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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Background

Donaldson Coal Pty Ltd has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct half-yearly noise monitoring surveys for the Donaldson Coal Mine and Abel Coal Mine during the December 2022 half in accordance with the *Donaldson Coal Mine and Abel Underground Coal Mine - Noise Management Plan Care and Maintenance* (the NMP) dated 3 June 2019.

## 1.2 Objectives of this Report

The objectives of the noise monitoring survey for this operating half-year were as follows:

- Measure the ambient noise levels at six focus receptor locations (potentially worst affected) surrounding Donaldson Coal Mine and Abel Coal Mine.
- Qualify all sources of noise within each of the attended surveys, including estimated contribution or maximum level of individual noise sources.
- Assess the noise emissions of Donaldson Coal Mine and Abel Coal Mine with respect to the limits contained in the Development Consent.

## 1.3 Acoustic Terminology

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

# 2 Development Consent Project Approval

Development consent was obtained by Donaldson Coal Pty Ltd for the Donaldson Mine in October 1999 following a Commission of Inquiry. Development Consent number N97/00147 was issued by the Minister for Urban Affairs pursuant to Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act).

Project Approval (Application No. 05\_0136) granted by the Minister of Planning was obtained by Donaldson Coal Pty Ltd for Abel Coal Mine in 2007.

## 2.1 Donaldson Coal Mine Development Consent Conditions

The Development Consent nominates hours of operation and mine noise emission goals in the Sections entitled “*Operation of Development, Condition No. 3(1) and 3(2)*”, and “*Noise and Vibrational Noise Limits: Condition No. 15*” as follows:

3.(1) *Subject to (2) the approved hours of operation are as follows:*

<i>Works</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Hours</i>
<i>Construction, including construction of any bunds</i>	<i>Monday to Friday Saturday</i>	<i>7 am to 6 pm 8 am to 1 pm</i>
<i>Mining operations, including mining, haulage of waste to dumps and coal processing</i>	<i>Monday to Friday Saturday, Sunday</i>	<i>24 hours per day 7 am to 6 pm</i>
<i>Road Transportation and stockpiling of coal</i>	<i>7 days per week</i>	<i>24 hours per day</i>
<i>Rail loading of coal</i>	<i>7 days per week</i>	<i>7 am to 10 pm</i>
<i>Maintenance of mobile and fixed plant</i>	<i>7 days per week</i>	<i>24 hours per day</i>
<i>Blasting, not involving closure of John Renshaw Drive</i>	<i>Monday to Saturday</i>	<i>7 am to 5 pm</i>
<i>Blasting, involving closure of John Renshaw Drive</i>	<i>Monday to Saturday</i>	<i>10 am to 2 pm</i>

Notes: *Restrictions on Public Holidays are the same as Sundays*

(2) *The Applicant shall submit a report to the Director-General’s satisfaction demonstrating the noise limits in Condition 15 can be met while rail loading of coal is occurring during the period from 6 pm to 10 pm. If that report does not demonstrate that the noise limits can be met to the Director-General’s satisfaction, then the hours of operation for rail loading of coal shall be restricted to 7 am to 6 pm.”*

15. Unless subject to a negotiated agreement in accordance with Condition 23, the Applicant shall ensure that the noise emission from construction or mining operations, when measured or computed at the boundary of any dwelling not owned by the applicant (or within 30 metres of the dwelling, if the boundary is more than 30 metres from the dwelling), shall not exceed the following noise limits:

Location	LA10(15minute) Noise Limits (dBA)	
	Daytime	Night-time
Beresfield area (residential)	45	35
Steggles Poultry Farm	50	40
Ebenezer Park Area	46	41
Black Hill Area	40	38
Buchanan and Louth Park Area	38	36
Ashtonfield Area	41	35
Thornton Area	48	40

Note: Daytime is 7 am to 10 pm Monday-Saturday, and 8 am to 10 pm Sundays and Public Holidays. Night-time is 10 pm to 7 am Monday-Saturday, and 10 pm to 8 am Sundays and Public Holidays.

*The noise limits apply for prevailing meteorological conditions (winds up to 3 m/s), except under conditions of temperature inversions.”*

Other Conditions of Consent relevant to noise are as follows:

18. The applicant shall survey and investigate noise reduction measures from plant and equipment and set targets for noise reduction in each Annual Environmental Management Report (AEMR), taking into consideration valid noise complaints received in the previous year. The Report shall also include remedial measures.
19. The Applicant shall revise the Noise Management Plan as necessary and provide an updated Plan five years after commencement of mining to the Director-General, the independent noise expert (Condition 48), EPA, Councils and the Community Consultative Committee.

## 2.2 Abel Coal Mine – Project Approval

### Approved Operations

The following operations are approved under the Abel Coal Mine Project Approval:

- Extraction of up to 6.1 Mtpa of Run of Mine (ROM) coal from the Abel Underground Coal Mine.
- Transport coal to the existing Bloomfield Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP) by private haul roads, or by coal conveyor, or by a combination of both methods.
- Operate the CHPP to process coal extracted from the Abel Coal Mine and the Bloomfield and Donaldson Coal Mines.
- Transportation of product coal from the Bloomfield site by rail via the Bloomfield rail loading facility.

The Project Approval was modified in June 2010 (05\_0136 MOD 1) allowing construction and operation of a downcast ventilation fan. In May 2011 the Project Approval was modified again (05\_0136 MOD 2) to allow the construction and operation of an upcast ventilation fan (and associated facilities). In December 2013 the Project Approval was further modified (05\_0136 MOD3) to account for the increase in coal extracted including the upgrade of the Bloomfield CHPP.

## Consent Conditions

The relevant conditions relating to noise from the Abel Coal Mine approval are reproduced below.

### Schedule 4

#### NOISE

#### Operational Noise Criteria

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

Table 4: Operational Noise Criteria dB(A)

Location	Receiver Area	Day	Evening	Night	
		LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LA1(1minute)
Location I	Lord Howe Drive, Ashtonfield	36	36	36	45
Location K	Catholic Diocese Land	37	37	37	45
Location L	Kilshanny Avenue, Ashtonfield	40	40	40	47
All other Locations	All other privately owned Residences	35	35	35	45

Notes:

- To interpret the locations referred to in Table 4, see plan in Appendix 3.
- Noise generated by the project is to be measured in accordance with the relevant requirements, and exemptions (including certain meteorological conditions), of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy. Appendix 4 sets out the meteorological conditions under which these criteria apply, and the requirements for evaluating compliance with these criteria.

These noise criteria do not apply if the Proponent has an Agreement with the relevant landowner to generate higher noise levels, and the proponent has advised the Department in writing of the terms of this agreement.

### Construction Noise Criteria

1. The proponent shall ensure that the noise generated during the construction of the downcast ventilation shaft as described in EA (MOD3) does not exceed the criteria in Table 5.

Table 5: Construction Noise Criteria dB(A)

Location	Receiver	Day
		LAeq(15minute)
Location R	281 Lings Road, Buttai	50
Location S	189 Lings Road, Buttai	43

Notes:

- The criteria in Table 5 apply only whilst the downcast ventilation shaft is being constructed, and for a maximum of 12 weeks from the commencement of construction.
- To interpret the locations referred to in Table 5, see plan in Appendix 3 (attached to this report as **Appendix A**).
- Noise generated by the project is to be measured in accordance with the relevant requirements, and exemptions (including certain meteorological conditions), of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy.

However, these noise criteria do not apply if the Proponent has an Agreement with the relevant landowner to generate higher noise levels, and the proponent has advised the Department in writing of the terms of this agreement.

### Rail Noise Criteria

1. The proponent shall ensure that the noise from rail movements on the Bloomfield Rail Spur does not exceed the limits in Table 6 at any residence on privately owned land.

Table 6: Rail Spur noise criteria dB (A)

Location	Day	Evening	Night
	LAeq(period)		
All privately-owned land	55	45	40

### Cumulative Noise Criteria

1. The proponent shall implement all reasonable and feasible measures to ensure that the noise generated by the project combined with noise generated by other mines does not exceed the criteria in Table 7 at any residence on privately-owned land.

Table 7: Cumulative noise criteria dB (A)

Location	Day	Evening	Night
	LAeq(period)		
All privately-owned land	55	45	40

Notes: Cumulative noise is to be measured in accordance with the relevant requirements, and exemptions (including meteorological conditions), of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy. Appendix 4 sets out the metrological conditions under which these criteria apply and the requirements for evaluating compliance with these criteria.

## **Operating Conditions**

1. *The proponent shall:*
  - a. *Implement best management practise to minimise the construction, operational, road and rail noise of the project;*
  - b. *Operate an on-site noise management system to ensure compliance with the relevant conditions of this approval;*
  - c. *Minimise the noise impacts of the project during meteorological conditions under which the noise limits in this consent do not apply (see Appendix 4);*
  - d. *Only receive and/or dispatch locomotives and rolling stock either on or from the site that are approved to operate on the NSW rail network in accordance with the noise limits in ARTC's EPL (No. 3142);*
  - e. *Carry out regular monitoring to determine whether the project is complying with the noise criteria and other relevant conditions of approval, to the satisfaction of the Director-General.*

## **Noise Management Plan**

2. *The proponent shall prepare and implement a Noise Management Plan for the project to the satisfaction of the Director-General. This plan must:*
  - a. *Be prepared in consultation with the EPA, and be submitted to the Director-General for approval within 6 months of the date of approval of MOD 3;*
  - b. *Describe the measures that would be implemented to ensure compliance with the noise criteria and operating conditions in this approval; Describe the proposed noise management system in detail; and*
  - c. *Include a monitoring program that:*
    - *Uses attended monitoring to evaluate the compliance of the project against the noise criteria in this approval;*
    - *Evaluates and reports on:*
      - *The effectiveness of the on-site noise management system; and*
      - *Compliance against the noise operating conditions; and*

*Defines what constitutes a noise incident, and includes protocol for identifying and notifying the Department and relevant stakeholders of any noise incidents. Appendix 4*

## **Noise Compliance Assessment**

### **Applicable Meteorological Conditions**

1. *The noise criteria in Tables 4 and 7 are to apply under all metrological conditions except the following:*
  - a. *During periods of rain or hail.*
  - b. *Average wind speed at microphone height exceeds 5 m/s;*
  - c. *Wind speeds greater than 3 m/s measured at 10m above ground level; or*
  - d. *Temperature inversion conditions greater than 3°C/100m.*

### **Determination of metrological conditions**

2. *Except for wind speed at microphone height, the data to be used for determining metrological conditions shall be that recorded by the meteorological station located on the site.*

### **Compliance monitoring**

3. *Attended monitoring is to be used to evaluate compliance with the relevant conditions of this approval.*
4. *Unless otherwise agreed with the director-general, this monitoring is to be carried out in accordance with the relevant requirements for reviewing performance set out in the NSW Industrial Noise Policy (as amended from time to time), in particular the requirements relating to:*
  - a. *Monitoring locations for the collection of representative noise data;*
  - b. *Metrological conditions during which collection of noise data is not appropriate;*
  - c. *Equipment used to collect noise data, and conformity with Australian Standards relevant to such equipment; and*
  - d. *Modification to noise data collected, including for the exclusion of extraneous noise and/or penalties for modifying factors apart from adjustments for duration.*

## **Appendix 5**

### **Statement of Commitments**

#### **3. Noise**

##### **3.1 Construction Activities**

*The following noise control measures will be implemented prior to commencement of construction of the Abel Underground Mine or the upgrade of the Bloomfield CHPP.*

1. *Maintain all machinery and equipment in working order;*
  - a. *No construction activities at the Abel pit top will take place on Sundays or Public Holidays;*
  - b. *Where possible locate noisy site equipment behind structures that act as barriers or at the greatest distance from noise sensitive areas; and*
  - c. *Orientate equipment so that noise emissions are directed away from noise sensitive areas.*

##### **3.2 Noise Control Measures**

- a. *The following noise control measures will be implemented prior to the mining of coal from the Abel underground Mine:*
  - i. *Orientation of the ventilation fans away from residential receivers and angle the output parallel to the ground.*
  - ii. *The sound power level of the front end loader to be used near the portal should not exceed 113 dBA and will be fitted with a noise sensitive reversing alarm.*
- b. *The following noise control measures will be implemented prior to the Bloomfield CHPP receiving any ROM coal from Able Underground Mine;*

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- i. *Noise mitigation works including partial enclosure and noise screening of drives and conveyors of the Bloomfield CHPP to screen residences to the north of the site.*

### **3.2 Monitoring**

*The Company will implement a Noise Monitoring Program for the Abel Underground Mine and the Bloomfield CHPP, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The Noise Monitoring Program shall include a combination of real-time and supplementary attended monitoring measures, and a noise monitoring protocol for evaluating compliance with the noise environmental assessment. This plan will be integrated with the monitoring plans for the Tasman, Donaldson and Bloomfield Mines to provide a single integrated Noise Monitoring Program for all 4 mines.*

### **3.4 Continuous Improvement**

*The Company shall:*

- a. *Report on these investigations and implementation of any new noise mitigation measures on site in the AEMR, to the satisfaction of the Director General.*

*The operator of the Bloomfield CHPP shall:*

- b. *Investigate ways to reduce the noise generated by the Bloomfield CHPP, including maximum noise levels which may result in sleep disturbance;*
- c. *Implement all reasonable and feasible best practice noise mitigation measures on the site;  
and*
- d. *Report on these investigations and the implementation of any new noise mitigation measures on site in the AEMR, to the satisfaction of the Director-General.*



## 3 Noise Monitoring Methodology

### 3.1 General Requirements

The operational noise monitoring program was conducted with reference to Development Consent N97/00147 (Donaldson Coal Mine), Project Approval 05\_0136 (Abel Coal Mine), the NMP and AS 1055-2018 *Acoustics - Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise*.

All acoustic instrumentation employed throughout the monitoring program has been designed to comply with the requirements of AS IEC 61672.1 – 2019 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters*, AS IEC 60942 2017 *Electroacoustics – Sound calibrators* and carried current NATA or manufacturer calibration certificates. Certificates for acoustic instrumentation used during the December 2022 half is provided in **Appendix B**.

Instrument calibration was conducted before and after each measurement, with the variation in calibrated levels not exceeding  $\pm 0.5$  dBA.

### 3.2 Monitoring Locations

Baseline and preceding operational half-yearly surveys have been conducted at 11 locations surrounding the Donaldson Mine and Abel Coal Mine sites. With the experience of these previous surveys, it was decided to concentrate noise monitoring at six focus locations that represent the potentially most noise affected areas from Donaldson Mine and Abel Coal Mine. The details of the monitoring locations are contained within **Table 1**.

It is relevant to note that Donaldson Open Cut Mine has ceased production and all major earthworks on the site have been finalised. Furthermore, Abel mine was placed in Care & Maintenance on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016 and there were no operations onsite during the December 2022 noise monitoring period.

**Table 1 Monitoring Locations**

Noise Monitoring Location	Description
D	Black Hill School, Black Hill
F	Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill
G	156 Buchannan Road, Buchannan
I	Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield
J	Parish Drive, Thornton
L	65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield

A map giving the approximate location of the noise monitoring sites is contained within **Appendix C**.

### 3.3 Unattended Continuous Noise Monitoring

An environmental noise logger was deployed for a minimum of a seven day period between Sunday 18 December 2022 to Tuesday 3 January 2023 at each of the six (6) nominated locations given in **Table 1**.

All unattended monitoring equipment was programmed to continuously record statistical noise level indices in 15 minute intervals including the  $L_{Amax}$ ,  $L_{A1}$ ,  $L_{A10}$ ,  $L_{A90}$ ,  $L_{A99}$ ,  $L_{Amin}$  and  $L_{Aeq}$ . The statistical noise exceedance levels ( $L_{AN}$ ) are the levels exceeded for N% of the 15 minute interval. The  $L_{A90}$  represents the level exceeded for 90% of the interval period and is referred to as the average minimum or background noise level. The  $L_{A10}$  is the level exceeded for 10% of the time and is usually referred to as the average maximum noise level. The  $L_{Aeq}$  is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level and represents the steady sound level which is equal in energy to the fluctuating level over the interval period. The  $L_{Amax}$  is the maximum noise level recorded over the interval.

### 3.4 Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Operator attended surveys were conducted at each of the six monitoring locations during the daytime, evening and night-time periods, to verify the unattended logging results and to determine the character and contribution of ambient noise sources.

## 4 Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

### 4.1 Results of Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted commencing during the evening period on 22 December 2022 and finished during the daytime period on 23 December 2022. Operator attended noise surveys were conducted using a Brüel & Kjær Type 2250L (serial number 3003389).

Ambient noise levels given in the tables include all noise sources such as traffic, insects, birds, and mine operations as well as any other industrial operations.

The tables provide the following information:

- Monitoring location.
- Date and start time.
- Wind velocity (m/s) and Temperature (°C) at the measurement location.
- Typical maximum ( $L_{Amax}$ ) and contributed noise levels.

Mine contributions listed in the tables are from the Abel Coal Mine and are stated only when a contribution could be quantified.

**Table 2 Location D, Black Hill Public School, Black Hill**

Period	Date/ Start time/Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	L <sub>A1</sub>	L <sub>A10</sub>	L <sub>A90</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 07:07 17°C 0.7 m/s S	79	67	56	35	55	Birdsong 55-68 Wind in trees 35 Road traffic 42-79 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					
Evening	22/12/2022 18:42 18°C 1.6 m/s SE	80	68	54	41	57	Insects 35 Birdsong 41-57 Road traffic 44-80 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					
Night	22/12/2022 22:31 9°C 0.4 m/s W	75	62	49	47	52	Insects 45-50 Road traffic 39-75 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					

**Table 3 Location F, Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill**

Period	Date/ Start time/Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	L <sub>A1</sub>	L <sub>A10</sub>	L <sub>A90</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 07:27 18°C 0.7 m/s SW	75	68	60	48	57	Road traffic 50-75 Birdsong 45-50 Insects 38 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					
Evening	22/12/2022 19:03 17°C 0.5 m/s SE	71	61	54	42	51	Insects 38-49 Road traffic 40-71 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					
Night	22/12/2022 22:51 17°C 0.5 m/s E	65	56	51	45	49	Road traffic 42-65 Insects 47-50 <b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					

**Table 4 Location G, Buchanan Road, Buchanan**

Period	Date/ Start time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	LA1	LA10	LA90	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 08:36 19°C 1.2 m/s NW	77	76	73	50	67	Road traffic 51-55 Insects 57-77
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Evening	22/12/2022 20:04 17°C 0.2 m/s SE	82	81	80	56	76	Road traffic 59 Insects (cicadas) 75-82
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Night	22/12/2022 23:40 17°C 0.9 m/s NW	65	50	46	40	43	Road traffic 45-53 Operator 65 Insects 39-42 Other Industry 25-37
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>

**Table 5 Location I, Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield**

Period	Date/ Start time/Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	LA1	LA10	LA90	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 09:49 22°C 1.8 m/s NW	69	63	51	45	51	Road traffic 38-69 Dog barking 50-56 Insects 45-54
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Evening	22/12/2022 20:53 17°C 0.6 m/s SSE	71	59	47	43	48	Road traffic 38-71 Insects 45-48
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Night	23/12/2022 00:28 17°C 0.8 m/s S	61	50	46	42	45	Traffic 35-61 Insects 41-52
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution 30 dBA L <sub>Aeq</sub> (15minute) 33 dBA LA1(1minute)					<b>Abel Mine Audible</b> Bloomfield CHPP 30-33

**Table 6 Location J, Parish Drive, Thornton**

Period	Date/ Start time/Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	L <sub>A1</sub>	L <sub>A10</sub>	L <sub>A90</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 10:12 23°C 1.3m/s WNW	61	56	55	52	53	Road traffic 40-61 Birdsong 50-61 Insects 51-54
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Evening	22/12/2022 21:17 17°C 0.5 m/s SE	57	52	51	47	49	Insects 47-53 Train 49 Road traffic 35-42
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>
Night	22/12/2022 22:00 17°C 0.5 m/s ESE	56	53	51	46	49	Insects 50-56 Road traffic 38-47
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution Inaudible					<b>Abel Mine Inaudible</b>

**Table 7 Location L, 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield**

Period	Date/ Start time/ Weather	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)					Description of Noise Emission, Typical Maximum Noise Levels (L <sub>Amax</sub> – dBA)
		L <sub>Amax</sub>	L <sub>A1</sub>	L <sub>A10</sub>	L <sub>A90</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	
Day	23/12/2022 09:15 22°C 1.4 m/s W	74	67	48	35	53	Road traffic 52-74 Residents 44-51 Birdsong 45-62
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution 36 dBA L <sub>Aeq</sub> (15minute)					<b>Abel Mine Audible</b> Bloomfield CHPP 35-38
Evening	22/12/2022 20:31 17°C 0.8 m/s SSE	70	62	47	39	49	Insects 40-48 Birdsong 53 Traffic 42-70
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution 38 dBA L <sub>Aeq</sub> (15minute)					<b>Abel Mine Audible</b> Bloomfield CHPP 36-43
Night	23/12/2022 00:07 17°C 0.3 m/s SSW	76	59	35	30	50	Train 38 Road traffic 30-76 Insects 33-40
		Estimated Abel Mine Noise Contribution 25 dBA L <sub>Aeq</sub> (15minute) 26 dBA L <sub>A1</sub> (1minute)					<b>Abel Mine Audible</b> Bloomfield CHPP <25-26

## 4.2 Operator Attended Noise Monitoring Summary

### 4.2.1 Donaldson Mine

Donaldson Open Cut Mine has ceased production and all major earthworks on the site have been finalised. Therefore, compliance noise monitoring for the Donaldson Open Cut Mine is no longer required.

### 4.2.2 Abel Coal Mine

Abel mine was placed in Care & Maintenance on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016 and there were no operations onsite, excluding that from the Bloomfield CHPP which operates under the Abel Coal Mine project consent conditions.

The Bloomfield CHPP was audible at Location L and Location I. Abel noise emission were inaudible during all other operator attended noise surveys. Noise generated by local and distant traffic was a significant contributor to ambient noise levels at all monitored locations as well as neighbourhood noise and ‘natural’ noises such as birds, insects and wind related noise.

## 4.3 Compliance Assessment and Discussion of Results

### 4.3.1 Operations

Results of the operational compliance assessment are given in **Table 8**.

**Table 8 Compliance Noise Assessment - Operations**

Location	Estimated Abel LAeq(15minute) Contribution dBA			Consent Conditions			Compliance		
	Day	Eve	Night	Day	Eve	Night	Day	Eve	Night
D – Black Hill School, Black Hill	Inaudible	Inaudible	Inaudible	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
F – Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Inaudible	Inaudible	Inaudible	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
G – Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Inaudible	Inaudible	Inaudible	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
I – Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Inaudible	Inaudible	30	36	36	36	Yes	Yes	Yes
J – Parish Drive, Thornton	Inaudible	Inaudible	Inaudible	35	35	35	Yes	Yes	Yes
L – 65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield	36	38	25	40	40	40	Yes	Yes	Yes

Results presented in **Table 8** indicate that compliance with the relevant consent conditions was achieved at all noise monitoring locations during all periods.

### 4.3.2 Sleep Disturbance

Results of the sleep disturbance compliance assessment are given in **Table 9**.

**Table 9 Compliance Noise Assessment – Sleep Disturbance**

Location	Estimated Abel LA1(1minute) Contribution dBA	Consent Conditions LA1(1minute) dBA	Compliance
D – Black Hill School, Black Hill	Inaudible	45	Yes
F – Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Inaudible	45	Yes
G – Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Inaudible	45	Yes
I – Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	33	45	Yes
J – Parish Drive, Thornton	Inaudible	45	Yes
L – 65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield	26	47	Yes

Results presented in **Table 9** indicate that compliance with the sleep disturbance consent conditions was achieved at all noise monitoring locations during the night-time noise surveys.

## 5 Unattended Continuous Noise Monitoring

### 5.1 Results of Unattended Continuous Noise Monitoring

Unattended continuous noise monitoring was conducted between Sunday 18 December 2022 to Tuesday 3 January 2023 at each of the six monitoring locations given in **Table 10**.

**Table 10 Noise Logger and Noise Monitoring Locations**

Location	Noise Logger Serial Number	Date of Logging
D – Black Hill School, Black Hill	SVAN 957 20644	18/12/2022 to 3/1/2023
F – Black Hill Road, Black Hill	SVAN 957 23247	18/12/2022 to 3/1/2023
G – Buchanan Road, Buchanan	SVAN 957 20668	18/12/2022 to 3/1/2023
I – Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	ARL Ngara 878053	23/12/2022 to 3/1/2023
L – 65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield	ARL Ngara 8781B1	23/12/2022 to 3/1/2023
J – Parish Drive, Thornton	ARL Ngara 878202	23/12/2022 to 3/1/2023

The unattended ambient noise logger data from each monitoring location are presented graphically on a daily basis and are attached as **Appendix C**. A summary of the results of the unattended continuous noise monitoring is given in **Table 11**.

The ambient noise level data quantifies the overall noise level at a given location independent of its source or character.

The measured ambient noise levels were divided into three periods representing day, evening and night as designated in the NSW Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI).

Precautions were taken to minimise influences from extraneous noise sources (eg optimum placement of the loggers away from creeks, trees, houses, etc), however, not all these sources or their effects can be eliminated. This is particularly the case during the warmer times of year when noise from insects, frogs, birds and other animals can become quite prevalent.

Weather data for the subject area during the noise monitoring period was provided by Bloomfield Colliery. Noise data during periods of any rainfall and/or wind speeds in excess of 5 m/s were discarded in accordance with NPfI weather affected data exclusion methodology.



**Table 11 Unattended Continuous Noise Monitoring Ambient Noise Levels (dBA)**

Location	Period	Primary Noise Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPA)			
		LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	64	54	40	54
	Evening	63	53	40	55
	Night	55	49	39	50
F Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	59	53	43	53
	Evening	57	54	45	64
	Night	49	46	32	51
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	75	73	59	74
	Evening	65	61	43	69
	Night	48	45	34	64
I Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	60	52	45	57
	Evening	60	52	41	57
	Night	51	48	41	49
L 65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield	Day	58	48	34	50
	Evening	58	49	34	48
	Night	42	37	27	43
J Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	58	55	45	56
	Evening	54	50	43	61
	Night	49	46	35	52

## 5.2 Long term Unattended Continuous Monitoring Summary for Donaldson Mine and Abel Coal Mine

### 5.2.1 Ambient LA90 Noise Levels

The long term ambient LA90 noise levels collected from each monitoring location are presented graphically in **Figure 1**, **Figure 2** and **Figure 3** for the daytime, evening and night-time periods respectively.

Figure 1 Long Term Daytime LA90 Noise Levels

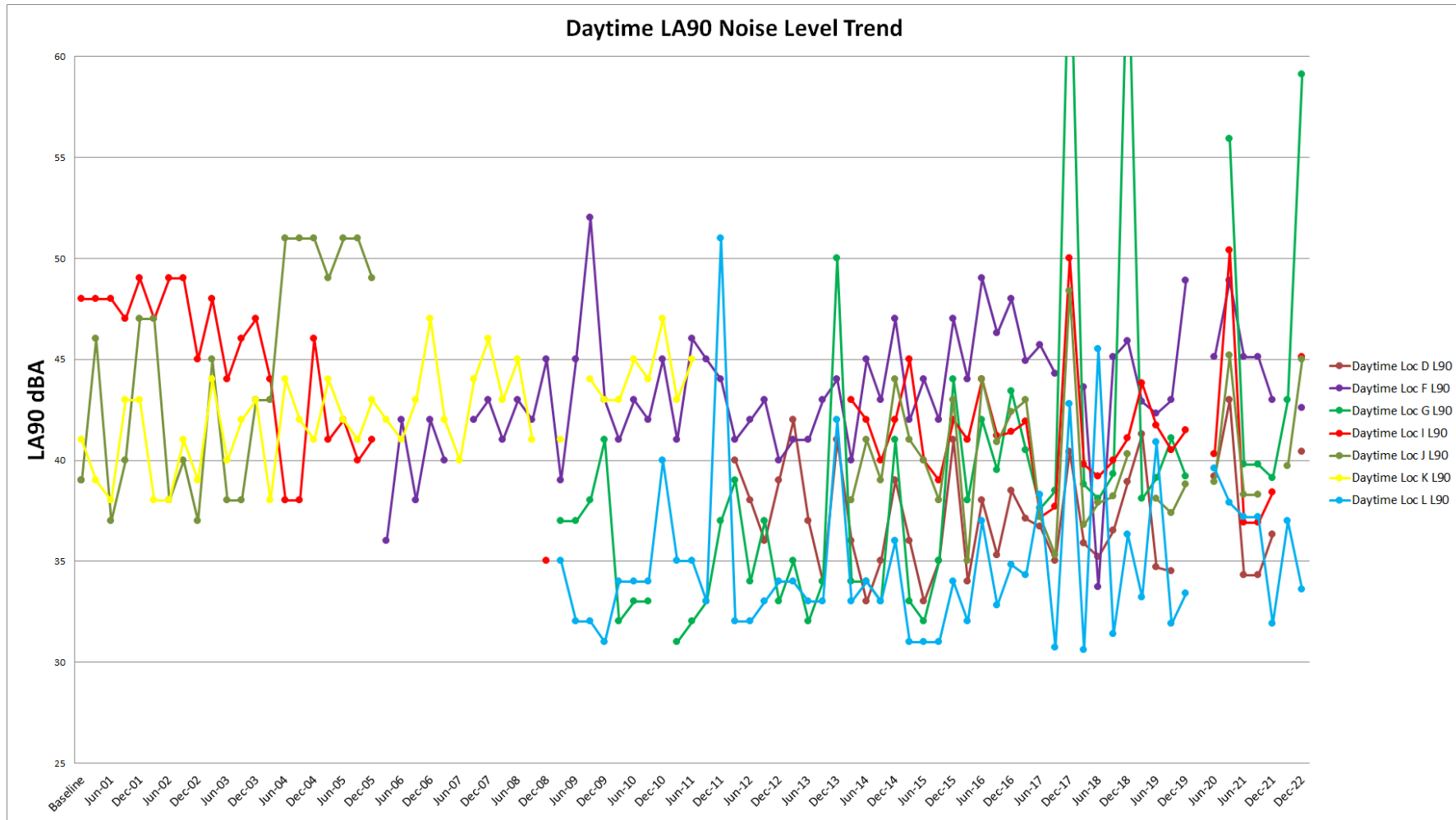


Figure 2 Long Term Evening LA90 Noise Levels

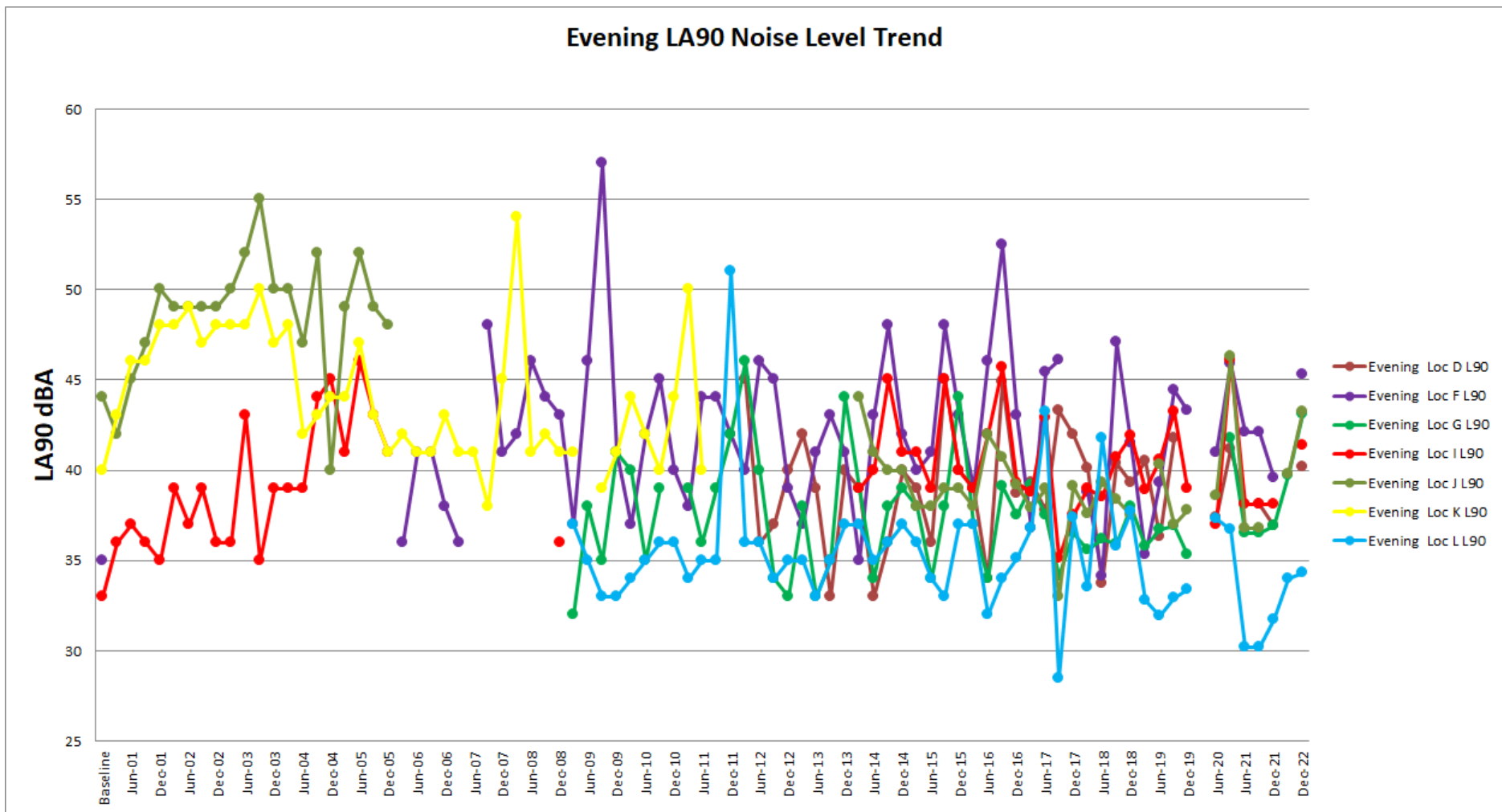
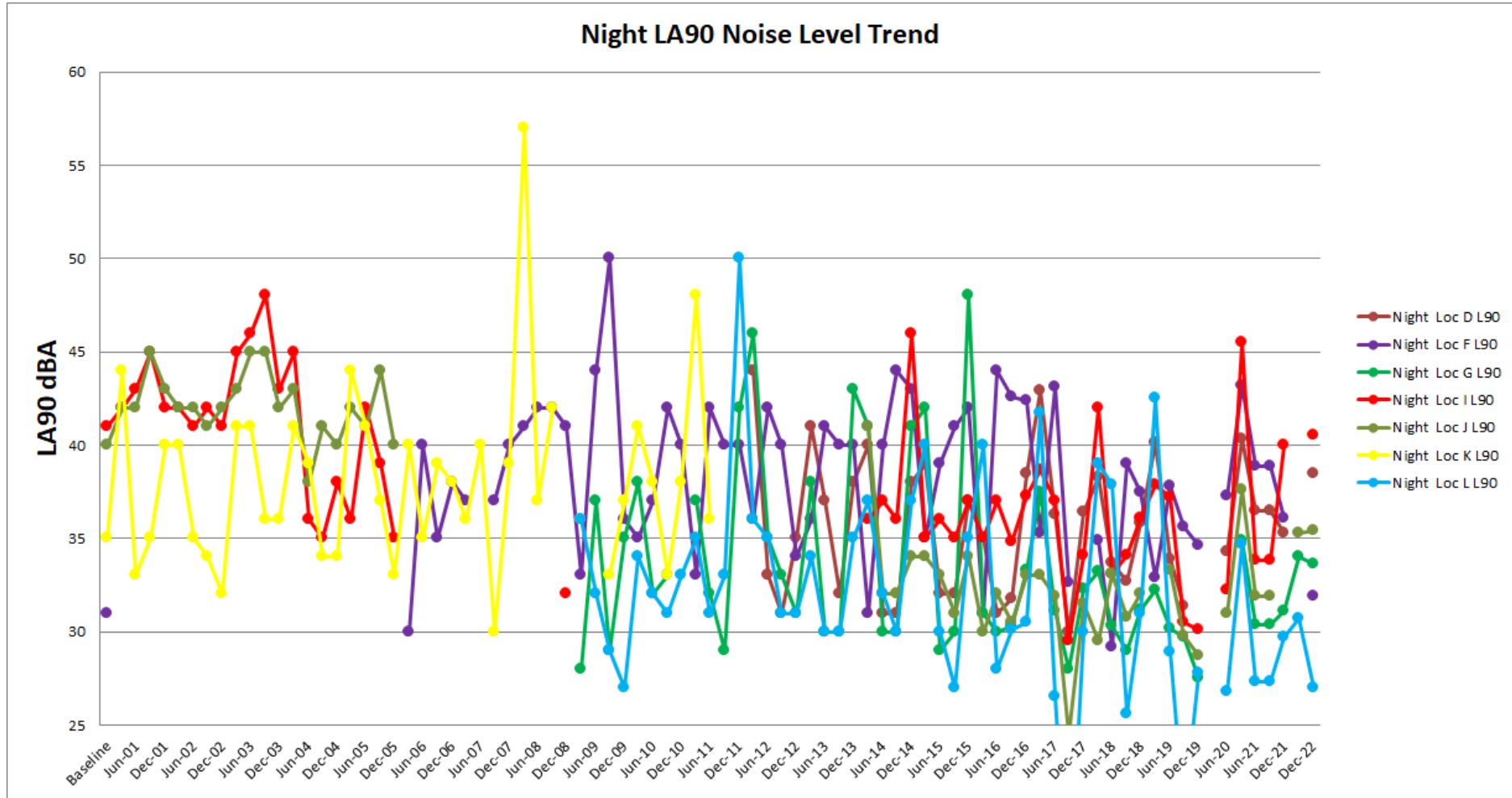


Figure 3 Long Term Night-time LA90 Noise Levels



### 5.2.1.1 Baseline

The summary of results in **Table 12** shows the ambient LA90 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to the levels recorded during the baseline monitoring process (ie. prior to commencement of mining operation at Donaldson).

**Table 12 LA90 Results Comparison - Baseline**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA90 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>3</sup>
		Baseline	December 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	40	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	40	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	39	N/A <sup>2</sup>
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	39	43	4
	Evening	35	45	10
	Night	31	32	1
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	59	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	43	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	34	N/A <sup>2</sup>
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	48	45	-3
	Evening	33	41	8
	Night	41	41	-1
L 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	34	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	34	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	27	N/A <sup>2</sup>
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	39	45	6
	Evening	44	43	-1
	Night	40	35	-5

Note 1: Periods are as detailed the NPfl and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: No data was available during baseline measurements, no comparisons can be made.

Note 3: Rounded to the nearest whole dB.

### 5.2.1.2 Previous Half-year

**Table 13** presents the ambient LA90 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to those measured during the previous monitoring period.

**Table 13 LA90 Results Comparison – Previous Half-year**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA10 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>2</sup>
		June 2022	December 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	- <sup>3</sup>	40	- <sup>3</sup>
	Evening	- <sup>3</sup>	40	- <sup>3</sup>
	Night	- <sup>3</sup>	39	- <sup>3</sup>
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	- <sup>3</sup>	43	- <sup>3</sup>
	Evening	- <sup>3</sup>	45	- <sup>3</sup>
	Night	- <sup>3</sup>	32	- <sup>3</sup>
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	43	59	16
	Evening	40	43	3
	Night	34	34	0
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	- <sup>3</sup>	45	- <sup>3</sup>
	Evening	- <sup>3</sup>	41	- <sup>3</sup>
	Night	- <sup>3</sup>	41	- <sup>3</sup>
L 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	37	34	-3
	Evening	34	34	0
	Night	31	27	-4
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	40	45	5
	Evening	40	43	3
	Night	35	35	0

Note 1: 1. Periods are as detailed in the Industrial Noise Policy (INP) and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am pm Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: Rounded to the nearest whole dB.

Note 3: No data available or comparison cannot be made.

### 5.2.1.3 Coinciding Period last Year

**Table 14** presents the ambient LA90 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to those measured during the coinciding monitoring period last year.

**Table 14 LA90 Results Comparison – Coinciding Period Last Year**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA90 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>2</sup>
		December 2021	December 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	36	40	4
	Evening	37	40	3
	Night	35	39	3
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	43	43	0
	Evening	40	45	6
	Night	36	32	-4
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	39	59	20
	Evening	37	43	6
	Night	31	34	3
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	38	45	7
	Evening	38	41	3
	Night	40	41	1
L 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	32	34	2
	Evening	32	34	3
	Night	30	27	-3
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	– <sup>3</sup>	40	– <sup>3</sup>
	Evening	– <sup>3</sup>	40	– <sup>3</sup>
	Night	– <sup>3</sup>	35	– <sup>3</sup>

Note 1: Periods are as detailed in the Industrial Noise Policy (INP) and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: Rounded to the nearest whole dB.

Note 3: No data available or comparison cannot be made.

### 5.2.2 Ambient LA10 Noise Comparison

The long term ambient LA10 noise levels collected from each monitoring location are presented graphically in **Figure 4**, **Figure 5** and **Figure 6** for the daytime, evening and night-time respectively.

Figure 4 Long Term Daytime LA10 Noise Levels

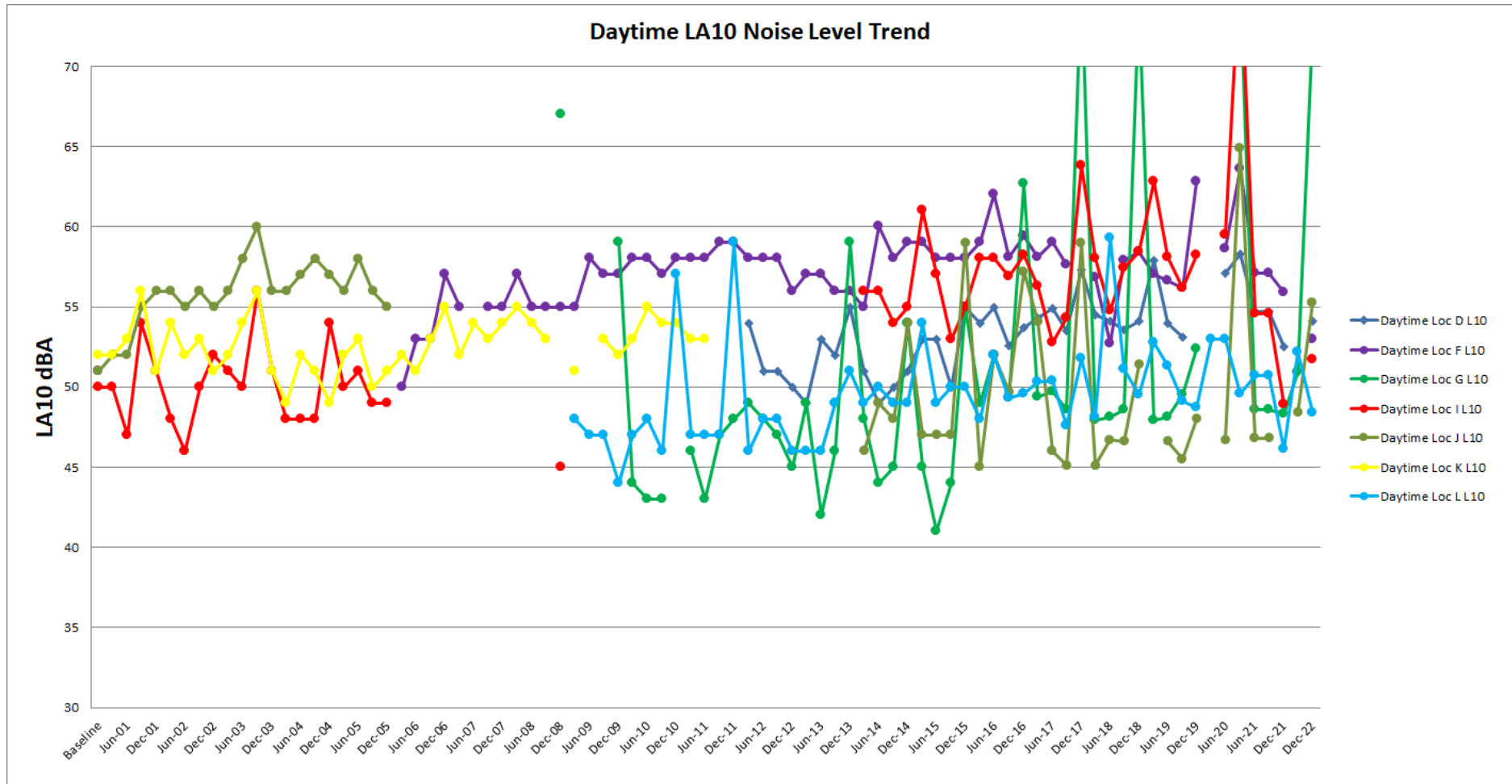




Figure 5 Long term Evening LA10 Noise Levels

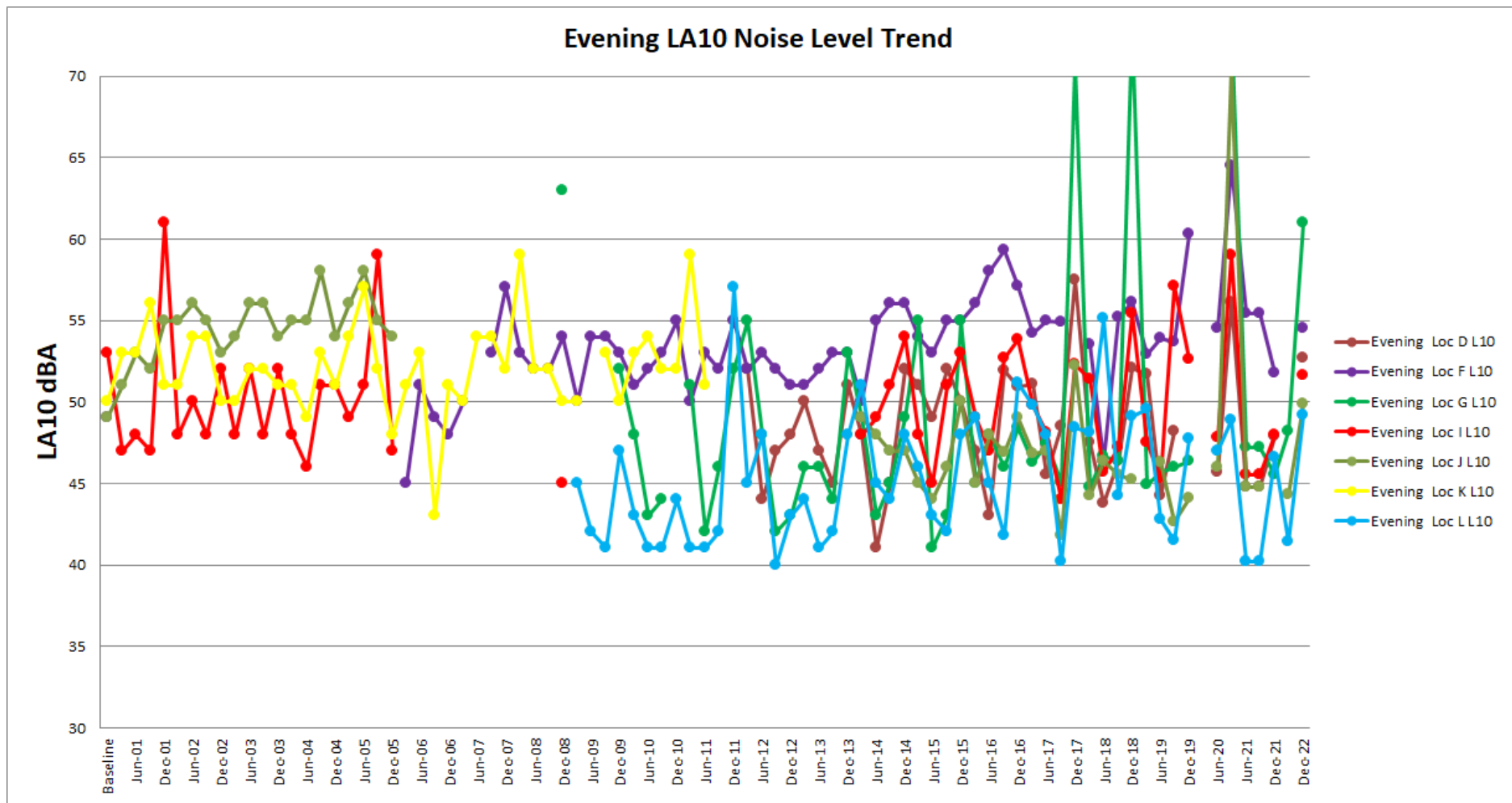
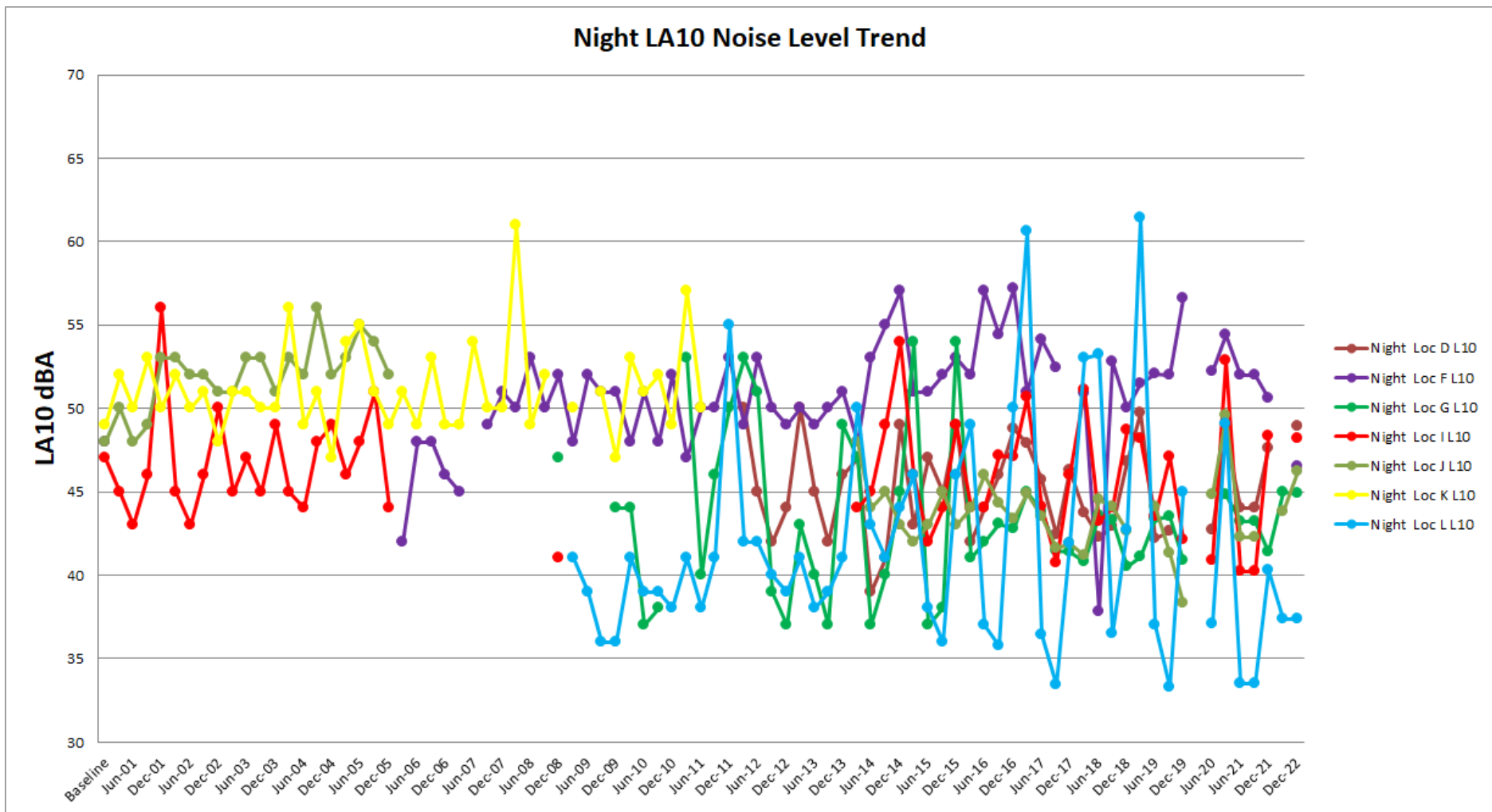


Figure 6 Long term Night LA10 Noise Levels



### 5.2.2.1 Baseline

**Table 15** presents the ambient LA10 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to the levels recorded during the baseline monitoring period.

**Table 15 LA10 Results Comparison – Baseline**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA10 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>3</sup>
		Baseline	December 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	54	N/A
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	53	N/A
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	49	N/A
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	51	53	2
	Evening	49	55	6
	Night	48	47	-2
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	73	N/A
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	61	N/A
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	45	N/A
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	50	52	2
	Evening	53	52	-1
	Night	47	48	1
L 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	N/A <sup>2</sup>	48	N/A
	Evening	N/A <sup>2</sup>	49	N/A
	Night	N/A <sup>2</sup>	37	N/A
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	51	55	4
	Evening	49	50	1
	Night	48	46	-2

Note 1: Periods are as detailed in the Industrial Noise Policy (INP) and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: No data was available during baseline measurements, no comparisons can be made.

Note 3: Difference rounded to the nearest whole dB.

### 5.2.2.2 Previous Half-year

**Table 16** presents the ambient LA10 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to those measured during the previous monitoring period.

**Table 16 LA10 Results Comparison – Previous Half-year**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA10 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>2</sup>
		June 2022	December 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	_3	54	_3
	Evening	_3	53	_3
	Night	_3	49	_3
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	_3	53	_3
	Evening	_3	55	_3
	Night	_3	47	_3
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	51	73	22
	Evening	48	61	13
	Night	45	45	0
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	_3	52	_3
	Evening	_3	52	_3
	Night	_3	48	_3
L 65 Tipperary Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	52	48	-4
	Evening	41	49	8
	Night	37	37	0
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	48	55	7
	Evening	44	50	6
	Night	44	46	2

Note 1: Periods are as detailed in the Industrial Noise Policy (INP) and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: Difference Rounded to the nearest whole dB.

Note 3: No data available or a comparison cannot be made.

### 5.2.2.3 Coinciding Period Last Year

**Table 17** presents the ambient LA10 noise levels recorded for the current monitoring period compared to those measured during the coinciding monitoring period last year.

**Table 17 LA10 Result Comparison – Coinciding Period Last Year**

Monitoring Location	Period <sup>1</sup>	Long term Night-time LA10 Noise Levels		Difference dB <sup>2</sup>
		June 2021	June 2022	
D Black Hill School, Black Hill	Day	53	54	2
	Evening	48	53	5
	Night	48	49	1
F Lot 684 Black Hill Road, Black Hill	Day	56	53	-3
	Evening	52	55	3
	Night	51	47	-4
G 156 Buchanan Road, Buchanan	Day	48	73	24
	Evening	46	61	16
	Night	41	45	4
I 49 Magnetic Drive, Ashtonfield	Day	49	52	3
	Evening	48	52	4
	Night	48	48	0
L 65 Tipperary Dr, Ashtonfield	Day	46	48	2
	Evening	47	49	3
	Night	40	37	-3
J 220 Parish Drive, Thornton	Day	– <sup>3</sup>	55	– <sup>3</sup>
	Evening	– <sup>3</sup>	50	– <sup>3</sup>
	Night	– <sup>3</sup>	46	– <sup>3</sup>

Note 1: Periods are as detailed in the Industrial Noise Policy (INP) and are Daytime - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday, 8.00 am to 6.00 pm Sunday; Evening - 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm; Night - 10.00 pm to 7.00 am Monday to Saturday, 10.00 pm to 8.00 am Sunday.

Note 2: Rounded to the nearest whole dB.

Note 3: No data available or a comparison cannot be made.

## 5.3 Rail Noise Monitoring

In order to determine compliance with the rail noise criteria, a noise logger was positioned at Location J. No rail movements were recorded over the noise monitoring period and as such noise levels from the Bloomfield Rail Spur were in compliance with the Abel Mine Project Approval during the noise monitoring period.

## 6 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Donaldson Coal Pty Ltd to conduct half-yearly noise monitoring surveys for Donaldson Coal Mine and Abel Coal Mine in accordance with the NMP, dated 3 June 2019.

Abel mine was placed in Care & Maintenance on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016 and there were no operations onsite, excluding that from the Bloomfield CHPP which operates under the Abel Coal Mine project consent conditions.

Operator-attended and unattended noise measurements were conducted for the December 2022 half at six focus locations surrounding the mine.

Results of the attended noise monitoring have indicated that compliance with the Abel Mine *Project Approval* was achieved at all locations.

A comparison of ambient LA10 and LA90 noise levels recorded during the current monitoring period (December 2022), the baseline monitoring period, the last monitoring period (June 2022), and the coinciding monitoring period from last year (December 2021) has been conducted.

Rail noise levels from the Bloomfield Rail Spur were considered to be in compliance with the Abel Mine Project Approval during the noise monitoring period.

# APPENDIX A

## Acoustic Terminology

### 1. Sound Level or Noise Level

The terms ‘sound’ and ‘noise’ are almost interchangeable, except that ‘noise’ often refers to unwanted sound.

Sound (or noise) consists of minute fluctuations in atmospheric pressure. The human ear responds to changes in sound pressure over a very wide range with the loudest sound pressure to which the human ear can respond being ten million times greater than the softest. The decibel (abbreviated as dB) scale reduces this ratio to a more manageable size by the use of logarithms.

The symbols SPL, L or LP are commonly used to represent Sound Pressure Level. The symbol LA represents A-weighted Sound Pressure Level. The standard reference unit for Sound Pressure Levels expressed in decibels is  $2 \times 10^{-5}$  Pa.

### 2. ‘A’ Weighted Sound Pressure Level

The overall level of a sound is usually expressed in terms of dBA, which is measured using a sound level meter with an ‘A-weighting’ filter. This is an electronic filter having a frequency response corresponding approximately to that of human hearing.

People’s hearing is most sensitive to sounds at mid frequencies (500 Hz to 4,000 Hz), and less sensitive at lower and higher frequencies. Different sources having the same dBA level generally sound about equally loud.

A change of 1 dB or 2 dB in the level of a sound is difficult for most people to detect, whilst a 3 dB to 5 dB change corresponds to a small but noticeable change in loudness. A 10 dB change corresponds to an approximate doubling or halving in loudness. The table below lists examples of typical noise levels.

Sound Pressure Level (dBA)	Typical Source	Subjective Evaluation
130	Threshold of pain	Intolerable
120	Heavy rock concert	Extremely noisy
110	Grinding on steel	
100	Loud car horn at 3 m	Very noisy
90	Construction site with pneumatic hammering	Loud
80	Kerbside of busy street	
70	Loud radio or television	Moderate to quiet
60	Department store	
50	General Office	Quiet to very quiet
40	Inside private office	
30	Inside bedroom	Almost silent
20	Recording studio	

Other weightings (eg B, C and D) are less commonly used than A-weighting. Sound Levels measured without any weighting are referred to as ‘linear’, and the units are expressed as dB(lin) or dB.

### 3. Sound Power Level

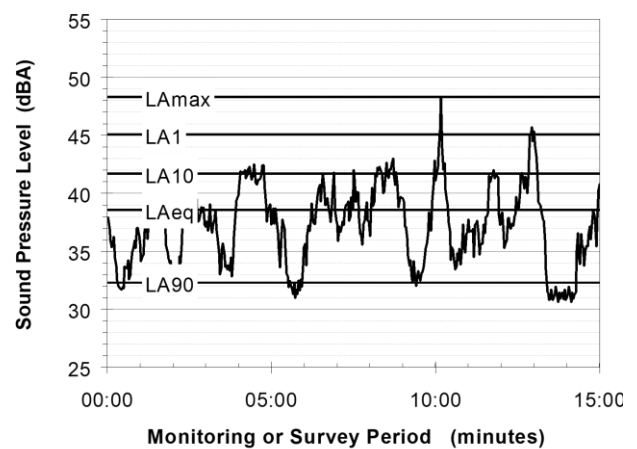
The Sound Power of a source is the rate at which it emits acoustic energy. As with Sound Pressure Levels, Sound Power Levels are expressed in decibel units (dB or dBA), but may be identified by the symbols SWL or LW, or by the reference unit  $10^{-12}$  W.

The relationship between Sound Power and Sound Pressure is similar to the effect of an electric radiator, which is characterised by a power rating but has an effect on the surrounding environment that can be measured in terms of a different parameter, temperature.

### 4. Statistical Noise Levels

Sounds that vary in level over time, such as road traffic noise and most community noise, are commonly described in terms of the statistical exceedance levels LAN, where LAN is the A-weighted sound pressure level exceeded for N% of a given measurement period. For example, the LA1 is the noise level exceeded for 1% of the time, LA10 the noise exceeded for 10% of the time, and so on.

The following figure presents a hypothetical 15 minute noise survey, illustrating various common statistical indices of interest.



Of particular relevance, are:

- LA1 The noise level exceeded for 1% of the 15 minute interval.
- LA10 The noise level exceeded for 10% of the 15 minute interval. This is commonly referred to as the average maximum noise level.
- LA90 The noise level exceeded for 90% of the sample period. This noise level is described as the average minimum background sound level (in the absence of the source under consideration), or simply the background level.
- LAeq The A-weighted equivalent noise level (basically, the average noise level). It is defined as the steady sound level that contains the same amount of acoustical energy as the corresponding time-varying sound.

### 5. Frequency Analysis

Frequency analysis is the process used to examine the tones (or frequency components) which make up the overall noise or vibration signal.

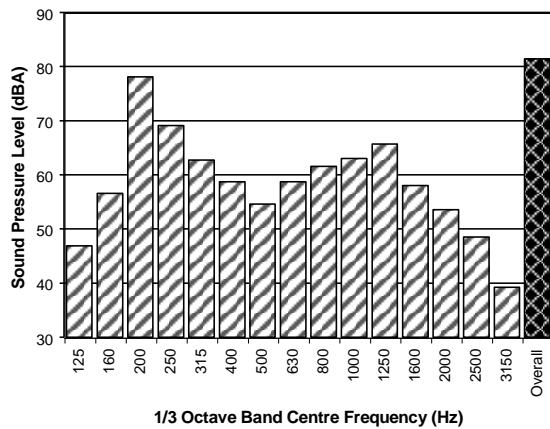
The units for frequency are Hertz (Hz), which represent the number of cycles per second.

Frequency analysis can be in:

- Octave bands (where the centre frequency and width of each band is double the previous band)
- 1/3 octave bands (three bands in each octave band)
- Narrow band (where the spectrum is divided into 400 or more bands of equal width)



The following figure shows a 1/3 octave band frequency analysis where the noise is dominated by the 200 Hz band. Note that the indicated level of each individual band is less than the overall level, which is the logarithmic sum of the bands.



### 6. Annoying Noise (Special Audible Characteristics)

A louder noise will generally be more annoying to nearby receivers than a quieter one. However, noise is often also found to be more annoying and result in larger impacts where the following characteristics are apparent:

- **Tonality** - tonal noise contains one or more prominent tones (ie differences in distinct frequency components between adjoining octave or 1/3 octave bands), and is normally regarded as more annoying than 'broad band' noise.
- **Impulsiveness** - an impulsive noise is characterised by one or more short sharp peaks in the time domain, such as occurs during hammering.
- **Intermittency** - intermittent noise varies in level with the change in level being clearly audible. An example would include mechanical plant cycling on and off.
- **Low Frequency Noise** - low frequency noise contains significant energy in the lower frequency bands, which are typically taken to be in the 10 to 160 Hz region.

### 7. Vibration

Vibration may be defined as cyclic or transient motion. This motion can be measured in terms of its displacement, velocity or acceleration. Most assessments of human response to vibration or the risk of damage to buildings use measurements of vibration velocity. These may be expressed in terms of 'peak' velocity or 'rms' velocity.

The former is the maximum instantaneous velocity, without any averaging, and is sometimes referred to as 'peak particle velocity', or PPV. The latter incorporates 'root mean squared' averaging over some defined time period.

Vibration measurements may be carried out in a single axis or alternatively as triaxial measurements (ie vertical, longitudinal and transverse).

The common units for velocity are millimetres per second (mm/s). As with noise, decibel units can also be used, in which case the reference level should always be stated. A vibration level  $V$ , expressed in mm/s can be converted to decibels by the formula  $20 \log (V/V_0)$ , where  $V_0$  is the reference level ( $10^{-9}$  m/s). Care is required in this regard, as other reference levels may be used.

### 8. Human Perception of Vibration

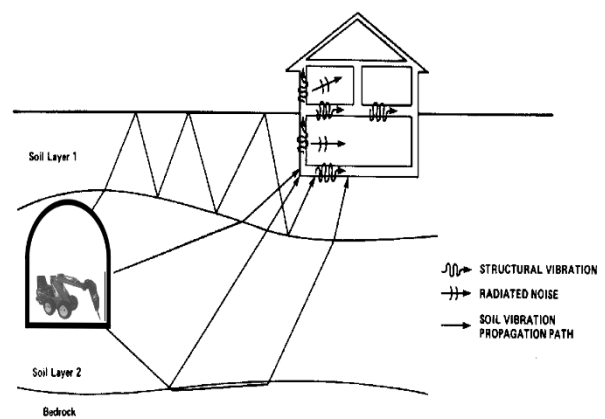
People are able to 'feel' vibration at levels lower than those required to cause even superficial damage to the most susceptible classes of building (even though they may not be disturbed by the motion). An individual's perception of motion or response to vibration depends very strongly on previous experience and expectations, and on other connotations associated with the perceived source of the vibration. For example, the vibration that a person responds to as 'normal' in a car, bus or train is considerably higher than what is perceived as 'normal' in a shop, office or dwelling.

### 9. Ground-borne Noise, Structure-borne Noise and Regenerated Noise

Noise that propagates through a structure as vibration and is radiated by vibrating wall and floor surfaces is termed 'structure-borne noise', 'ground-borne noise' or 'regenerated noise'. This noise originates as vibration and propagates between the source and receiver through the ground and/or building structural elements, rather than through the air.

Typical sources of ground-borne or structure-borne noise include tunnelling works, underground railways, excavation plant (eg rockbreakers), and building services plant (eg fans, compressors and generators).

The following figure presents an example of the various paths by which vibration and ground-borne noise may be transmitted between a source and receiver for construction activities occurring within a tunnel.

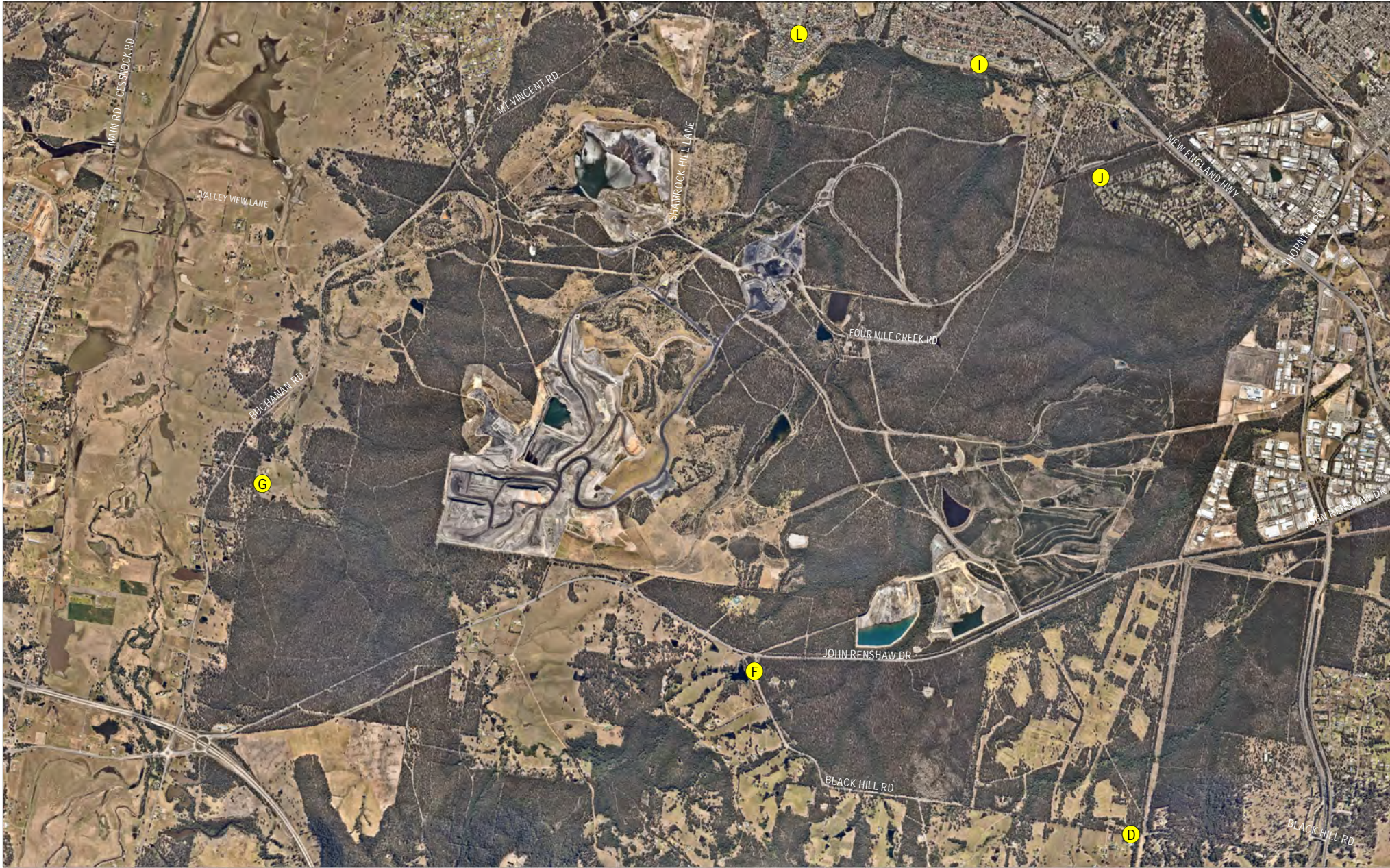


The term 'regenerated noise' is also used in other instances where energy is converted to noise away from the primary source. One example would be a fan blowing air through a discharge grill. The fan is the energy source and primary noise source. Additional noise may be created by the aerodynamic effect of the discharge grill in the airstream. This secondary noise is referred to as regenerated noise.

# APPENDIX B

## Noise Monitoring Locations





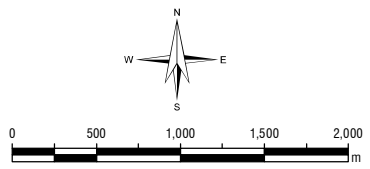
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# APPENDIX C

## Calibration Certificates

# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE No: **SLM33967**

EQUIPMENT TESTED: Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer: Svantek

Type No: SVAN-957

Serial No: 27578

Mic. Type: 7052H

Serial No: 43256

Pre-Amp. Type: SV12L

Serial No: 22202

Filter Type: 1/1 Octave

Test No: F033971

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
120 High Street  
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Tests Performed: IEC 61672-3:2013 & IEC 61260-3:2016

Comments: All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)

## CONDITIONS OF TEST:

Ambient Pressure 1012 hPa  $\pm 1$  hPa

Date of Receipt : 10/10/2022

Temperature 21  $^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$

Date of Calibration : 11/10/2022

Relative Humidity 57 %  $\pm 5\%$

Date of Issue : 11/10/2022

Acu-Vib Test Procedure: AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

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Tests Performed:	Clause	Result
<i>Absolute Calibration</i>	10	Pass
<i>Acoustical Frequency Weighting</i>	12	Pass
<i>Self-Generated Noise</i>	11.1	Observed
<i>Electrical Noise</i>	11.2	Observed
<i>Long Term Stability</i>	15	Pass
<i>Electrical Frequency Weightings</i>	13	Pass
<i>Frequency and Time Weightings</i>	14	Pass
<i>Reference Level Linearity</i>	16	Pass
<i>Range Level Linearity</i>	17	Pass
<i>Toneburst</i>	18	Pass
<i>Peak C Sound Level</i>	19	Pass
<i>Overload Indicator</i>	20	Pass
<i>High Level Stability</i>	21	Pass

**Statement of Compliance:** The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. As public evidence was available, from an independent organization responsible for approving the results of pattern evaluation tests performed in accordance with IEC 61672-2:2013, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013, the sound level meter submitted for testing conforms to the class 1 requirements of IEC61672-1:2013.

This Sound Level Meter included an Octave Filter Set. Tests were based on IEC 61260-3:2016 and were conducted to test the following performance characteristics:

Tests performed	Clause	Result
<i>Test of relative attenuation at filter midband frequency</i>	10	Pass
<i>Linear operating range including range control if fitted</i>	11	Pass
<i>Test of lower limit of linear operating range</i>	12	Pass
<i>Measurement of relative attenuation (filter shape)</i>	13	Pass

The filter submitted for testing successfully completed the tests listed above for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. If the filter type has successfully completed the pattern-evaluation tests of IEC 61260-2 then it can be stated that the filter set continues to conform to the specifications of IEC 61260-1.

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# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE No: **SLM32069**

**EQUIPMENT TESTED:** Sound & Vibration Analyser

**Manufacturer:** Svantek  
**Type No:** Svan-957      **Serial No:** 23247  
**Mic. Type:** 7052E      **Serial No:** 71084  
**Pre-Amp. Type:** SV12L      **Serial No:** 73599  
**Filter Type:** 1/3 Octave      **Test No:** F032070  
**Owner:** SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
120 High Street  
North Sydney, NSW 2060

**Tests Performed:** IEC 61672-3:2013 & IEC 61260-3:2016

**Comments:** All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)

**CONDITIONS OF TEST:**

<b>Ambient Pressure</b>	1004 hPa $\pm 1$ hPa	<b>Date of Receipt :</b>	16/03/2022
<b>Temperature</b>	25 °C $\pm 1^\circ$ C	<b>Date of Calibration :</b>	17/03/2022
<b>Relative Humidity</b>	58 % $\pm 5\%$	<b>Date of Issue :</b>	23/03/2022

**Acu-Vib Test Procedure:** AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

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The performance characteristics listed below were tested. The tests are based on the relevant clauses of IEC 61672-3:2013

<b>Tests Performed:</b>	<i>Clause</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>Absolute Calibration</i>	10	Pass
<i>Acoustical Frequency Weighting</i>	12	Pass
<i>Self-Generated Noise</i>	11.1	Observed
<i>Electrical Noise</i>	11.2	Observed
<i>Long Term Stability</i>	15	Pass
<i>Electrical Frequency Weightings</i>	13	Pass
<i>Frequency and Time Weightings</i>	14	Pass
<i>Reference Level Linearity</i>	16	Pass
<i>Range Level Linearity</i>	17	Pass
<i>Toneburst</i>	18	Pass
<i>Peak C Sound Level</i>	19	Pass
<i>Overload Indicator</i>	20	Pass
<i>High Level Stability</i>	21	Pass

**Statement of Compliance:** 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 evidence was not publically available, from an independent testing organization responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the class 1 specifications in IEC 61672-1:-2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:-2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:-2013.

**This Sound Level Meter included an Octave Filter Set. Tests were based on IEC 61260-3:2016 and were conducted to test the following performance characteristics:**

<b>Tests performed</b>	<i>Clause</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>Test of relative attenuation at filter midband frequency</i>	10	Pass
<i>Linear operating range including range control if fitted</i>	11	Pass
<i>Test of lower limit of linear operating range</i>	12	Pass
<i>Measurement of relative attenuation (filter shape)</i>	13	Pass

The filter submitted for testing successfully completed the tests listed above for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. If the filter type has successfully completed the pattern-evaluation tests of IEC 61260-2 then it can be stated that the filter set continues to conform to the specifications of IEC 61260-1.

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# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE NO: **SLM 29699**

EQUIPMENT TESTED: Sound & Vibration Analyser

**Manufacturer:** Svantek  
**Type No:** Svan-957                      **Serial No:** 20668  
**Mic. Type:** 7052H                      **Serial No:** 43017  
**Pre-Amp. Type:** SV12L                      **Serial No:** 22153  
**Filter Type:** 1/3 Octave                      **Test No:** FILT 6485

**Owner:** SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
120 High Street  
North Sydney, NSW 2060

**Tests Performed:** IEC 61672-3:2013,  
IEC 1260:1995, & AS/NZS 4476:1997  
**Comments:** All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)

**CONDITIONS OF TEST:**

<b>Ambient Pressure</b>	997 hPa $\pm 1$ hPa	<b>Date of Receipt :</b>	02/06/2021
<b>Temperature</b>	21 $^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$	<b>Date of Calibration :</b>	04/06/2021
<b>Relative Humidity</b>	48 % $\pm 5\%$	<b>Date of Issue :</b>	07/06/2021

**Acu-Vib Test Procedure:** AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

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<b>Tests Performed:</b>	<b>Clause</b>	<b>Result</b>
<i>Absolute Calibration</i>	10	Pass
<i>Acoustical Frequency Weighting</i>	12	Pass
<i>Self-Generated Noise</i>	11.1	Observed
<i>Electrical Noise</i>	11.2	Observed
<i>Long Term Stability</i>	15	Pass
<i>Electrical Frequency Weightings</i>	13	Pass
<i>Frequency and Time Weightings</i>	14	Pass
<i>Reference Level Linearity</i>	16	Pass
<i>Range Level Linearity</i>	17	Pass
<i>Toneburst</i>	18	Pass
<i>Peak C Sound Level</i>	19	Pass
<i>Overload Indicator</i>	20	Pass
<i>High Level Stability</i>	21	Pass

**Statement of Compliance:** The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. As public evidence was available, from an independent organization responsible for approving the results of pattern evaluation tests performed in accordance with IEC 61672-2:2013, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013, the sound level meter submitted for testing conforms to the class 1 requirements of IEC61672-1:2013.

**This Sound Level Meter included an Octave Filter Set. Tests were based on IEC 1260: 1995 and AS/NZS 4476 - 1997 and were conducted to test the following performance characteristics:**

1. Relative attenuation clause 5.3

**A full technical report is available on request.**



# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE No.: **SLM 28944**

**Equipment Description:** Sound & Vibration Analyser

**Manufacturer:** Svantek

**Model No:** Svan-957      **Serial No:** 20644

**Microphone Type:** 7052E      **Serial No:** 61421

**Preamplifier Type:** SV12L      **Serial No:** 19758

**Filter Type:** 1/3 Octave      **Test No:** FILT 6284

**Comments:** All tests passed for class 1.  
(See over for details)

**Owner:** SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
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**Ambient Pressure:** 1000 hPa  $\pm$ 1.5 hPa

**Temperature:** 25 °C  $\pm$ 2° C      **Relative Humidity:** 46%  $\pm$ 5%

**Date of Calibration:** 04/03/2021      **Issue Date:** 04/03/2021

**Acu-Vib Test Procedure:** AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

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<b>Tests Performed:</b>	<i>Clause</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>Absolute Calibration</i>	10	Pass
<i>Acoustical Frequency Weighting</i>	12	Pass
<i>Self Generated Noise</i>	11.1	Observed
<i>Electrical Noise</i>	11.2	Observed
<i>Long Term Stability</i>	15	Pass
<i>Electrical Frequency Weightings</i>	13	Pass
<i>Frequency and Time Weightings</i>	14	Pass
<i>Reference Level Linearity</i>	16	Pass
<i>Range Level Linearity</i>	17	Pass
<i>Toneburst</i>	18	Pass
<i>Peak C Sound Level</i>	19	Pass
<i>Overload Indicator</i>	20	Pass
<i>High Level Stability</i>	21	Pass

**Statement of Compliance:** The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. As public evidence was available, from an independent organization responsible for approving the results of pattern evaluation tests performed in accordance with IEC 61672-2:2013, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013, the sound level meter submitted for testing conforms to the class 1 requirements of IEC61672-1:2013.

**This Sound Level Meter included an Octave Filter Set. Tests were based on IEC 1260: 1995 and AS/NZS 4476 - 1997 and were conducted to test the following performance characteristics:**

1. Relative attenuation clause 5.3

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**Sound Level Meter  
IEC 61672-3:2013**

**Calibration Certificate**

Calibration Number C21184

<b>Client Details</b>	SLR Consulting Pty Ltd Level 11, 176 Wellington Parade East Melbourne VIC 3002
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<b>Equipment Tested/ Model Number :</b>	ARL Ngara
<b>Instrument Serial Number :</b>	878202
<b>Microphone Serial Number :</b>	322453
<b>Pre-amplifier Serial Number :</b>	28495

<b>Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>	<b>Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>
<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.2°C	<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.1°C
<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 50.3%	<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 50%
<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.45kPa	<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.43kPa

<b>Calibration Technician :</b> Lucky Jaiswal	<b>Secondary Check:</b> Max Moore
<b>Calibration Date :</b> 1 Apr 2021	<b>Report Issue Date :</b> 1 Apr 2021

**Approved Signatory :**

Ken Williams

Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result	Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result
12: Acoustical Sig. tests of a frequency weighting	Pass	17: Level linearity incl. the level range control	Pass
13: Electrical Sig. tests of frequency weightings	Pass	18: Toneburst response	Pass
14: Frequency and time weightings at 1 kHz	Pass	19: C Weighted Peak Sound Level	N/A
15: Long Term Stability	Pass	20: Overload Indication	Pass
16: Level linearity on the reference level range	Pass	21: High Level Stability	Pass

The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 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 requirements of IEC 61672-1:2013 because evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organisation responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.

Least Uncertainties of Measurement -			
Acoustic Tests		Environmental Conditions	
125Hz	±0.12dB	Temperature	±0.2°C
1kHz	±0.11dB	Relative Humidity	±2.4%
8kHz	±0.13dB	Barometric Pressure	±0.015kPa
Electrical Tests	±0.10dB		

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<b>Equipment Tested/ Model Number :</b>	ARL Ngara
<b>Instrument Serial Number :</b>	878202
<b>Microphone Serial Number :</b>	322453
<b>Pre-amplifier Serial Number :</b>	28495
<b>Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>	<b>Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>
<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.2°C	<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.1°C
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<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.45kPa	<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.43kPa
<b>Calibration Technician :</b> Lucky Jaiswal	<b>Secondary Check:</b> Max Moore
<b>Calibration Date :</b> 1 Apr 2021	<b>Report Issue Date :</b> 1 Apr 2021

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Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result	Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result
12: Acoustical Sig. tests of a frequency weighting	Pass	17: Level linearity incl. the level range control	Pass
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14: Frequency and time weightings at 1 kHz	Pass	19: C Weighted Peak Sound Level	N/A
15: Long Term Stability	Pass	20: Overload Indication	Pass
16: Level linearity on the reference level range	Pass	21: High Level Stability	Pass

The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 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 requirements of IEC 61672-1:2013 because evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organisation responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.

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125Hz	±0.12dB	Temperature	±0.2°C
1kHz	±0.11dB	Relative Humidity	±2.4%
8kHz	±0.13dB	Barometric Pressure	±0.015 kPa
Electrical Tests	±0.10dB		

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## 1. OVERVIEW

This report presents the calibration test results of a ARL Ngara Sound Level Meter, and associated equipment. Calibration is carried out in accordance with *IEC 61672-3.2013, Electroacoustics - Sound Level Meters - Part 3: Periodic Tests*.

Relevant clauses from this standard have been used for periodic testing in conjunction with Acoustic Research Labs internal test methods described in Section 2 of the calibration work instruction manual.

### 1.1 UNCERTAINTIES

For each test performed, the associated measurement uncertainties are derived at the 95% confidence level and are given with a coverage factor of 2.

The uncertainty applies at the time of measurement only, and takes no account of any drift or other effects that may apply afterwards. When estimating uncertainty at any later time, other relevant information should also be considered, including, where possible, the history of the performance of the instrument and the manufacturer's specifications.

### 1.2 DOCUMENT CONVENTIONS

Test results which highlight non-conformances relative to the standard, and the sound level meter type specified by the manufacturer have been marked with an **F** in the respective tests.

Any tests that are not required, due to sound level meter configuration, are marked N/A.

## 2. GENERAL

### 2.1 ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS DURING TEST

No corrections have been applied to any results obtained to compensate for the environmental conditions.

### 2.2 CALIBRATION TESTS

Where applicable the following tests were performed in accordance with the requirements of *IEC 61672-3:2013*. These clauses are used to define the periodic testing of Sound Level Meters.

Clause 10	Indication at the Calibration Check Frequency
Clause 11	Self Generated Noise
Clause 12	Acoustical Signal Tests of Frequency Weighting
Clause 13	Electrical Signal Tests of Frequency Weightings
Clause 14	Frequency and Time Weightings at 1kHz
Clause 15	Long Term Stability
Clause 16	Level Linearity on the Reference Level Range
Clause 17	Level Linearity including the level range control
Clause 18	Toneburst Response
Clause 19	Peak C Sound Level
Clause 20	Overload Indication
Clause 21	High Level Stability

### 2.3 TEST EQUIPMENT USED

All test equipment used during periodic testing are calibrated every 12months by an accredited laboratory, traceable to SI units.

The performance of all equipment during these calibrations and the effects of instrument stability are used to determine the measurement uncertainty of each reported result.

#### 2.3.1 Multi-function Acoustic Calibrator

A Bruel & Kjaer 4226 Multi-function calibrator (S/N - 2985012) was used for frequency response testing of the entire instrument (including microphone). This instrument was used as a reference calibrator and for frequency response verification.

#### 2.3.2 Microphone Electrical Equivalent Circuit

Calibration of most instrument parameters is carried out using electrical signals fed to the unit via a two-port electrical equivalent circuit of the microphone.

A 12pF capacitance dummy microphone was used during testing.

### **2.3.3 Adjustable Attenuator**

A means for varying the attenuation of electrical signals via the dummy microphone was provided by a JFW Industries dual rotary attenuator (S/N - 761637). The attenuator is switchable in 1dB steps between 0dB and 60dB.

### **2.3.4 Arbitrary Function Generator**

A Hewlett Packard 33120A (S/N - US36047448) was used to generate the required electrical signals.

### **2.3.5 Environmental Monitoring**

A MHB-382SD (S/N – AG44204) was used for measuring environmental conditions during device calibration. It is capable of providing temperature, relative humidity and pressure measurements.

### 3. CALIBRATION TEST RESULTS

#### 3.1 INDICATION AT THE CALIBRATION CHECK FREQUENCY

The indication of the sound level meter at the calibration check frequency was checked by application of an acoustic signal at the reference sound pressure level and frequency.

Stated reference conditions as found in manual are

Reference Level : 94.0 dB

Reference Frequency : 1000.0 Hz

Indications before and after adjustments were recorded and are shown in Table 1 (all measurements in dB) -

**Table 1 - Check Frequency Calibration Results**

Frequency Weighting	Initial Response	B&K 4226 Corrected	FreeField Corrected	Final Corrected Response
A	94.00	94.05	94.03	94.00
C	93.94	94.01	93.98	93.95
Z	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Free field adjustment data as provided by the manufacturer. Windscreen correction factors applied.

#### 3.2 SELF GENERATED NOISE

##### 3.2.1 Microphone Installed

Self generated noise was measured with the microphone installed on the sound level meter, in the configuration submitted for periodic testing. The sound level meter was set to the most-sensitive level range and with frequency weighting A selected.

Ten (10) time weighted observations were made over a period of 60 seconds.

**Random Readings dB(A)**

19.40	19.40	19.50	19.60	19.50
19.30	19.50	19.60	19.70	19.50

Acoustic Noise Floor : 19.5 dB(A)

### 3.2.2 Electrical Input Signal Device

With the microphone replaced by the electrical input signal device and terminated as specified, the sound level meter was set to the most-sensitive level range and with frequency weightings Z, C and A selected as provided.

Ten (10) time weighted observations were made over a period of 60 seconds.

#### Random Readings dB(A)

17.30	17.50	17.40	17.50	17.50
17.40	17.20	17.20	17.40	17.60

#### Random Readings dB(C)

19.30	19.40	19.50	19.50	19.60
19.20	19.40	19.60	19.40	19.70

#### Random Readings dB(Z)

N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Electric Noise Floor :

dB(A)	dB(C)	dB(Z)
17.4	19.5	N/A

### 3.3 ACOUSTICAL SIGNAL TESTS OF A FREQUENCY WEIGHTING

The sound level meter was set to measure frequency weighting C with a FAST response. The test was carried out using a multi-function acoustic calibrator set to pressure mode.

Three (3) readings were made at each test frequency. The average of the readings was then corrected to the multi-function acoustic calibrator.

**Table 2 - Frequency Weighting C Response**

Freq Hz	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3	U95
125	93.9	93.9	93.9	0.12
1 000	94.0	94.0	94.0	0.11
8 000	88.4	88.4	88.4	0.13

Actual Freq Hz	B&K 4226 Corrections	Corrected Response dB(C)		Uexp
		Actual	re 1kHz	
125.90	-0.03	93.87	-0.08	0.12
1005.10	-0.05	93.95	0.00	0.11
7915.10	-0.03	88.32	-5.63	0.13

Adjustments were then applied to correct for free field and sound level meter body effects with data supplied by the manufacturer as per Table 3. Windscreen correction factors applied.

**Table 3 - Correction Data**

Actual Freq Hz	FreeField Corrections	U95	BodyEffects Corrections	U95	Windscreen Corrections	U95
125.90	-0.11	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.000	0.250
1005.10	0.02	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.000	0.250
7915.10	2.74	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.100	0.350

Finally, the corrected responses are normalised to the response at 1kHz and compared to the tolerances stated in Table 2 of IEC 61672.1-2013.

**Table 4 - Acoustic C Response**

Actual Freq (Hz)	Corrected Response dB(C)		Expected Response dB(C)		Deviation	P/F	Uexp
	Actual	re 1kHz	re 1kHz	Tolerance			
125.90	93.76	-0.21	-0.2	±1.0	-0.01	P	0.38
1005.10	93.97	0.00	0.0	±0.7	0.00	P	0.37
7915.10	91.16	-2.81	-3.0	+1.5 / -2.5	0.19	P	0.52

### 3.4 ELECTRICAL SIGNAL TESTS OF FREQUENCY WEIGHTINGS

Frequency weighting responses for Z, C and A were determined relative to the response at 1kHz using steady sinusoidal electrical input signals.

On the reference level range, and for each frequency weighting under test, the level of a 1kHz input signal was adjusted to yield 75dB. At test frequencies other than 1kHz, the input signal level was adjusted to compensate for the design goal attenuations as specified in Table 2 of IEC 61672.1-2013.

**Table 5 - Measured Electrical Frequency Response**

Freq Hz	A Weighting (dB)	C Weighting (dB)	Z Weighting (dB)	U95
63	74.8	74.8	N/A	0.10
125	74.9	75.0	N/A	0.10
250	74.9	75.0	N/A	0.10
500	75.0	75.0	N/A	0.10
1 000	75.0	75.0	N/A	0.10
2 000	75.0	75.1	N/A	0.10
4 000	75.0	75.0	N/A	0.10
8 000	74.9	74.9	N/A	0.10
15 850	72.3	72.2	N/A	0.10

Adjustments were then applied to correct for a uniform free field response and sound level meter body effects with data supplied by the manufacturer as per Table 6. Windscreen correction factors applied.

**Table 6 - Correction Data**

Freq Hz	Ufreq		Body Effects		WS Effects	
	U95	U95	U95	U95	U95	U95
63	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
125	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
250	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
500	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
1 000	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
2 000	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
4 000	0.100	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.100	0.250
8 000	0.100	0.350	0.000	0.000	0.100	0.350
15 850	0.800	0.450	0.000	0.000	0.800	0.450

Finally, the corrected responses were referenced to the response at 1kHz and compared to the tolerances stated in Table 2 of IEC 61672.1-2013.

**Table 7 - A Weighted Electrical Response**

Freq Hz	Response		Tolerance (dB)	P/F	Uexp
	Corrected	re 1kHz			
63	74.80	-0.20	±1.0	P	0.37
125	74.90	-0.10	±1.0	P	0.37
250	74.90	-0.10	±1.0	P	0.37
500	75.00	0.00	±1.0	P	0.37
1 000	75.00	0.00	±0.7	P	0.37
2 000	75.00	0.00	±1.0	P	0.37
4 000	75.20	0.20	±1.0	P	0.37
8 000	75.10	0.10	+1.5 / -2.5	P	0.51
15 850	73.90	-1.10	+2.5 / -16	P	0.65

**Table 8 - C Weighted Electrical Response**

Freq Hz	Response		Tolerance (dB)	P/F	Uexp
	Corrected	re 1kHz			
63	74.80	-0.20	±1.0	P	0.37
125	75.00	0.00	±1.0	P	0.37
250	75.00	0.00	±1.0	P	0.37
500	75.00	0.00	±1.0	P	0.37
1 000	75.00	0.00	±0.7	P	0.37
2 000	75.10	0.10	±1.0	P	0.37
4 000	75.20	0.20	±1.0	P	0.37
8 000	75.10	0.10	+1.5 / -2.5	P	0.51
15 850	73.80	-1.20	+2.5 / -16	P	0.65

**Table 9 - Z Weighted Electrical Response**

Freq Hz	Response		Tolerance (dB)	P/F	Uexp
	Corrected	re 1kHz			
63	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
125	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
250	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
500	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
1 000	N/A	N/A	±0.7	N/A	0.37
2 000	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
4 000	N/A	N/A	±1.0	N/A	0.37
8 000	N/A	N/A	+1.5 / -2.5	N/A	0.51
15 850	N/A	N/A	+2.5 / -16	N/A	0.65



### 3.5 FREQUENCY AND TIME WEIGHTINGS AT 1KHZ

A steady sinusoidal electrical input signal of 1kHz at the reference sound pressure level was applied to the reference level range.

The deviations of the indicated level of C and Z frequency weightings were recorded, along with the deviations of the indication of A weighted time averaged, and SLOW weighted response.

**Table 10 - Frequency and Time Weighting Results**

Frequency Weighting	Time Weighting	Response (dB)	Deviation (dB)	P/F	Tolerance (dB)	U95
A	Fast	94.0	0.0	P	±0.2	0.10
	Leq	94.0	0.0	P	±0.2	0.10
	Slow	94.0	0.0	P	±0.2	0.10
C	Fast	94.0	0.0	P	±0.2	0.10
Z	Fast	N/A	N/A	N/A	±0.2	0.10

### 3.6 LONG-TERM STABILITY

Long-term stability was tested by comparing a steady sinusoidal electrical signal applied at the start, and at the end of testing. The applied signal level was set to the reference level and frequency and was maintained constant. The difference between the indicated levels was recorded.

**Table 11 - Frequency and Time Weighting Results**

Signal Level (mV)	Initial Response (dB)	Final Response (dB)	Deviation (dB)	P/F	Tolerance (dB)	U95
62.9	94	94.0	0.0	P	±0.1	0.10

### 3.7 LEVEL LINEARITY ON THE REFERENCE LEVEL RANGE

Level linearity was tested with a steady sinusoidal electrical signal at a frequency of 8kHz, with the meter set to display frequency weighted A, FAST response.

The starting point for level linearity testing was set to 94.0dB as stated in the instruction manual.

Level linearity was measured in 5dB steps of increasing input signal level from the starting point up to within 5dB of the stated upper limit, then at 1dB steps up to (but not including) the first indication of overload.

**Table 12 - Level Linearity - Increasing**

<b>Ideal (dB)</b>	<b>Response (dB)</b>	<b>Deviation (dB)</b>	<b>Tolerance (dB)</b>	<b>P/F</b>	<b>U95</b>
94.0	94.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
99.0	99.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
104.0	104.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
109.0	109.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
114.0	114.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
115.0	115.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
116.0	116.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
117.0	117.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
118.0	118.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
119.0	118.9	-0.1	±0.8	P	0.1
120.0	119.9	-0.1	±0.8	P	0.1
121.0	120.9	-0.1	±0.8	P	0.1
122.0	121.8	-0.2	±0.8	P	0.1

Overload indication at 123.0dB.

Level linearity test was the continued in 5dB steps of decreasing input signal level from the starting point up to within 5dB of the stated lower limit, then at 1dB steps up to (but not including) the first indication of under range.

**Table 13 - Level Linearity - Decreasing**

<b>Ideal (dB)</b>	<b>Response (dB)</b>	<b>Deviation (dB)</b>	<b>Tolerance (dB)</b>	<b>P/F</b>	<b>U95</b>
94.0	94.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
89.0	89.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
84.0	84.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
79.0	79.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
74.0	74.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
69.0	69.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
64.0	64.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
59.0	59.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
54.0	54.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
49.0	49.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
44.0	44.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
39.0	39.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
34.0	34.0	0.0	±0.8	P	0.1
30.0	30.2	0.2	±0.8	P	0.1
29.0	29.3	0.3	±0.8	P	0.1
28.0	28.3	0.3	±0.8	P	0.1
27.0	27.4	0.4	±0.8	P	0.1
26.0	26.6	0.6	±0.8	P	0.1
25.0	25.7	0.7	±0.8	P	0.1

No under range indicated.

### 3.8 TONEBURST RESPONSE

The response of the sound level meter to short-duration signals was tested on the reference range with 4kHz tone bursts.

The tone bursts were generated from a steady sinusoidal signal at a level of 117.0dB.

**Table 14 - FAST Weighted Response**

Burst Length	Response dB(A)	Deviation (dB)	Tolerance (dB)	P/F	U95
200ms	116.0	0.0	±0.5	P	0.1
2ms	99.0	0.0	+1.0 / -1.5	P	0.1
0.25ms	89.9	-0.1	+1.0 / -3	P	0.1

**Table 15 - SLOW Weighted Response**

Burst Length	Response dB(A)	Deviation (dB)	Tolerance (dB)	P/F	U95
200ms	109.6	0.0	±0.5	P	0.1
2ms	90.0	0.0	+1.0 / -3	P	0.1

**Table 16 - Sound Exposure Level Response**

Burst Length	Response dB(A)	Deviation (dB)	Tolerance (dB)	P/F	U95
200ms	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2ms	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
0.25ms	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### 3.9 PEAK C RESPONSE

Indication of Peak C sound level was tested on the least sensitive level range. Test signals used were -

- A single complete cycle of an 8kHz sinusoid, starting and stopping at zero crossings
- Positive and negative half cycles of a 500Hz sinusoid, starting and stopping at zero crossings.

The level of the steady 8kHz sinusoid was adjusted to display dB(C).

### 3.10 OVERLOAD INDICATION

The overload indication was tested on the least sensitive level range, with the sound level meter set to display frequency weighted A, time averaged values.

Positive and negative half cycle sinusoidal electrical signals at 4kHz were used. The test began at an indicated time averaged level of 119.0dB(A).

Using the positive half cycle signal, the signal level was increased in steps of 0.5dB up to, but not including, the first indication of overload. The level of the input signal was then increased in steps of 0.1dB until the first indication of overload. These steps were repeated using the negative half cycle signal.

**Table 17 - Overload Indication**

Signal Orientation	Overload Response	Difference	Tolerance	P/F	Uncertainty
Positive	121.4	0.0	±1.5	P	0.1
Negative	121.3				

Overload indication was verified.

Overload latch indication was verified.

### 3.11 HIGH LEVEL STABILITY

High level stability was tested by measuring the response of the meter to high signal levels. The result was evaluated as the difference between the A-Weighted indicated levels in response to a steady 1kHz signal applied over 5 minutes.

**Table 18 - FAST Weighted Response**

Time Weighting	Initial Response (dB)	Final Response (dB)	Deviation (dB)	Tolerance (dB)	P/F	U95
Fast	119.0	119.0	0.0	±0.1	P	0.10
Slow	N/A	N/A	N/A	±0.1	N/A	0.10
Leq	119.0	119.0	0.0	±0.1	P	0.10




## Sound Level Meter

IEC 61672-3:2013

# Calibration Certificate

Calibration Number C21360

<b>Client Details</b>		SLR Consulting Pty Ltd Level 11, 176 Wellington Parade East Melbourne VIC 3002	
<b>Equipment Tested/ Model Number :</b>		ARL Ngara	
<b>Instrument Serial Number :</b>		878053	
<b>Microphone Serial Number :</b>		322751	
<b>Pre-amplifier Serial Number :</b>		28632	
<b>Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>		<b>Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>	
<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23°C		<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.8°C	
<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 39.6%		<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 38.9%	
<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.31kPa		<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 101.3kPa	
<b>Calibration Technician :</b> Charlie Neil		<b>Secondary Check:</b> Harrison Kim	
<b>Calibration Date :</b> 1 Jun 2021		<b>Report Issue Date :</b> 1 Jun 2021	
<b>Approved Signatory :</b> 		Ken Williams	

Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result	Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result
12: Acoustical Sig. tests of a frequency weighting	Pass	17: Level linearity incl. the level range control	Pass
13: Electrical Sig. tests of frequency weightings	Pass	18: Toneburst response	Pass
14: Frequency and time weightings at 1 kHz	Pass	19: C Weighted Peak Sound Level	N/A
15: Long Term Stability	Pass	20: Overload Indication	Pass
16: Level linearity on the reference level range	Pass	21: High Level Stability	Pass

The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 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 requirements of IEC 61672-1:2013 because evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organisation responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.

Least Uncertainties of Measurement - Environmental Conditions			
Acoustic Tests		Temperature	±0.2°C
125Hz	±0.12dB	Relative Humidity	±2.4%
1kHz	±0.11dB	Barometric Pressure	±0.015kPa
8kHz	±0.13dB		
Electrical Tests	±0.10dB		

All uncertainties are derived at the 95% confidence level with a coverage factor of 2.



This calibration certificate is to be read in conjunction with the calibration test report.

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**Sound Level Meter  
IEC 61672-3:2013**

**Calibration Certificate**

Calibration Number C21258

<b>Client Details</b>	SLR Consulting Pty Ltd Level 2, 15 Astor Terrace Spring Hill QLD 4000
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<b>Equipment Tested/ Model Number :</b>	ARL Ngara
<b>Instrument Serial Number :</b>	8781CE
<b>Microphone Serial Number :</b>	322451
<b>Pre-amplifier Serial Number :</b>	28499

<b>Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>	<b>Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions</b>
<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.8°C	<b>Ambient Temperature :</b> 23.8°C
<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 54.3%	<b>Relative Humidity :</b> 53.9%
<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 100.87kPa	<b>Barometric Pressure :</b> 100.83kPa

<b>Calibration Technician :</b> Jeff Yu	<b>Secondary Check:</b> Harrison Kim
<b>Calibration Date :</b> 3 May 2021	<b>Report Issue Date :</b> 4 May 2021

**Approved Signatory :**  Ken Williams

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Least Uncertainties of Measurement -			
Acoustic Tests		Environmental Conditions	
125Hz	±0.12dB	Temperature	±0.2°C
1kHz	±0.11dB	Relative Humidity	±2.4%
8kHz	±0.13dB	Barometric Pressure	±0.015kPa
Electrical Tests	±0.10dB		

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# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE NO: SLM33812

EQUIPMENT TESTED: Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer: B&K

Type No: 2250-L

Serial No: 3003389

Mic. Type: 4950

Serial No: 2913816

Pre-Amp. Type: ZC0032

Serial No: 20519

Filter Type: 1/3 Octave

Test No: F033825

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
120 High Street  
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Tests Performed: IEC 61672-3:2013 & IEC 61260-3:2016

Comments: All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)

## CONDITIONS OF TEST:

Ambient Pressure 1001 hPa  $\pm 1$  hPa

Date of Receipt : 26/09/2022

Temperature 22  $^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$

Date of Calibration : 26/09/2022

Relative Humidity 52 %  $\pm 5\%$

Date of Issue : 28/09/2022

Acu-Vib Test Procedure: AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

CHECKED BY: 

AUTHORISED SIGNATURE: 

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Accredited for compliance with ISO/IEC 17025 - Calibration

Results of the tests, calibration and/or measurements included in this document are traceable to SI units through reference equipment that has been calibrated by the Australian National Measurement Institute or other NATA accredited laboratories demonstrating traceability.

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The performance characteristics listed below were tested. The tests are based on the relevant clauses of IEC 61672-3:2013

Tests Performed:	Clause	Result
Absolute Calibration	10	Pass
Acoustical Frequency Weighting	12	Pass
Self-Generated Noise	11.1	Observed
Electrical Noise	11.2	Observed
Long Term Stability	15	Pass
Electrical Frequency Weightings	13	Pass
Frequency and Time Weightings	14	Pass
Reference Level Linearity	16	Pass
Range Level Linearity	17	Not Applicable
Toneburst	18	Pass
Peak C Sound Level	19	Pass
Overload Indicator	20	Pass
High Level Stability	21	Pass

**Statement of Compliance:** 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 evidence was not publically available, from an independent testing organization responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the class 1 specifications in IEC 61672-1:-2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:-2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:-2013.

**This Sound Level Meter included an Octave Filter Set. Tests were based on IEC 61260-3:2016 and were conducted to test the following performance characteristics:**

Tests performed	Clause	Result
Test of relative attenuation at filter midband frequency	10	Pass
Linear operating range including range control if fitted	11	N/A
Test of lower limit of linear operating range	12	Pass
Measurement of relative attenuation (filter shape)	13	Pass

The filter submitted for testing successfully completed the tests listed above for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed. If the filter type has successfully completed the pattern-evaluation tests of IEC 61260-2 then it can be stated that the filter set continues to conform to the specifications of IEC 61260-1.

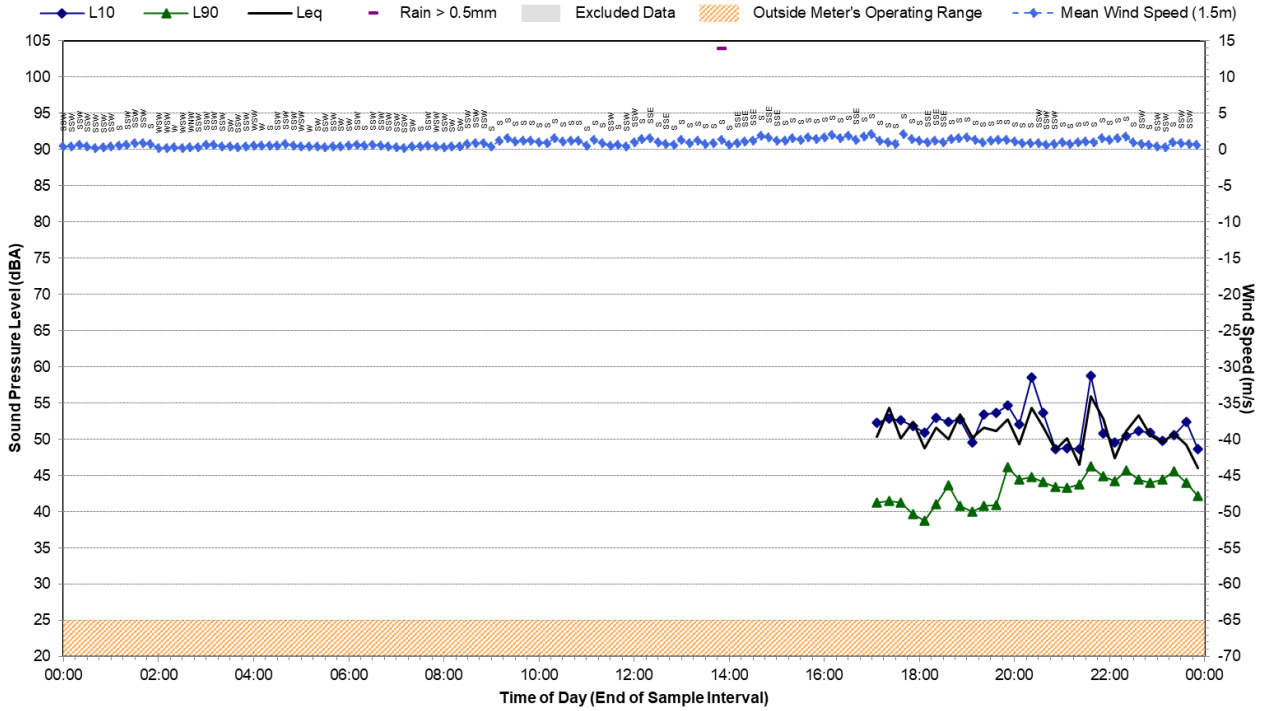
**A full technical report is available on request.**

# APPENDIX D

## Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

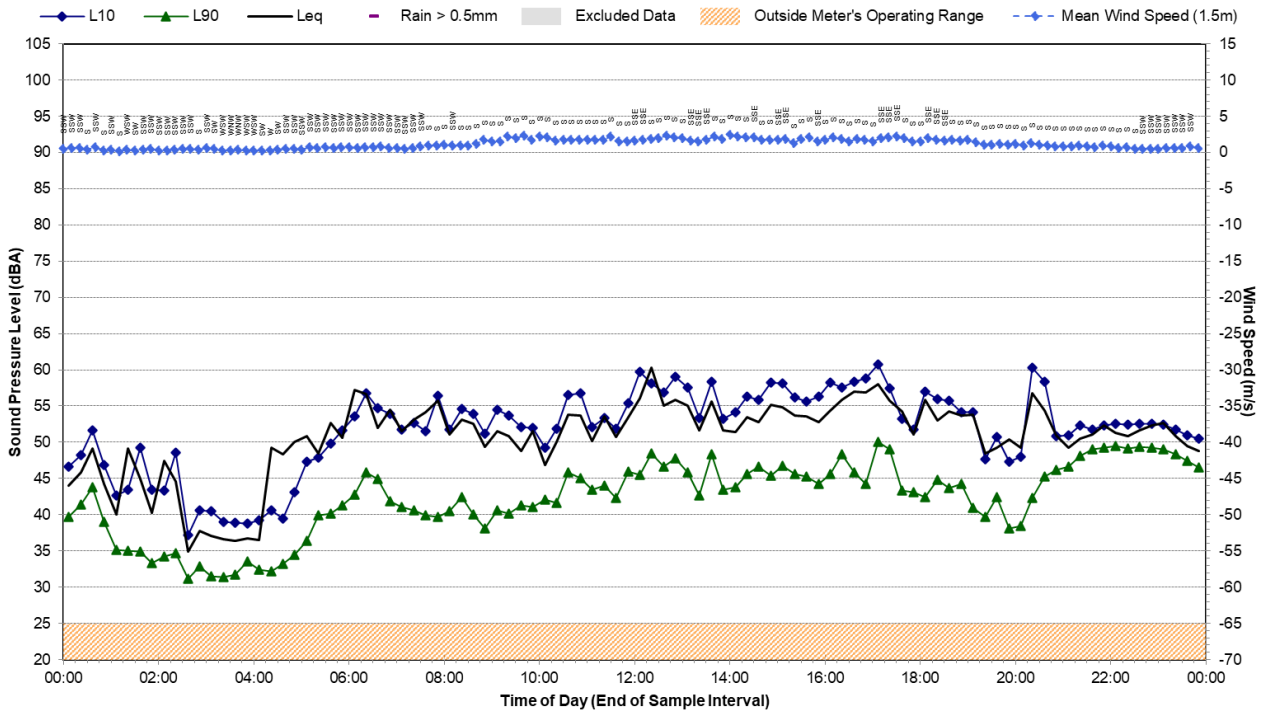
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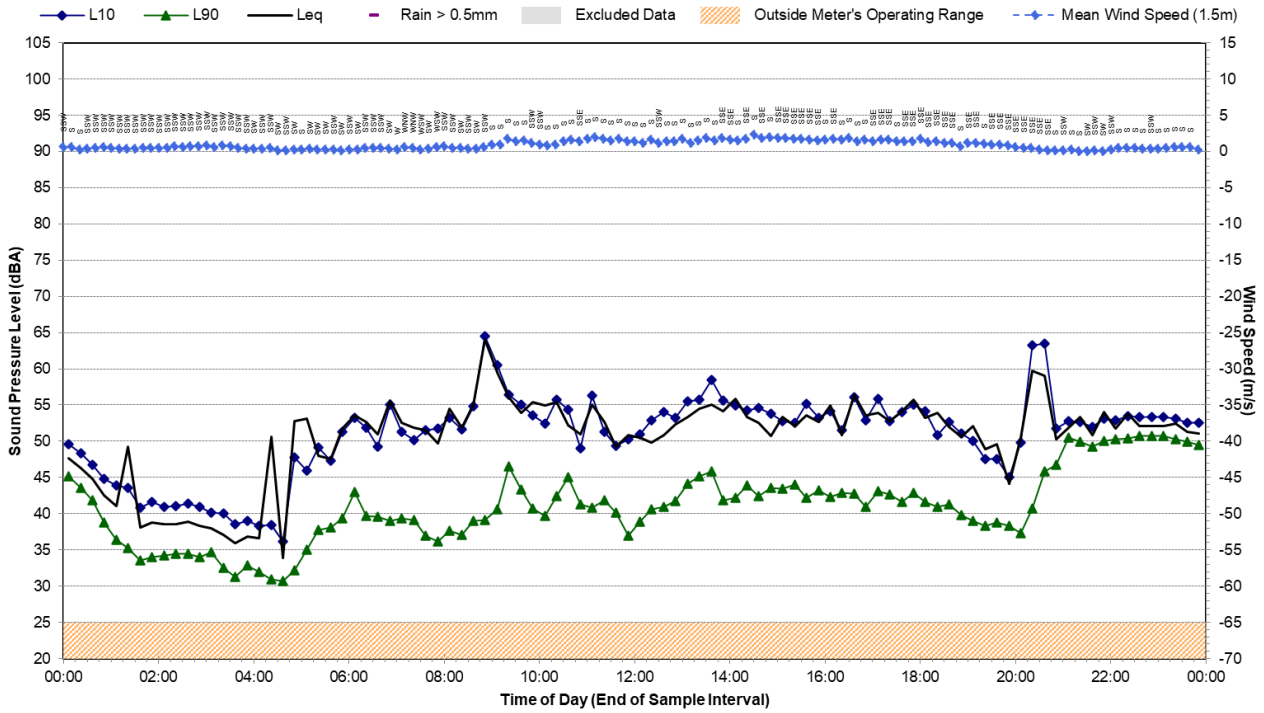
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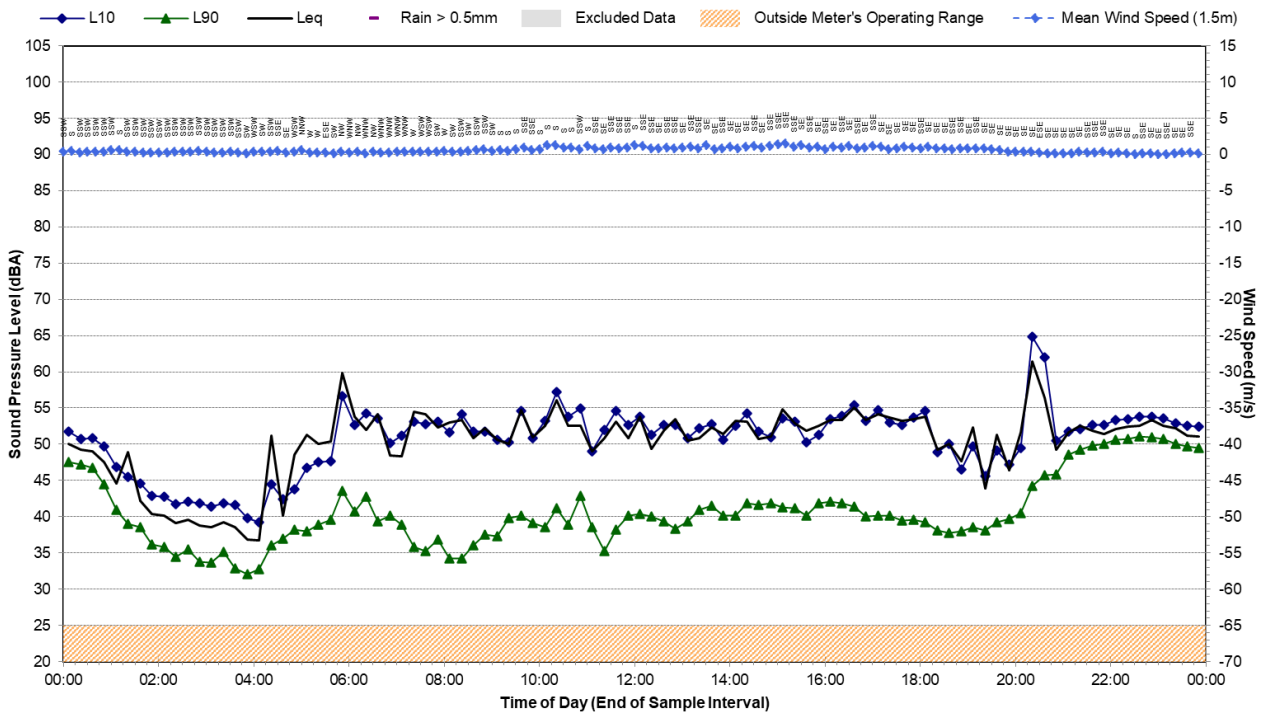
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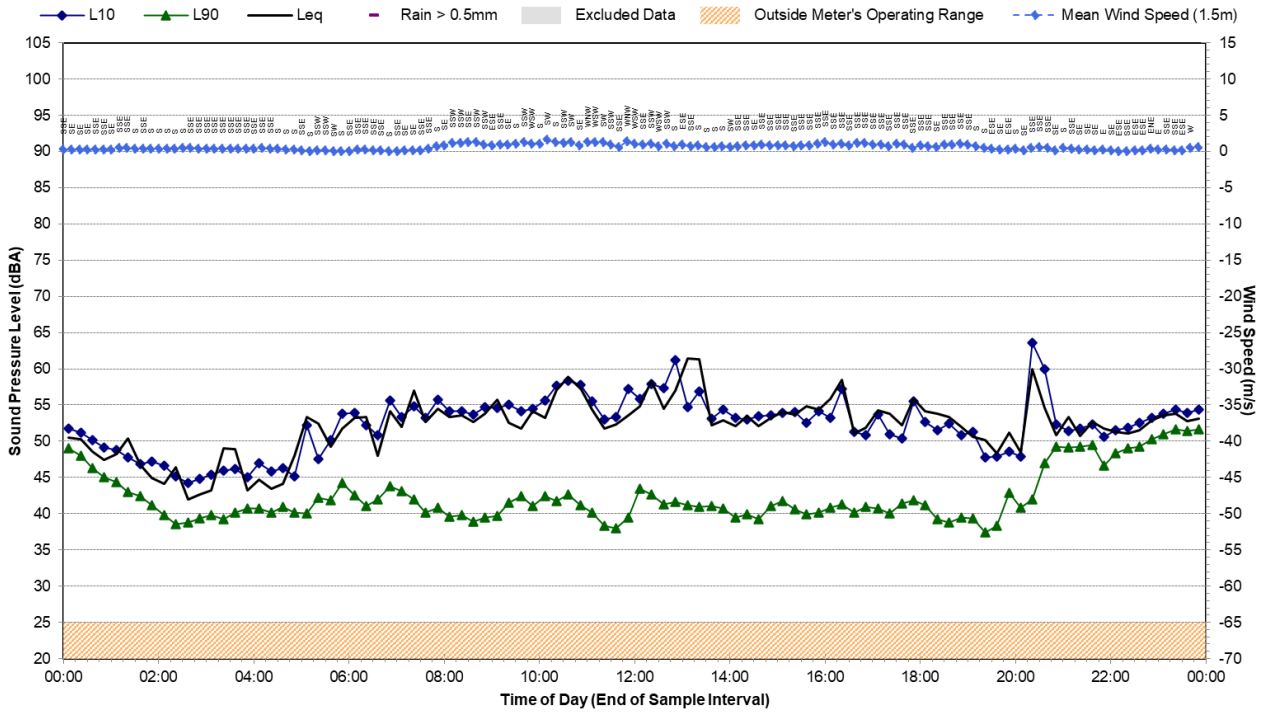
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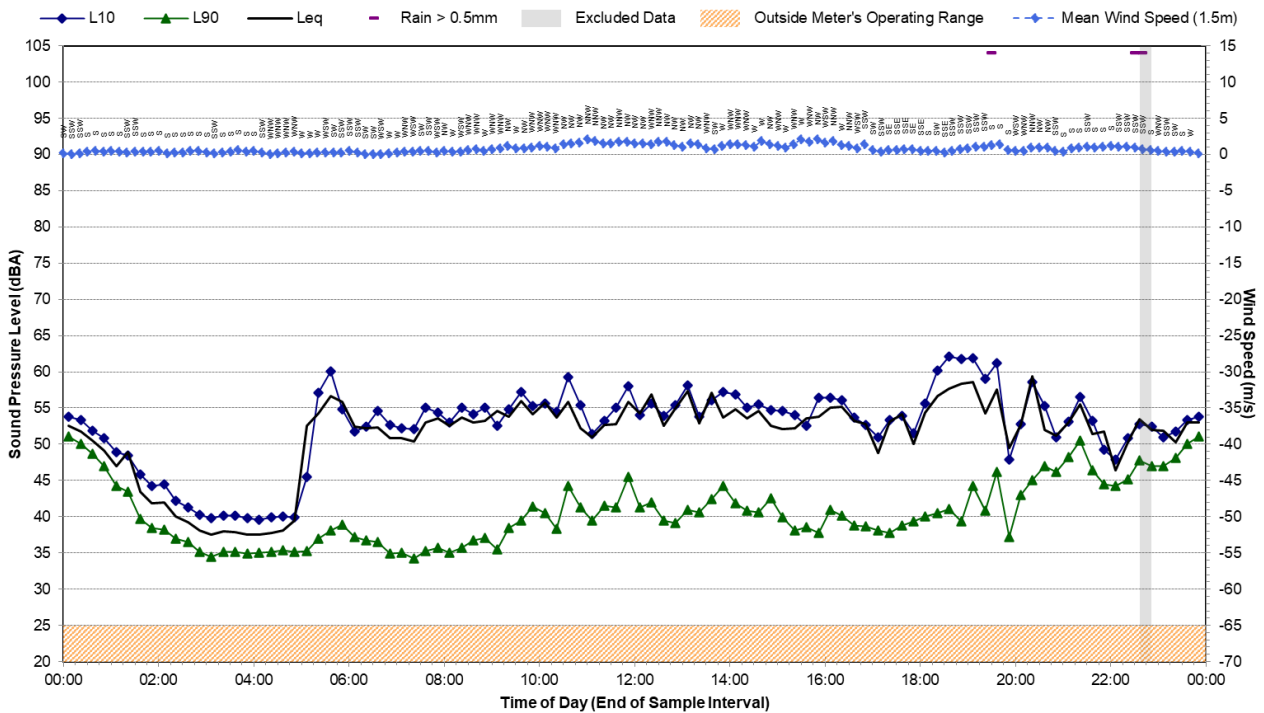
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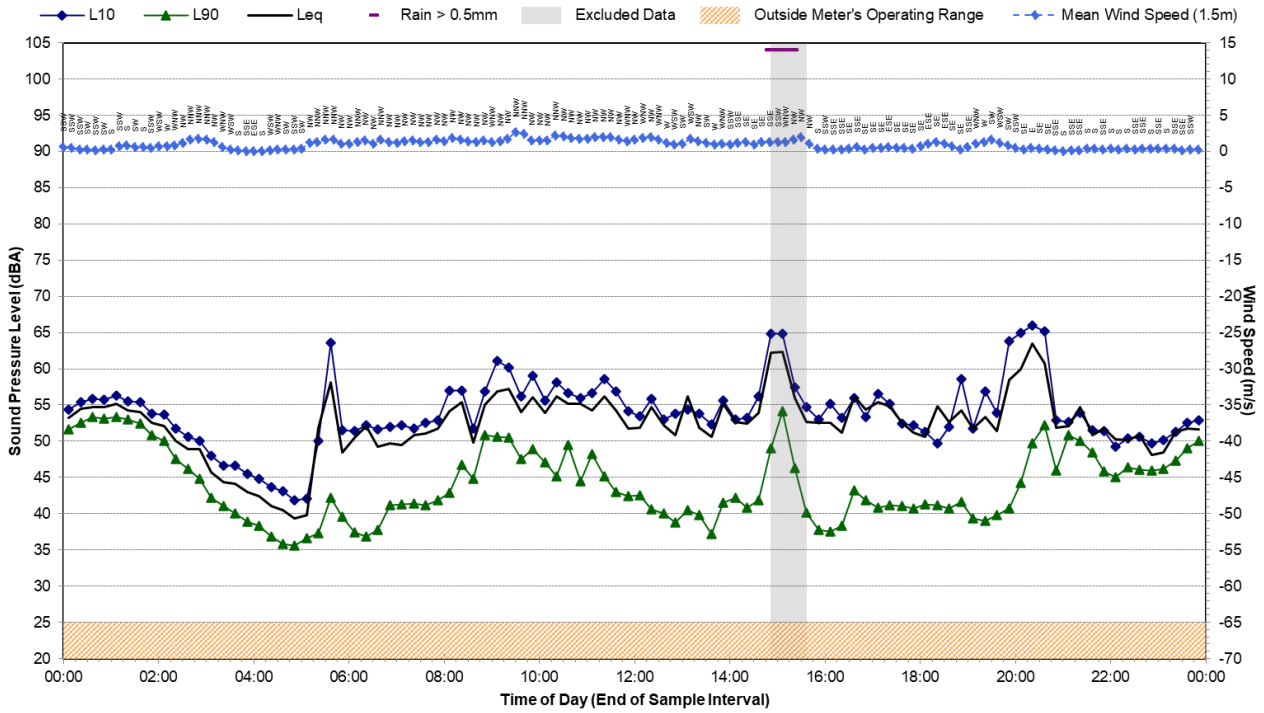
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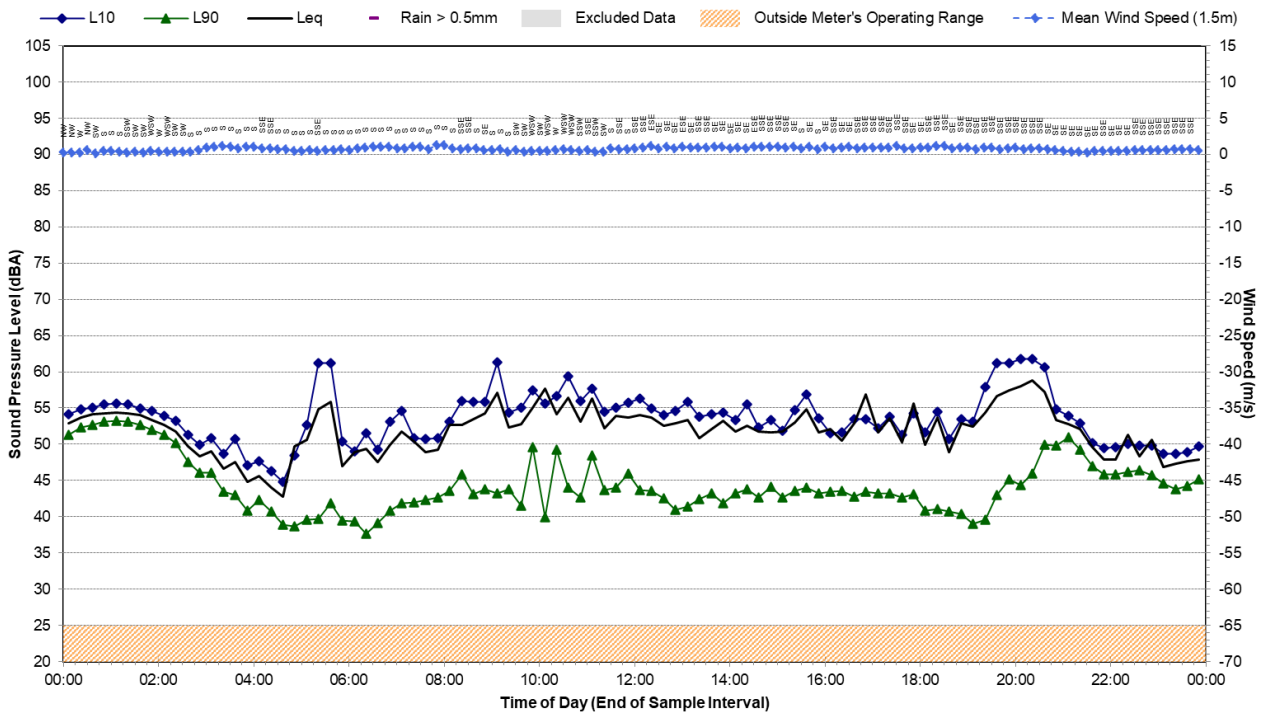
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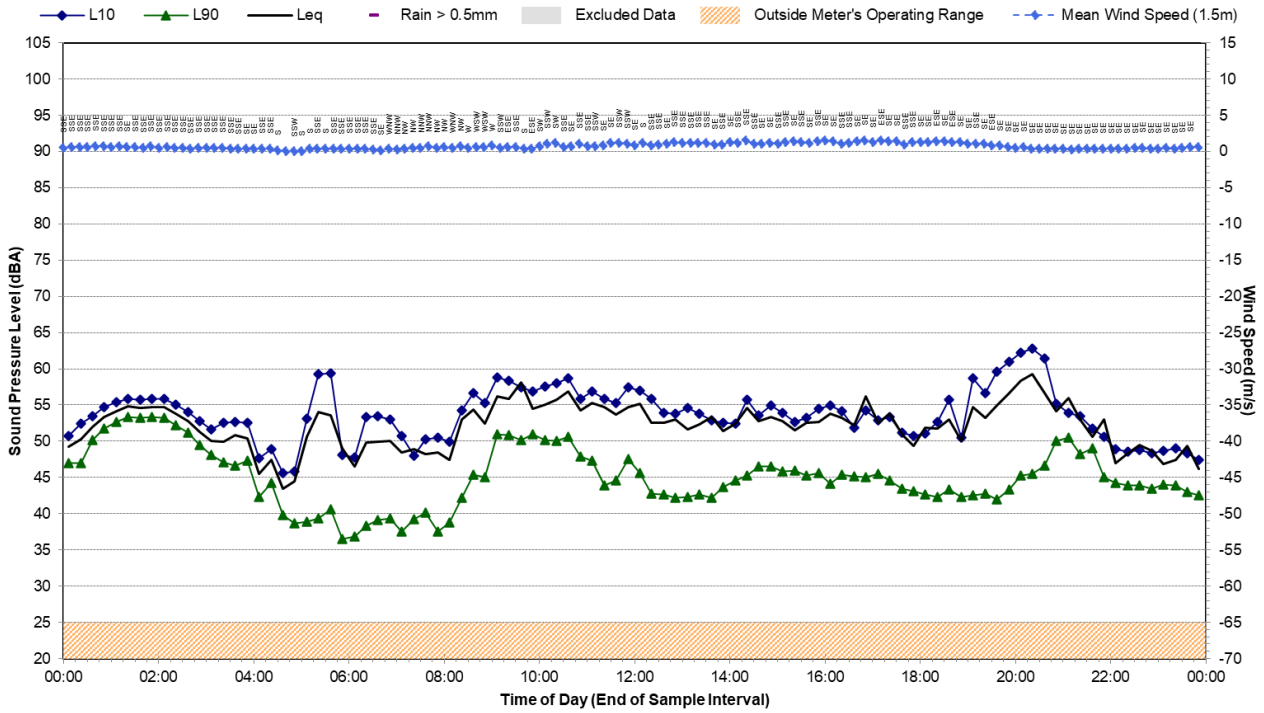
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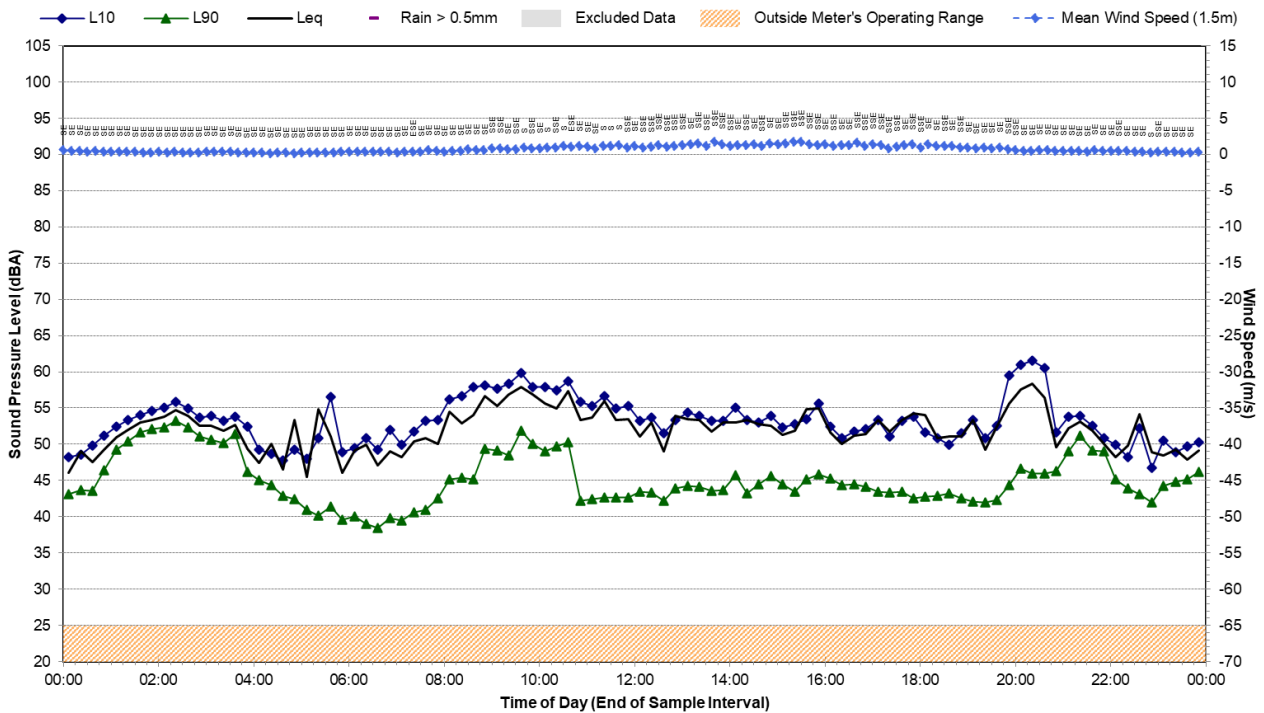
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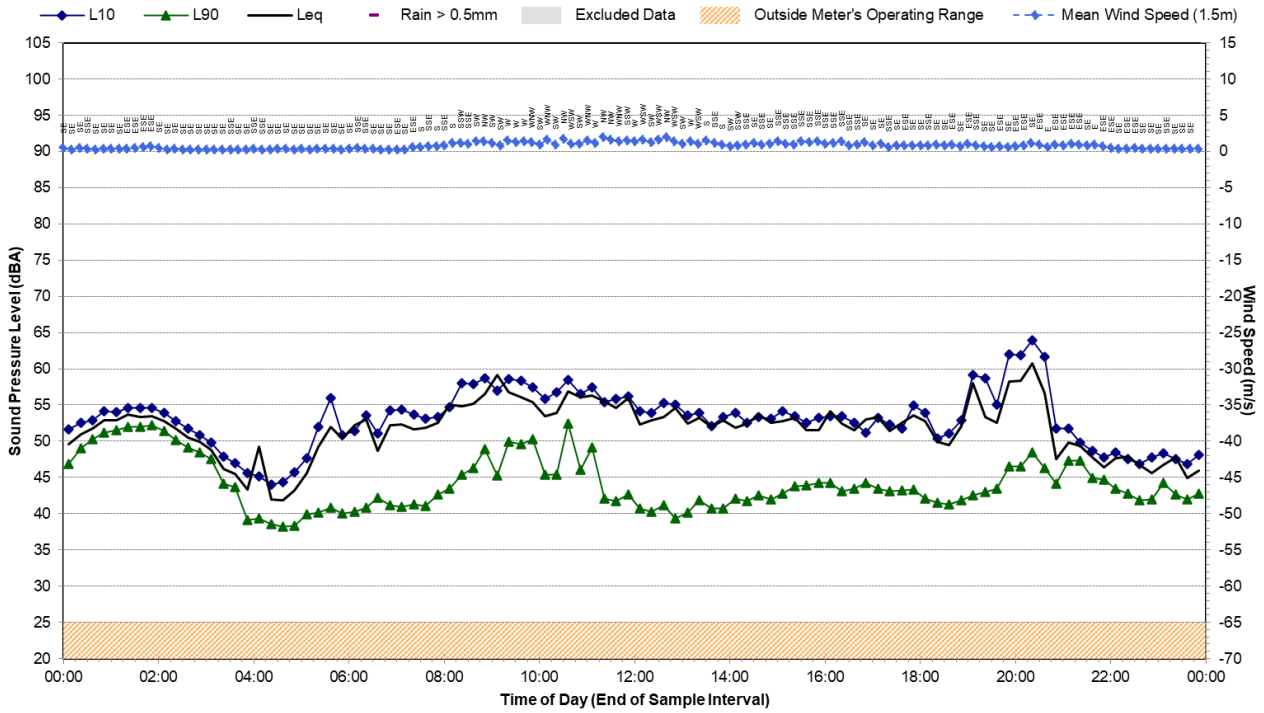
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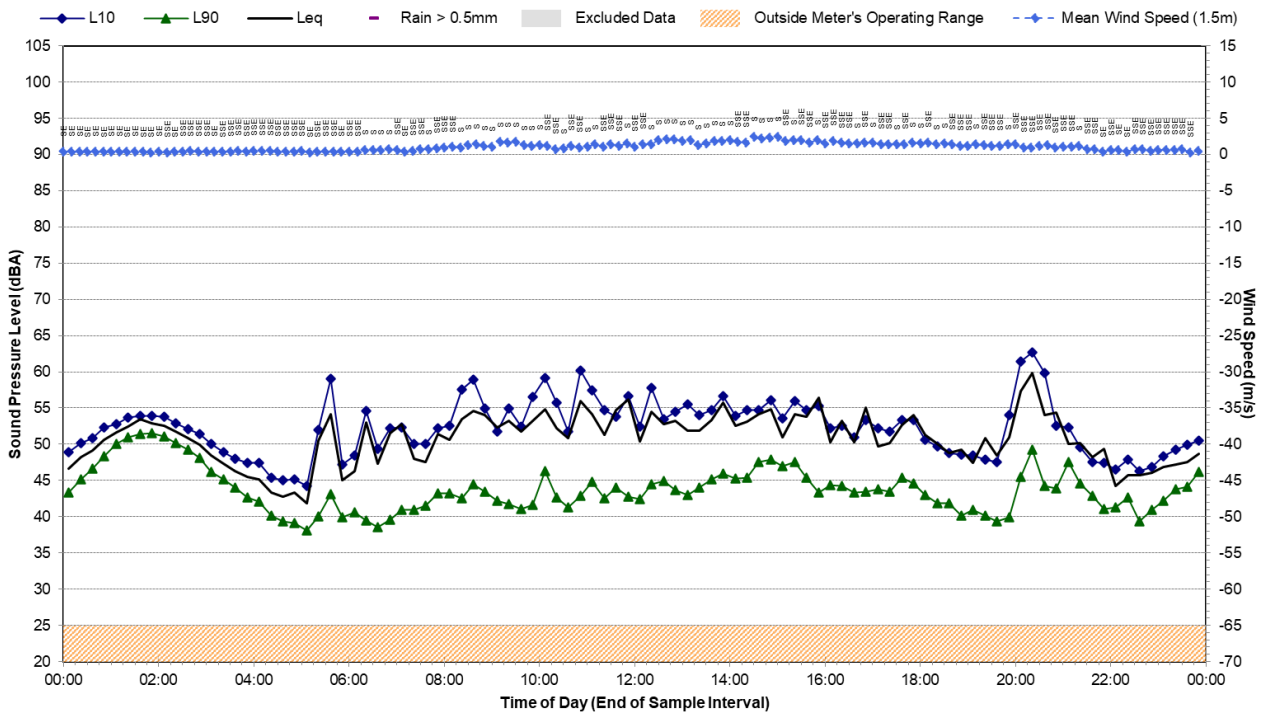
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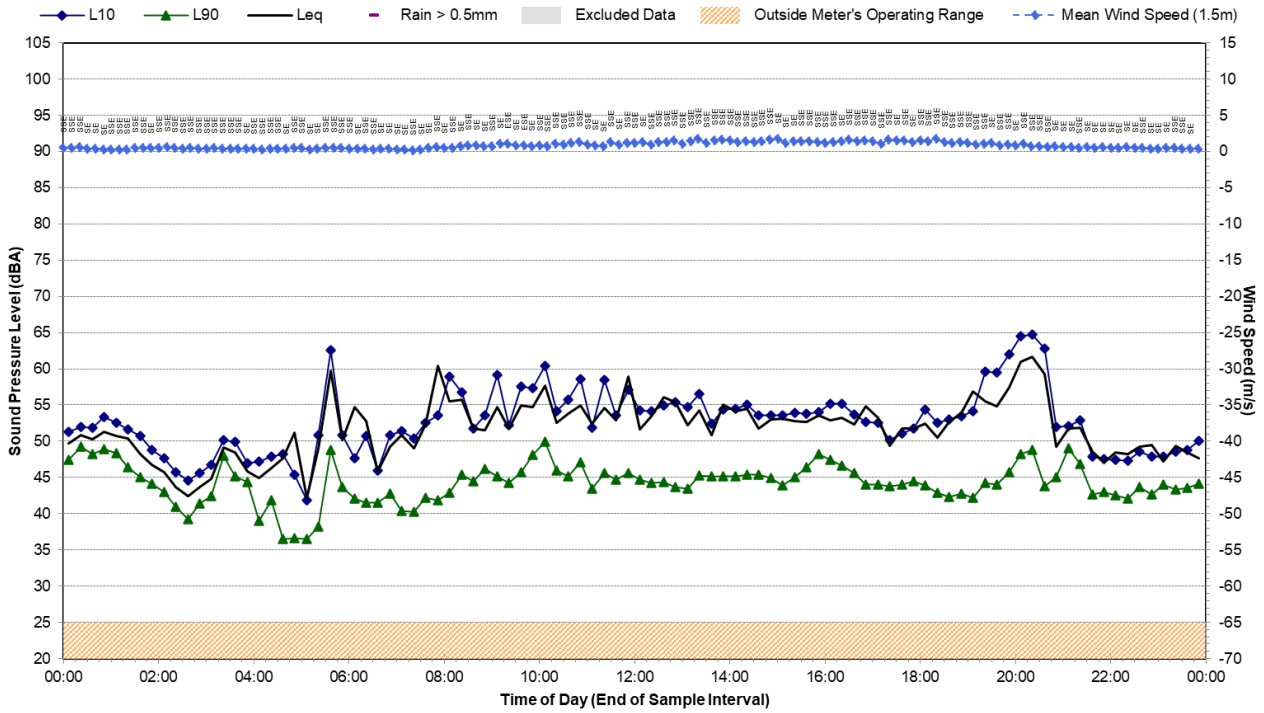
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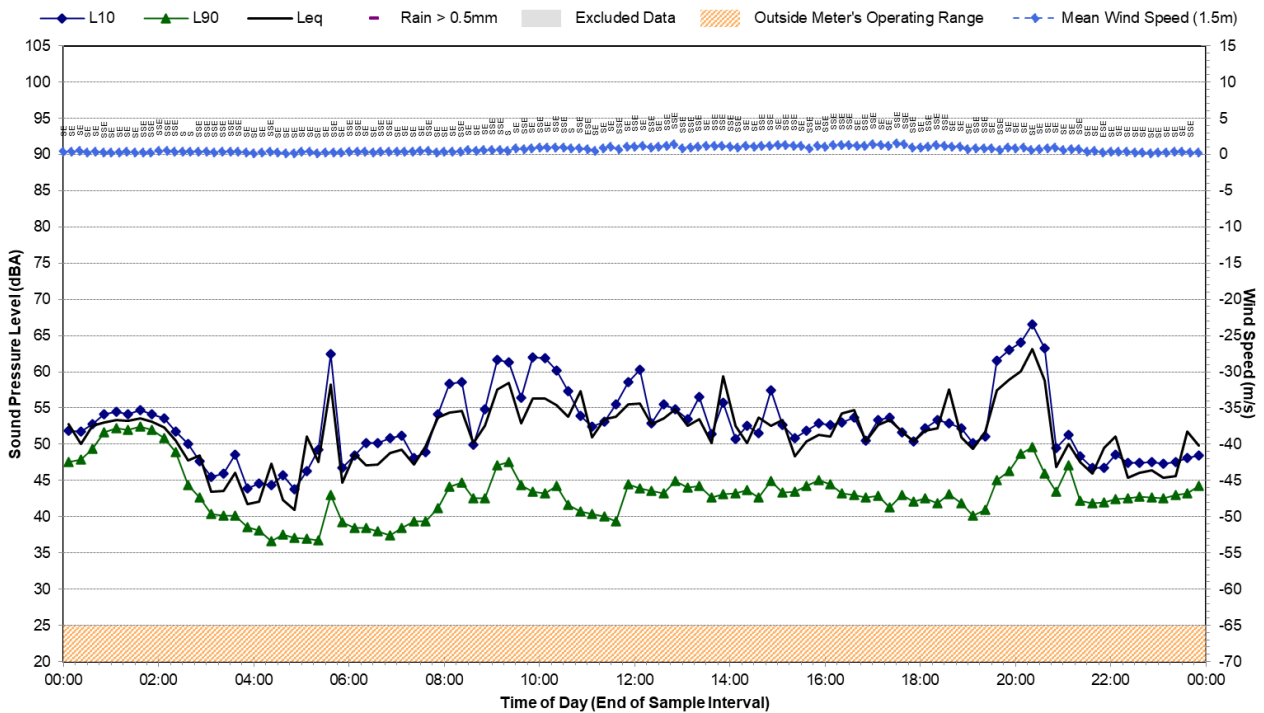
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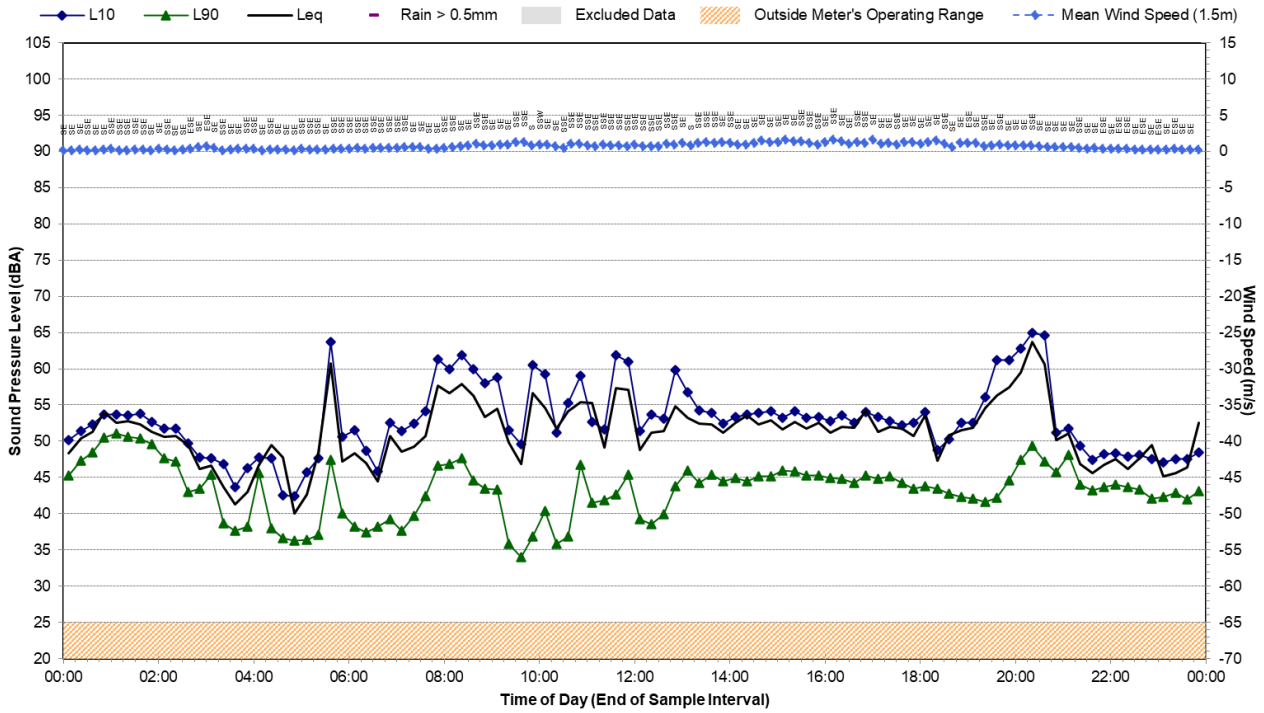
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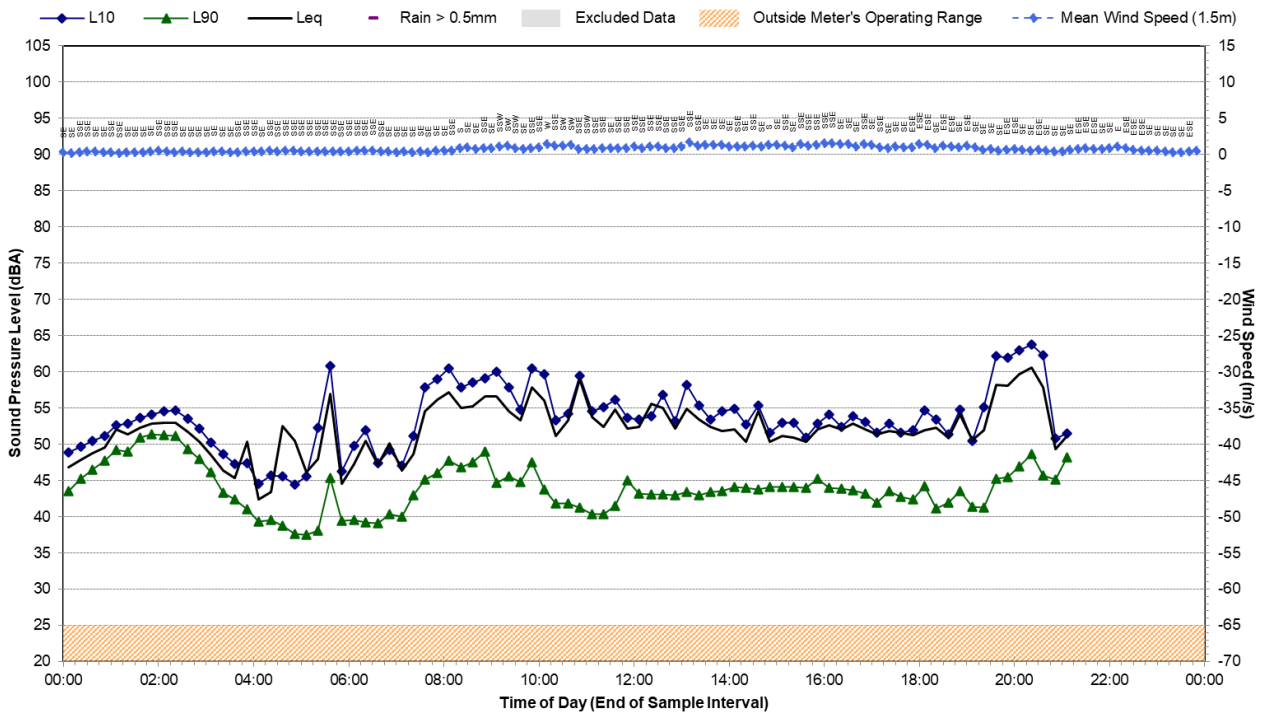
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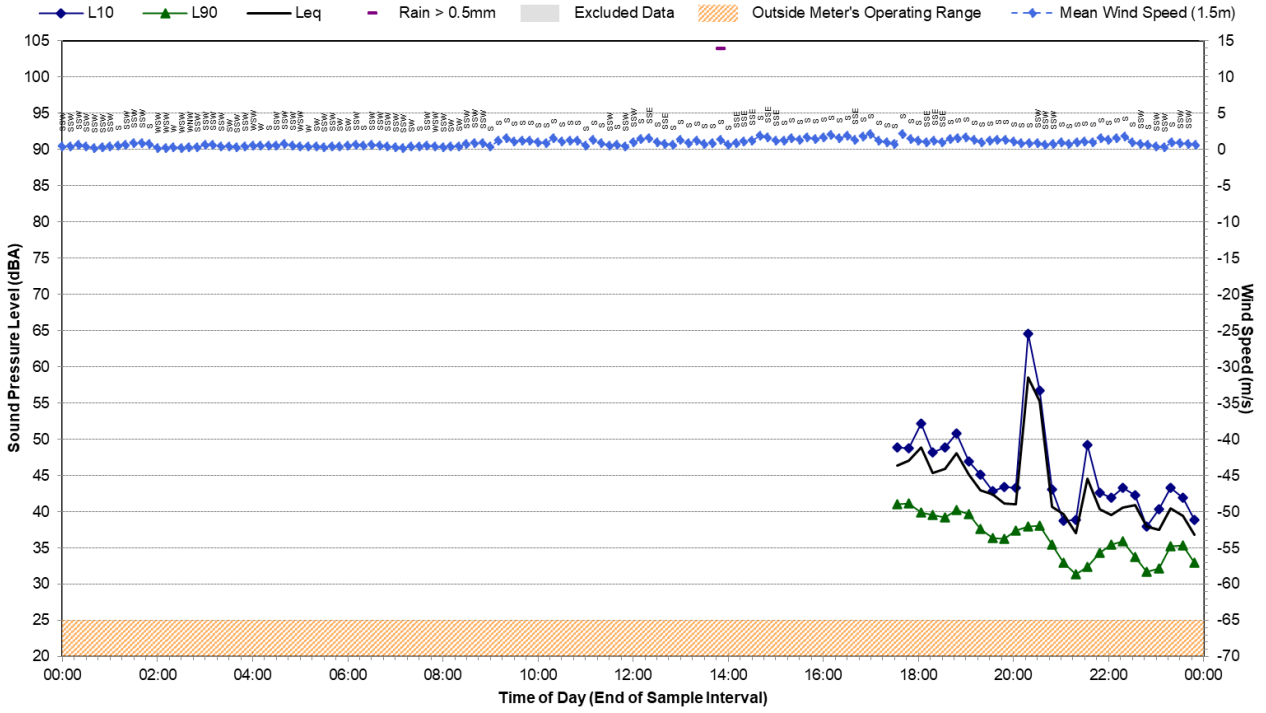
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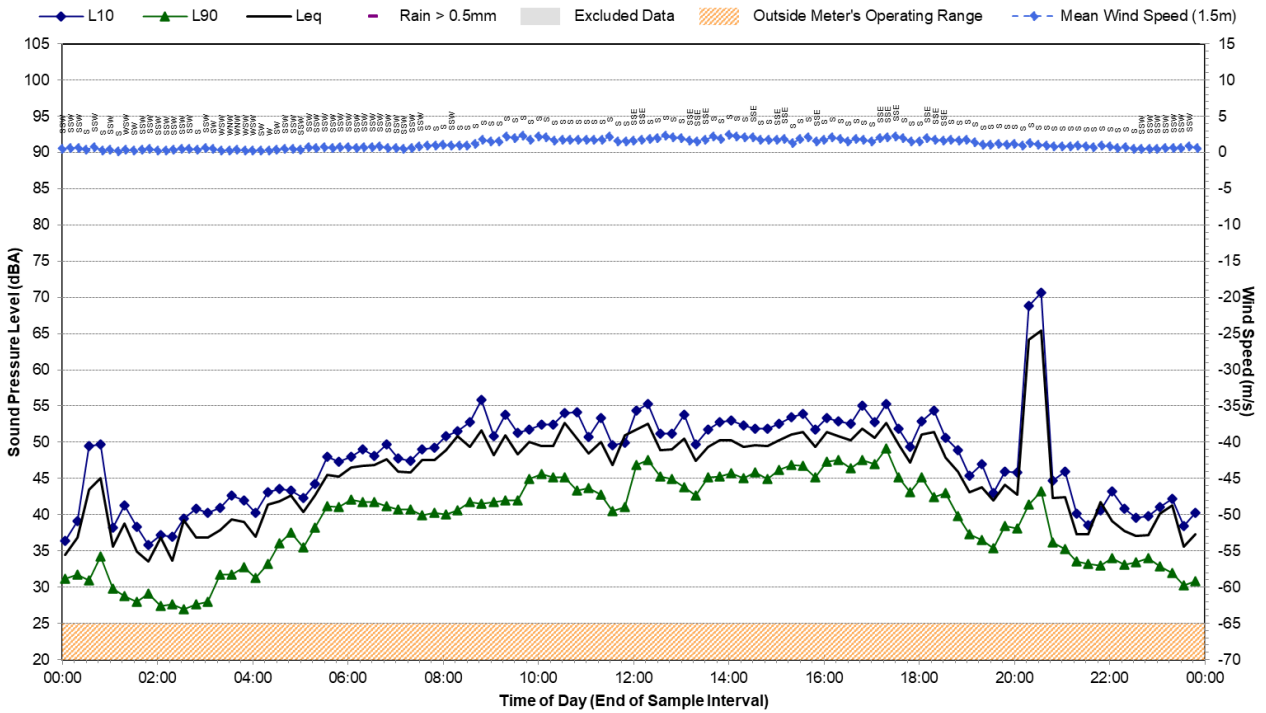
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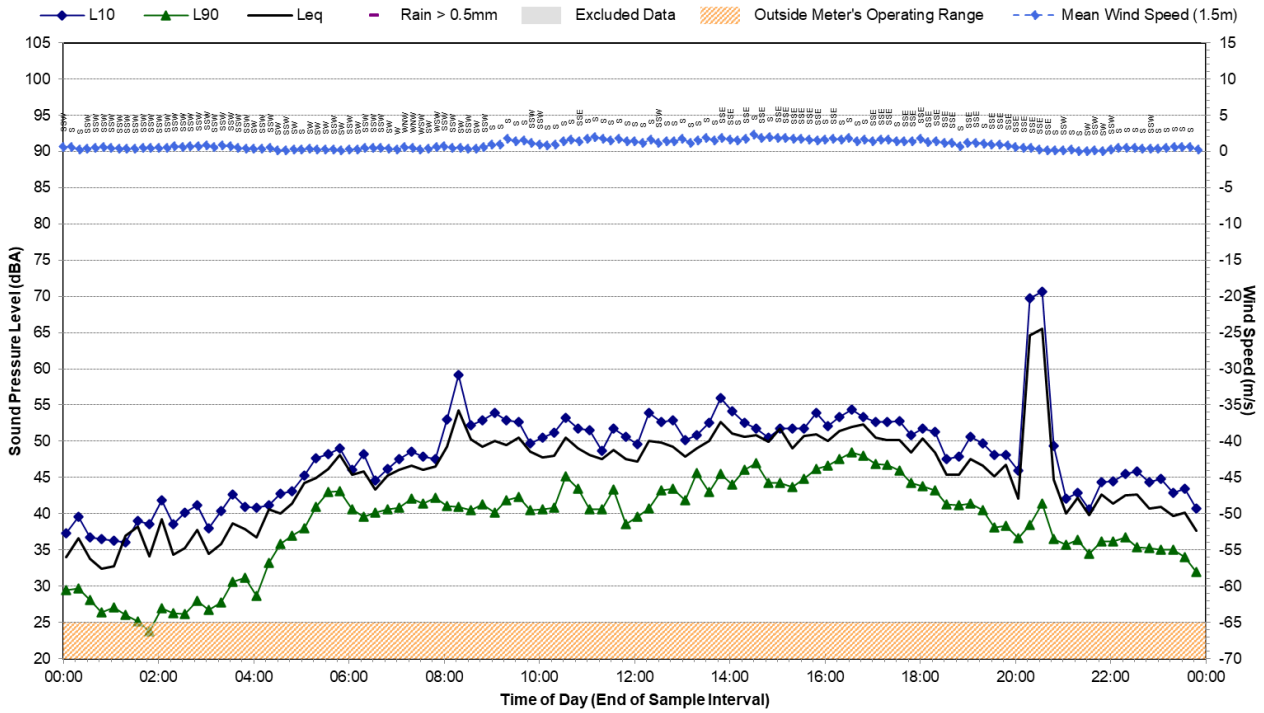
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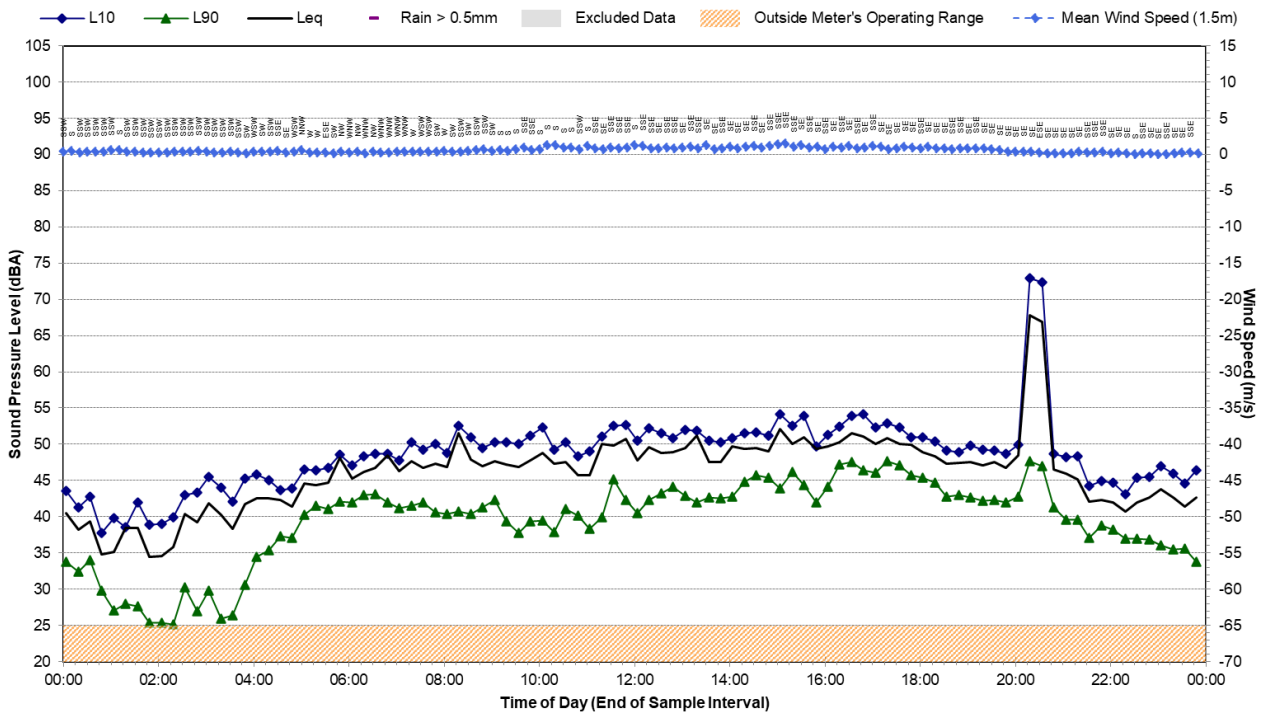
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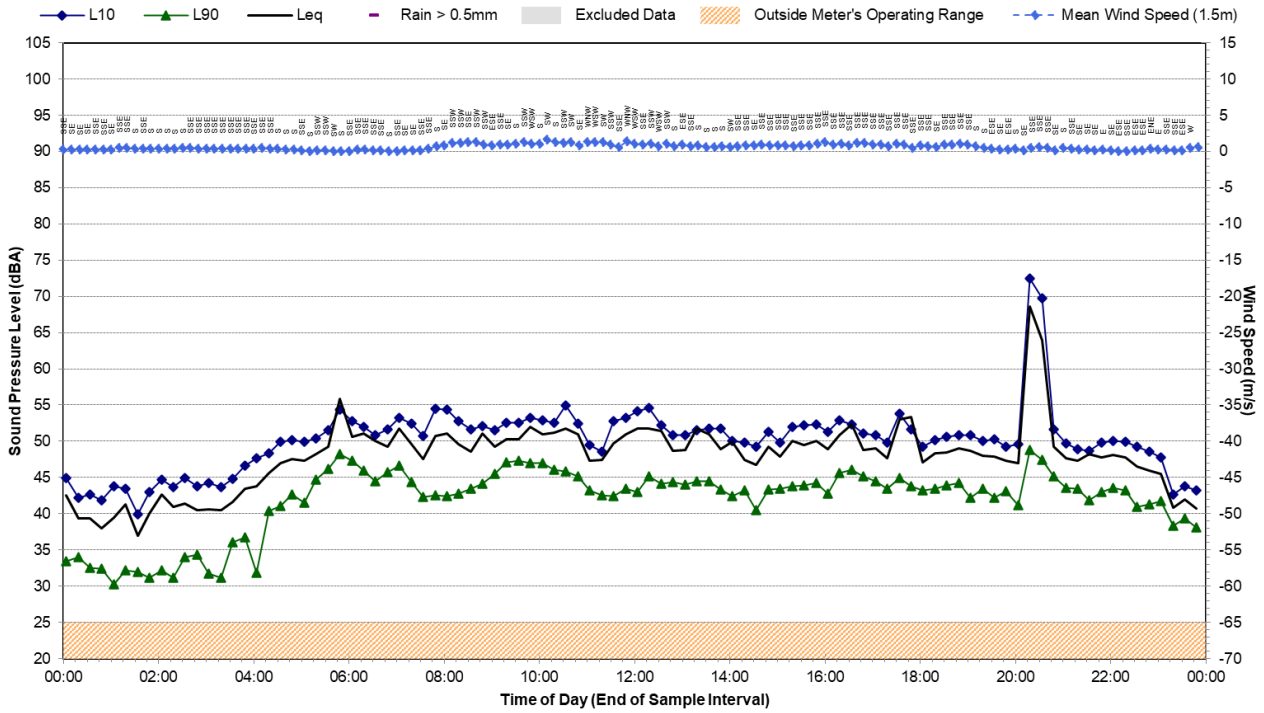
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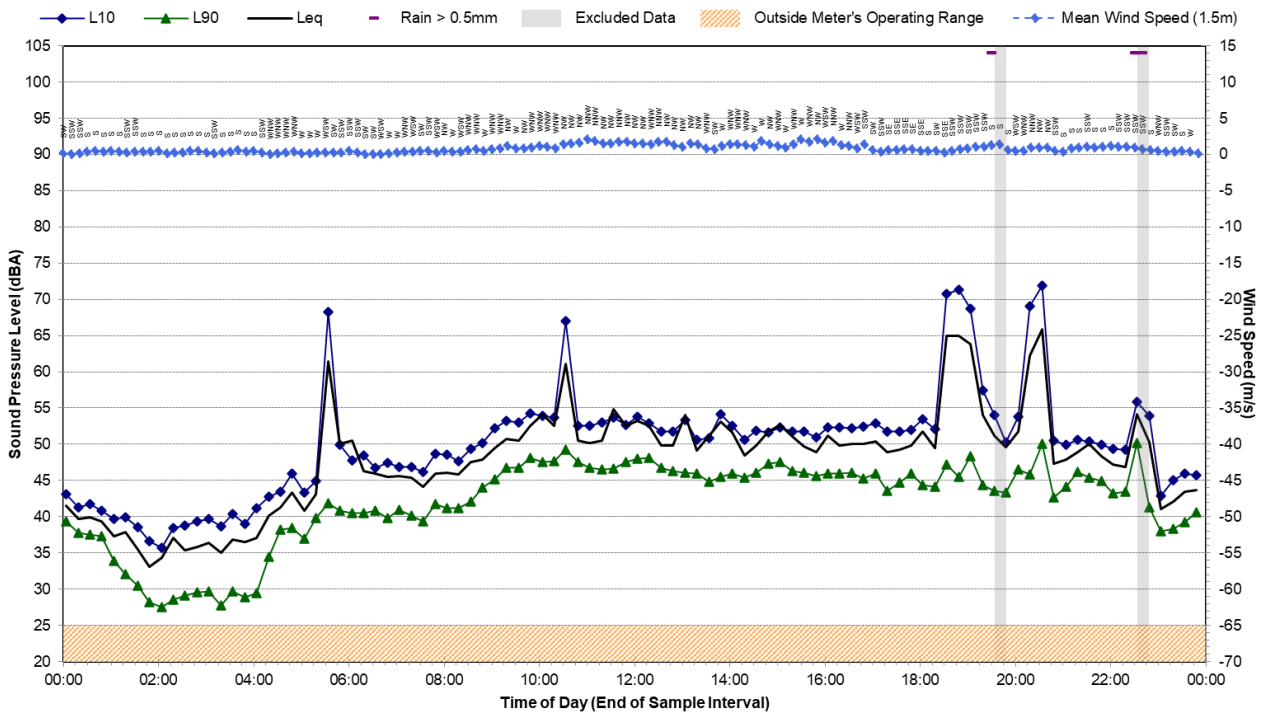
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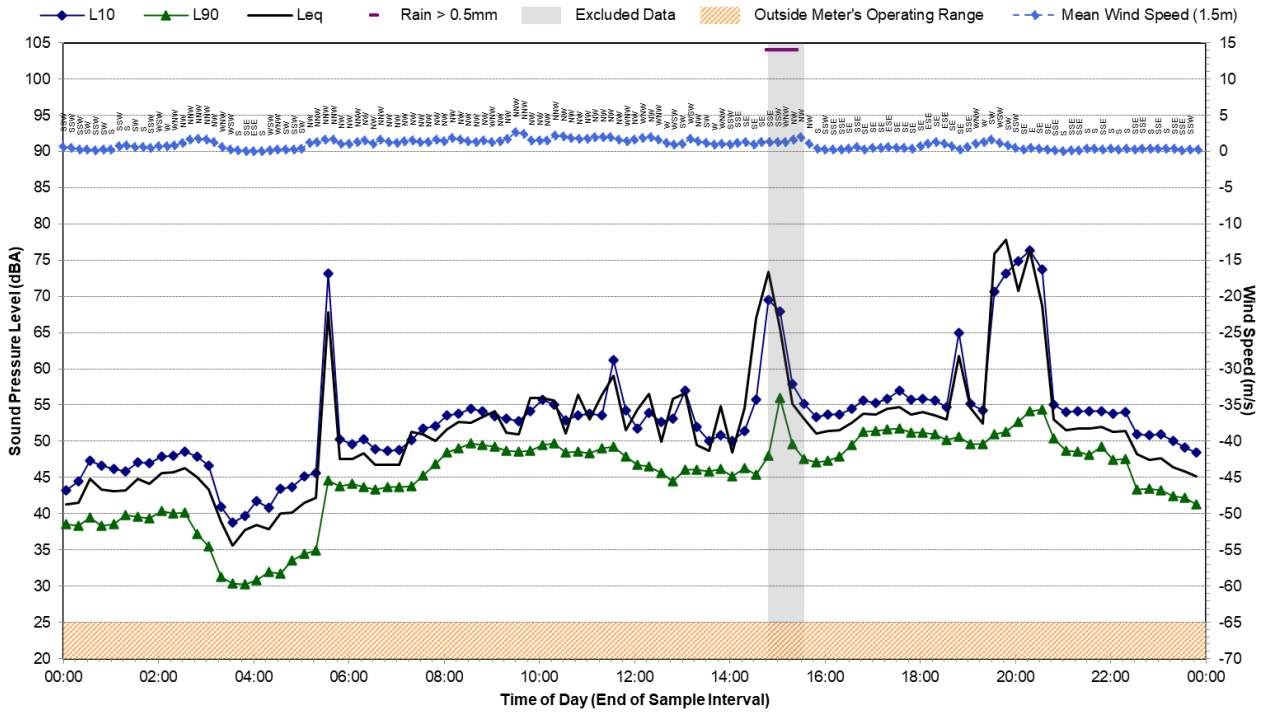
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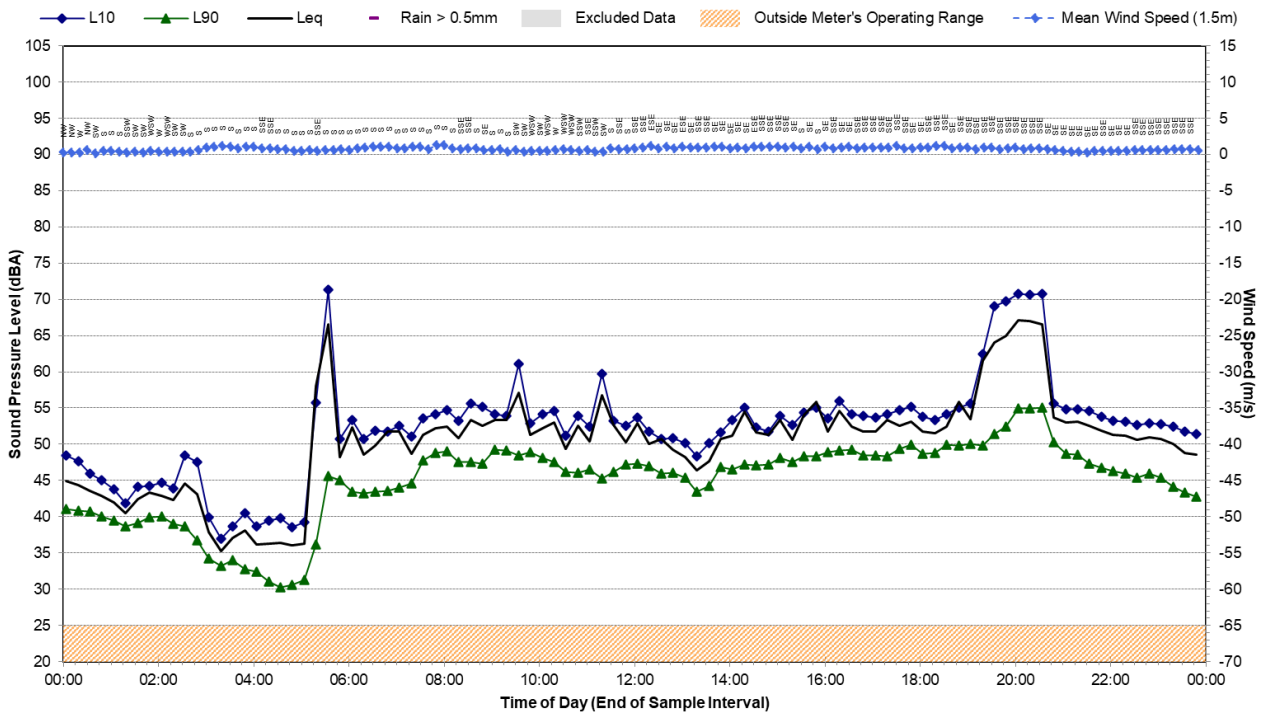
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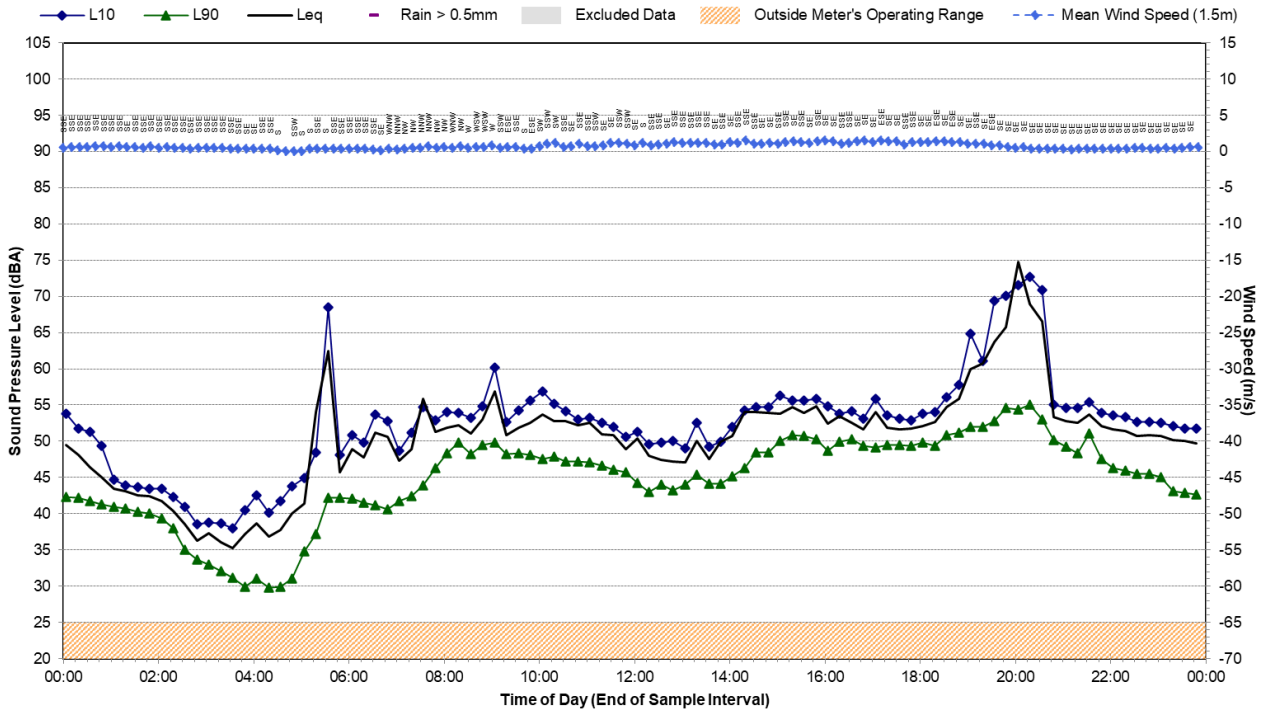
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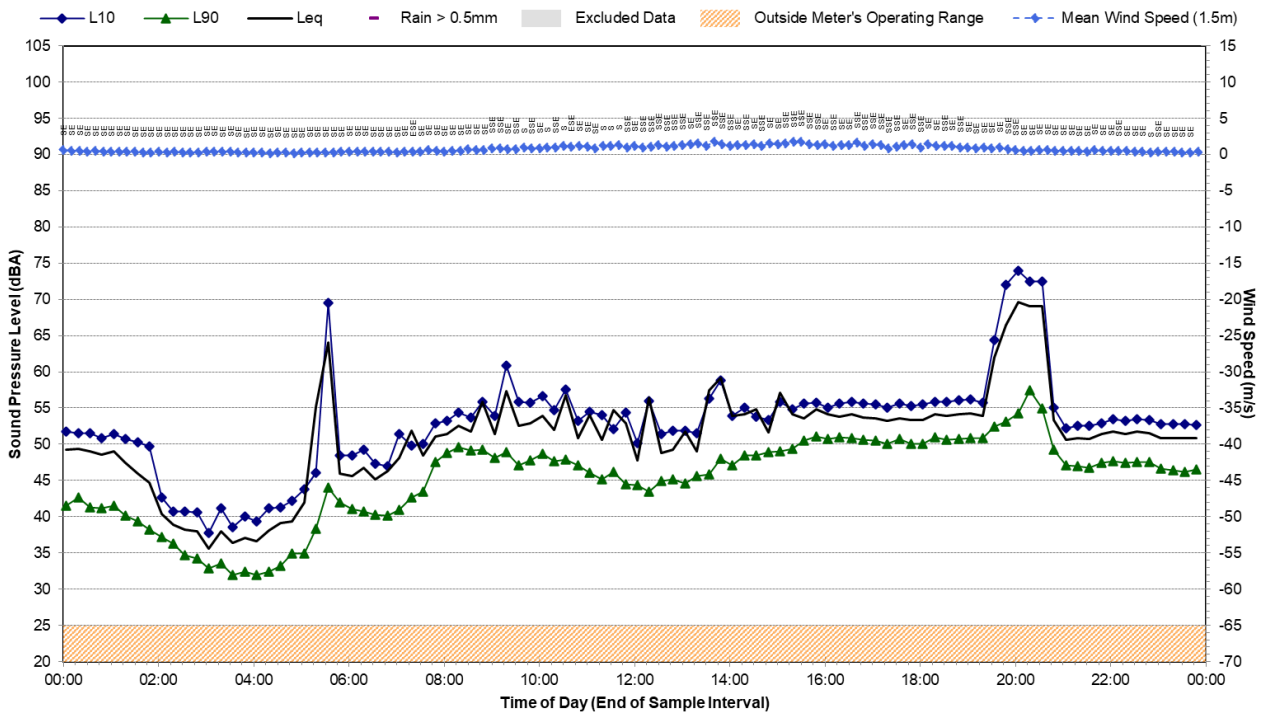
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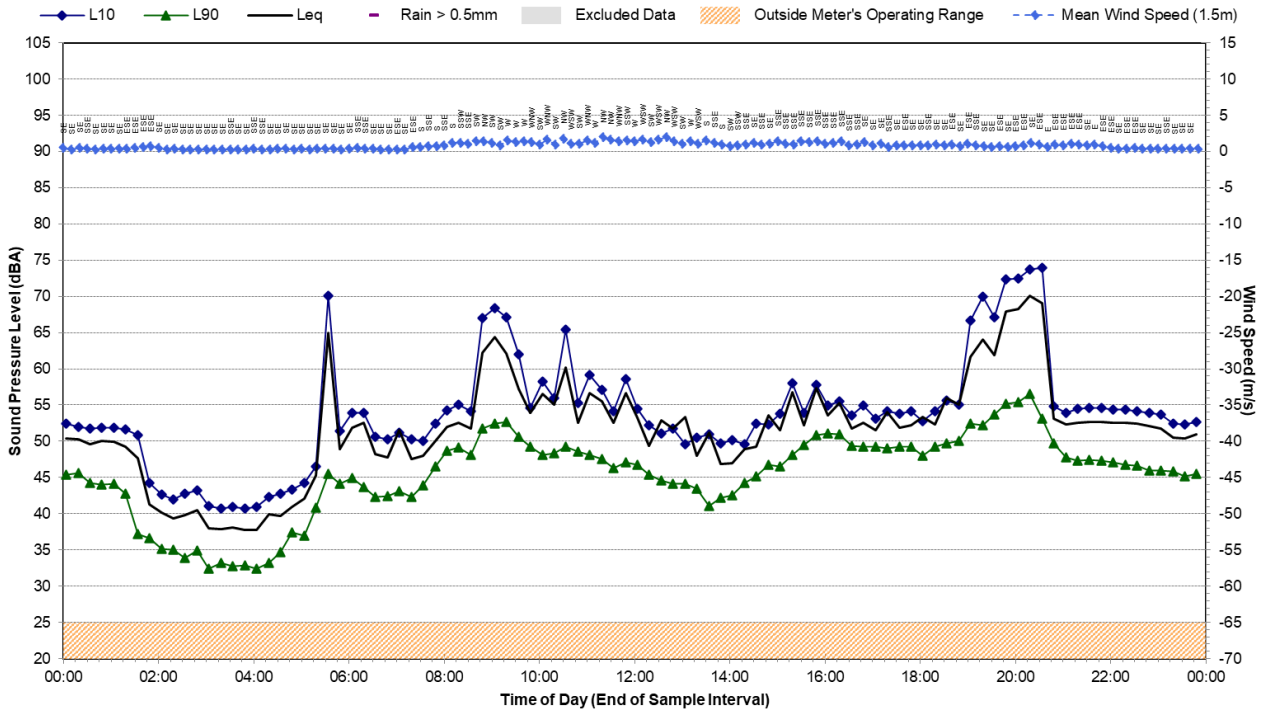
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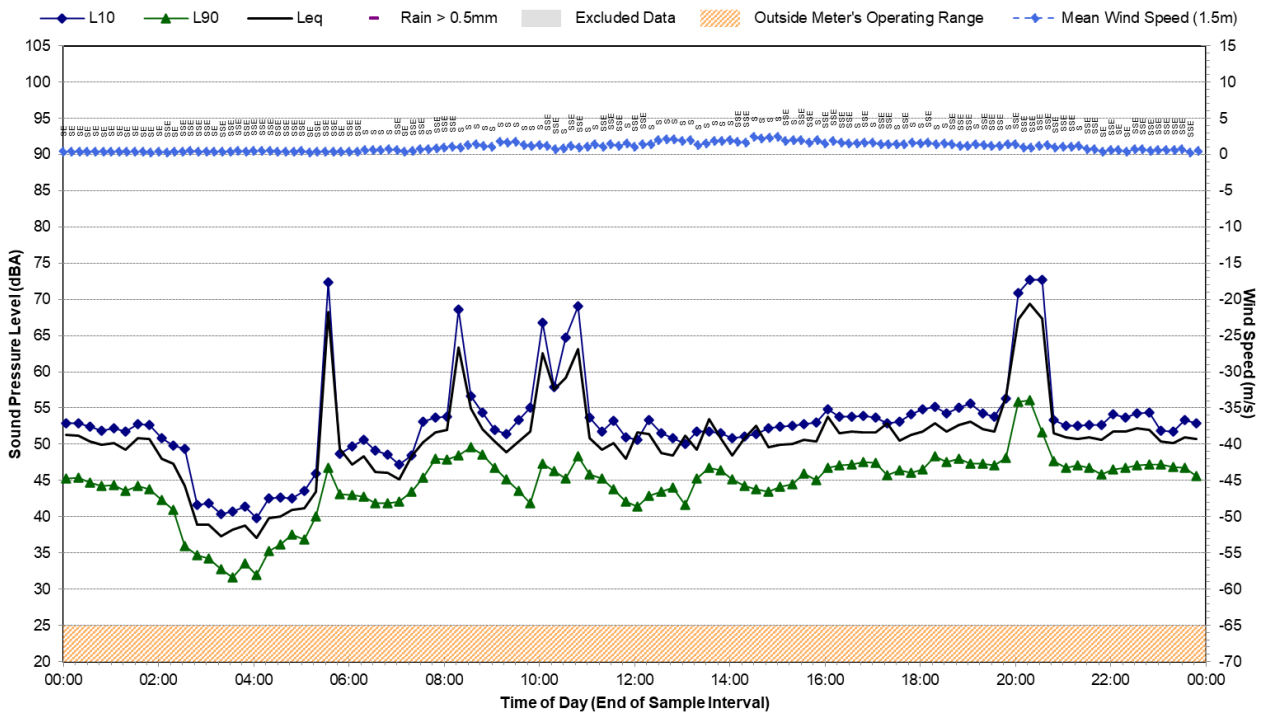
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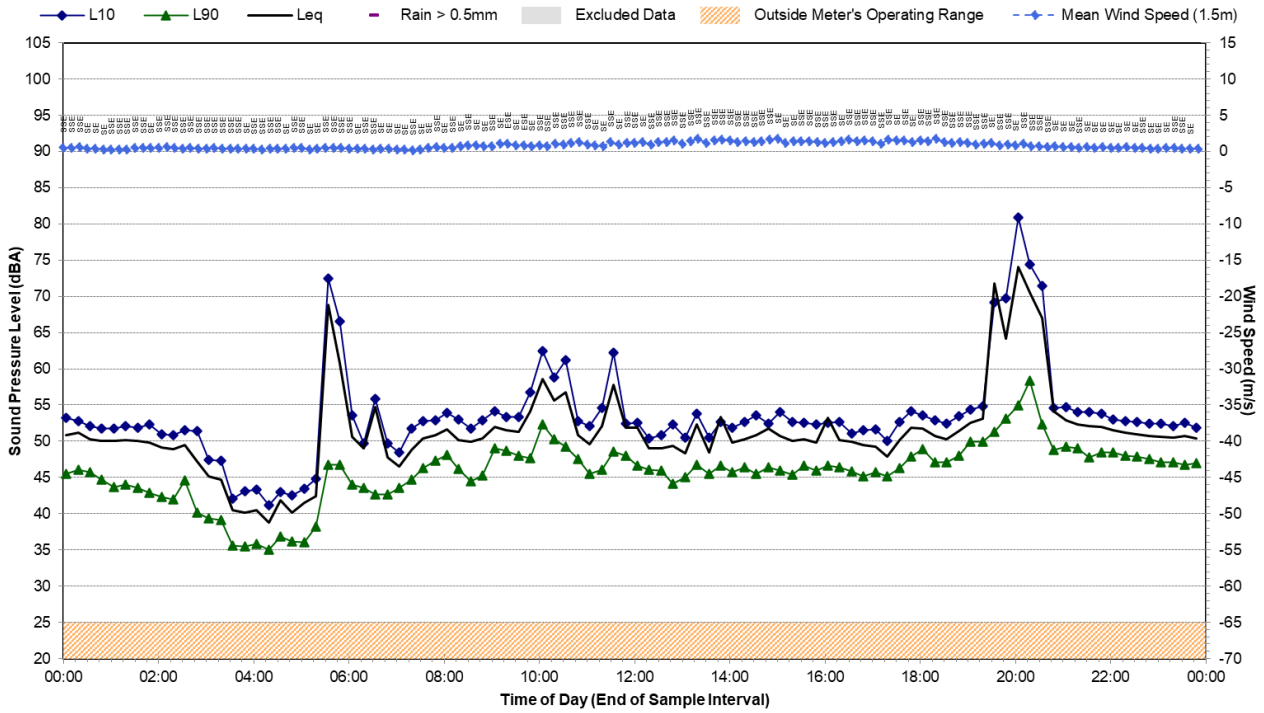
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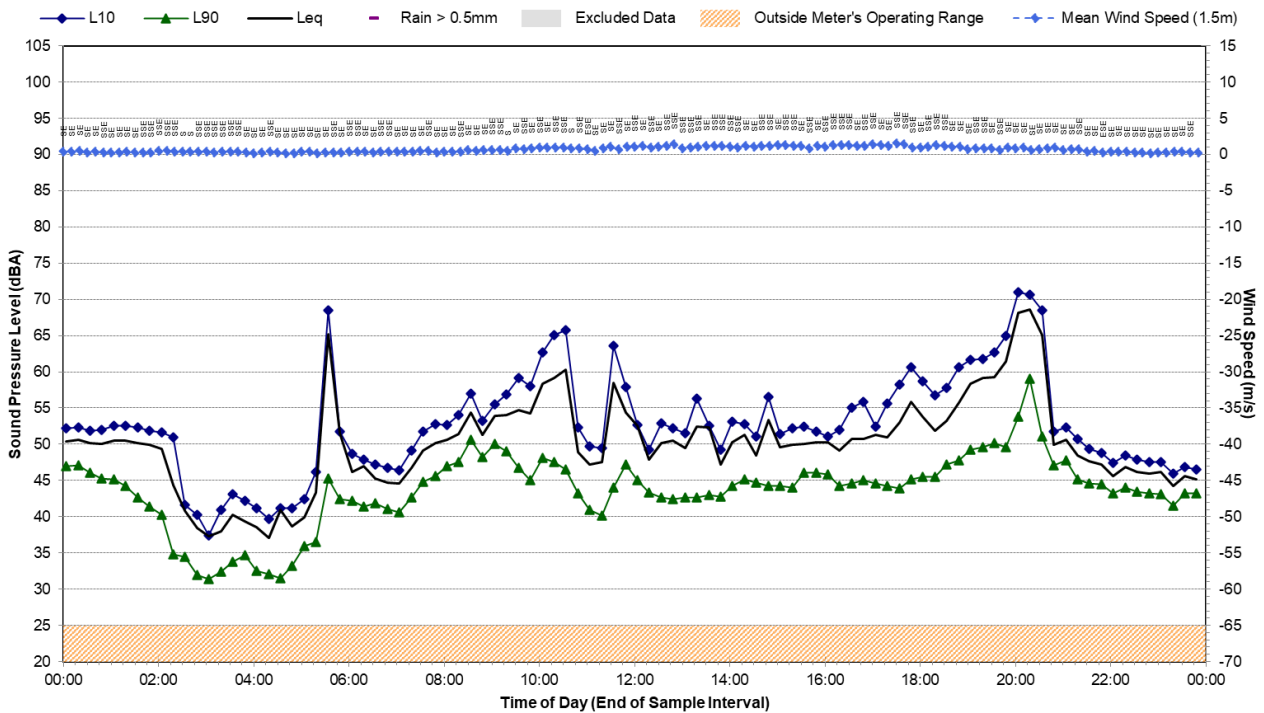
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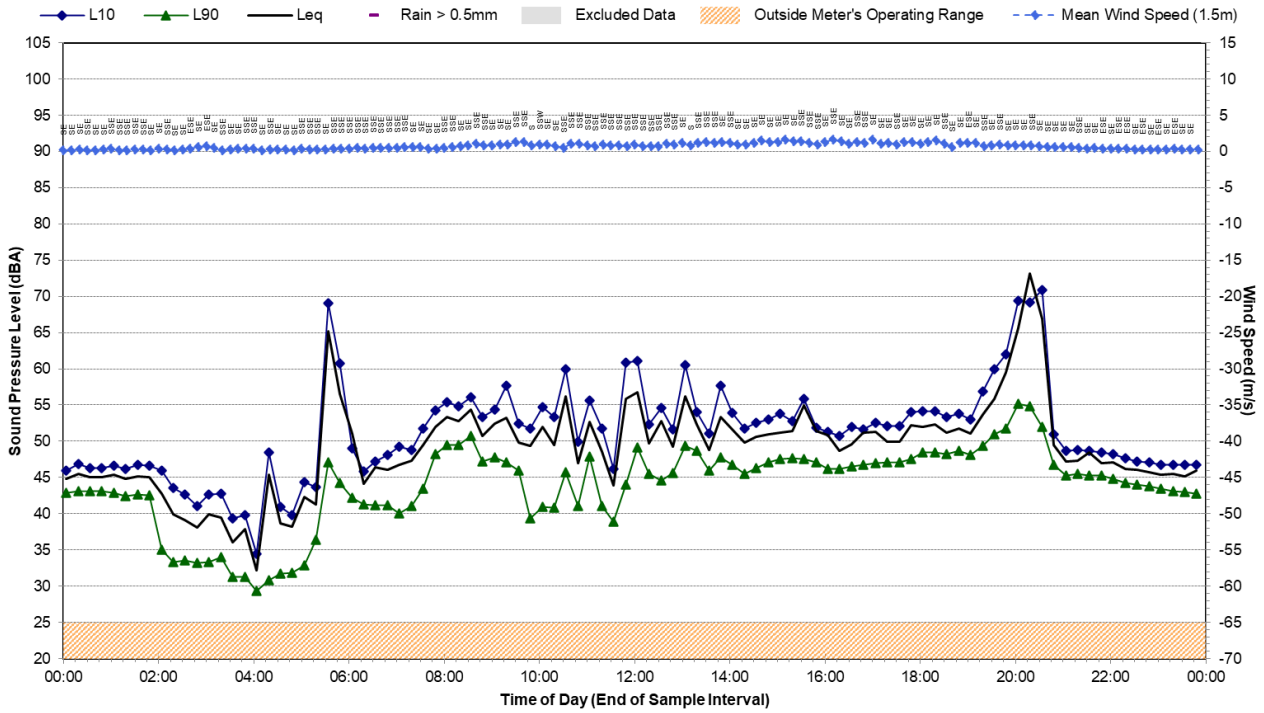
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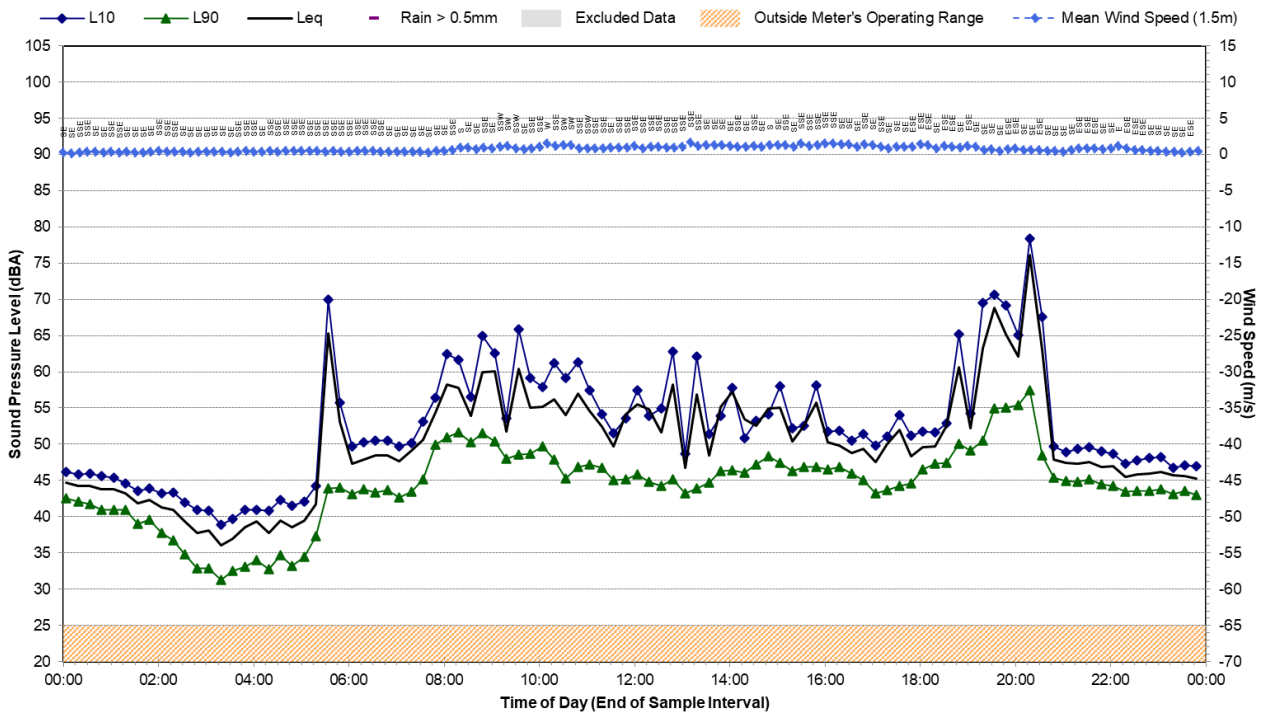
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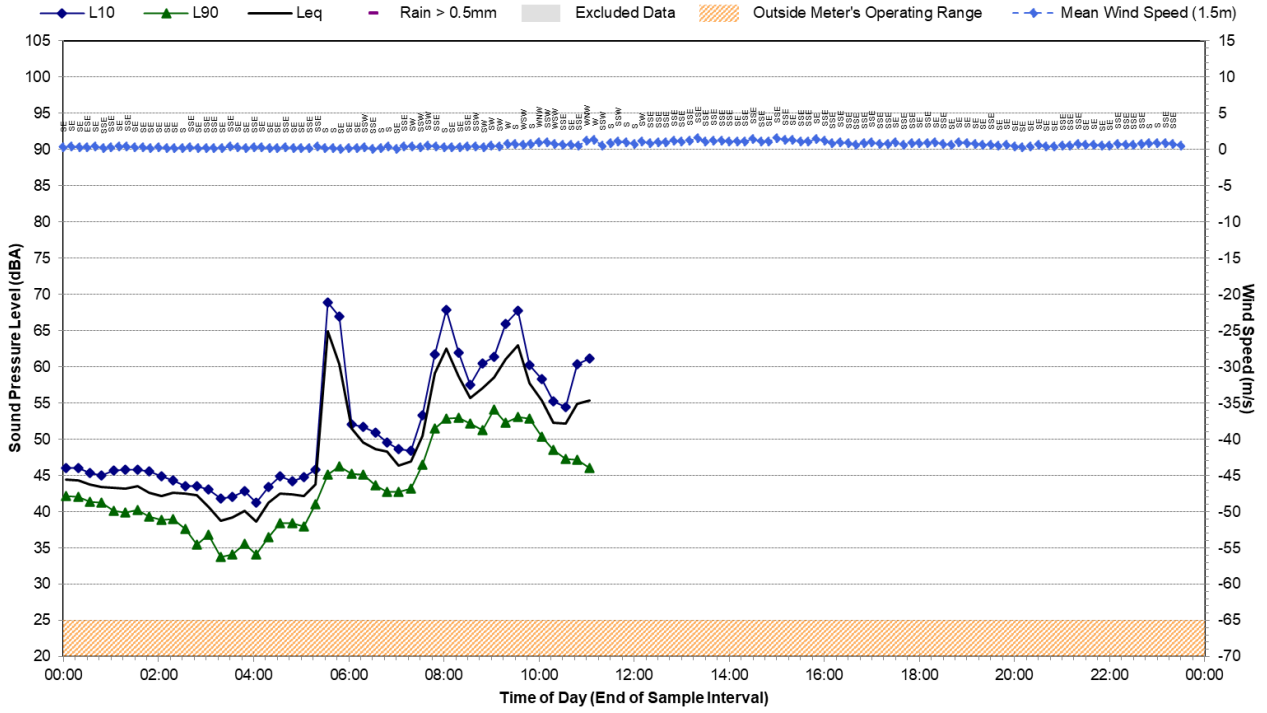
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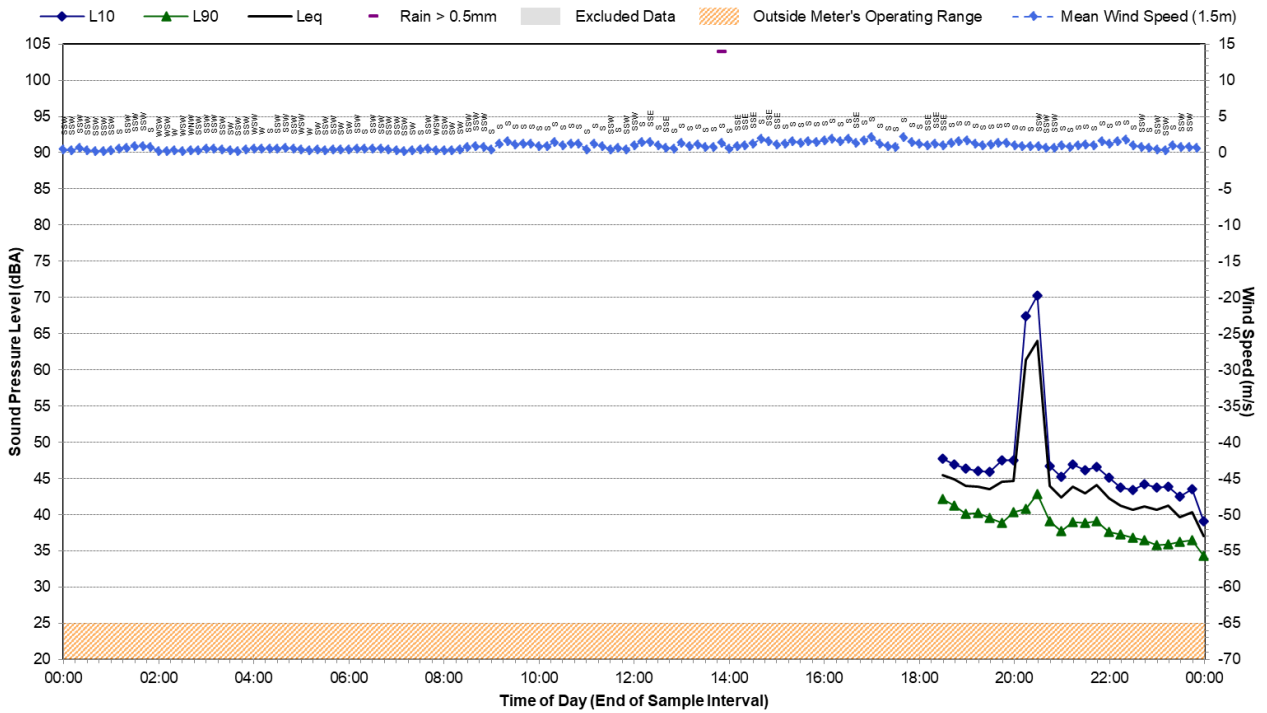
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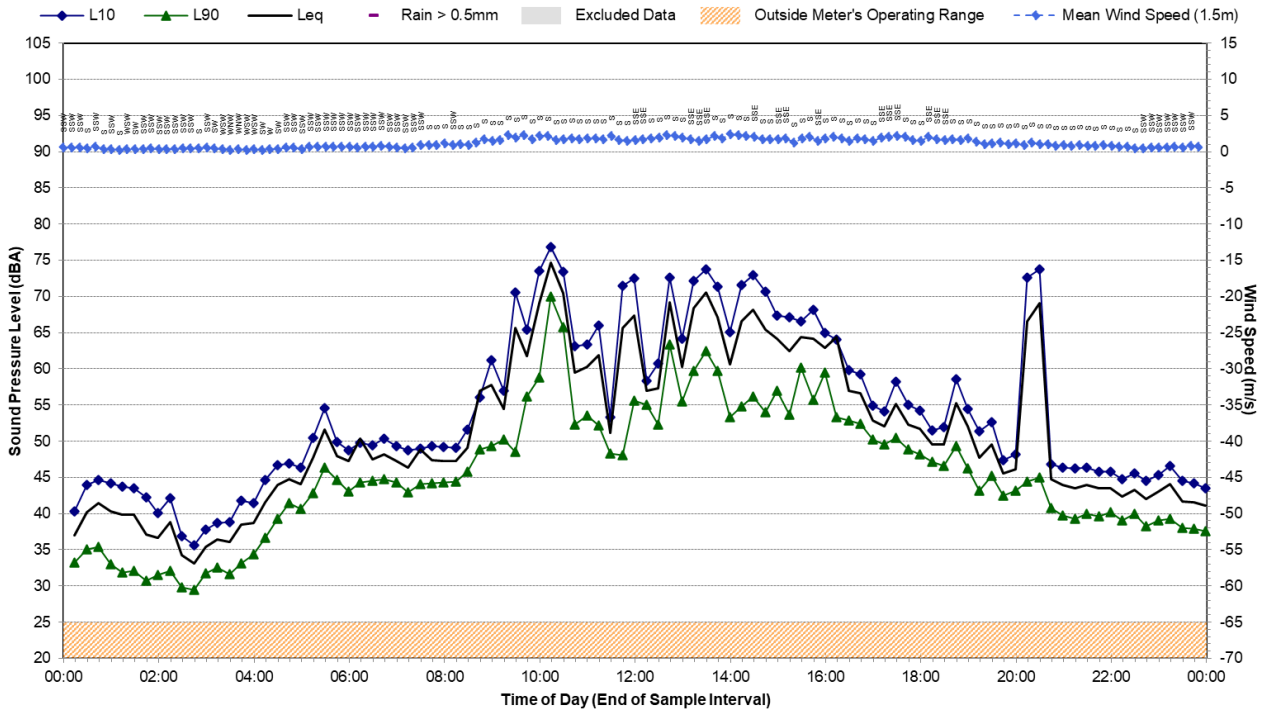
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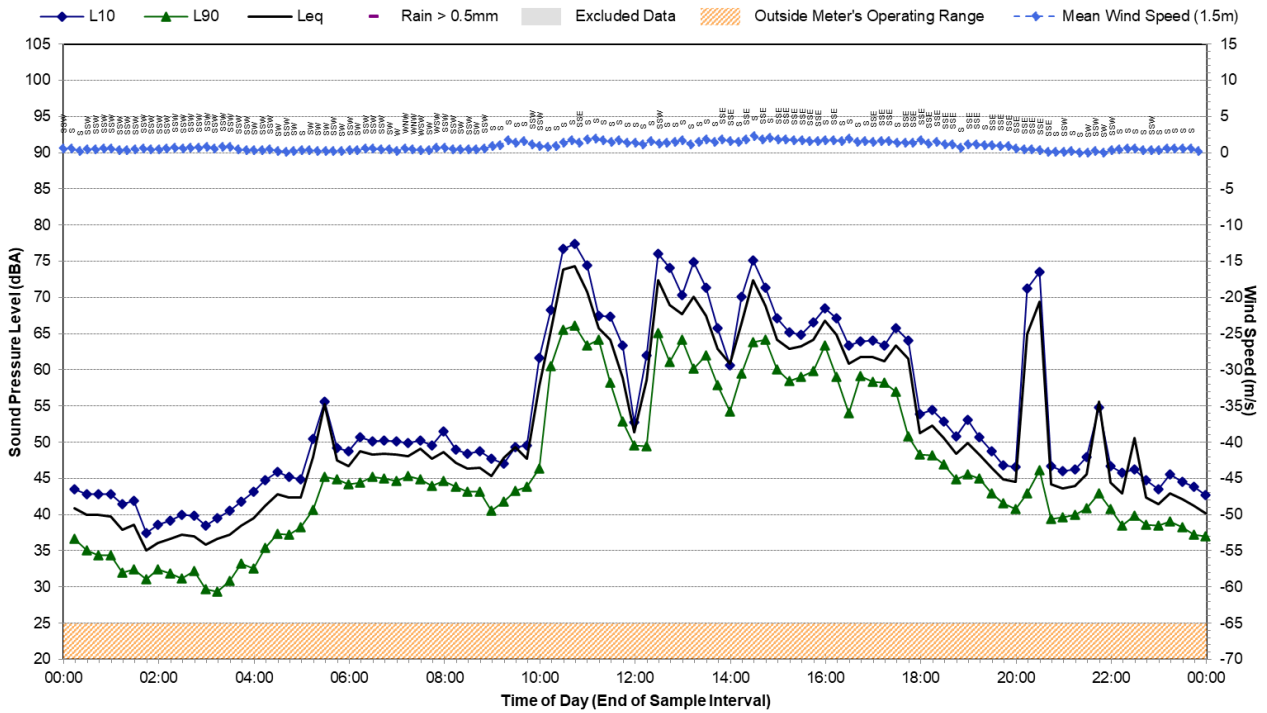
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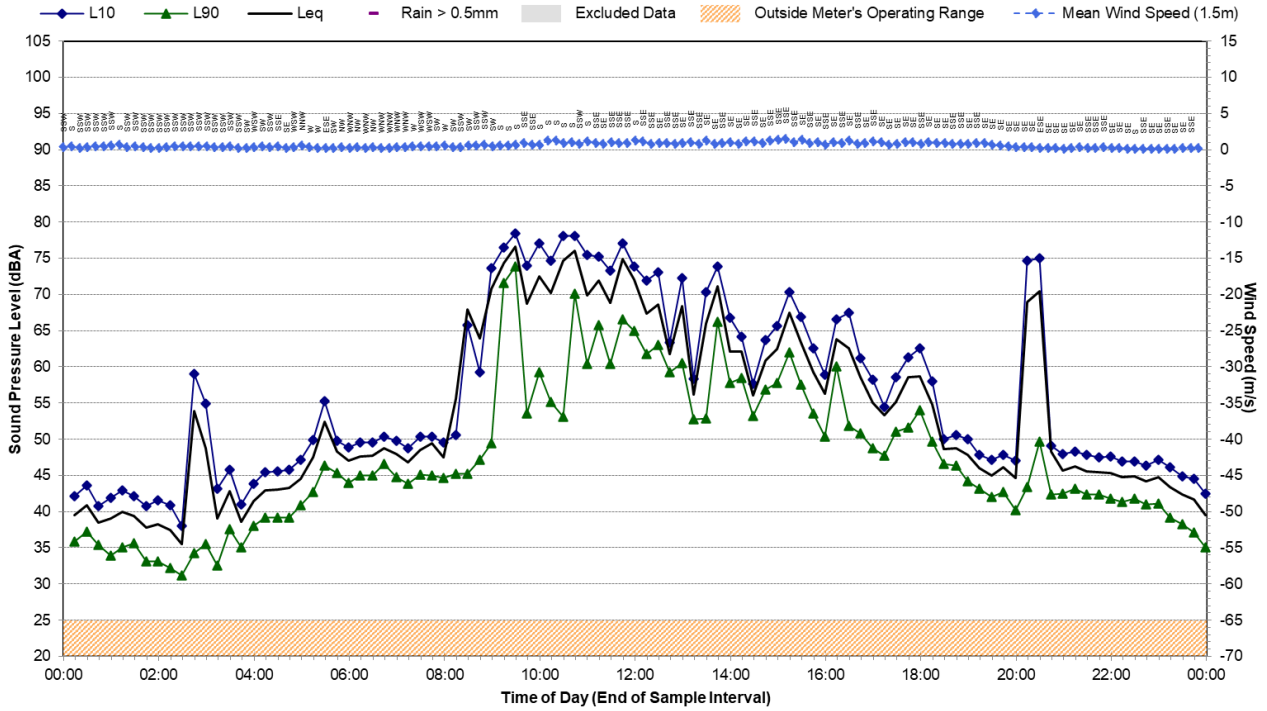
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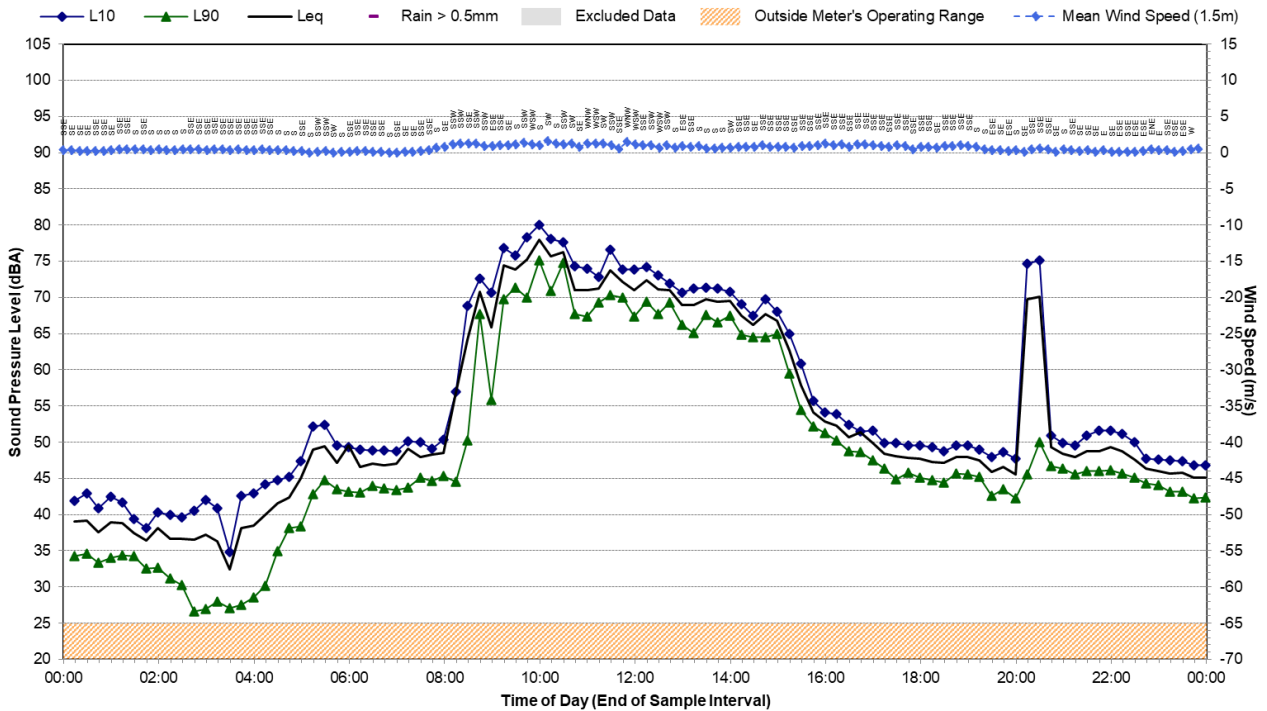
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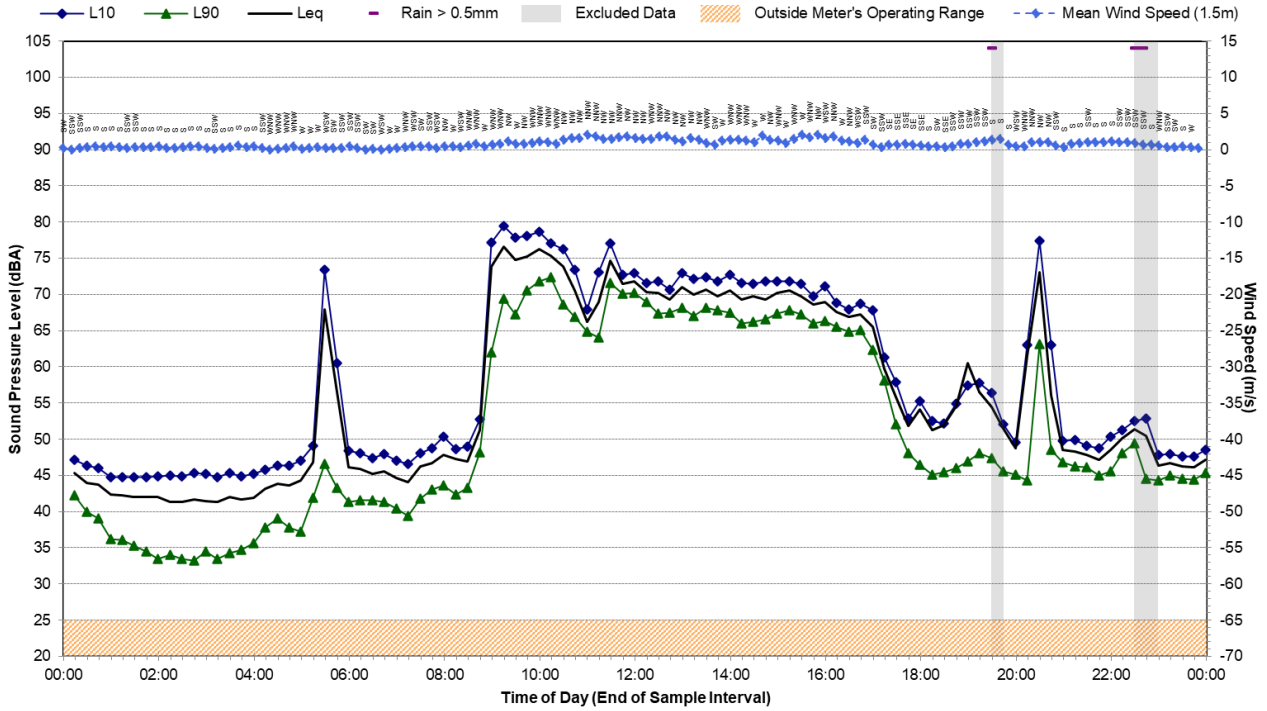
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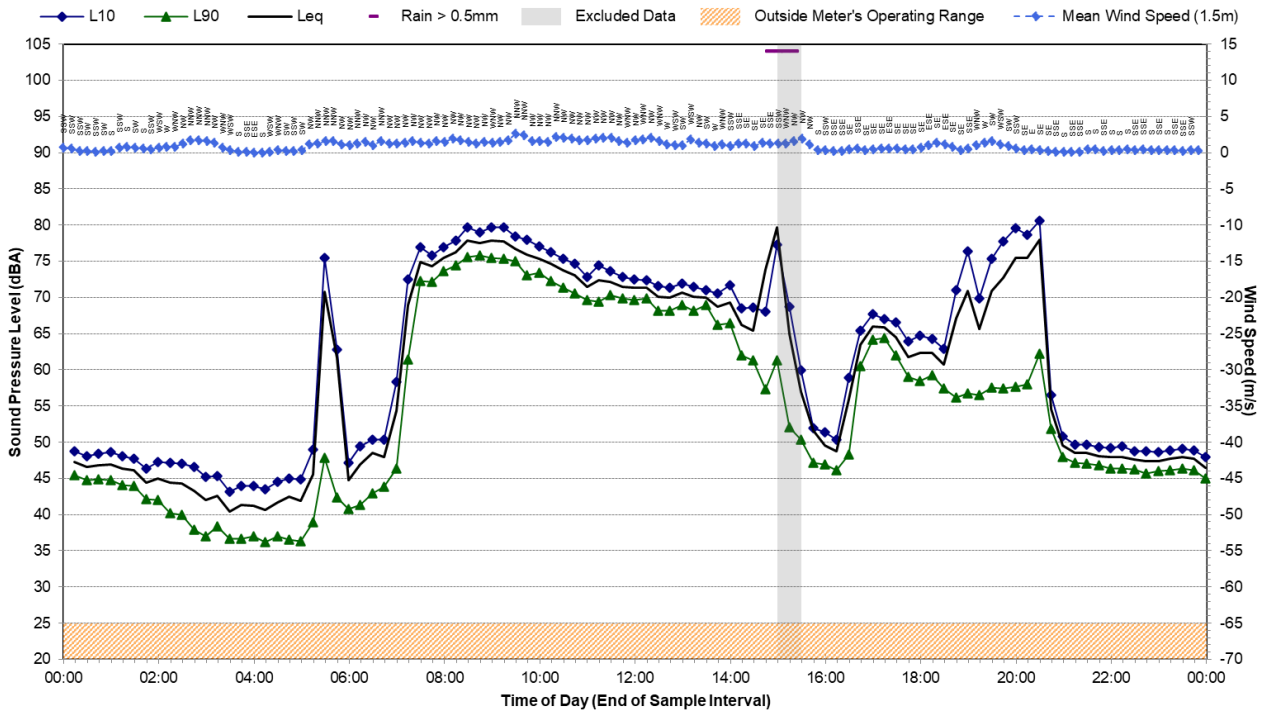
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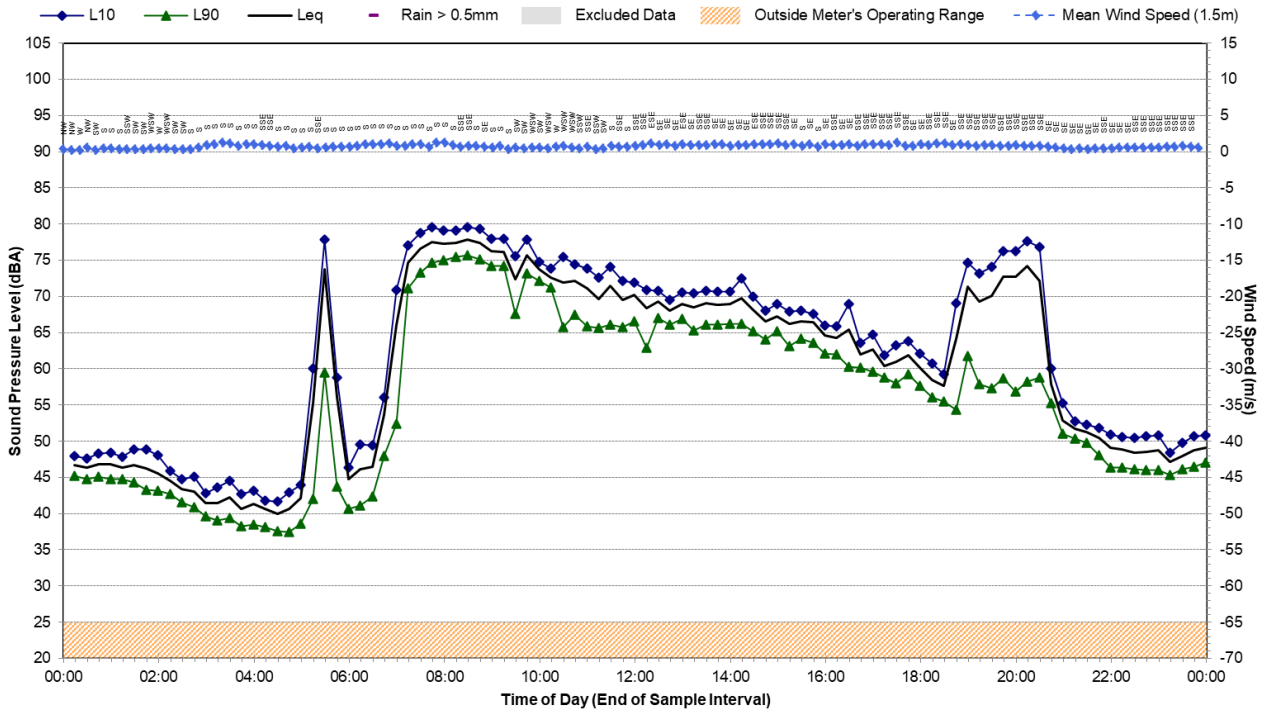
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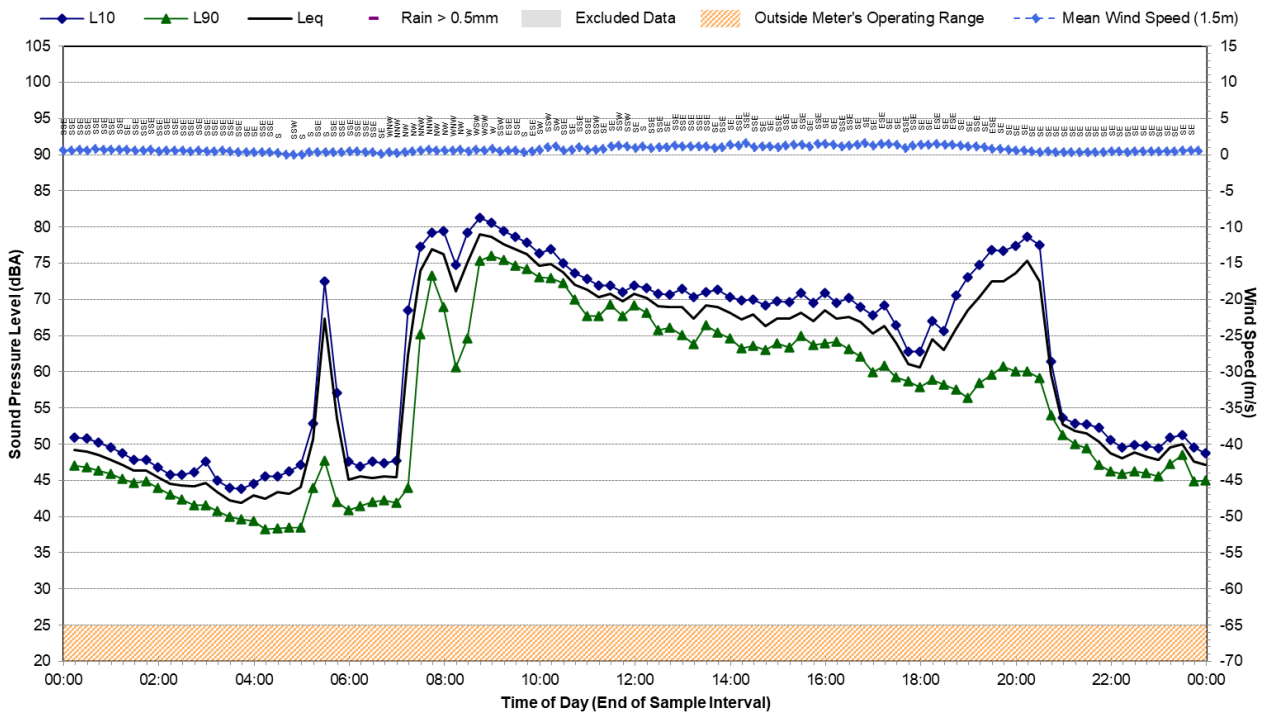
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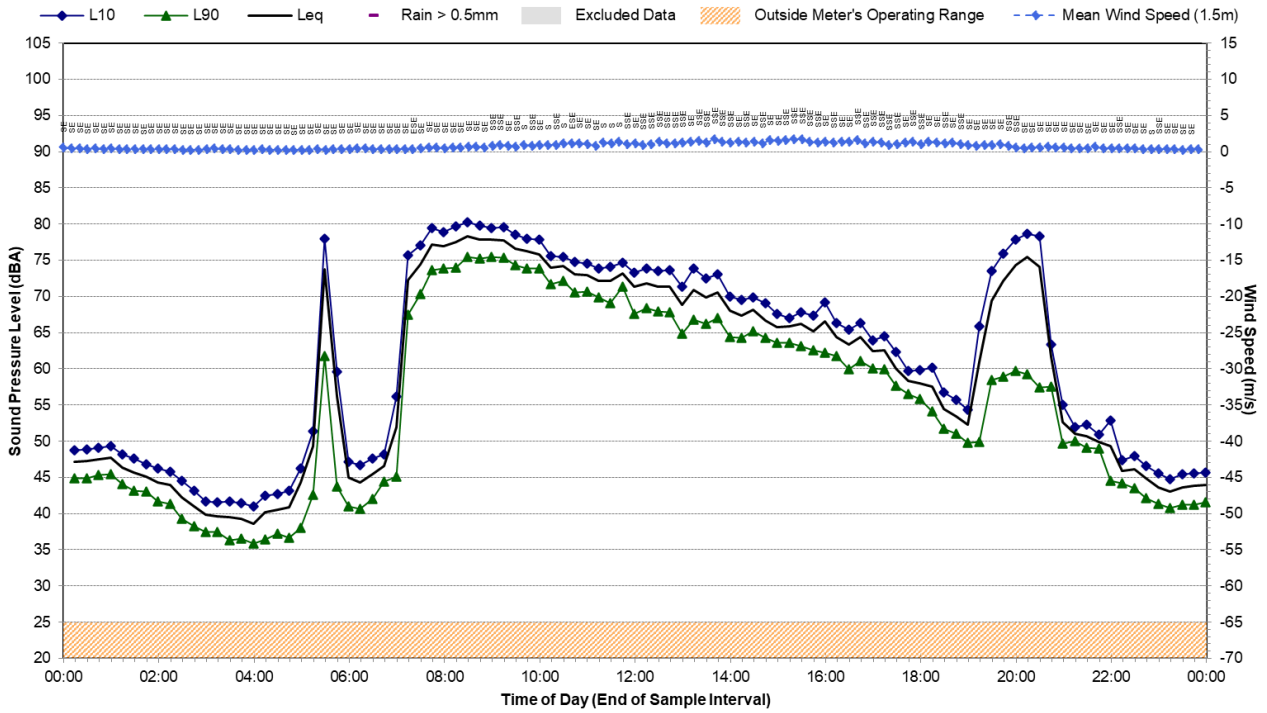
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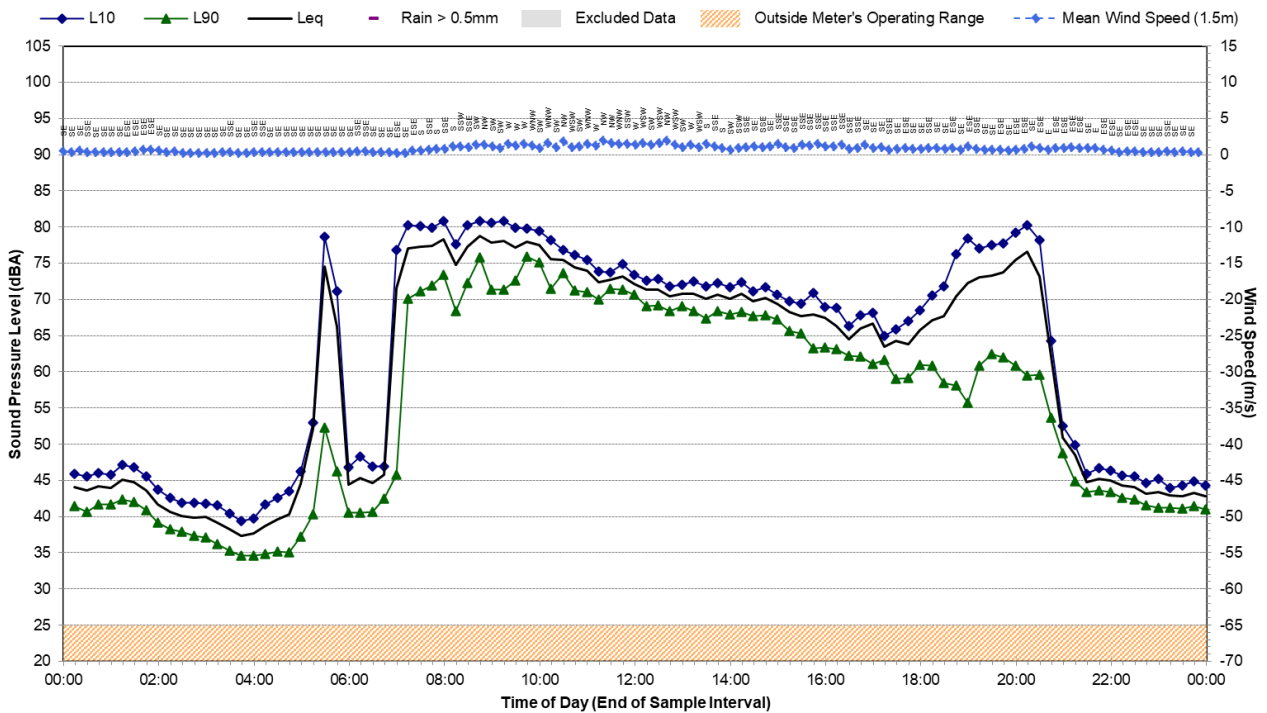
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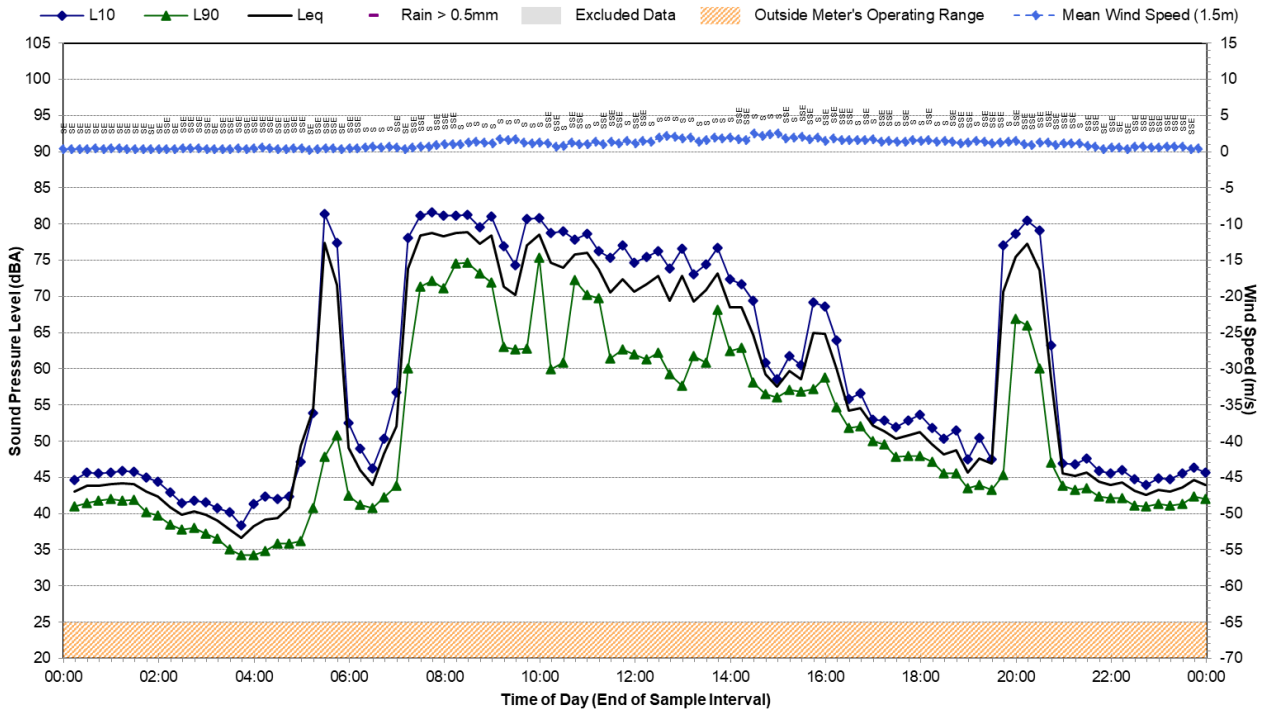
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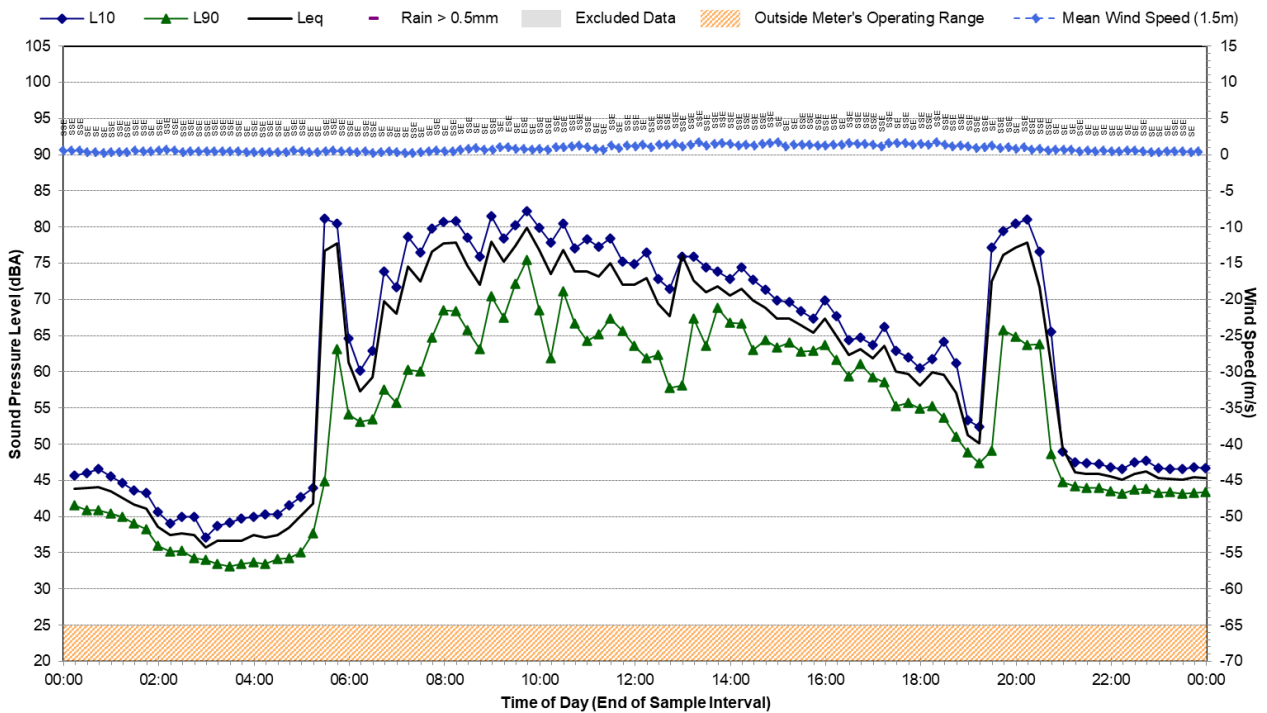
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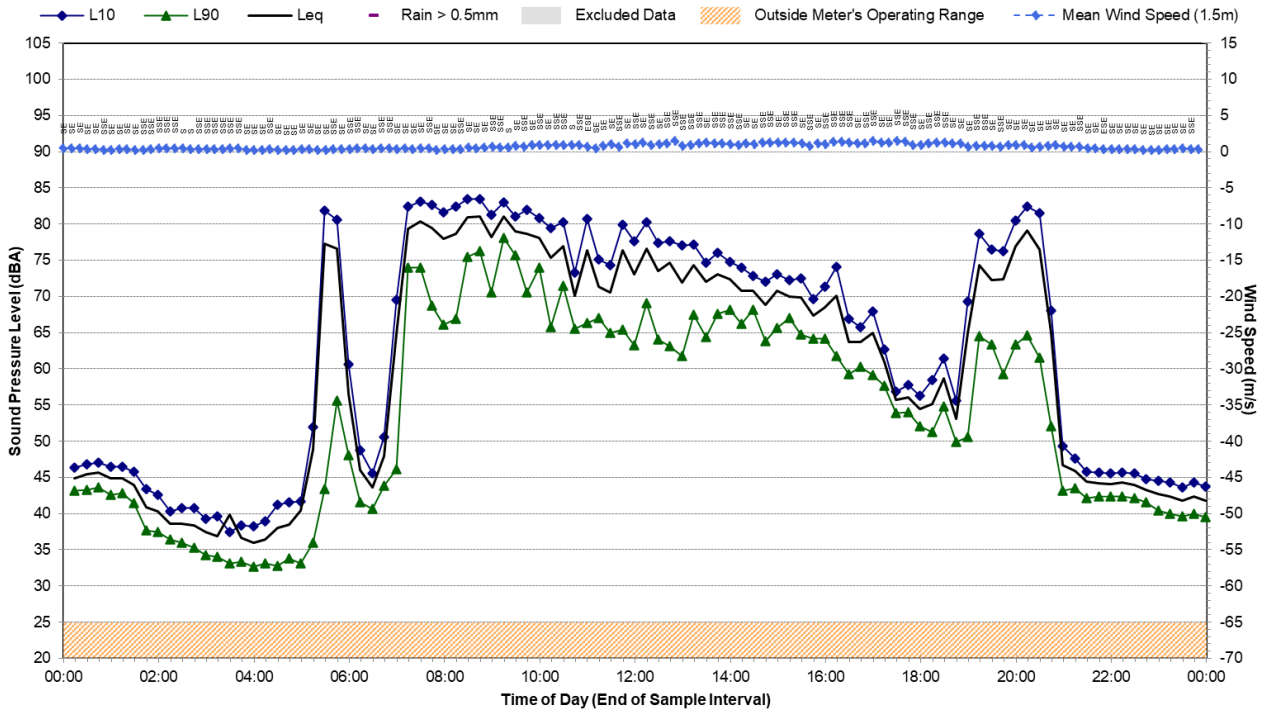
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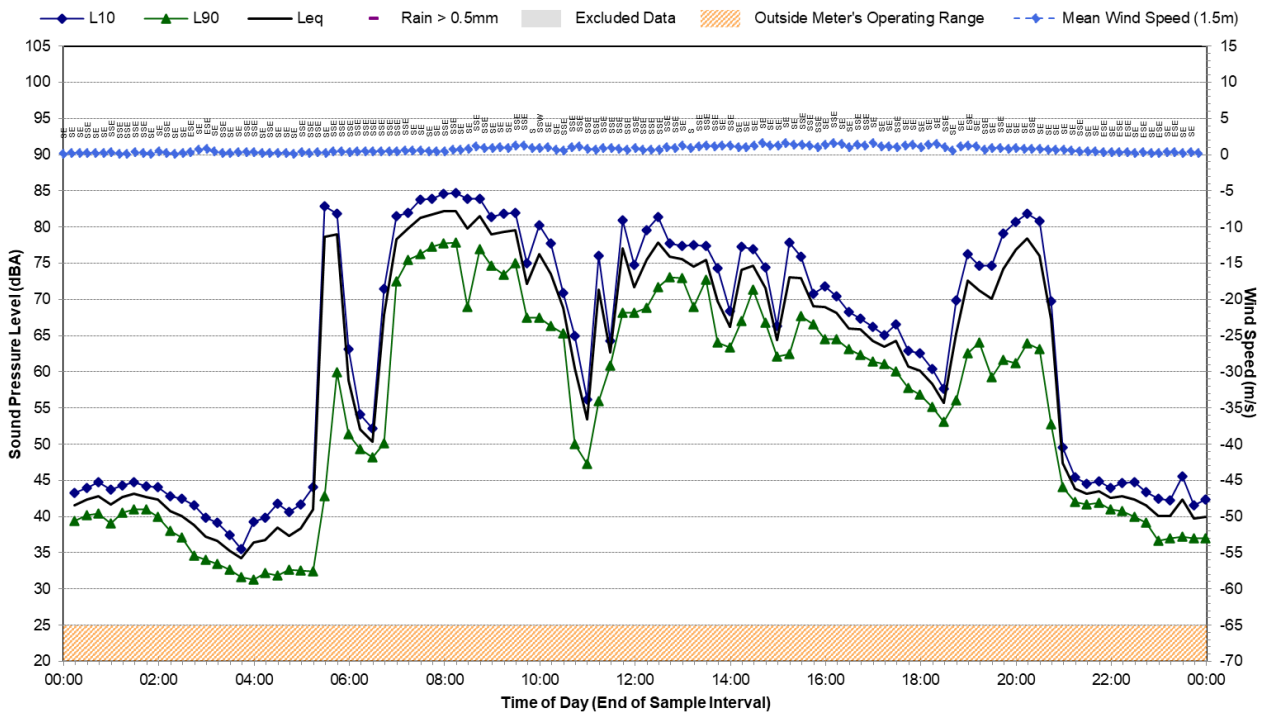
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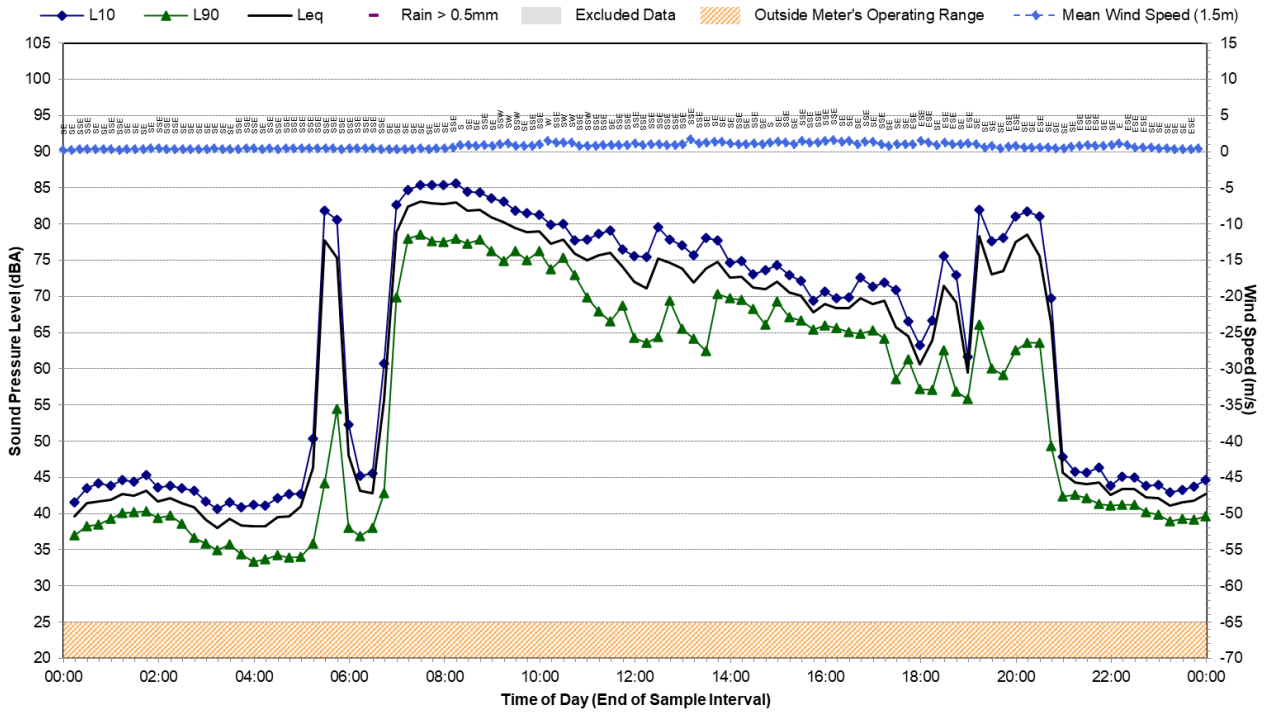
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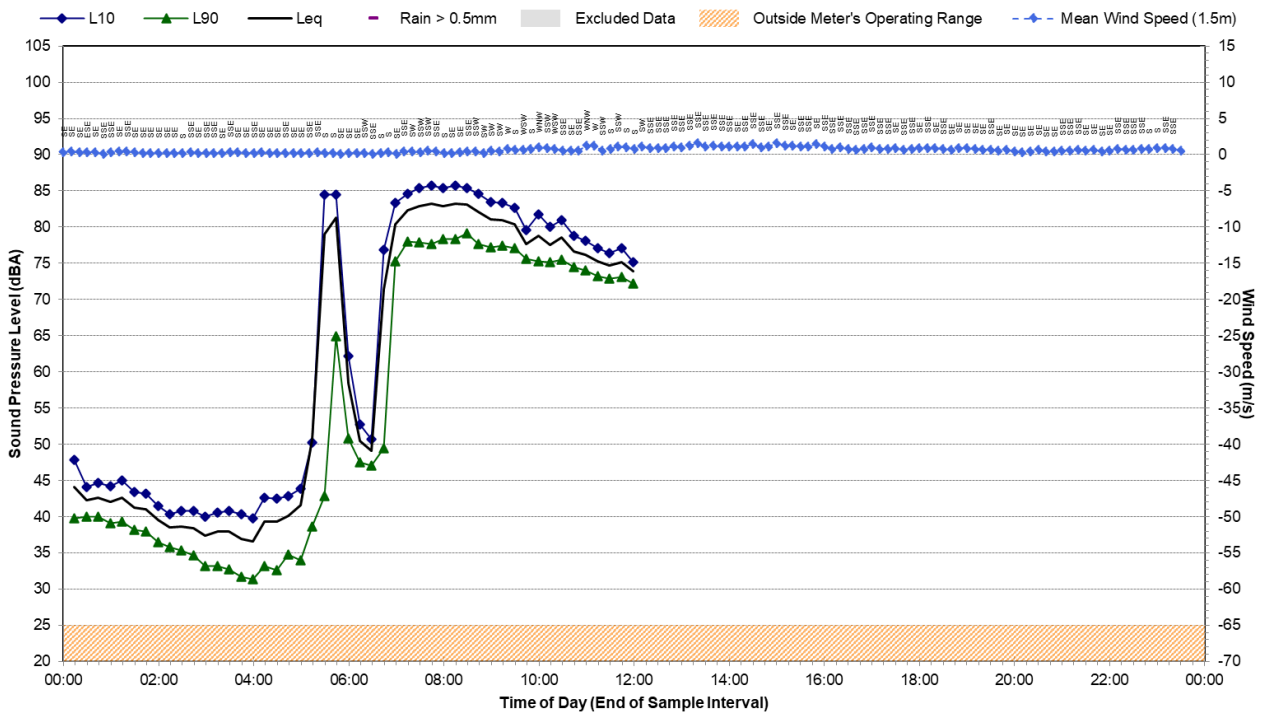
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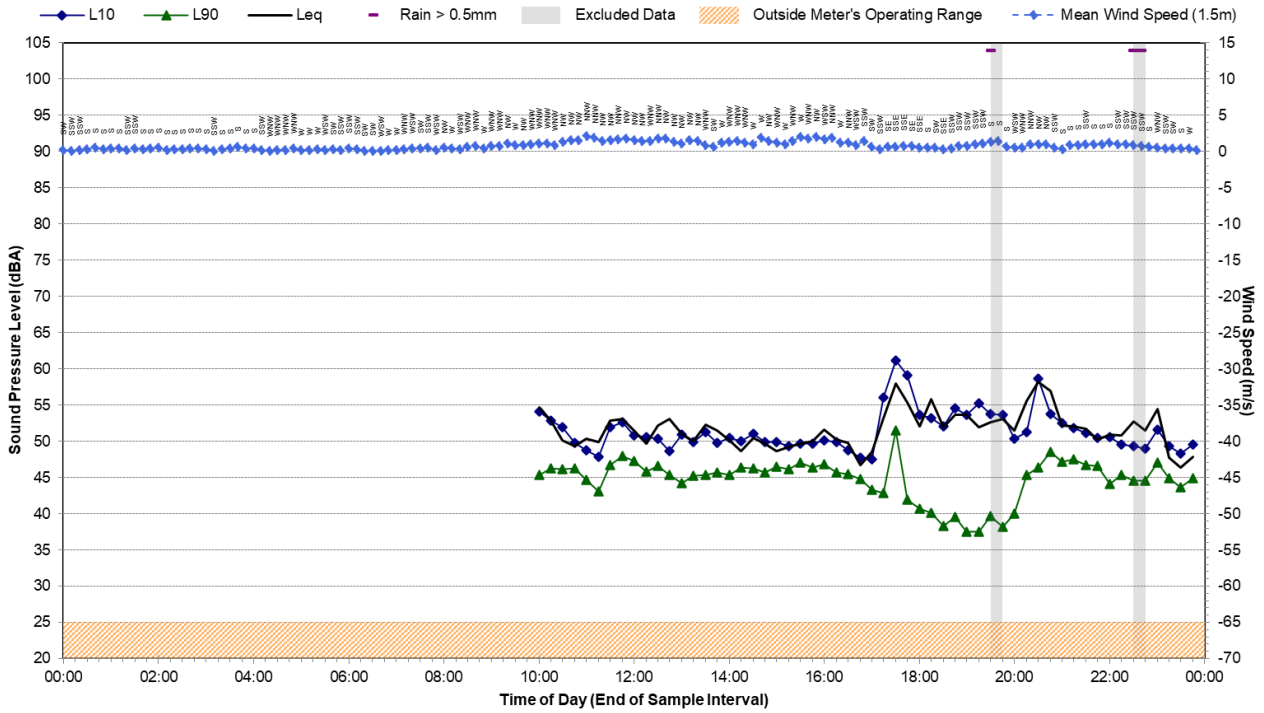
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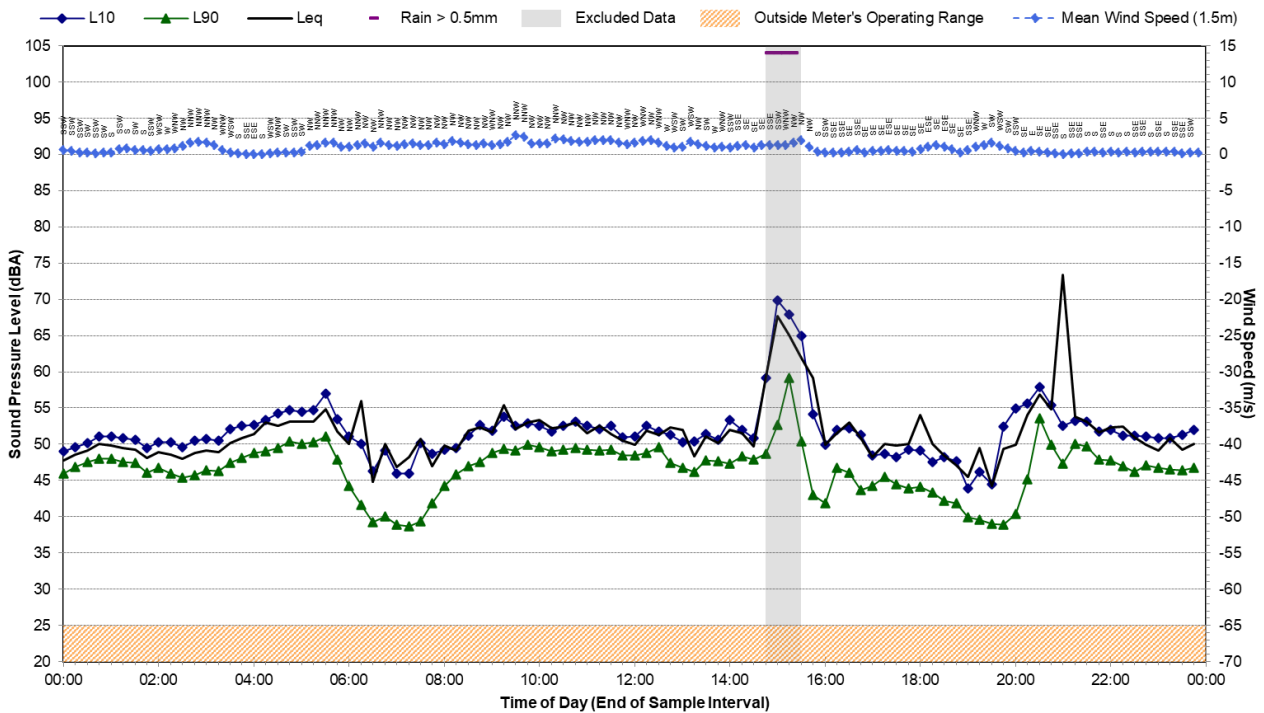
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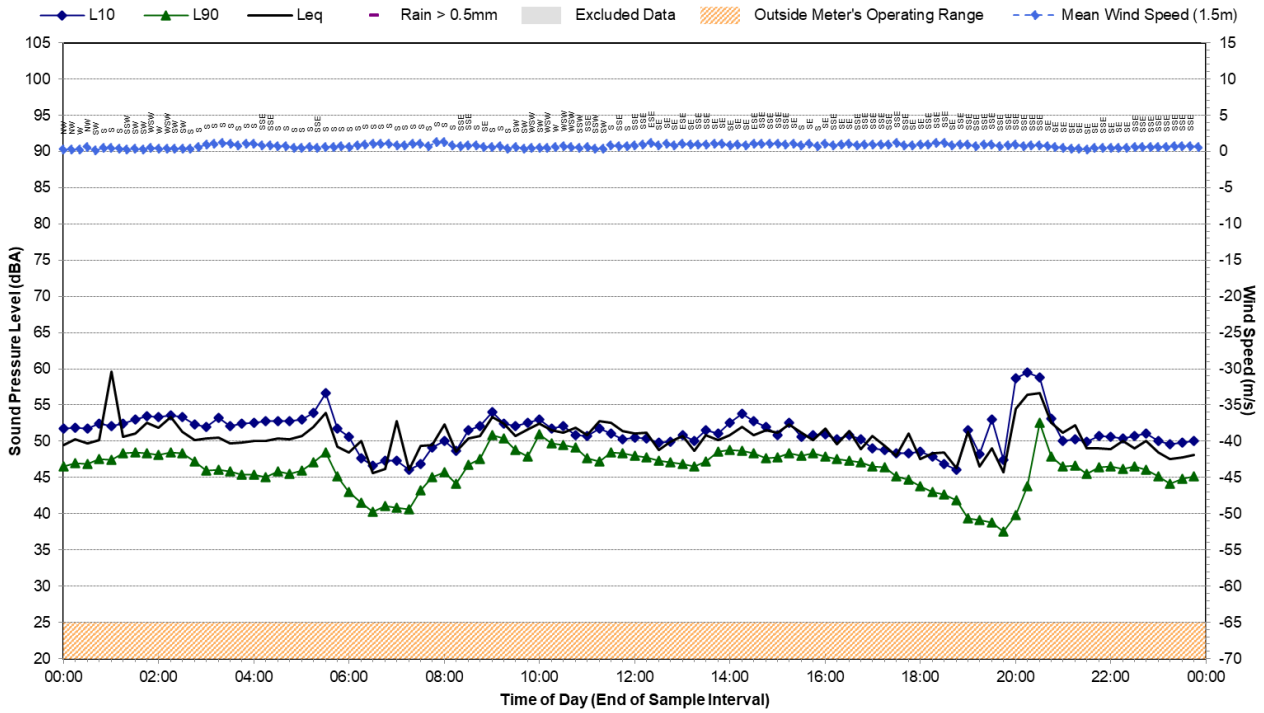
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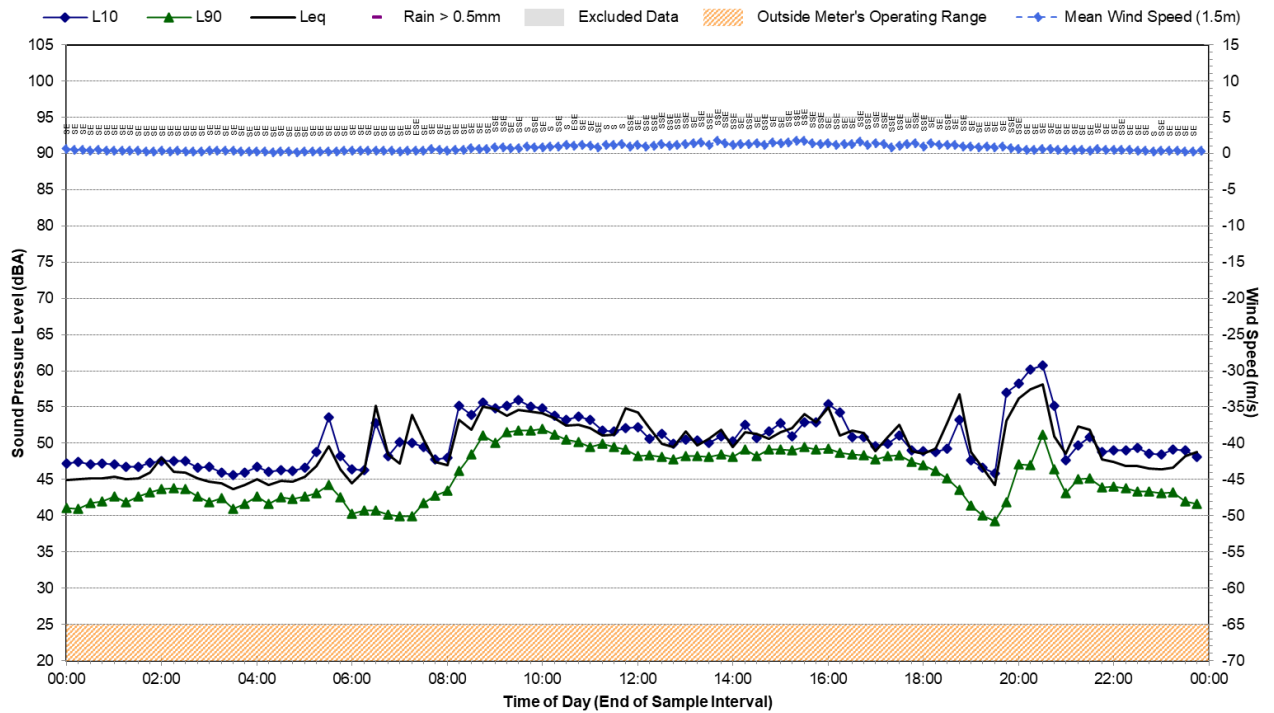
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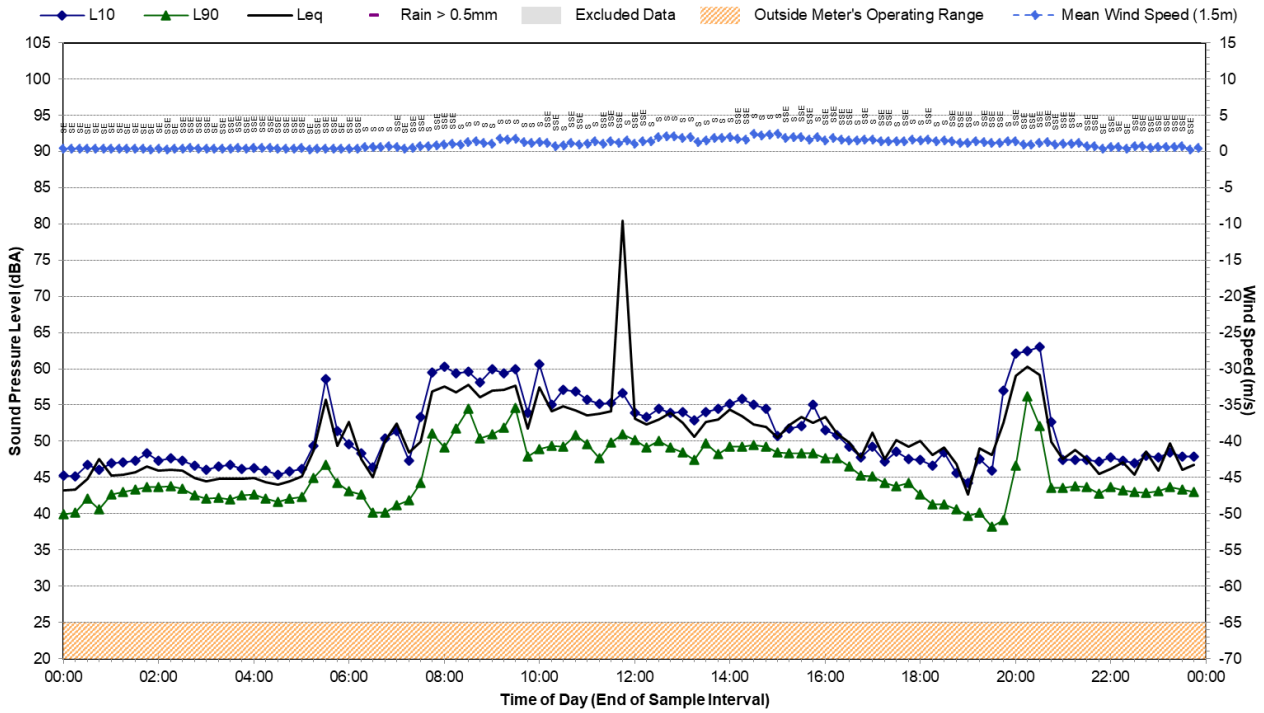
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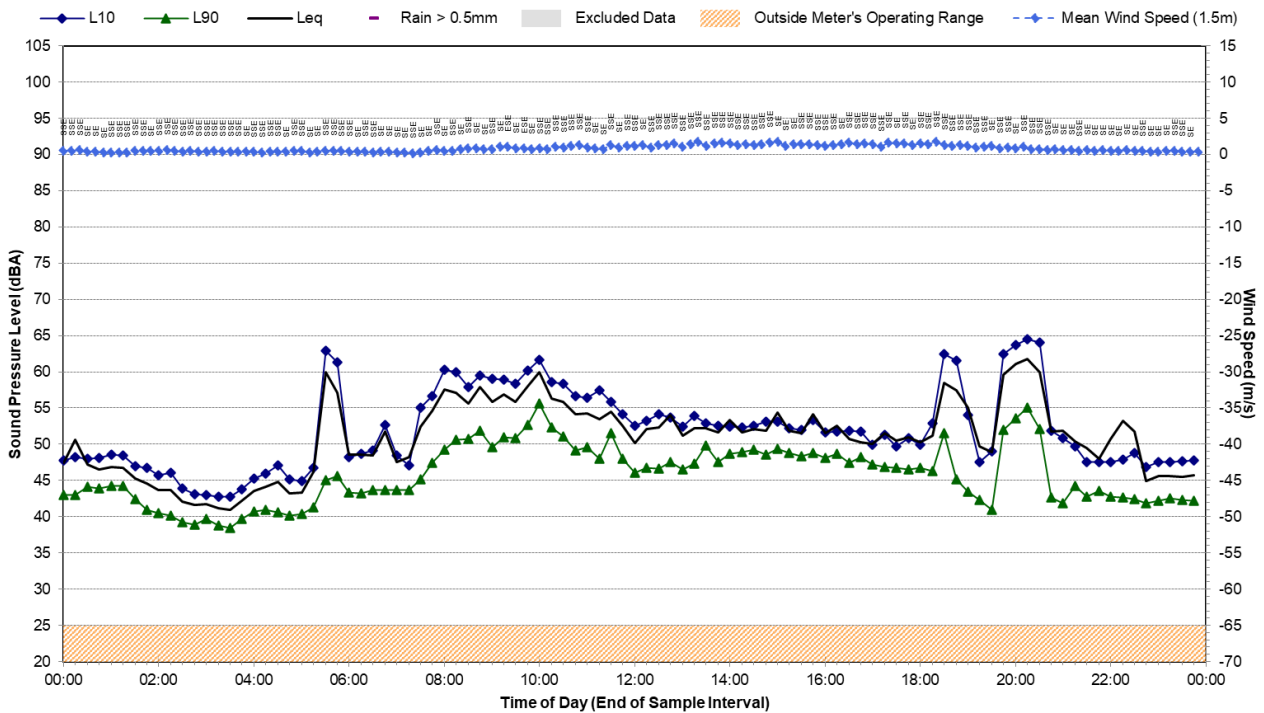
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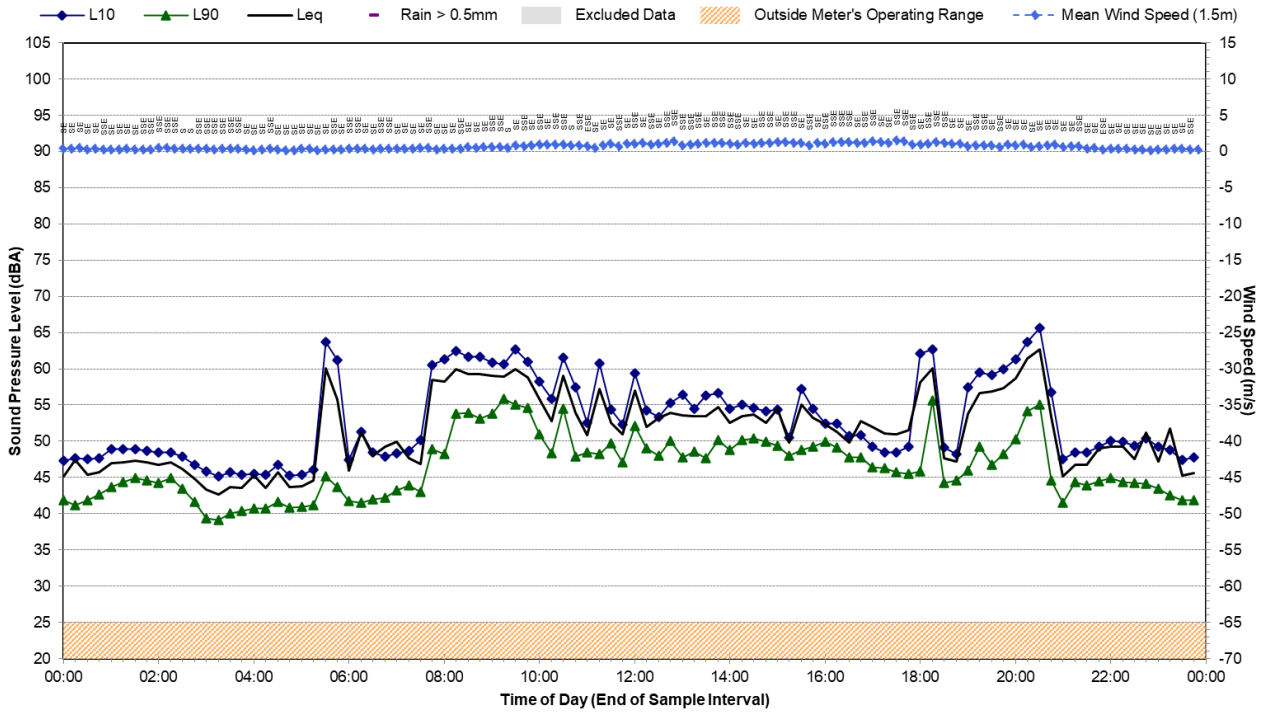
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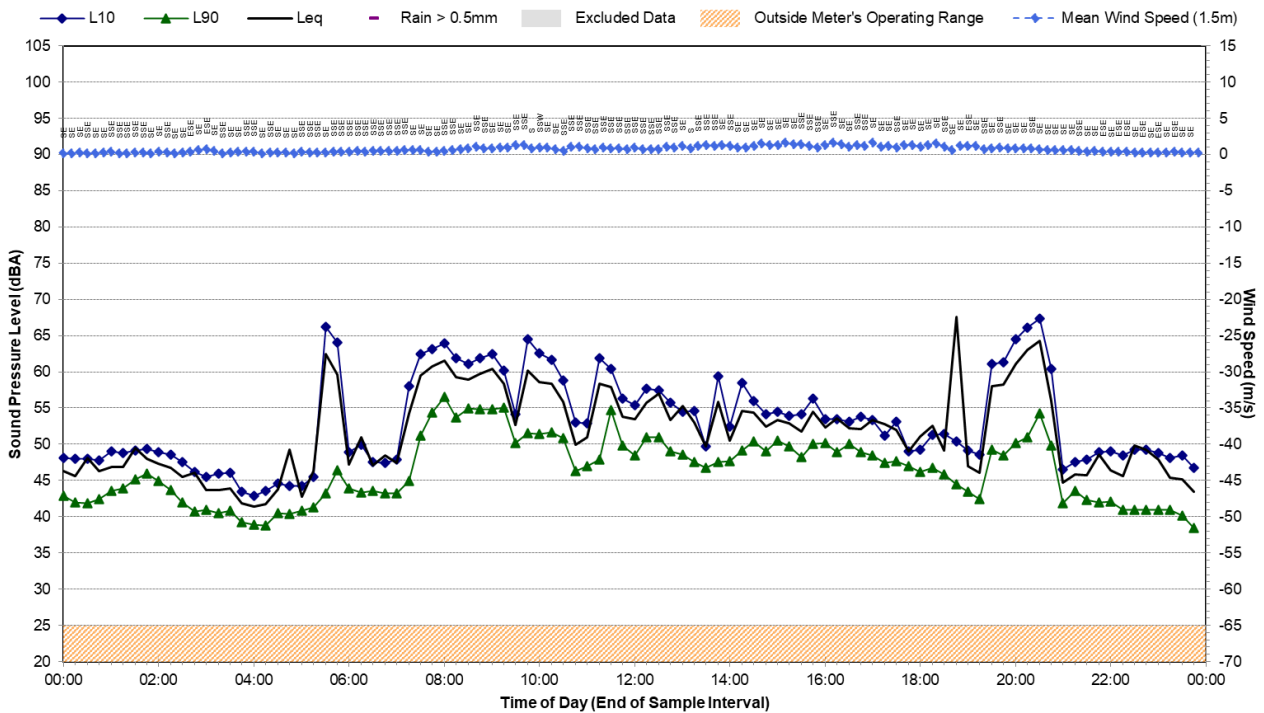
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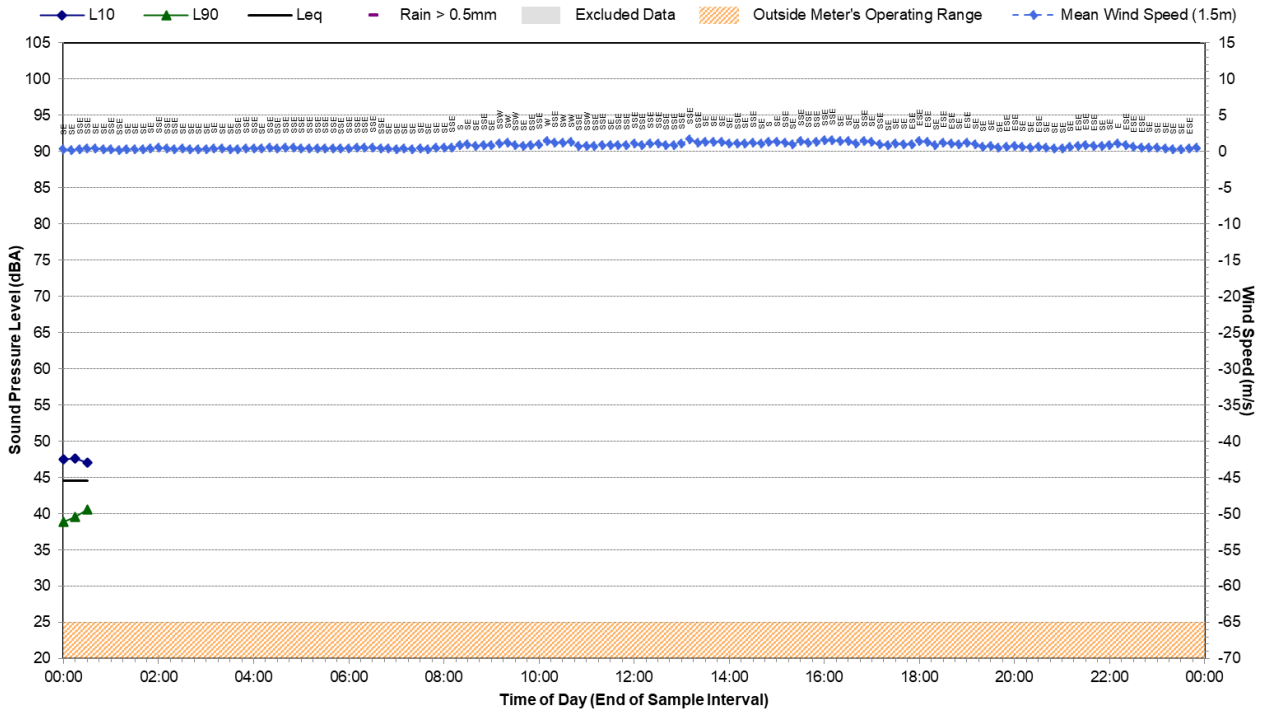
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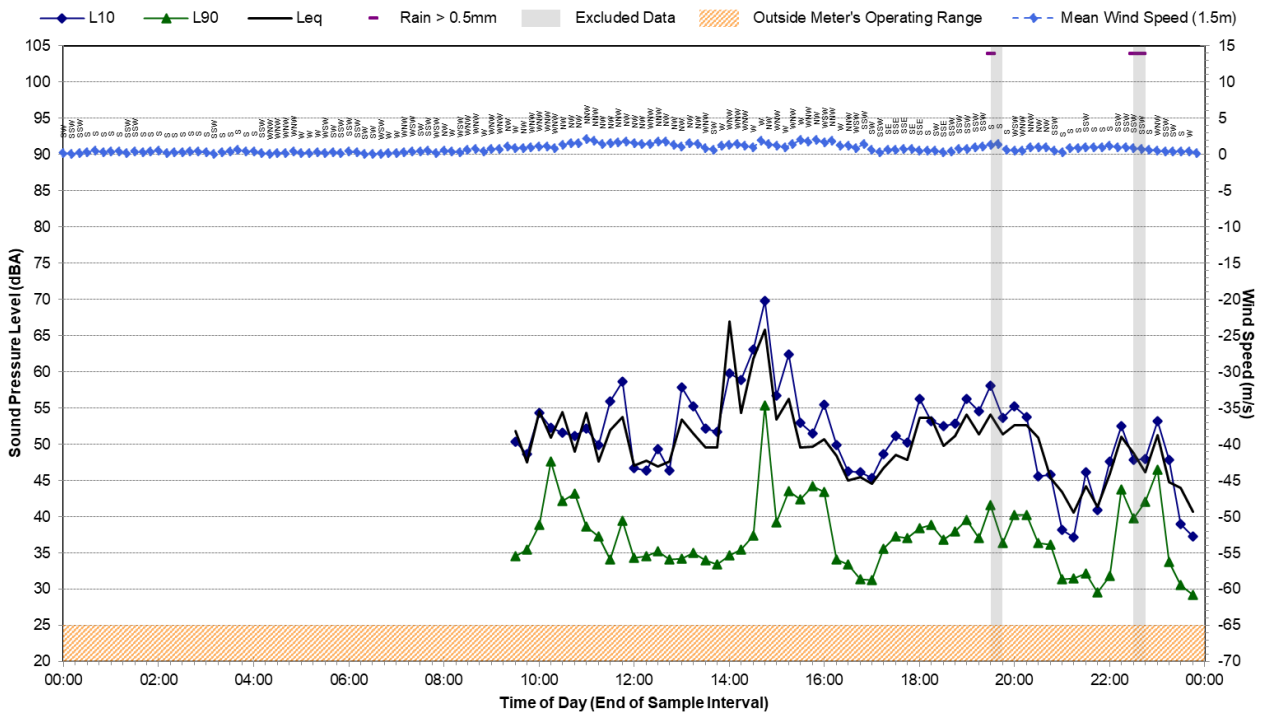
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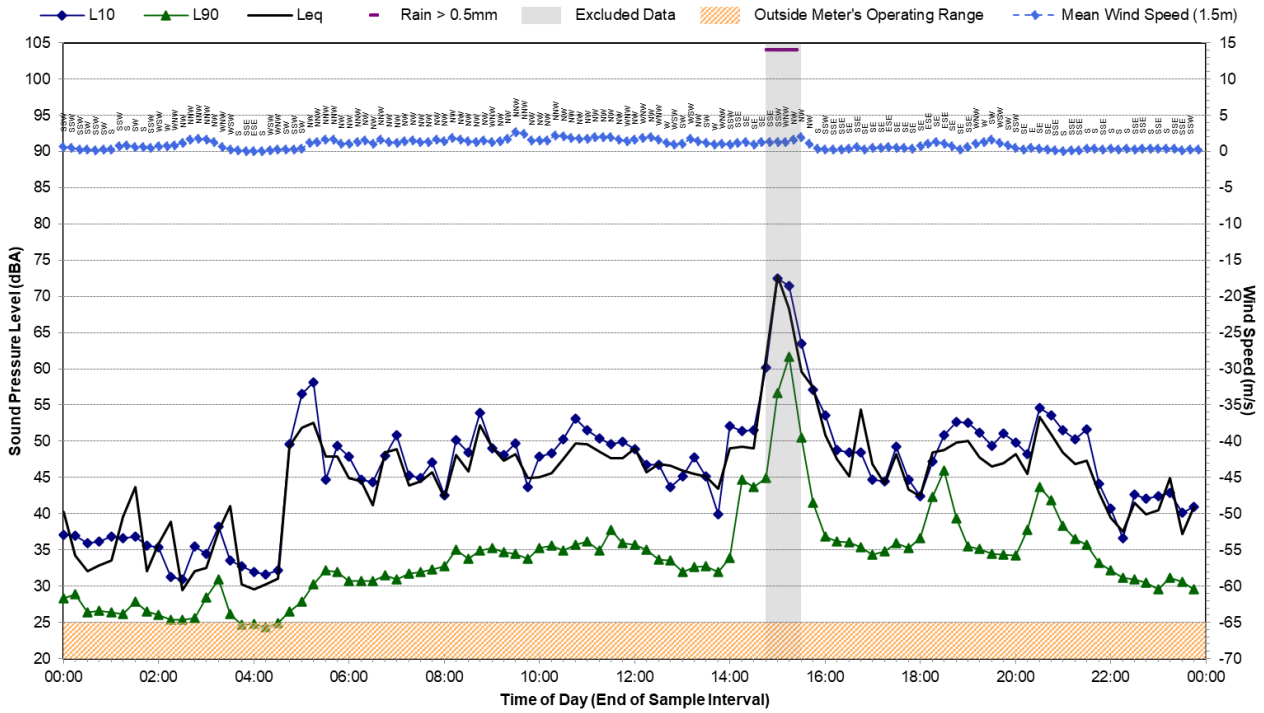
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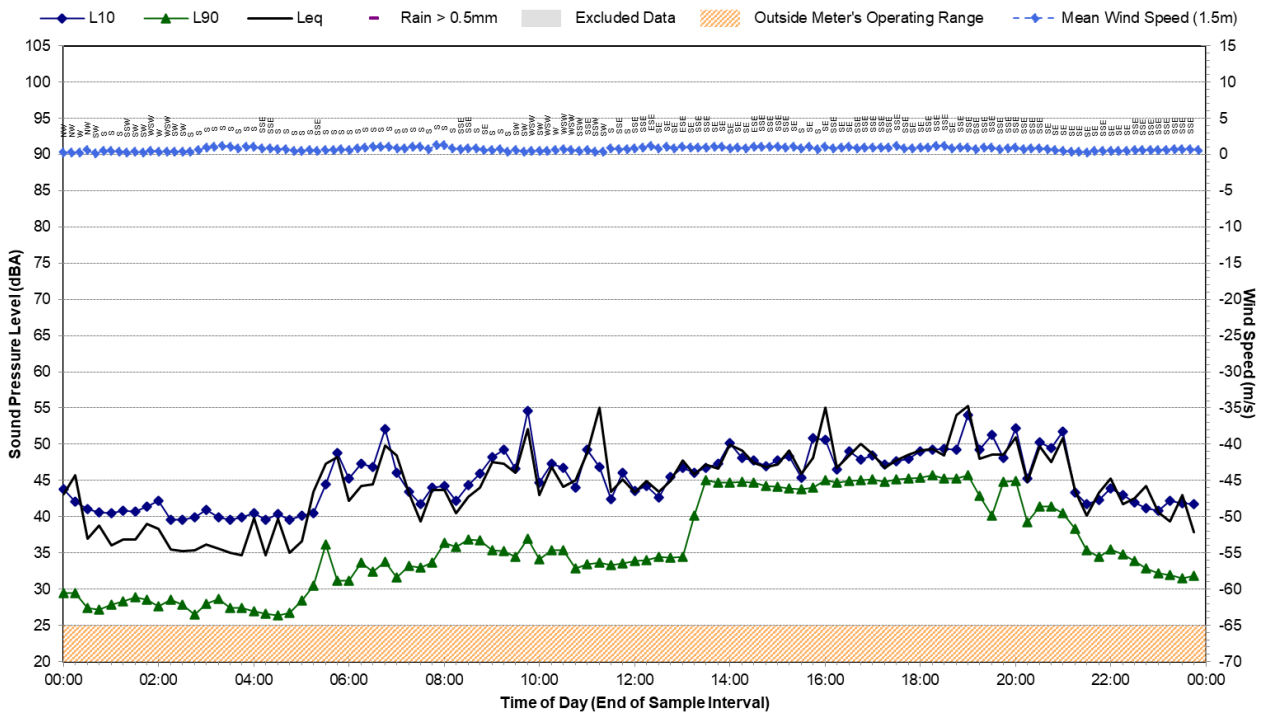
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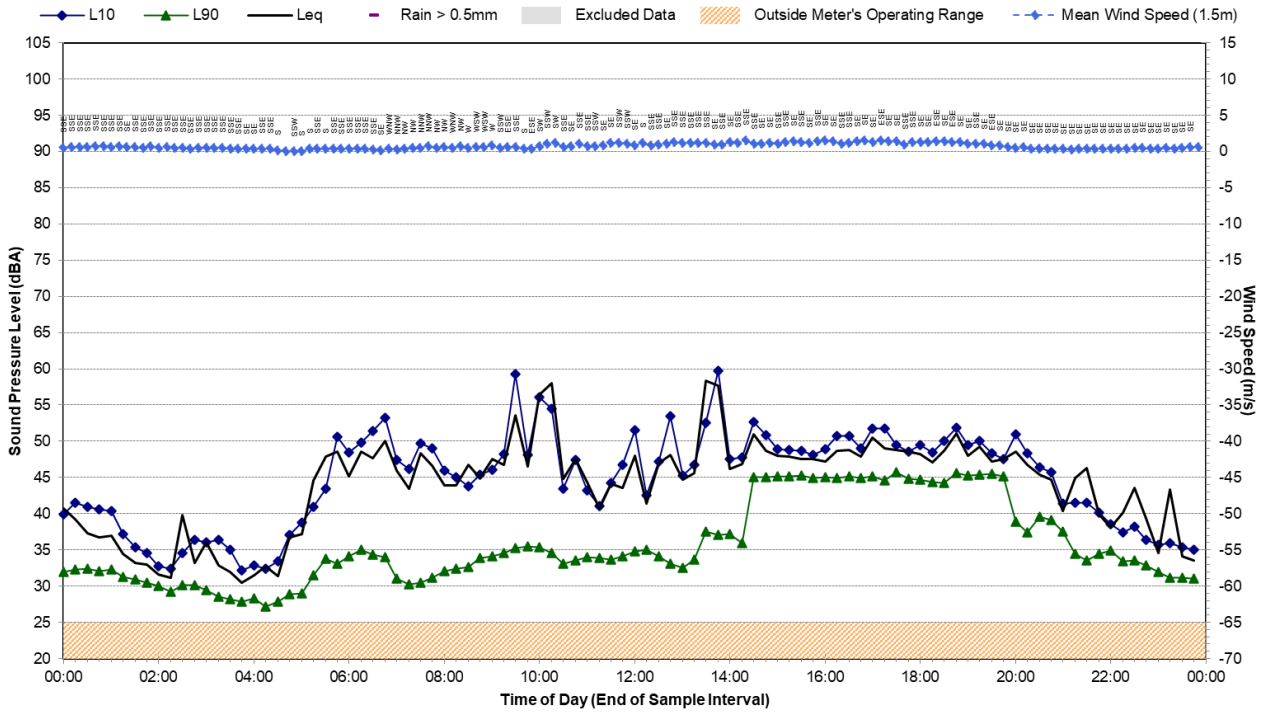
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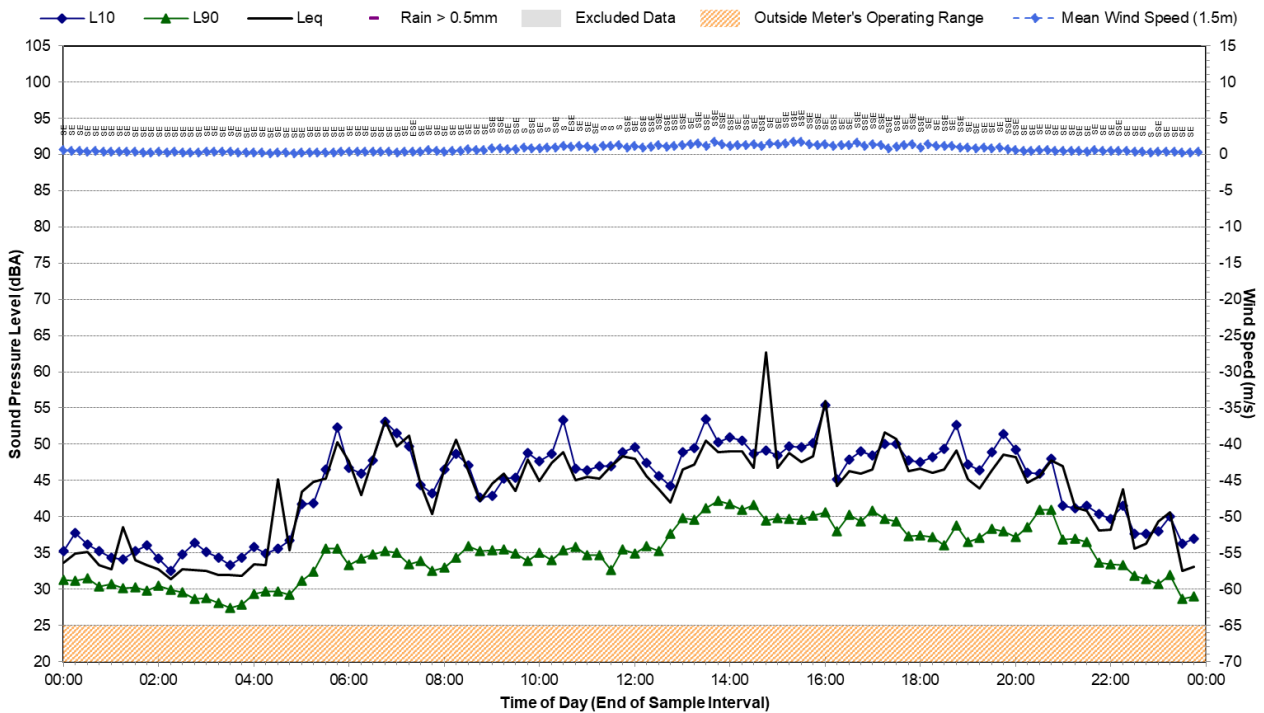
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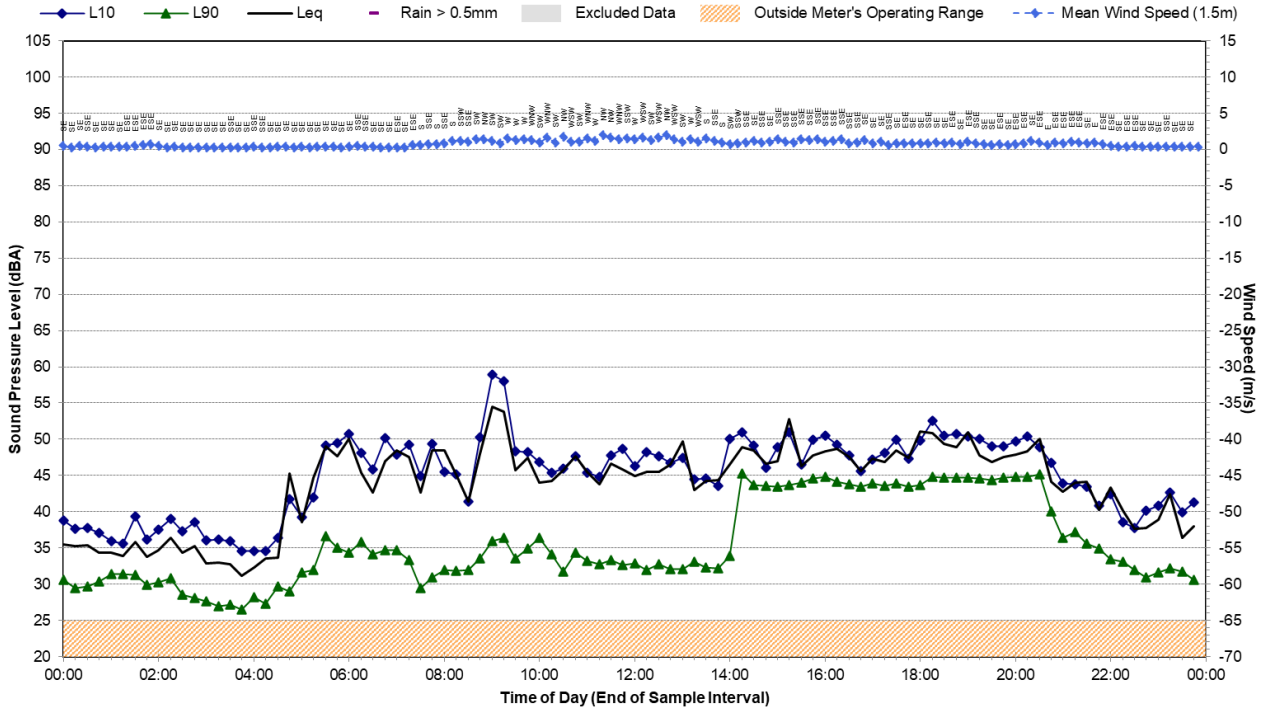
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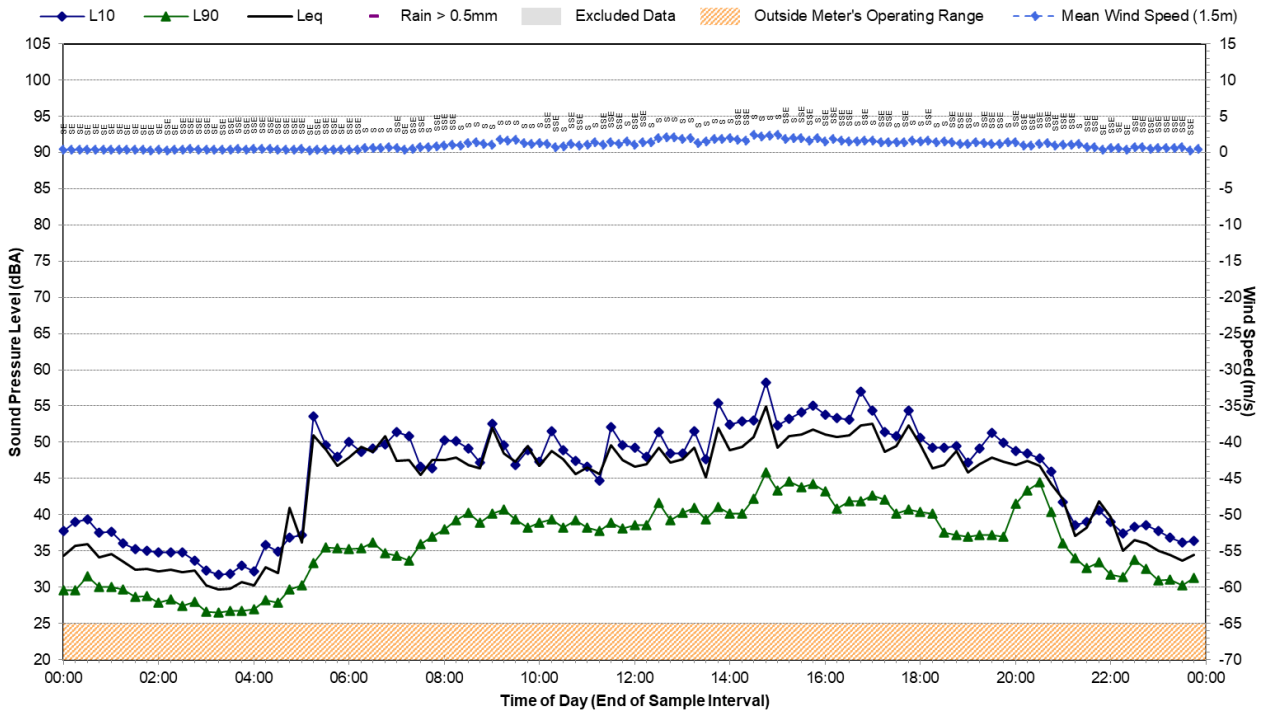
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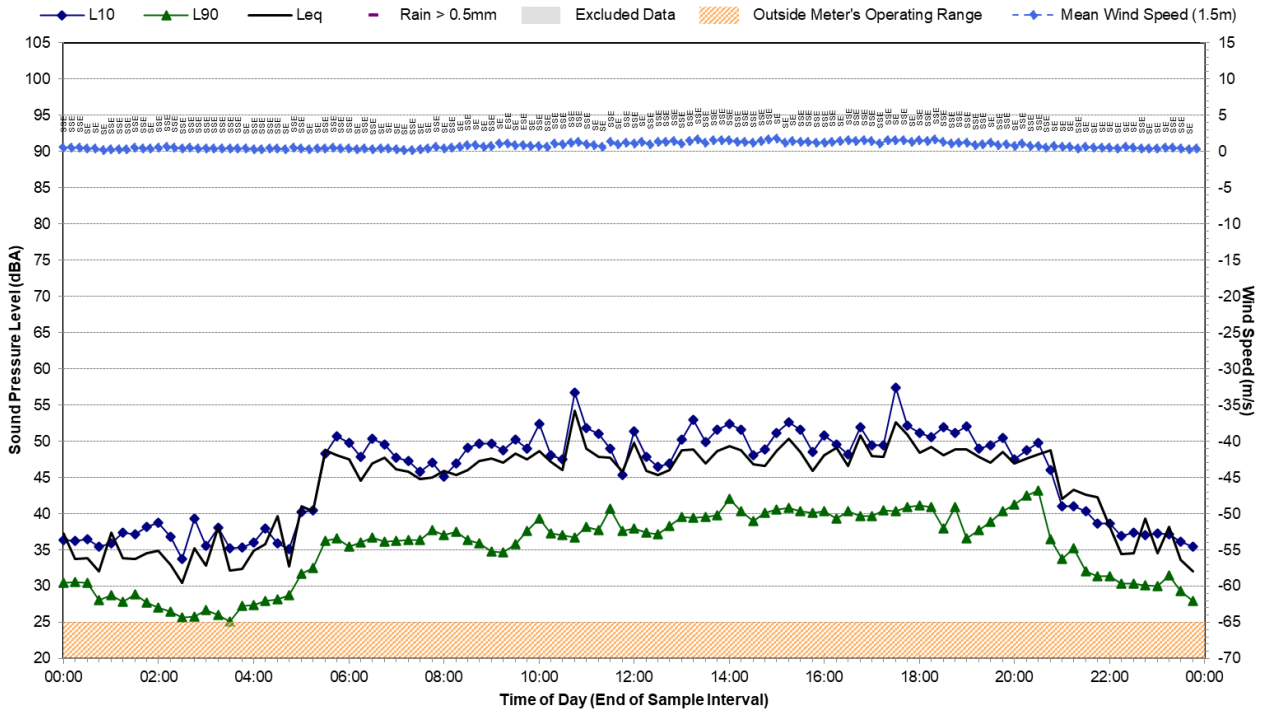
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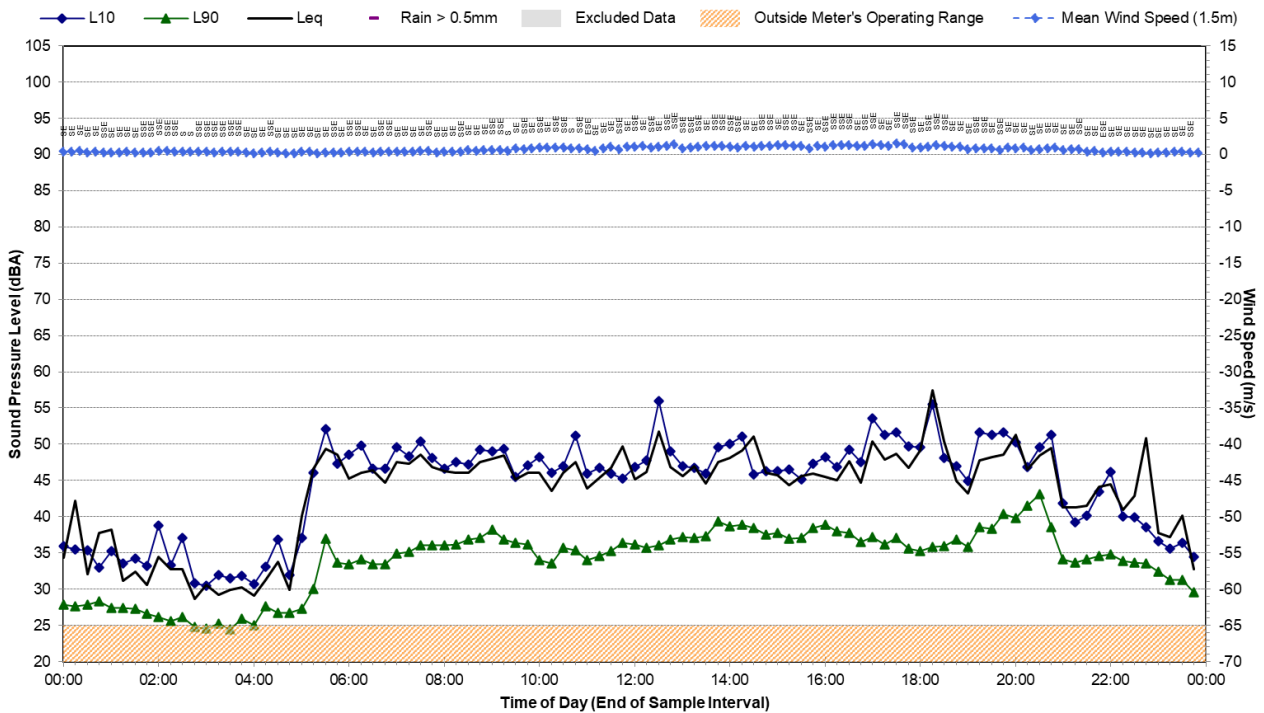
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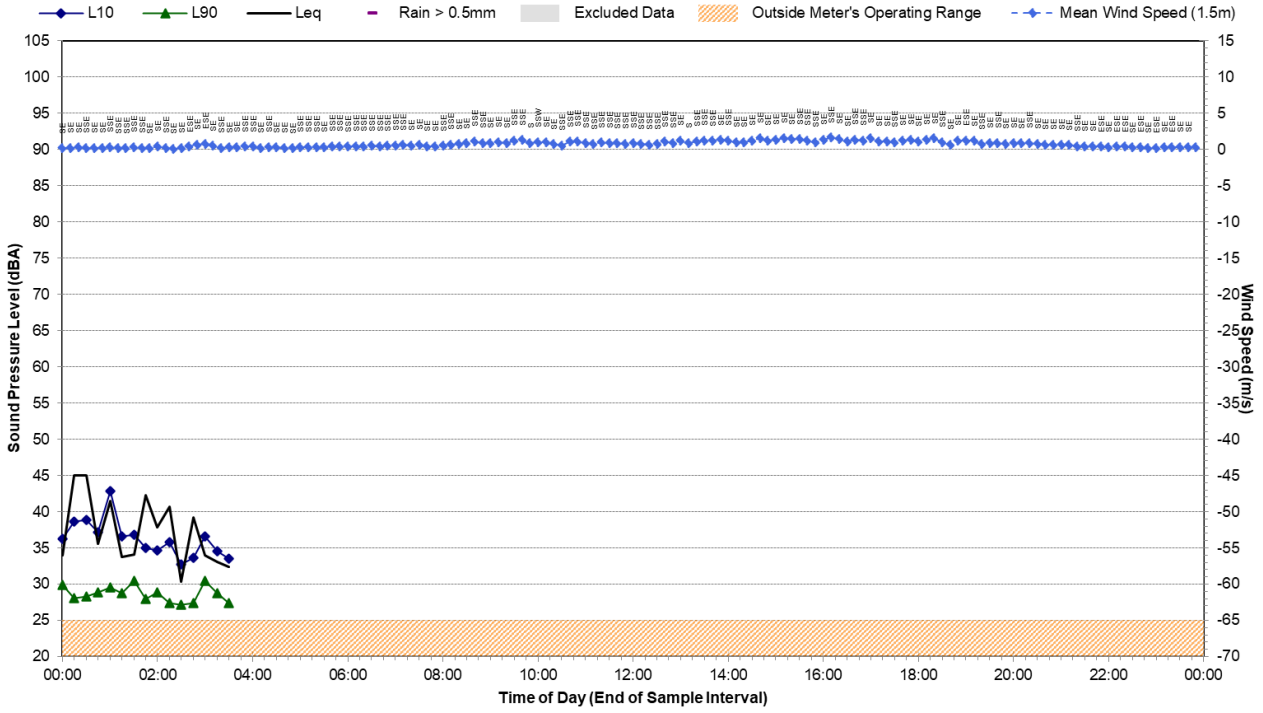
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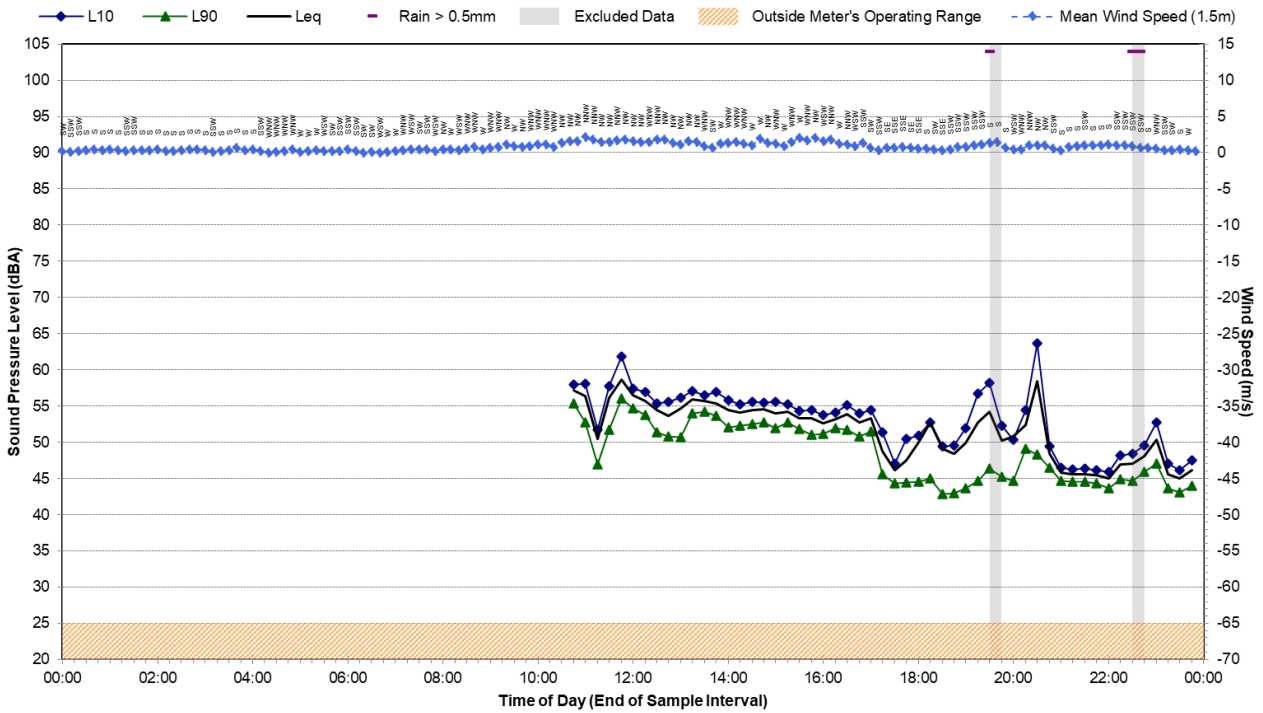
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Location L - Sunday, 1 January 2023



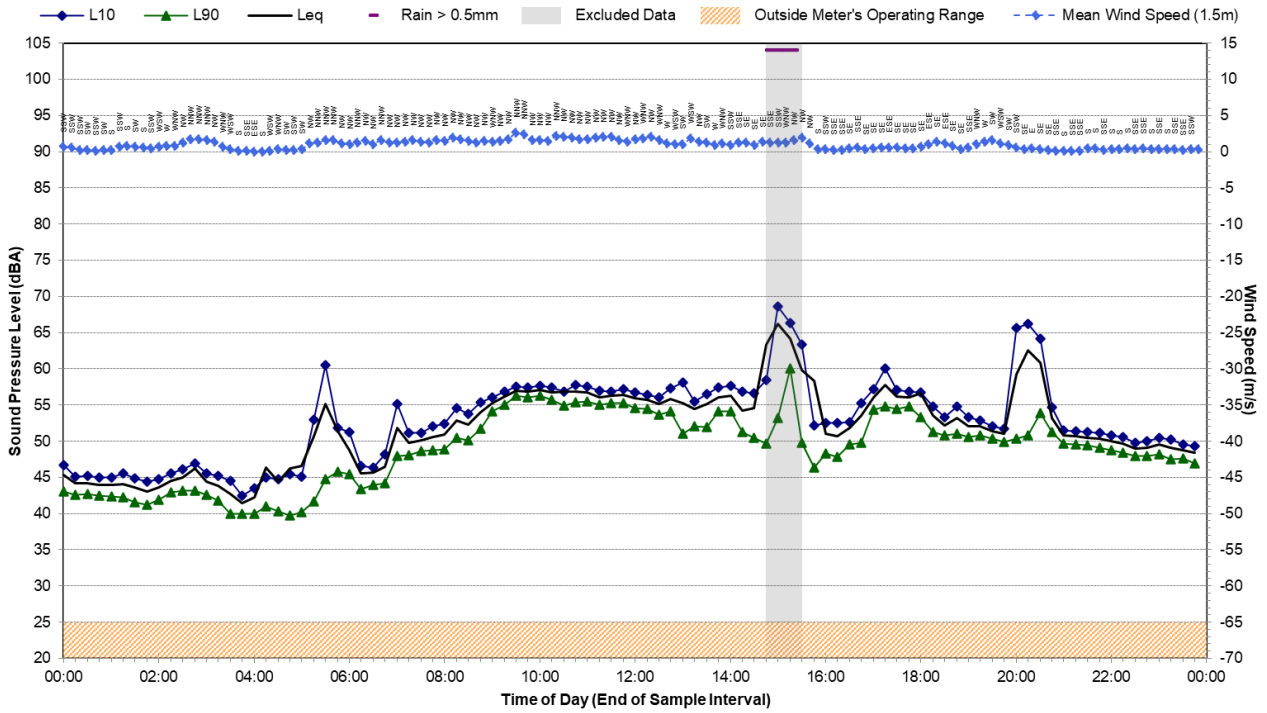
# Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Friday, 23 December 2022



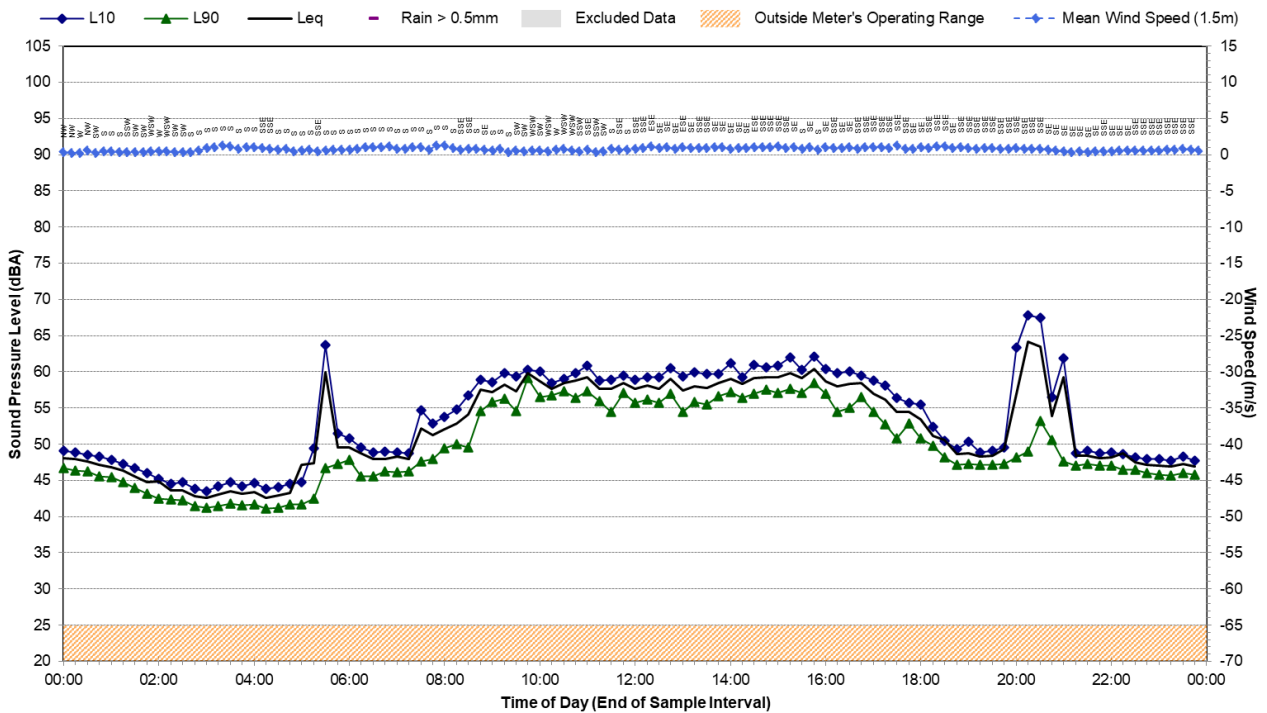
## Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Saturday, 24 December 2022



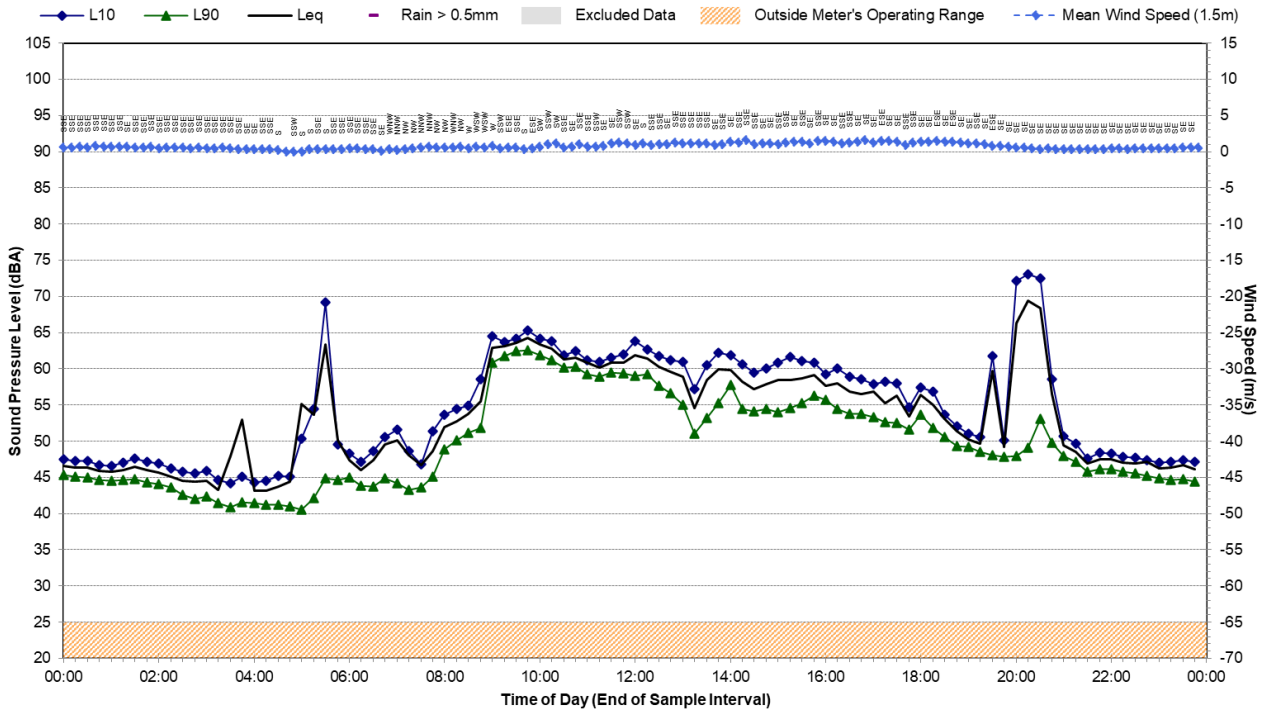
## Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Sunday, 25 December 2022



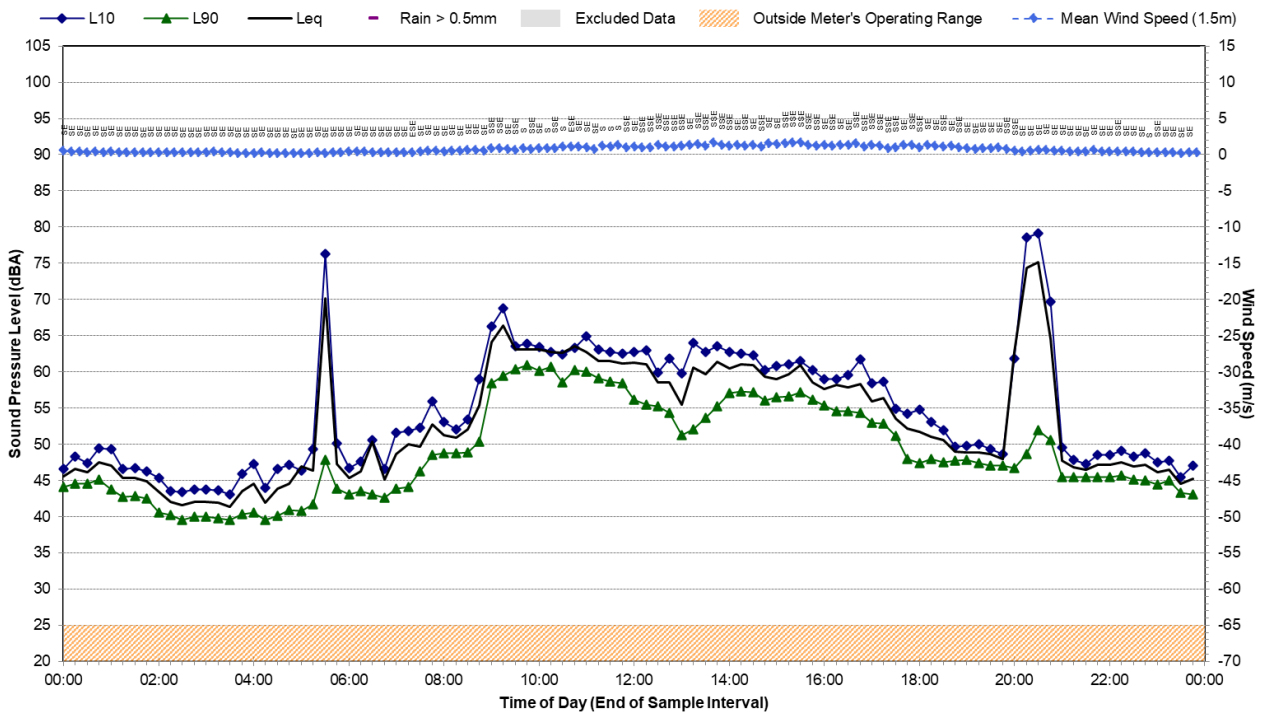
# Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Monday, 26 December 2022



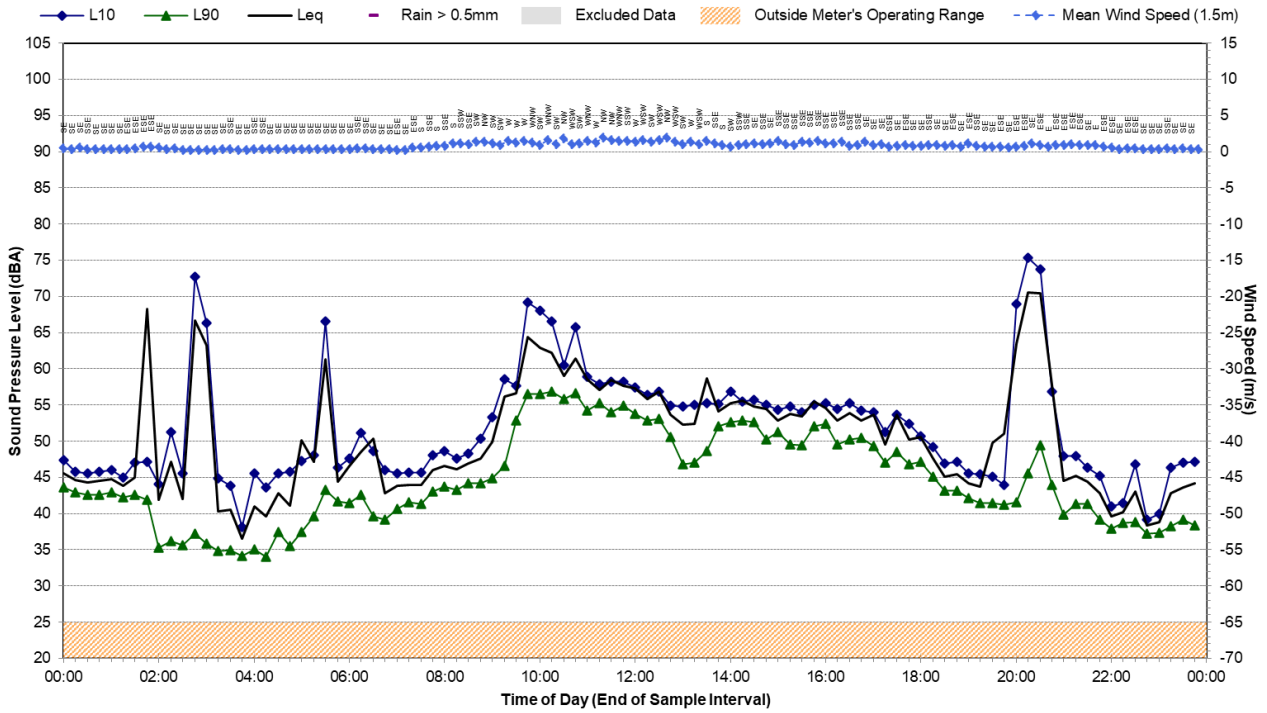
# Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Tuesday, 27 December 2022



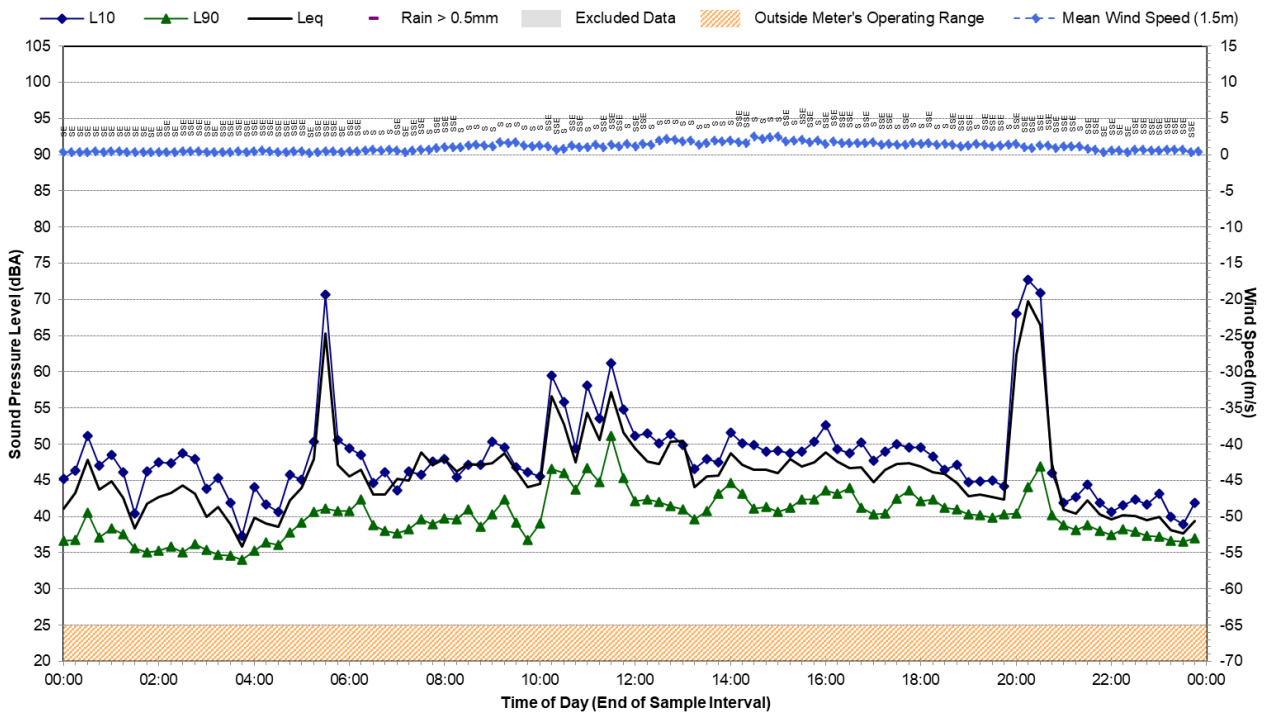
## Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Wednesday, 28 December 2022



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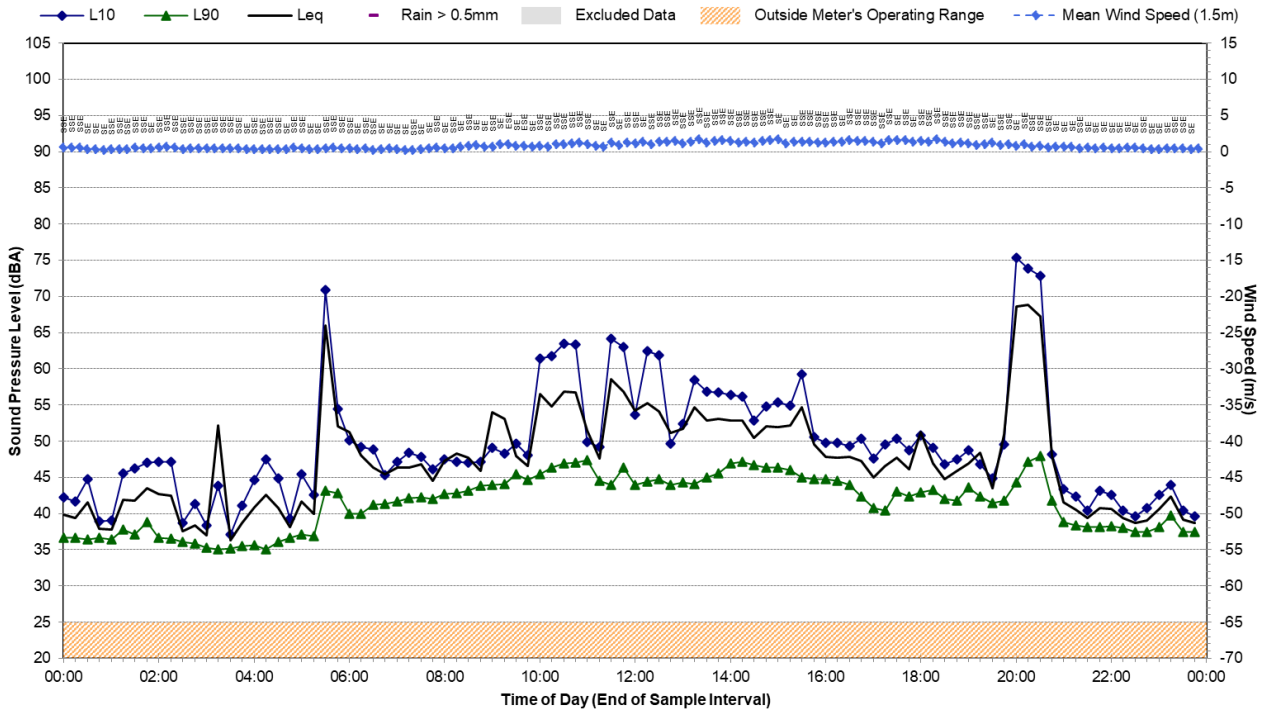
Location J - Thursday, 29 December 2022





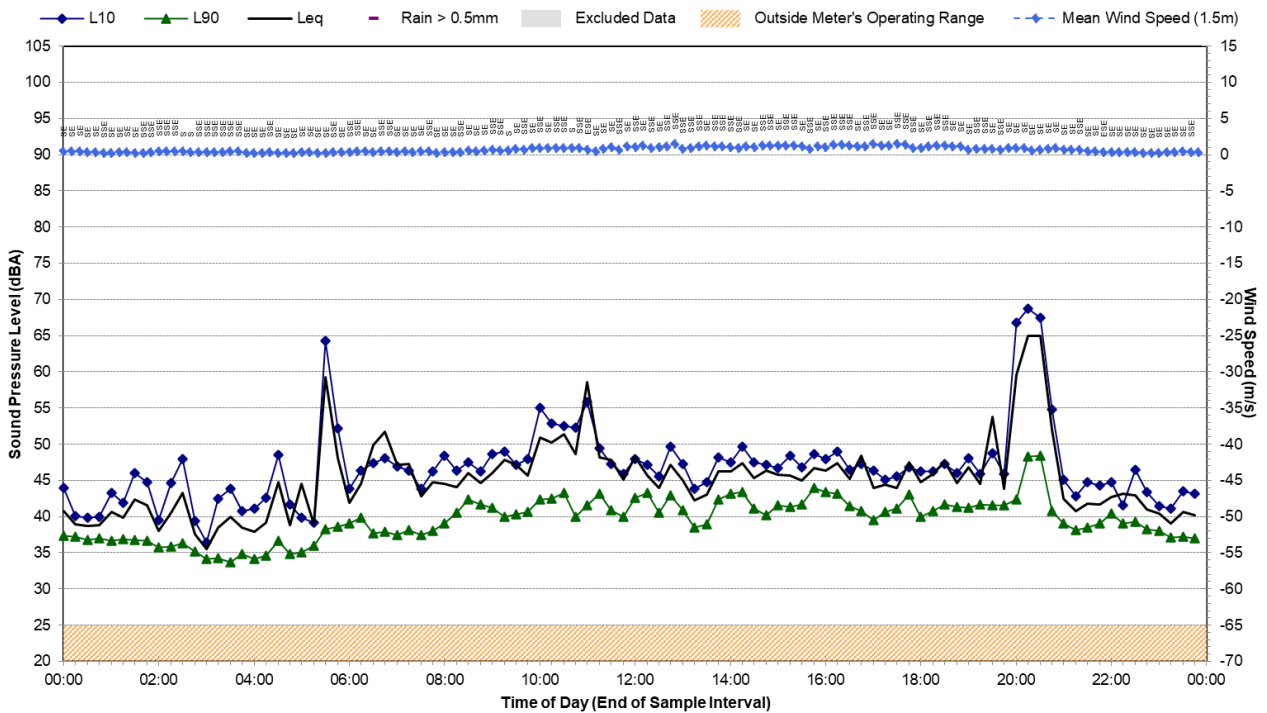
# Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Friday, 30 December 2022



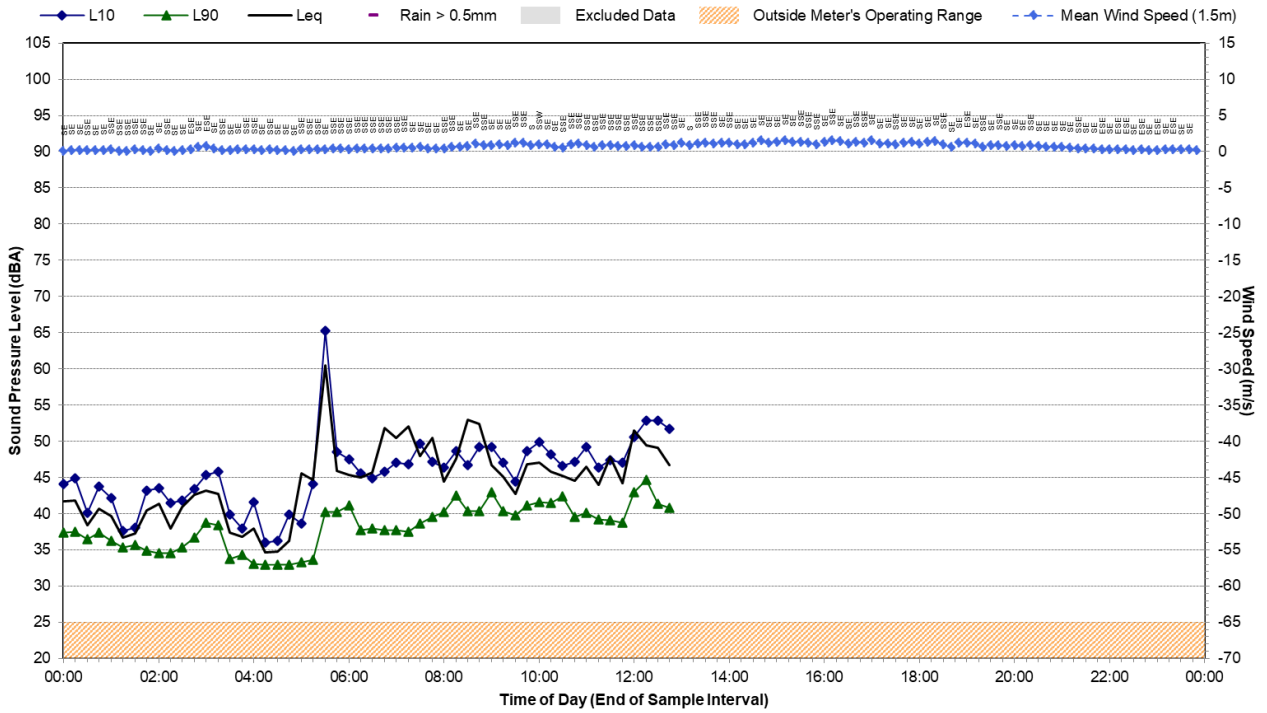
# Statistical Ambient Noise Levels

Location J - Saturday, 31 December 2022



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Location J - Sunday, 1 January 2023



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