Table 1.0 Results of sample SP 004 taken 06/09/04         Location Beyond Refinery Fence-			
Levels measured beyond fence line in µg/m3	Laws regulating contaminants	Law exceeded by	Health effects and Target organs
BENZENE 110 μg/m3 EU LEGAL LIMIT 5 μg/m3 -Aromatic Odour	<ul> <li>EU Directive 2000/69 states</li> <li>5 μg/m3 as max. permissible The directive also states,</li> <li>"Benzene is a human genotoxic carcinogen and there is no identifiable threshold below which there is no risk to human health".</li> <li>EPA recommended levels of</li> <li>0.25 μg/m3</li> <li>Texas short term legal level of</li> <li>12.0 μg/m3 (1 hour)</li> <li>Texas long term legal level of</li> <li>3.00 μg/m3 (24 hours)</li> </ul>	X 22 times higher than the upper limit. X 440 times higher than rec. limit X 9.17 times higher than recommended X 36.67 times higher than recommended	<ul> <li>-Causes leukaemia.</li> <li>-Irritation of eyes, skin, nose, respiratory system.</li> <li>-Dizziness; headaches; nausea</li> <li>-Staggered gait; anorexia; weakness, exhaustion</li> <li>-Dermatitis.</li> <li>-Bone marrow depression;</li> <li>-Potential occupational carcinogen.</li> <li>-Target organs: Eyes, skin, respiratory system, central nervous system; bone marrow</li> </ul>
CARBON DISULFIDE			-Dizziness, headache, poor sleep, weakness,
7.4 μg/m3 USA LEGAL LIMIT 3 μg/m3	<ul> <li>EU Directive</li> <li>Texas long term legal average level of 3.00 μg/m3 yearly</li> </ul>	X 2.50 times higher than recommended Limit.	exhaustion, -Anxiety, anorexia, psychosis. -Ocular changes. -Coronary heart disease. -Gastritis -kidney, liver injury; eye, skin burns. -Dermatitis; -Reproductive effects. -Target organs: Central nervous system, peripheral
-Ether like smell			nervous system; cardiovascular system, kidneys, liver, skin, respiratory system
TOLUENE 270 μg/m3 USA LEGAL LIMIT 188 μg/m3 -Sweet pungent benzene like odour	<ul> <li>EU Directive</li> <li>Texas long term legal average level of 188 μg/m3 yearly</li> <li>ATSDR states that chronic minimal risk level for one year or more is 95.8 μg/m3</li> </ul>	X 1.44 times level recommended X 2.82 times the safety level for non- cancer health effects	<ul> <li>-Irritation of eyes, nose, weakness, exhaustion</li> <li>-Confusion; euphoria</li> <li>-Dizziness, headache</li> <li>-Anxiety; muscle fatigue</li> <li>-Dermatitis; liver and kidney damage.</li> <li>_Target organs: Eyes, skin; respiratory system; central nervous system; kidneys</li> </ul>
HYDROGEN SULFIDE 6.49 μg/m3 USA LEGAL LIMIT 1.00 μg/m3 -Rotten egg smell	<ul> <li>EU Directive</li> <li>EPA safe levels at 1.00 μg/m3</li> <li>Texas short term legal level of 1.00 μg/m3 (1 hour)</li> </ul>	X 6.49 times the recommended limit X 6.49 times the recommended limit	-Potent chemical asphyxiate, combines with haemoglobin and cytochromes stopping oxygen access to cellular metabolism -As toxic as hydrogen cyanide. -Irritant of mucous membranes, eyes and respiratory tract at lower concentrations
1,3,5 - TRIMETHYLBENZENE 13 µg/m3 USA LEGAL LIMIT 6.20µg/m3 In both cases. 1,2,4 – TRIMETHYLBENZENE 38 µg/m3	<ul> <li>EU Directive</li> <li>EPA recommended safety level is 6.20 μg/m3</li> </ul>	X 2.10 times the recommended limit	<ul> <li>-Irritation of skin &amp; Eyes</li> <li>-Exposure will cause dizziness, light-headedness and unconsciousness</li> <li>-repeated exposure will cause headaches, nervousness tiredness</li> <li>-Will cause changes in blood cells and blood clotting ability</li> <li>-Lung irritation, bronchitis with cough &amp; Phlegm and or shortness of breath</li> </ul>
-Distinct aromatic odour	• EPA recommended safety level is 6.20 µg/m3	X 6.13 times the recommended limit	Table prepared by the BBB 2004 $^{\odot}$