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1 Executive Summary

EastLink is a 39 km motorway running between Nunawading and Frankston, linking the Eastern, Monash Frankston and Peninsula Link freeways. Two 1.6 km tunnels pass under the Mullum Mullum Valley, with a ventilation stack at the end of each tunnel as an exit point for tunnel ventilation.

Two ventilation stacks provide ventilation for the tunnel, one at the western end of the tunnel at Discharge Point 1 (DP1), and one at the eastern end of the tunnel at Discharge Point 2 (DP2).

This report presents the monthly validated stack data for July 2022 to September 2022 to Ventia Pty Ltd for the EastLink Tunnel.

1.1 Compliance to limits

The Environment Protection Authority (Victoria) designates limits to which pollutant mass rates being discharged from the ventilation stacks must meet. (Environmental Licence No. 2043).

Instances of the ventilation stack pollutants exceeding the EPA Limits goals during the reporting period are presented in Table 1, Table 2 and Table 3 and below. Maximum mass rates are provided for comparison to the limits.

There were nil exceedances of the prescribed limits during the reporting period.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances July 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.60	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.86	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.13	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.57	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.48	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	5.47	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.11	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	1.61	-	-	-

Table 1: July 2022 Exceedances of EPA Limits

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances August 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.62	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.38	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.22	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.56	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.53	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	6.22	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.12	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.42	-	-	-

Table 2: August 2022 Exceedances of EPA Limits

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances September 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.53	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.30	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.16	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.41	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.64	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	6.56	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.18	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.44	-	-	-

Table 3: September 2022 Exceedances of EPA Limits

2 Compliance Limits

Air quality limits are provided in Condition LI_DA1.13 of the Environment Protection Authority (Victoria) Licence No 2043 for the EastLink Tunnel. The air quality limits for 1 hour mass rates are shown in Table 4 below.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limits					
Location	Parameter	Time Period	License Limit	Units	Applicable Licence
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	EPA Vic Licence No 2043
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	EPA Vic Licence No 2043
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	

Table 4: EPA Compliance Limits

The procedure for reporting of particulate matter results from the TEOMs and assessment of licence compliance is detailed in the EastLink Particulate Matter Protocol (PMP) dated 17/06/2013. The PMP requires validated uncorrected TEOM one hour clock average data to be compared to the following TEOM mass rate compliance limits for both DP1 and DP2.

- PM_{2.5}: 2.0 kg/h
- PM₁₀: 2.0 kg/h

2.1 Standards Compliance

Norditech's NATA Accreditation does not cover the following parameters monitored at the EastLink Tunnel ventilation stack air quality monitoring stations

- Measurement of Stack Flow.
- AS/NZS 3580.9.8 refers specifically to the monitoring of PM₁₀.

3 Introduction

Norditech were contracted by Ventia Pty Ltd in August 2021 to provide continuous stack air quality monitoring and reporting services for the EastLink Tunnel. Ventia Pty Ltd are responsible for the operation and maintenance of the motorway.

Norditech is a NATA accredited organisation (Accreditation Number 19660)

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This report presents the validated Western and Eastern ventilation stack data for July 2022 to September 2022.

- Describes air quality measurements.
- Reports any readings above the relevant EPA Limits.
- Compares monitoring results.
- Has been quality assured.

4 Explanation of Monitoring

4.1 Methodology

In tunnel air is discharged via two ventilation stacks – one located at the Western end of the tunnel (DP1), and one located at the Eastern end (DP2). For each stack, monitoring as per the requirements of EPA Licence 2043 is undertaken.

Gaseous parameters are sampled by an extractive sampling system. Oxides of nitrogen are measured using chemiluminescence. Carbon monoxide is measured using non-dispersive infra-red absorption.

Particulates PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} are measured using tapered element oscillating microbalances.

Stack gas velocity is measured using an optical flow sensor.

Monthly routine maintenance is undertaken by Norditech. Maintenance is performed as per the relevant Australian Standard or in house method. Maintenance cycles generally involve 1, 3, 6 and 12 monthly scheduled items.

The following instrumentation and methods are used in data collection:

EastLink Ventilation Stack Measurement Methods		
Parameter	Method	Instrument
CO	In house method TP.003	Thermo Scientific 48i
NO, NO ₂ , NO _x	In house method TP.001	Thermo Scientific 42i
PM ₁₀	AS/NZS 3580.9.8	Rupprecht & Patashnick TEOM
	In house method TP.005	
	AS 4323.1	
PM _{2.5}	In house method TP.026	Rupprecht & Patashnick TEOM
	AS 4323.1	
Temperature	In house method TP.012	By TEOM
Stack Velocity	USEAP (CFR 40) Part 75	OSI OFS2000

Table 5: Measurement methods and instrumentation

4.2 Ventilation Stacks

The locations of the EastLink Tunnel Western and Eastern ventilation stacks are detailed in Table 6 and Figure 1 below.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Locations		
Discharge Point	Site Name	GPS Coordinates
1	Western Ventilation Stack	-37.801229°, 145.196092°
2	Eastern Ventilation Stack	-37.808885°, 145.212012°

Table 6: EastLink Tunnel ventilation stack GPS Coordinates

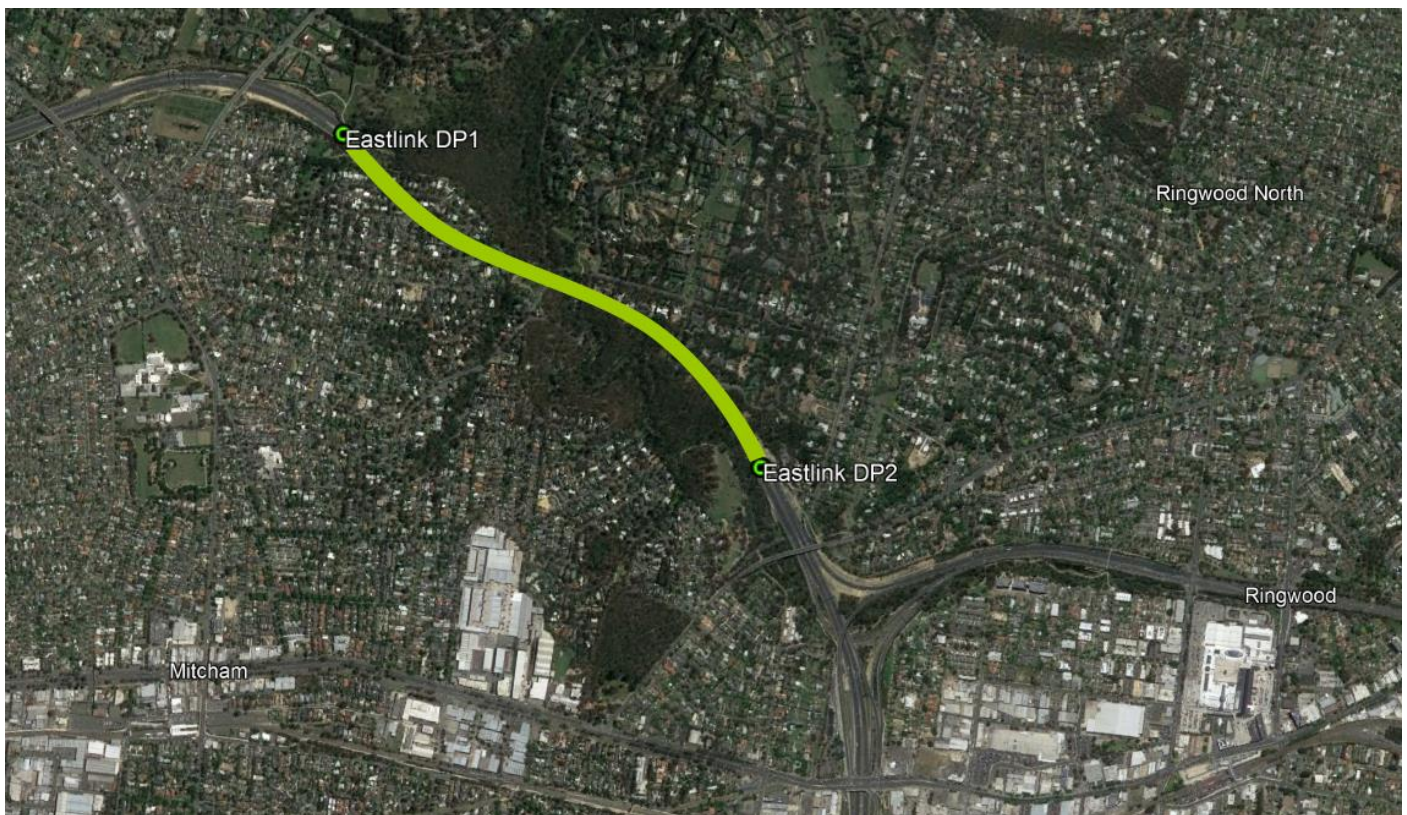


Figure 1: EastLink Tunnel ventilation stack locations

4.3 Data Collection

At each Air Quality Monitoring Station, data is logged to an EnviDAS data logger at 1 minute average intervals. Each 1 minute average is calculated from data sampled at 10 second intervals.

Data is transferred automatically to Norditech's data collection software via a TCP/IP link over 4G cellular network, at a frequency of not less than 1 hour. Two datasets are maintained by Norditech, one for data validation and reporting purposes, and a non-validated data set for reference purposes.

4.4 Data Validation

Data validation is performed as per Norditech's data validation procedure TP.022. The data validation process identifies any data that is deemed not to be valid. This data is flagged as invalid in the database and is removed from the reported data.

Data may be deemed invalid for several reasons, including but not limited to:

- Instrument fault
- Instrument calibration out of tolerance
- Maintenance activities

For further details and explanations of reasons for invalidating data, please refer to Appendix 1 – Data Validation Explanations.

Initial visual inspection of data is performed by inspection of graphs to identify any anomalies in the data set.

Site visit logs and maintenance and calibration certificates are cross referenced to the data set and any data affected by maintenance activities are flagged.

Instrument drift and calibration tolerances are checked and data flagged in the database as necessary as per NATA compliance requirements.

4.5 Reporting and Calculations

All calculations and averages are calculated from 1 minute average base data and are reported as 'end time'. IE the average data for 01:00 is the data from 00:00 through to 01:00.

All data is reported at Australian Eastern Standard Time.

Validated data for Quarter 3 Month 1 is presented in the Excel workbook named "202207 EastLink Q3M1 Validated data.xlsx"

The workbooks each consist of the following sheets:

- Sheet 1: Cover
- Sheet 2: M1 Data kg1h – Hourly data in kg/h
- Sheet 3: M1 Data g5m – 5 minute data in grams/5m
- Sheet 4: M1 Data mgm3 1h – 1hour data in mg/m³
- Sheet 5: M1 Data mgm3 5m – 5 minute data in mg/m³
- Sheet 6: Eastern Validation Data
- Sheet 7: Western Validation Data

Validated data for Quarter 3 Month 2 is presented in the Excel workbook named "202208 EastLink Q3M2 Validated data.xlsx"

The workbooks each consist of the following sheets:

- Sheet 1: Cover
- Sheet 2: M2 Data kg1h – Hourly data in kg/h
- Sheet 3: M2 Data g5m – 5 minute data in grams/5m
- Sheet 4: M2 Data mgm3 1h – 1hour data in mg/m³
- Sheet 5: M2 Data mgm3 5m – 5 minute data in mg/m³
- Sheet 6: Eastern Validation Data
- Sheet 7: Western Validation Data

Validated data for Quarter 3 Month 3 is presented in the Excel workbook named "202209 EastLink Q3M3 Validated data.xlsx"

The workbook consists of the following sheets:

- Sheet 1: Cover
- Sheet 2: M3 Data kg1h – Hourly data in kg/h
- Sheet 3: M3 Data g5m – 5 minute data in grams/5m
- Sheet 4: M3 Data mgm3 1h – 1hour data in mg/m³
- Sheet 5: M3 Data mgm3 5m – 5 minute data in mg/m³
- Sheet 6: Eastern Validation Data
- Sheet 7: Western Validation Data

4.5.1 Data Availability

Data availability refers to the amount of available data for the reporting period. Data availability is calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Data availability \%} = \frac{\text{sum of available data points}}{\text{sum of possible data points}} * 100$$

Where:

- Sum of available data points is the number of validated 1 hour average data points for the reporting period
- Sum of possible data points is the number of theoretically available 1 hour data points for the reporting period

4.5.2 Unit Conversions

Stack velocity readings are converted to flow rate using the following stack areas:

- Western Stack area 35 m²
- Eastern Stack area 35 m²

Pollutant and flow data are reported at actual conditions.

5 Calibrations and Maintenance

5.1 Units and Uncertainties

EastLink Ventilation Stack Instrument Units and Uncertainties				
Parameter	Units	Resolution	Uncertainty	Measurement Range
CO	mg/m ³	0.01	± 8.2% of reading at 62.5mg/m ³ (k=1.96)	0 to 200
NO	mg/m ³	0.01	± 8.1% of reading for range 25.7 – 32.8mg/m ³ (k=1.96)	0 to 150
NO ₂	mg/m ³	0.01	± 8.5% of reading at 25.7mg/m ³ (k=1.96)	0 to 150
NO _x	mg/m ³	0.01	± 8.1% of reading for range 25.7 – 32.8mg/m ³ (k=1.96)	0 to 150
PM ₁₀	µg/m ³	0.1	±5.0 µg/m ³ or 3.6% of reading, whichever is the greater. K factor of 1.96	0 to 5000
PM _{2.5}	µg/m ³	0.1	±5.0 µg/m ³ or 3.6% of reading, whichever is the greater. K factor of 1.96	0 to 5000
Temperature	°C	0.1	±2.0 °C ¹	-25 to 105
Stack Velocity	m/s	1	±0.1 m/s ¹	-40 to +40

¹ Manufacturer's stated accuracy

Table 7: Measurement units and uncertainties

5.2 Last Calibrations and Maintenance performed

Instrumentation maintenance and last calibration dates are provided in Table 8, Table 9 and Table 10 below:

EastLink Ventilation Stack Maintenance and Calibrations July 2022				
Location	Parameter	Date of last scheduled maintenance	Maintenance type	Date of last calibration
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	CO	22/07/2022	1 Monthly	22/07/2022
	NO, NO2	22/07/2022	1 Monthly	22/07/2022
	PM10	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	PM2.5	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	Stack Velocity	N/A	N/A	TBA
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	CO	22/07/2022	1 Monthly	22/07/2022
	NO, NO2	22/07/2022	1 Monthly	22/07/2022
	PM10	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	PM2.5	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	Stack Velocity	N/A	N/A	TBA

Table 8: July 2022 Instrument calibration dates

EastLink Ventilation Stack Maintenance and Calibrations August 2022				
Location	Parameter	Date of last scheduled maintenance	Maintenance type	Date of last calibration
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	CO	9/08/2022	1 Monthly	9/08/2022
	NO, NO2	9/08/2022	1 Monthly	9/08/2022
	PM10	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	PM2.5	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	Stack Velocity	31/08/2022	12 Monthly	31/08/2022
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	CO	9/08/2022	1 Monthly	9/08/2022
	NO, NO2	9/08/2022	1 Monthly	9/08/2022
	PM10	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	PM2.5	28/06/2022	12 Monthly	28/06/2022
	Stack Velocity	31/08/2022	12 Monthly	31/08/2022

Table 9: August 2022 Instrument calibration dates

EastLink Ventilation Stack Maintenance and Calibrations September 2022				
Location	Parameter	Date of last scheduled maintenance	Maintenance type	Date of last calibration
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	CO	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	NO, NO2	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	PM10	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	PM2.5	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	Stack Velocity	31/08/2022	12 Monthly	31/08/2022
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	CO	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	NO, NO2	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	PM10	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	PM2.5	15/09/2022	3 Monthly	15/09/2022
	Stack Velocity	31/08/2022	12 Monthly	31/08/2022

Table 10: September 2022 Instrument calibration dates

5.3 Automatic Instrument Calibration Checks

Table 11 below identifies the times at which the daily gaseous parameter automatic span and zero checks are performed.

Further to the span and zero checks, the CO analysers perform nightly background reference cycles.

This data is removed from the dataset, however are not included in the data validation tables.

Nightly span and zero times for NO, NO ₂ and CO		
Location	Parameter	Span / Zero cycle time
Western	CO	00:00 - 00:45
	NO, NO ₂	01:00 - 01:45
Eastern	CO	00:00 - 00:40
	NO, NO ₂	00:00 - 00:40

Table 11: Nightly span, zero and CO reference times.

6 Results

6.1 July 2022

6.1.1 Data Availability

Data availability for the in ventilation stack parameters are provided in Table 12 below. For further information on data availability please refer to section 6.1.5.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Data Availability July 2022							
Station		NO	NO ₂	CO	PM _{2.5}	PM ₁₀	Stack Velocity
Western	Data Availability	85.8%	85.8%	86.0%	88.4%	88.6%	89.4%
	Collected Periods	638.0	638.0	640.0	658.0	659.0	665.0
	Available Periods	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0
Eastern	Data Availability	95.6%	95.6%	95.6%	99.6%	99.7%	100.0%
	Collected Periods	711.0	711.0	711.0	741.0	742.0	744.0
	Available Periods	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0	744.0

Table 12: July 2022 ventilation stack data availability

6.1.2 Exceedances

Instances of the ventilation stack pollutants exceeding the EPA Limits goals during the reporting period are presented in Table 13 below. Maximum mass rates are provided for comparison to the limits.

There were nil exceedances of the prescribed limits during the reporting period.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances July 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.60	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.86	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.13	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.57	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.48	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	5.47	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.11	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	1.61	-	-	-

Table 13: July 2022 Exceedances of EPA Goals

6.1.3 Tabulated Results

6.1.3.1 Statistical Summary of 1 hour Mass Rate Data Western and Eastern Ventilation Stacks

Table 14 presents 1 hour mass rate statistical data for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Summary July 2022								
Location	Parameter	Maximum	99 th Percentile	98 th Percentile	95 th Percentile	90 th Percentile	75 th Percentile	50 th Percentile
Western Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	4.15	3.46	3.16	2.44	1.65	1.14	0.60
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.60	0.36	0.27	0.20	0.16	0.10	0.06
	CO (kg/h)	4.86	4.15	3.89	3.18	2.54	1.95	1.47
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.13	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.06	0.04	0.02
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	0.57	0.26	0.22	0.16	0.12	0.08	0.05
Eastern Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	2.41	2.16	2.00	1.77	1.55	1.29	0.54
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.48	0.42	0.40	0.34	0.27	0.22	0.12
	CO (kg/h)	5.47	4.53	4.25	3.80	3.13	2.57	1.88
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.11	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.02
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	1.61	0.20	0.18	0.16	0.13	0.10	0.05

Table 14: July 2022 Summary of 1 hour mass rate pollutant data

6.1.4 Graphical Representations

The following charts present 1 hour mass rate data for NO, NO₂, CO, PM_{2.5}, PM₁₀ and Stack Velocity for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

6.1.4.1 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

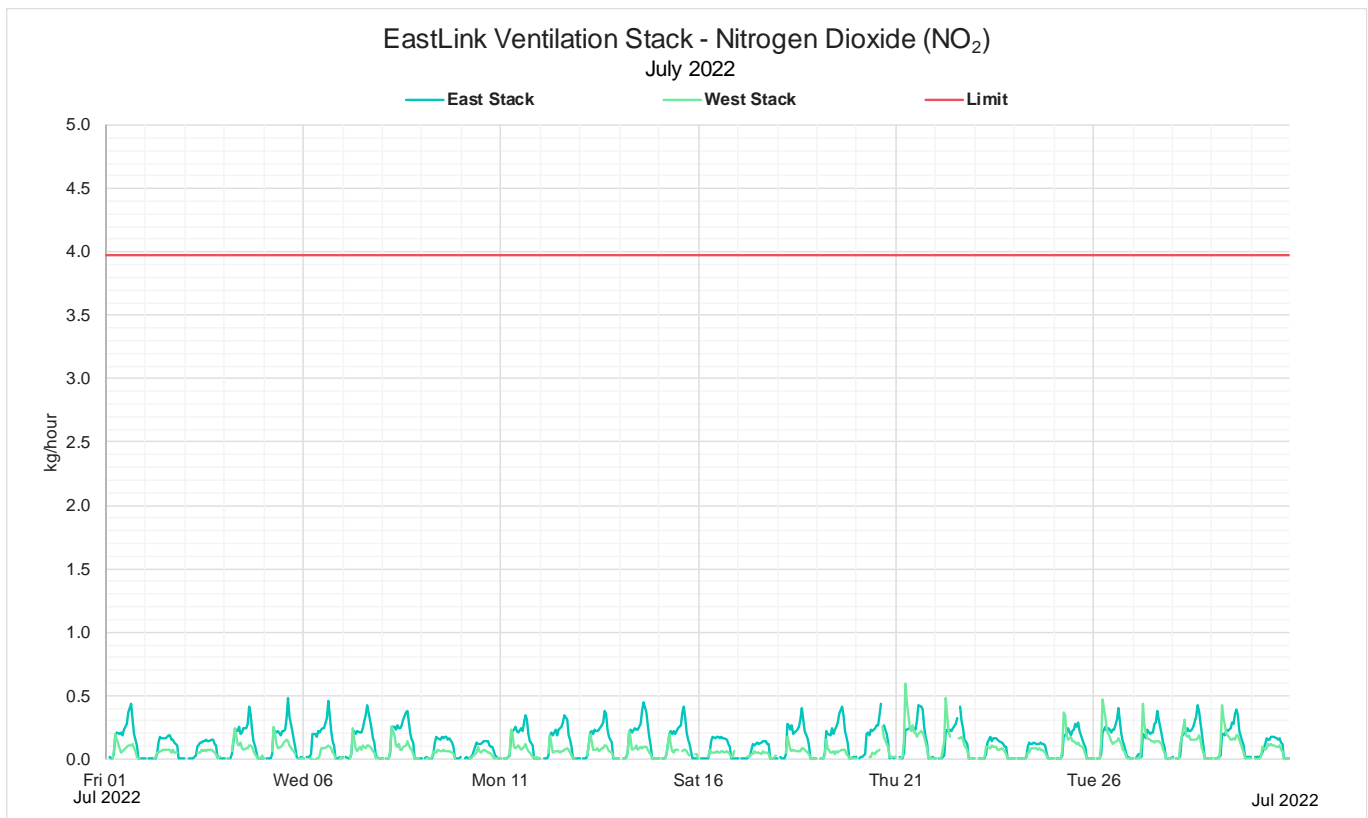


Figure 2: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

6.1.4.2 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

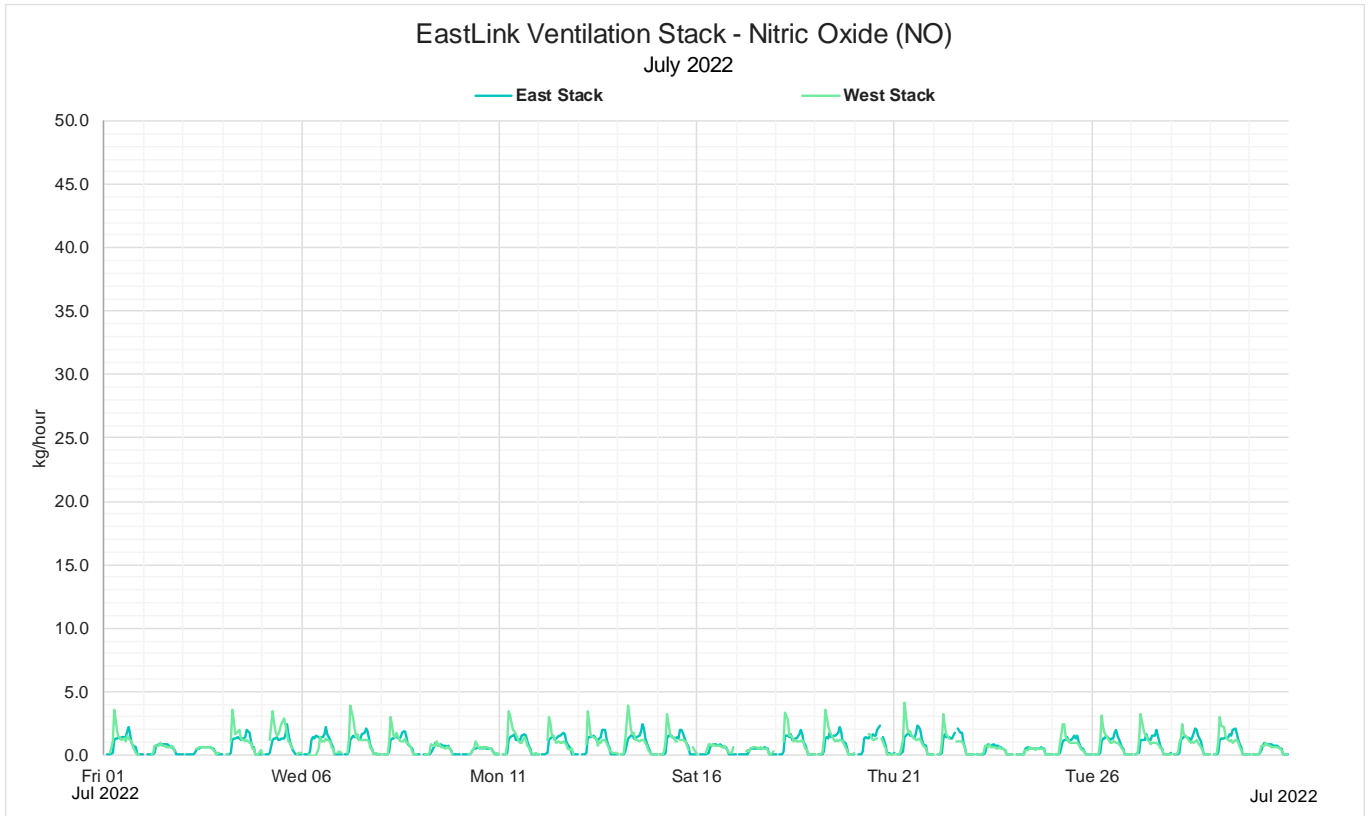


Figure 3: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

6.1.4.3 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

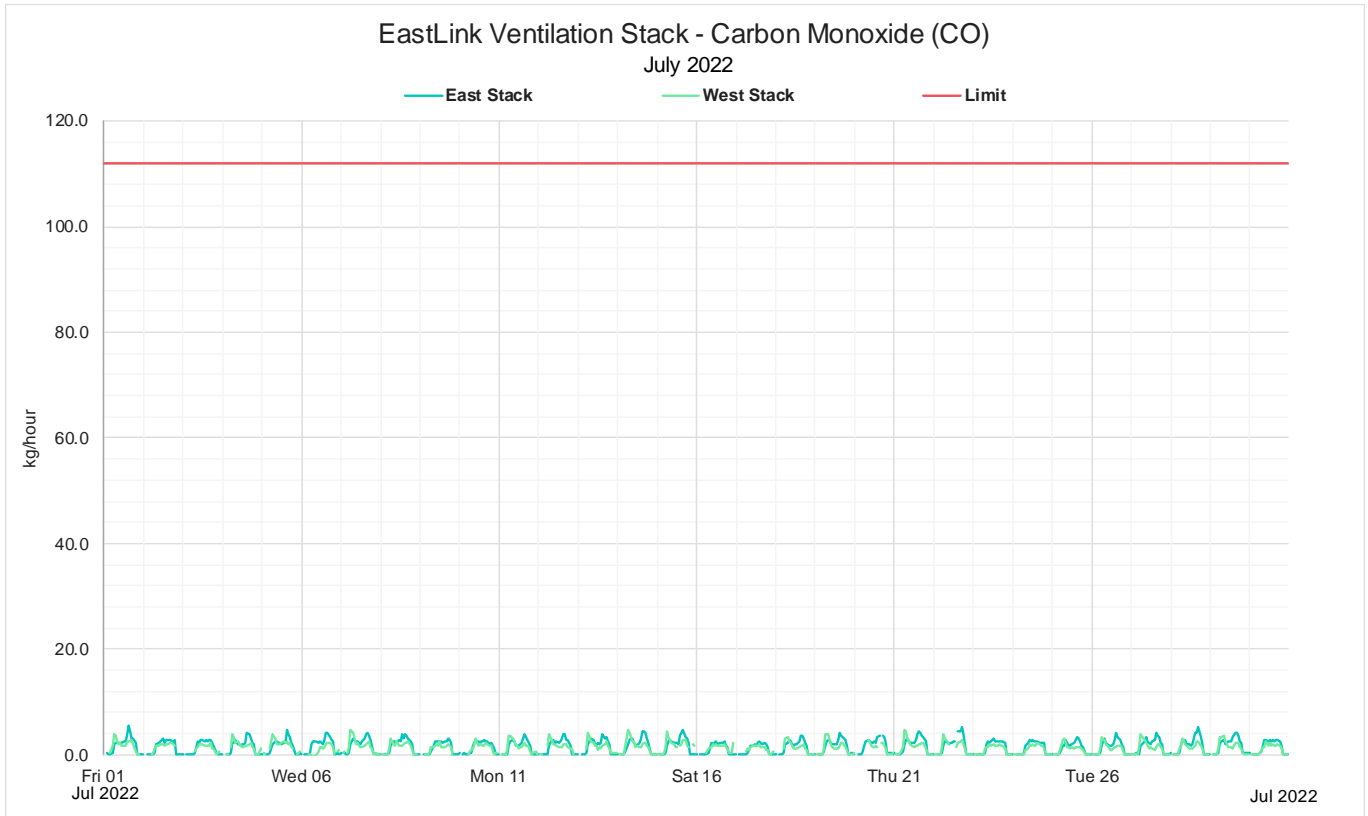


Figure 4: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

6.1.4.4 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

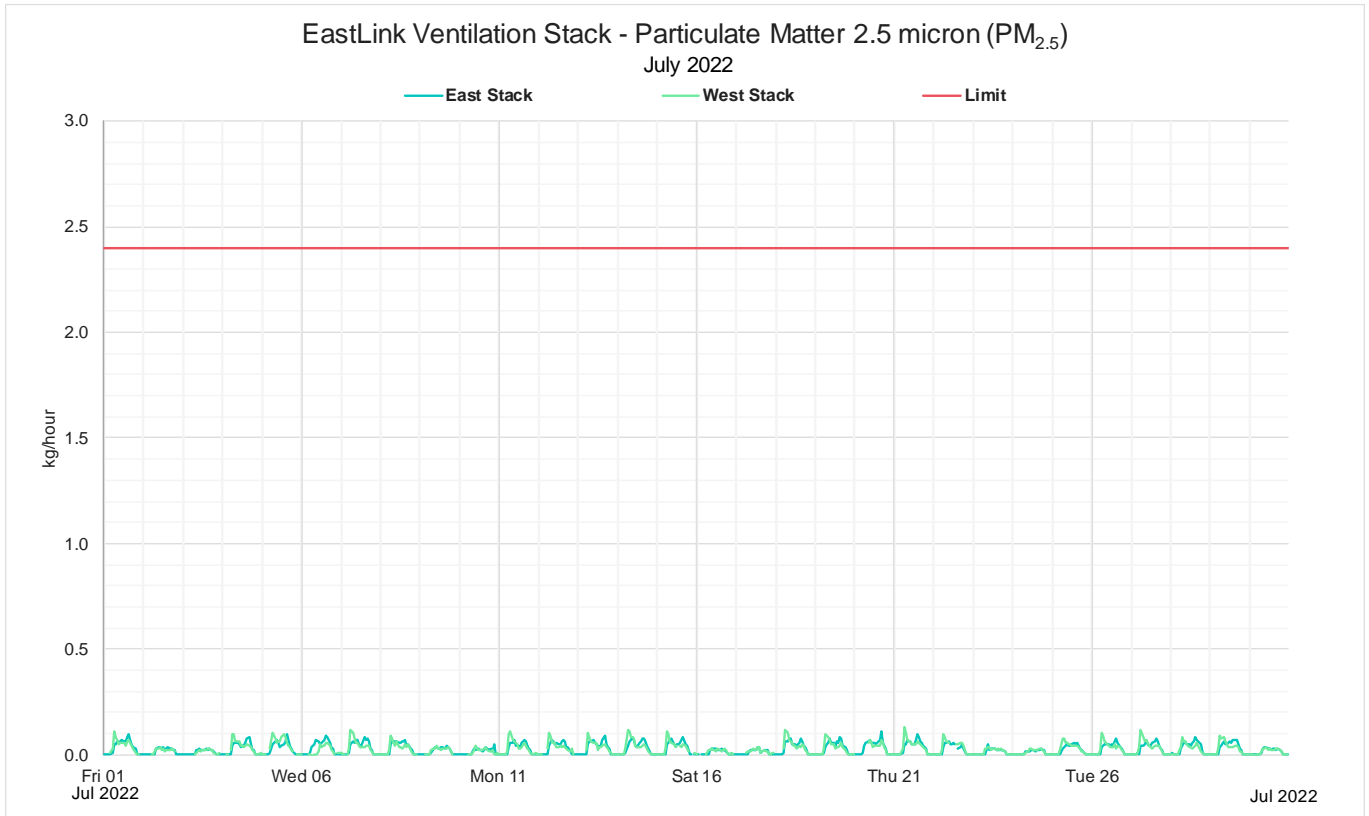


Figure 5: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

6.1.4.5 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

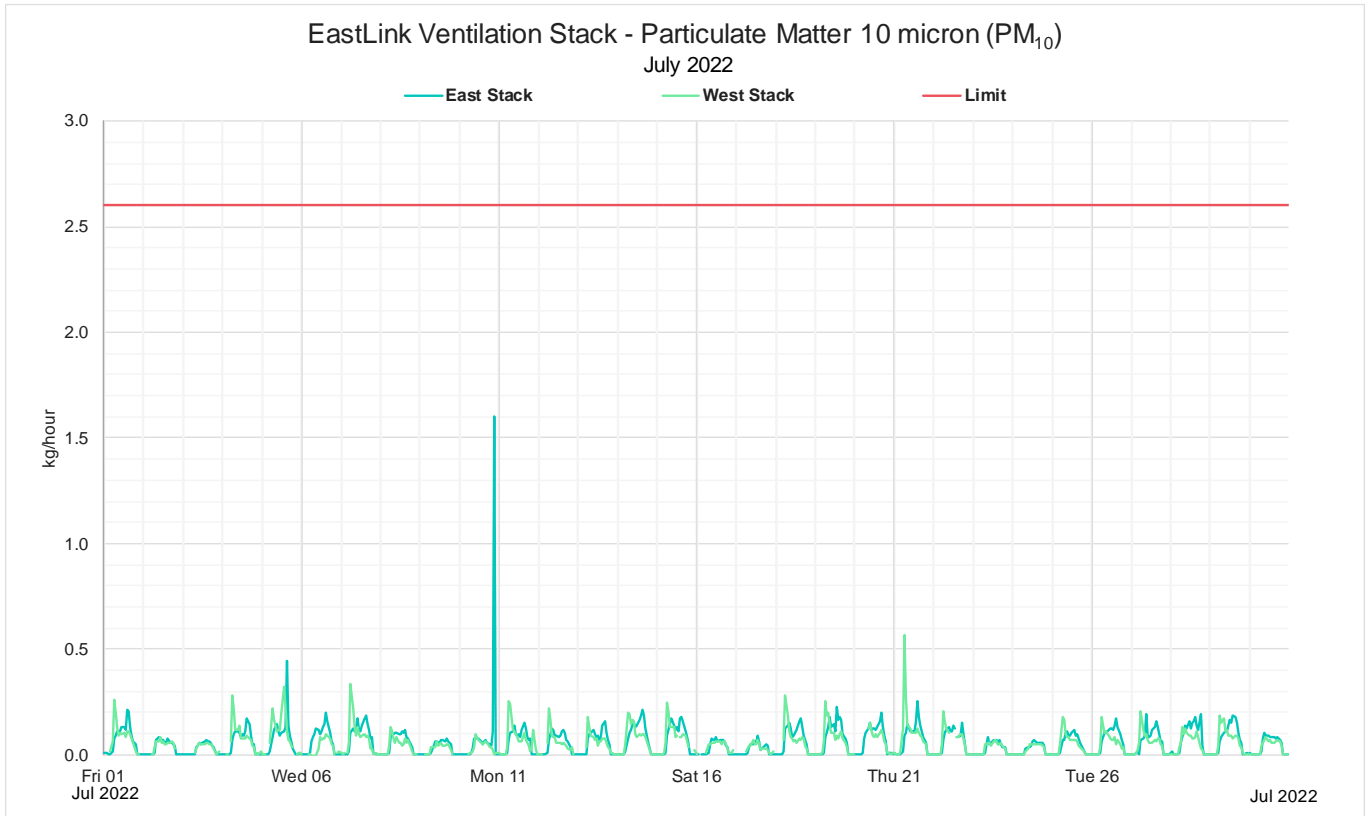


Figure 6: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

6.1.4.6 July 2022 - Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

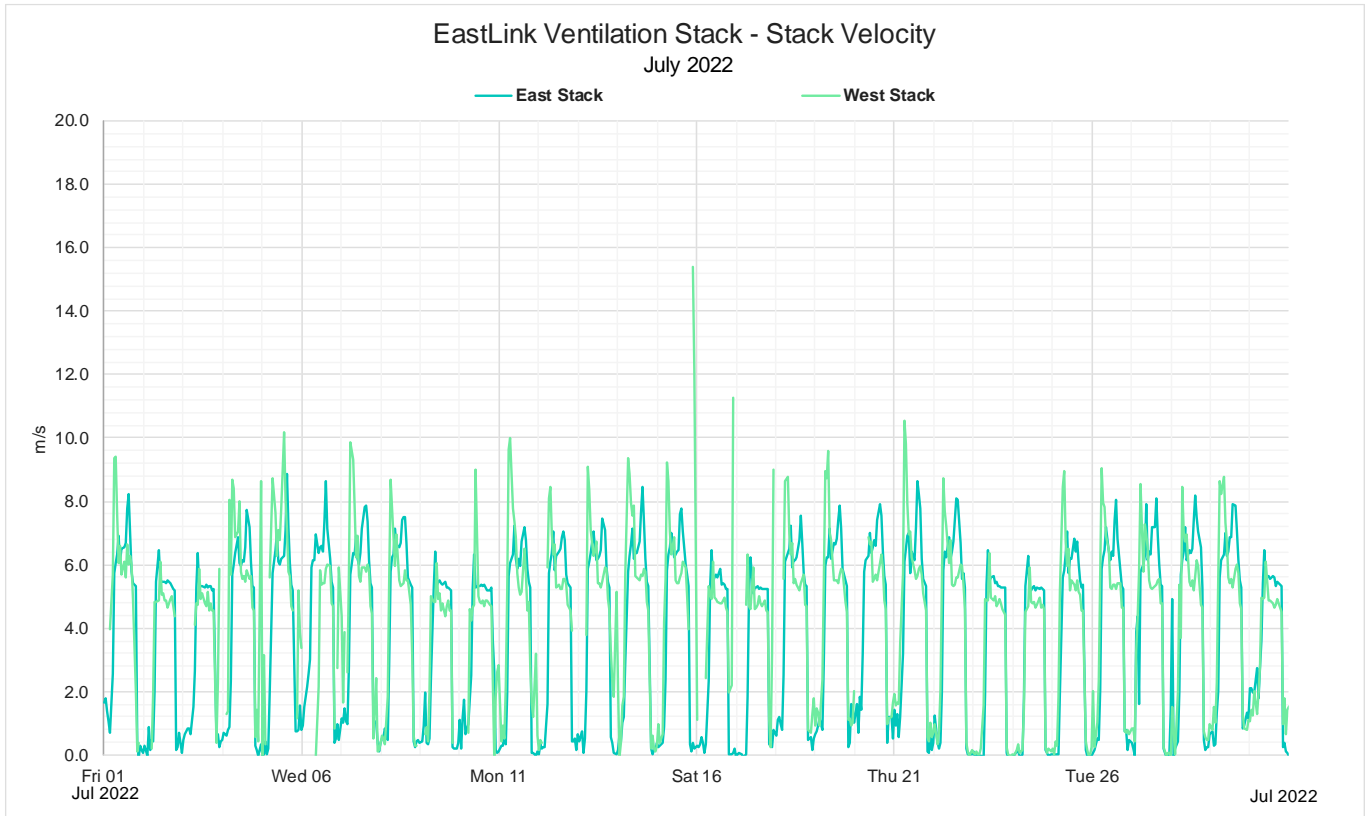


Figure 7: July 2022 Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

6.1.5 Data Validation Table

Data validation details for the ventilation stack parameters are provided in the Table 15 and Table 16 below.

6.1.5.1 July 2022 - Western Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Western Ventilation Stack Data Validation July 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/07/2022 00:00	15/07/2022 12:53	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.2 Offset B: -0.5	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
1/07/2022 00:00	26/07/2022 03:11	Stack Velocity	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
1/07/2022 01:04	29/07/2022 01:39	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent not enough samples	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
12/07/2022 01:45	15/07/2022 12:53	NO, NO2	Multiplier applied to data: Multiplier A: 0.912009 Multiplier B: 0.912009	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
13/07/2022 04:44	29/07/2022 04:50	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
15/07/2022 12:54	15/07/2022 13:32	CO, NO, NO2, PM2.5, PM10	Maintenance	0.6	TA	21/10/2022
15/07/2022 13:33	31/07/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.0 Offset B: -0.7	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
20/07/2022 01:00	20/07/2022 07:34	CO, NO, NO2, PM2.5, PM10	Data logger fault	6.6	TA	21/10/2022
20/07/2022 15:06	20/07/2022 15:48	CO, NO, NO2	Maintenance	0.7	TA	21/10/2022
22/07/2022 10:02	22/07/2022 13:40	CO, NO, NO2, PM2.5, PM10	Maintenance	3.6	TA	21/10/2022

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Table 15: July 2022 Western Ventilation Stack data validation

6.1.5.2 July 2022 - Eastern Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Eastern Ventilation Stack Data Validation July 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/07/2022 00:00	31/07/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: 0.0 Offset B: -0.3	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
3/07/2022 03:41	31/07/2022 06:34	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
16/07/2022 00:03	16/07/2022 00:03	All parameters	Data logger fault	0.0	TA	21/10/2022
22/07/2022 13:46	22/07/2022 14:58	CO, NO, NO2, PM2.5, PM10	Maintenance	1.2	TA	21/10/2022

This table details any missing data, data removed due to being deemed invalid, or data that has been adjusted.

Table 16: July 2022 Eastern Ventilation Stack data validation

6.2 August 2022

6.2.1 Data Availability

Data availability for the in ventilation stack parameters are provided in Table 17 below. For further information on data availability please refer to section 6.1.5.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Data Availability August 2022							
Station		NO	NO ₂	CO	PM _{2.5}	PM ₁₀	Stack Velocity
Western	Data Availability	91.1%	91.1%	91.3%	94.1%	93.7%	95.0%
	Collected Periods	678	678	679	700	697	707
	Available Periods	744	744	744	744	744	744
Eastern	Data Availability	94.4%	94.4%	94.4%	98.5%	98.4%	98.7%
	Collected Periods	702	702	702	733	732	734
	Available Periods	744	744	744	744	744	744

Table 17: August 2022 ventilation stack data availability

6.2.2 Exceedances

Instances of the ventilation stack pollutants exceeding the EPA Limits goals during the reporting period are presented in Table 18 below. Maximum mass rates are provided for comparison to the limits.

There were nil exceedances of the prescribed limits during the reporting period.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances August 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.62	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.38	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.22	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.56	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.53	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	6.22	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.12	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.42	-	-	-

Table 18: August 2022 Exceedances of EPA Goals

6.2.3 Tabulated Results

6.2.3.1 Statistical Summary of 1 hour Mass Rate Data Western and Eastern Ventilation Stacks

Table 19 presents 1 hour mass rate statistical data for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Summary August 2022								
Location	Parameter	Maximum	99 th Percentile	98 th Percentile	95 th Percentile	90 th Percentile	75 th Percentile	50 th Percentile
Western Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	3.91	3.40	3.19	2.53	1.90	1.14	0.66
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.62	0.50	0.47	0.35	0.25	0.16	0.10
	CO (kg/h)	4.38	4.00	3.75	3.25	2.74	1.91	1.34
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.22	0.13	0.12	0.10	0.07	0.05	0.03
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	0.56	0.33	0.28	0.23	0.16	0.09	0.06
Eastern Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	2.96	2.72	2.48	2.10	1.83	1.40	0.59
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.53	0.46	0.42	0.36	0.29	0.22	0.13
	CO (kg/h)	6.22	5.52	5.19	4.24	3.53	2.76	1.93
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.02
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	0.42	0.27	0.24	0.20	0.16	0.12	0.06

Table 19: August 2022 Summary of 1 hour mass rate pollutant data

6.2.4 Graphical Representations

The following charts present 1 hour mass rate data for NO, NO₂, CO, PM_{2.5}, PM₁₀ and Stack Velocity for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

6.2.4.1 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

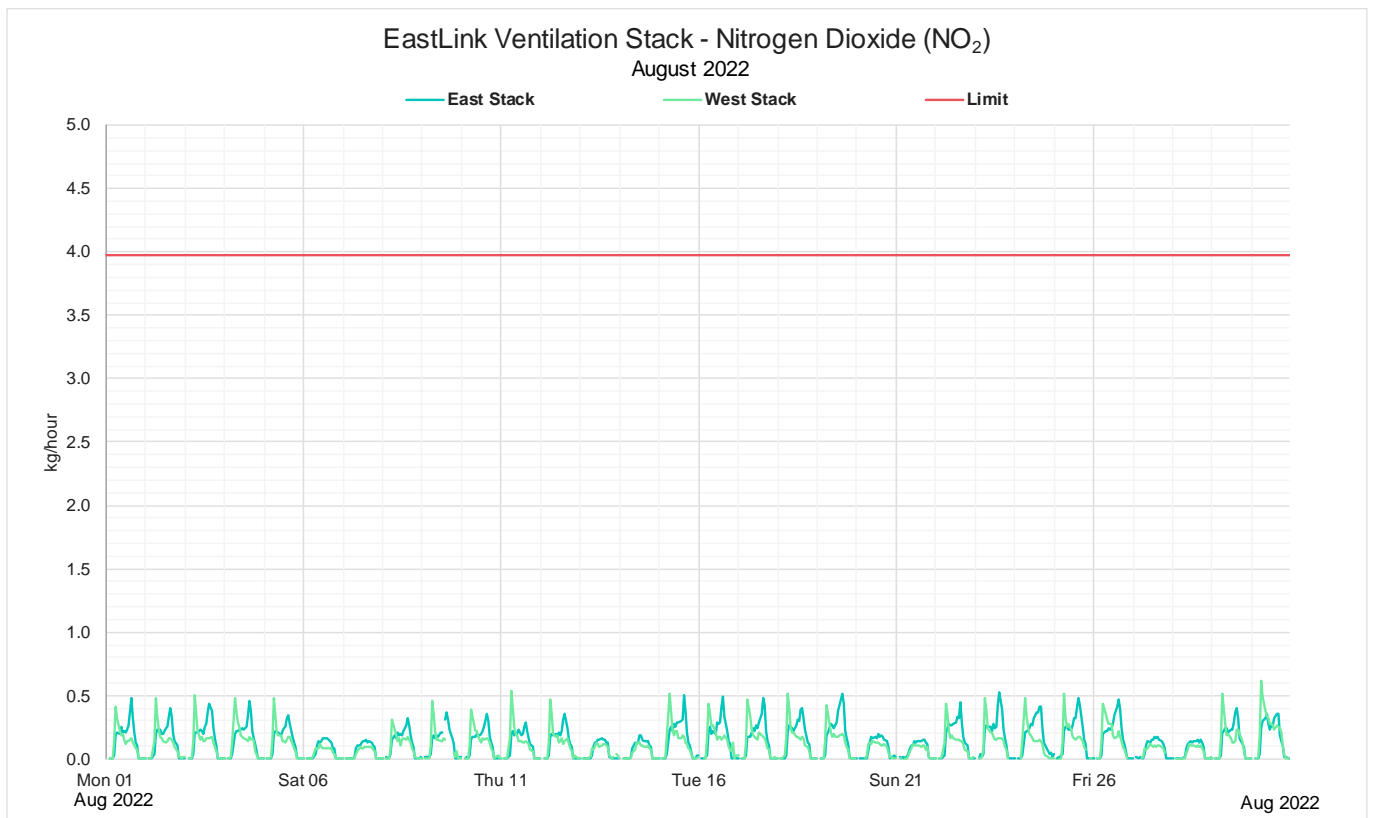


Figure 8: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

6.2.4.2 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

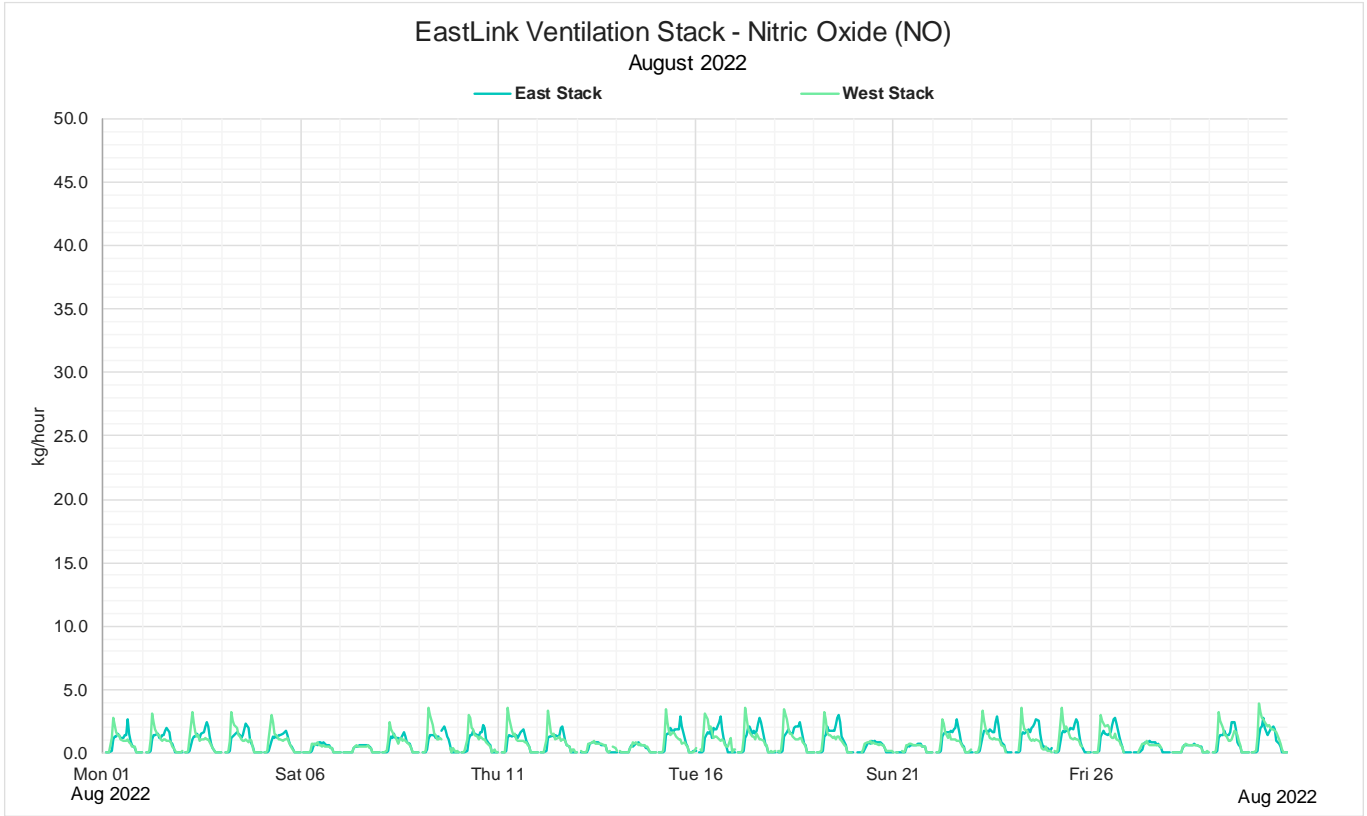


Figure 9: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

6.2.4.3 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

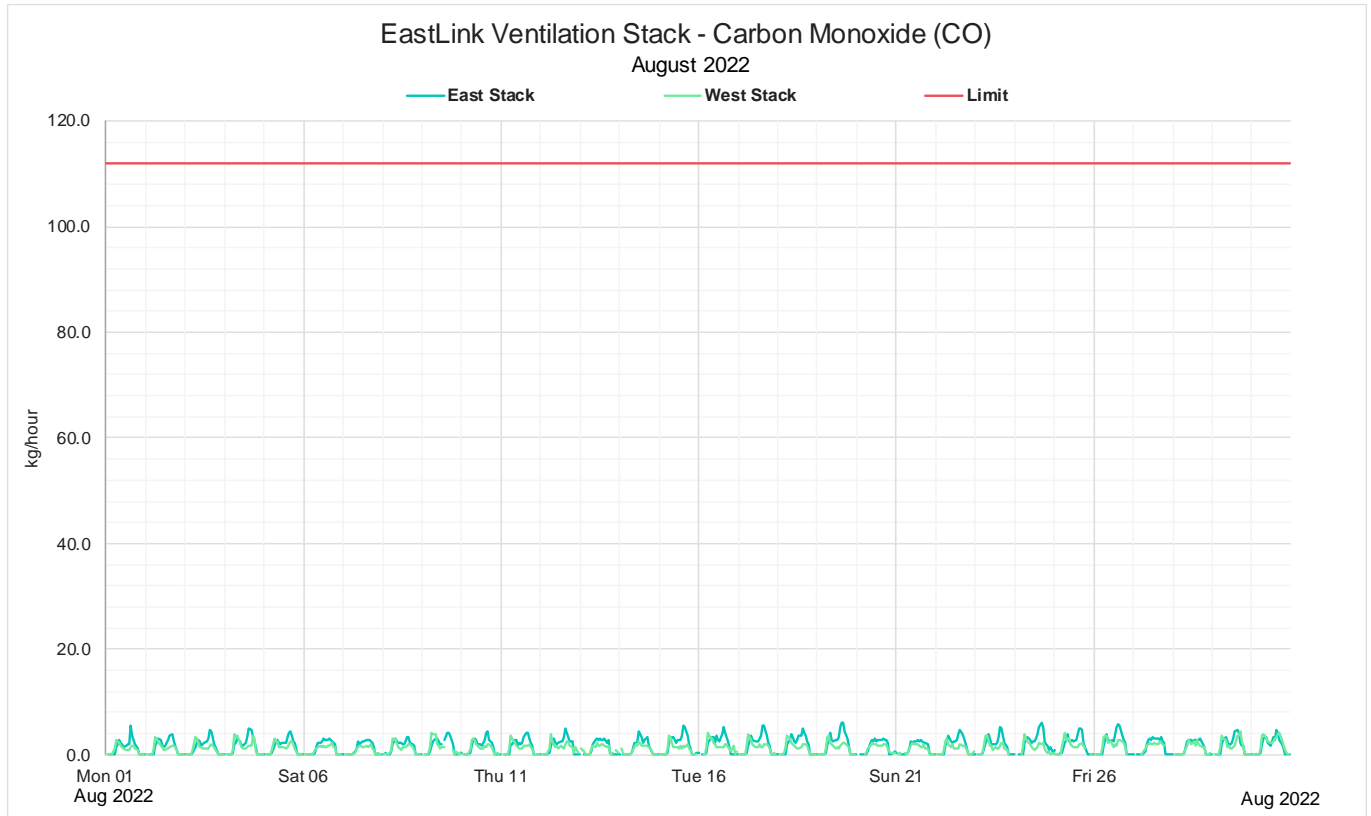


Figure 10: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

6.2.4.4 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

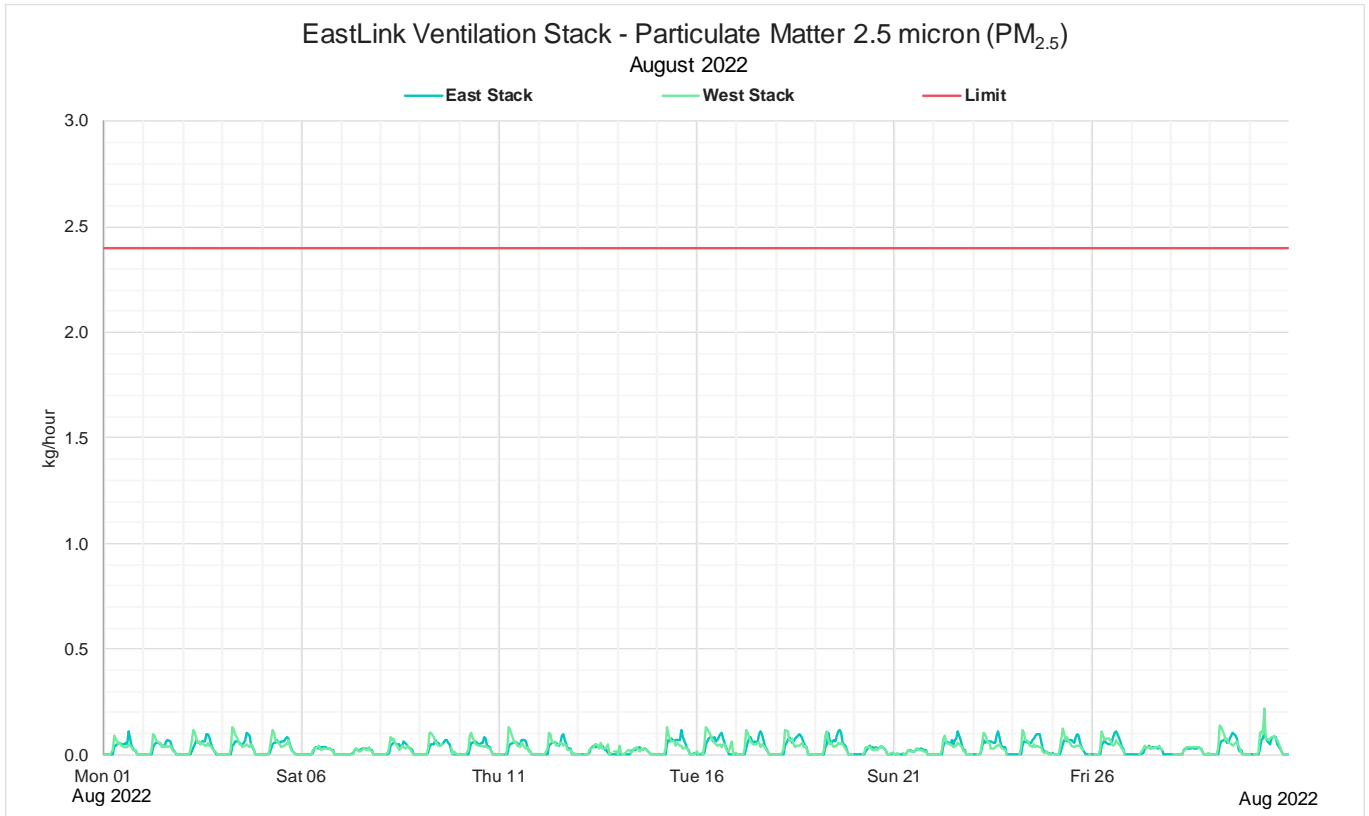


Figure 11: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

6.2.4.5 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

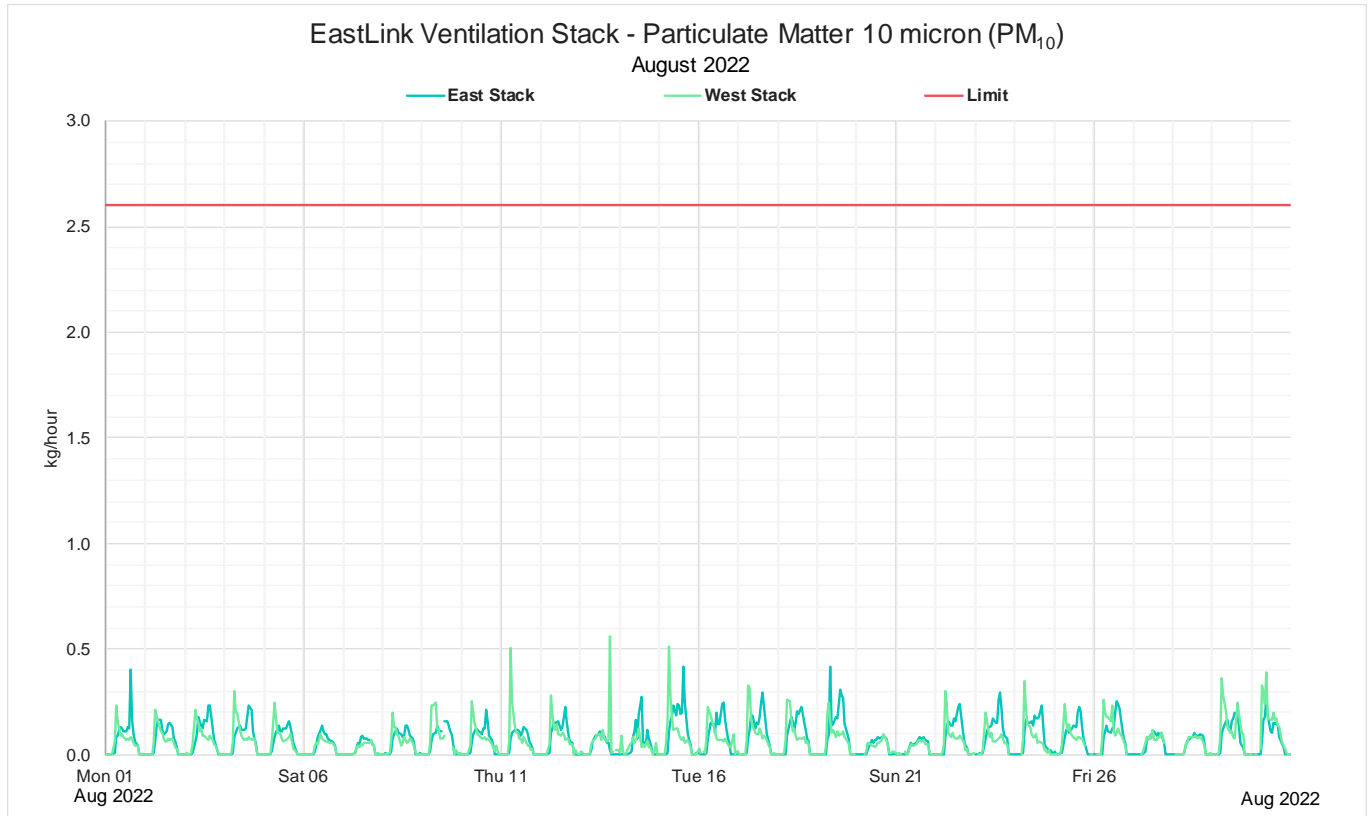


Figure 12: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

6.2.4.6 August 2022 - Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

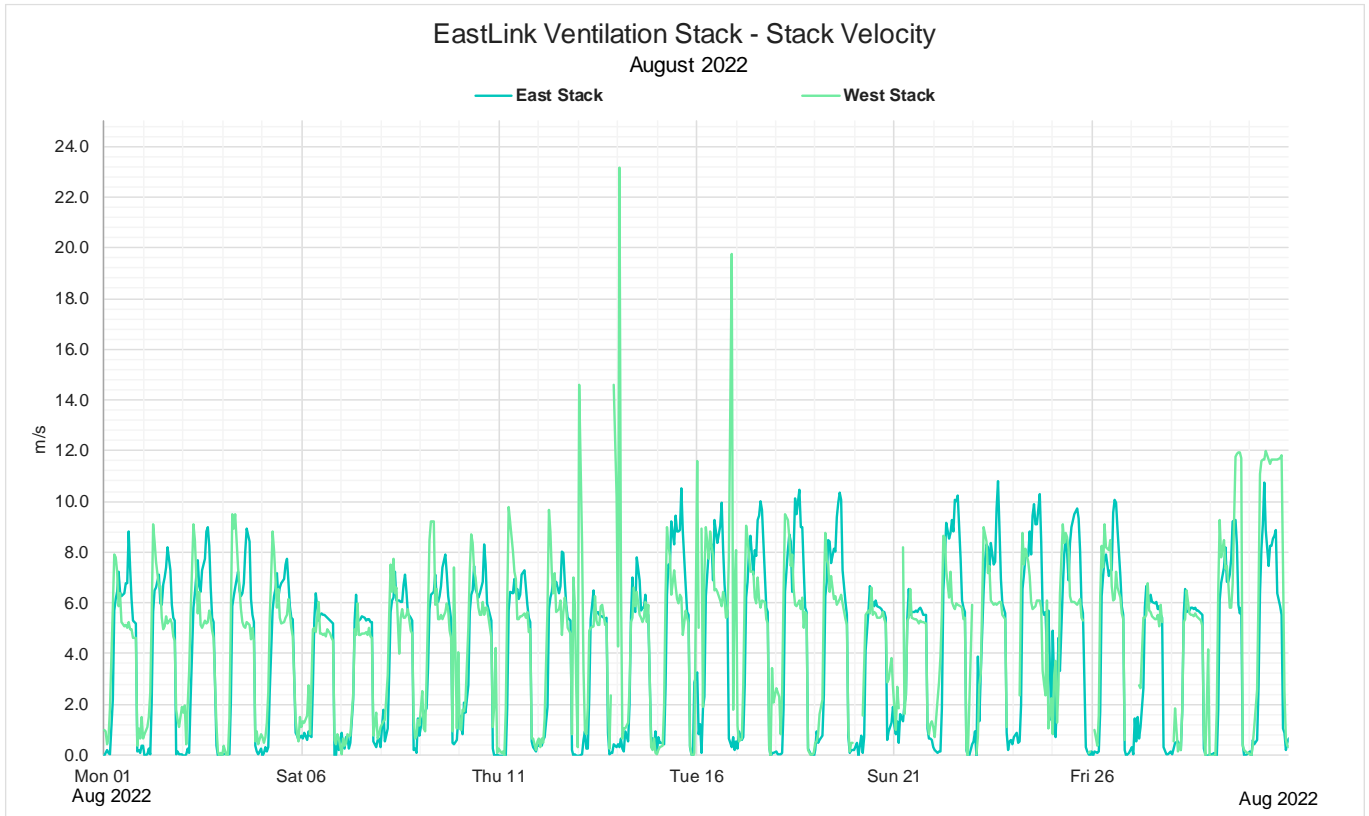


Figure 13: August 2022 Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

6.2.5 Data Validation Table

Data validation details for the ventilation stack parameters are provided in the Table 20 and Table 21 below.

6.2.5.1 August 2022 - Western Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Western Ventilation Stack Data Validation August 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/08/2022 00:00	31/08/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.7 Offset B: -0.9	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
1/08/2022 00:02	31/08/2022 01:36	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10, Stack Velocity	Intermittent not enough samples	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
9/08/2022 04:46	31/08/2022 04:54	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
9/08/2022 15:20	9/08/2022 19:00	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10	Maintenance	3.7	TA	21/10/2022
16/08/2022 02:02	31/08/2022 21:16	Stack Velocity	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022

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Table 20: August 2022 Western Ventilation Stack data validation

6.2.5.2 August 2022 - Eastern Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Eastern Ventilation Stack Data Validation August 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/08/2022 00:00	9/08/2022 13:20	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.3 Offset B: -0.3	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
2/08/2022 21:39	31/08/2022 05:47	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
9/08/2022 13:21	9/08/2022 14:04	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10, Stack Velocity	Maintenance	0.7	TA	21/10/2022
9/08/2022 14:05	31/08/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.0 Offset B: -0.2	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
31/08/2022 13:49	31/08/2022 23:59	Stack Velocity	Unrealistic data - high readings	10.2	TA	21/10/2022

This table details any missing data, data removed due to being deemed invalid, or data that has been adjusted.

Table 21: August 2022 Eastern Ventilation Stack data validation

6.3 September 2022

6.3.1 Data Availability

Data availability for the in ventilation stack parameters are provided in Table 22 below. For further information on data availability please refer to section 6.2.5

EastLink Ventilation Stack Data Availability September 2022							
Station		NO	NO ₂	CO	PM _{2.5}	PM ₁₀	Stack Velocity
Western	Data Availability	95%	95%	95%	100%	99%	100%
	Collected Periods	687.0	687.0	687.0	717.0	711.0	720.0
	Available Periods	720.0	720.0	720.0	720.0	720.0	720.0
Eastern	Data Availability	94.2%	94.2%	94.2%	98.3%	98.3%	98.6%
	Collected Periods	678	678	678	708	708	710
	Available Periods	720	720	720	720	720	720

Table 22: September 2022 ventilation stack data availability

6.3.2 Exceedances

Instances of the ventilation stack pollutants exceeding the EPA Limits goals during the reporting period are presented in Table 23 below. Maximum mass rates are provided for comparison to the limits.

There were nil exceedances of the prescribed limits during the reporting period.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Air Quality Limit Exceedances September 2022								
Location	Parameter	Time Period	Licence Limit	Units	Maximum Mass Rate	Number of exceedances	Value of exceedance	Date and Time of exceedance
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.53	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	4.30	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.16	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.41	-	-	-
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	NO ₂	1 hour	3.98	kg/h	0.64	-	-	-
	CO	1 hour	112	kg/h	6.56	-	-	-
	PM _{2.5}	1 hour	2.4	kg/h	0.18	-	-	-
	PM ₁₀	1 hour	2.6	kg/h	0.44	-	-	-

Table 23: September 2022 Exceedances of EPA Goals

6.3.3 Tabulated Results

6.3.3.1 Statistical Summary of 1 hour mass rate data Western and Eastern Ventilation Stacks

Table 24 presents 1 hour mass rate statistical data for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Summary September 2022								
Location	Parameter	Maximum	99 th Percentile	98 th Percentile	95 th Percentile	90 th Percentile	75 th Percentile	50 th Percentile
Western Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	3.82	3.48	3.14	2.50	1.87	1.19	0.56
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.53	0.46	0.36	0.28	0.20	0.14	0.07
	CO (kg/h)	4.30	3.75	3.59	3.14	2.62	1.95	1.42
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.16	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.08	0.05	0.03
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	0.41	0.29	0.26	0.22	0.16	0.10	0.06
Eastern Ventilation Stack	NO (kg/h)	3.45	2.87	2.76	2.51	2.13	1.61	0.61
	NO ₂ (kg/h)	0.64	0.57	0.54	0.48	0.40	0.28	0.15
	CO (kg/h)	6.56	6.12	5.58	4.94	3.90	3.04	2.17
	PM _{2.5} (kg/h)	0.18	0.14	0.12	0.11	0.09	0.07	0.03
	PM ₁₀ (kg/h)	0.44	0.30	0.28	0.25	0.20	0.14	0.06

Table 24: September 2022 Summary of 1 hour mass rate pollutant data

6.3.4 Graphical Representations

The following charts present 1 hour mass rate data for NO, NO₂, CO, PM_{2.5}, PM₁₀ and Stack Velocity for the Western and Eastern ventilation stacks.

1 hour mass rates are calculated from 1 minute average data.

6.3.4.1 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

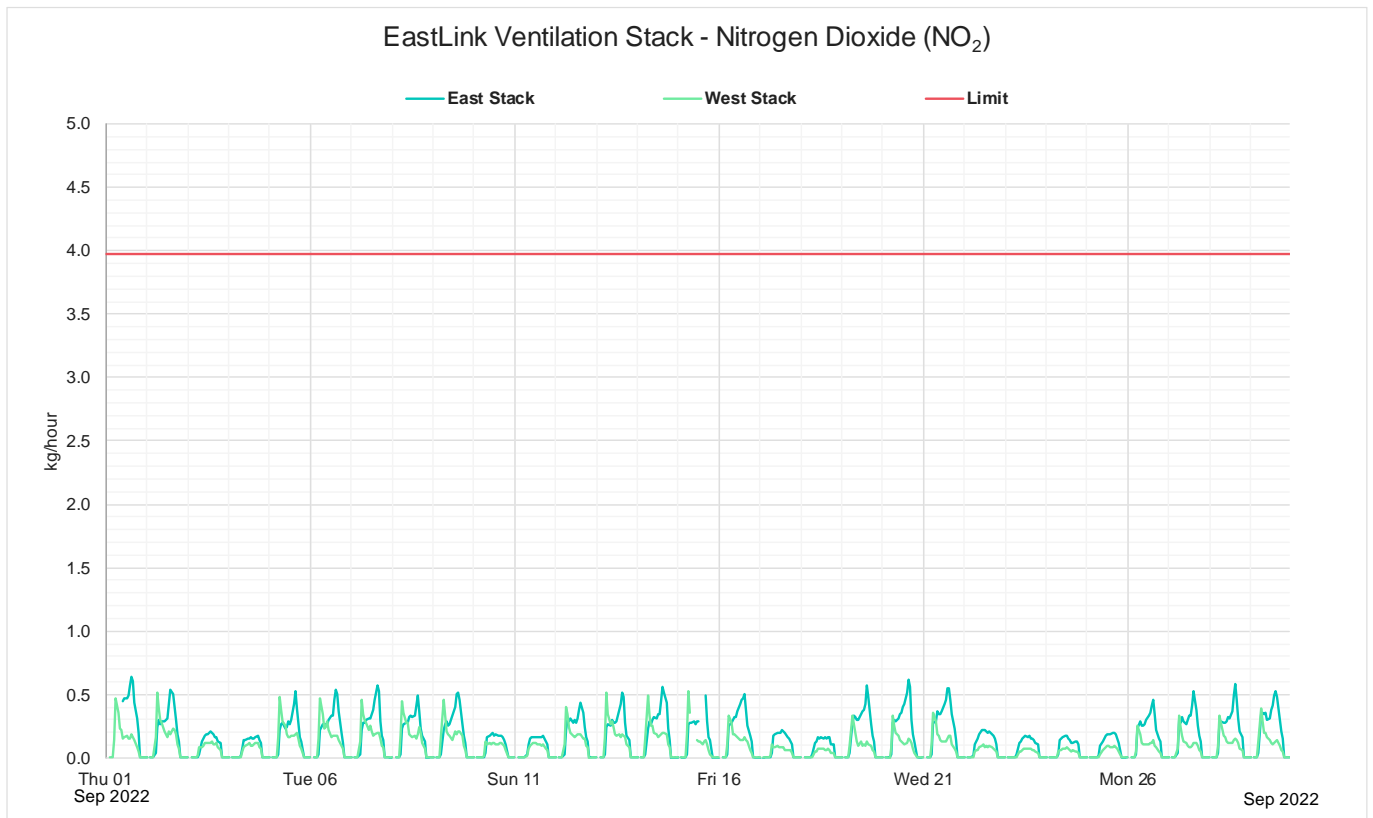


Figure 14: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO₂

6.3.4.2 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

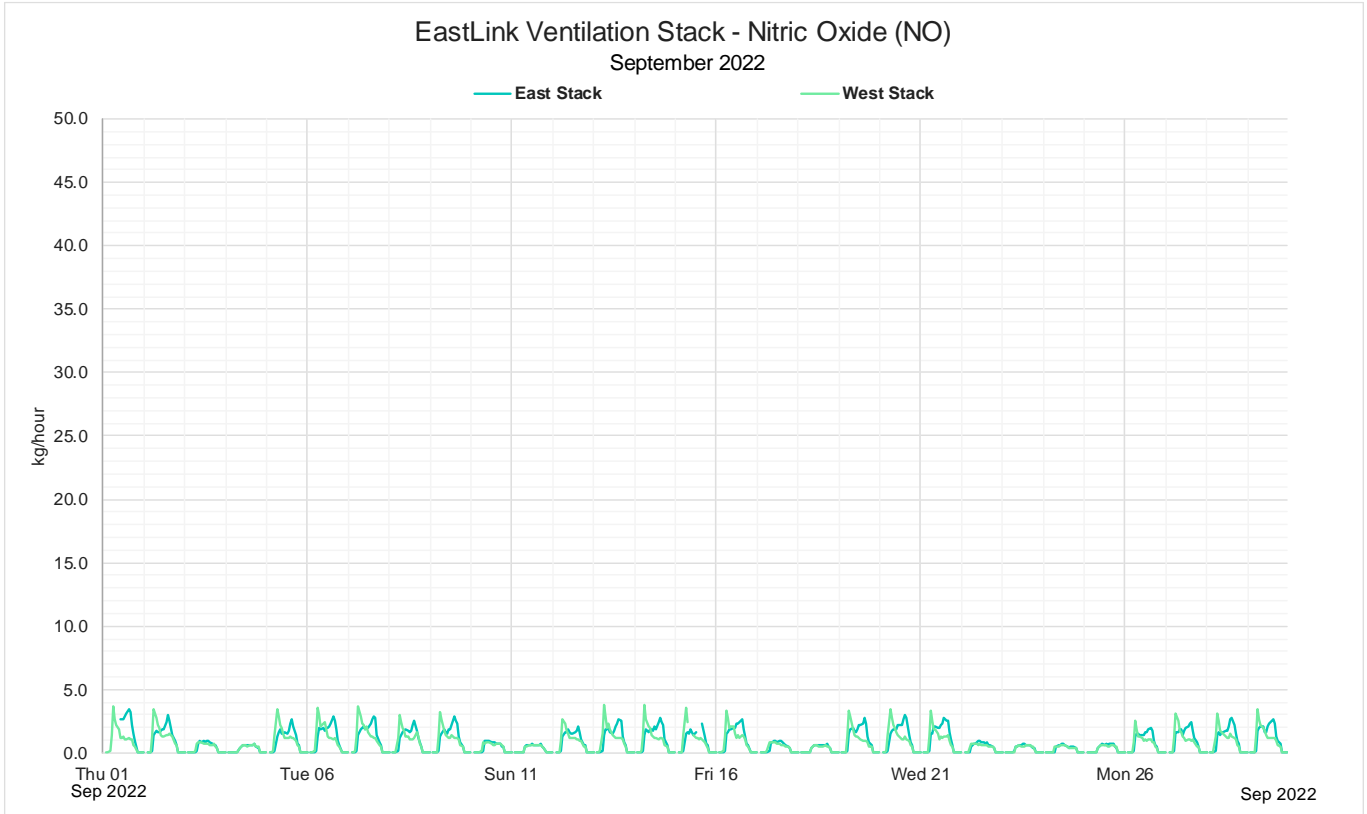


Figure 15: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate NO

6.3.4.3 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

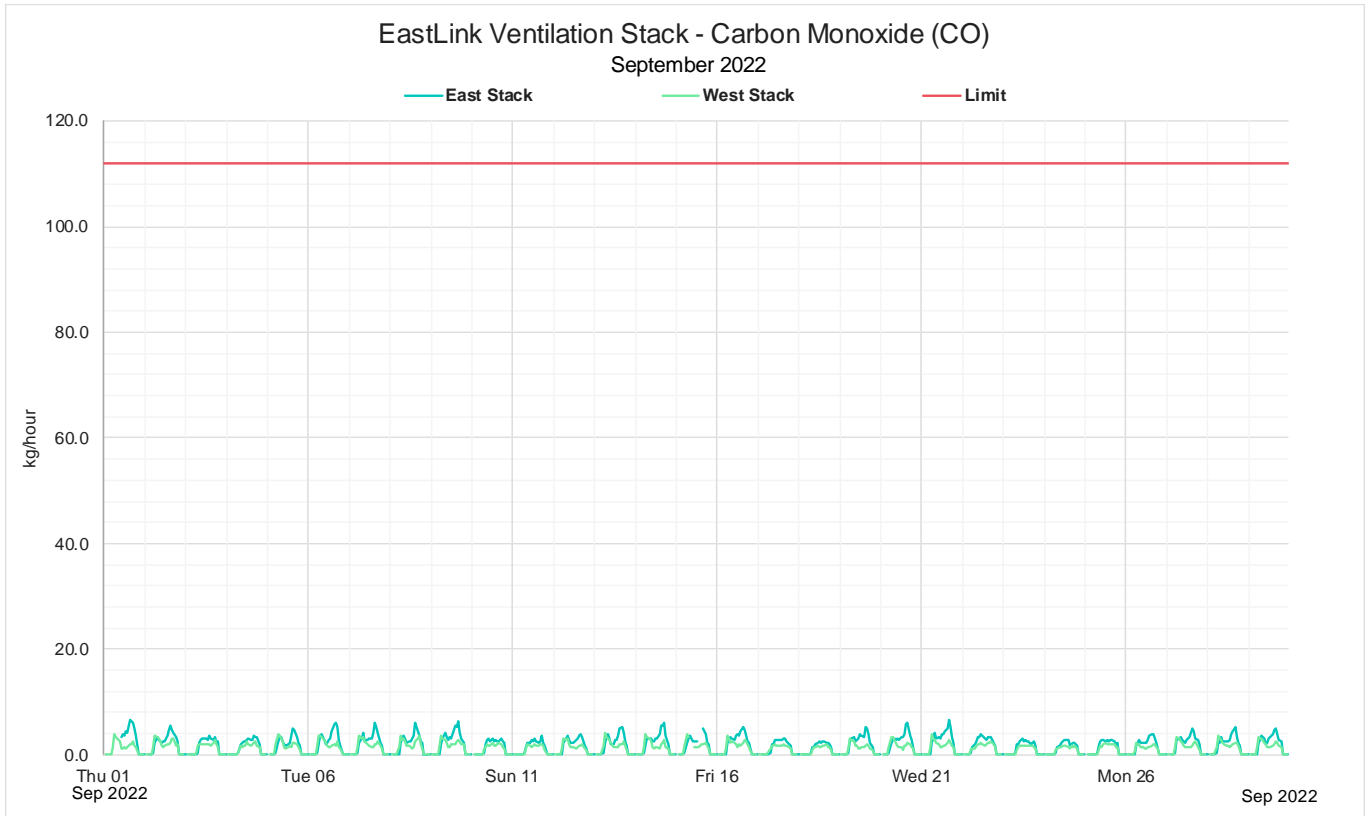


Figure 16: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate CO

6.3.4.4 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

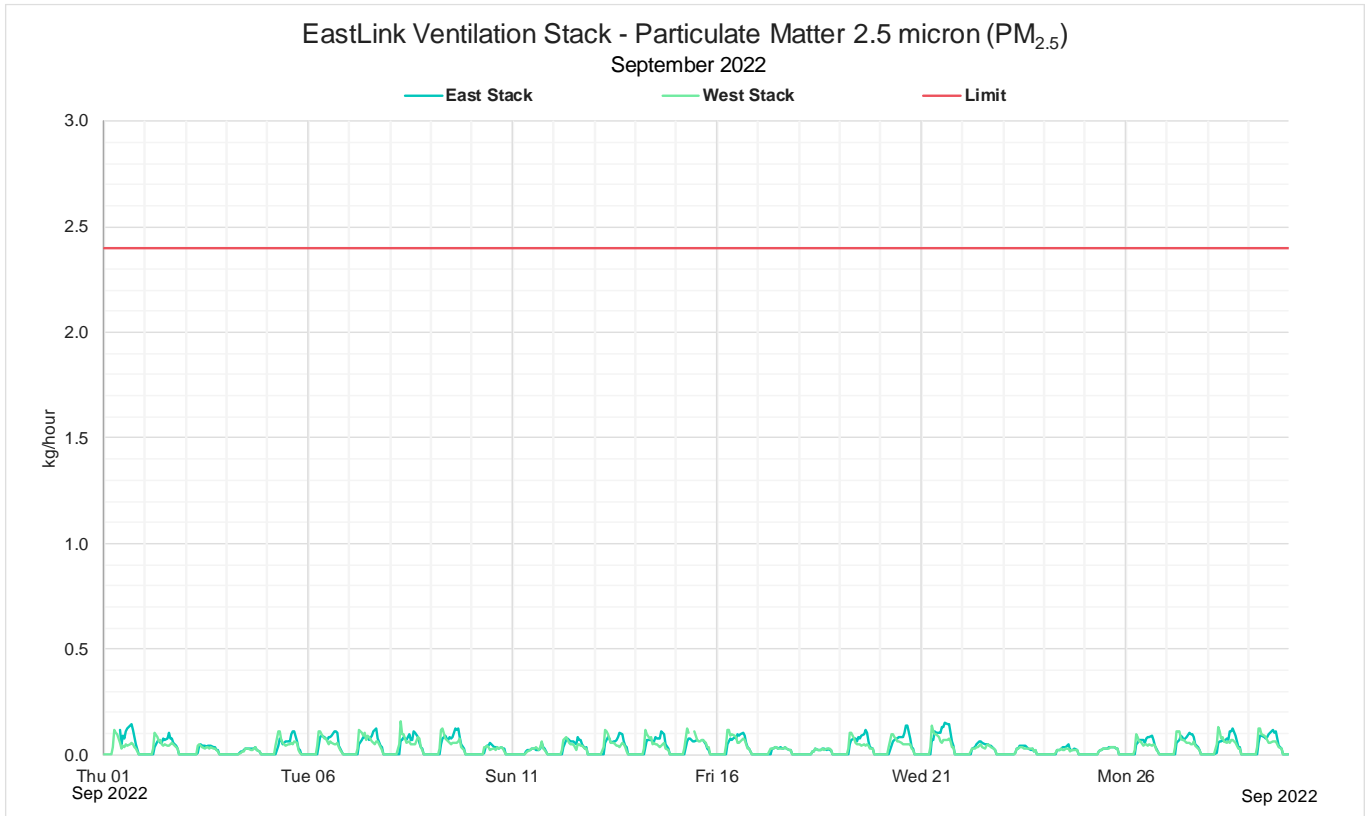


Figure 17: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM_{2.5}

6.3.4.5 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

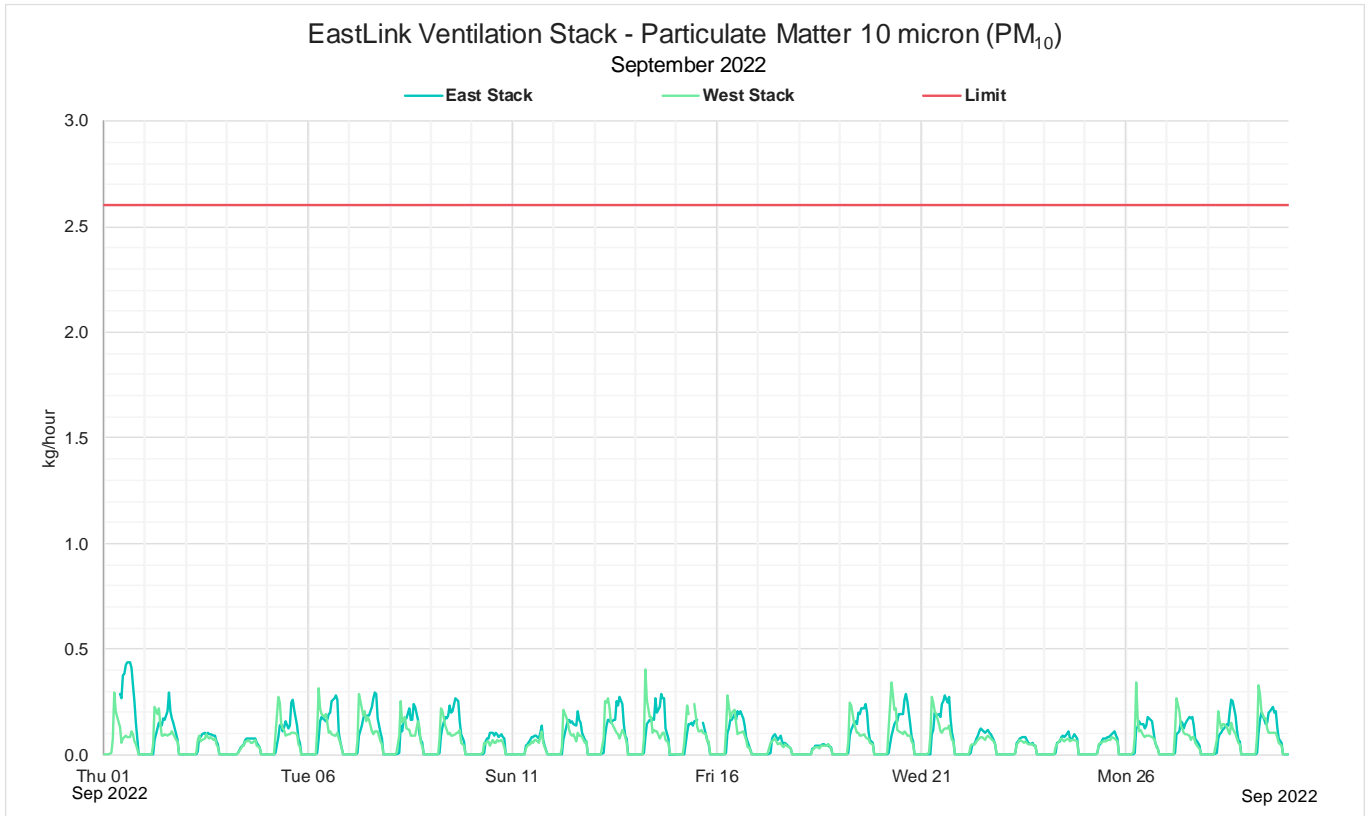


Figure 18: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour mass rate PM₁₀

6.3.4.6 September 2022 - Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

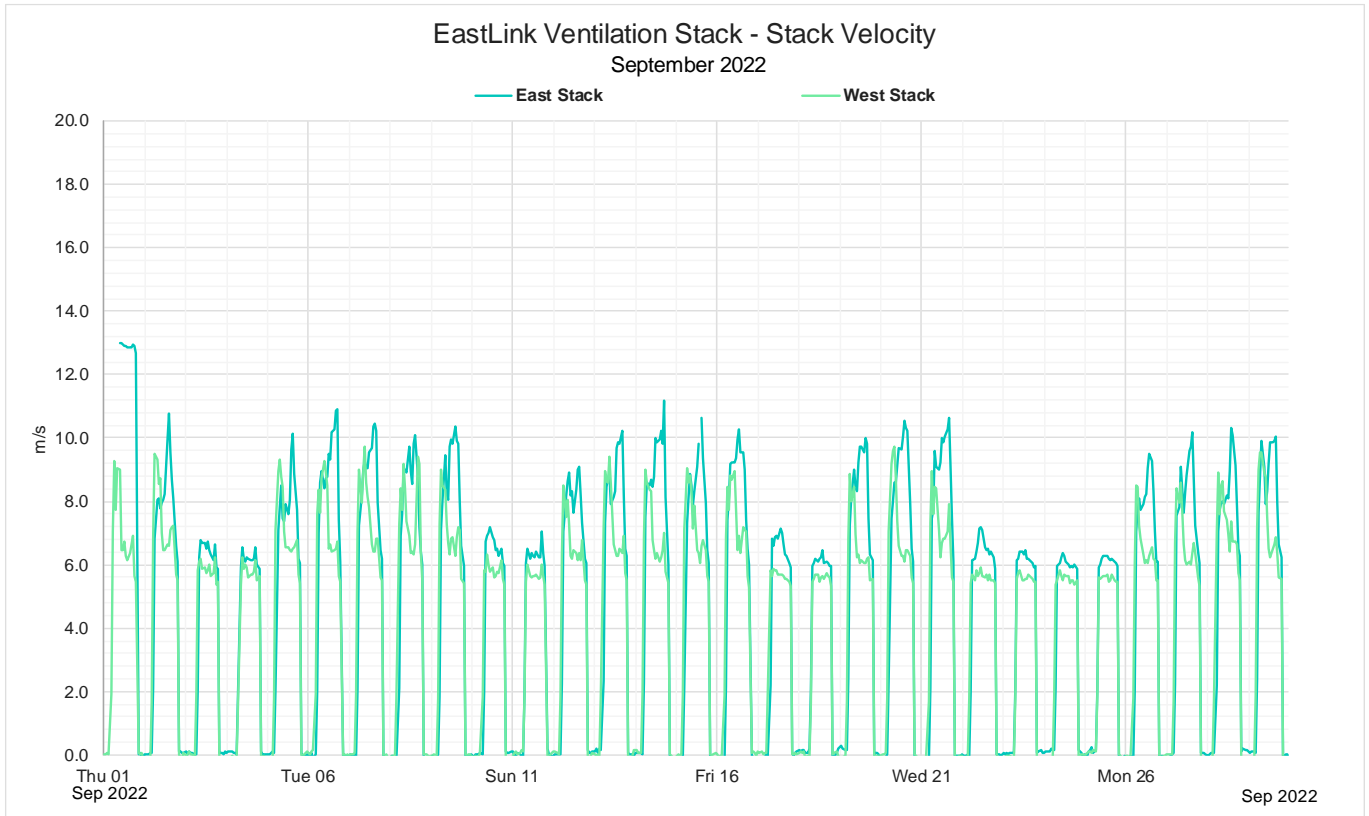


Figure 19: September 2022 Monthly 1 hour average stack velocity

6.3.5 Data Validation Table

Data validation details for the ventilation stack parameters are provided in the Table 25 and Table 26 below.

6.3.5.1 September 2022 - Western Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Western Ventilation Stack Data Validation September 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/09/2022 00:00	30/09/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.9 Offset B: -1.3	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
1/09/2022 01:00	15/09/2022 01:05	Stack Velocity	Unrealistic spike in data daily from 1:00 to 1:05	336.1	TA	21/10/2022
1/09/2022 00:04	29/09/2022 01:35	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10, Stack Velocity	Intermittent not enough samples	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
2/09/2022 01:46	14/09/2022 13:12	PM2.5, PM10	Intermittent unrealistic data - negative	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
15/09/2022 08:35	15/09/2022 11:10	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10	Maintenance	2.6	TA	21/10/2022

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Table 25: September 2022 Western Ventilation Stack data validation

6.3.5.2 September 2022 - Eastern Ventilation Stack

Eastlink Tunnel Eastern Ventilation Stack Data Validation September 2022						
Start Date	End Date	Parameters	Reason	Hours affected	User Name	Change Date
1/09/2022 00:00	30/09/2022 23:59	CO	Offset applied to data: Offset A: -0.2 Offset B: -0.3	N/A	TA	21/10/2022
1/09/2022 00:00	1/09/2022 09:09	Stack Velocity	Unrealistic data - high readings	9.1	TA	21/10/2022
1/09/2022 09:10	1/09/2022 09:30	NO, NO2, CO	Maintenance	0.3	TA	21/10/2022
2/09/2022 01:00	15/09/2022 01:05	Stack Velocity	Unrealistic spike in data daily from 1:00 to 1:05	312.1	TA	21/10/2022
2/09/2022 05:43	2/09/2022 05:46	PM10	Unrealistic data - negative	0.0	TA	21/10/2022
15/09/2022 12:54	15/09/2022 15:26	NO, NO2, CO, PM2.5, PM10, Stack Velocity	Maintenance	2.5	TA	21/10/2022

This table details any missing data, data removed due to being deemed invalid, or data that has been adjusted.

Table 26: September 2022 Eastern Ventilation Stack data validation

6.4 Data Availability Year to Date

Data availability statistics for year to date (01 January 2022 to 30 September 2022) are provided in Table 27 below:

EastLink Ventilation Stack Data Availability January 2022 to September 2022						
Station	NO	NO ₂	CO	PM _{2.5}	PM ₁₀	Stack Velocity
Western	90.0%	90.0%	89.9%	93.0%	92.3%	93.8%
Eastern	93.9%	93.9%	94.7%	97.4%	97.6%	99.1%

Table 27: EastLink Ventilation Stack year to date data availability

6.5 Annual Performance Statement Bubble Limits

The EPA License 2043 Condition LI_DA1 designates annual emission rate bubble limits for discharge points 1 and 2. Annual emission rates are calculated from 1st July to 30th June each year to coincide with the Annual Performance Statement (APS) reporting period. Ventilation Stack emission rates year to date (01 July 2022 to 30 September 2022) are shown in Table 28 below.

EastLink Ventilation Stack Mass Rate July 2022 to September 2022				
Location	NO2	CO	PM _{2.5}	PM ₁₀
	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes
Western Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 1)	0.290	3.521	0.066	0.148
Eastern Ventilation Stack (Discharge Point 2)	0.184	2.577	0.063	0.131
Total	0.474	6.098	0.129	0.279
Percentage of Licence limit	1.4%	0.6%	0.6%	1.2%
Annual Limit (Tonnes)	35	980	21	23

Table 28: Annual Performance Statement stack emission rates

Figure 20 below presents the ventilation stack emissions of each parameter as a percentage of the Licence limit compared with the percentage of elapse APS Reporting period.

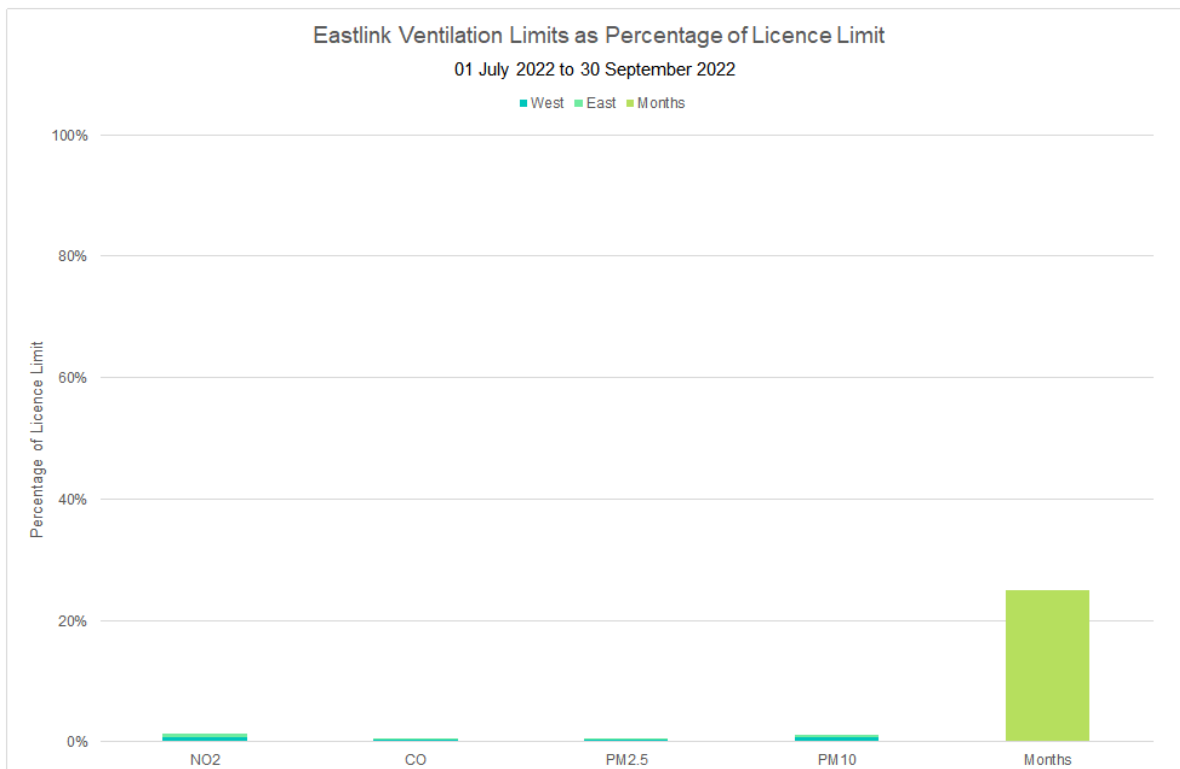


Figure 20: Annual Performance Statement stack emission rates

7 Report Summary

- There were nil exceedances of the prescribed limits during the reporting period.

Appendix 1

Glossary

The following terms and abbreviations are used in this report

CO	Carbon monoxide
DP1	Discharge Point 1
DP2	Discharge Point 2
kg/hour	Kilograms per hour
g/5m	Grams per 5 minutes
m ³ /s	Cubic meters per second
mg/m ³	Milligrams per cubic meter at dry, standard temperature and pressure (0°C and 101.3 kPa)
NO	Nitric oxide
NO ₂	Nitrogen dioxide
PM ₁₀	Particulate less than 10 microns in equivalent aerodynamic diameter
PM _{2.5}	Particulate less than 2.5 microns in equivalent aerodynamic diameter

Data Validation Explanations

Automatic background check refers to when analyser samples zero air and measures the level of the concentration voltage. This voltage is taken as the zero signal level and this value is subtracted from any subsequent readings as an active zero compensation. This is the analyser’s fine zero measurement.

Calibration check outside tolerance refers to when the calibration values are outside the tolerance limits set for the precision check.

Offset or Multiplier Applied to data refers to an offset or multiplier applied to the data. This operation may be performed for a number of reasons including: (a) when a clear trend / drift outside the tolerance limit can be demonstrated by repeated operation precision checks, (b) when a correction is required on previously logged data due to a calibration check being outside the allowable tolerance

Data transmission error refers to a period of time when the instrument could not transmit data. This may be due to a communication fault between the logger and instrument.

Equipment malfunction/instrument fault refers to a period of time when the instrument was not in the normal operating mode and did not measure a representative value of the existing conditions.

Missing data/data not available refers to a period of time when either data has been lost or could not be collected.

Instrument Alarm refers to an alarm produced by the instrument. A range of alarms can be produced depending on how operation of the instrument is being affected.

Instrument out of service refers to an unavailability of data due to an instrument being shut down for repair, maintenance, or factory calibration.

Logger error refers to when an error occurs and instrument readings are not correctly recorded by the logger.

Maintenance refers to a period of time when the logger / instrument was unavailable due to maintenance.

Overnight span/zero out of tolerance refers to when the span/zero reading measured by the analyser during an automatic precision check falls outside of the expected concentration limits.

Power Interruption refers to no power to the station therefore no data was collected at this time.

Remote Calibration refers to when a technician remotely connects to the station and manually performs a span check.

Warm up after power interruption refers to the start up period of an instrument after power has been restored.