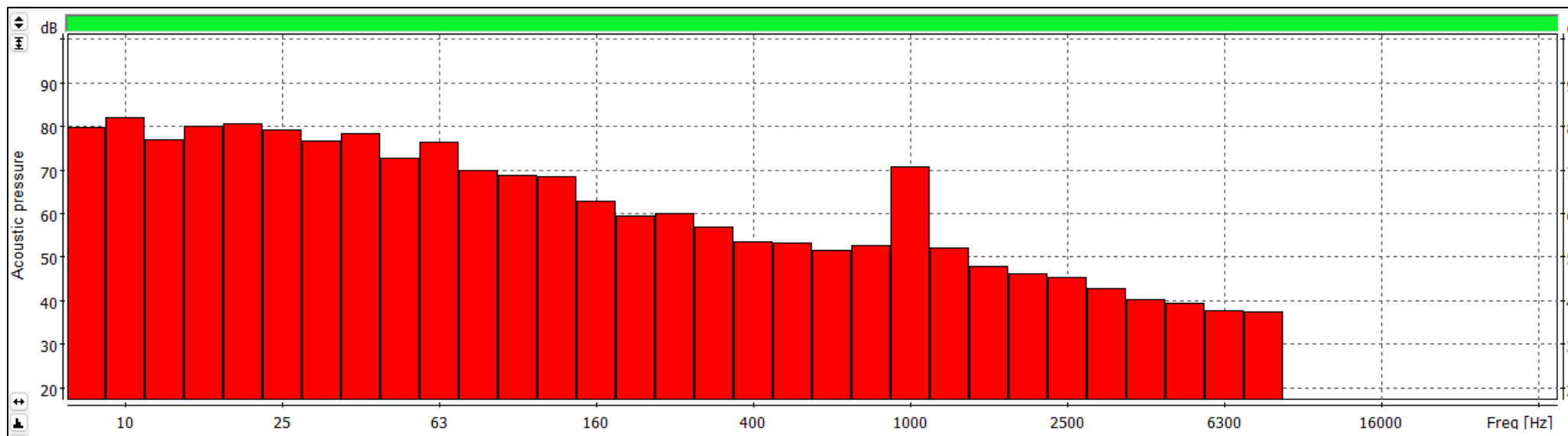


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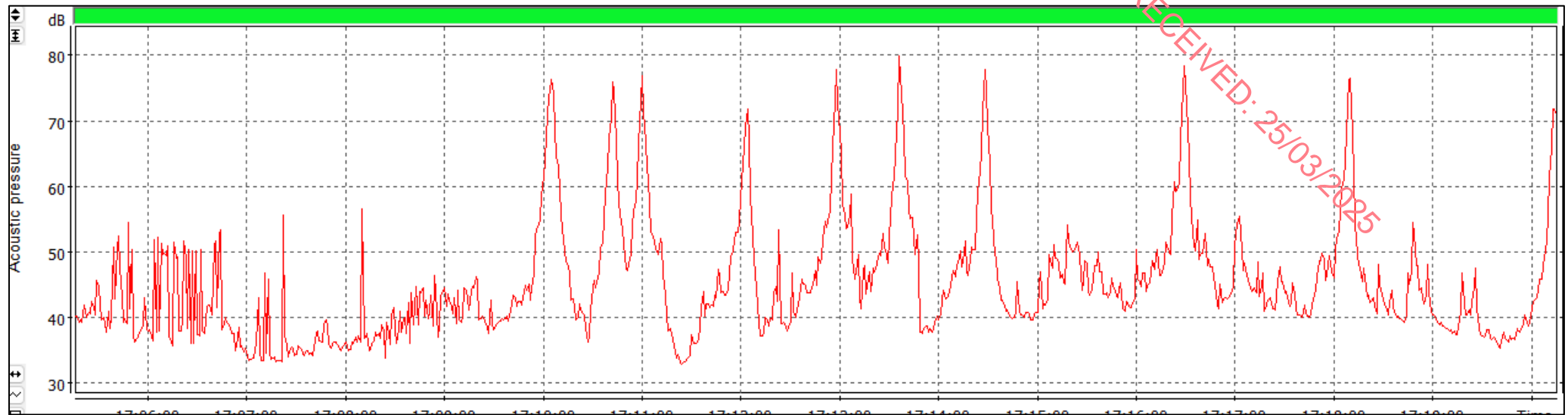


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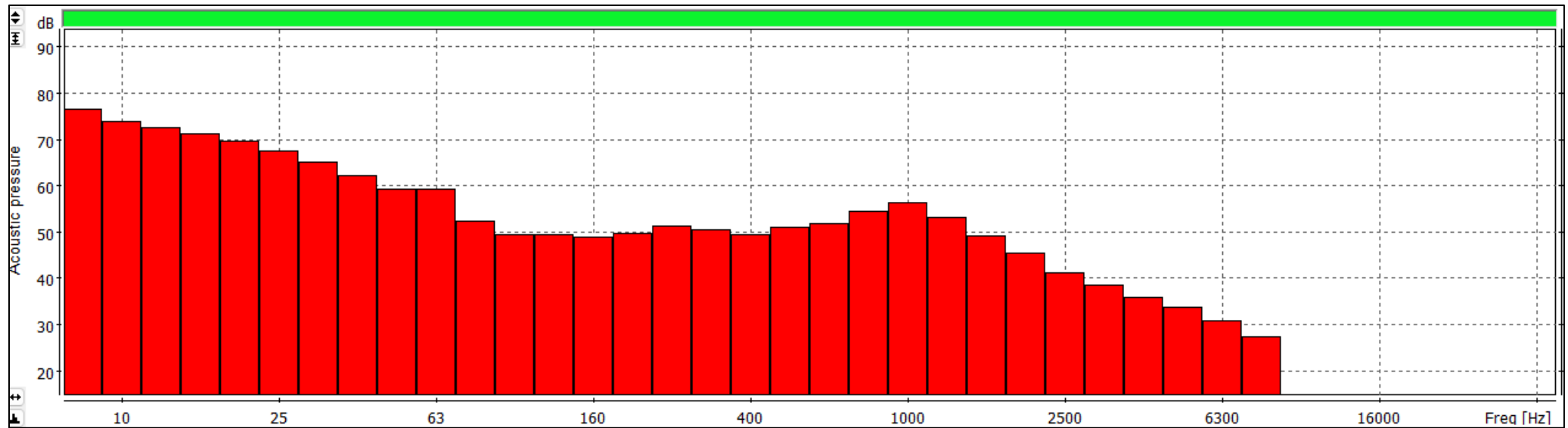


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7. Conclusion

L_{Aeq} represents the ambient sound levels in the area from sources near and far. The statistical noise levels of L₁₀ and L₉₀ are the noise levels exceeded for 10% and 90% respectively of the measurement period. A small difference in L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates a constant noise emission (or a lack of intermittent noise). The greater the difference between the L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates intermittent noise sources such as local traffic. Where external noise sources such as local road traffic have had a considerable impact on monitoring results due to the close proximity of some monitoring points to the adjacent public road, the L₉₀ is chosen as the best descriptor of site noise.

According to Condition 6 of the grant of planning permission:

“During the operational phase of development, the noise level at existing sensitive locations shall not exceed a L_{aeq} (1 hour) of 55dB (A) between 0800 and 1800 and an L_{aeq} (15 minutes) of 45 dB (A) between 1800 and 0800. Noise monitoring shall be carried out at the noise monitoring locations N1 to N4 as indicated in the EIS documentation on a quarterly basis in accordance with the EPA “Environmental Noise Survey – Guidance Document”, 2003”.

Monitoring locations NSL2 and NSL3 are considered to be "noise sensitive locations" as defined by the EPA while N1 and N4 are defined as “boundary noise locations” where the specified limit values do not apply. During both daytime and night-time monitoring periods, noise emission values at both NSL2 and NSL3 were within the prescribed limits as stated in the planning conditions.

Appendix 1 Report Terminology

Noise Monitoring Parameters	
Survey	The measurement of noise over one or more days and is made up of a number of monitoring runs with one or more noise meters.
Run or monitoring run	A single measurement at one location to determine noise level. A number of monitoring runs will be typically be made at each location. The duration of a monitoring run is typically 15 or 30 minutes and is stipulated in the licence.
dB(A)	This is the unit used to quantify noise measurements. "dB" stands for decibel and the "A" indicates that the noise reading is A-weighted and therefore is a measurement of noise audible to the human ear. The scale is logarithmic.
$L_{Aeq,T}$	This parameter is measured on-site using a noise meter for a specified time period (T minutes). It represents the average noise level that occurred over that period.
Rated Noise Level or $L_{A,r,T}$	The Rated Noise Level is equal to $L_{Aeq,T}$ plus any penalty for confirmed tonal and/or subjective impulsive. The penalty is only added for daytime and evening monitoring.
L_{AF10} and L_{AF90}	The L_{AF10} and L_{AF90} are both statistical noise levels. L_{AF10} indicates that for 10% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. L_{AF90} indicates that for 90% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. The L_{AF90} indicates the background noise levels if short-term, intermittent noise sources were ignored e.g. a passing car. The L_{AF10} can be used to determine the effect to which these short-term noise sources effect the overall average reading i.e. if the L_{AF10} is very different to the L_{AF90} , then intermittent noise is a significant source of noise
L_{AFmax}	The maximum RMS A-weighted sound pressure level occurring within a specified time period. Measured using the "Fast" time weighting.
Continuous	Noise produced without interruption.
Impulsive Noise	A noise of short duration (typically less than one second), the sound pressure of which is significantly higher than the background; brief and abrupt.
Intermittent Noise	Noise produced on discontinuous basis e.g. equipment operating in cycles or events such as single passing vehicle or aircraft.
Tonal Noise	Noise, which contains a clearly audible, tone i.e. a distinguishable, discrete or continuous note (whine, hum, drone, screech, etc.).

Appendix 2 Confirmation of tonal noise

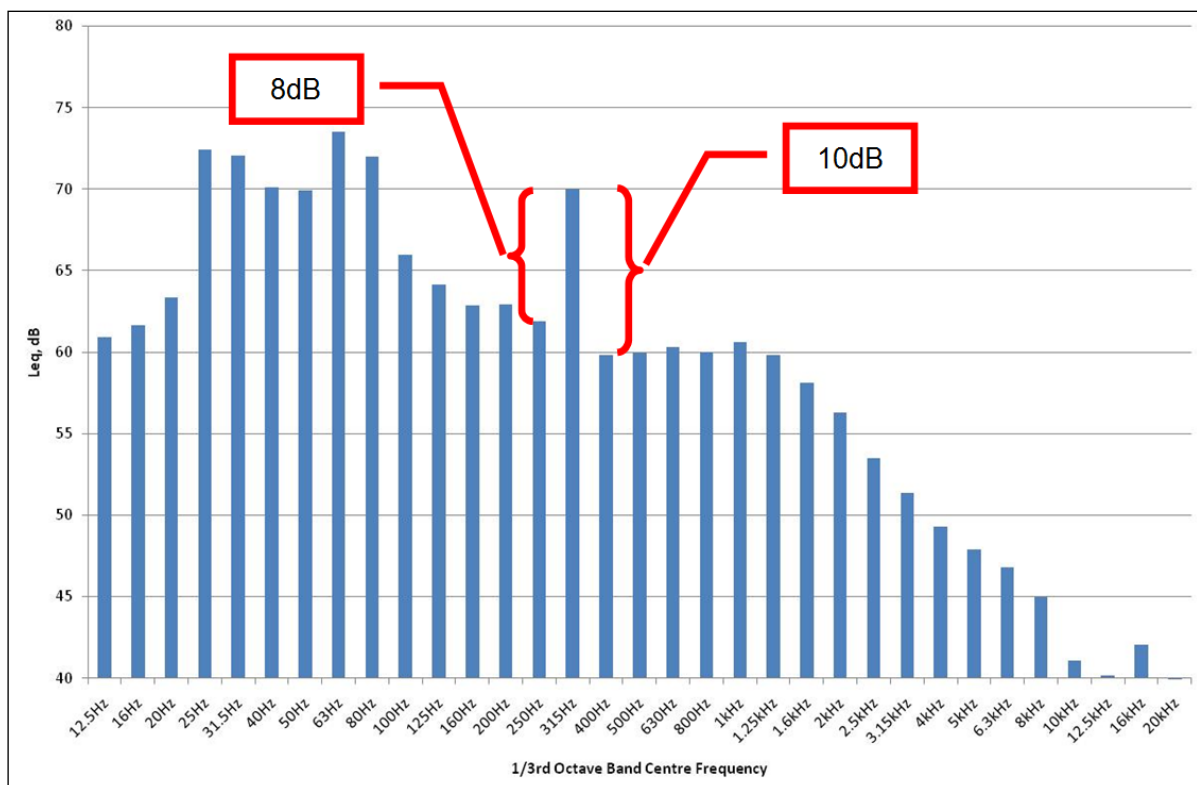
The subjective identification of tonal noise is based on the interpretation of the third octave band results. Where the sound level for a third octave band is greater than or equal to both the adjacent third octave bands by some constant level difference, then tonal noise is confirmed. The level differences vary by frequency and are shown in the table below

Frequency range	Level Difference
25 Hz to 125 Hz	15 dB
160 Hz to 400 Hz	8 dB
500 Hz to 10,000 Hz	5 db

In the example below, tonal noise was subjectively assessed. The third band monitoring results were therefore reviewed and are shown below. A peak can be seen at 315 Hz. This peak is 8 dB above the lower adjacent third octave and 10 dB higher than the higher adjacent third octave band. From a review of the table above, the Level Difference for 315 Hz is 8 dB.

For the example below, tonal noise is confirmed as there is a difference greater than or equal to 8 dB either side of 315 Hz.

Knowing the frequency of the confirmed tonal noise can help in identifying the source of the noise and its reduction.



Appendix 3 LAFmax data


Some authorities require that LAFmax be reported, however, there are no limits set for this parameter. In order to keep the body of the report uncluttered, the data regarding this parameter is reproduced below.

Location	NSL	Period	LAFmax
N1	No	Day	94
N1	No	Night-time	72.3
N4	No	Day	67
N4	No	Night-time	71
NSL2	Yes	Day	87.9
NSL2	Yes	Night-time	88.4
NSL3	Yes	Day	103.5
NSL3	Yes	Night-time	81.5

Appendix 4 Certificates of Calibration

Figure 1 – LEN 128 Certificate of Calibration

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Mains Frequency : 50Hz ± 5Hz

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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct groundwater sampling and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from two boreholes BH1 and BH3 as indicated in the map below. Borehole BH2 has been decommissioned and no longer exists on site.

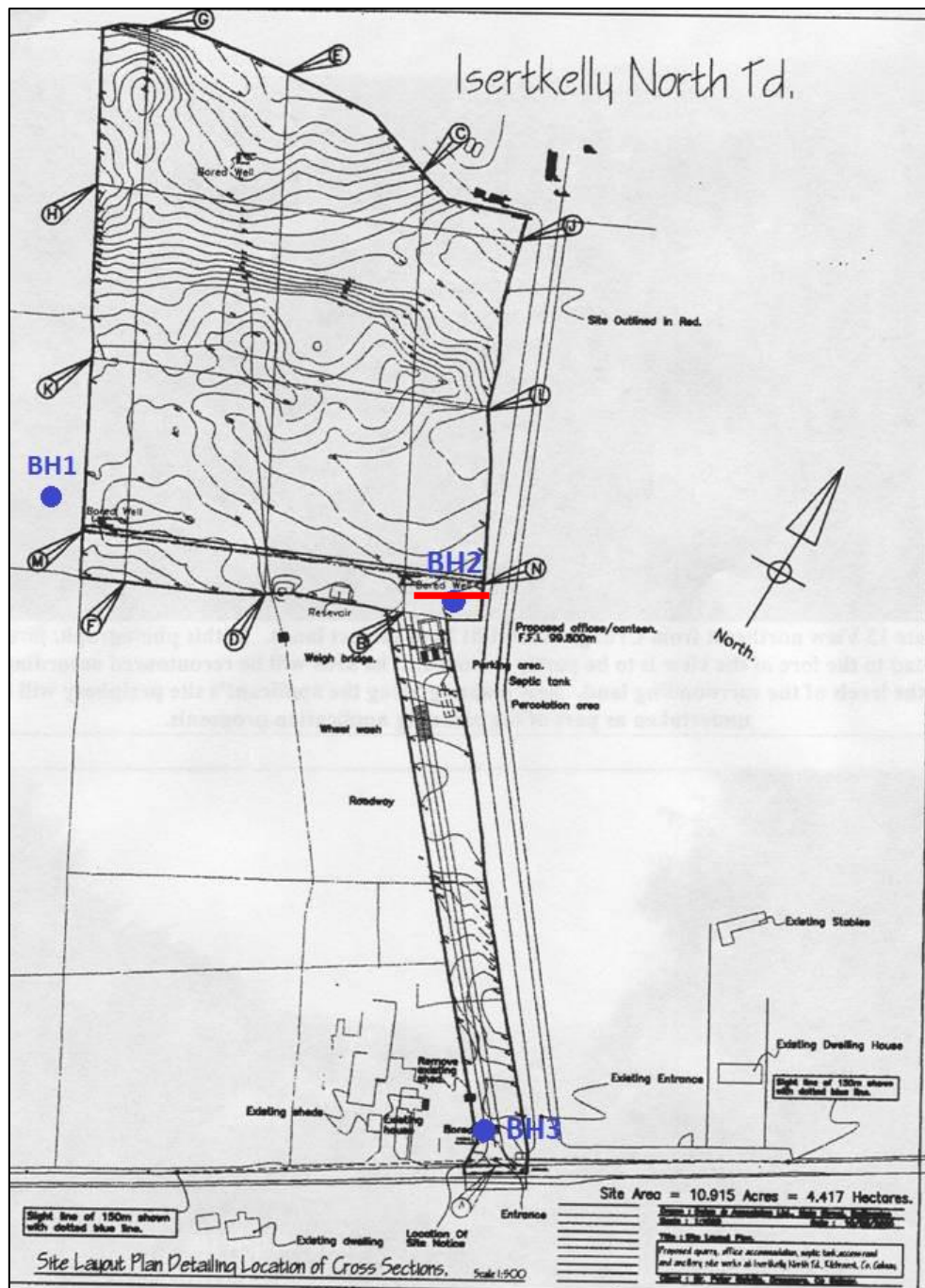


Figure 1-1 Borehole Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

The majority of the results for BH3 fall within the relevant guideline values for the monitoring period Q4 2023. However, the levels of phosphate detected was above the recommended limits.

The results for Certificate of analysis can be seen in Appendix 1.

Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

3. Results

Groundwater and surface water quality was assessed by comparing analytical results to the most relevant of the following water quality guidelines – Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC):

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

The results for the groundwater analysis can be seen in the table below.

*Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

Table 2 - 1 BH3 Monitoring Results Q4 2023

Parameter	Result	Units	Generic Assessment Criteria	Source
COD	< 10	mg O ₂ /l	No Value	-
Ammonia	< 0.050	mg/l	175 µg/l	GTV
Nitrate	11	mg/l	37.5 mg/l	GTV
Nitrite	0.042	mg/l	375 µg/l	GTV
Phosphate	0.72	mg/l	0.035 mg/l	GTV
Chloride	19	mg/l	187.5 mg/l	GTV
TPH (C6 – C10)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C10 – C21)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C21 – C40)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
Total TPH (C6 – C40)	< 10	µg/l	7.5 µg/l	GTV
Total Organic Carbon	52	mg/l	No Value	-
Electrical Conductivity	650	µS/cm	1875 µS/cm	GTV
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	0	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	0	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Ground water Level	16.6	Meters	N/A	-

GTV = Groundwater Threshold Value. Outlined in Groundwater Regulations (S.I. No. 9 of 2010 / S.I. No. 366 of 2016).

IGV = Interim Guideline Values (IGVs) presented by EPA in 2003.

4. Discussion

Faecal coliform bacteria and Escherichia Coli bacteria were below the recommended limit for the monitoring period Q4 2023 after a number of instances of being above the limit. During and after precipitation, bacteria, and other harmful microorganisms from any of these sources may be washed into rivers, lakes, or groundwater. Poor well construction or poor maintenance can increase the risk of groundwater contamination. Total coliform bacteria are not likely to cause illness, but their presence indicates that your water supply may be vulnerable to contamination by more harmful microorganisms. The presence of E.coli in water indicates recent faecal contamination and may indicate the possible presence of disease-causing pathogens, such as bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Although most strains of E.coli bacteria are harmless, certain strains, such as E.coli 0157:H7, may cause illness.


The level of phosphate was higher than the groundwater threshold value of 0.035 mg/l. All other results for the groundwater monitoring of BH3 fall within the recommended water quality guidelines for the monitoring period Q4 2023.

The generic assessment criteria values come from the following documents:


- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis GW Monitoring


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Determinand	HWOL Code	Accred.	SOP	Units	LOD	
Electrical Conductivity at 25C		U	1020	µS/cm	1.0	650
Chemical Oxygen Demand		U	1100	mg O2/l	10	[B] < 10
Chloride		U	1220	mg/l	1.0	19
Ammonia (Free)		N	1220	mg/l	0.050	< 0.050
Nitrite as NO2		U	1220	mg/l	0.020	0.042
Nitrate as NO3		U	1220	mg/l	0.50	11
Phosphate		U	1220	mg/l	0.200	0.72
Total Organic Carbon		U	1610	mg/l	2.0	52
TPH >C6-C10	EH_1D_Total	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
TPH >C10-C21	EH_1D_Total	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
TPH >C21-C40	EH_1D_Total	N	1670	µg/l	0.10	< 0.10
Total TPH >C6-C40		U	1670	µg/l	10	< 10

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Test	Result	Unit(s)	Method	Standard Reference
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Presumptive Escherichia coli	0	cfu/100mL	MTM025	MDW (2016)- Part 4



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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct dust deposition monitoring and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from three dust monitoring points D1, D2 and D3 as indicated in the map below.

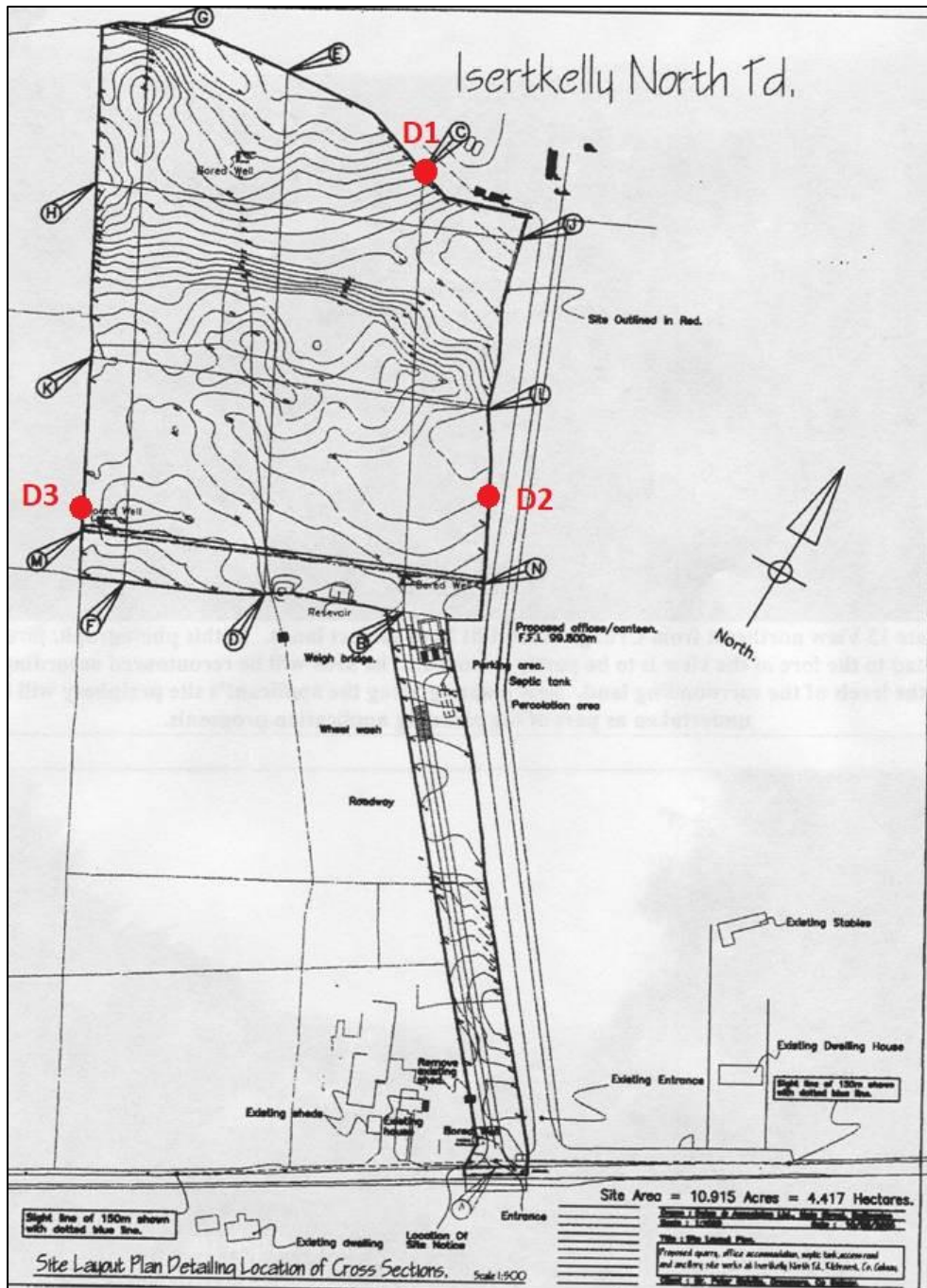


Figure 1-1 Dust Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q4 2023.

All results for the Bergerhoff monitoring points were below the TA Luft Dustfall limit.

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3. Methodology

Environmental Efficiency Consultants Ltd conduct environmental dust deposition monitoring on a quarterly basis at Kilchreest Quarry. Environmental Efficiency collects Bergerhoff bottles on-site following each monitoring period and, upon return to the laboratory, conducts testing in accordance with the company's internal SOP's; SOP 03.04 Determination of Suspended Solids/SOP 99.12 Total Dust Deposition, to determine Total Dust Deposition at each monitoring location in mg/m²/day. Results are subsequently compared to a dust limit value of 350 mg/m²/day, as prescribed by German TA Luft Guidelines, to determine whether dust levels constitute levels which are not acceptable as per this environmental quality standard (i.e., levels at which there may be nuisance caused or hazard posed).

4. Results

Environmental dust monitoring results for each monitoring period are presented in the tables below. Certificates of analysis are provided in Appendix 1.

Table 4 - 1 Dust Monitoring Results – Q4 2023

Location	Units of Measurement	Results	Prescribed Limit Value	Compliant
D1	mg/m ² /day	8.5	350	Yes
D2	mg/m ² /day	25.4	350	Yes
D3	mg/m ² /day	12.1	350	Yes

5. Conclusion

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q4 2023. The dust fall limit specified for the quarry is based on the German TA Luft Environmental Guidelines which specifies a limit of 350 mg/m²/day. All results for the three monitoring locations were below the prescribed limit value for Q4 2023.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis



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Period: Q4 2023

Collected by: IM

Analysed by: IM

Sample method: Bergerhoff bottle

Sample type: Dust fall

SOP: 99.12

Results

Location	Start monitoring	End monitoring	Date analysed	Days on site	Result, mg/m ² day
D1	01-Nov-23	30-Nov-23	18-Dec-23	30	8.5
D2	01-Nov-23	30-Nov-23	18-Dec-23	30	25.4
D3	01-Nov-23	30-Nov-23	18-Dec-23	30	12.1

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1. Introduction

The client is required to carry out a noise survey at various specified locations in the vicinity of the site. This document reports the results of the noise survey.

2. Executive Summary

A noise survey to EPA NG4 was undertaken on 13-Dec-23. The compliance of the locations with the specified limits is shown in the table below.

Table 2-1 Summary of compliance

Location	Noise Sensitive Location	Day	Night-time
N1	No	N/A	N/A
N4	No	N/A	N/A
NSL2	Yes	Compliant	Compliant
NSL3	Yes	Compliant	Compliant

3. Facility Description

The following activities are carried out on the site

- Hauling of materials from the site using HGV lorries.
- The operation of machinery.

The site has the hours of operation shown in the table below.

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Table 3-1 Hours of operation

Period	Operational hours	Surveyed
Day	08:00 – 17:00	Yes
Evening - No monitoring	Not operational	No
Night-time	Not operational	Yes

4. Monitoring requirements

Noise is required to be monitored at the locations shown in the table immediately below. The noise limits applicable, the required number of sampling periods (e.g. number of separate measurements at one location during one monitoring period, e.g. daytime) and the required duration of each sampling period are shown in the second table below. Note that noise monitoring was only carried out during periods where there was activity or equipment running on the site.

Table 4-1 Locations monitored

Location	Location Description	NSL
N1	Entrance	No
N4	Boundary	No
NSL2	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	Beside house	Yes

Table 4-2 Periods monitored and limits

Monitoring Period	Monitored	NSL	Limit. dBA	Allowance, dBA	T (Sampling Period), minutes	No. of runs
Day	Yes	Yes	55	0	60	1
Night-time	Yes	Yes	45	0	15	1
Day	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	60	1
Night-time	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	15	1

5. Sampling Methodology

5.1 Instrumentation Used

The equipment shown in the table below was used during the noise survey. All Sound Level Meters are Type I. The SLMs and calibrators are identified by a LEN (Laboratory Equipment Number) and this is shown in the table below. Calibration certificates for the equipment, where appropriate, are shown in the appendices and are referenced by the LEN.

Table 5-1 Equipment Used

Equipment used	LEN (Lab equipment Number)	Make/Model	Serial Number	Cal cert
First SLM	LEN 088	Svante SV1	40395	Yes
Second SLM	LEN 089	Svante SV2	40396	Yes
First Calibrator	LEN 003	Cirrus	51431	Yes
Anemometer	N/A	Testo	N/A	N/A

All noise measurements were 'A' weighted and the time-weighting 'Fast' was applied (to equate to human ear hearing). Each SLM is calibrated in the field before the start of the survey and again at the end of the survey. Unless stated otherwise in this report, there was no drift in calibration greater than 0.1 dB over the duration of the survey.

All SLMs used are capable of third band octave measurement. Third band octave readings were recorded at all locations where tonal noise was subjectively detected by the survey personnel. Where tonal noise was detected, the third band octave readings were analysed off site to verify the presence of tonal. The simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used for this purpose.

5.2 Noise Survey Personnel

The noise survey was undertaken by Environmental Efficiency staff as follows:

Author (Name & Quals)	Ivan Mahon, Site Technician
Author (Initials)	IM

5.3 Meteorological Conditions

Weather conditions on the day of monitoring were considered appropriate for surveying purposes and therefore did not affect the readings i.e. conditions were dry and wind speed was less than 5 m/s (the normal upper limit for taking measurements). The Sound Level Meter was also fitted with a windshield to minimise interference from

potential meteorological conditions, in keeping with good practice. The meteorological conditions during the survey periods are shown below.

Table 5-2: Meteorological Conditions

Survey	Date	Time	Av. wind speed, m/s	Temp, C	Prevailing wind direction	Weather
Start	13-Dec-23	15:51:00	1.2	7.0	W	No precipitation
Completion	13-Dec-23	17:57:00	1.2	6.0	W	No precipitation

5.4 Measurement Locations

The locations of noise monitoring locations are described in the table below and shown in Figure 5-1. Photographs of the SLM at each location are shown following the map.

Table 5-3: Description of monitoring locations

Location	Height above ground, m	Distance from reflective surface, m	Location Description	Noise sensitive location
N1	1.2	>3.5	Site entrance	No
N4	1.2	>3.5	Boundary	No
NSL2	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes

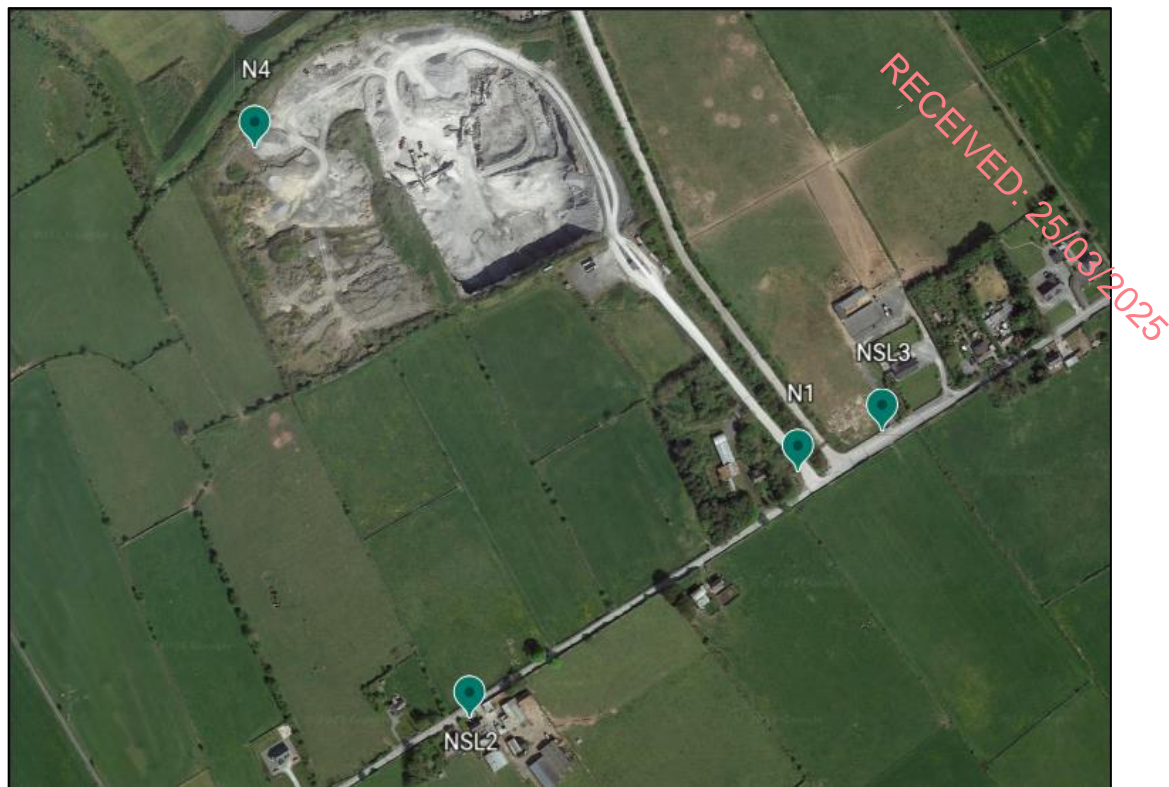


Figure 5-1 Site map



Figure 5-2 SLM at NL1



Figure 5-3 SLM at NSL2



Figure 5-4 SLM at NSL3

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Figure 5-5 SLM at N4

5.5 Ground attenuation

If the intervening ground between a noise source and a measurement location is acoustically absorptive, this can result in a reduction in noise level at the receptor due to absorption of sound energy by the ground itself. On the contrary, if the intervening ground is acoustically reflective ground, it produces the opposite effect

The details of the intervening ground between sources and measurement positions are described in the following table:

Table 5-4: Ground attenuation

Location	% Soft Ground	% Hard Ground	Comments
N1	85	15	No comment
N4	0	100	No comment
NSL2	0	100	No comment
NSL3	60	40	No comment

6. Noise Survey

The measurement parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAF10 plus the derived parameter LAr,T are tabulated below in the tables for each monitoring location. Associated particulars such as a description of the on-site noise and off-site noise noticed at each location are also provided where relevant. A graphical representation of the parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAr,T over each monitoring period is provided in the graphs above each table.

The derived noise parameter LAr,T, termed the Rated Noise Level, includes a penalty of 5 dBA for tonal or impulsive noise where such noise is present. This penalty is normally added to LAeq,T. Where traffic or other off site noise sources are significant, the parameter LAF90 may be a better descriptor of site noise and where this is the case the Rated Noise Level is equal to LAF90 plus the penalty. In the tables below, where LAF90 is considered a better descriptor of site noise, an asterisk is appended to the measurement.

The penalty for on-site tonal noise and/or on-site impulsive noise is only applied during the daytime and evening periods. No tonal or impulsive noise is permitted during night-time; if such noise is present then this is a breach regardless of the LAeq,T or LAF90 noise level.

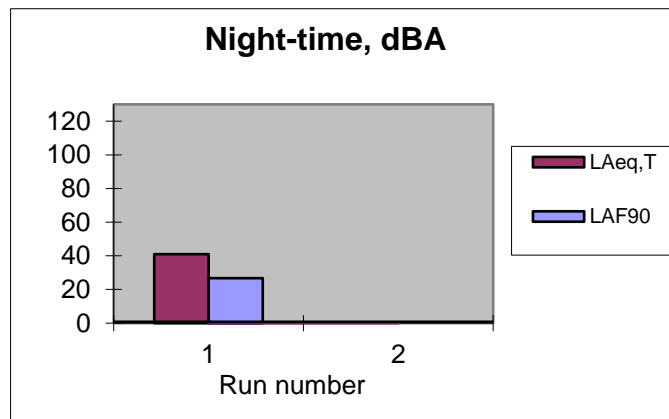
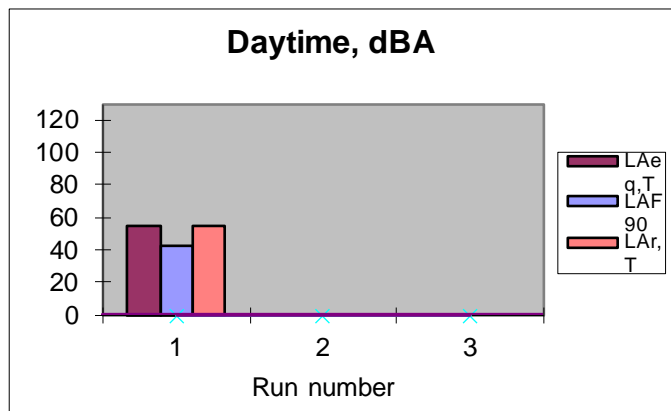
Where on site tonal is subjectively heard this is noted in the tables below in the column 'On site tonal?'. In all cases where on-site tonal is heard the simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used to confirm the presence of tonal. Where on site tonal is confirmed, this is shown in the tables below in the column 'Tonal confirmed'. The third octave graphs used to confirm on site tonal are shown in the discussion section.

The parameter LAFmax has no bearing on compliance and is not shown in the tables below; however, as it may be required to be reported separately (e.g. in an Annual Environmental Report) it is included in the appendices.

The column headed 'On site impulsive' states whether impulsive noise was heard by the monitoring personnel.

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	13/12/2023 15:51	55	43	55	No	N/A	No	55	Distant Road traffic	Bulldozer working near SLM at 16.40	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 088	13/12/2023 18:25	41	27	41	No	N/A	No	41	Distant Road traffic	None	N/A



Figure 6-1 N4 Day Run 1 of 1

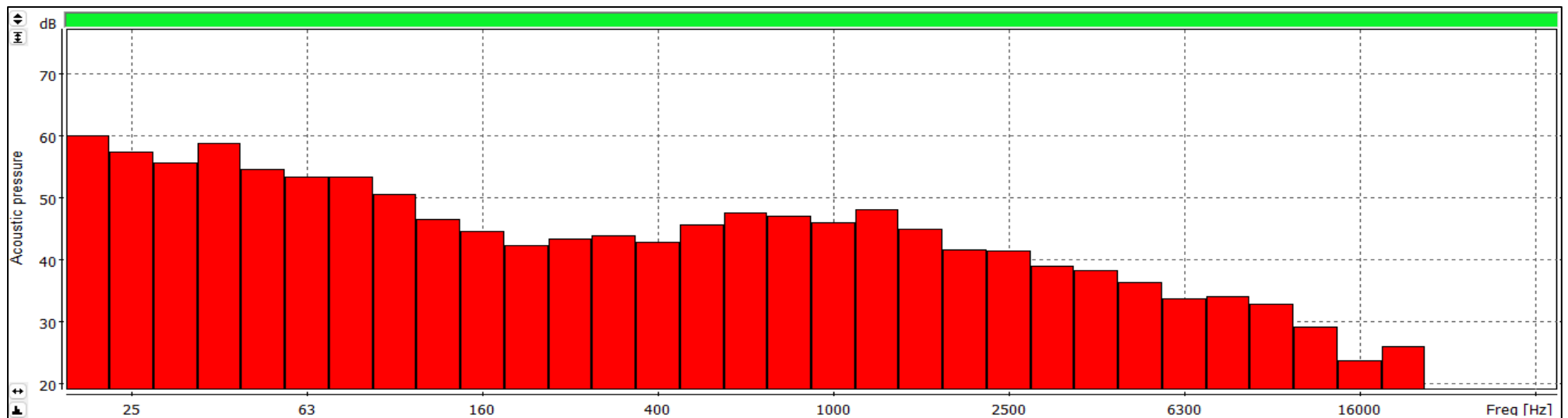


Figure 6-2 N4 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

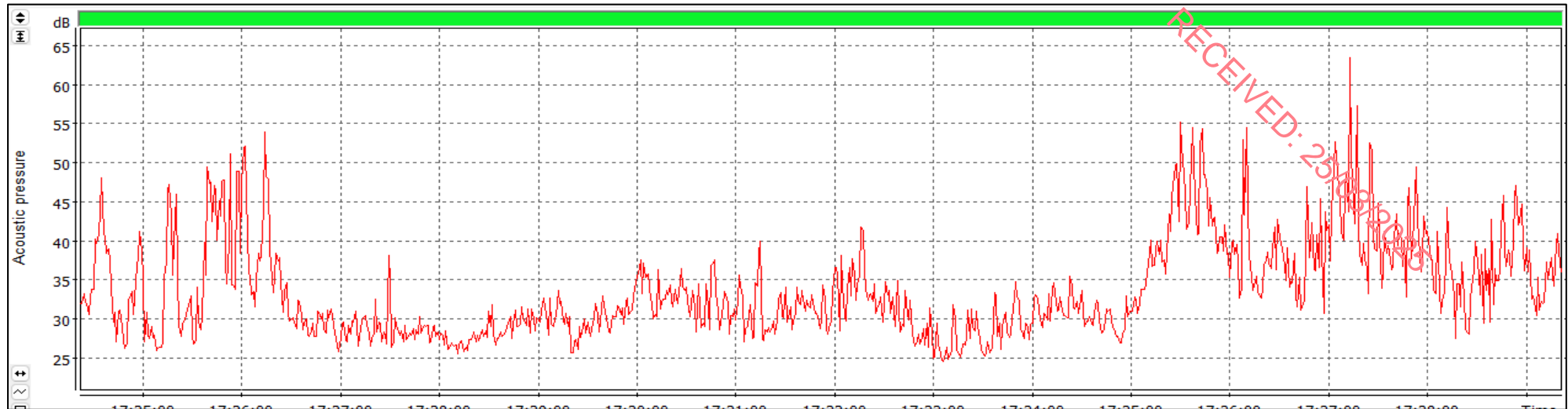


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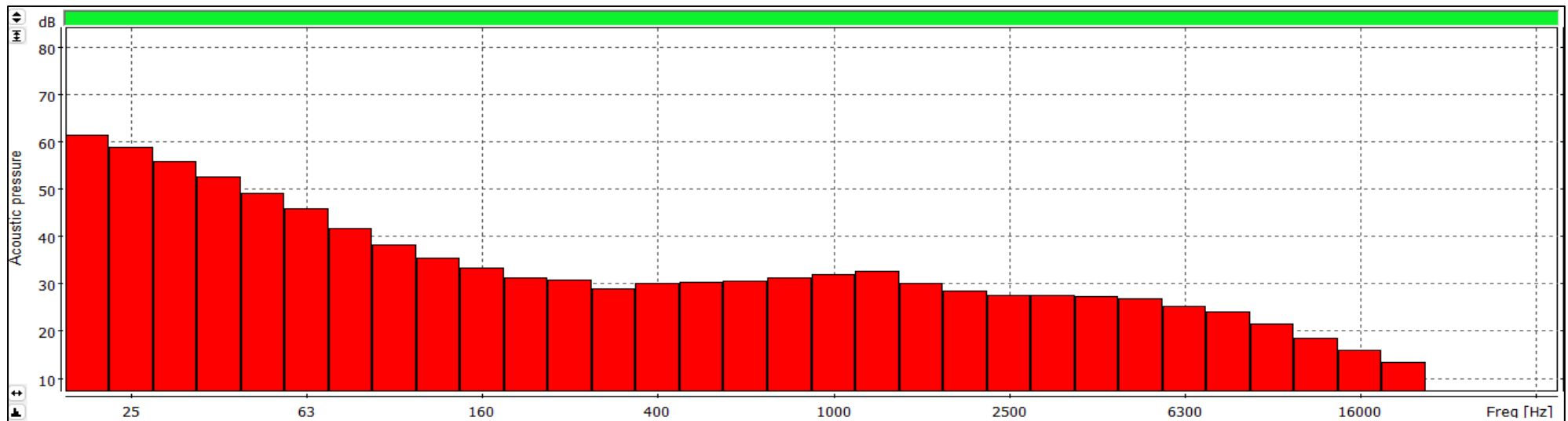
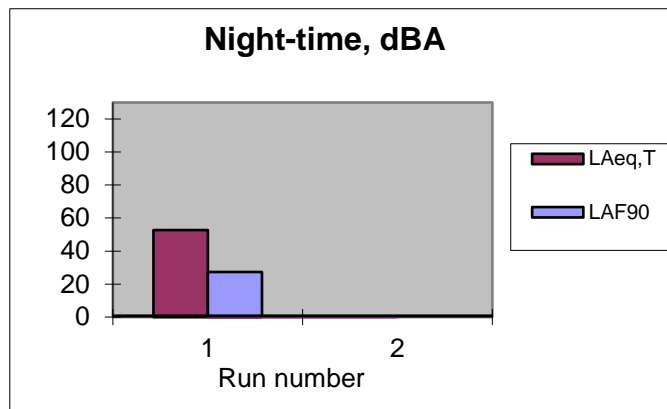
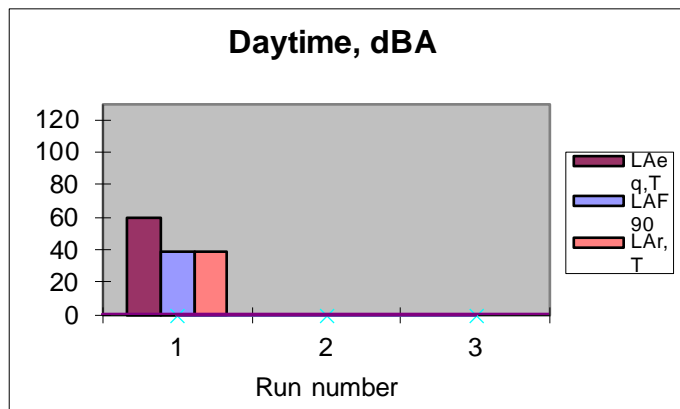


Figure 6-4 N4 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

Location N1

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90}	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	13/12/2023 14:42	60	40	58	No	N/A	No	40	Grass cutting, Road Traffic	HGV's	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 088	13/12/2023 18:54	53	27	50	No	N/A	No	27	Road Traffic	None	N/A

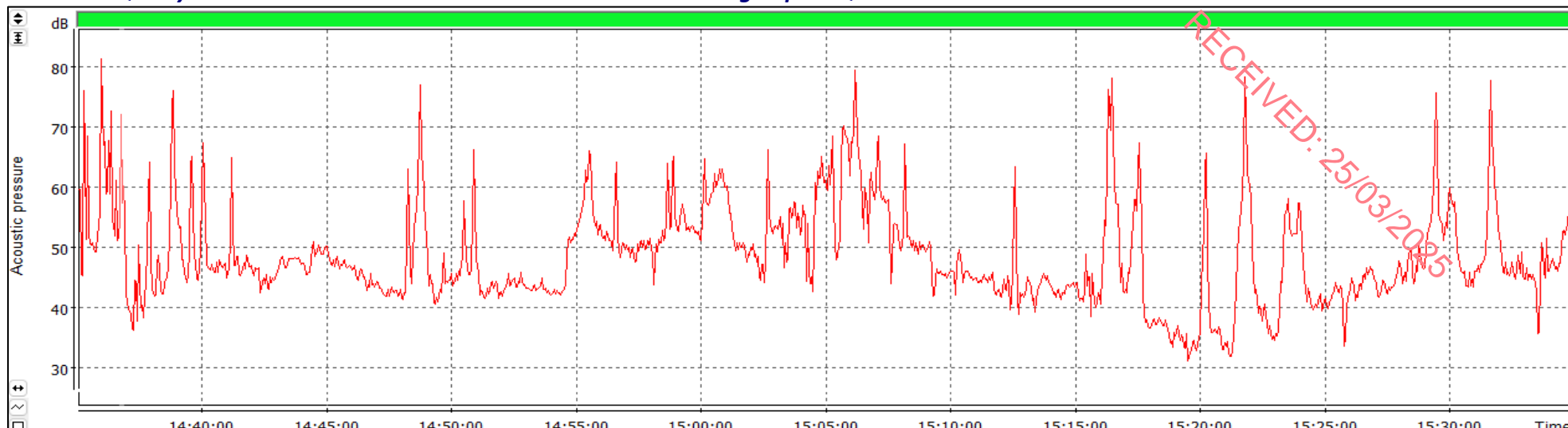


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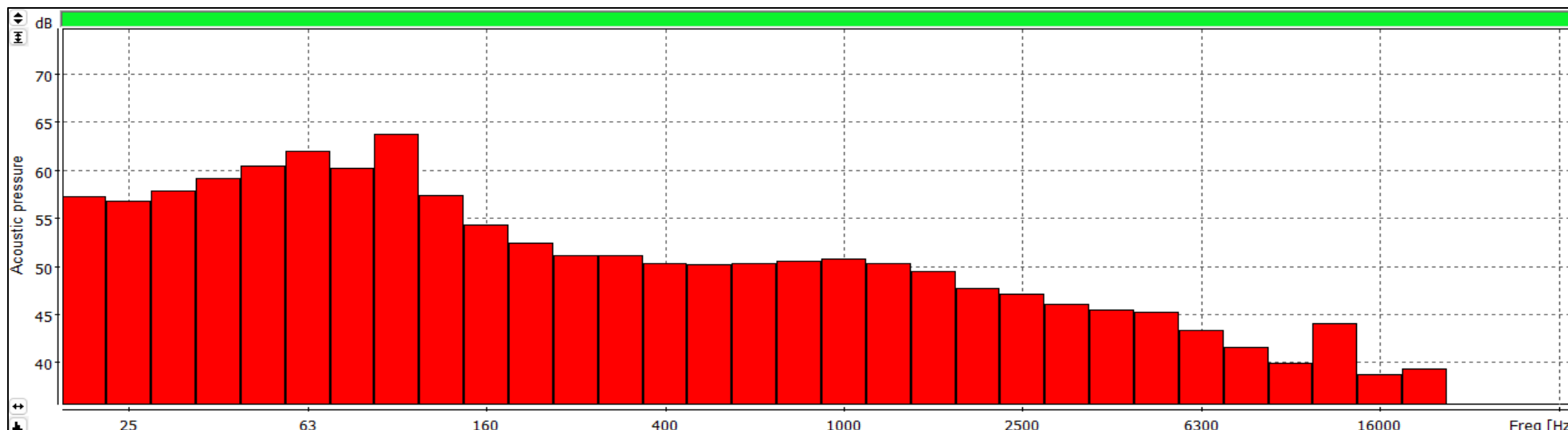


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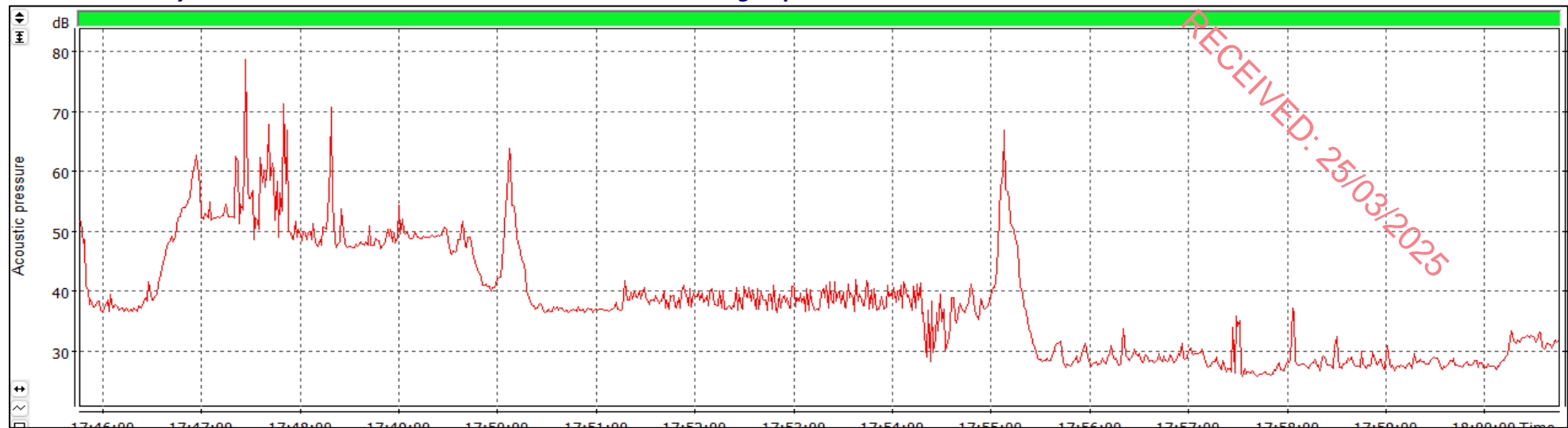


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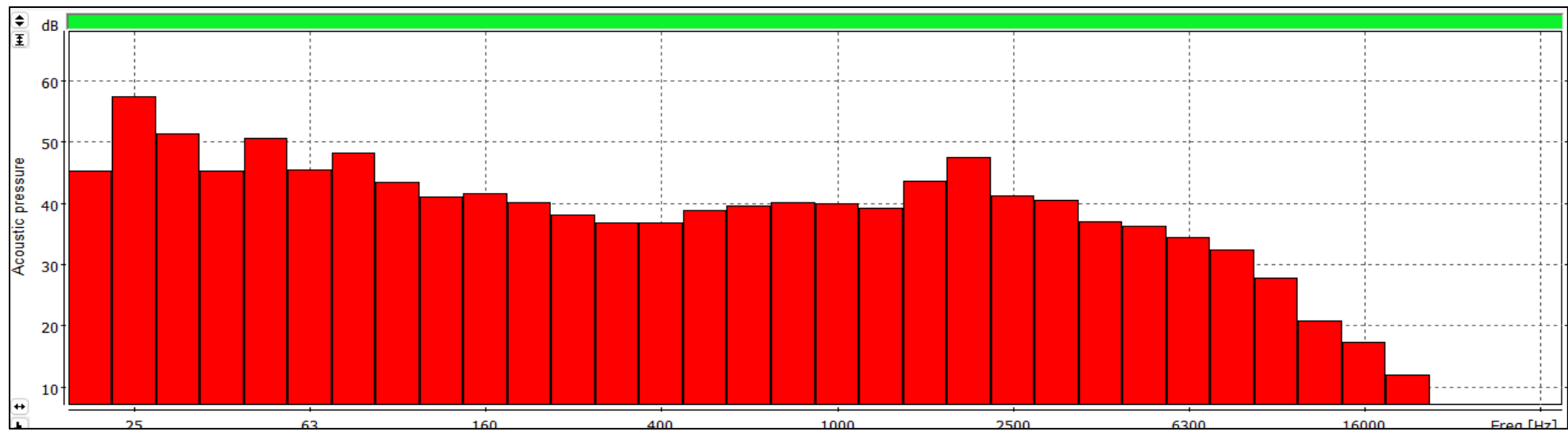
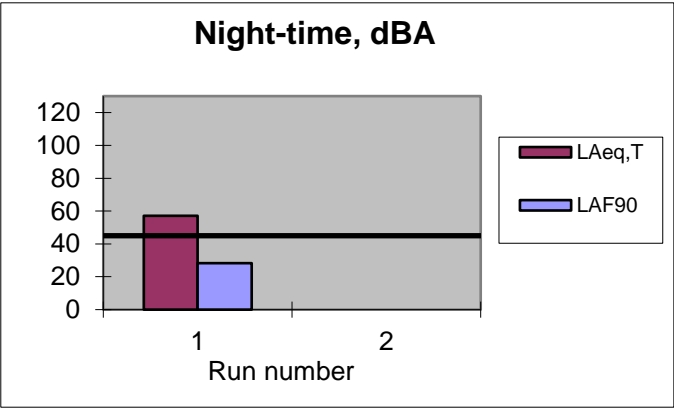
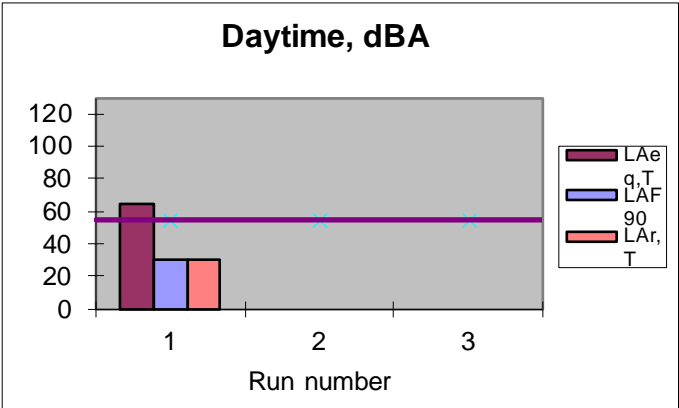


Figure 6-8 N1 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90}	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	13/12/2023 16:29	64	31	57	No	N/A	No	31	Road Traffic	HGVs	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 088	13/12/2023 18:14	57	28	49	No	N/A	No	28	Road Traffic	None	Yes

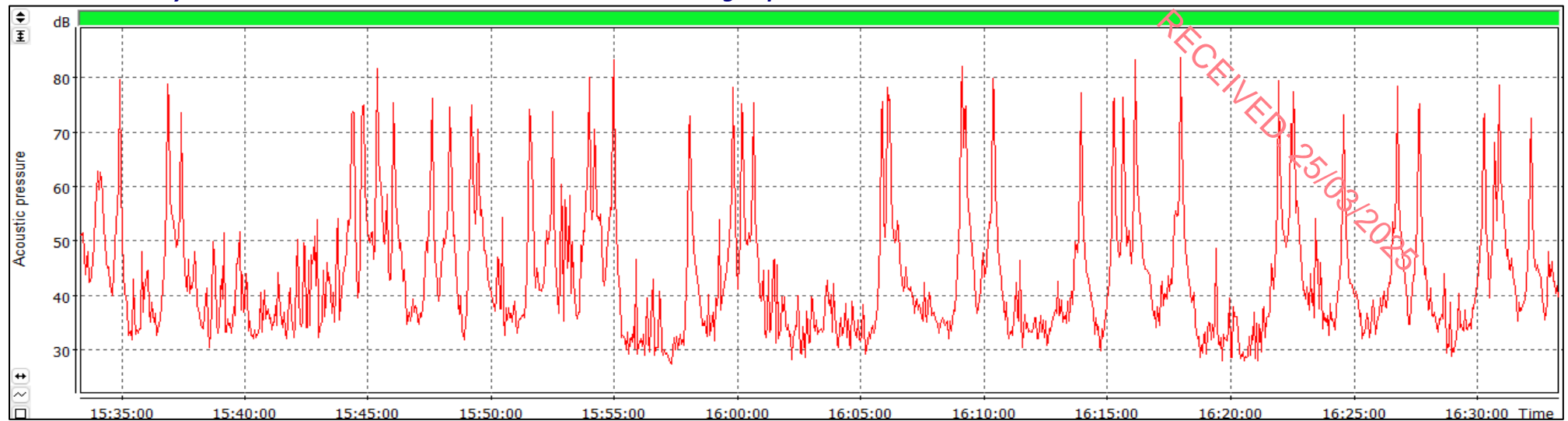


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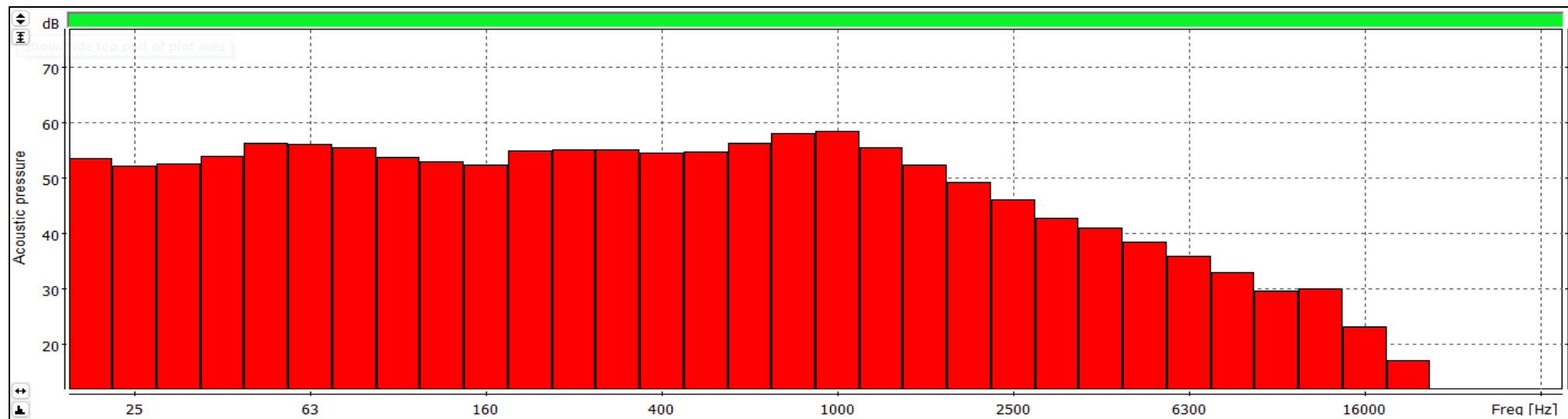


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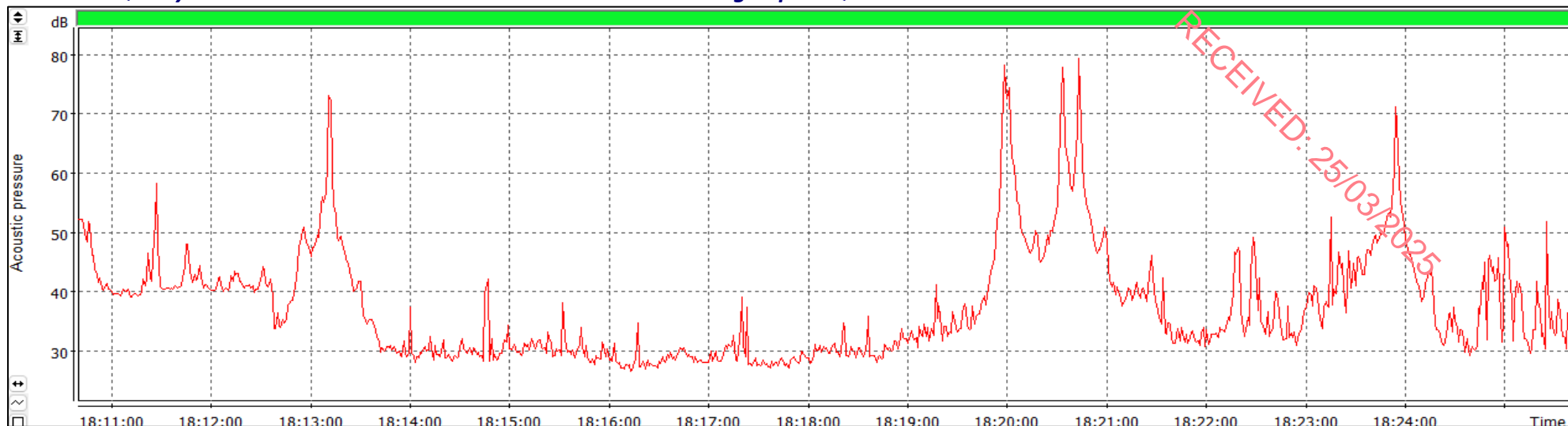


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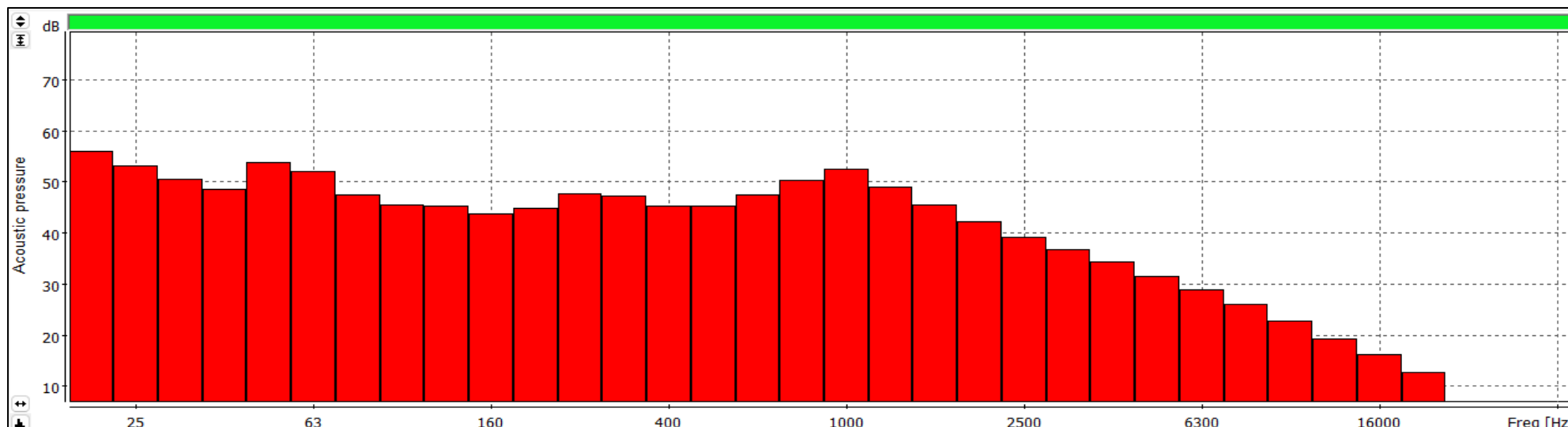
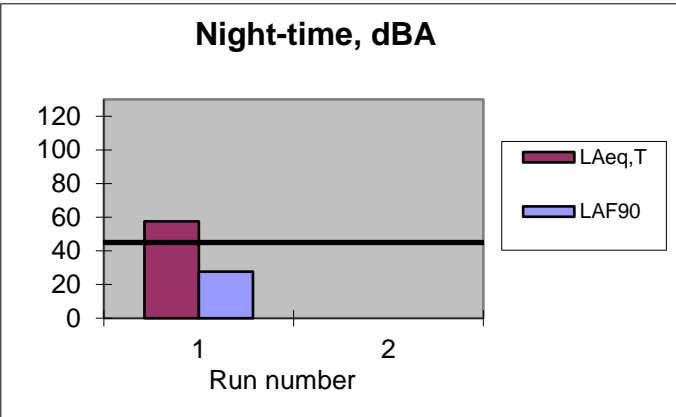
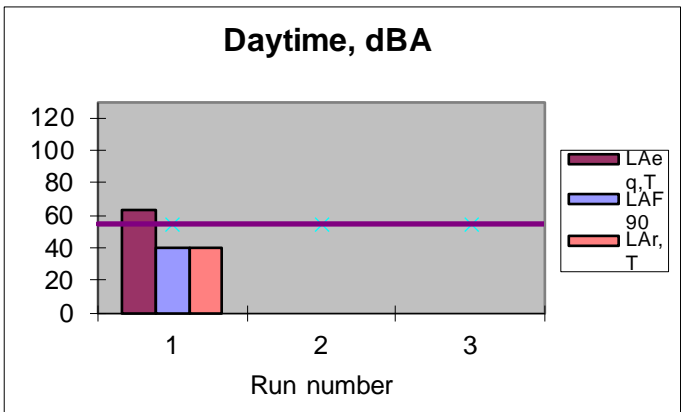


Figure 6-12 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	13/12/2023 14:38	63	41	60	No	N/A	No	41	Dog barking and grass cutting	HGV's	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 089	13/12/2023 18:57	58	28	50	No	N/A	No	28	Dog barking	None	Yes

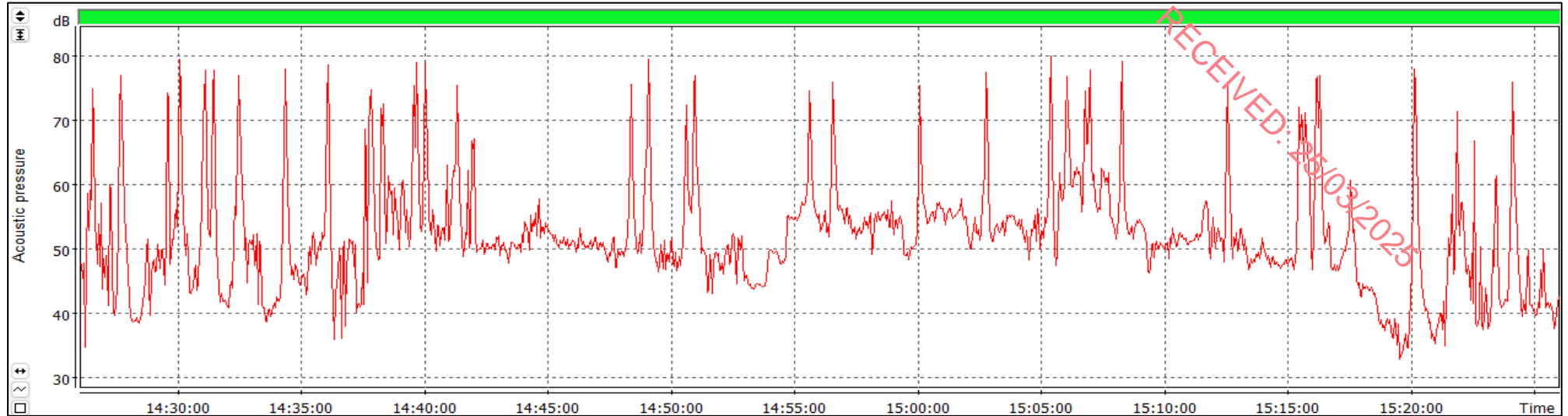


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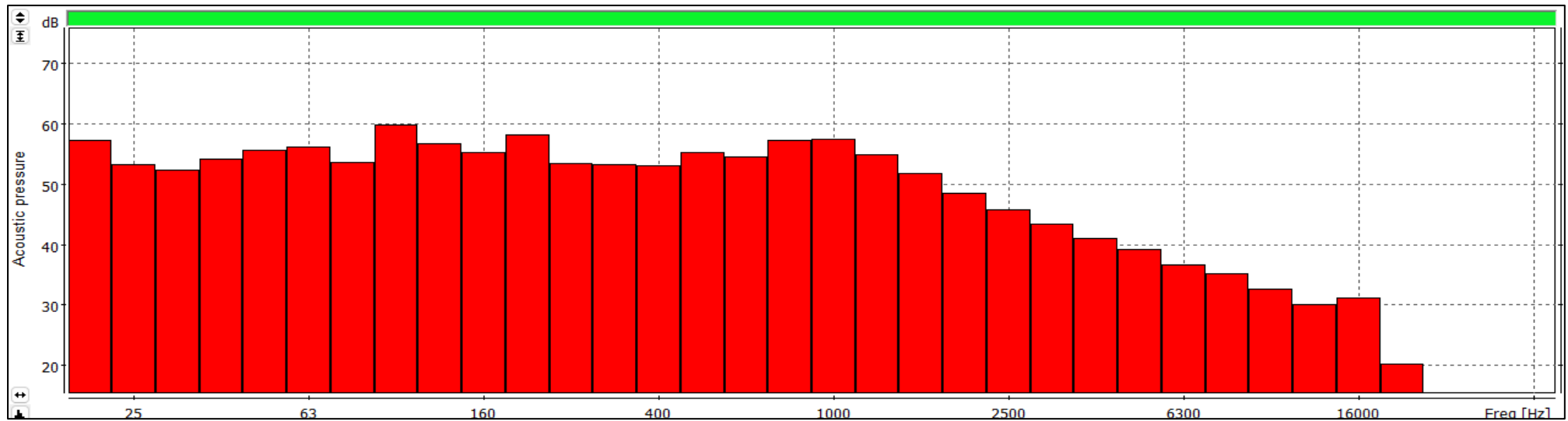


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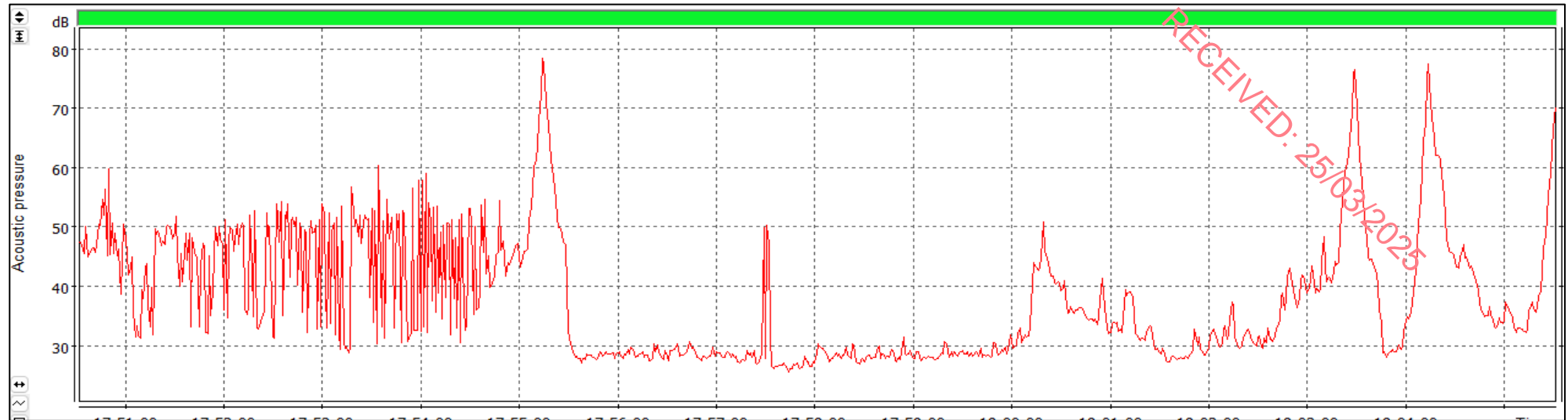


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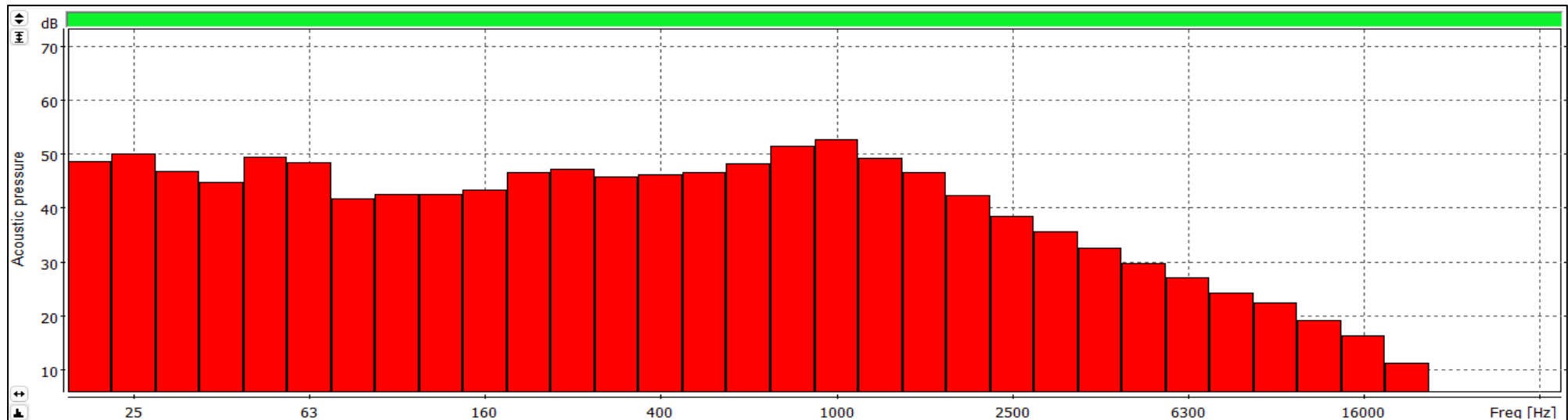


Figure 6-16 NSL3 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

7. Conclusion

L_{Aeq} represents the ambient sound levels in the area from sources near and far. The statistical noise levels of L₁₀ and L₉₀ are the noise levels exceeded for 10% and 90% respectively of the measurement period. A small difference in L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates a constant noise emission (or a lack of intermittent noise). The greater the difference between the L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates intermittent noise sources such as local traffic. Where external noise sources such as local road traffic have had a considerable impact on monitoring results due to the close proximity of some monitoring points to the adjacent public road, the L₉₀ is chosen as the best descriptor of site noise.

According to Condition 6 of the grant of planning permission:

“During the operational phase of development, the noise level at existing sensitive locations shall not exceed a L_{aeq} (1 hour) of 55dB (A) between 0800 and 1800 and an L_{aeq} (15 minutes) of 45 dB (A) between 1800 and 0800. Noise monitoring shall be carried out at the noise monitoring locations N1 to N4 as indicated in the EIS documentation on a quarterly basis in accordance with the EPA “Environmental Noise Survey – Guidance Document”, 2003”.

Monitoring locations NSL2 and NSL3 are considered to be "noise sensitive locations" as defined by the EPA while N1 and N4 are defined as “boundary noise locations” where the specified limit values do not apply. During both daytime and night-time monitoring periods, noise emission values at both NSL2 and NSL3 were within the prescribed limits as stated in the planning conditions.

Appendix 1 Report Terminology

Noise Monitoring Parameters	
Survey	The measurement of noise over one or more days and is made up of a number of monitoring runs with one or more noise meters.
Run or monitoring run	A single measurement at one location to determine noise level. A number of monitoring runs will be typically be made at each location. The duration of a monitoring run is typically 15 or 30 minutes and is stipulated in the licence.
dB(A)	This is the unit used to quantify noise measurements. "dB" stands for decibel and the "A" indicates that the noise reading is A-weighted and therefore is a measurement of noise audible to the human ear. The scale is logarithmic.
$L_{Aeq,T}$	This parameter is measured on-site using a noise meter for a specified time period (T minutes). It represents the average noise level that occurred over that period.
Rated Noise Level or $L_{Ar,T}$	The Rated Noise Level is equal to $L_{Aeq,T}$ plus any penalty for confirmed tonal and/or subjective impulsive. The penalty is only added for daytime and evening monitoring.
L_{AF10} and L_{AF90}	The L_{AF10} and L_{AF90} are both statistical noise levels. L_{AF10} indicates that for 10% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. L_{AF90} indicates that for 90% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. The L_{AF90} indicates the background noise levels if short-term, intermittent noise sources were ignored e.g. a passing car. The L_{AF10} can be used to determine the effect to which these short-term noise sources effect the overall average reading i.e. if the L_{AF10} is very different to the L_{AF90} , then intermittent noise is a significant source of noise
L_{AFmax}	The maximum RMS A-weighted sound pressure level occurring within a specified time period. Measured using the "Fast" time weighting.
Continuous	Noise produced without interruption.
Impulsive Noise	A noise of short duration (typically less than one second), the sound pressure of which is significantly higher than the background; brief and abrupt.
Intermittent Noise	Noise produced on discontinuous basis e.g. equipment operating in cycles or events such as single passing vehicle or aircraft.
Tonal Noise	Noise, which contains a clearly audible, tone i.e. a distinguishable, discrete or continuous note (whine, hum, drone, screech, etc.).

Appendix 2 Confirmation of tonal noise

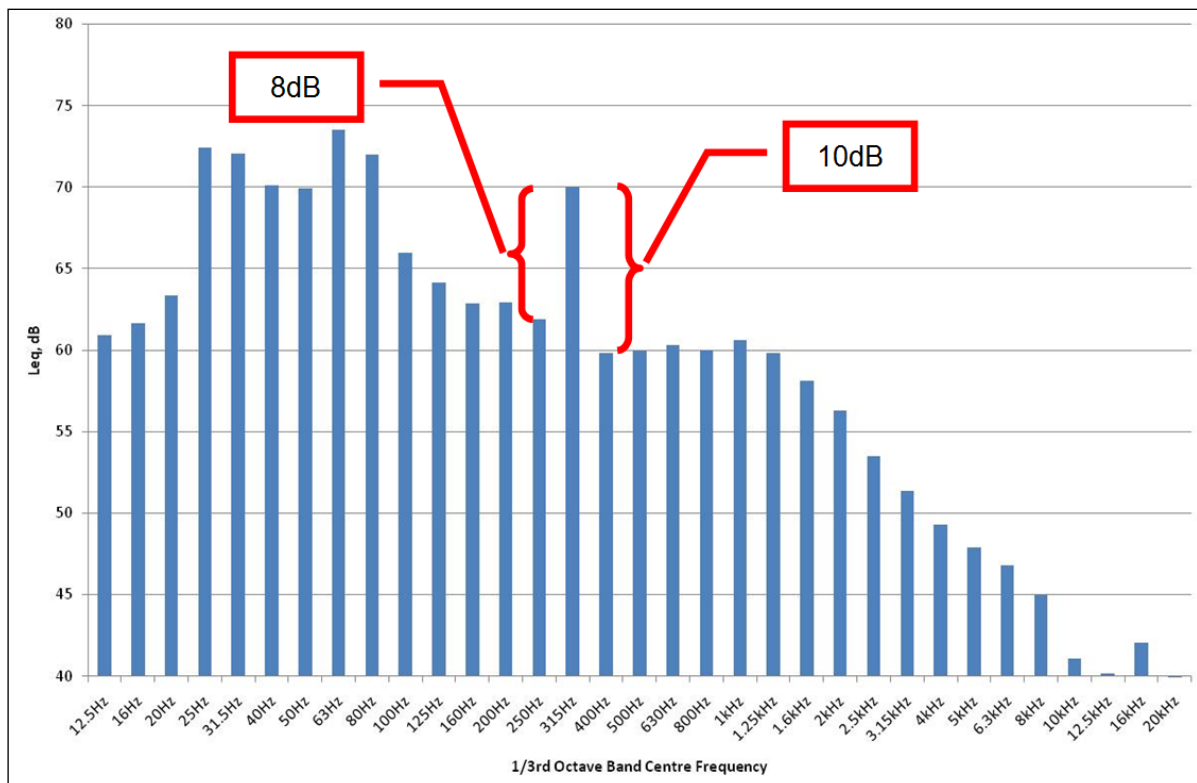
The subjective identification of tonal noise is based on the interpretation of the third octave band results. Where the sound level for a third octave band is greater than or equal to both the adjacent third octave bands by some constant level difference, then tonal noise is confirmed. The level differences vary by frequency and are shown in the table below

Frequency range	Level Difference
25 Hz to 125 Hz	15 dB
160 Hz to 400 Hz	8 dB
500 Hz to 10,000 Hz	5 dB

In the example below, tonal noise was subjectively assessed. The third band monitoring results were therefore reviewed and are shown below. A peak can be seen at 315 Hz. This peak is 8 dB above the lower adjacent third octave and 10 dB higher than the higher adjacent third octave band. From a review of the table above, the Level Difference for 315 Hz is 8 dB.

For the example below, tonal noise is confirmed as there is a difference greater than or equal to 8 dB either side of 315 Hz.

Knowing the frequency of the confirmed tonal noise can help in identifying the source of the noise and its reduction.



Appendix 3 LAFmax data


Some authorities require that LAFmax be reported, however, there are no limits set for this parameter. In order to keep the body of the report uncluttered, the data regarding this parameter is reproduced below.

Location	NSL	Period	LAFmax
N4	No	Day	83.8
N4	No	Evening	72.3
N1	No	Evening	83.1
N1	No	Day	87.7
NSL2	Yes	Day	91.1
NSL2	Yes	Evening	82.7
NSL3	Yes	Day	85.5
NSL3	Yes	Evening	79.5

Appendix 4 Certificates of Calibration

Figure 1 – Len 088 Certificate of Calibration


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Instrument - System ID : IRCB016677 Customer Ref : Environmental Effic
Description : Sound Level Meter Job Number : BR12150-1
Manufacturer : SvanTek
Model Number : 971
Serial Number : 40396
Procedure Version : 3174

Environmental Conditions
Temperature : 23°C ± 3°C Mains Voltage : 240V ± 10V
Relative Humidity : 50%RH ± 35%RH Mains Frequency : 50Hz ± 5Hz

Comments
The instrument was allowed to stabilise for 4 hours before calibration.
Results at time of test & carry no long term stability of the instrument.
The certificate records the on-receipt status of the instrument.
Recalibration period 52 weeks by customer request.

Traceability Information

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System ID : IRCB016678	Customer Ref : Environmental Effic
Description : Sound Level Calibrator	Job Number : BR14110-1
Manufacturer : Cirrus	
Model Number : 511E	
Serial Number : 035066	
Procedure Version : 3517	

Environmental Conditions

Temperature : 23°C ± 3°C	Mains Voltage : 240V ± 10V
Relative Humidity : 50%RH ± 35%RH	Mains Frequency 50Hz ± 5Hz

Comments

The instrument was allowed to stabilise for 4 hours before calibration.
Results at time of test & carry no long term stability of the instrument.
The certificate records the on-receipt status of the instrument.

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Traceability Information

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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct groundwater sampling and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from two boreholes BH1 and BH3 as indicated in the map below. Borehole BH2 has been decommissioned and no longer exists on site.

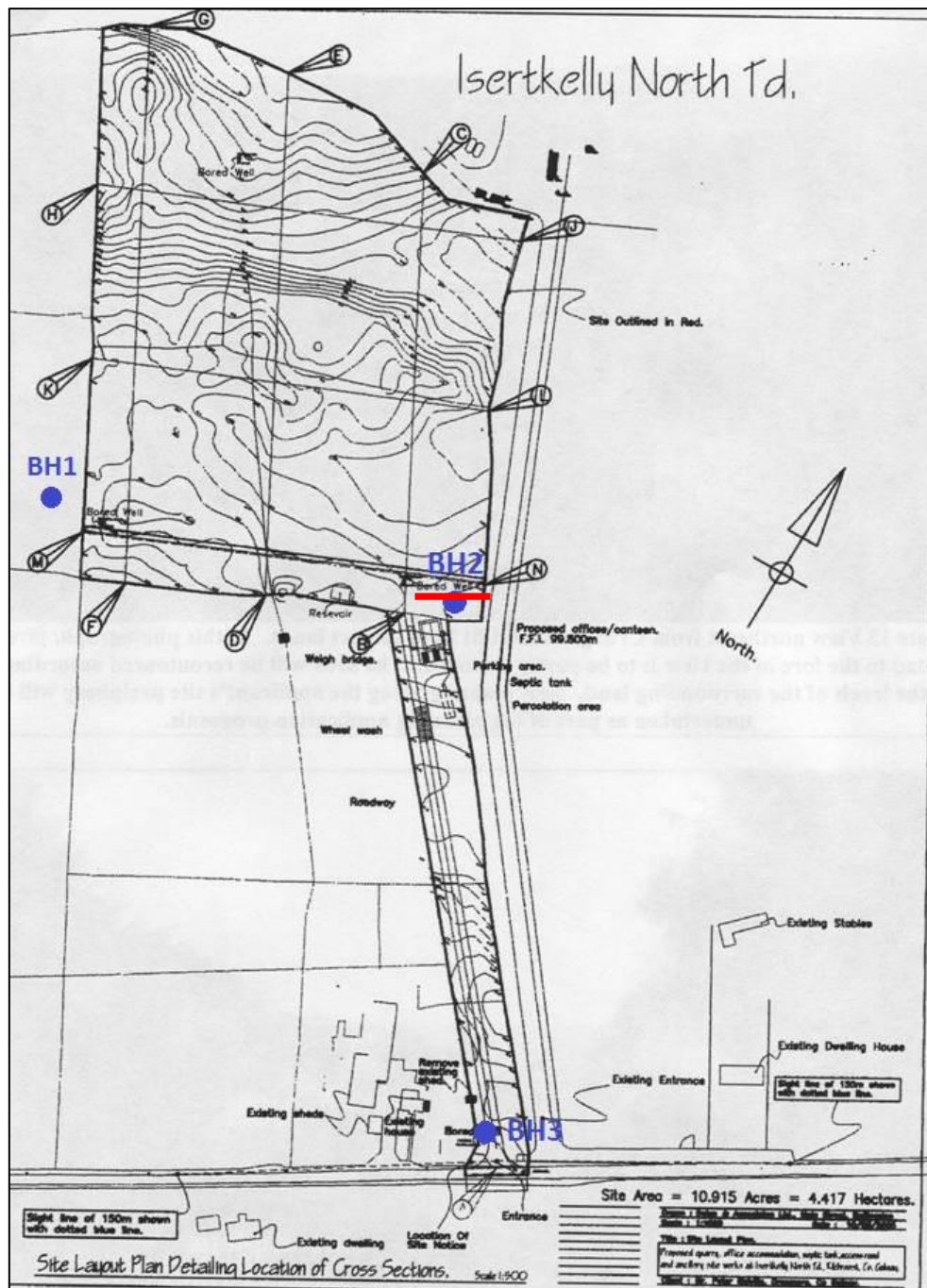


Figure 1-1 Borehole Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

The majority of the results for BH3 fall within the relevant guideline values for the monitoring period Q1 2024. However, both the faecal coliform bacteria and Escherichia Coli bacteria were both above the recommended limit with values. The levels of phosphate detected were also above the recommended limits.

The results for Certificate of analysis can be seen in Appendix 1.

Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

3. Results

Groundwater and surface water quality was assessed by comparing analytical results to the most relevant of the following water quality guidelines – Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC):

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

The results for the groundwater analysis can be seen in the table below.

*Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

Table 2 - 1 BH3 Monitoring Results Q1 2024

Parameter	Result	Units	Generic Assessment Criteria	Source
COD	< 10	mg O ₂ /l	No Value	-
Ammonia	< 0.050	mg/l	175 µg/l	GTV
Nitrate	13	mg/l	37.5 mg/l	GTV
Nitrite	< 0.020	mg/l	375 µg/l	GTV
Phosphate	0.50	mg/l	0.035 mg/l	GTV
Chloride	24	mg/l	187.5 mg/l	GTV
TPH (C6 – C10)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C10 – C21)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C21 – C40)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
Total TPH (C6 – C40)	< 10	µg/l	7.5 µg/l	GTV
Total Organic Carbon	< 2.0	mg/l	No Value	-
Electrical Conductivity	460	µS/cm	1875 µS/cm	GTV
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	34	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	0	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Ground water Level	30.1	Meters	N/A	-

GTV = Groundwater Threshold Value. Outlined in Groundwater Regulations (S.I. No. 9 of 2010 / S.I. No. 366 of 2016).

IGV = Interim Guideline Values (IGVs) presented by EPA in 2003.

4. Discussion

Faecal coliform bacteria was above the recommended limit for the monitoring period Q1 2024. During and after precipitation, bacteria, and other harmful microorganisms from any of these sources may be washed into rivers, lakes, or groundwater. Poor well construction or poor maintenance can increase the risk of groundwater contamination. Total coliform bacteria are not likely to cause illness, but their presence indicates that your water supply may be vulnerable to contamination by more harmful microorganisms. The presence of E.coli in water indicates recent faecal contamination and may indicate the possible presence of disease-causing pathogens, such as bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Although most strains of E.coli bacteria are harmless, certain strains, such as E.coli 0157:H7, may cause illness. The level of phosphate was also higher than the groundwater threshold value of 0.035 mg/l. All other results for the groundwater monitoring of BH3 fall within the recommended water quality guidelines for the monitoring period Q1 2024.

The generic assessment criteria values come from the following documents:

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis GW Monitoring



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Emission point data

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Site: Kilchreest
Site code: KT
Emission point: GW3
Licence type: County Council
Licence No.: 05-2870
Project Manager: RS
Analysed by: Chemtest
Sample type: Water

Sampling data

Results for Quarterly Monitoring Period: Q1 2024
Date sample collected: 18/01/2024
Time sample collected: 15:30
Sample collection: SOP 01.01
Sample type: Groundwater

Results

Parameter	Result	ELV	Units	Accred.	Technique
COD	< 10	n/s	mg O2/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Ammonia	<0.050	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrate	13	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrite	< 0.020	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Phosphate	0.5	n/s	mg/l	None	Colorimetric Analysis
Chloride	24	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
TPH (C6 - C10)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C10 - C21)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C21 - C40)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
Total TPH (C6 - C40)	< 10	n/s	ug/l	UKAS	GC FID Detection
Total Organic Carbon	< 2.0	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Catalytic Oxidation
Electrical Conductivity	460	n/s	µS/cm	UKAS	Conductivity Meter
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	34	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	0	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Ground Water Level	26.9	n/s	Meters	N/A	Dip Meter

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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct dust deposition monitoring and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from three dust monitoring points D1, D2 and D3 as indicated in the map below.

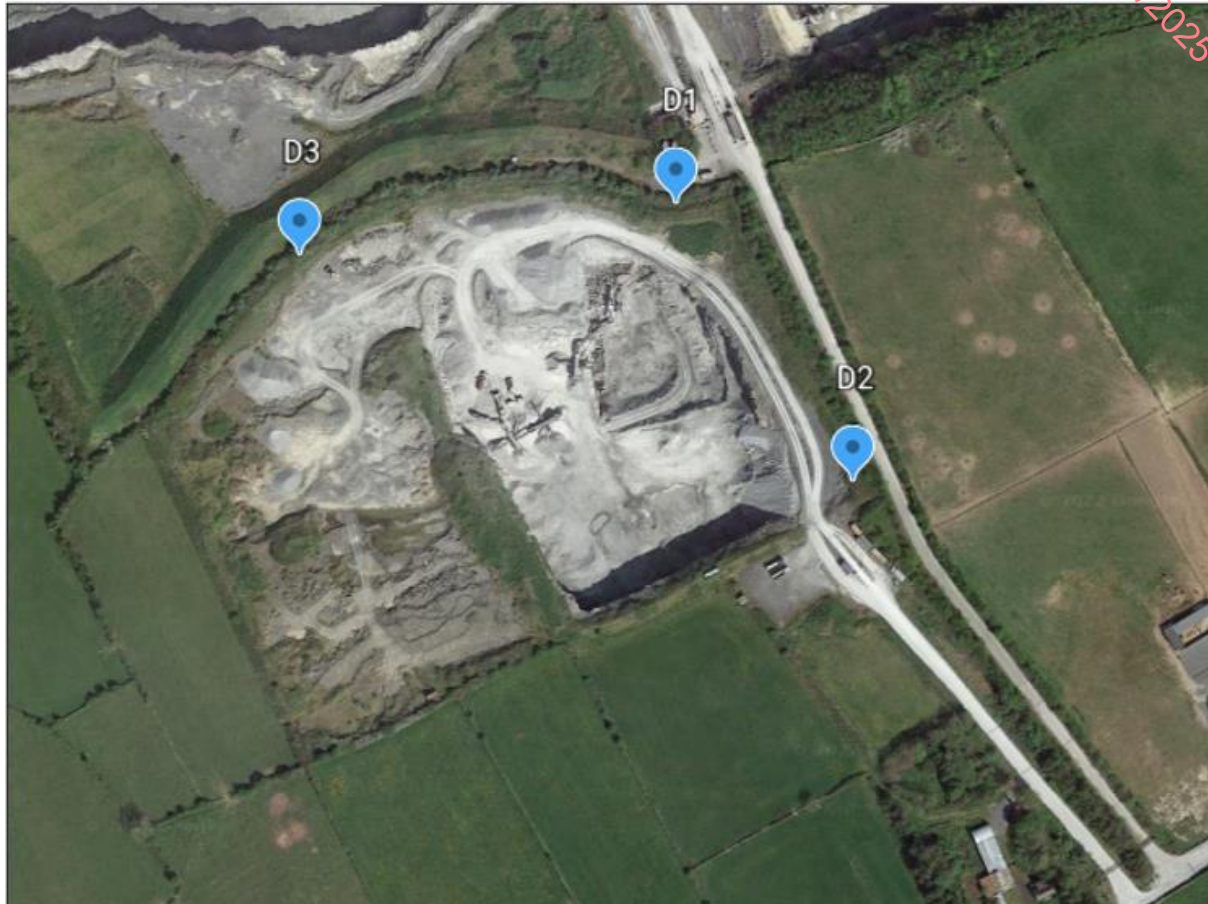


Figure 1-1 Dust Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q1 2024.

All results for the Bergerhoff monitoring points were below the TA Luft Dustfall limit.

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3. Methodology

Environmental Efficiency Consultants Ltd conduct environmental dust deposition monitoring on a quarterly basis at Kilchreest Quarry. Environmental Efficiency collects Bergerhoff bottles on-site following each monitoring period and, upon return to the laboratory, conducts testing in accordance with the company's internal SOP's; SOP 03.04 Determination of Suspended Solids/SOP 99.12 Total Dust Deposition, to determine Total Dust Deposition at each monitoring location in mg/m²/day. Results are subsequently compared to a dust limit value of 350 mg/m²/day, as prescribed by German TA Luft Guidelines, to determine whether dust levels constitute levels which are not acceptable as per this environmental quality standard (i.e., levels at which there may be nuisance caused or hazard posed).

4. Results

Environmental dust monitoring results for each monitoring period are presented in the tables below. Certificates of analysis are provided in Appendix 1.

Table 4 - 1 Dust Monitoring Results – Q1 2024

Location	Units of Measurement	Results	Prescribed Limit Value	Compliant
D1	mg/m ² /day	13.3	350	Yes
D2	mg/m ² /day	54.4	350	Yes
D3	mg/m ² /day	19.5	350	Yes

5. Conclusion

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q1 2024. The dust fall limit specified for the quarry is based on the German TA Luft Environmental Guidelines which specifies a limit of 350 mg/m²/day. All results for the three monitoring locations were below the prescribed limit value for Q1 2024.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis

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Client: Kilcreest Quarry

Site: Kilcreest

Site code: KC

Period: Q1 2024

Collected by: IM

Analysed by: IM

Sample method: Bergerhoff bottle

Sample type: Dust fall

SOP: 99.12

Results

Location	Start monitoring	End monitoring	Date analysed	Days on site	Result, mg/m2 day
D1	01-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30	13.3
D2	01-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30	54.4
D3	01-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30-Jan-24	30	19.5

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1. Introduction

The client is required to carry out a noise survey at various specified locations in the vicinity of the site. This document reports the results of the noise survey.

2. Executive Summary

A noise survey to EPA NG4 was undertaken on 18-Jan-24. The compliance of the locations with the specified limits is shown in the table below.

Table 2-1 Summary of compliance

Location	Noise Sensitive Location	Day	Night-time
N1	No	N/A	N/A
N4	No	N/A	N/A
NSL2	Yes	Compliant	Compliant
NSL3	Yes	Compliant	Compliant

3. Facility Description

The following activities are carried out on the site

- Hauling of materials from the site using HGV lorries.
- The operation of machinery.

The site has the hours of operation shown in the table below.

Table 3-1 Hours of operation

Period	Operational hours	Surveyed
Day	08:00 – 17:00	Yes
Evening - No monitoring	Not operational	No
Night-time	Not operational	Yes

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4. Monitoring requirements

Noise is required to be monitored at the locations shown in the table immediately below. The noise limits applicable, the required number of sampling periods (e.g. number of separate measurements at one location during one monitoring period, e.g. daytime) and the required duration of each sampling period are shown in the second table below. Note that noise monitoring was only carried out during periods where there was activity or equipment running on the site.

Table 4-1 Locations monitored

Location	Location Description	NSL
N1	Entrance	No
N4	Boundary	No
NSL2	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	Beside house	Yes

Table 4-2 Periods monitored and limits

Monitoring Period	Monitored	NSL	Limit. dBA	Allowance, dBA	T (Sampling Period), minutes	No. of runs
Day	Yes	Yes	55	0	60	1
Night-time	Yes	Yes	45	0	15	1
Day	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	60	1
Night-time	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	15	1

5. Sampling Methodology

5.1 Instrumentation Used

The equipment shown in the table below was used during the noise survey. All Sound Level Meters are Type I. The SLMs and calibrators are identified by a LEN (Laboratory Equipment Number) and this is shown in the table below. Calibration certificates for the equipment, where appropriate, are shown in the appendices and are referenced by the LEN.

Table 5-1 Equipment Used

Equipment used	LEN (Lab equipment Number)	Make/Model	Serial Number	Cal cert
First SLM	LEN 089	Svante SV2	40396	Yes
Second SLM	LEN 088	Svante SV1	40395	Yes
First Calibrator	LEN 003	Cirrus	51431	Yes
Anemometer	N/A	Testo	N/A	N/A

All noise measurements were 'A' weighted and the time-weighting 'Fast' was applied (to equate to human ear hearing). Each SLM is calibrated in the field before the start of the survey and again at the end of the survey. Unless stated otherwise in this report, there was no drift in calibration greater than 0.1 dB over the duration of the survey.

All SLMs used are capable of third band octave measurement. Third band octave readings were recorded at all locations where tonal noise was subjectively detected by the survey personnel. Where tonal noise was detected, the third band octave readings were analysed off site to verify the presence of tonal. The simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used for this purpose.

5.2 Noise Survey Personnel

The noise survey was undertaken by Environmental Efficiency staff as follows:

Author (Name & Quals)	Ivan Mahon, Site Technician
Author (Initials)	IM

5.3 Meteorological Conditions

Weather conditions on the day of monitoring were considered appropriate for surveying purposes and therefore did not affect the readings i.e. conditions were dry and wind speed was less than 5 m/s (the normal upper limit for taking measurements). The Sound Level Meter was also fitted with a windshield to minimise interference from

potential meteorological conditions, in keeping with good practice. The meteorological conditions during the survey periods are shown below.

Table 5-2: Meteorological Conditions

Survey	Date	Time	Av. wind speed, m/s	Temp, C	Prevailing wind direction	Weather
Start	18-Jan-24	18:35:00	0.0	0.0	W	No precipitation
Completion	18-Jan-24	18:11:00	0.0	-1.0	W	No precipitation

5.4 Measurement Locations

The locations of noise monitoring locations are described in the table below and shown in Figure 5-1. Photographs of the SLM at each location are shown following the map.

Table 5-3: Description of monitoring locations

Location	Height above ground, m	Distance from reflective surface, m	Location Description	Noise sensitive location
N1	1.2	>3.5	Site entrance	No
N4	1.2	>3.5	Boundary	No
NSL2	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes

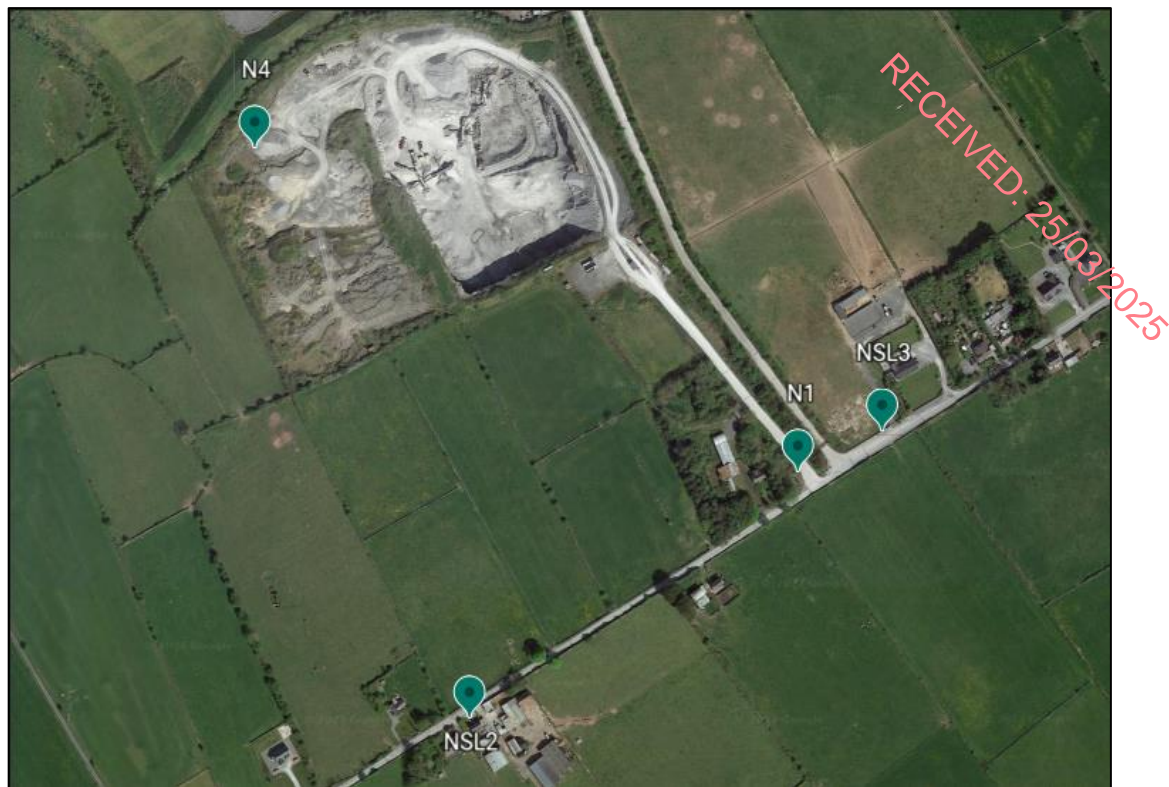


Figure 5-1 Site map



Figure 5-2 SLM at N1



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Figure 5-3 SLM at NSL2



Figure 5-4 SLM at NSL3



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Figure 5-5 SLM at N4

5.5 Ground attenuation

If the intervening ground between a noise source and a measurement location is acoustically absorptive, this can result in a reduction in noise level at the receptor due to absorption of sound energy by the ground itself. On the contrary, if the intervening ground is acoustically reflective ground, it produces the opposite effect.

The details of the intervening ground between sources and measurement positions are described in the following table:

Table 5-4: Ground attenuation

Location	% Soft Ground	% Hard Ground	Comments
N1	85	15	No comment
N4	0	100	No comment
NSL2	0	100	No comment
NSL3	60	40	No comment

6. Noise Survey

The measurement parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAF10 plus the derived parameter LAr,T are tabulated below in the tables for each monitoring location. Associated particulars such as a description of the on-site noise and off-site noise noticed at each location are also provided where relevant. A graphical representation of the parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAr,T over each monitoring period is provided in the graphs above each table.

The derived noise parameter LAr,T, termed the Rated Noise Level, includes a penalty of 5 dBA for tonal or impulsive noise where such noise is present. This penalty is normally added to LAeq,T. Where traffic or other off site noise sources are significant, the parameter LAF90 may be a better descriptor of site noise and where this is the case the Rated Noise Level is equal to LAF90 plus the penalty. In the tables below, where LAF90 is considered a better descriptor of site noise, an asterisk is appended to the measurement.

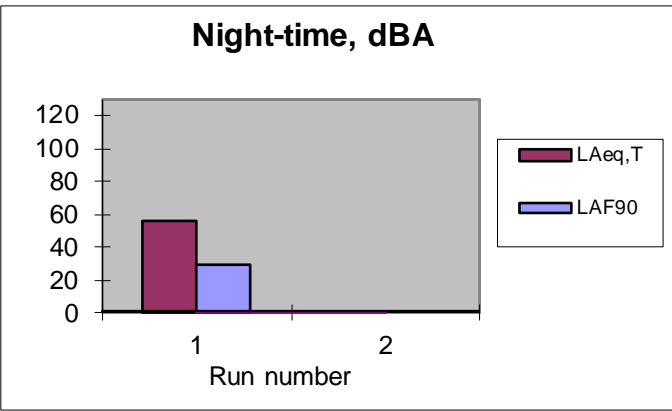
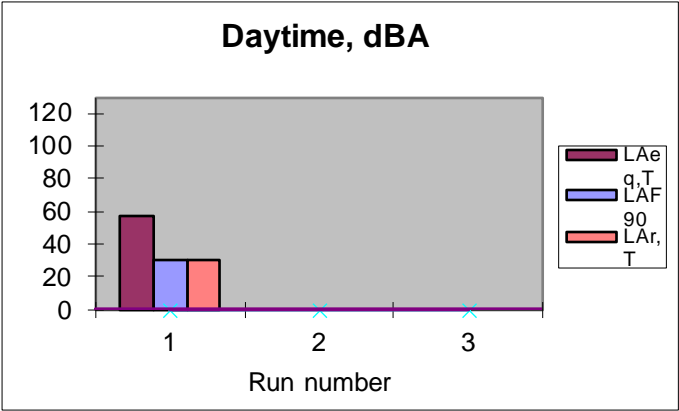
The penalty for on-site tonal noise and/or on-site impulsive noise is only applied during the daytime and evening periods. No tonal or impulsive noise is permitted during night-time; if such noise is present then this is a breach regardless of the LAeq,T or LAF90 noise level.

Where on site tonal is subjectively heard this is noted in the tables below in the column 'On site tonal?'. In all cases where on-site tonal is heard the simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used to confirm the presence of tonal. Where on site tonal is confirmed, this is shown in the tables below in the column 'Tonal confirmed'. The third octave graphs used to confirm on site tonal are shown in the discussion section.

The parameter LAFmax has no bearing on compliance and is not shown in the tables below; however, as it may be required to be reported separately (e.g. in an Annual Environmental Report) it is included in the appendices.

The column headed 'On site impulsive' states whether impulsive noise was heard by the monitoring personnel.

Location N1



Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LA90 ¹	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	18/01/2024 14:06	57	30	53	No	N/A	No	30	Road Traffic	HGV's	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 088	18/01/2024 18:56	56	29	50	No	N/A	No	29	Road Traffic	None	N/A

¹ LA90 was chosen due to significant noise from road traffic

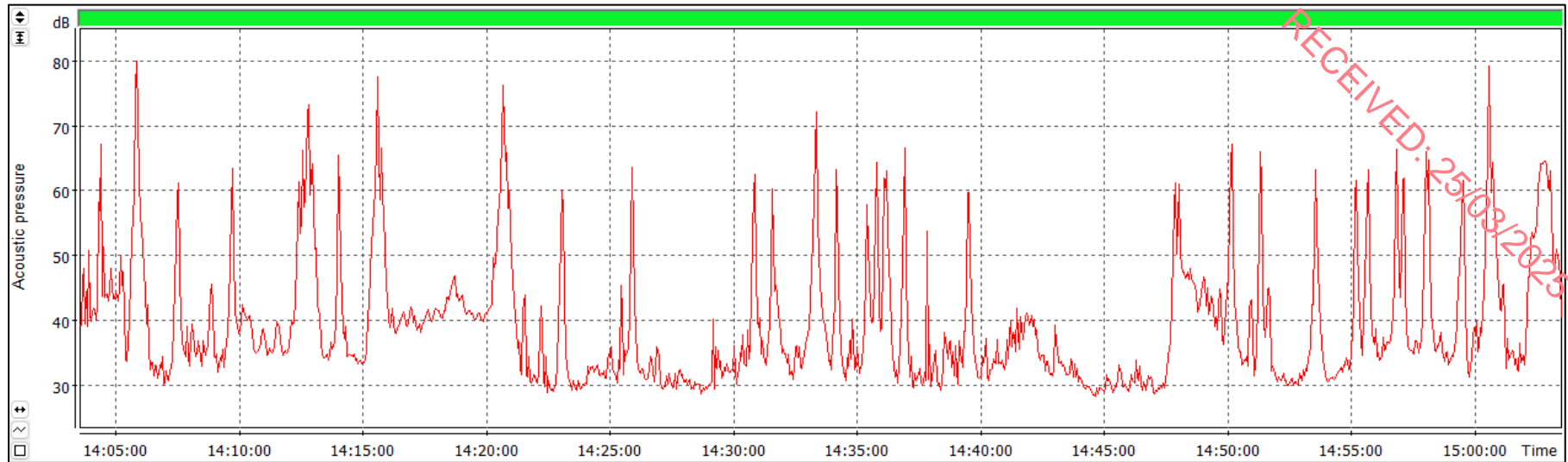


Figure 6-1 N1 Day Run 1 of 1

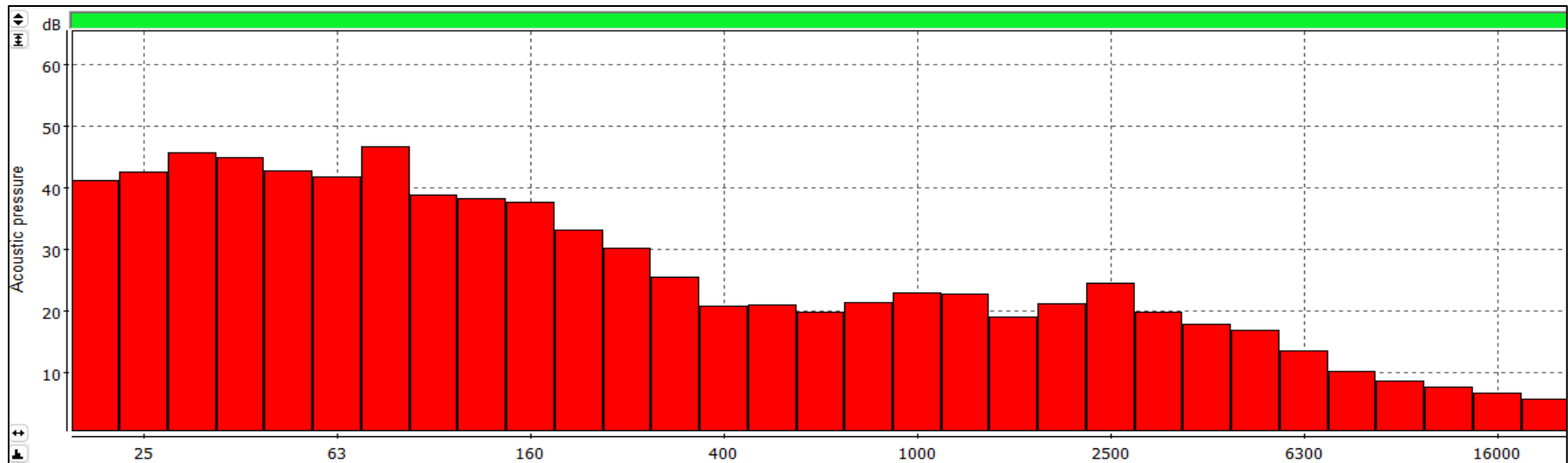


Figure 6-2 N1 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

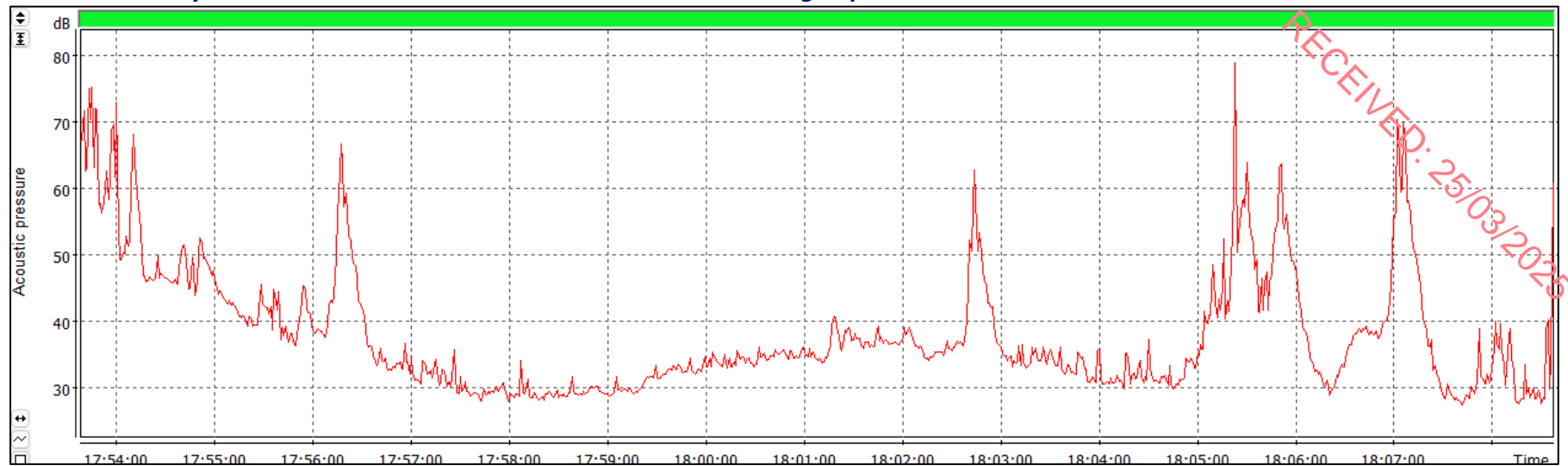


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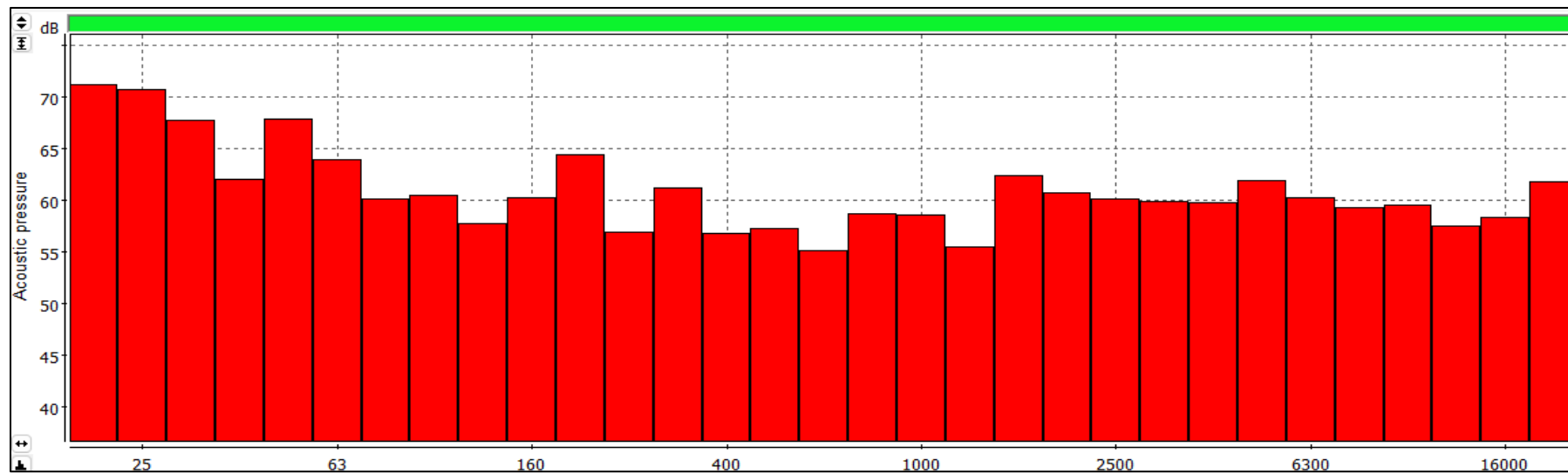
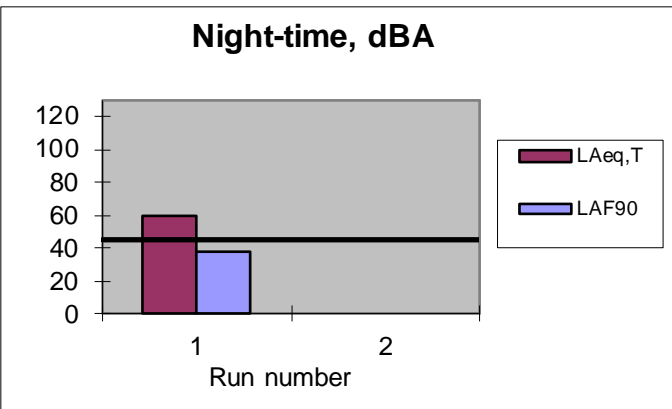
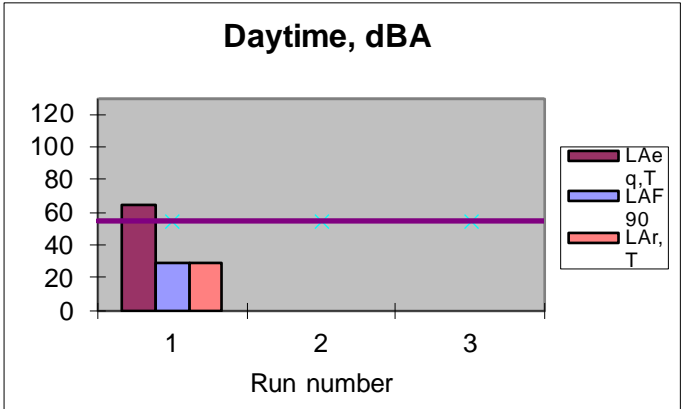


Figure 6-4 N1 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90} ¹	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	18/01/2024 14:57	64	29	54	No	N/A	No	29	Road Traffic	HGV's	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 088	18/01/2024 18:30	60	38	53	No	N/A	No	38	Road Traffic	None	Yes

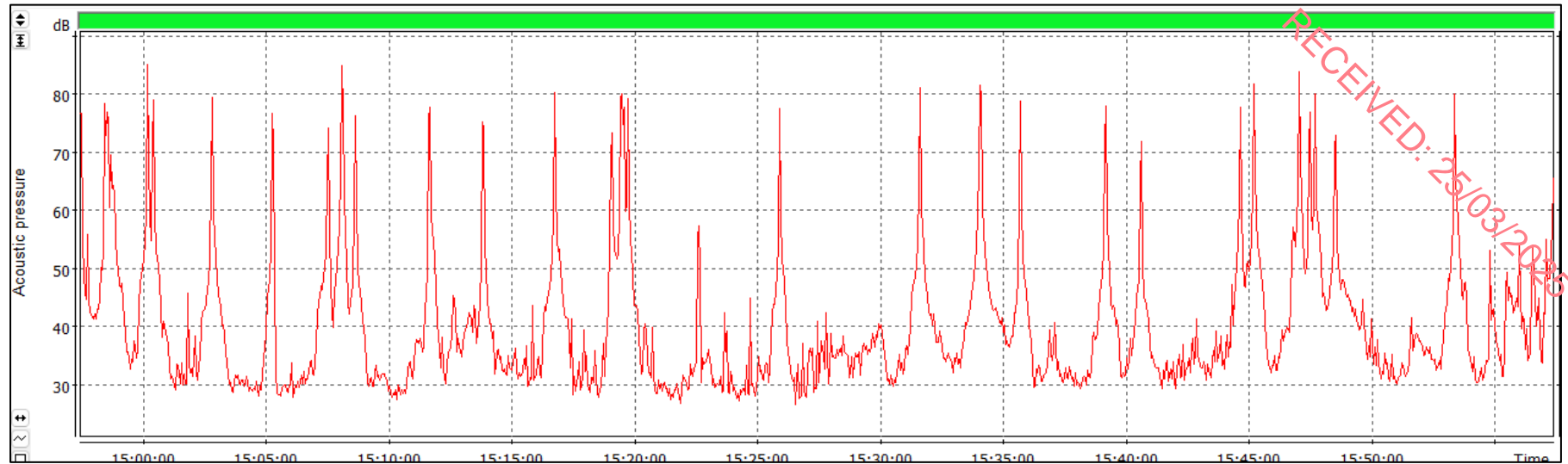


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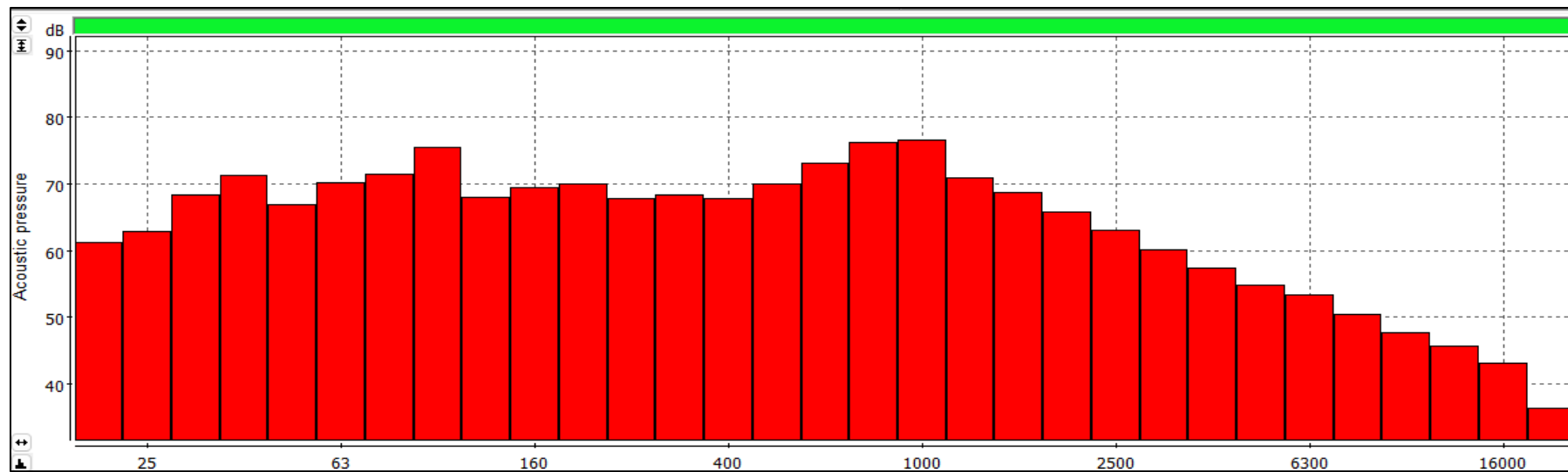


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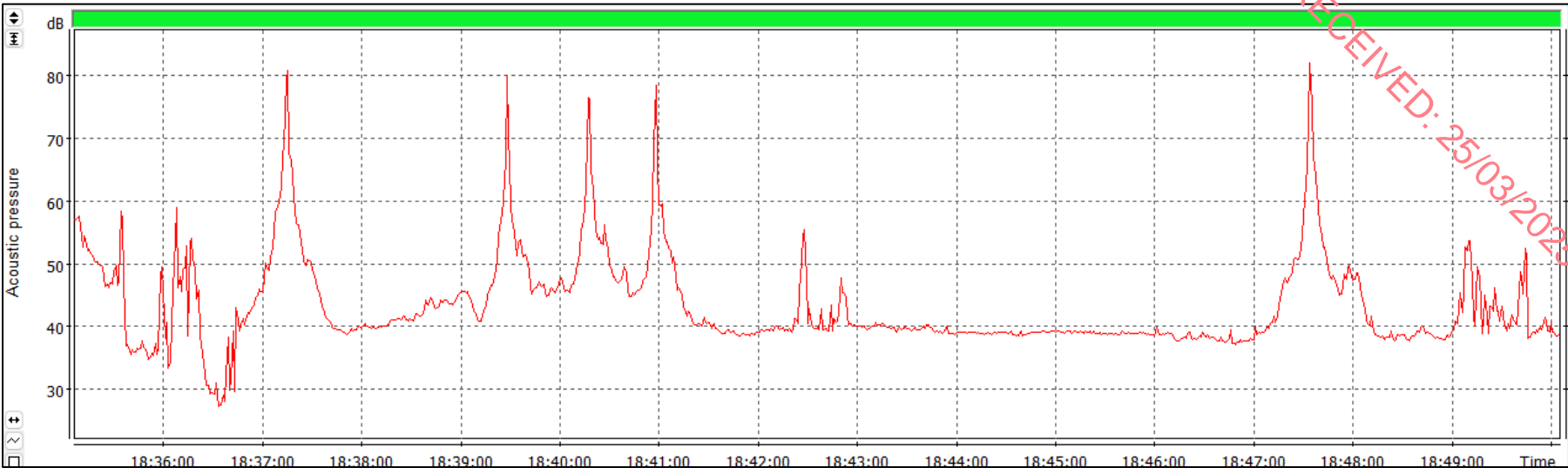


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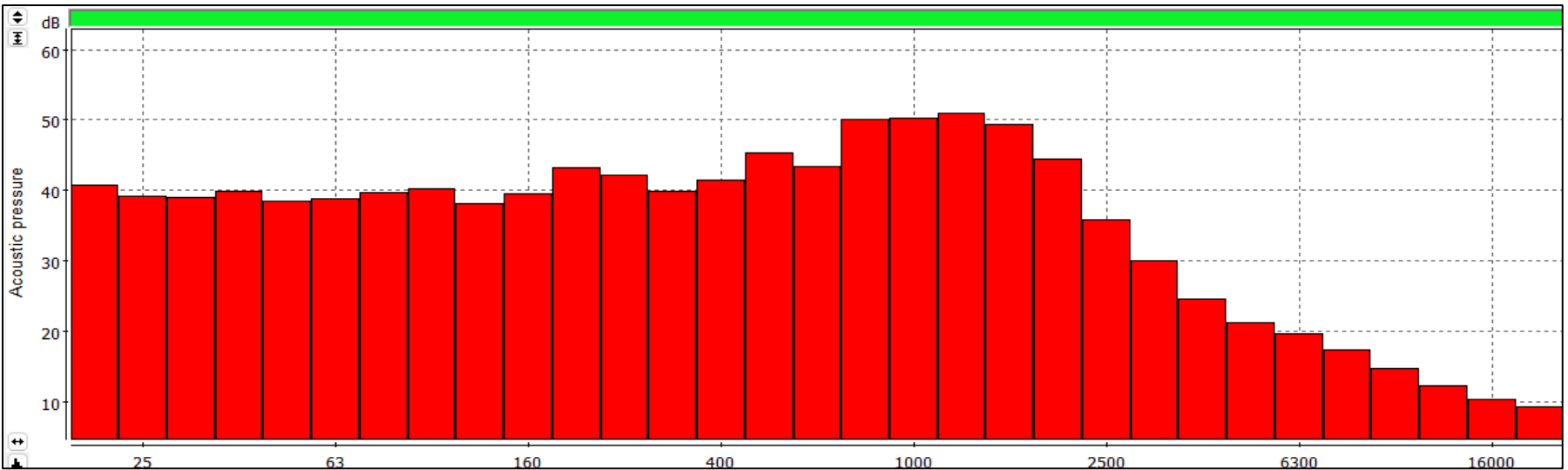
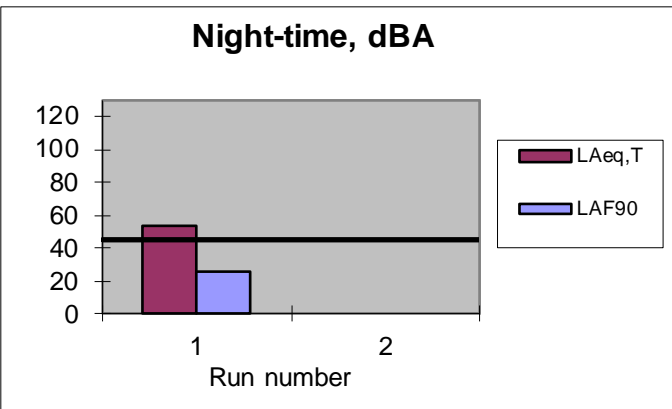
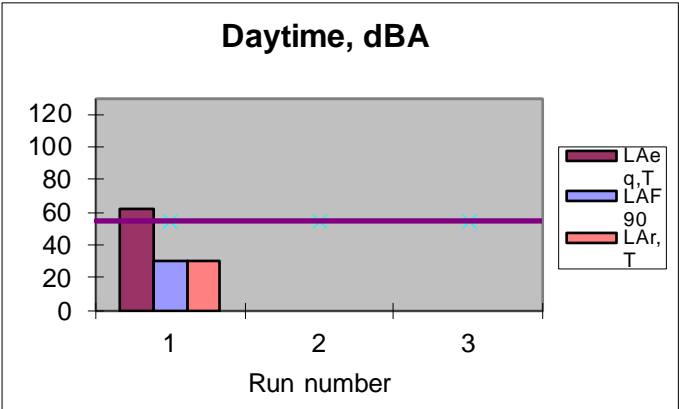


Figure 6-8 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90} ¹	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	18/01/2024 13:46	62	30	57	No	N/A	No	30	Road Traffic	HGV'S	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 089	18/01/2024 18:11	54	26	47	No	N/A	No	26	Road Traffic	None	Yes

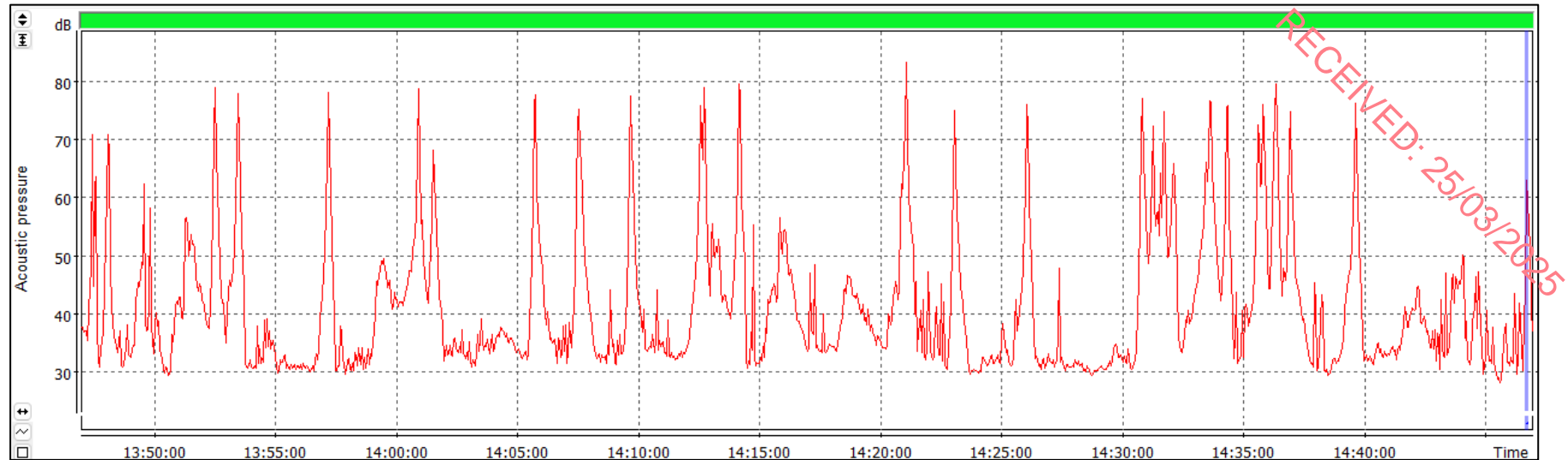


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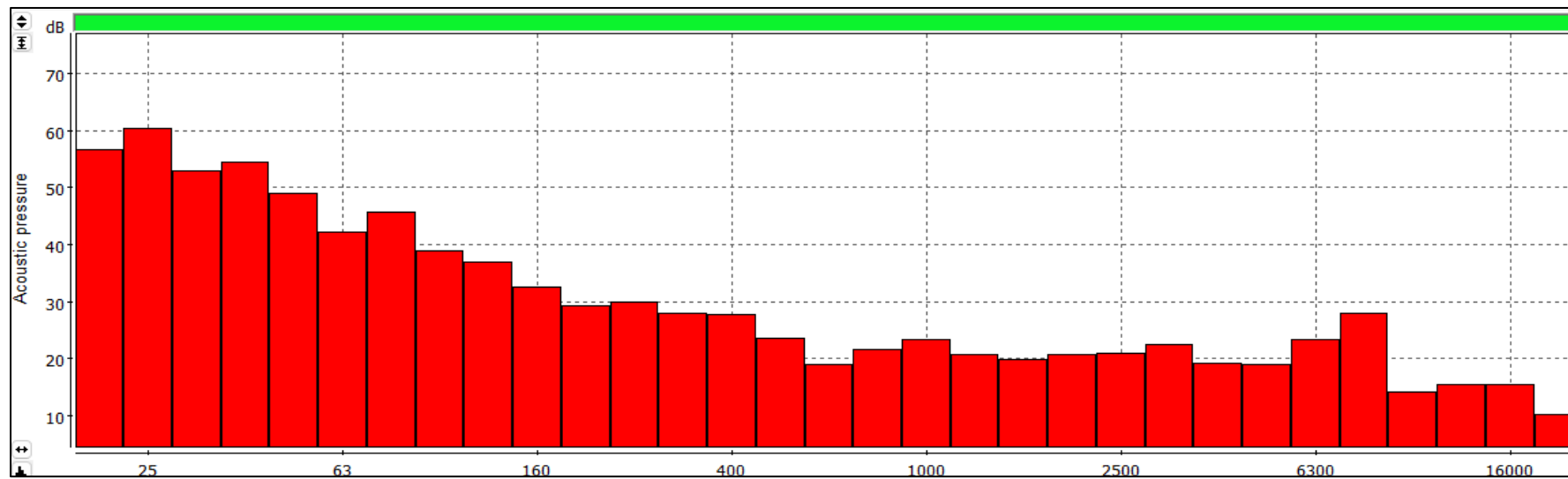


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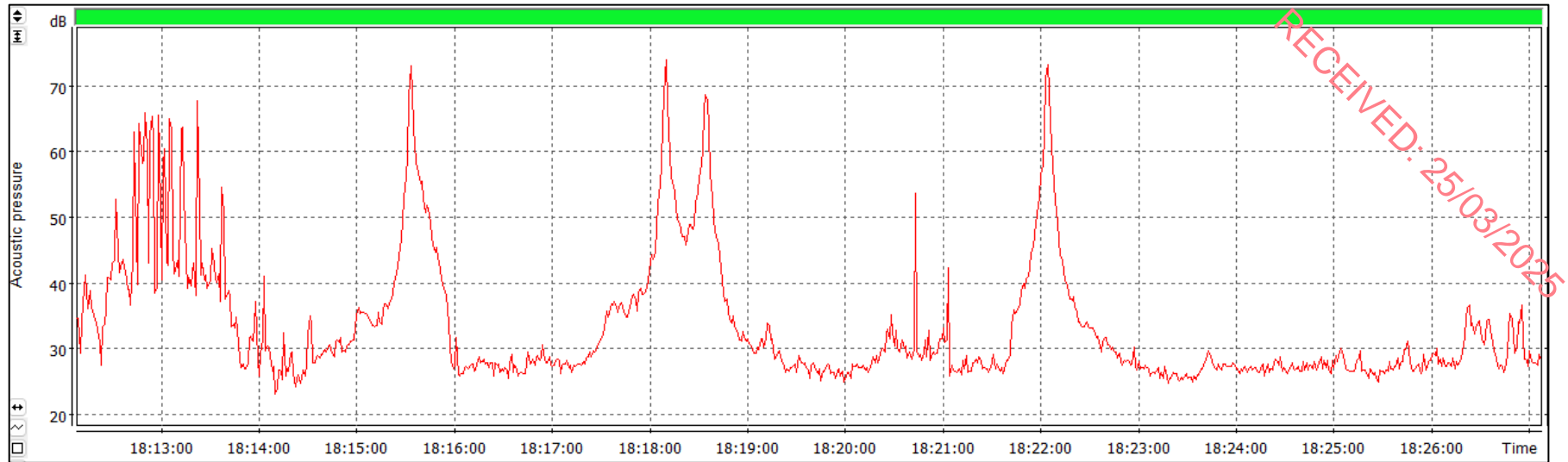


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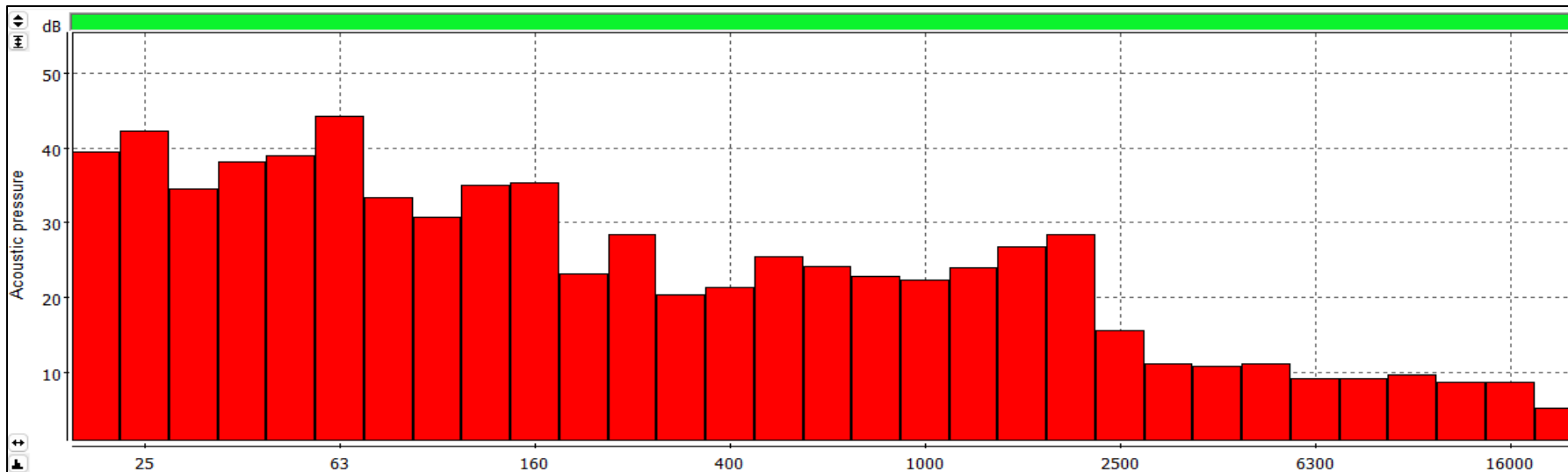
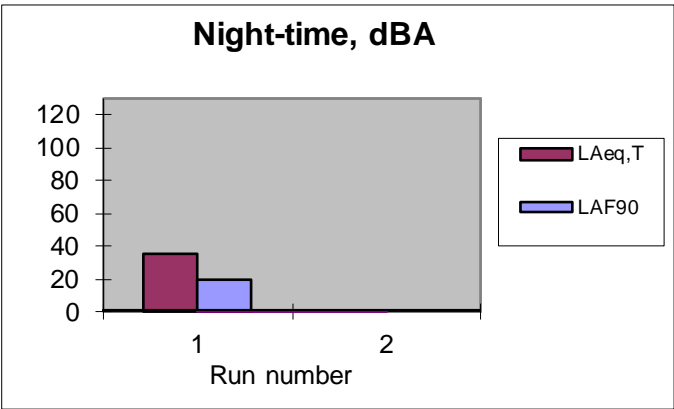
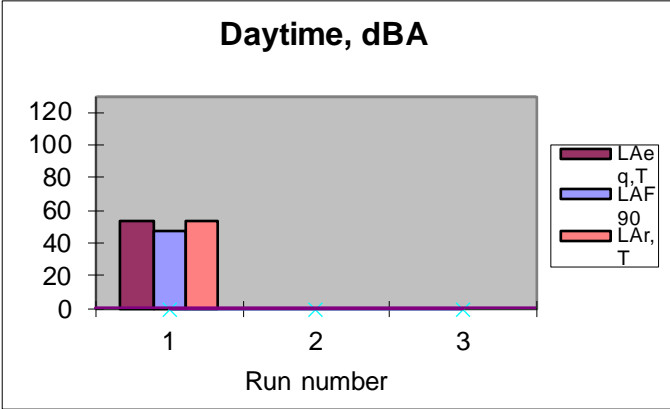


Figure 6-12 NSL3 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90 ¹	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 089	18/01/2024 15:11	54	47	56	No	N/A	No	54	Road Traffic	HGV's	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 089	18/01/2024 18:35	36	20	35	No	N/A	No	36	Road Traffic	None	N/A

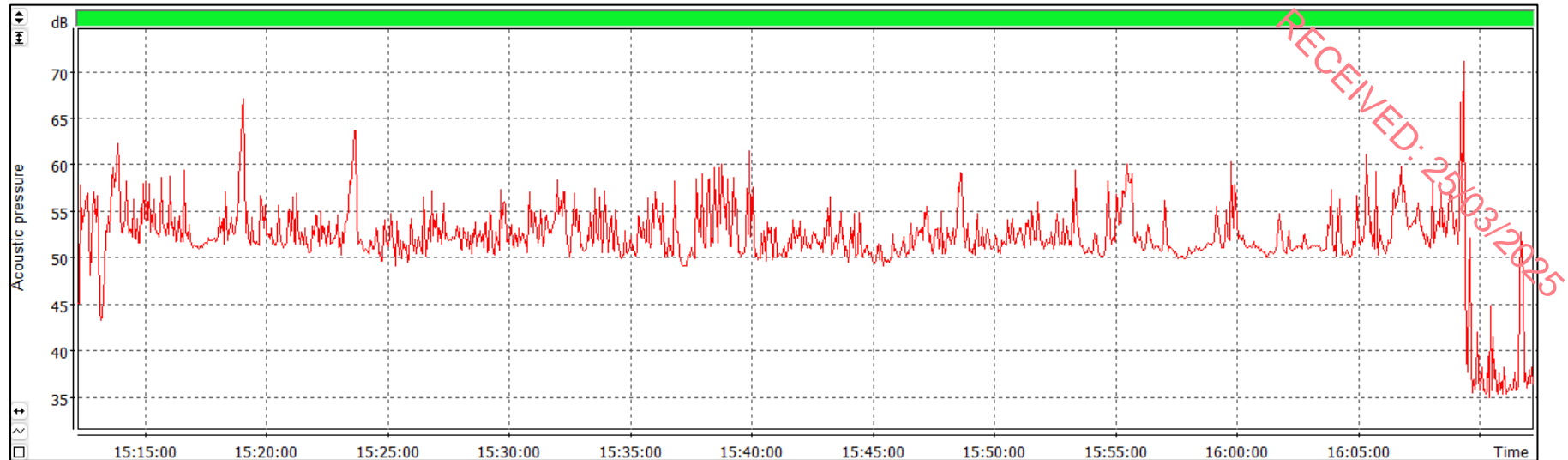


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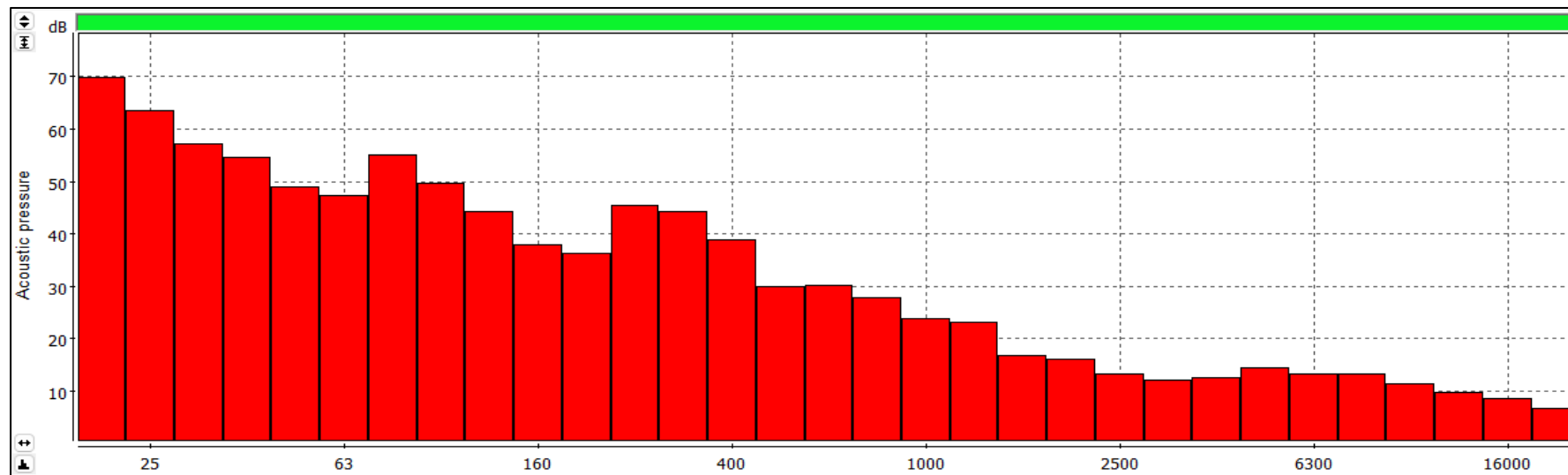


Figure 6-14 N4 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

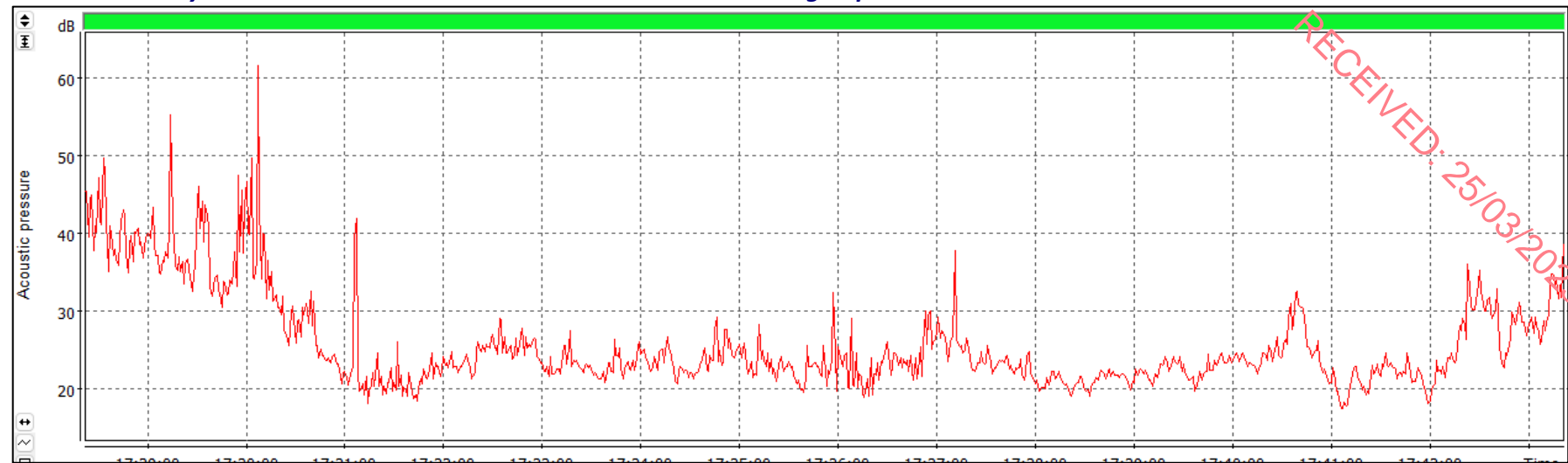


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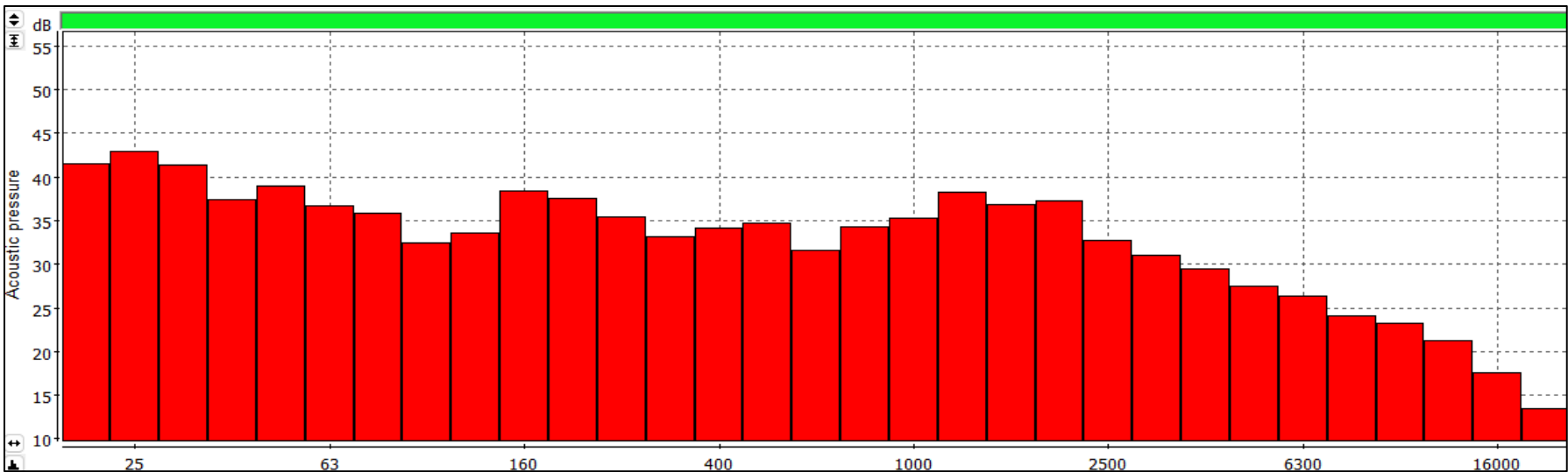


Figure 6-16 N4 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

7. Conclusion

L_{Aeq} represents the ambient sound levels in the area from sources near and far. The statistical noise levels of L₁₀ and L₉₀ are the noise levels exceeded for 10% and 90% respectively of the measurement period. A small difference in L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates a constant noise emission (or a lack of intermittent noise). The greater the difference between the L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates intermittent noise sources such as local traffic. Where external noise sources such as local road traffic have had a considerable impact on monitoring results due to the close proximity of some monitoring points to the adjacent public road, the L₉₀ is chosen as the best descriptor of site noise.

According to Condition 6 of the grant of planning permission:

“During the operational phase of development, the noise level at existing sensitive locations shall not exceed a L_{Aeq} (1 hour) of 55dB (A) between 0800 and 1800 and an L_{Aeq} (15 minutes) of 45 dB (A) between 1800 and 0800. Noise monitoring shall be carried out at the noise monitoring locations N1 to N4 as indicated in the EIS documentation on a quarterly basis in accordance with the EPA “Environmental Noise Survey – Guidance Document”, 2003”.

Monitoring locations NSL2 and NSL3 are considered to be "noise sensitive locations" as defined by the EPA while N1 and N4 are defined as “boundary noise locations” where the specified limit values do not apply. During both daytime and night-time monitoring periods, noise emission values at both NSL2 and NSL3 were within the prescribed limits as stated in the planning conditions.

Appendix 1 Report Terminology

Noise Monitoring Parameters	
Survey	The measurement of noise over one or more days and is made up of a number of monitoring runs with one or more noise meters.
Run or monitoring run	A single measurement at one location to determine noise level. A number of monitoring runs will be typically be made at each location. The duration of a monitoring run is typically 15 or 30 minutes and is stipulated in the licence.
dB(A)	This is the unit used to quantify noise measurements. "dB" stands for decibel and the "A" indicates that the noise reading is A-weighted and therefore is a measurement of noise audible to the human ear. The scale is logarithmic.
$L_{Aeq,T}$	This parameter is measured on-site using a noise meter for a specified time period (T minutes). It represents the average noise level that occurred over that period.
Rated Noise Level or $L_{A,r,T}$	The Rated Noise Level is equal to $L_{Aeq,T}$ plus any penalty for confirmed tonal and/or subjective impulsive. The penalty is only added for daytime and evening monitoring.
L_{AF10} and L_{AF90}	The L_{AF10} and L_{AF90} are both statistical noise levels. L_{AF10} indicates that for 10% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. L_{AF90} indicates that for 90% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. The L_{AF90} indicates the background noise levels if short-term, intermittent noise sources were ignored e.g. a passing car. The L_{AF10} can be used to determine the effect to which these short-term noise sources effect the overall average reading i.e. if the L_{AF10} is very different to the L_{AF90} , then intermittent noise is a significant source of noise
L_{AFmax}	The maximum RMS A-weighted sound pressure level occurring within a specified time period. Measured using the "Fast" time weighting.
Continuous	Noise produced without interruption.
Impulsive Noise	A noise of short duration (typically less than one second), the sound pressure of which is significantly higher than the background; brief and abrupt.
Intermittent Noise	Noise produced on discontinuous basis e.g. equipment operating in cycles or events such as single passing vehicle or aircraft.
Tonal Noise	Noise, which contains a clearly audible, tone i.e. a distinguishable, discrete or continuous note (whine, hum, drone, screech, etc.).

Appendix 2 Confirmation of tonal noise

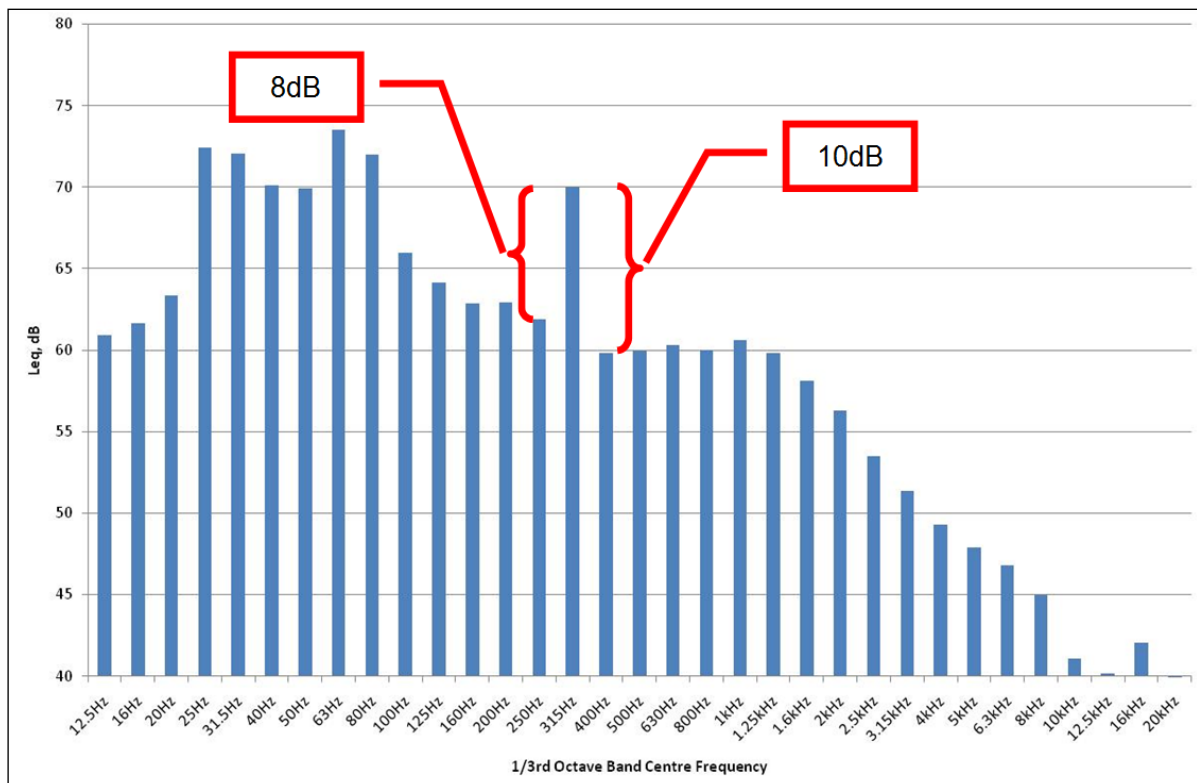
The subjective identification of tonal noise is based on the interpretation of the third octave band results. Where the sound level for a third octave band is greater than or equal to both the adjacent third octave bands by some constant level difference, then tonal noise is confirmed. The level differences vary by frequency and are shown in the table below

Frequency range	Level Difference
25 Hz to 125 Hz	15 dB
160 Hz to 400 Hz	8 dB
500 Hz to 10,000 Hz	5 db

In the example below, tonal noise was subjectively assessed. The third band monitoring results were therefore reviewed and are shown below. A peak can be seen at 315 Hz. This peak is 8 dB above the lower adjacent third octave and 10 dB higher than the higher adjacent third octave band. From a review of the table above, the Level Difference for 315 Hz is 8 dB.

For the example below, tonal noise is confirmed as there is a difference greater than or equal to 8 dB either side of 315 Hz.

Knowing the frequency of the confirmed tonal noise can help in identifying the source of the noise and its reduction.



Appendix 3 LAFmax data

Some authorities require that LAFmax be reported, however, there are no limits set for this parameter. In order to keep the body of the report uncluttered, the data regarding this parameter is reproduced below.

Location	NSL	Period	LAFmax
N4	No	Night-time	69.9
N4	No	Day	81.7
NL1	No	Day	83.9
NL1	No	Night-time	87.6
NSL2	Yes	Day	91.6
NSL2	Yes	Night-time	84.4
NSL3	Yes	Day	87.2
NSL3	Yes	Night-time	76.3

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Instrument - System ID : IRCB016677 Customer Ref : Environmental Effic
Description : Sound Level Meter Job Number : BR12150-1
Manufacturer : Svantek
Model Number : 971
Serial Number : 40396
Procedure Version 3174

Environmental Conditions
Temperature : 23°C ± 3°C Mains Voltage : 240V ± 10V
Relative Humidity : 50%RH ± 35%RH Mains Frequency 50Hz ± 5Hz

Comments
The instrument was allowed to stabilise for 4 hours before calibration.
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The certificate records the on-receipt status of the instrument.
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Instrument -

System ID : IRCB016678	Customer Ref : Environmental Effic
Description : Sound Level Calibrator	Job Number : BR14110-1
Manufacturer : Cirrus	
Model Number : 511E	
Serial Number : 035066	
Procedure Version : 3517	

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Comments

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Traceability Information

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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct groundwater sampling and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from two boreholes BH1 and BH3 as indicated in the map below. Borehole BH2 has been decommissioned and no longer exists on site.

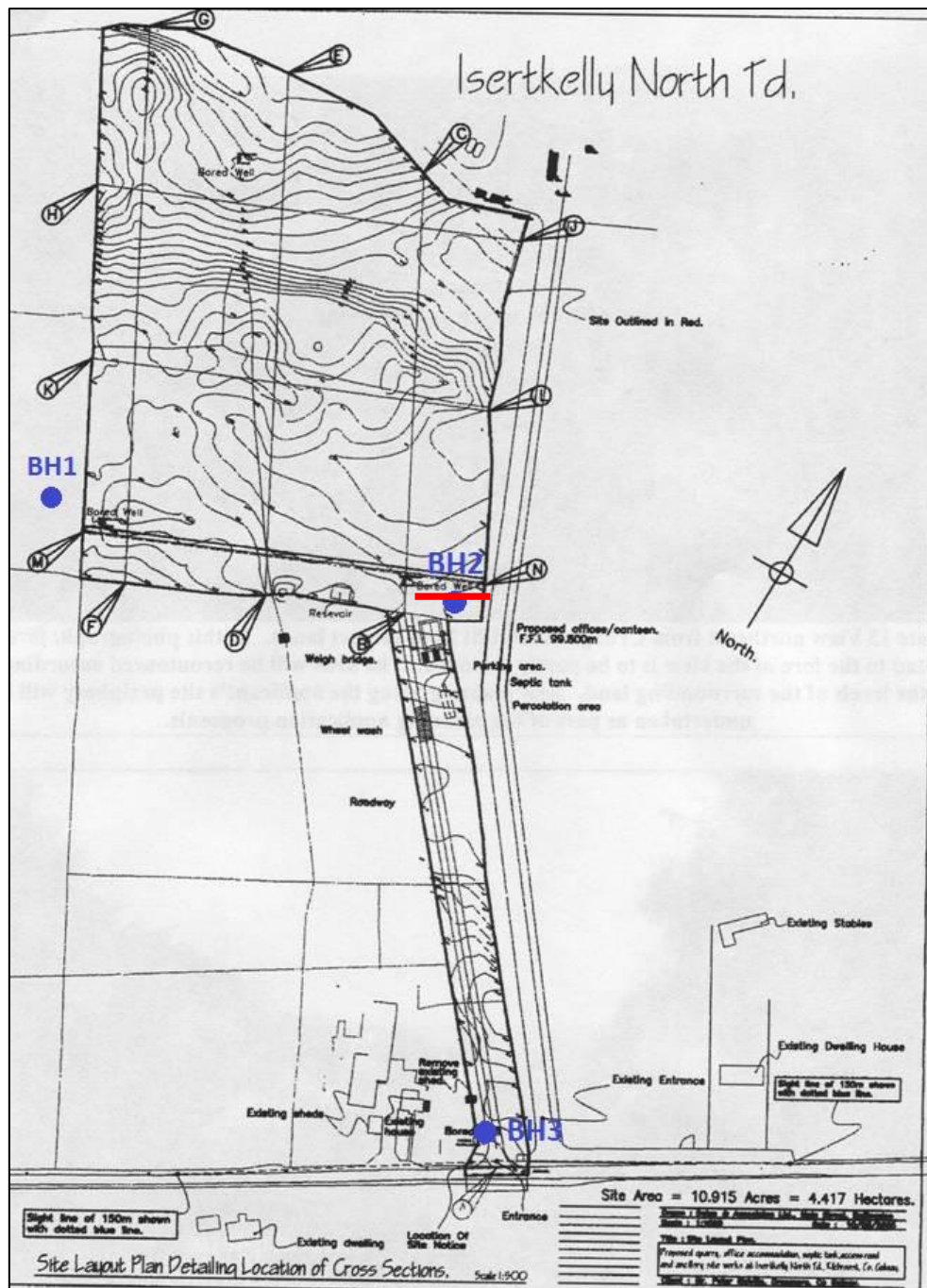


Figure 1-1 Borehole Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

The majority of the results for BH3 fall within the relevant guideline values for the monitoring period Q2 2024. However, the faecal coliform bacteria was above the recommended limit with values. The levels of phosphate detected were < 0.20. The recommended limit for groundwater is 0.035 mg/l. The limit of the detection in the laboratory does not detect levels to this degree.

The results for Certificate of analysis can be seen in Appendix 1.

Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

3. Results

Groundwater and surface water quality was assessed by comparing analytical results to the most relevant of the following water quality guidelines – Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC):

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

The results for the groundwater analysis can be seen in the table below.

*Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

Table 2 - 1 BH3 Monitoring Results Q2 2024

Parameter	Result	Units	Generic Assessment Criteria	Source
COD	< 10	mg O ₂ /l	No Value	-
Ammonia	< 0.050	mg/l	175 µg/l	GTV
Nitrate	9.2	mg/l	37.5 mg/l	GTV
Nitrite	< 0.020	mg/l	375 µg/l	GTV
Phosphate	< 0.20	mg/l	0.035 mg/l	GTV
Chloride	22	mg/l	187.5 mg/l	GTV
TPH (C6 – C10)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C10 – C21)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C21 – C40)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
Total TPH (C6 – C40)	< 10	µg/l	7.5 µg/l	GTV
Total Organic Carbon	< 2.0	mg/l	No Value	-
Electrical Conductivity	590	µS/cm	1875 µS/cm	GTV
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	10	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	0	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Ground water Level	19.1	Meters	N/A	-

GTV = Groundwater Threshold Value. Outlined in Groundwater Regulations (S.I. No. 9 of 2010 / S.I. No. 366 of 2016).

IGV = Interim Guideline Values (IGVs) presented by EPA in 2003.

4. Discussion


Faecal coliform bacteria was above the recommended limit for the monitoring period Q2 2024. During and after precipitation, bacteria, and other harmful microorganisms from any of these sources may be washed into rivers, lakes, or groundwater. Poor well construction or poor maintenance can increase the risk of groundwater contamination. Total coliform bacteria are not likely to cause illness, but their presence indicates that your water supply may be vulnerable to contamination by more harmful microorganisms. The presence of E.coli in water indicates recent faecal contamination and may indicate the possible presence of disease-causing pathogens, such as bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Although most strains of E.coli bacteria are harmless, certain strains, such as E.coli 0157:H7, may cause illness. The level of phosphate was < 0.20 mg/l with the groundwater threshold value being 0.035 mg/l. The laboratory limit of detection cannot detect levels to this extend. All other results for the groundwater monitoring of BH3 fall within the recommended water quality guidelines for the monitoring period Q2 2024.

The generic assessment criteria values come from the following documents:

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
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Emission point	GW3
Licence type	County Council
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Project Manager	RS
Analysed by:	Chemtest
Sample type:	Water

Sampling data

Results for Quarterly Monitoring Period	Q2 2024
Date sample collected	17/06/2024
Time sample collected	14:30
Sample collection	SOP 01.01
Sample type	Groundwater

Results

Parameter	Result	ELV	Units	Accred.	Technique
COD	< 10	n/s	mg O2/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Ammonia	<0.050	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrate	9.2	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrite	< 0.020	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Phosphate	< 0.20	n/s	mg/l	None	Colorimetric Analysis
Chloride	22	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
TPH (C6 - C10)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C10 - C21)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C21 - C40)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
Total TPH (C6 - C40)	< 10	n/s	ug/l	UKAS	GC FID Detection
Total Organic Carbon	< 2.0	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Catalytic Oxidation
Electrical Conductivity	590	n/s	µS/cm	UKAS	Conductivity Meter
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	10	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	0	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Ground Water Level	19.1	n/s	Meters	N/A	Dip Meter

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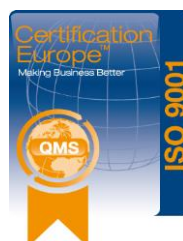
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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct dust deposition monitoring and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from three dust monitoring points D1, D2 and D3 as indicated in the map below.

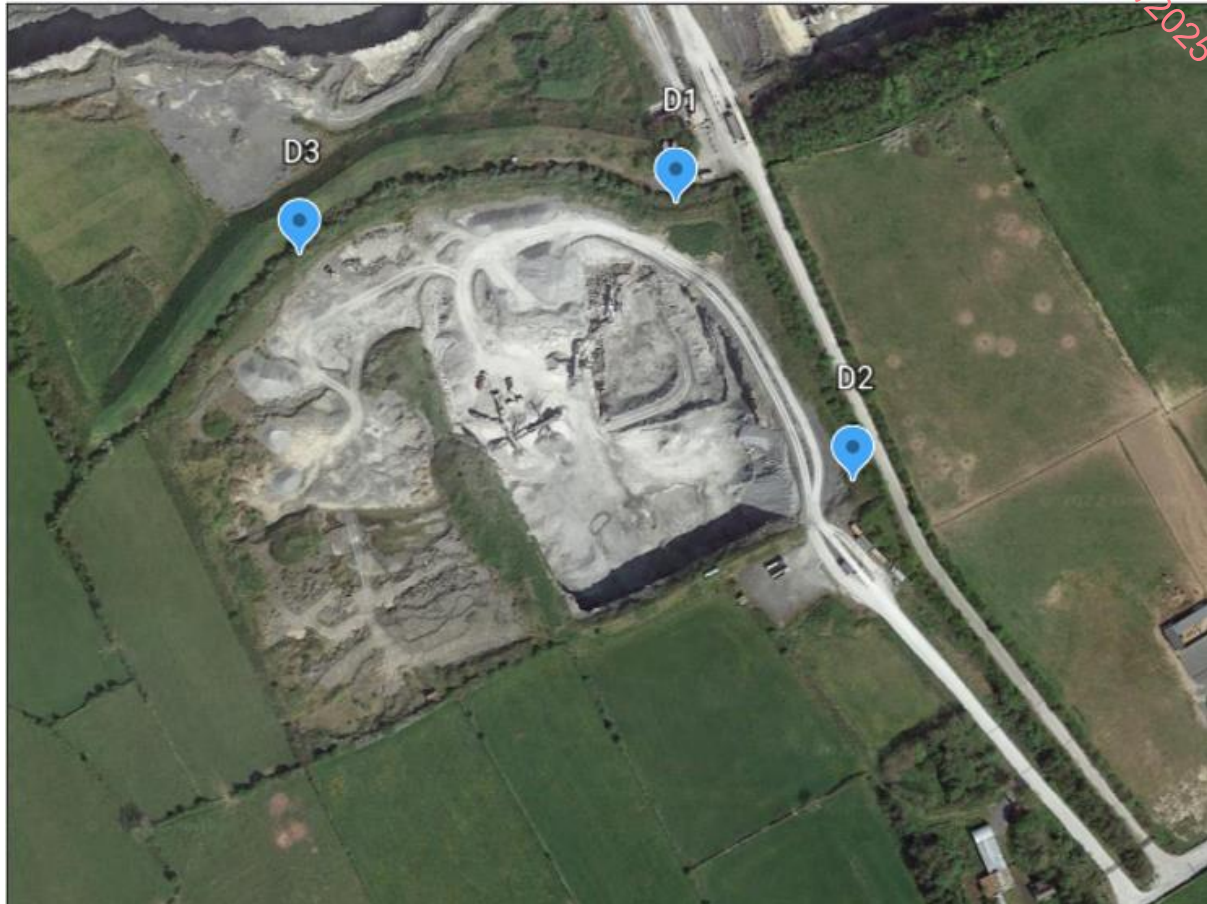


Figure 1-1 Dust Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q2 2024.

All results for the Bergerhoff monitoring points were below the TA Luft Dustfall limit.

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3. Methodology

Environmental Efficiency Consultants Ltd conduct environmental dust deposition monitoring on a quarterly basis at Kilchreest Quarry. Environmental Efficiency collects Bergerhoff bottles on-site following each monitoring period and, upon return to the laboratory, conducts testing in accordance with the company's internal SOP's; SOP 03.04 Determination of Suspended Solids/SOP 99.12 Total Dust Deposition, to determine Total Dust Deposition at each monitoring location in mg/m²/day. Results are subsequently compared to a dust limit value of 350 mg/m²/day, as prescribed by German TA Luft Guidelines, to determine whether dust levels constitute levels which are not acceptable as per this environmental quality standard (i.e., levels at which there may be nuisance caused or hazard posed).

4. Results

Environmental dust monitoring results for each monitoring period are presented in the tables below. Certificates of analysis are provided in Appendix 1.

Table 4 - 1 Dust Monitoring Results – Q2 2024

Location	Units of Measurement	Results	Prescribed Limit Value	Compliant
D1	mg/m ² /day	183.8	350	Yes
D2	mg/m ² /day	187.5	350	Yes
D3	mg/m ² /day	19.3	350	Yes

5. Conclusion

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q2 2024. The dust fall limit specified for the quarry is based on the German TA Luft Environmental Guidelines which specifies a limit of 350 mg/m²/day. All results for the three monitoring locations were below the prescribed limit value for Q2 2024.

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Certificate of Analysis for Total Dust Deposition

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Client: Kilchreest Quarry

Site: Kilchreest

Site code: KC

Period: Q2 2024

Collected by: RS

Analysed by: RS

Sample method: Bergerhoff bottle

Sample type: Dust fall

SOP: 99.12

Results

Location	Start monitoring	End monitoring	Date analysed	Days on site	Result, mg/m2 day
D1	01-May-24	31-May-24	08-Jul-24	31	183.8
D2	01-May-24	31-May-24	08-Jul-24	31	187.5
D3	01-May-24	31-May-24	08-Jul-24	31	19.3

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1. Introduction

The client is required to carry out a noise survey at various specified locations in the vicinity of the site. This document reports the results of the noise survey.

2. Executive Summary

A noise survey to EPA NG4 was undertaken on 17-Jun-24. The compliance of the locations with the specified limits is shown in the table below.

Table 2-1 Summary of compliance

Location	Noise Sensitive Location	Day	Night-time
N1	No	N/A	N/A
N4	No	N/A	N/A
NSL2	Yes	Compliant	Compliant
NSL3	Yes	Compliant	Compliant

3. Facility Description

The following activities are carried out on the site

- Hauling of materials from the site using HGV lorries.
- The operation of machinery.

The site has the hours of operation shown in the table below.

Table 3-1 Hours of operation

Period	Operational hours	Surveyed
Day	08:00 – 17:00	Yes
Evening - No monitoring	Not operational	No
Night-time	Not operational	Yes

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4. Monitoring requirements

Noise is required to be monitored at the locations shown in the table immediately below. The noise limits applicable, the required number of sampling periods (e.g. number of separate measurements at one location during one monitoring period, e.g. daytime) and the required duration of each sampling period are shown in the second table below. Note that noise monitoring was only carried out during periods where there was activity or equipment running on the site.

Table 4-1 Locations monitored

Location	Location Description	NSL
N1	Entrance	No
N4	Boundary	No
NSL2	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	Beside house	Yes

Table 4-2 Periods monitored and limits

Monitoring Period	Monitored	NSL	Limit. dBA	Allowance, dBA	T (Sampling Period), minutes	No. of runs
Day	Yes	Yes	55	0	60	1
Night-time	Yes	Yes	45	0	15	1
Day	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	60	1
Night-time	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	15	1

5. Sampling Methodology

5.1 Instrumentation Used

The equipment shown in the table below was used during the noise survey. All Sound Level Meters are Type I. The SLMs and calibrators are identified by a LEN (Laboratory Equipment Number) and this is shown in the table below. Calibration certificates for the equipment, where appropriate, are shown in the appendices and are referenced by the LEN.

Table 5-1 Equipment Used

Equipment used	LEN (Lab equipment Number)	Make/Model	Serial Number	Cal cert
First SLM	LEN 128	Svante SV2	128783	Yes
Second SLM	LEN 088	Svante SV1	40395	Yes
First Calibrator	LEN 071	Cirrus	51431	Yes
Anemometer	N/A	Testo	N/A	N/A

All noise measurements were 'A' weighted and the time-weighting 'Fast' was applied (to equate to human ear hearing). Each SLM is calibrated in the field before the start of the survey and again at the end of the survey. Unless stated otherwise in this report, there was no drift in calibration greater than 0.1 dB over the duration of the survey.

All SLMs used are capable of third band octave measurement. Third band octave readings were recorded at all locations where tonal noise was subjectively detected by the survey personnel. Where tonal noise was detected, the third band octave readings were analysed off site to verify the presence of tonal. The simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used for this purpose.

5.2 Noise Survey Personnel

The noise survey was undertaken by Environmental Efficiency staff as follows:

Author (Name & Quals)	Rebecca Stokes, IOA Certified Environmental Noise Measurement
Author (Initials)	RS

5.3 Meteorological Conditions

Weather conditions on the day of monitoring were considered appropriate for surveying purposes and therefore did not affect the readings i.e. conditions were dry and wind speed was less than 5 m/s (the normal upper limit for taking measurements).

The Sound Level Meter was also fitted with a windshield to minimise interference from potential meteorological conditions, in keeping with good practice. The meteorological conditions during the survey periods are shown below.

Table 5-2: Meteorological Conditions

Survey	Date	Time	Av. wind speed, m/s	Temp, C	Prevailing wind direction	Weather
Start	17-Jun-24	13:29:00	1.5	16.0	N	No precipitation
Completion	17-Jun-24	19:30:00	1.9	15.0	N	No precipitation

5.4 Measurement Locations

The locations of noise monitoring locations are described in the table below and shown in Figure 5-1. Photographs of the SLM at each location are shown following the map.

Table 5-3: Description of monitoring locations

Location	Height above ground, m	Distance from reflective surface, m	Location Description	Noise sensitive location
N1	1.2	>3.5	Site entrance	No
N4	1.2	>3.5	Boundary	No
NSL2	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes



Figure 5-1 Site map



Figure 5-2 SLM at N1

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Figure 5-3 SLM at NSL2



Figure 5-4 SLM at NSL3



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Figure 5-5 SLM at N4

5.5 Ground attenuation

If the intervening ground between a noise source and a measurement location is acoustically absorptive, this can result in a reduction in noise level at the receptor due to absorption of sound energy by the ground itself. On the contrary, if the intervening ground is acoustically reflective ground, it produces the opposite effect.

The details of the intervening ground between sources and measurement positions are described in the following table:

Table 5-4: Ground attenuation

Location	% Soft Ground	% Hard Ground	Comments
N1	85	15	No comment
N4	0	100	No comment
NSL2	0	100	No comment
NSL3	60	40	No comment

6. Noise Survey

The measurement parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAF10 plus the derived parameter LAr,T are tabulated below in the tables for each monitoring location. Associated particulars such as a description of the on-site noise and off-site noise noticed at each location are also provided where relevant. A graphical representation of the parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAr,T over each monitoring period is provided in the graphs above each table.

The derived noise parameter LAr,T, termed the Rated Noise Level, includes a penalty of 5 dBA for tonal or impulsive noise where such noise is present. This penalty is normally added to LAeq,T. Where traffic or other off site noise sources are significant, the parameter LAF90 may be a better descriptor of site noise and where this is the case the Rated Noise Level is equal to LAF90 plus the penalty. In the tables below, where LAF90 is considered a better descriptor of site noise, an asterisk is appended to the measurement.

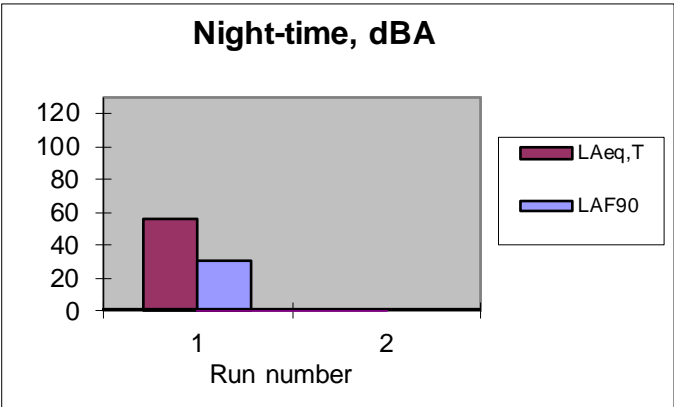
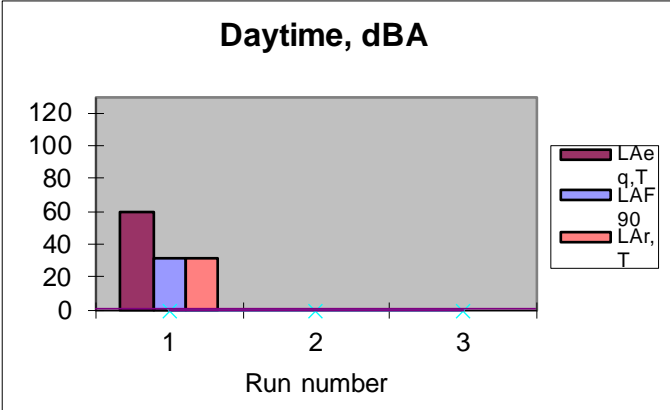
The penalty for on-site tonal noise and/or on-site impulsive noise is only applied during the daytime and evening periods. No tonal or impulsive noise is permitted during night-time; if such noise is present then this is a breach regardless of the LAeq,T or LAF90 noise level.

Where on site tonal is subjectively heard this is noted in the tables below in the column 'On site tonal?'. In all cases where on-site tonal is heard the simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used to confirm the presence of tonal. Where on site tonal is confirmed, this is shown in the tables below in the column 'Tonal confirmed'. The third octave graphs used to confirm on site tonal are shown in the discussion section.

The parameter LAFmax has no bearing on compliance and is not shown in the tables below; however, as it may be required to be reported separately (e.g. in an Annual Environmental Report) it is included in the appendices.

The column headed 'On site impulsive' states whether impulsive noise was heard by the monitoring personnel.

Location N1



Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90 ¹	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAeq,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	17/06/2024 13:29	60	31	52	No	N/A	No	31	Heaving traffic on local road	HGVs	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 128	17/06/2024 18:47	56	30	49	No	N/A	No	30	Birds, heavy road traffic	N/A	N/A

¹ LA90 used due to significant noise from road traffic

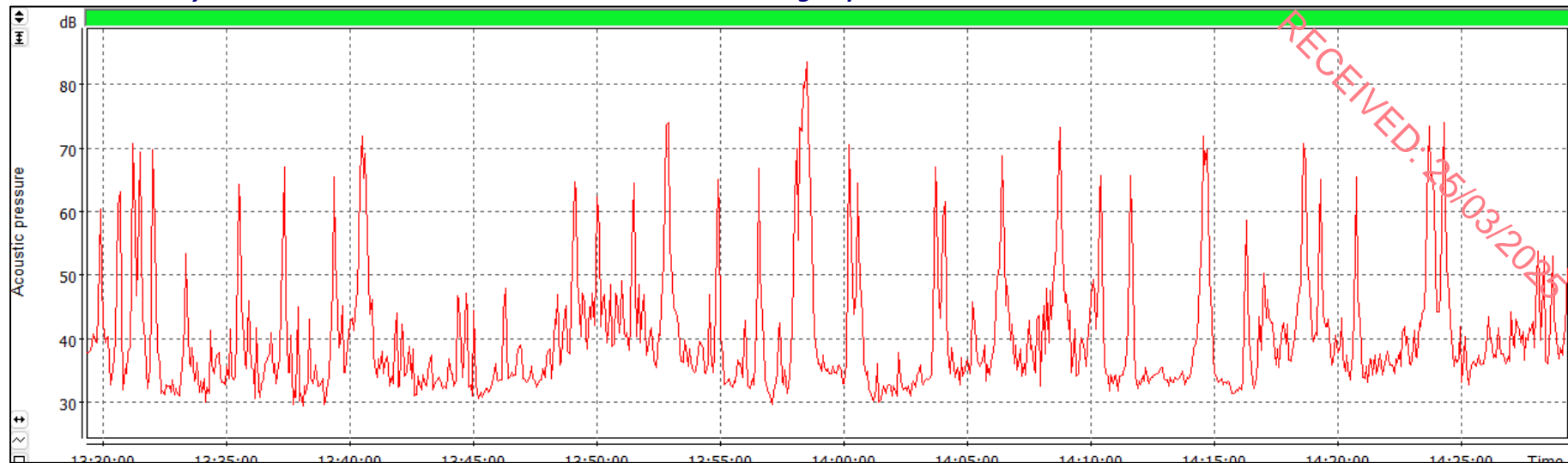


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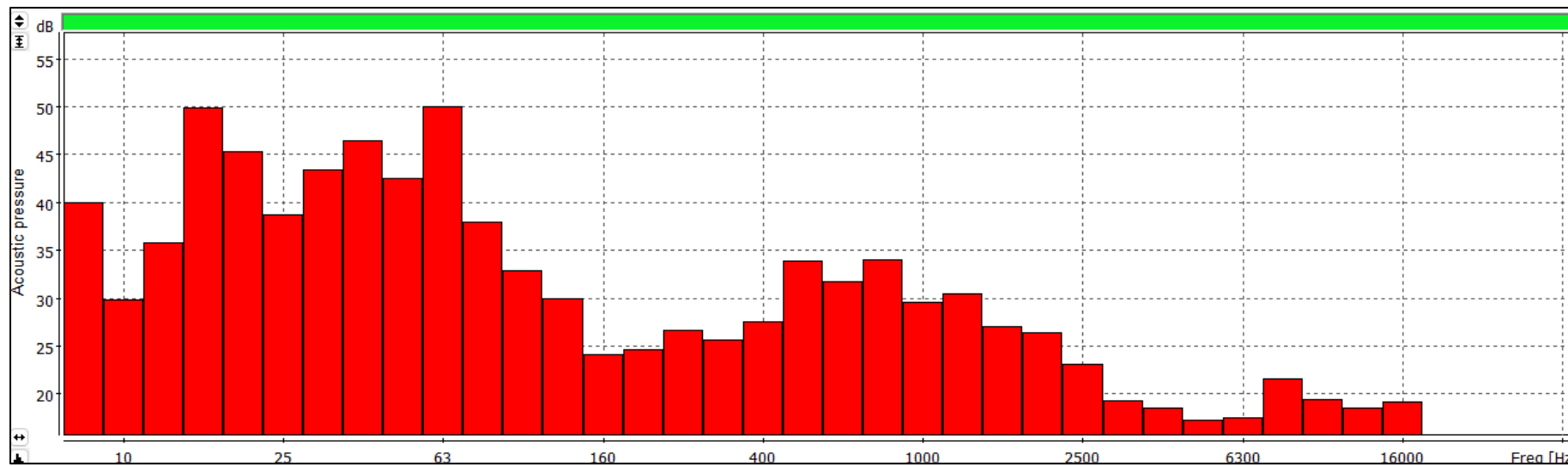


Figure 6-2 N1 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

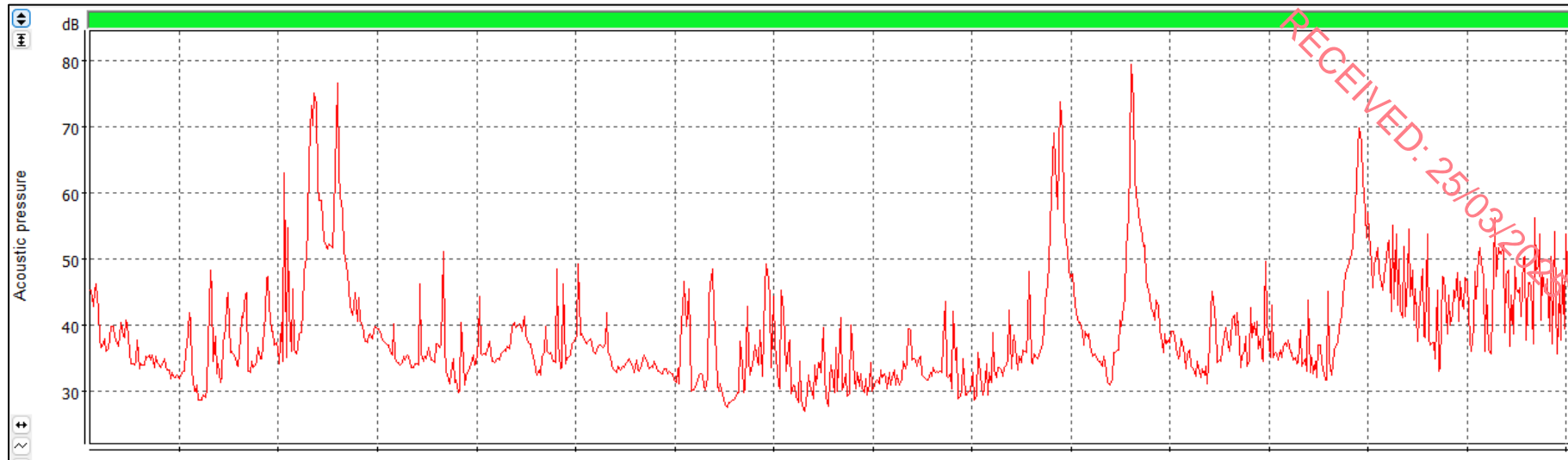


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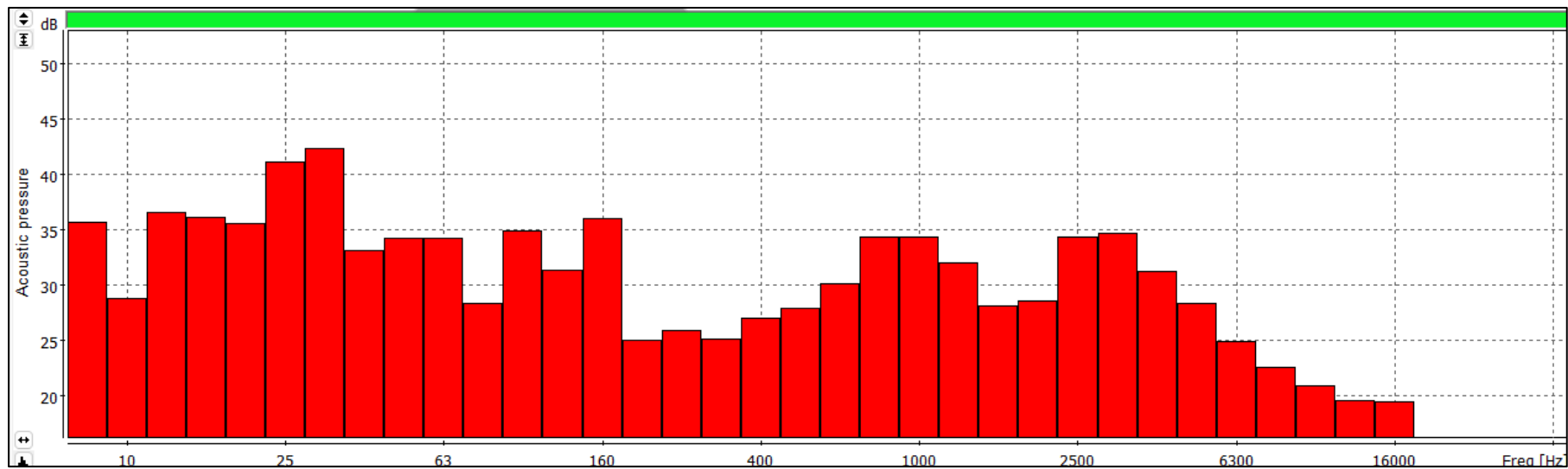
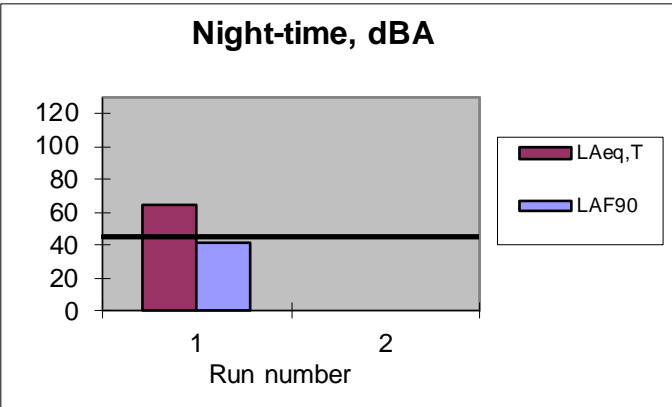
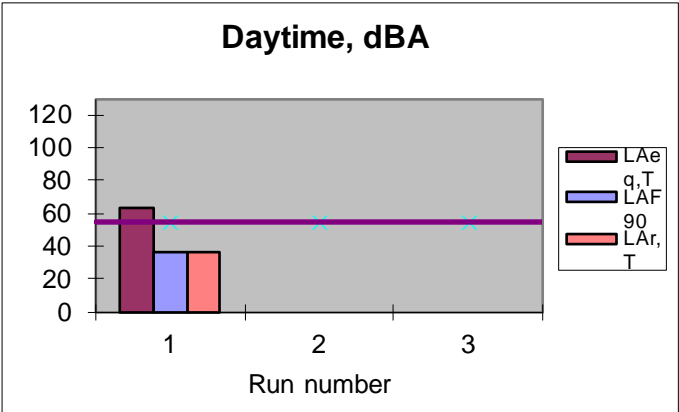


Figure 6-4 N1 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAf90 ¹	LAf10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAeq,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	17/06/2024 15:58	64	37	65	No	N/A	No	37	Heavy traffic from local road	HGVs, site works	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 088	17/06/2024 19:12	64	41	58	No	N/A	No	41	Birds, heavy road traffic	N/A	Yes

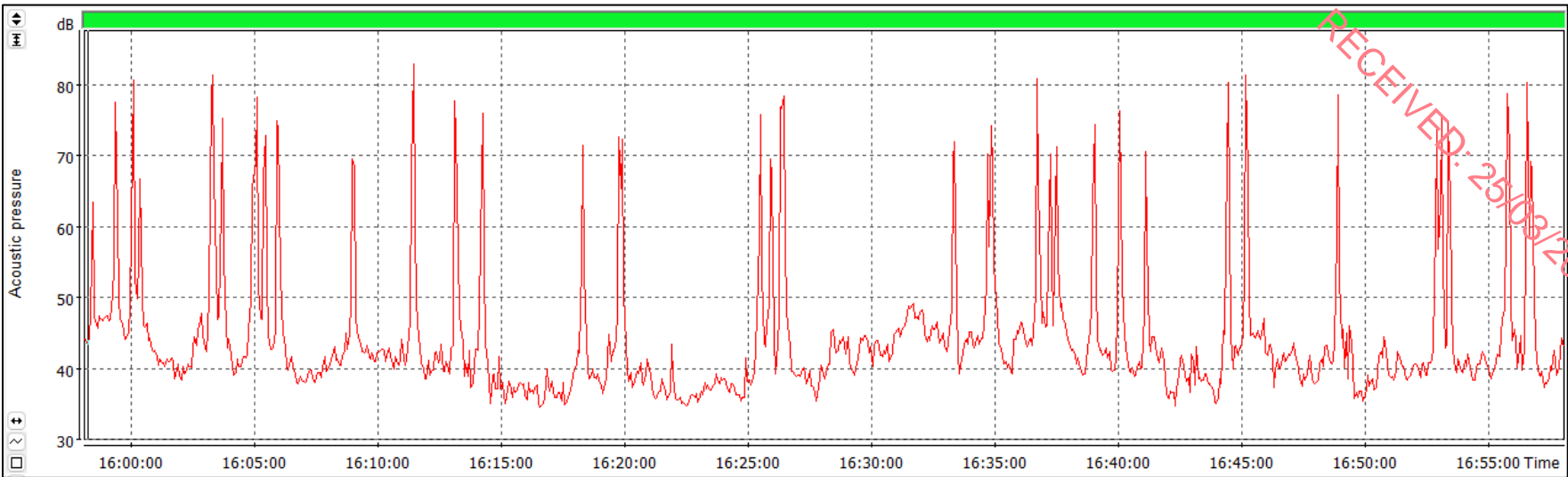


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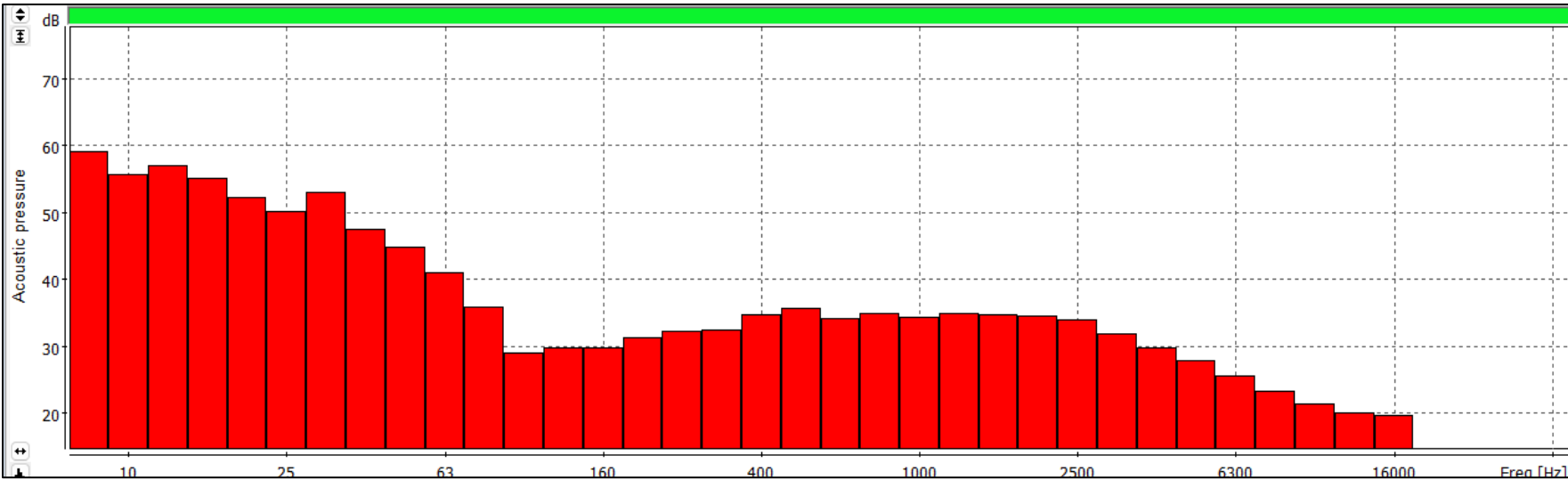


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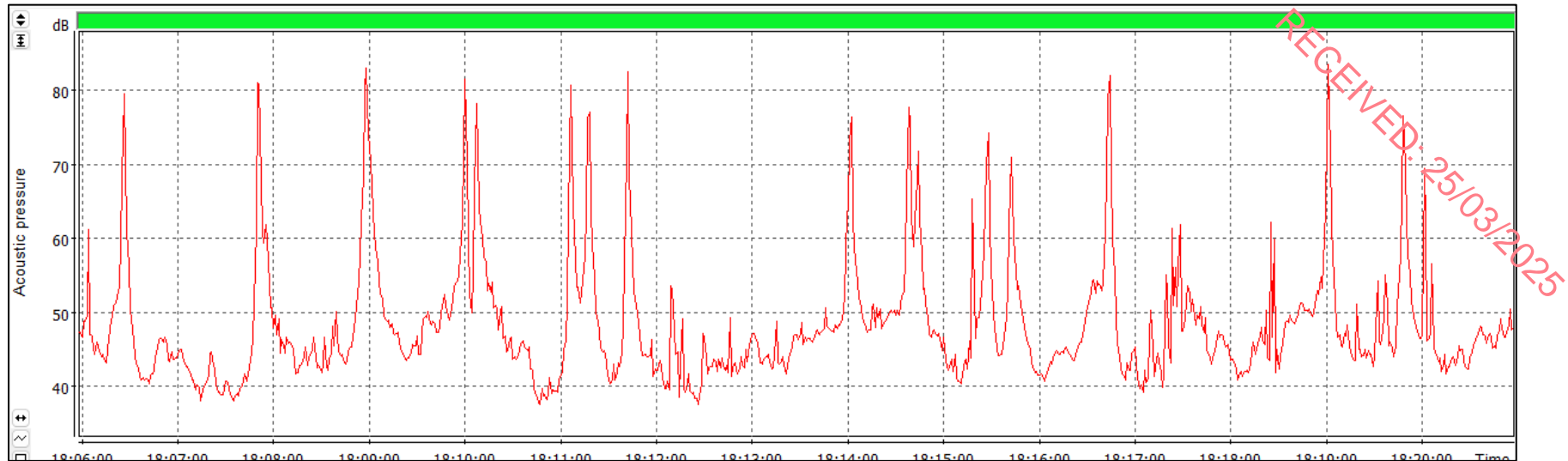


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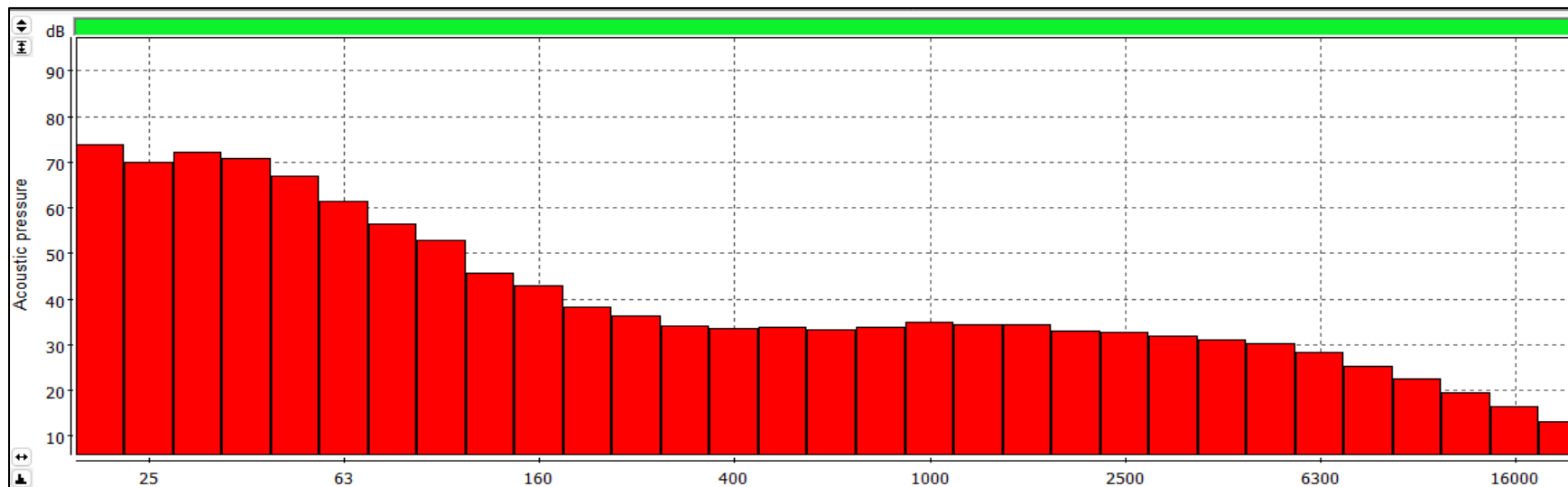
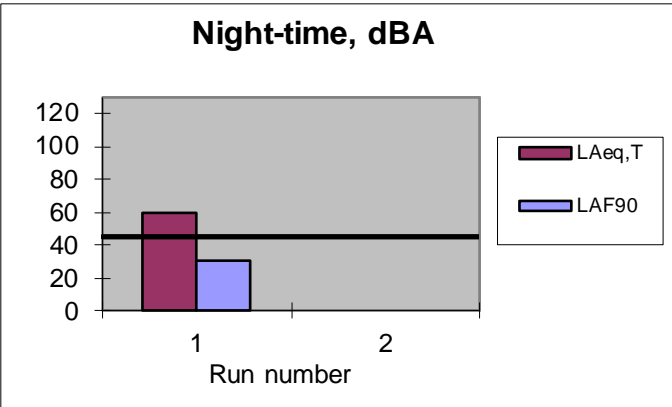
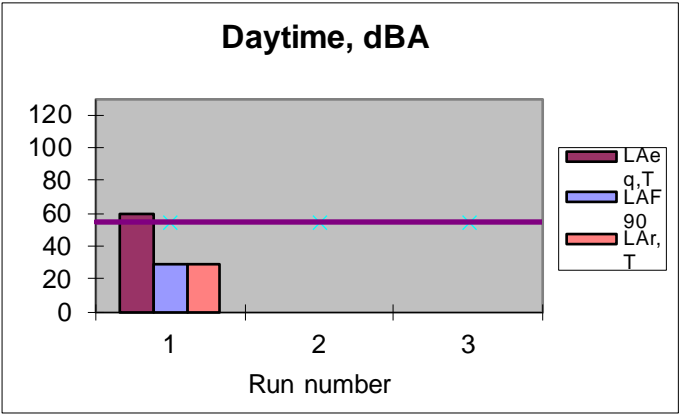


Figure 6-8 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90 ¹	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	17/06/2024 13:21	60	29	51	No	N/A	No	29	Heavy traffic on local road	HGVs	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 088	17/06/2024 18:36	59	30	44	No	N/A	No	30	Birds, heavy road traffic	N/A	Yes

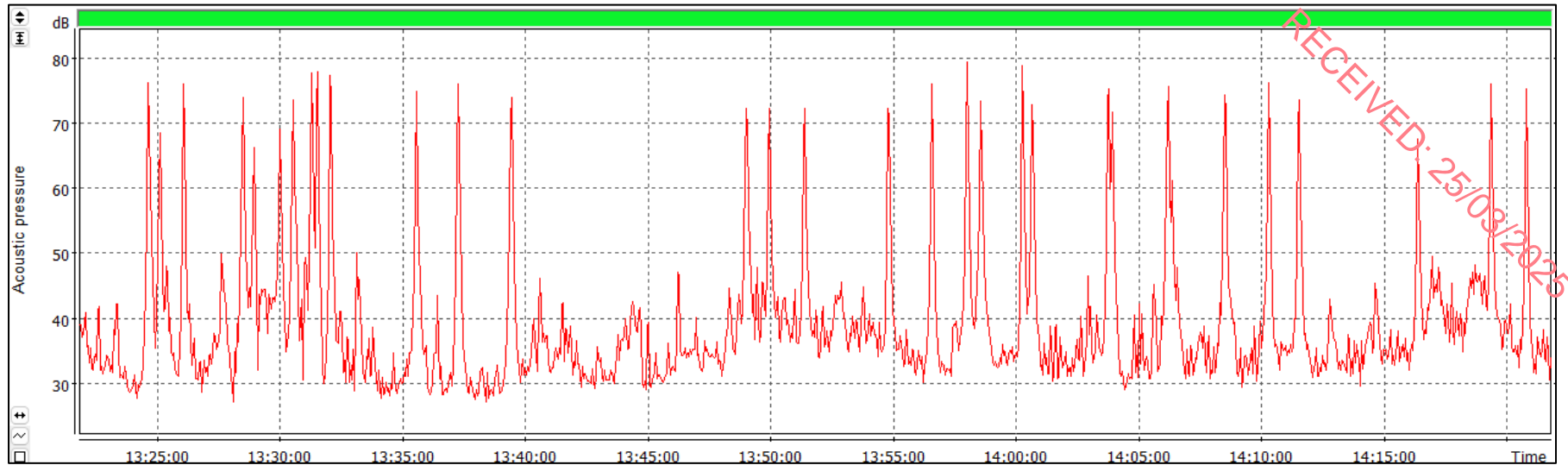


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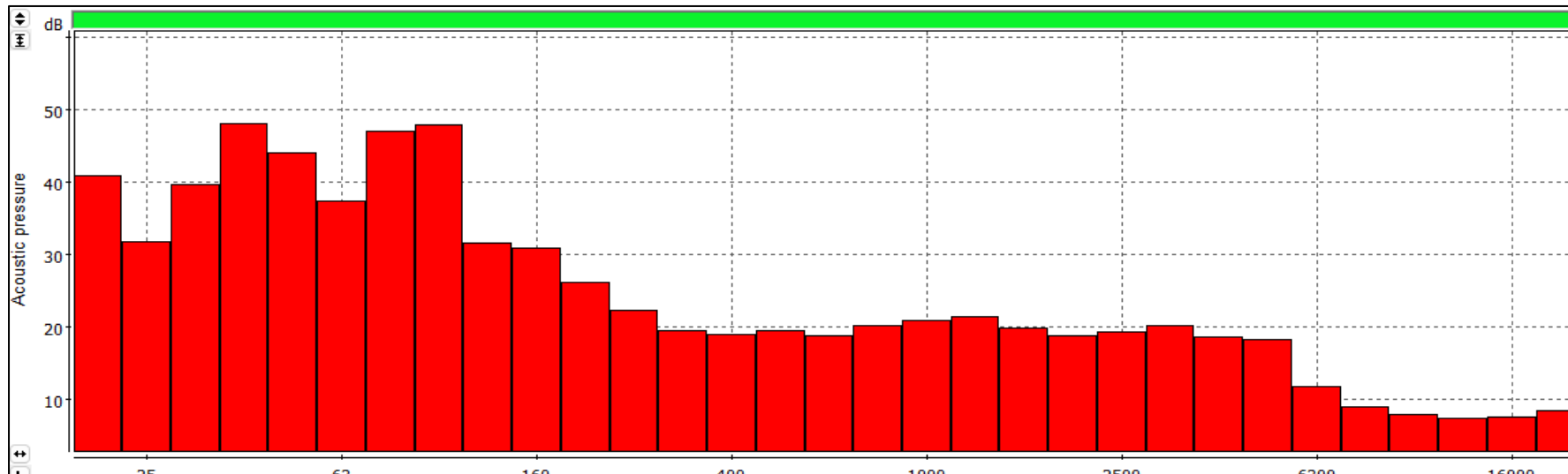


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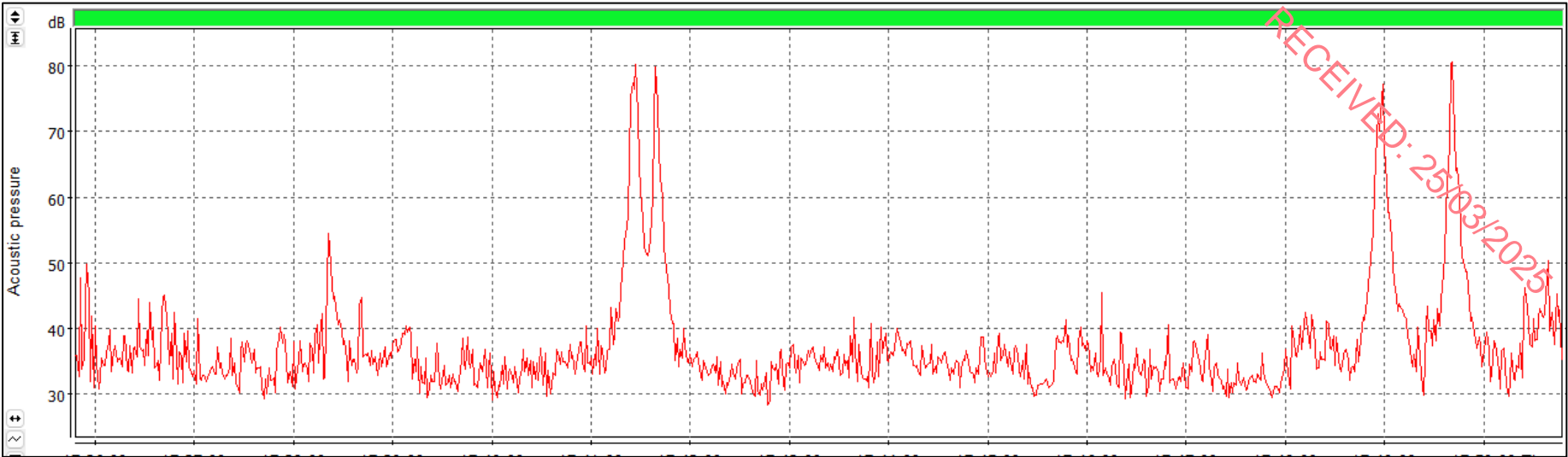


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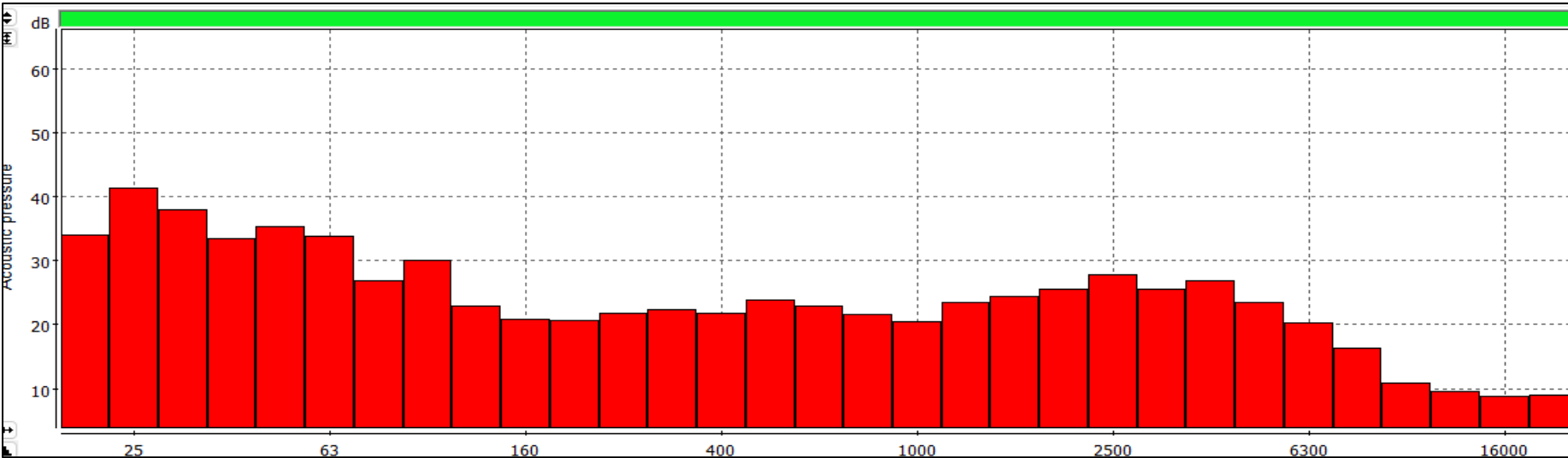
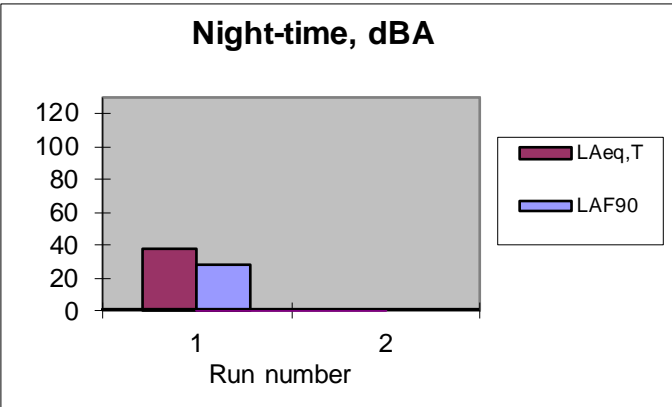
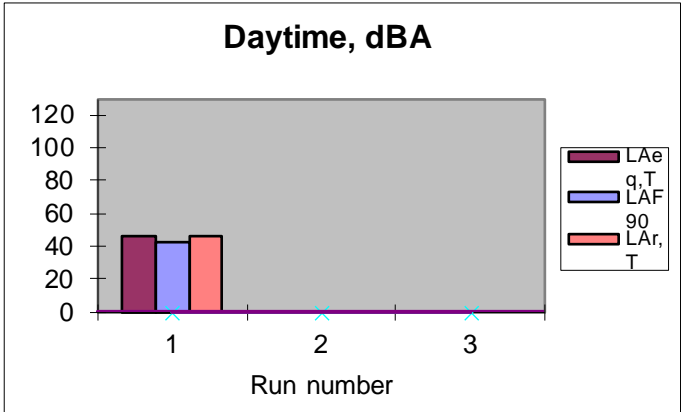


Figure 6-12 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAr,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	17/06/2024 14:43	47	43	49	No	N/A	No	47	Birds	HGVs, site works	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 128	17/06/2024 18:10	38	28	40	No	N/A	No	38	Distant road traffic, birds	N/A	N/A

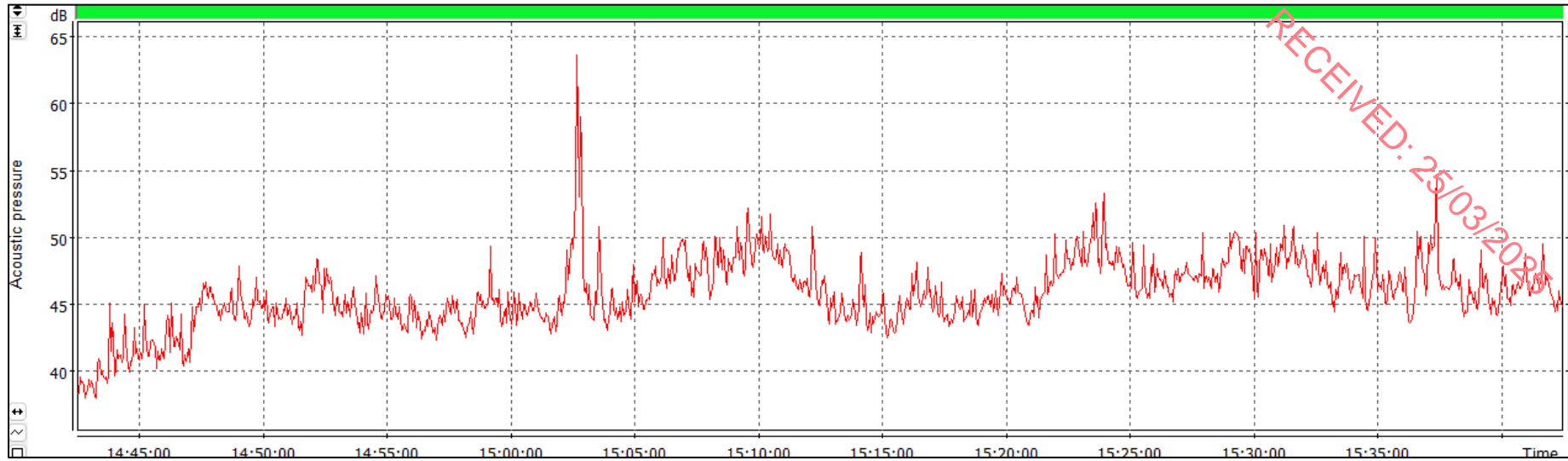


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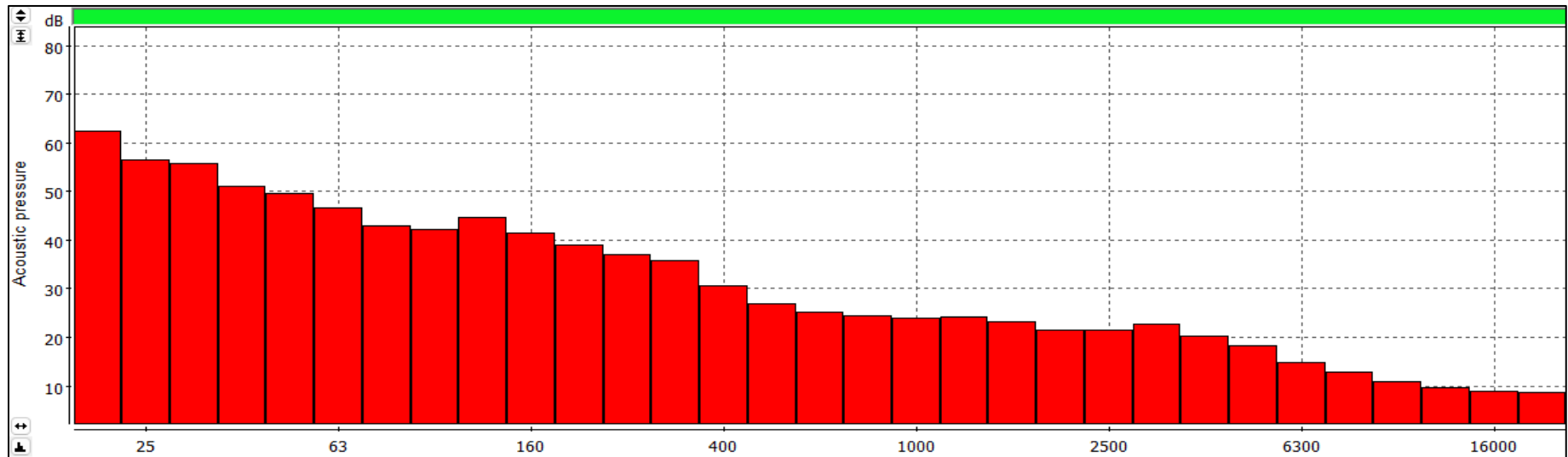


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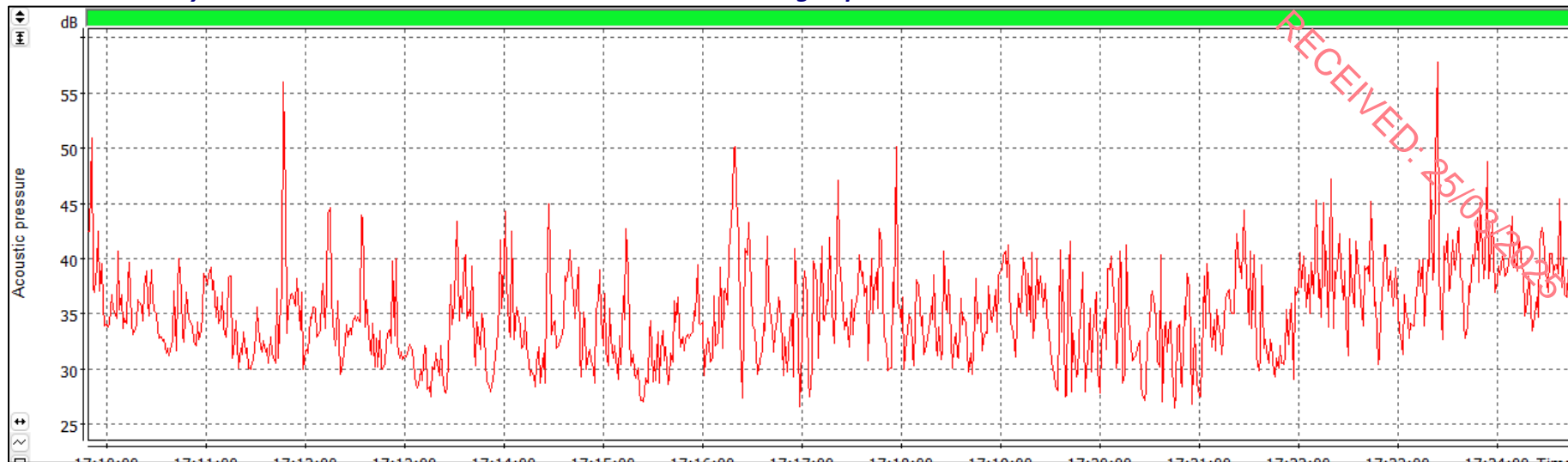


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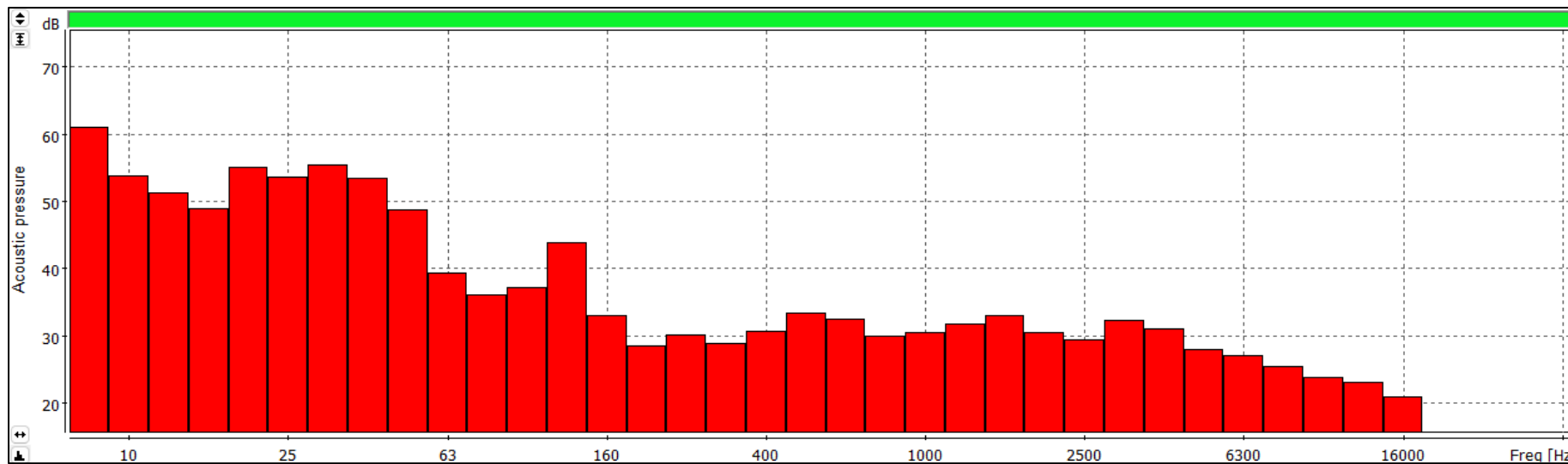


Figure 6-16 N4 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

7. Conclusion

L_{Aeq} represents the ambient sound levels in the area from sources near and far. The statistical noise levels of L₁₀ and L₉₀ are the noise levels exceeded for 10% and 90% respectively of the measurement period. A small difference in L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates a constant noise emission (or a lack of intermittent noise). The greater the difference between the L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates intermittent noise sources such as local traffic. Where external noise sources such as local road traffic have had a considerable impact on monitoring results due to the close proximity of some monitoring points to the adjacent public road, the L₉₀ is chosen as the best descriptor of site noise.

According to Condition 6 of the grant of planning permission:

“During the operational phase of development, the noise level at existing sensitive locations shall not exceed a L_{aeq} (1 hour) of 55dB (A) between 0800 and 1800 and an L_{aeq} (15 minutes) of 45 dB (A) between 1800 and 0800. Noise monitoring shall be carried out at the noise monitoring locations N1 to N4 as indicated in the EIS documentation on a quarterly basis in accordance with the EPA “Environmental Noise Survey – Guidance Document”, 2003”.

Monitoring locations NSL2 and NSL3 are considered to be "noise sensitive locations" as defined by the EPA while N1 and N4 are defined as “boundary noise locations” where the specified limit values do not apply. During both daytime and night-time monitoring periods, noise emission values at both NSL2 and NSL3 were within the prescribed limits as stated in the planning conditions

Appendix 1 Report Terminology

Noise Monitoring Parameters	
Survey	The measurement of noise over one or more days and is made up of a number of monitoring runs with one or more noise meters.
Run or monitoring run	A single measurement at one location to determine noise level. A number of monitoring runs will be typically be made at each location. The duration of a monitoring run is typically 15 or 30 minutes and is stipulated in the licence.
dB(A)	This is the unit used to quantify noise measurements. "dB" stands for decibel and the "A" indicates that the noise reading is A-weighted and therefore is a measurement of noise audible to the human ear. The scale is logarithmic.
$L_{Aeq,T}$	This parameter is measured on-site using a noise meter for a specified time period (T minutes). It represents the average noise level that occurred over that period.
Rated Noise Level or $L_{A,r,T}$	The Rated Noise Level is equal to $L_{Aeq,T}$ plus any penalty for confirmed tonal and/or subjective impulsive. The penalty is only added for daytime and evening monitoring.
L_{AF10} and L_{AF90}	The L_{AF10} and L_{AF90} are both statistical noise levels. L_{AF10} indicates that for 10% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. L_{AF90} indicates that for 90% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. The L_{AF90} indicates the background noise levels if short-term, intermittent noise sources were ignored e.g. a passing car. The L_{AF10} can be used to determine the effect to which these short-term noise sources effect the overall average reading i.e. if the L_{AF10} is very different to the L_{AF90} , then intermittent noise is a significant source of noise
L_{AFmax}	The maximum RMS A-weighted sound pressure level occurring within a specified time period. Measured using the "Fast" time weighting.
Continuous	Noise produced without interruption.
Impulsive Noise	A noise of short duration (typically less than one second), the sound pressure of which is significantly higher than the background; brief and abrupt.
Intermittent Noise	Noise produced on discontinuous basis e.g. equipment operating in cycles or events such as single passing vehicle or aircraft.
Tonal Noise	Noise, which contains a clearly audible, tone i.e. a distinguishable, discrete or continuous note (whine, hum, drone, screech, etc.).

Appendix 2 Confirmation of tonal noise

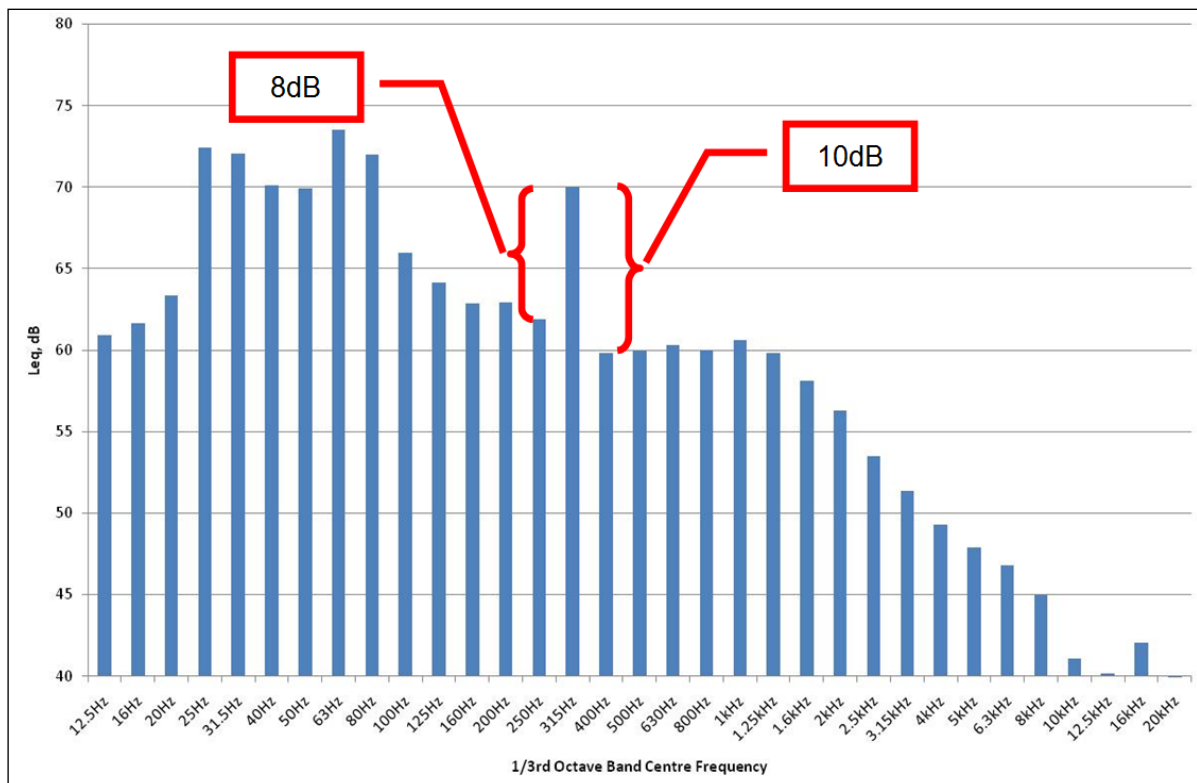
The subjective identification of tonal noise is based on the interpretation of the third octave band results. Where the sound level for a third octave band is greater than or equal to both the adjacent third octave bands by some constant level difference, then tonal noise is confirmed. The level differences vary by frequency and are shown in the table below

Frequency range	Level Difference
25 Hz to 125 Hz	15 dB
160 Hz to 400 Hz	8 dB
500 Hz to 10,000 Hz	5 db

In the example below, tonal noise was subjectively assessed. The third band monitoring results were therefore reviewed and are shown below. A peak can be seen at 315 Hz. This peak is 8 dB above the lower adjacent third octave and 10 dB higher than the higher adjacent third octave band. From a review of the table above, the Level Difference for 315 Hz is 8 dB.

For the example below, tonal noise is confirmed as there is a difference greater than or equal to 8 dB either side of 315 Hz.

Knowing the frequency of the confirmed tonal noise can help in identifying the source of the noise and its reduction.



Appendix 3 LAFmax data

Some authorities require that LAFmax be reported, however, there are no limits set for this parameter. In order to keep the body of the report uncluttered, the data regarding this parameter is reproduced below.

Location	NSL	Period	LAFmax
N1	No	Day	90.3
N1	No	Night-time	81.3
N4	No	Day	70.7
N4	No	Night-time	66.2
NSL2	Yes	Day	91.4
NSL2	Yes	Night-time	86.5
NSL3	Yes	Day	84.1
NSL3	Yes	Night-time	83.4

Appendix 4 Certificates of Calibration

Figure 7-1 LEN 071 Certificate of Calibration

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Instrument -

System ID : IRCB014848

Description : Acoustic Calibrator

Manufacturer : Cirrus

Model Number : CR:515

Serial Number : 51431

Procedure Version : 2890

Customer Ref : Enviro Efficiency

Job Number : BR15370-1

Environmental Conditions

Temperature : 23°C ± 3°C	Mains Voltage : 240V ± 10V
Relative Humidity : 50%RH ± 35%RH	Mains Frequency : 50Hz ± 5Hz

Comments

The instrument was allowed to stabilise for 4 hours before calibration.

Results at time of test & carry no long term stability of the instrument.

The certificate records the on-receipt status of the instrument.

Recalibration period 52 weeks by customer request.

Traceability Information	Serial Number	Certificate Number	Cal. Date	Cal. Period
Instrument Description 5500A Multifunction Calibrator	6760010	092282	15/07/2023	104

Calibrated By : Frank Silo

Date of Calibration : 19 April 2024

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INSTRUMENT DETAILS

Manufacturer:SVANTEK

Model:SVAN 971

Serial No.:40395

Description:Sound Level Meter

SENSOR DETAILS

Manufacturer:ACO

Model:7052E

Serial No.:87404

Description:Microphone

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SV18

42615

Preamplifier

CUSTOMER

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ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Temperature:21.7 – 22.8°C

Humidity:51 – 52%


Pressure:101.9 – 102.0 kPa

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Figure 7-3 LEN 128 Certificate of Calibration



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Approved By: W. Jay

CUSTOMER	Environmental Efficiency Parnell House 19 Quinnsboro Road Bray County Wicklow Ireland		
INSTRUMENT DETAILS	Manufacturer:	SVANTEK	
	Model:	SV971A	
	Serial No.:	128783	
	Firmware Version:	1.07.4	
	Description:	Sound Level Meter	
	Performance Class:	1	
	Type Approved to IEC 61672-1:2013: No (If Yes, there is public evidence that the SLM has successfully completed the applicable pattern evaluation tests of IEC 61672-2:2013)		
SENSOR DETAILS	Manufacturer:	ACO	SVANTEK
	Model:	7152	SV18A
	Serial No.:	89700	148362
	Description:	Microphone	Preamplifier
P/O NUMBER	3063		
DATE RECEIVED	20-05-2024		
DATE CALIBRATED	21-05-2024		
CALIBRATION RESULTS	The sound level meter submitted for testing successfully completed the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. However, no general statement or conclusion can be made about conformance of the sound level meter to the full specifications of IEC 61672-1:2013 because (a) evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organization responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the class Y specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013 or correction data for acoustical test of frequency weighting were not provided in the Instruction Manual and (b) because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.		
REPORTED RESULTS	The results contained in this Certificate refer only to the measurements made at the time of test for the instrument detailed above. These results do not reflect the instrument's ability to maintain calibration.		

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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct groundwater sampling and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from two boreholes BH1 and BH3 as indicated in the map below. Borehole BH2 has been decommissioned and no longer exists on site.

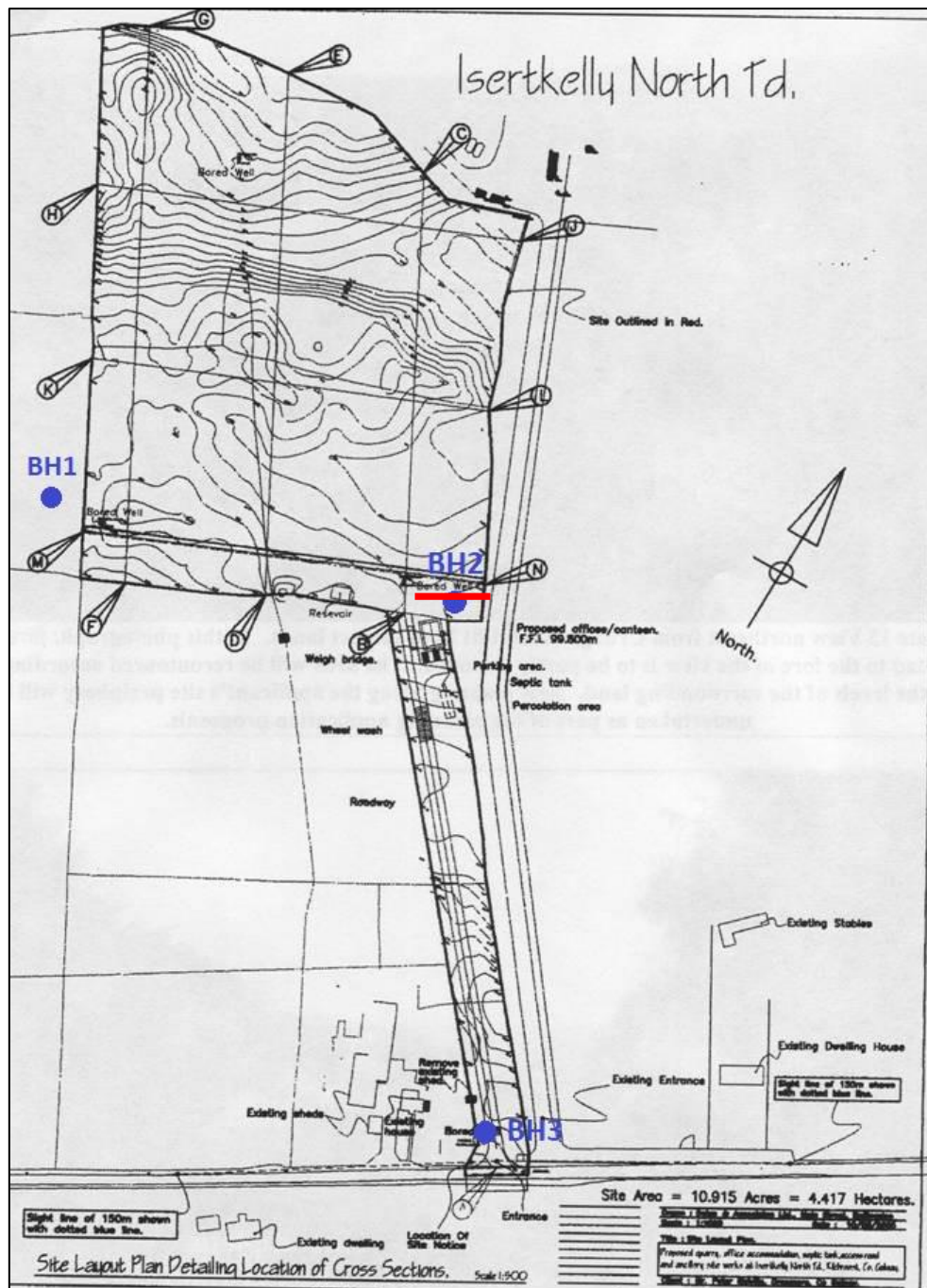


Figure 1-1 Borehole Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

The majority of the results for BH3 fall within the relevant guideline values for the monitoring period Q3 2024. However, the Faecal coliform bacteria, Escherichia Coli Bacteria and phosphate were above the recommended limit with values. The recommended limit for groundwater is 0.035 mg/l.

The results for Certificate of analysis can be seen in Appendix 1.

Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

3. Results

Groundwater and surface water quality was assessed by comparing analytical results to the most relevant of the following water quality guidelines – Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC):

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

The results for the groundwater analysis can be seen in the table below.

*Please note sampling could not be conducted at BH1 as the borehole was blocked.

Table 2 - 1 BH3 Monitoring Results Q2 2024

Parameter	Result	Units	Generic Assessment Criteria	Source
COD	20	mg O ₂ /l	No Value	-
Ammonia	< 0.050	mg/l	175 µg/l	GTV
Nitrate	9.6	mg/l	37.5 mg/l	GTV
Nitrite	0.28	mg/l	375 µg/l	GTV
Phosphate	0.52	mg/l	0.035 mg/l	GTV
Chloride	23	mg/l	187.5 mg/l	GTV
TPH (C6 – C10)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C10 – C21)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
TPH (C21 – C40)	< 0.10	µg/l	0.10 µg/l	GTV
Total TPH (C6 – C40)	< 10	µg/l	7.5 µg/l	GTV
Total Organic Carbon	2.2	mg/l	No Value	-
Electrical Conductivity	700	µS/cm	1875 µS/cm	GTV
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	15	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	10	cfu/100ml	0	IGV
Ground water Level	25.0	Meters	N/A	-

GTV = Groundwater Threshold Value. Outlined in Groundwater Regulations (S.I. No. 9 of 2010 / S.I. No. 366 of 2016).

IGV = Interim Guideline Values (IGVs) presented by EPA in 2003.

4. Discussion


Faecal coliform bacteria, Escherichia Coli Bacteria and Phosphate were above the recommended limit for the monitoring period Q3 2024. During and after precipitation, bacteria, and other harmful microorganisms from any of these sources may be washed into rivers, lakes, or groundwater. Poor well construction or poor maintenance can increase the risk of groundwater contamination. Total coliform bacteria are not likely to cause illness, but their presence indicates that your water supply may be vulnerable to contamination by more harmful microorganisms. The presence of E.coli in water indicates recent faecal contamination and may indicate the possible presence of disease-causing pathogens, such as bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Although most strains of E.coli bacteria are harmless, certain strains, such as E.coli 0157:H7, may cause illness. The level of phosphate was 0.52 mg/l with the groundwater threshold value being 0.035 mg/l. All other results for the groundwater monitoring of BH3 fall within the recommended water quality guidelines for the monitoring period Q3 2024.

The generic assessment criteria values come from the following documents:

- European Union Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. S.I. No. 366 of 2016.
- Environmental Protection Agency, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland, (Interim Guideline Values (IGVs)), 2003.

Appendix 1 Certificate of Analysis GW Monitoring

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<u>Emission point data</u>	
Client:	Kilchreest Quarry
Site:	Kilchreest
Site code:	KT
Emission point	GW3
Licence type	County Council
Licence No.	05-2870
Project Manager	RS
Analysed by:	Chemtest
Sample type:	Water

<u>Sampling data</u>	
Results for Quarterly Monitoring Period	Q3 2024
Date sample collected	20/09/2024
Time sample collected	15:24
Sample collection	SOP 01.01
Sample type	Groundwater

Results

Parameter	Result	ELV	Units	Accred.	Technique
COD	20	n/s	mg O2/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Ammonia	< 0.050	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrate	9.6	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Nitrite	0.28	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
Phosphate	0.52	n/s	mg/l	None	Colorimetric Analysis
Chloride	23	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Colorimetric Analysis
TPH (C6 - C10)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C10 - C21)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
TPH (C21 - C40)	< 0.10	n/s	ug/l	None	GC FID Detection
Total TPH (C6 - C40)	< 10	n/s	ug/l	UKAS	GC FID Detection
Total Organic Carbon	2.2	n/s	mg/l	UKAS	Catalytic Oxidation
Electrical Conductivity	700	n/s	µS/cm	UKAS	Conductivity Meter
Faecal Coliform Bacteria	15	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Escherichia Coli Bacteria	10	n/s	cfu/100ml	INAB	MTM025
Ground Water Level	25.0	n/s	Meters	N/A	Dip Meter

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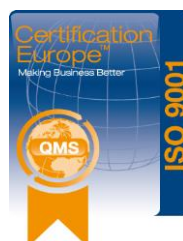
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1. Introduction

Environmental Efficiency Consultants (Ire) Limited was commissioned by Kilchreest Quarry to conduct dust deposition monitoring and analysis on a quarterly basis. The sampling was conducted from three dust monitoring points D1, D2 and D3 as indicated in the map below.

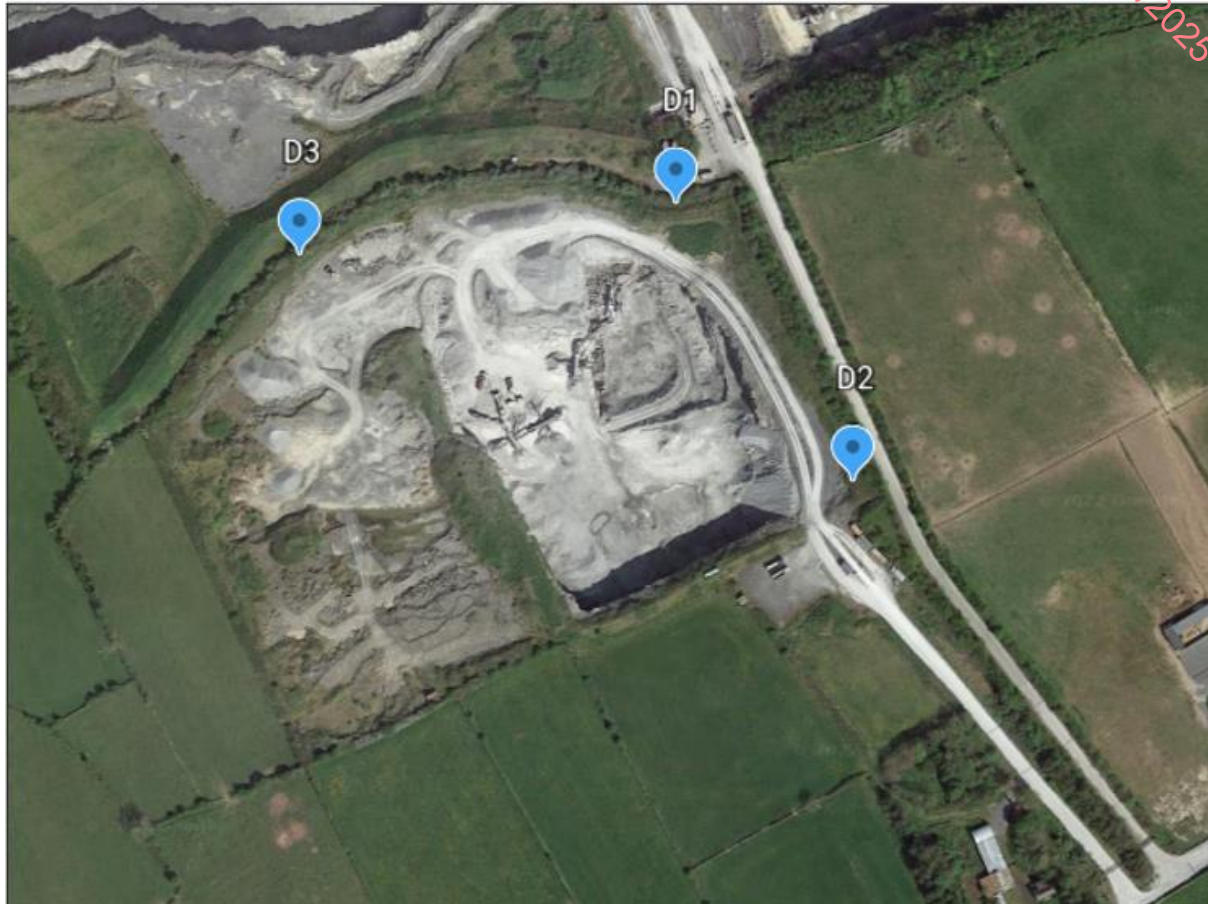


Figure 1-1 Dust Monitoring Locations

2. Executive Summary

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q3 2024.

All results for the Bergerhoff monitoring points were below the TA Luft Dustfall limit.

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3. Methodology

Environmental Efficiency Consultants Ltd conduct environmental dust deposition monitoring on a quarterly basis at Kilchreest Quarry. Environmental Efficiency collects Bergerhoff bottles on-site following each monitoring period and, upon return to the laboratory, conducts testing in accordance with the company's internal SOP's; SOP 03.04 Determination of Suspended Solids/SOP 99.12 Total Dust Deposition, to determine Total Dust Deposition at each monitoring location in mg/m²/day. Results are subsequently compared to a dust limit value of 350 mg/m²/day, as prescribed by German TA Luft Guidelines, to determine whether dust levels constitute levels which are not acceptable as per this environmental quality standard (i.e., levels at which there may be nuisance caused or hazard posed).

4. Results

Environmental dust monitoring results for each monitoring period are presented in the tables below. Certificates of analysis are provided in Appendix 1.

Table 4 - 1 Dust Monitoring Results – Q3 2024

Location	Units of Measurement	Results	Prescribed Limit Value	Compliant
D1	mg/m ² /day	28.6	350	Yes
D2	mg/m ² /day	65.7	350	Yes
D3	mg/m ² /day	113.7	350	Yes

5. Conclusion

Environmental Efficiency conducted environmental dust monitoring at three locations in Kilchreest Quarry for Q3 2024. The dust fall limit specified for the quarry is based on the German TA Luft Environmental Guidelines which specifies a limit of 350 mg/m²/day. All results for the three monitoring locations were below the prescribed limit value for Q3 2024.

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Site code: KC

Period: Q3 2024

Collected by: IM

Analysed by: RS

Sample method: Bergerhoff bottle

Sample type: Dust fall

SOP: 99.12

Results

Location	Start monitoring	End monitoring	Date analysed	Days on site	Result, mg/m2 day
D1	01-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	31-Oct-24	30	28.6
D2	01-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	31-Oct-24	30	65.7
D3	01-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	31-Oct-24	30	113.7

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1. Introduction

The client is required to carry out a noise survey at various specified locations in the vicinity of the site. This document reports the results of the noise survey.

2. Executive Summary

A noise survey to EPA NG4 was undertaken on 20-Sep-24. The compliance of the locations with the specified limits is shown in the table below.

Table 2-1 Summary of compliance

Location	Noise Sensitive Location	Day	Night-time
N1	No	N/A	N/A
N4	No	N/A	N/A
NSL2	Yes	Compliant	Compliant
NSL3	Yes	Compliant	Compliant

3. Facility Description

The following activities are carried out on the site

- Hauling of materials from the site using HGV lorries.
- The operation of machinery.

The site has the hours of operation shown in the table below.

Table 3-1 Hours of operation

Period	Operational hours	Surveyed
Day	08:00 – 17:00	Yes
Evening - No monitoring	Not operational	No
Night-time	Not operational	Yes

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4. Monitoring requirements

Noise is required to be monitored at the locations shown in the table immediately below. The noise limits applicable, the required number of sampling periods (e.g. number of separate measurements at one location during one monitoring period, e.g. daytime) and the required duration of each sampling period are shown in the second table below. Note that noise monitoring was only carried out during periods where there was activity or equipment running on the site.

Table 4-1 Locations monitored

Location	Location Description	NSL
N1	Entrance	No
N4	Boundary	No
NSL2	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	Beside house	Yes

Table 4-2 Periods monitored and limits

Monitoring Period	Monitored	NSL	Limit. dBA	Allowance, dBA	T (Sampling Period), minutes	No. of runs
Day	Yes	Yes	55	0	60	1
Night-time	Yes	Yes	45	0	15	1
Day	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	60	1
Night-time	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	15	1

5. Sampling Methodology

5.1 Instrumentation Used

The equipment shown in the table below was used during the noise survey. All Sound Level Meters are Type I. The SLMs and calibrators are identified by a LEN (Laboratory Equipment Number) and this is shown in the table below. Calibration certificates for the equipment, where appropriate, are shown in the appendices and are referenced by the LEN.

Table 5-1 Equipment Used

Equipment used	LEN (Lab equipment Number)	Make/Model	Serial Number	Cal cert
First SLM	LEN 128	Svante SV2	128783	Yes
Second SLM	LEN 088	Svante SV1	40395	Yes
First Calibrator	LEN 003	Cirrus	51431	Yes
Anemometer	N/A	Testo	N/A	N/A

All noise measurements were 'A' weighted and the time-weighting 'Fast' was applied (to equate to human ear hearing). Each SLM is calibrated in the field before the start of the survey and again at the end of the survey. Unless stated otherwise in this report, there was no drift in calibration greater than 0.1 dB over the duration of the survey.

All SLMs used are capable of third band octave measurement. Third band octave readings were recorded at all locations where tonal noise was subjectively detected by the survey personnel. Where tonal noise was detected, the third band octave readings were analysed off site to verify the presence of tonal. The simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used for this purpose.

5.2 Noise Survey Personnel

The noise survey was undertaken by Environmental Efficiency staff as follows:

Author (Name & Quals)	Rebecca Stokes, IOA Certificate in Environmental Noise Measurement
Author (Initials)	RS

5.3 Meteorological Conditions

Weather conditions on the day of monitoring were considered appropriate for surveying purposes and therefore did not affect the readings i.e. conditions were dry and wind speed was less than 5 m/s (the normal upper limit for taking measurements).

The Sound Level Meter was also fitted with a windshield to minimise interference from potential meteorological conditions, in keeping with good practice. The meteorological conditions during the survey periods are shown below.

Table 5-2: Meteorological Conditions

Survey	Date	Time	Av. wind speed, m/s	Temp, C	Prevailing wind direction	Weather
Start	20-Sep-24	14:36:00	1.2	20.0	SW	No precipitation
Completion	20-Sep-24	19:10:00	1.2	19.0	SW	No precipitation

5.4 Measurement Locations

The locations of noise monitoring locations are described in the table below and shown in Figure 5-1. Photographs of the SLM at each location are shown following the map.

Table 5-3: Description of monitoring locations

Location	Height above ground, m	Distance from reflective surface, m	Location Description	Noise sensitive location
N1	1.2	>3.5	Site entrance	No
N4	1.2	>3.5	Boundary	No
NSL2	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes
NSL3	1.2	>3.5	Beside house	Yes

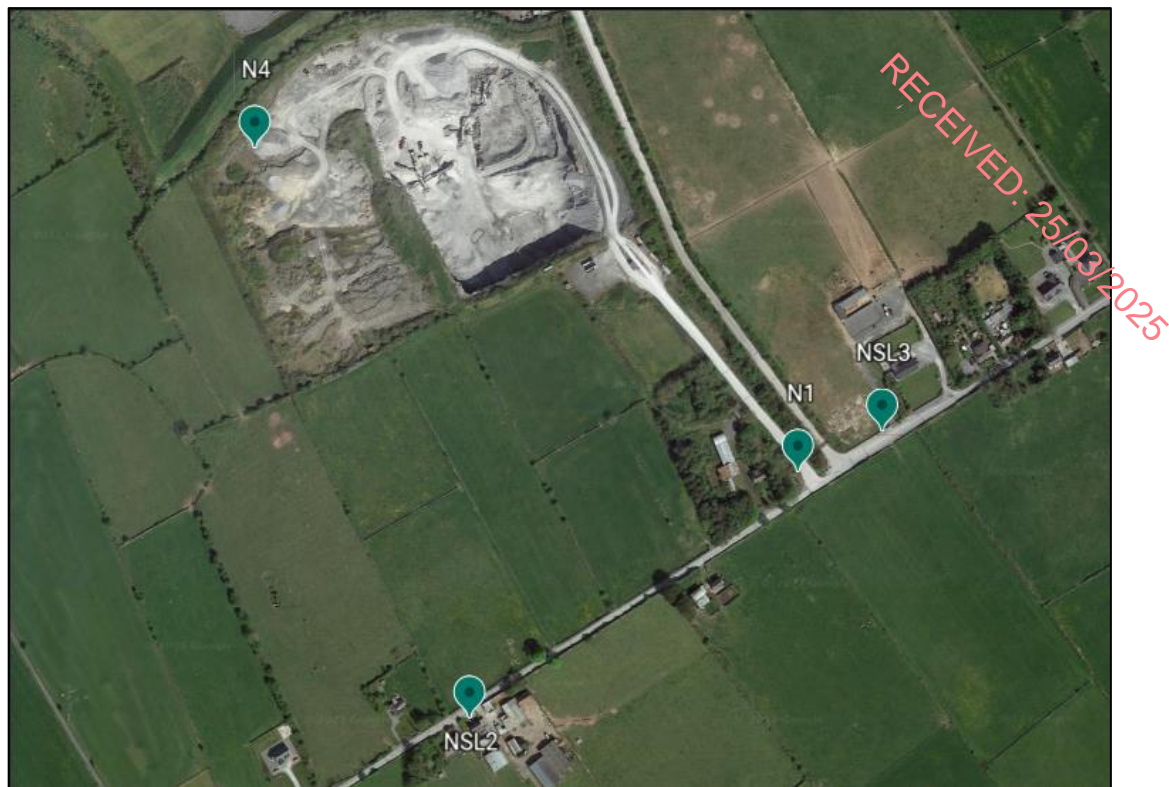


Figure 5-1 Site map



Figure 5-2 SLM at N1



Figure 5-3 SLM at NSL2



Figure 5-4 SLM at NSL3

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Figure 5-5 SLM at N4

5.5 Ground attenuation

If the intervening ground between a noise source and a measurement location is acoustically absorptive, this can result in a reduction in noise level at the receptor due to absorption of sound energy by the ground itself. On the contrary, if the intervening ground is acoustically reflective ground, it produces the opposite effect

The details of the intervening ground between sources and measurement positions are described in the following table:

Table 5-4: Ground attenuation

Location	% Soft Ground	% Hard Ground	Comments
N1	85	15	No comment
N4	0	100	No comment
NSL2	0	100	No comment
NSL3	60	40	No comment

6. Noise Survey

The measurement parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAF10 plus the derived parameter LAr,T are tabulated below in the tables for each monitoring location. Associated particulars such as a description of the on-site noise and off-site noise noticed at each location are also provided where relevant. A graphical representation of the parameters LAeq,T, LAF90 and LAr,T over each monitoring period is provided in the graphs above each table.

The derived noise parameter LAr,T, termed the Rated Noise Level, includes a penalty of 5 dBA for tonal or impulsive noise where such noise is present. This penalty is normally added to LAeq,T. Where traffic or other off site noise sources are significant, the parameter LAF90 may be a better descriptor of site noise and where this is the case the Rated Noise Level is equal to LAF90 plus the penalty. In the tables below, where LAF90 is considered a better descriptor of site noise, an asterisk is appended to the measurement.

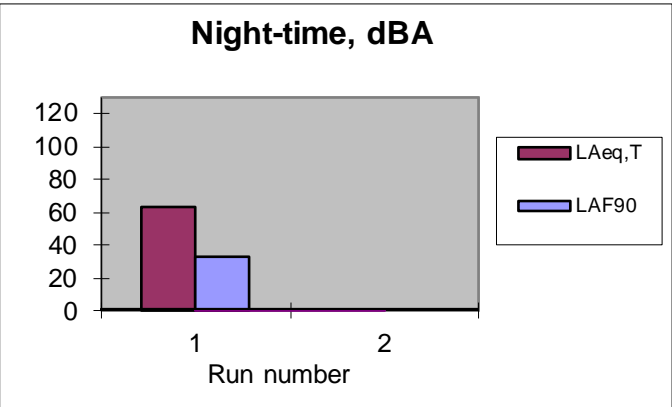
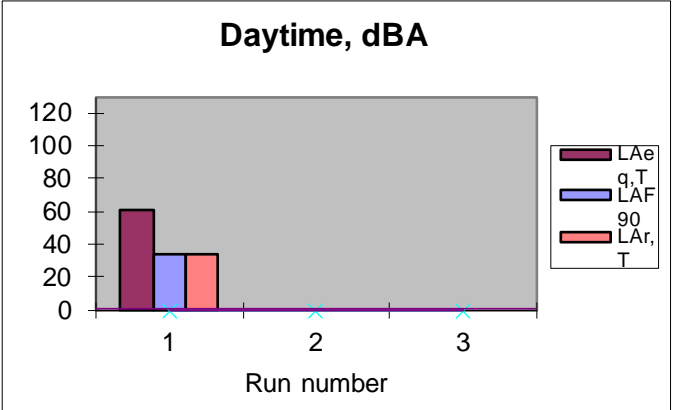
The penalty for on-site tonal noise and/or on-site impulsive noise is only applied during the daytime and evening periods. No tonal or impulsive noise is permitted during night-time; if such noise is present then this is a breach regardless of the LAeq,T or LAF90 noise level.

Where on site tonal is subjectively heard this is noted in the tables below in the column 'On site tonal?'. In all cases where on-site tonal is heard the simplified methodology for the objective identification of tones specified in Annex D of ISO 1996K2:2007(E) is used to confirm the presence of tonal. Where on site tonal is confirmed, this is shown in the tables below in the column 'Tonal confirmed'. The third octave graphs used to confirm on site tonal are shown in the discussion section.

The parameter LAFmax has no bearing on compliance and is not shown in the tables below; however, as it may be required to be reported separately (e.g. in an Annual Environmental Report) it is included in the appendices.

The column headed 'On site impulsive' states whether impulsive noise was heard by the monitoring personnel.

Location N1



Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	LAeq,T	LAF90 ¹	LAF10	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, LAeq,T	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	20/09/2024 14:36	61	34	56	No	N/A	No	34	Heaving traffic on local road	HGV's	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 128	20/09/2024 18:24	64	32	56	No	N/A	No	32	Heavy road traffic	N/A	N/A

¹ LA90 chosen due to significant road traffic noise

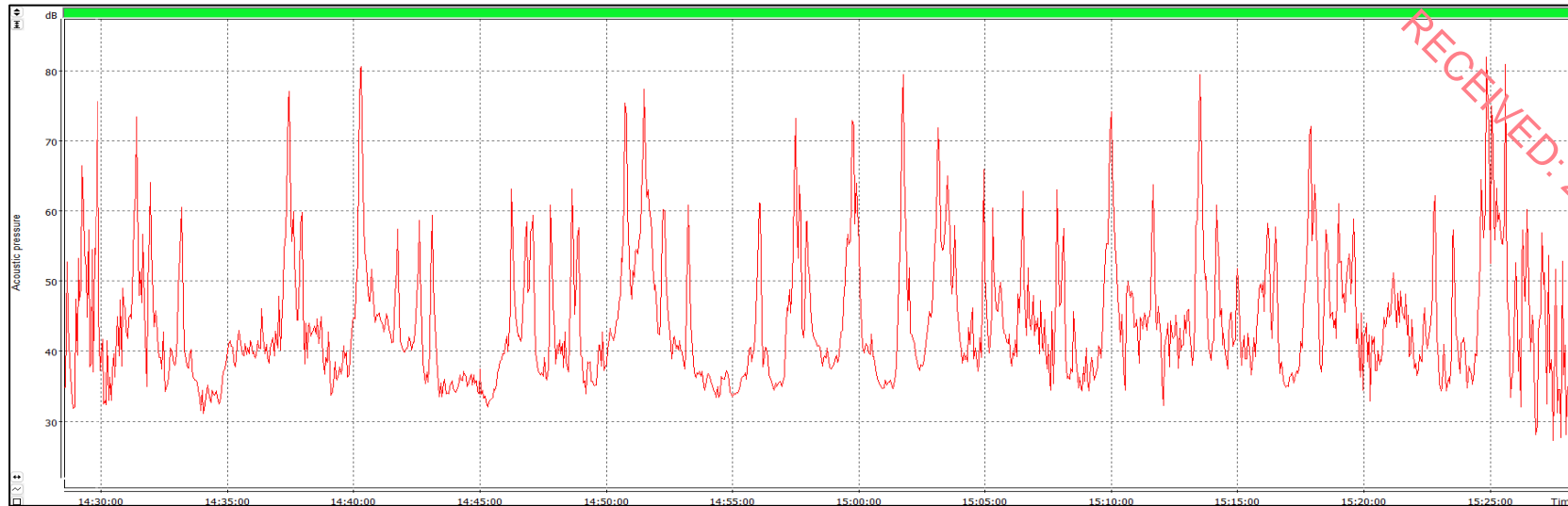


Figure 6-1 N1 Day Run 1 of 1

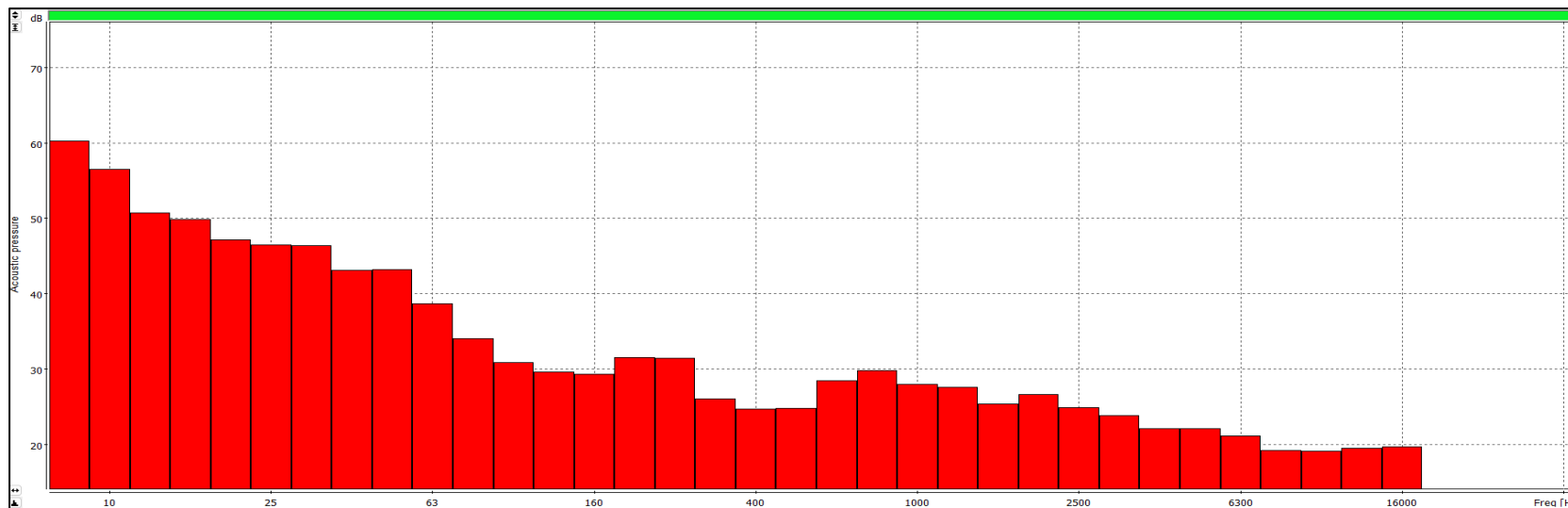


Figure 6-2 N1 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

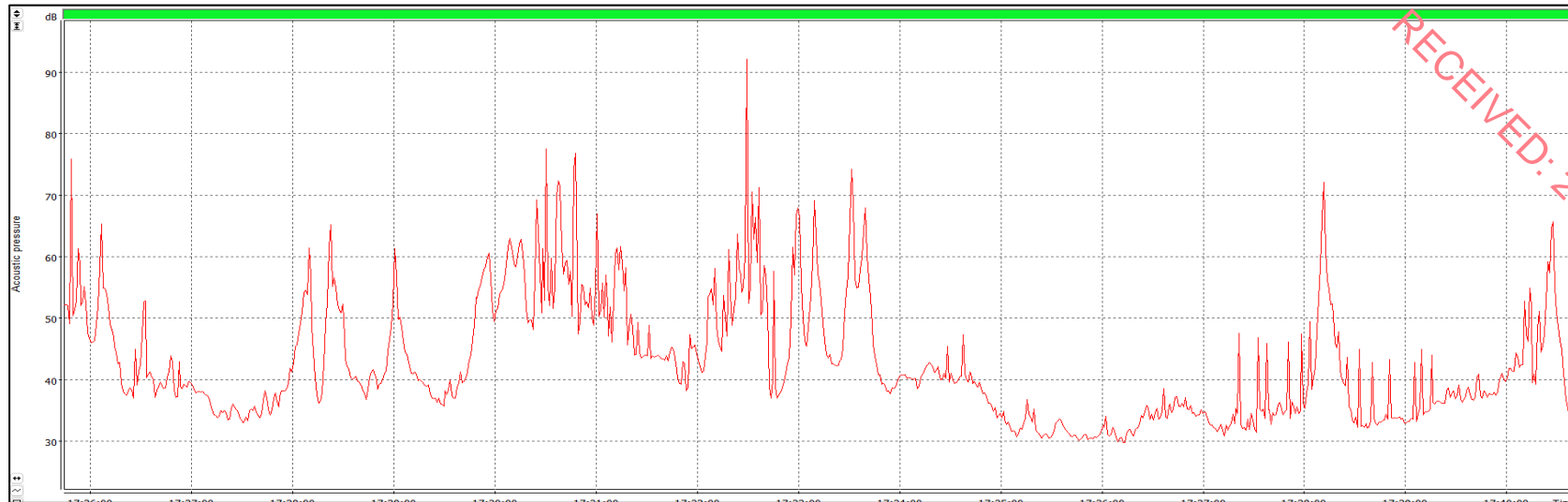


Figure 6-3 N1 Night Run 1 of 1

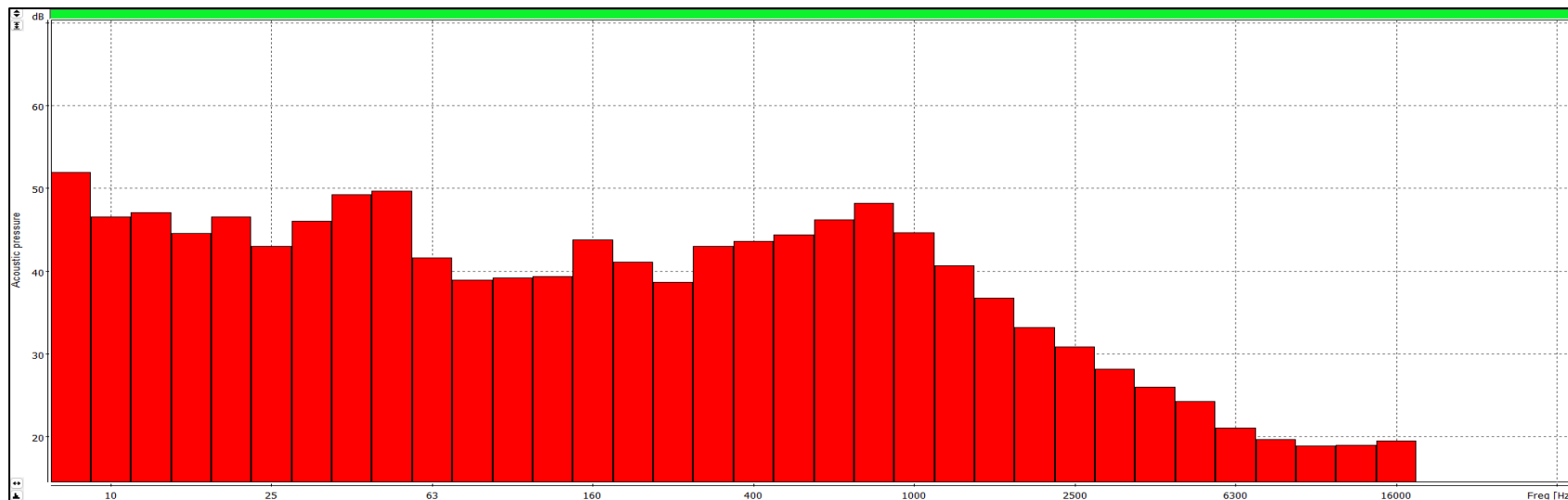
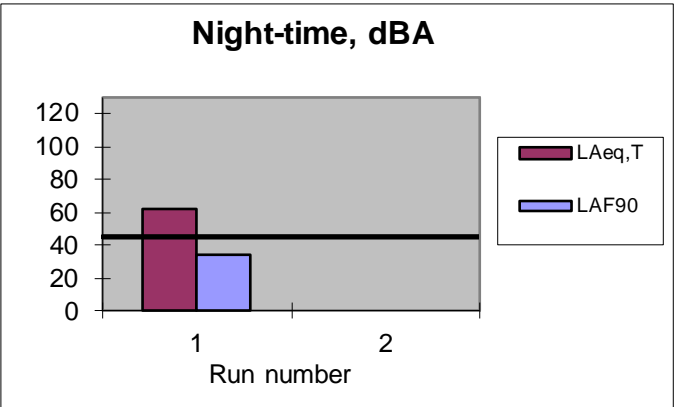
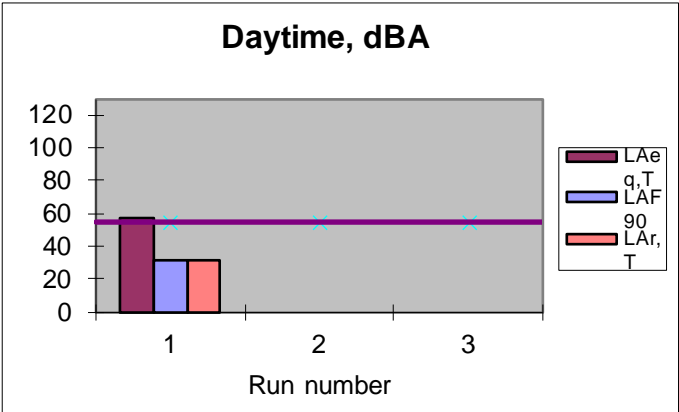


Figure 6-4 N1 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90} ¹	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	20/09/2024 15:34	57	31	55	No	N/A	No	31	Heavy traffic from local road	HGV's, site works	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 128	20/09/2024 18:48	62	34	54	No	N/A	No	34	Heavy road traffic	N/A	Yes

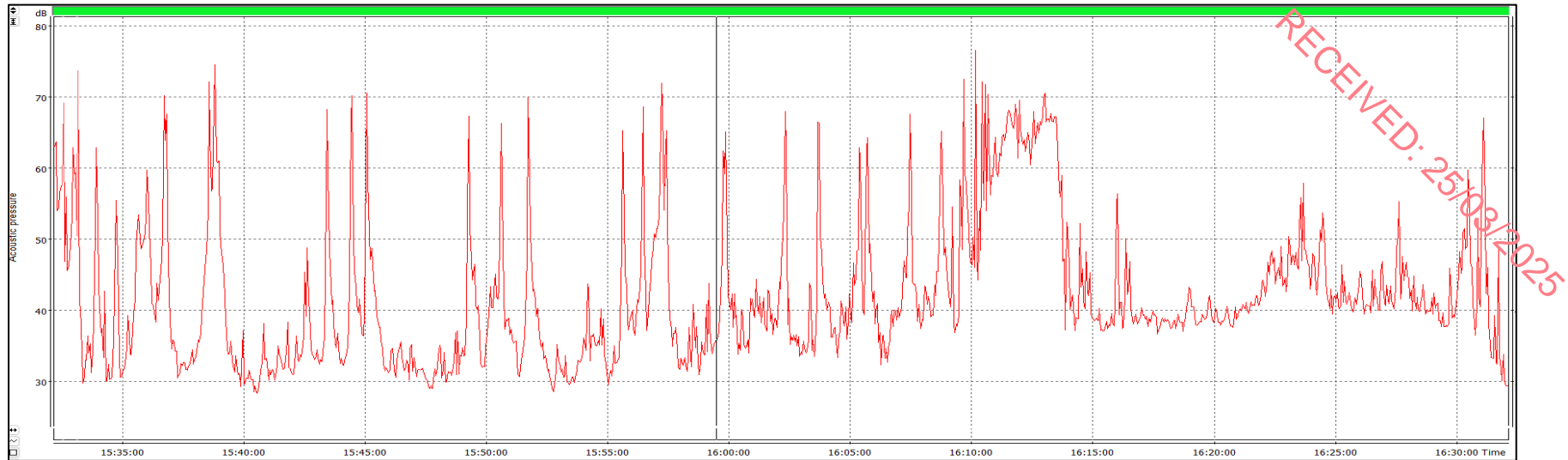


Figure 6-5 NSL2 Day Run 1 of 1

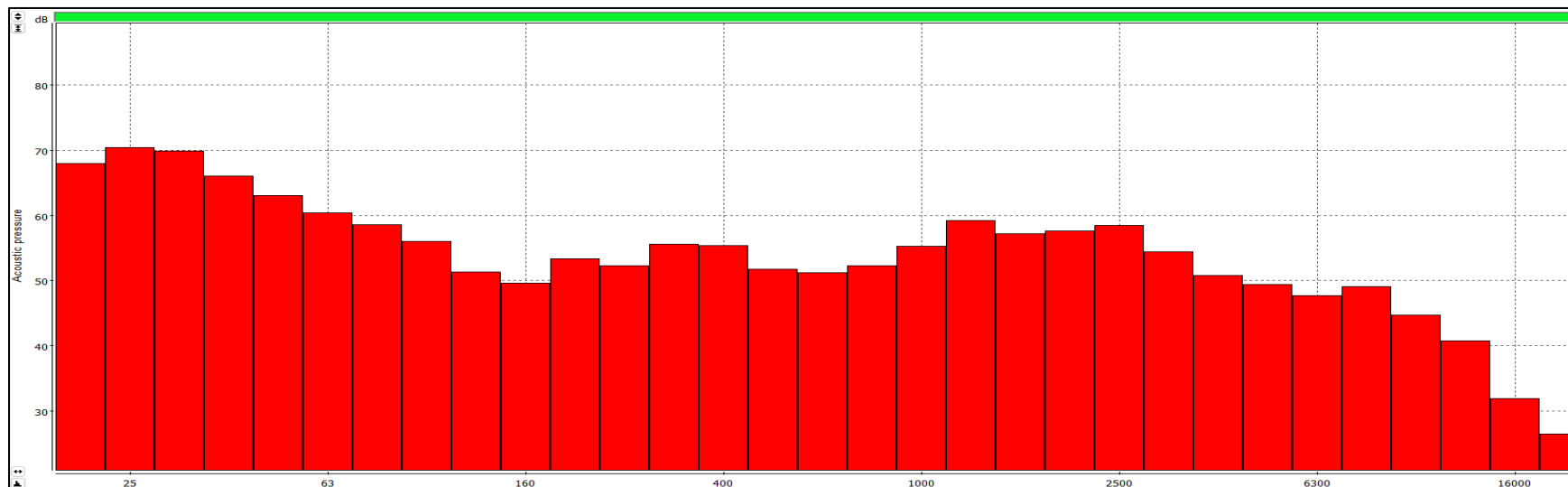


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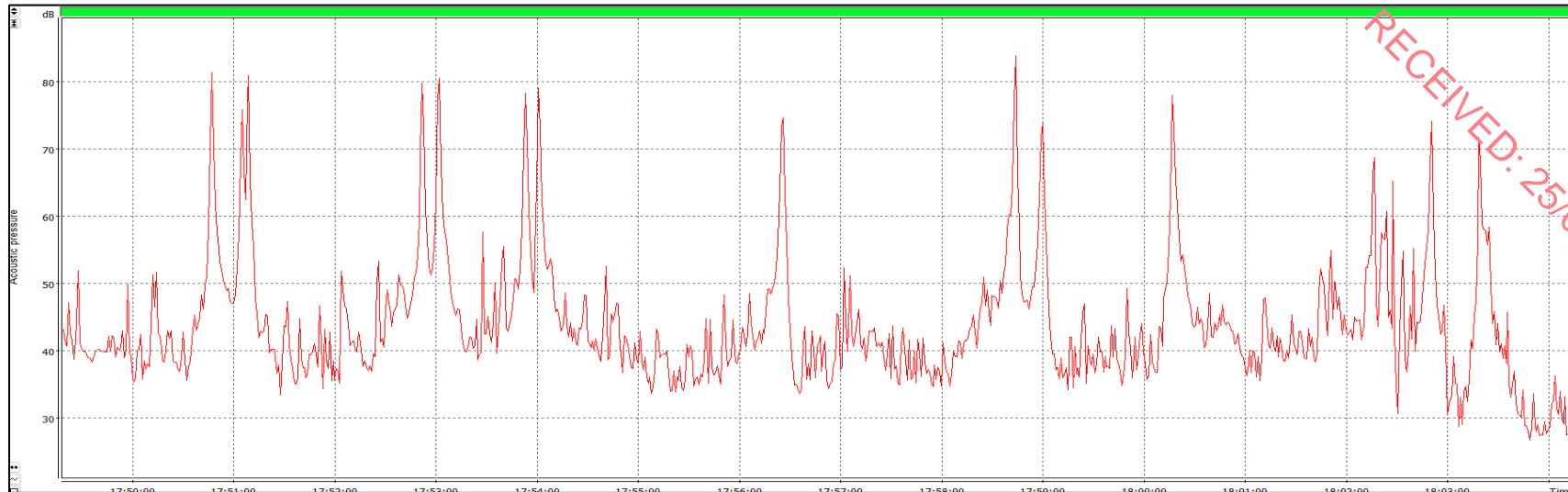


Figure 6-7 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1

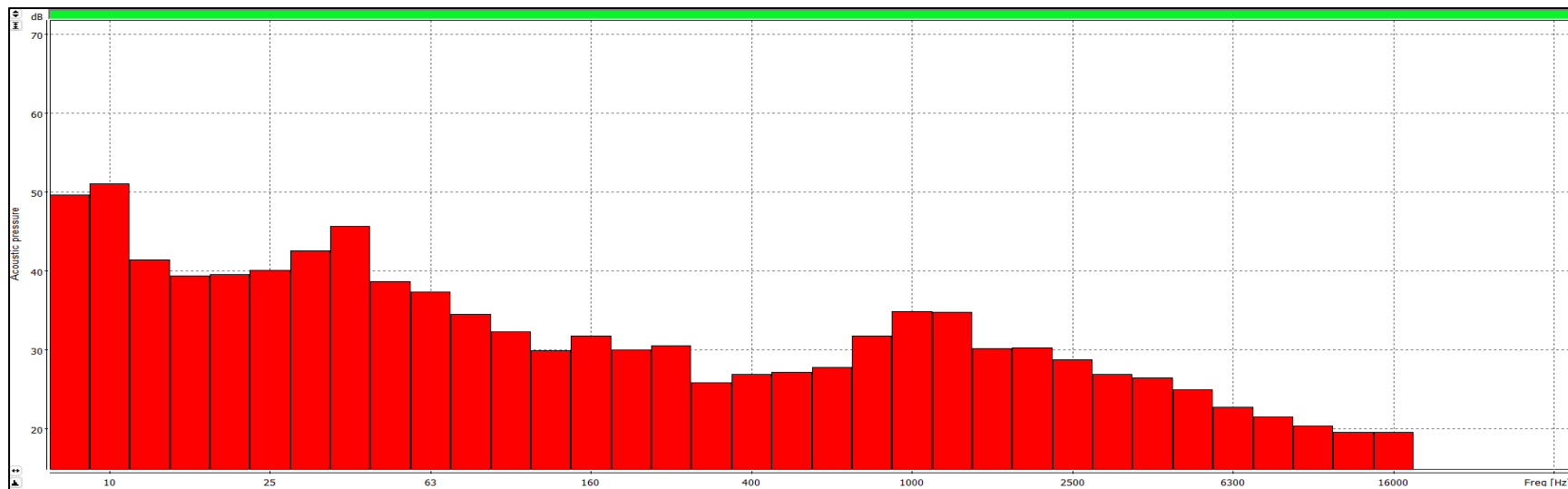
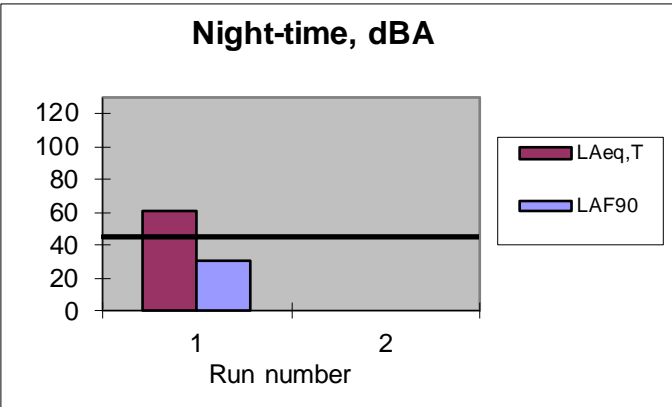
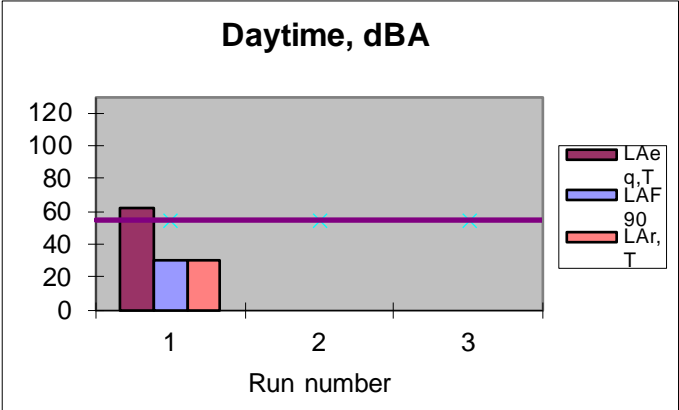


Figure 6-8 NSL2 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90} ¹	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 088	20/09/2024 14:38	62	31	56	No	N/A	No	31	Heavy Traffic on local road	HGV's	Yes
Night-time	1	LEN 088	20/09/2024 19:10	61	30	54	No	N/A	No	30	Heavy road traffic	N/A	Yes

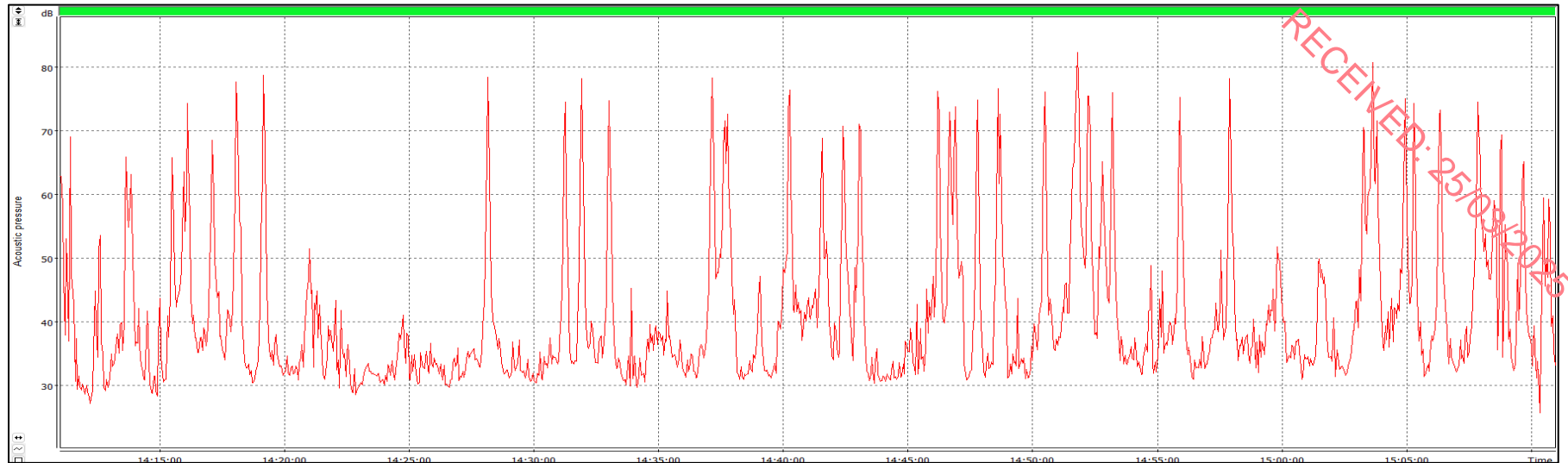


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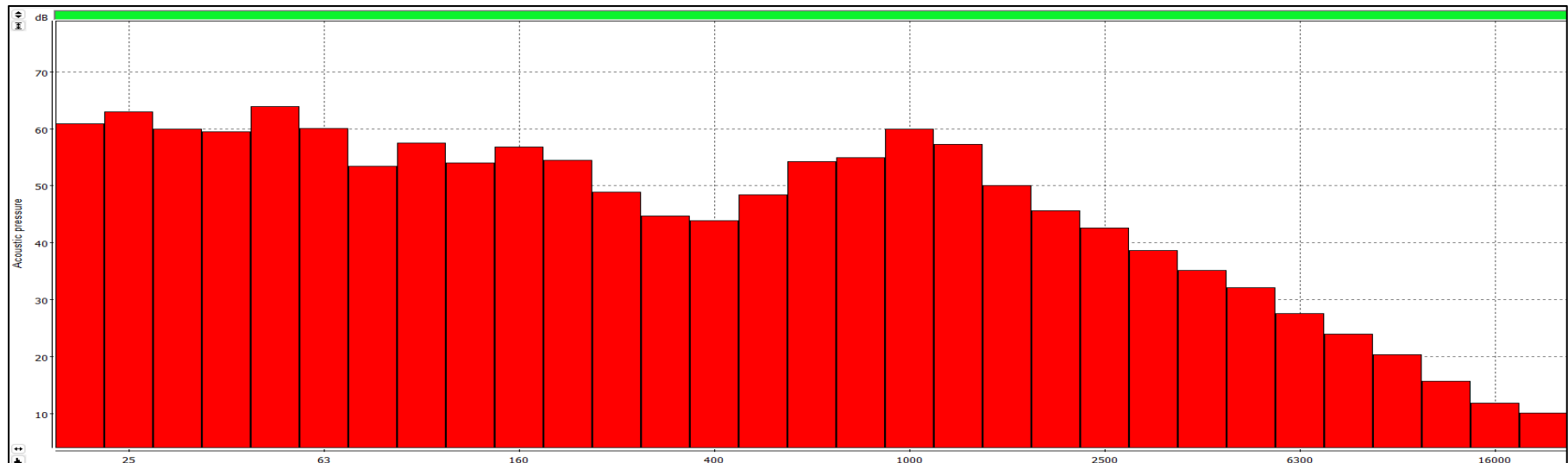


Figure 6-10 NSL3 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

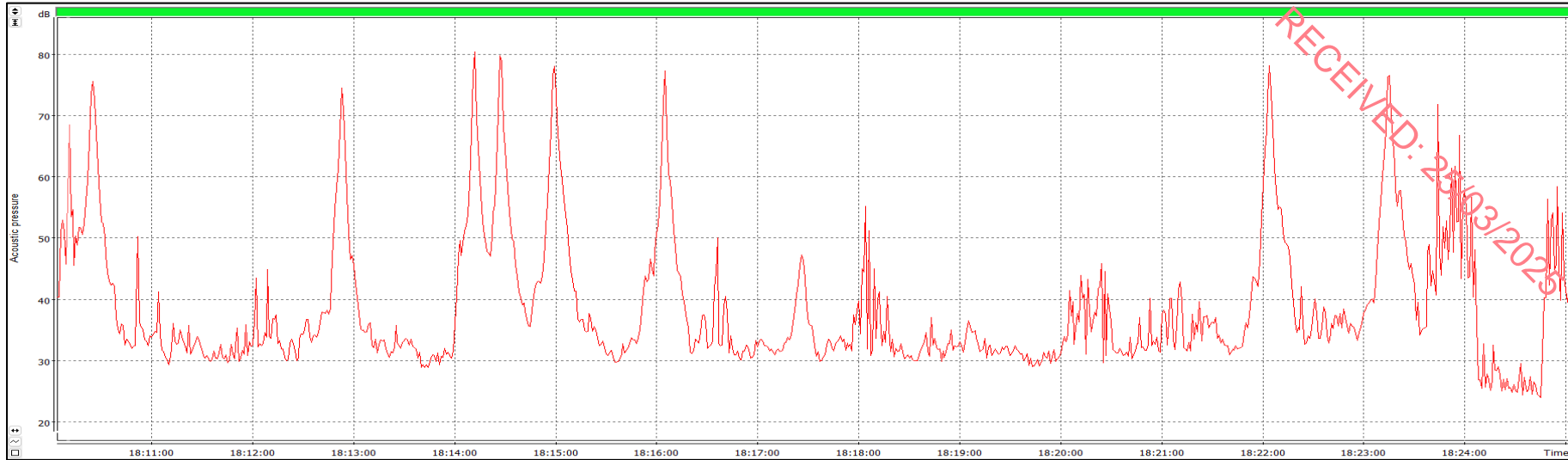


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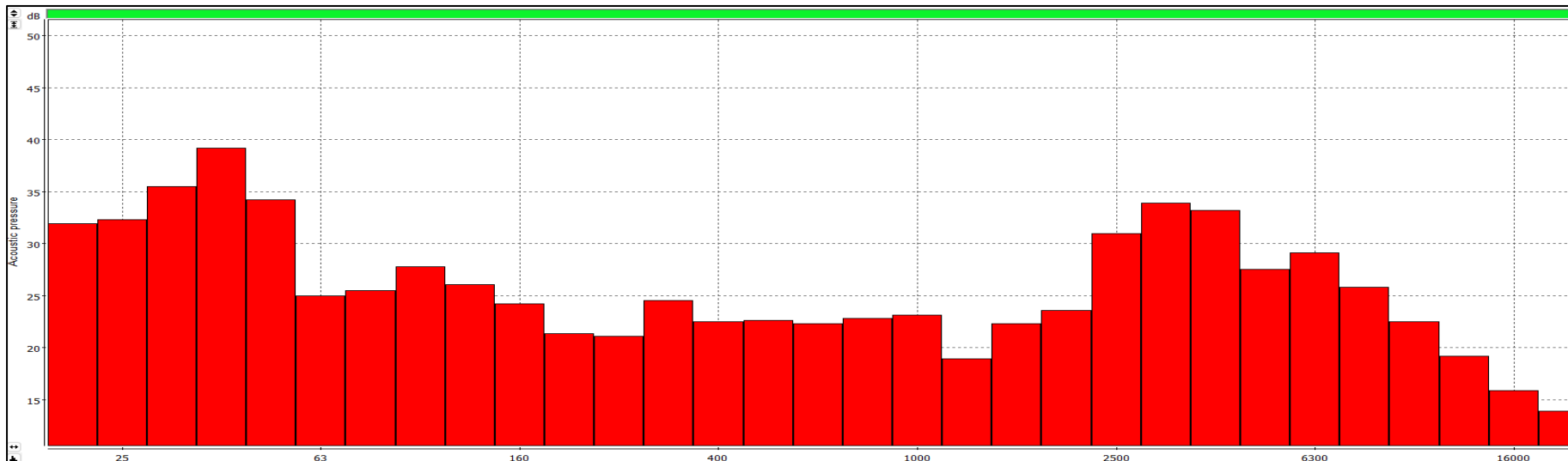
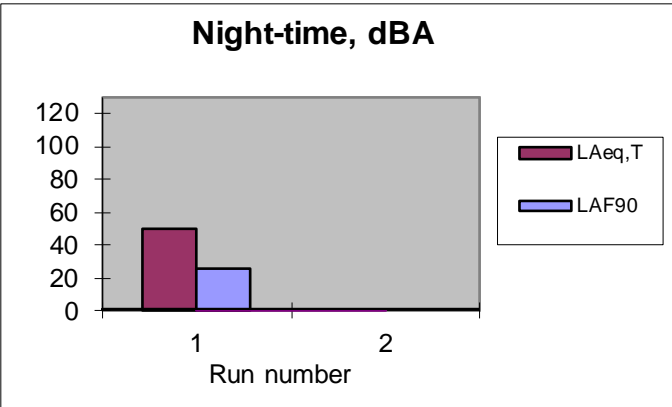
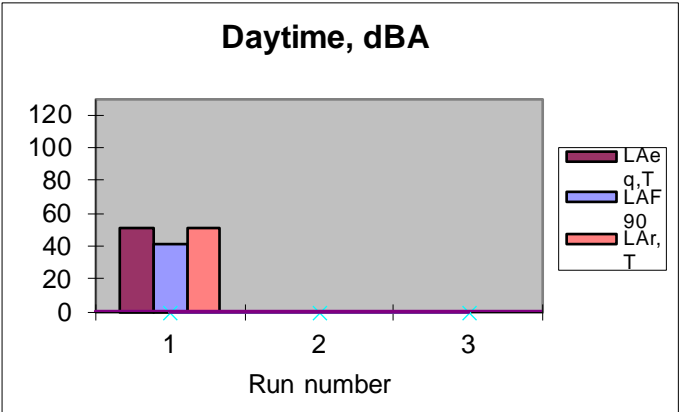


Figure 6-12 NSL3 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

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Period	Run	LEN	Date/Time	L _{Aeq,T}	L _{AF90}	L _{AF10}	On site tonal?	Tonal confirmed	On site impulsive?	Rated Noise Level, L _{Ar,T}	Description Off-site Noise	Description of On-site Noise Sources	Compliant
Daytime	1	LEN 128	20/09/2024 15:44	51	41	54	No	N/A	No	51	Distant road traffic	HGVs, site works	N/A
Night-time	1	LEN 088	20/09/2024 18:00	50	26	44	No	N/A	No	50	Distant road traffic	N/A	N/A

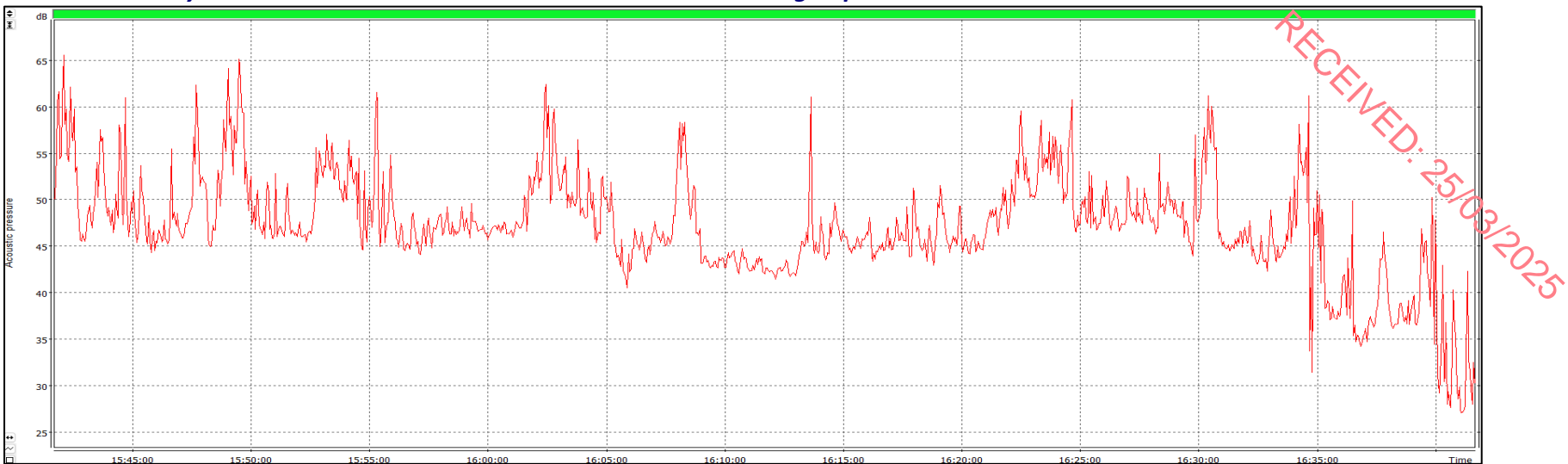


Figure 6-13 N4 Day Run 1 of 1

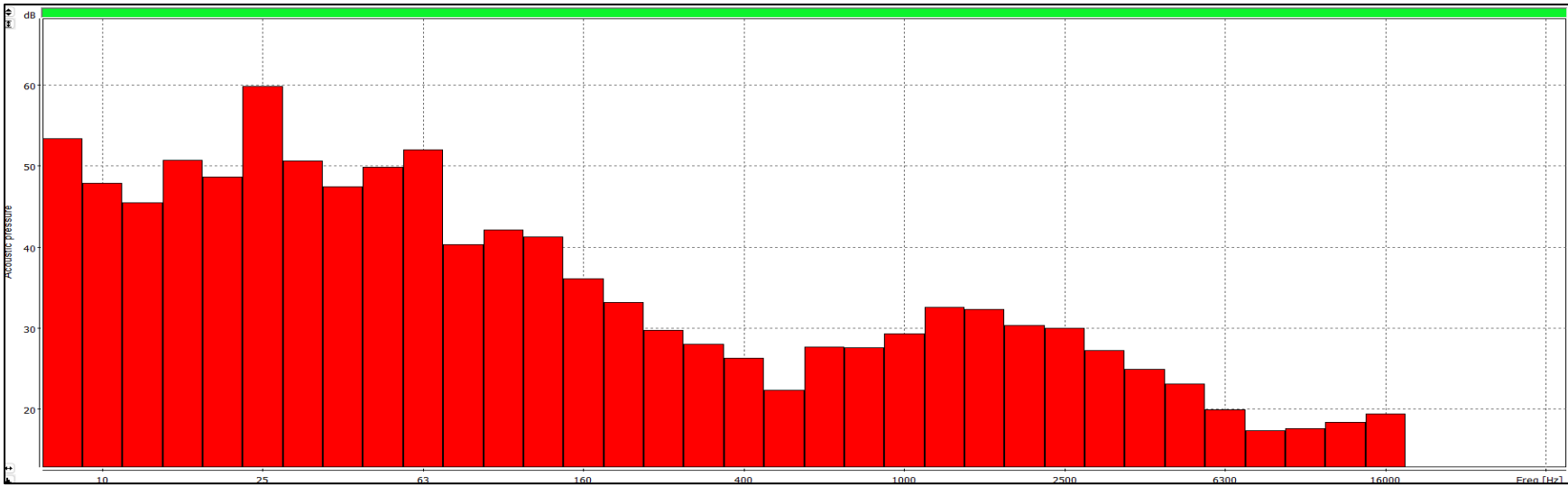


Figure 6-14 N4 Day Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

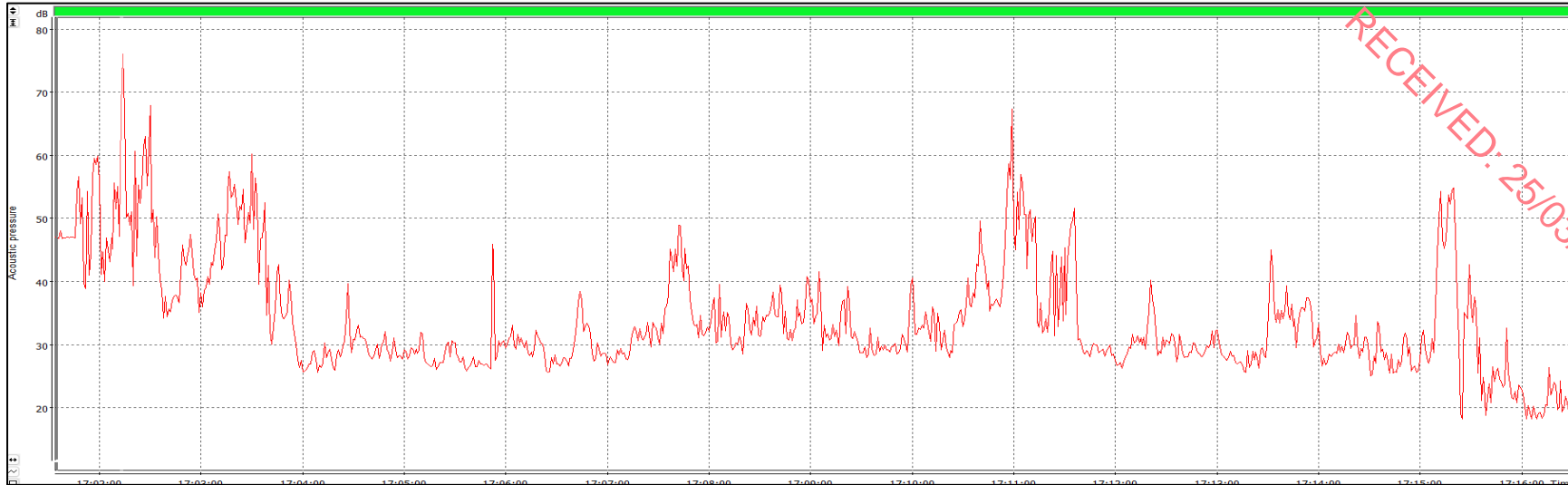


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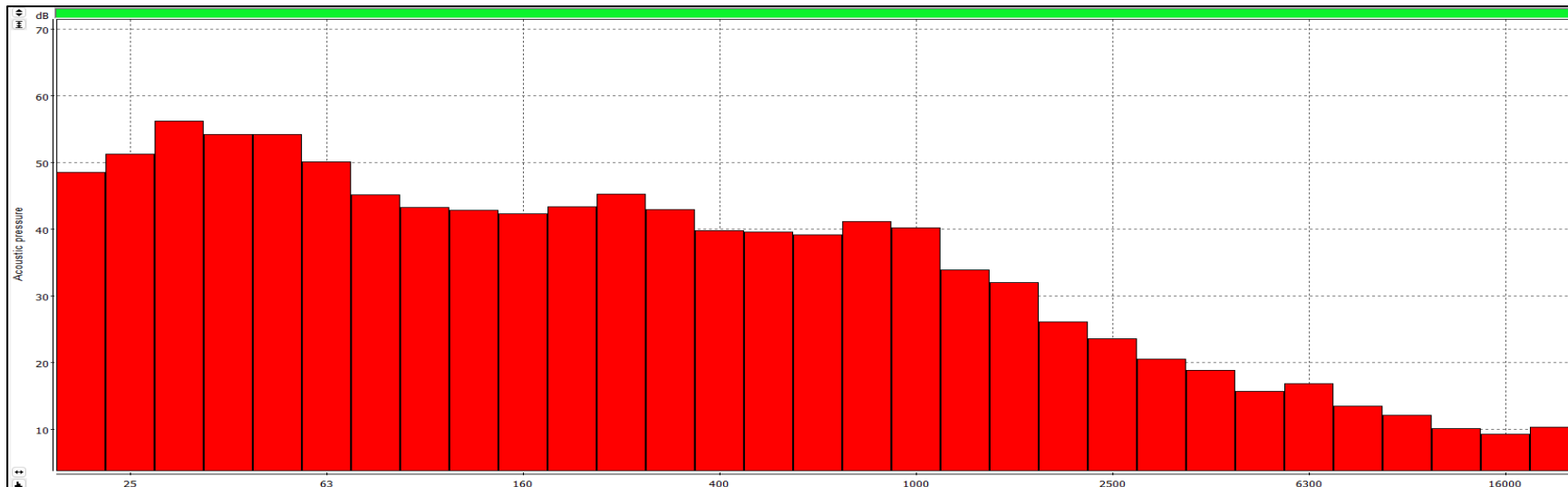


Figure 6-16 N4 Night Run 1 of 1 Third Band Octave

7. Conclusion

L_{Aeq} represents the ambient sound levels in the area from sources near and far. The statistical noise levels of L₁₀ and L₉₀ are the noise levels exceeded for 10% and 90% respectively of the measurement period. A small difference in L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates a constant noise emission (or a lack of intermittent noise). The greater the difference between the L_{Aeq}, L₁₀ and L₉₀ indicates intermittent noise sources such as local traffic. Where external noise sources such as local road traffic have had a considerable impact on monitoring results due to the close proximity of some monitoring points to the adjacent public road, the L₉₀ is chosen as the best descriptor of site noise.

According to Condition 6 of the grant of planning permission:

“During the operational phase of development, the noise level at existing sensitive locations shall not exceed a L_{Aeq} (1 hour) of 55dB (A) between 0800 and 1800 and an L_{Aeq} (15 minutes) of 45 dB (A) between 1800 and 0800. Noise monitoring shall be carried out at the noise monitoring locations N1 to N4 as indicated in the EIS documentation on a quarterly basis in accordance with the EPA “Environmental Noise Survey – Guidance Document”, 2003”.

Monitoring locations NSL2 and NSL3 are considered to be "noise sensitive locations" as defined by the EPA while N1 and N4 are defined as “boundary noise locations” where the specified limit values do not apply. During both daytime and night-time monitoring periods, noise emission values at both NSL2 and NSL3 were within the prescribed limits as stated in the planning conditions.

Appendix 1 Report Terminology

Noise Monitoring Parameters	
Survey	The measurement of noise over one or more days and is made up of a number of monitoring runs with one or more noise meters.
Run or monitoring run	A single measurement at one location to determine noise level. A number of monitoring runs will be typically be made at each location. The duration of a monitoring run is typically 15 or 30 minutes and is stipulated in the licence.
dB(A)	This is the unit used to quantify noise measurements. "dB" stands for decibel and the "A" indicates that the noise reading is A-weighted and therefore is a measurement of noise audible to the human ear. The scale is logarithmic.
$L_{Aeq,T}$	This parameter is measured on-site using a noise meter for a specified time period (T minutes). It represents the average noise level that occurred over that period.
Rated Noise Level or $L_{Ar,T}$	The Rated Noise Level is equal to $L_{Aeq,T}$ plus any penalty for confirmed tonal and/or subjective impulsive. The penalty is only added for daytime and evening monitoring.
L_{AF10} and L_{AF90}	The L_{AF10} and L_{AF90} are both statistical noise levels. L_{AF10} indicates that for 10% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. L_{AF90} indicates that for 90% of the monitoring period, the sound levels were greater than the quoted value. The L_{AF90} indicates the background noise levels if short-term, intermittent noise sources were ignored e.g. a passing car. The L_{AF10} can be used to determine the effect to which these short-term noise sources effect the overall average reading i.e. if the L_{AF10} is very different to the L_{AF90} , then intermittent noise is a significant source of noise
L_{AFmax}	The maximum RMS A-weighted sound pressure level occurring within a specified time period. Measured using the "Fast" time weighting.
Continuous	Noise produced without interruption.
Impulsive Noise	A noise of short duration (typically less than one second), the sound pressure of which is significantly higher than the background; brief and abrupt.
Intermittent Noise	Noise produced on discontinuous basis e.g. equipment operating in cycles or events such as single passing vehicle or aircraft.
Tonal Noise	Noise, which contains a clearly audible, tone i.e. a distinguishable, discrete or continuous note (whine, hum, drone, screech, etc.).

Appendix 2 Confirmation of tonal noise

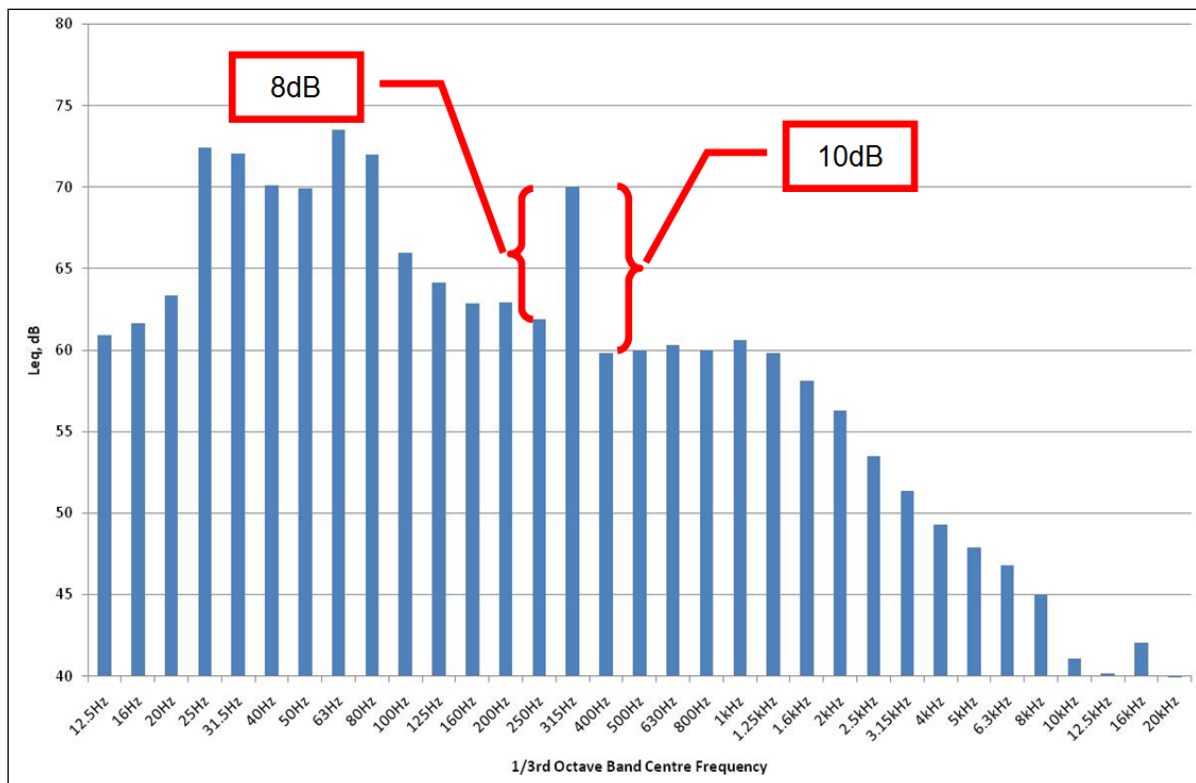
The subjective identification of tonal noise is based on the interpretation of the third octave band results. Where the sound level for a third octave band is greater than or equal to both the adjacent third octave bands by some constant level difference, then tonal noise is confirmed. The level differences vary by frequency and are shown in the table below

Frequency range	Level Difference
25 Hz to 125 Hz	15 dB
160 Hz to 400 Hz	8 dB
500 Hz to 10,000 Hz	5 db

In the example below, tonal noise was subjectively assessed. The third band monitoring results were therefore reviewed and are shown below. A peak can be seen at 315 Hz. This peak is 8 dB above the lower adjacent third octave and 10 dB higher than the higher adjacent third octave band. From a review of the table above, the Level Difference for 315 Hz is 8 dB.

For the example below, tonal noise is confirmed as there is a difference greater than or equal to 8 dB either side of 315 Hz.

Knowing the frequency of the confirmed tonal noise can help in identifying the source of the noise and its reduction.



Appendix 3 LAFmax data

Some authorities require that LAFmax be reported, however, there are no limits set for this parameter. In order to keep the body of the report uncluttered, the data regarding this parameter is reproduced below.

Location	NSL	Period	LAFmax
N1	No	Day	93.1
N1	No	Night-time	101
N4	No	Day	75.8
N4	No	Night-time	82.1
NSL2	Yes	Day	90.1
NSL2	Yes	Night-time	86.4
NSL3	Yes	Day	84.1
NSL3	Yes	Night-time	82.7

Appendix 4 Certificates of Calibration

Figure 7-1 LEN 128 Certificate of Calibration

CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

Issued By AcSoft Limited Calibration Laboratory

Date Of Issue: 21-05-2024

Certificate No: 1508748-1

Calibrated By: W. Jay

Approved By: W. Jay

CUSTOMER

Environmental Efficiency
Parnell House
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Ireland

INSTRUMENT DETAILS

Manufacturer: SVANTEK
Model: SV971A
Serial No.: 128783
Firmware Version: 1.07.4
Description: Sound Level Meter
Performance Class: 1

Type Approved to IEC 61672-1:2013: No
 (If Yes, there is public evidence that the SLM has successfully completed the applicable pattern evaluation tests of IEC 61672-2:2013)

SENSOR DETAILS

Manufacturer:	ACO	SVANTEK
Model:	7152	SV18A
Serial No.:	89700	148362
Description:	Microphone	Preamplifier

P/O NUMBER

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CALIBRATION RESULTS

The sound level meter submitted for testing successfully completed the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. However, no general statement or conclusion can be made about conformance of the sound level meter to the full specifications of IEC 61672-1:2013 because (a) evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organization responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the class Y specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013 or correction data for acoustical test of frequency weighting were not provided in the Instruction Manual and (b) because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.

REPORTED RESULTS

The results contained in this Certificate refer only to the measurements made at the time of test for the instrument detailed above. These results do not reflect the instrument's ability to maintain calibration.


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Figure 7-2 LEN 088 Certificate of Calibration

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Figure 7-3 LEN 003 Certificate of Calibration


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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION


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Customer : RS Group
Glenview Industrial Estate
Herberton Road

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Ireland

Instrument - System ID : IRCB016678
Description : Sound Level Calibrator
Manufacturer : Cirrus
Model Number : 511E
Serial Number : 035066
Procedure Version : 3517

Customer Ref : Environmental Effic
Job Number : BR15234-1

Environmental Conditions

Temperature : 23°C ± 3°C	Mains Voltage : 240V ± 10V
Relative Humidity : 50%RH ± 35%RH	Mains Frequency : 50Hz ± 5Hz

Comments

The instrument was allowed to stabilise for 4 hours before calibration.
Results at time of test & carry no long term stability of the instrument.
The certificate records the on-receipt status of the instrument.
Recalibration period 52 weeks by customer request.

Traceability Information	Serial Number	Certificate Number	Cal. Date	Cal. Period
Instrument Description 5500A Multifunction Calibrator	6760010	092282	15/07/2023	104

Calibrated By : **Frank Silo**

Date of Calibration : **05 March 2024**

This is to certify that the above instrument was fully calibrated. Work carried out was in accordance with procedures laid down in BS EN ISO/IEC 17025:2017.
The accuracies of the standards used are traceable to National Standards, via UKAS approved laboratories.
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The reported expanded uncertainty is based on a standard uncertainty multiplied by a coverage factor k=2 providing a level of confidence of approximately 95%.

Appendix 5 Certificate of Competence



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Groundwater Monitoring Results

BH1 (From office Tap)

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Client : Isertkelly Ltd.

Unit 1, Block 1, Liosban Ind
 Est, Tuam Rd
 Galway

Report No. : 583760
 Date of Receipt : 20/01/2025
 Start Date of Analysis : 20/01/2025
 Date of Report : 11/02/2025
 Order Number : Not required
 Sample taken by : Client

Lab No	Sample Description	Test	Ref.	Result	Drinking Water Limits in accordance with S.I. No. 99 of 2023	Units
1831788	Isertkelly LTD. Kilchrest, Co. Galway	Aluminium, Total	I, R	3	200ug/l	ug/l
		Ammonia as N	I, R	<0.005	0.5mg/l	mg/l
		Ammonium as NH4	I, R	<0.01	0.5mg/l	mg/l
		Arsenic, total	I, R	18	10ug/l	ug/l
		Chloride	I, R	101	250mg/l	mg/l
		Clostridium Perfringens in Water	I, R	0	0 cfu/100mls	cfu/100ml
		COD	I, R	<10	0	mg/l
		Colour, apparent	I, R	18.3	Must be acceptable to consumers and no abnormal change	mg/l Pt Co
		Conductivity @20C	I, R	789	2,500µS/cm	uS/cm
		E.coli (Filtration)	I, R	0	0 cfu/100mls	cfu/100ml
		Enterococci (Incubated at 37 °C)	I, R	0	0 cfu/100mls	cfu/100ml
		Iron, total	I, R	407	200ug/l	ug/l
		Manganese, total	I, R	24	50ug/l	ug/l
		Nitrate as NO3	I, R	1.97	50mg/l	mg/l
		Nitrite as NO2	I, R	<0.017	0.5mg/L	mg/l
		pH	I, R	7.3	6.5-9.5 pH Units	pH Units
		TOC	I, R	1.85	No abnormal change	mg/l
		TON as N	I, R	0.445	n/a	mg/l
		Total Coliforms (Filtration)	I, R	4	0 cfu/100mls	cfu/100ml
		Total Hardness (Kone)	I, R	332	No Limit Set	mg/l CaCO3
		Total Phosphorus as P	I, R	<0.05	n/a	mg/l
		Turbidity	I, R	1.6	Must be acceptable to consumers and no abnormal change, ideally <1.0NTU	N.T.U.



Approved by:

Luiza Singh

Luiza Singh
 Deputy Quality
 Manager

See below for test specifications and accreditation status.

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0cfu is reported in waters, this refers to 'not detected in volume tested'

It is recommended that water samples requiring microbiological analysis should be tested within 24 hours of sampling. CLS will test food, water and swabs samples within 24 hours of receipt.

Where samples have been taken by the Client, results apply to the samples as received.

In-House Test	Specification	Expanded Measurement of Uncertainty	17025	GMP/FDA*	ISO**
Aluminium, Total	ICP-MS CLS129	+/- 11.64%	Yes	No	Yes
Ammonia as N	Konelab CLS 40	+/- 15.2 %	Yes	No	Yes
Ammonium as NH4	Konelab CLS 40	+/- 15.2 %	Yes	No	Yes
Arsenic, total	ICP-MS CLS 129	+/- 6.93%	Yes	No	Yes
Chloride	Konelab CLS 36	+/- 7.81%	Yes	No	Yes
Clostridium Perfringens in Water	CLS 43	±0.11cfu/ml	Yes	No	Yes
COD	CLS 52	+/- 4.48 %	Yes	No	Yes
Colour, apparent	CLS 29	+/- 11.9 %	Yes	No	Yes
Conductivity @20C	CLS 67	+/- 6.64 %	Yes	No	Yes
E.coli (Filtration)	CLS 16	±0.17 cfu/100ml	Yes	No	Yes
Enterococci (Incubated at 37 °C)	CLS 42	±0.11 cfu/100ml	Yes	No	Yes
Iron, total	ICP-MS CLS129	+/- 12.43%	Yes	No	Yes
Manganese, total	ICP-MS CLS129	+/- 16.40%	Yes	No	Yes
Nitrate as NO3	Konelab CLS 39	+/- 15.41%	Yes	No	Yes
Nitrite as NO2	Konelab CLS 37	+/- 4.23%	Yes	No	Yes
pH	CLS 26	+/- 0.092 pH units	Yes	No	Yes
TOC	CLS 150	+/- 18.08 %	Yes	No	Yes
TON as N	Konelab CLS 38	+/- 15.32%	Yes	No	Yes
Total Coliforms (Filtration)	CLS 16	±0.16cfu/100ml	Yes	No	Yes
Total Hardness (Kone)	Konelab CLS 77	+/- 10.53%	Yes	No	Yes
Total Phosphorus as P	CLS 151	+/- 18.01 %	Yes	No	Yes
Turbidity	CLS 30	+/- 13.69%	Yes	No	Yes

*Analysis carried out in a GMP approved, FDA inspected facility (MedPharma site only).

**Laboratory Analysis, Sampling, Food Safety Monitoring and Analysts on Contract are all ISO 9001 certified.

Lab No	Sample ID	Sample Condition on Receipt	Sampling Date
1831788	Isertkelly LTD. Kilchrest, Co. Galway	Good condition	20/01/2025