

Quality Protocol Processed Fuel Oils - use of non-accredited methods

All testing methods shall be carried out by a UKAS accredited laboratory to UKAS accredited methods. We will accept the use of the following methods which are non-accredited only on a time limited basis:

- IP592 (ICP-MS metals apart from Hg)
- IP593 (WD-XRF metals apart from Hg)
- IP594 (Hg) by Cold Vapour
- IP462 (PCBs)
- IP 550 (sulphated ash).

At the time of writing, these methods are not all available from commercial laboratories as accredited methods. The Certificate of Conformity should identify that the relevant results being reported are from methods that are temporarily non-accredited.

On request suppliers can provide a letter from the Environment Agency's site inspector stating that the temporary use of the non-accredited methods is accepted for demonstrating compliance with the QP PFO.

This dispensation is time limited and will be removed when an external laboratory gains UKAS accreditation or in-house accreditation has been obtained.

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