

Monitoring Report

WMATA Bus Garage Monthly Report

July 2023

Noise Exceedances:

There continues to be numerous noise level exceedances at all hours of the day and all days of the week. Mic1 recorded the highest noise levels of any location which were highest after working hours and on weekends. In addition, Mic1 and Mic2 were similar to one another with 43% of the exceedances coming outside of working hours. Mic3 had 30% of its exceedances outside of working hours. Mic4 recorded 76% of its exceedances during nights and weekends. Mic5 had 53% of its exceedances outside of working hours.

Vibration Exceedances:

During the monitoring period there was one vibration exceedance event. Please see the date, time, and magnitude outlined below. Note the VM1 and VM 2 are set to flag an exceedance at a value on 0.2 inch per second (IPS) to alert for potential damage at the historic façade. This value is 1/10 of the value recognized for potential damage to sheetrock/plaster for adjacent properties and all exceedance readings are significantly below the 2 IPS threshold.

VM Sensor 1

VM1 – 7/28 2005h. 0.59 in/sec on the Transverse channel. Appears to be electrical not physical vibration.

The 0.59 in/sec event does not appear to be caused by physical vibration, but rather electrical noise. While not an exceedance, VM4 and VM5 also recorded measurements of 0.1 and 0.32 in/sec at the same time as the 7/28 2005h recording at VM1. These also appear to be electrical in nature. The single event that triggered all three units may have been a lightning strike or other electrical anomaly at the site.

Note: VM2 had the appearance of vibration exceedances in the first half of the month, upon further review during the compiling of this report it was discovered that the VM2 geophone was malfunctioning at the time. The unit was exchanged on July 12 and the new unit is operating normally.

Air Quality/Dust Monitoring Exceedances:

There were 5 events during the July monitoring period. Please see the date, time, and magnitude outlined below.

DM Sensor 1

DM1 – 7/4 2036h, 43 μ g/m^3. DM1 – 7/17 1432h. 57 μ g/m^3.

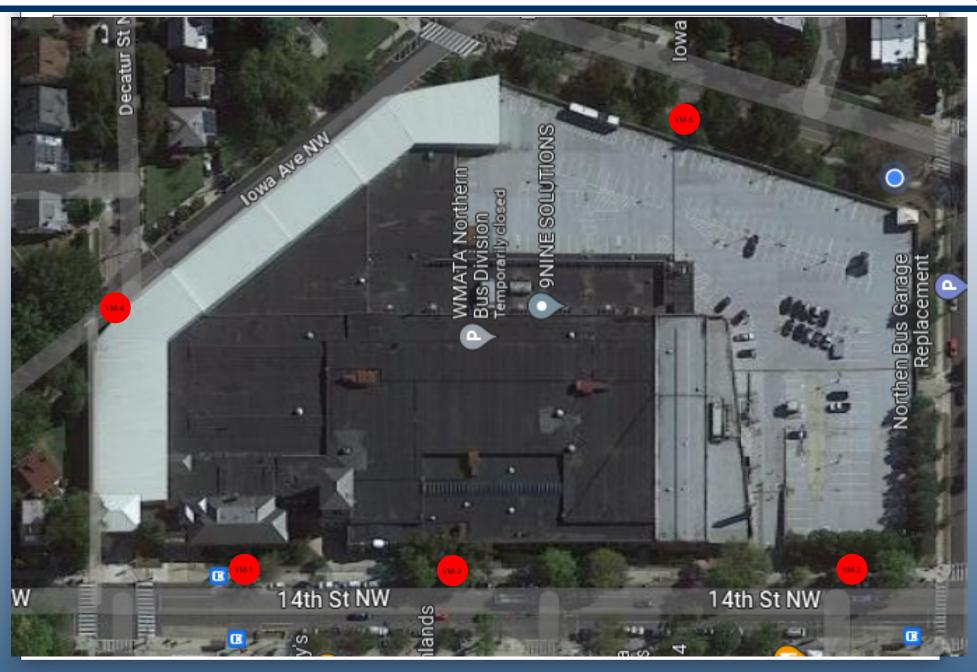
DM Sensor 2

DM2 -7/17 1116-1930h, 48 μ g/m^3.

DM Sensor 3

DM3 – 7/4 2126h, 130 μg/m³. DM3 – 7/5 0026h, 250 μg/m³.

A review of the data reveals threshold exceedances from regional poor air quality events on July 4th and 17th as found on www.CleanAirPartners.net. DM2 experienced power failure during most of the July 21 through 31 period. DM3 also experienced power failure from July 14 through 19 and from July 20 through 22. These units require a lot of power and DM3 has now been moved to hard wired power from solar to ensure higher reliability. In addition, new modems are being sourced that will allow us to measure incoming voltage and send alarms if it drops below a prescribed threshold.





VM1-MC			
	Exceedance Percentage		
Work hours	2050	57.07%	
After hours	544	15.14%	
Weekends	998	27.78%	
Total	3592		

	Work hours	After hours	Weekends
Lmax	109.6	112.7	123.5
Lmin	45.4	38.8	40
L10	105	105	104
L90	88	84	91
Leq	98.5	100.4	101

VM2-MC		
Exceedance Perc		Percentage
Work hours	1672	57.60%
After hours	484	16.67%
Weekends	747	25.73%
Total	2903	

	Work hours	After hours	Weekends
Lmax	111.8	111.5	112.1
Lmin	41.1	35.7	37
L10	105	101	104
L90	88	88	86
Leq	101.4	96.3	98.3

VM3-MC		
Exceedance Percenta		Percentage
Work hours	1896	69.68%
After hours	216	7.94%
Weekends	609	22.38%
Total	2721	

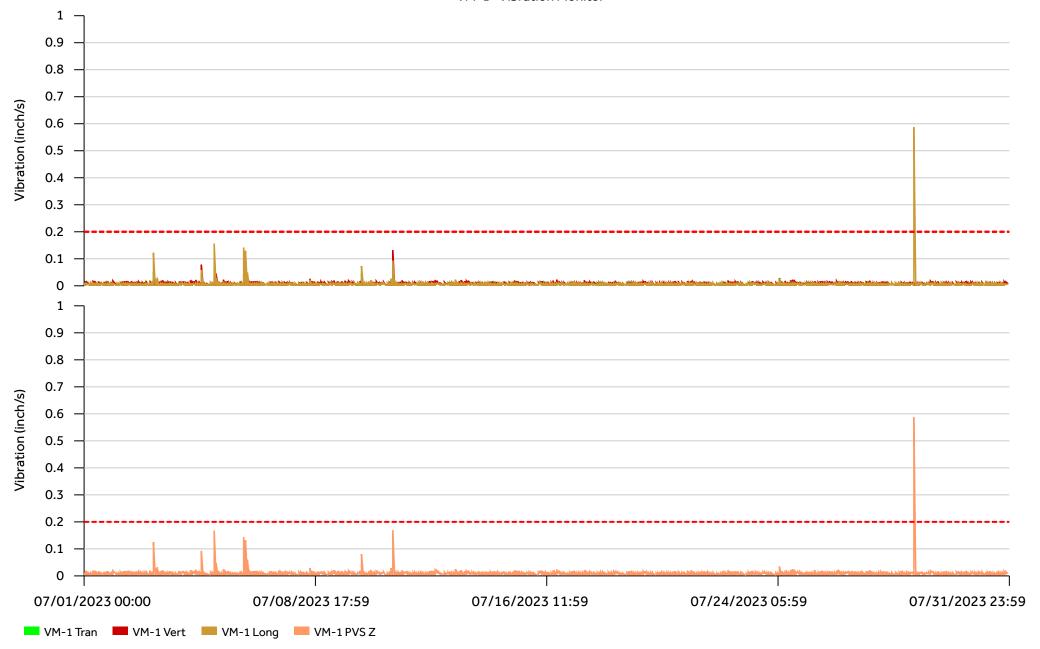
	Work hours	After hours	Weekends
Lmax	111.3	109.7	108.7
Lmin	47.9	41.1	42.4
L10	108	105	103
L90	95	88	86
Leq	101.3	99.7	97.9

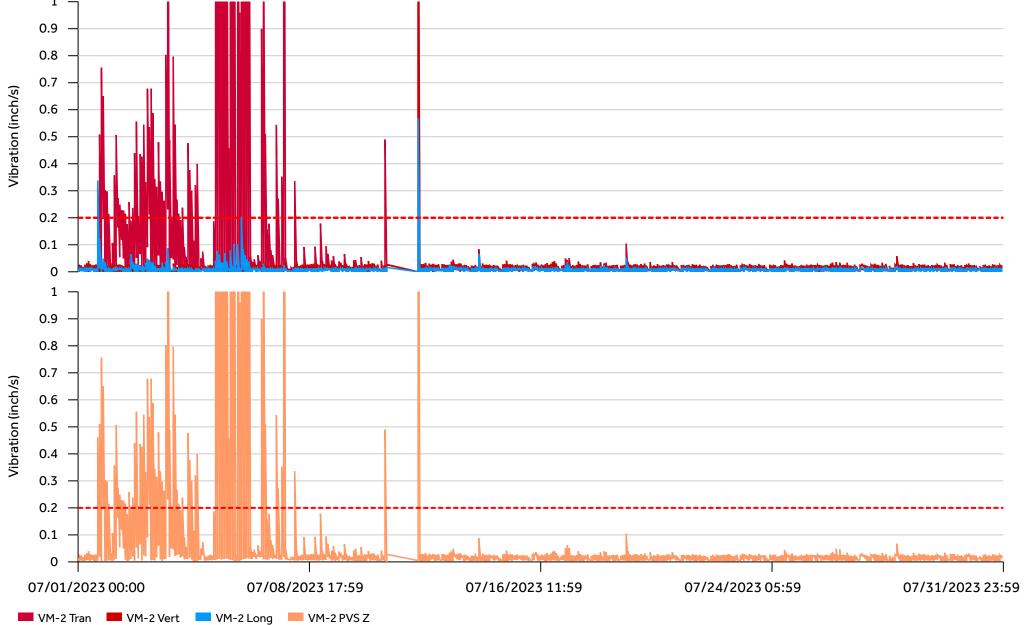
VM4-MC		
Exceedance Percentage		Percentage
Work hours	36	23.38%
After hours	12	7.79%
Weekends	106	68.83%
Total	154	

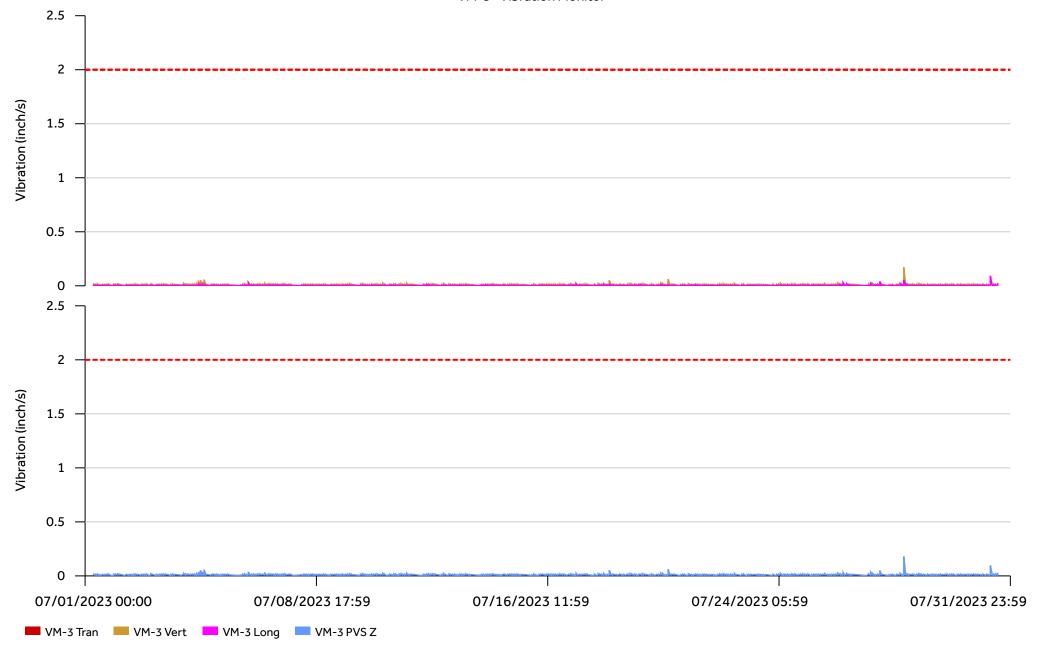
	Work hours	After hours	Weekends
Lmax	101.2	93.2	114
Lmin	31.9	46	37.3
L10	95	91	99
L90	85	74	80
Leq	91.6	84.8	99.5

VM5-MC		
Exceedance I		Percentage
Work hours	594	47.90%
After hours	256	20.65%
Weekends 390		31.45%
Total	1240	

	Work hours	After hours	Weekends
Lmax	110.7	112.1	107
Lmin	44.2	39.7	39.1
L10	105	106	102
L90	88	86	85
Leq	100.3	101.9	96.3

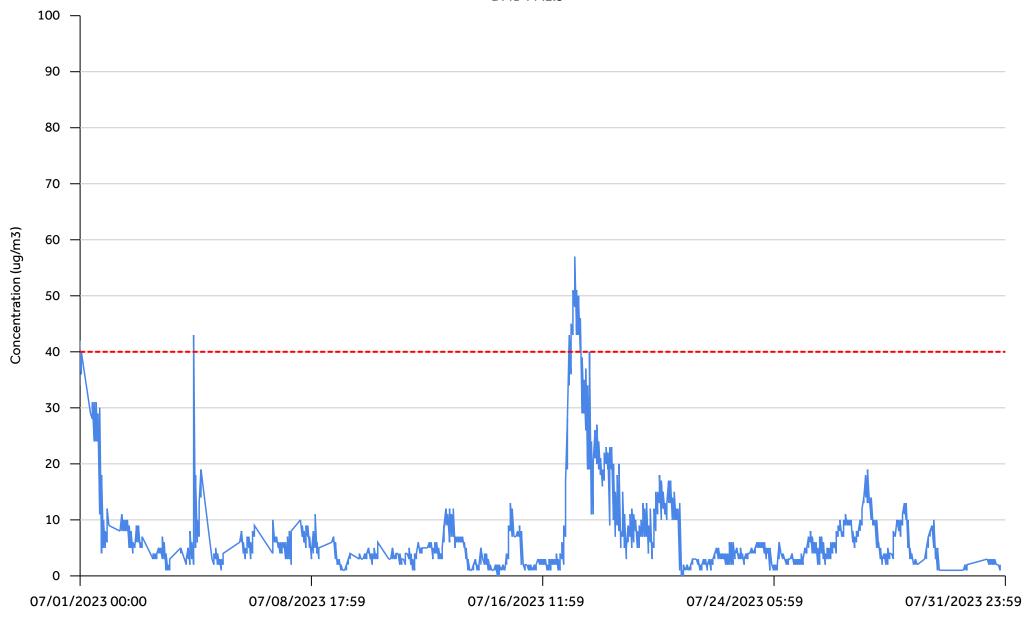


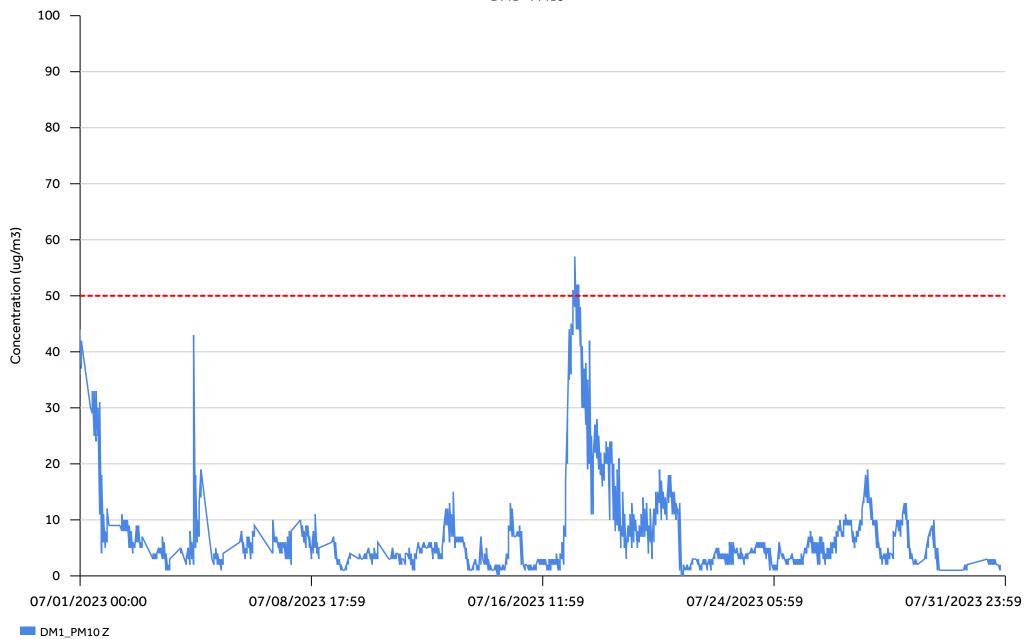


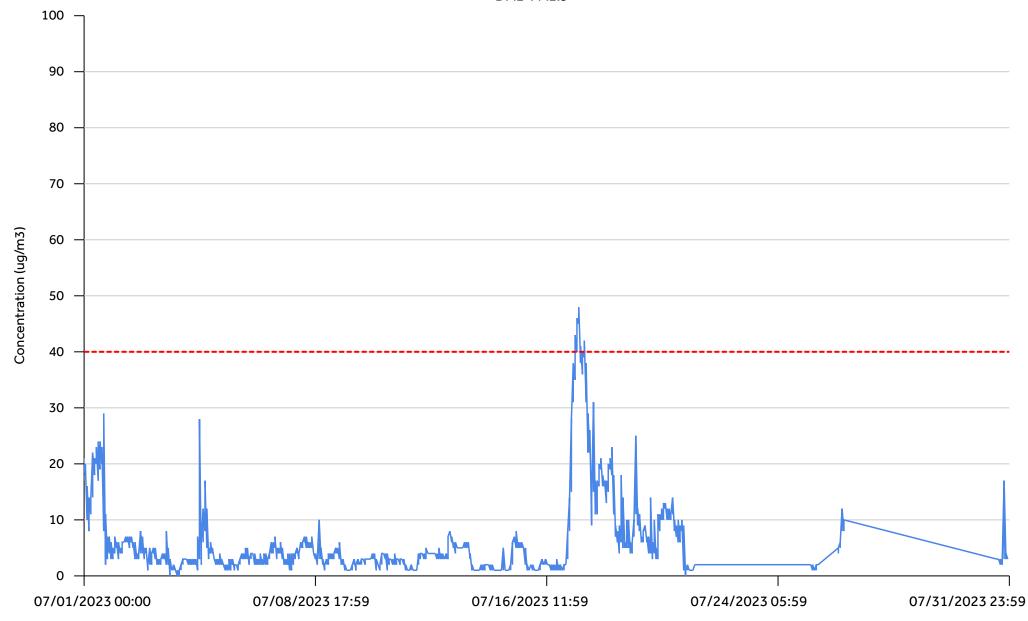


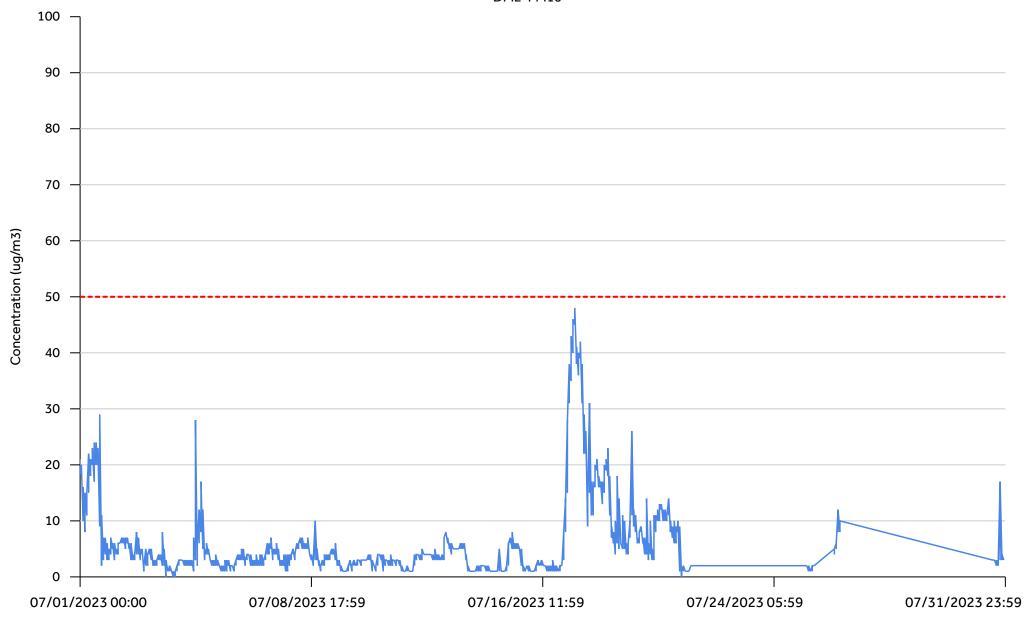






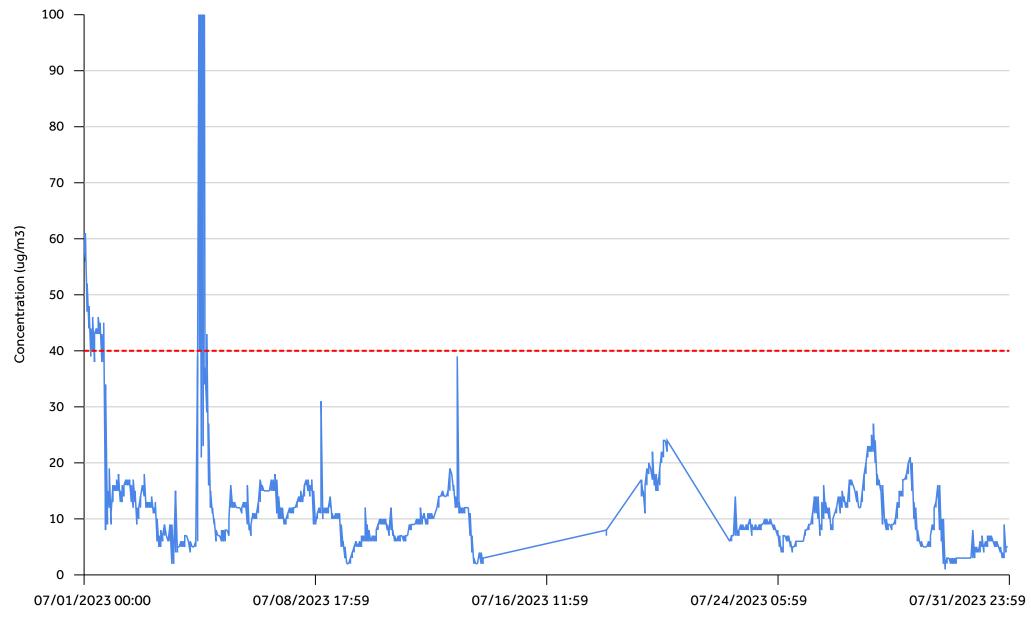




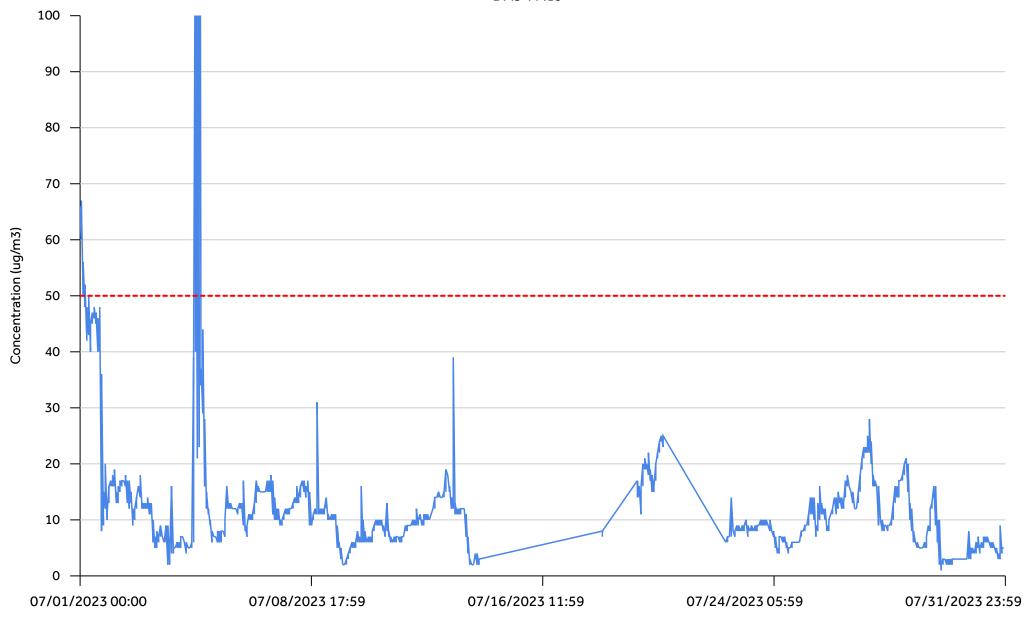


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