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#### APPENDIX

DATA COMPILATION FOR THE SHOREHAM WEST SITE COVERING THE PERIOD 1 JULY 1973 - 16 JULY 1974

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#### Introduction

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The data, pertinent to the Shoreham West site as presented in the following sections, consist of:

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   (i.e., weekly, monthly, quarterly) in the offshore waters
   adjacent to the site and in the fresh water regions underlying
   the site proper, and
- b) Physical data (i.e., currents, temperatures, tides, and winds) collected continuously either at the shoreline or just offshore of the site.

Included in the physical data section are the results of a separate dye study performed in July.

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# Field Activities (1973)

The following chronology details those days on which the required instrument servicing, chemical sampling, dye studies, and planning and maintenance were carried out for the Shoreham West site.

13 June Meet with LILCO personnel at Northport to discuss placement of dye and instrument marker buoys and the tide gage site. Are advised that Shoreham dock will not be built in time for use as a home port.

20 June Make arrangements for dockage of 50' - 60' boats at Naugle's dock, Mattituck.

27 June Load one of the survey vessels, the PAUMANOK at Oyster Bay with hardware for instrument mooring.

28 June Place both inshore and offshore instrument moorings.

29 June

Install two Endeco surface thermographs, two bottom thermographs and one middepth current meter as well as an Aanderaa current meter at mid depth at the offshore mooring. Also install an Endeco and an Aanderaa current meter at mid depth at the inshore mooring.

3 July Begin outfitting dye release boats at Shoreham.

4 July Fabricate parts for dye release boats.

5 July Continue outfitting dye release boats.

6 July Continue outfitting dye release boats. Check instrument moorings. Take weekly water samples.

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9 July Finish basic outfitting of dye release boats. Install two Endeco surface thermographs and bottom thermographs at the inshore mooring. Place moorings for dye release boats. Take weekly water samples.

11 July Place dye in dye release boats and tow them out to their moorings.

12 July Check security of dye release boats in heavy seas.

13 July Install deep submergence pump and fluorometer equipment on SPINDRIFT, the second survey vessel. Check out equipment by making background measurements in Long Island Sound.

14 July Install pumping system and fluorometer on ST. LUCY II, the third survey vessel, and make background measurements.

15 July Install pumping system and fluorometer on ST. LUCY II, the third survey vessel, and make background measurements.

16 July Turn on dye release boats, make some trial transect runs and check on operation of dye release boats.

17 July Buildup Phase of dye study.

18 July Buildup Phase of dye study.

19 July Buildup Phase of dye study. Take weekly water samples.

20 July Buildup Phase of dye study. Install meteorological instruments at LILCO weather station.

21 July Buildup Phase of dye study.

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- 22 July Buildup Phase of dye study.
- 23 July Buildup Phase of dye study.

24 July Intensive Phase of dye study.

25 July Intensive Phase of dye study.

26 July Surface Mapping.

- 27 July Too windy for morning Surface Mapping by ST. LUCY II, however, afternoon run made. SPINDRIFT takes weekly water samples. Install electronic winch on PAUMANOK.
- 30 July Tow dye release boats back to Naugle's dock at Mattituck, remove excess dye, batteries, and pumps. Place boats on shore. Take monthly saline water samples.

3 August Rework one dye release boat to make it self bailing.

6 August Finish making all dye release boats self bailing. Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

8 August Service inshore instrument mooring. Install tide gage at newly constructed dock.

9 August Take weekly water samples.

17 August Take weekly water samples.

24 August Take weekly water samples.

28 August Quarterly Diurnal Water Sampling. Monthly ground water sampling. Service tide and meteorological stations. 29 August Quarterly Dirunal Water Sampling.

1 September Monthly ground water sampling.

6 September Take weekly water samples. Service offshore instrument mooring.

7 September Service inshore instrument mooring.

11 September Offshore and inshore mooring repair and maintenance. Take weekly water samples.

12 September Prepare moorings for large marker buoys supplied by LILCO.

13 September Assemble marker buoys, cables, and anchors at Naugle's dock.

14 September Place marker buoys at both inshore and offshore instrument moorings.

21 September Take weekly water samples.

25 September Take monthly saline water samples.

26 September Service tide and meteorological stations.

1 October Take quarterly ground water samples.

3 October Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

4 October Attempt to service offshore instrument mooring but find all surface buoys missing. Search for subsurface float, unable to locate it.

8 October Service inshore instrument mooring. Continue search for offshore subsurface float. Take weekly water samples.

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- 9 October Use otter trawl to search for subsurface float at offshore instrument mooring. End this procedure and place a temporary mooring.
- 15 October Service meteorological and tide stations.
- 16 October Take monthly ground water samples.
- 18 October Take monthly saline water samples.
- 22 October Take weekly water samples.
- 5 November Take weekly water samples due previous week. Weather was too rough to take samples during last week. Service offshore instrument mooring.
- 6 November Too windy to service instruments.
- 7 November Attempt to start Quarterly Diurnals, but weather too rough.
- 8 November Quarterly Diurnals.
- 9 November Quarterly Dirunals.
- 14 November Remove instruments from inshore mooring for field servicing ashore by ENDECO technician. Take weekly water samples. Service tide and meteorological stations. Take monthly ground water samples.
- 15 November ENDECO field service.

16 November Drag bottom for instruments lost at offshore mooring, but do not find them.

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- 17 November Attempt to drag bottom again for instruments lost at offshore mooring, but weather too rough.
- 19 November Reinstall instruments at inshore mooring. Remove instruments from offshore mooring for field servicing ashore by ENDECO technician.
- 20 November ENDECO field service. Take weekly water samples.

21 November Reinstall instruments at offshore mooring.

- 23 November Drag successfully for instruments on the bottom at the offshore mooring. Recover bottom thermograph and mid depth current meter.
- 26 November Make current profiles at inshore and offshore instrument moorings. Take weekly water samples.
- 28 November Service meteorological and tide stations. Take deep well samples.

1 December Maintenance of dye release boats and pumps.

3 December Take quarterly ground water samples.

5 December Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

10 December Take bacteria and BOD samples at S1, S2, S3, and S5 stations. Attempt to service offshore instrument mooring but find surface float as well as surface and mid depth instruments missing. Drag bottom and find bottom instrument and anchors. Do not install any instruments. Take weekly water samples.

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11 December Take monthly saline water samples.

- 12 December Perform D.O. titrations at Mattituck and prepare dye release mooring equipment for transport to Bethpage.
- 13 December Place new mooring and instruments at offshore location. Take BOD and bacteria samples at Sl, S2, and S4. Make current profiles.
- 14 December Service meteorological and tide stations. Take deep well samples.

17 December Attempt instrument servicing but high winds preclude any ship work.

- 19 December Take weekly water samples, but weather too rough and temperature too cold for divers to operate; diving gear freezes and ship very slippery with ice.
- 26 December Service meteorological and tide stations. Find tide station inoperative and meteorological chart paper not feeding. Take deep well samples.

27 December Repair tide station. Service inshore instrument mooring.

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#### Summary of Chemical Data

During the first six months of this program, 1380 water samples were collected for chemical analysis. From these a total of 5530 chemical determinations were made.

Samples were taken from the saline waters just offshore and from the fresh wateraquifer underlying the site. Five stations were used to collect the saline water samples and two for the fresh water. The offshore stations were located directly opposite the site and extended approximately two miles east and west, and as far as two miles offshore. The fresh water stations consisted of two wells located on the site and designated as; (a) the observation well (375' deep) and (b) the monitoring well (75' deep).

Specific saline water data consisting of temperature, salinity, dissolved oxygen, percent oxygen saturation, and biochemical oxygen demand have been plotted for the samples collected weekly at Station S2 and monthly at the other four stations. The concentration values of the nutrients (i.e., nitrite, ammonia, nitrate, organic nitrogen, total nitrogen, particulate phosphorus, soluble phosphorus, and ortho phosphate) obtained from samples collected monthly and also chlorophyll a have been plotted for all five stations.

The tabulated data encompassing all chemical determinations obtained from the <u>saline</u> samples follow these plots and are presented in the following order:

- 1. Weekly data and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at Station 2.
- 2. Monthly data and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at all five stations and an offshore station (S6).

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3. Quarterly data and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at Stations 1, 2, and 3 every three hours for a twenty-four hour period on August 29-30 and November 8-9.

The tabulated data encompassing all chemical determinations obtained from <u>fresh</u> water samples are presented in the following order.

- 1. Quarterly data collected from the observation well in October and December.
- 2. Monthly data collected from both the observation and monitoring wells.

# Data Reduction Techniques - Chemical Data

Temperature and salinities for Stations Sl through S5 have been plotted together in order to identify any stratification of the water column. As nutrients, chlorophyll <u>a</u>, dissolved oxygen, and biochemical oxygen demand are all related to biological productivity composite plots of these quantities have been constructed.

A list of the notations used on the plots and tabulations is provided below.

Turbidity - Jackson Turbidity Units (JTU)

Bacteria - Most Probable Number (MPN) per 100 milliliters of sample Salinity - o/oo, parts per thousand by weight

Dissolved Oxygen

Biochemical Oxygen Demand

Alkalinity

Suspended Solids

All Other Chemical Parameters - micrograms per liter (or parts per billion)

milligrams per liter (or parts per million)

#### Data Interruptions - Chemical Data

#### o Saline Waters

In the course of a sampling program as extensive as this, samples are missed at times because of a human error, adverse weather conditions, or accidental breakage or leakage. On one occasion, the week of October 29, the combination of adverse weather conditions and use of the survey vessel for a concurrent dye study near Jamesport delayed the collection of a weekly sample until Monday of the following week. The weekly samples were taken on November 5, followed by a second weekly sampling simultaneously with the second quarter diurnal study on November 8.

During the September, October, and December monthly sampling routines, samples were not reported for the middle depth at Station 1 where the water depths rarely exceed twenty feet.

The saline samples have not been analyzed for either surfactants or soluble chromium. The procedures currently employed for surfactant analysis of fresh water samples cannot be applied to saline samples due to interference from chloride ions. To determine acceptable methods for this analysis in sea water the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency was contacted. They indicated that neither they nor any of their laboratories on the East Coast have done surfactant analysis for saline samples.

Additional contacts were made with the Woods Hole Oceanographic , Institution and the University of Rhode Island. Woods Hole also had not performed this analysis on sea water. Professor Quinn of the University of Rhode Island has analyzed sea water for specific organic substances,

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such as hydrocarbons, fatty acids, and phythallic acid, but not for surfactants. A reference (<u>Anal. Chemi. Acta</u>, 46 (1969) 307-9) has been found which described a technique for concentrating dissolved organic materials using Amberlite XAD-1 resin. The surfactants are then extracted by elution and analyzed by standard methods. However, this procedure is still in the developmental stages.

A preliminary investigation revealed that chromium analysis in sea water is extremely difficult due to the low levels of detection and the unstable nature of the extraction procedure. However, one method used by Dr. Fru of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution seems promising. He has developed a procedure by complexing chromium with a fluorinated ketone followed by gas chromotography using an electron capture detector. Dr. Fru has indicated he will forward a description of his method to the GAC Chemical Laboratory for examination. However, because of its length only a few samples will be analyzed.

Some of the samples that have been missed during the regular saline sampling routine are:

| Sampling | Period | and | Туре |
|----------|--------|-----|------|
|----------|--------|-----|------|

August Monthly BOD

August Diurnal Particulate Metals (Transects 2, 4, 6, 8)

September Monthly Coliform Bacteria

September 6 Weekly BOD

November Monthly Coliform Bacteria

#### Reason

Samples delivered to wrong laboratory

Sample filter pads were contaminated during transport to laboratory

Samples accidentally frozen with other samples

Samples lost as a result of leakage during transport to laboratory

Contaminated sample bottles used for collection

#### o Fresh Water

Wells were not installed at the Shoreham site in time for the August sampling period. <u>In situ</u> measurements were made at an existing well but no water samples were collected. Dissolved oxygen measurements were not taken in September due to instrument servicing. In October, the Shoreham observation well had been vandalized to such an extent that samples could not be collected. Well samples were not analyzed for BOD until November. This interruption occurred when BOD and bacterial samples which are normally sent to an independent laboratory for analysis were inadvertently sent to the GAC Chemical Laboratory for chemical analysis.

Three notations have been included in the tabulated data to account for these data interruptions. They are as follows:

- 1. NA Data not available
- 2. NR Data not required

3. \* - Water sample collected at a time other than the scheduled time

#### Summary of Physical Data

The physical data presented below were collected in two ways. The major portion (i.e. currents, temperatures and salinities) was obtained from in-situ instrumentation located at two stations directly offshore from the site. The remainder of the data (tides and winds) were collected at a shore based station located on LILCO's Shoreham site.

The two offshore stations were located approximately 5600 and 8400 feet from the shoreline. These have been designated Dl-Inshore and D2-Offshore respectively on all plots. At each station, self recording instrumentation was fixed in a vertical array so that data could be collected simultaneously at three depths. For the case of the temperature data these have been indicated on the plots as surface, mid and bottom. These correspond to vertical locations within one and a half feet from the surface, mid depth and within one and a half feet from the bottom respectively. When redundant measurements were made these have been identified by the numbers 1 and 2 (e.g. Bottom 1 and 2). For the case of the current data (mid depth values only), whenever redundant instrumentation was available it has been identified on the plots by the manufacturer's name (e.g. Endeco, Aanderaa, and General Oceanics). In addition to the individual station plots, inshore-offshore comparison plots have also been included when sufficient data permitted their construction. Each plot contains data for a one week period beginning with July 1973.

A total of 163 plots covering the twenty-six week period ending December 29, 1973 is included in this Appendix.

#### Data Reduction Techniques - Physical Data

The Offshore in-situ instrumentation sampled the individual parameters at predetermined regular intervals, not continuously. These intervals varied with instrument type and manufacturer. The instruments that have been used during the first six months of this program are listed below with the name of the manufacturer.

| Instrument Type | Manufacturer                          |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Thermographs    | Endeco and General Oceanics           |
| Current Meters  | Endeco, Aanderaa and General Oceanics |

Endeco - Environmental Devices Corporation

Marion, Massachusetts

(Film recording)

Aanderaa - Ivar Aanderaa

Nesttun, Norway

(Magnetic tape recording)

General Oceanics - General Oceanics, Inc.

Miami, Florida

(Film recording)

For all thermographs and Endeco and General Oceanic current meters the sampling interval was set at 15 minutes. The Aanderaa current meter was set to sample at five minute intervals. This current meter was also equipped with sensors for measuring temperature, conductivity and depth at the same sampling rate. All the ENDECO data and the current speed data from the Aanderaa meter are actually measurements of the average value of the parameter over the sampling interval (i.e. they are not instantaneous measurements). The data from the General Oceanics' instruments and the temperature, conductivity and depth data from the Aanderaa are measurements made over a time interval associated with the response times of the individual sensors. These response times are all generally less than one minute, which is in all cases less than the sampling interval.

For the first three months of the study every sample from the in-situ instrumentation was examined. As a result, it became apparent that the major temporal changes occuring in the temperature and current data resulted from tidal phenomena. Therefore, it was decided to plot these data on an hourly basis only. As this was also true for the data collected by the shore based instruments (with the exception of passing weather systems) the same rationale was adopted.

In summary, the plotted physical data are made up of hourly values of the individual parameters measured by instruments that either (a) average over the sampling interval (15 minutes) or (b) average over the sensor response times.

#### Data Interruptions - Physical Data

There are several reasons for the data interruptions that have occurred to date. In the early phases of the program (July to mid-November) instruments were serviced on a monthly basis. This generated problems of two types. As the in-situ instrumentation had a recording life of only approximately thirty days, delayed servicing due to bad weather conditions could exhaust the recording capability of some instruments. Generally this caused interruptions of only a few days. A more serious problem that arose, due partly to monthly servicing and partly to long turn-around times between retrieval of raw records and receipt of reduced data, was that instrument malfunctions could go undetected for several servicing periods. Fortunately, with the provision of redundant instrumentation in July and August, no data interruptions traceable to this problem occurred. It was considered such a serious problem, however, that after a trial month of non-redundant operation (September), redundancy was maintained thereafter. In addition, in November the servicing frequency was increased to every two weeks making earlier detection of instrument malfunction possible.

Instrument malfunctions also have been traced to such problems as flooding due to seal failure, jammed film cassettes, batteries becoming loose as a result of rough handling (either by the divers or by the sea), and some improper loading and inspection techniques.

The problem of marine fouling, especially in the case of current meters, has caused several days of questionable data (i.e. low current readings) in spite of antifouling coatings. A partial cure has been more frequent servicing.

Several days of data interruptions occurred due to field servicing of instruments ashore by qualified technicians supplied by the instrument

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manufacturers. This field servicing has been found necessary to insure the maximum instrument reliability and accuracy. In addition to field servicing the instruments, the moorings have to be inspected and rebuilt periodically. These interruptions for maintenance have taken up to five days each time.

The most frustrating of all the data interruptions has been due to the surface thermographs being torn from their moorings. The reasons for this have been determined as (1) cable fatigue near the surface float as a result of wave action, (2) vandalism, (3) collision by boats or barges, and (4) failure of the mounting hardware supplied with the thermographs. In most cases, the thermographs have been found at a later date by Grumman personnel or local inhabitants with the result that a portion of the data has been recovered.

Although temperature measurements at mid depth are required during periods of stratification, these measurements have been taken continuously to provide backup for either the surface or bottom measurements in the event they are lost. By using the weekly profile data in conjunction with the mid depth measurements, accurate estimates of surface and bottom temperatures can be made.

When data interruptions have occurred for any of the above reasons these have been indicated on the plots by the words "Data Not Available". Instances of data interruptions longer than one week and their accompanying reason are listed as follows:

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#### o Surface Temperature

A. Inshore Stations

24 August to 7 September

7 September to 3 October

3 October to 14 November

B. Offshore Stations

6 September to 4 October

21 November to 10 December

- Instrument malfunction
- Failure of mooring due to storm; instrument not recovered
- Instrument lost due to cable fatigue
- Mooring destroyed by passing vessel; instrument recovered - no data
- Instrument recovered in January. The duration of this data interruption will be reduced when raw data is processed.

o Mid Currents

A. Inshore Stations

8 September to 3 October

B. Offshore Stations

7 September to 3 October

- Instrument malfunction: no redundnat instrument

- Instrument malfunction: no redundant

instrument

21 November to 10 December

- The duration of this data interruption will be reduced as instrument was recovered in January.

#### o Bottom Temperature

A. Offshore Stations

20 October to 8 November - Instrument malfunction

In-situ mid depth salinity measurements were made only through August. An examination of these data indicated that salinity was such a slowly varying quantity that weekly salinity profiles, taken as part of the chemical data collection program, would suffice to describe its variations. For this reason, the plots beginning in September do not contain mid depth salinity data and in October the plot format was altered to reflect this change.

# o Tides

| 1 July to 8 August          | - | Dock not completed                              |       |         |
|-----------------------------|---|---|-------|---------|
| 26 September to 16 November | - | Instrument malfunction<br>and monthly servicing | shore | station |

# o Wind Speed and Direction

1 July to 20 July - Dock not completed
15 December to 26 December - Instrument malfunction shore station

#### Summary of July Dye Study

The dye study was carried out in the following three phases:

| 1. | Buildup phase              | July 17-23 |
|----|----------------------------|------------|
| 2. | Intensive monitoring phase | July 24-25 |
| 3. | Surface mapping phase      | July 26-27 |

The study area was located just offshore of the site and was delineated by a network of 12 buoys, each of which served as a dye station (DS). The pattern formed by the buoys is shown below (not to scale):



Transect lines have been designated as DSl through DS4 and profile stations by the letters A, C, and E. Typical operating procedure during the buildup and intensive phases consisted of two boats simultaneously moving from station A to a point approximately 4000 feet beyond station E. One boat would make continuous surface measurements while the second boat would take profile data at the three stations along the transect line. Both boats were equipped with Turner Model 111 fluorometers and Yellow Springs Model 46 electronic thermometers for measuring dye concentration and ambient temperature.

During the buildup phase transects DSL-DS2 and DS3-DS4 were performed at low slack and high slack respectively. During the intensive phase DSL transects were performed hourly after high slack and DS4 transects hourly after low slack.

The data collected during the buildup and intensive phases has been presented as both tabulations and plots. For the buildup phase, the average concentration at each station ( $\overline{C}_{Va}$ ,  $\overline{C}_{Vc}$  and  $\overline{C}_{Ve}$ ) and the corresponding surface concentration have been calculated using the data collected by the profile boat. These are tabulated below. For the buildup and intensive phases, the total average surface concentration ( $C_S$ ) and the average surface values for the three stations ( $\overline{C}_a$ ,  $\overline{C}_c$  and  $\overline{C}_e$ ) have been tabulated for each transect using the data collected during the intensive phase (both surface and profile data) have been plotted and tabulated for each transect.

In the surface mapping phase, three boats were normally employed. Two boats ran east-west zig-zag courses (one inshore and one offshore) making surface measurements while the third collected profile data between the two. These were performed primarily during periods of slack water, usually one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The data collected during this phase were then plotted on a hydrographic chart of the area showing the boat courses and dye concentrations at appropriate points along each leg of the ship's tracks. Accompanying these surface maps are tabulations of the data for which the maps were constructed as well as the profile data collected by the third boat.

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## Data Reduction - July Dye Study

The dye concentrations were calculated according to the following equation:

$$C = (D - D_b) k T$$

where

D = dial reading of fluorometer

 $D_b$  = background dial reading

k = instrument calibration constant

- T = temperature correction term
- C = dye concentration in ppb

The calibration constants and background dial readings for the fluorometers used in July were:

| Fluorometer No. | <u>k (at 70<sup>0</sup> F)</u> | Db |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----|
| 46              | .0149                          | 7  |
| 48              | .0155                          | 11 |

The temperature correction term, T, is exponential and is described by the following equation:

$$T = e^{-.02428} (70-t)$$

where t = temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. As the temperature of the water (t) decreases from 70°F, the temperature correction (T) is less than one and consequently the calculated dye concentration is decreased. During the dye study the summer water temperature varied little from 70°F so the resulting temperature correction was usually small during this period. In general the temperature correction in the neighborhood of 70°F was on the order of 1% for every 1/2°F change in temperature.

The data collected aboard the surface boat during the buildup phase were selected at 1000' intervals. The average fluorometer reading for each interval was then determined and reduced to a corresponding dye concentration. The surface averages in three segments, centered around stations A, C, and E, were then determined from these values.

The surface data collected during the intensive phase was reduced at the A, C, and E stations. If large variations in dye concentration were evident, additional points were included as necessary to describe the surface dye distribution in straight line segments on the intensive plots. The average surface concentrations for the three segments were calculated from the intensive plots by use of a planimeter or by graphical methods. The total surface averages,  $\overline{C}_s$ , for the buildup and intensive phases were calculated as a weighted average of the three surface segments taking into account the actual length of each segment.

The boat courses for the surface mapping phase were plotted by making use of the boat logs containing the compass course and bearings taken from shore features at each turning point. In laying out the length of each leg it was assumed that the boat traveled at a constant speed. Typically, during this phase the dye concentrations were reduced for each 2 or 3 minute intervals. More frequent points were reduced if the structure became variable.

# Data Interruptions - July Dye Study

The vertical data for the DS2 transects on July 17 at 1846 and July 18 at 0605 were not reduced due to irregularities in the AC line voltage of the boat's generator.

The vertical sampling boat did not arrive at the sampling site in time for the DS1 (0730) transect on July 25 due to equipment servicing at shore.

On three occasions the vertical profile at A was not taken. These were omitted to allow the vertical sampling boat to return to normal schedule after minor delays caused by shipboard instrument servicing.

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# Field Activities (1974)

The following chronology details those days on which the required planning, instrument servicing, chemical sampling and maintenance were carried out for the Shoreham West site.

- 3 January Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.
- 8 January Attempt to take monthly saline samples but water too rough for safe operation.
- 9 January Snow storm prevents automobile travel to SPINDRIFT. Cancel monthly saline sampling scheduled for this day.
  11 January Take monthly saline samples.
- 14 January Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.
- 15 January Make monthly ground water measurements at both wells. Service tide gage and meteorological station.
- 21 January Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

28 January Service inshore instrument mooring.

- 4 February Too windy for ship operations. Make monthly ground water measurements at both wells. Service tide gage and meteorological station.
- 5 February Too windy for ship operations.

6 February Too windy for ship operations.

7 February Too windy for ship operations.

8 February Take weekly water samples. Too windy for instrument service.

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|   | 11 February | Service offshore insrrument mooring. Take weekly water   |
|---|-------------|--|
|   |             | samples.   |
|   | 12 February | Repair inshore instrument mooring.   |
|   | 18 February | Too windy for ship operations.   |
|   | 19 February | Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.   |
|   | 20 February | Take monthly saline samples.   |
|   | 22 February | Service tide gage and meteorological station.  |
|   | 25 February | Snow storm precludes any ship activities.  |
| • | 26 February | Too windy for ship operations.   |
|   | 28 February | Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.  |
|   | 4 March     | Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.   |
|   | 7 March     | Make quarterly ground water measurements at both wells.<br>Service tide gage and meteorological station. |
|   | ll March    | Too windy for ship operations.   |
|   | 12 March    | Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.  |
|   | 18 March    | Too windy for ship operations. Service tide gage and meteorological station.                             |
|   | 19 March    | Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.   |
|   | 22 March    | Start diurnal sampling.  |

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23 March Complete dirunal sampling

25 March Take weekly water samples. SPINDRIFT proceeds to shipyard for scheduled maintenance.

1 April Service tide gage and meteorological station.

4 April Take weekly water samples. Too windy for instrument service.

8 April Too windy for ship operations.

9 April Too windy for ship operations.

10 April Too windy for ship operations.

- 11 April Service offshore instrument mooring and repair damaged floats and lines. Take weekly water samples.
- 15 April Make monthly ground water measurements at both wells. Service tide gage and meteorological station.

16 April Too windy for ship operations.

- 17 April Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.
- 22 April Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

29 April Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples. Service tide gage and meteorological station.

- 6 May Meeting with S. McLendon of H2M to discuss groundwater data. Recommended sterilization.
- 7 May Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.

8 May Sterilize observation well with chlorine.

10 May Pump observation well for six hours to reduce chlorine concentration - incomplete.

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|   | 13 May         | Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.                                 |
|   | 14 May         | Pump observation well for two hours. Take bacteria samples.                                    |
|   | <b>1</b> 6 May | Take monthly saline samples.   |
|   | 22 May         | Service offshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.                                |
|   | 28 May         | Make monthly groundwater measurements at the observation                                       |
|   |                | well. Service tide gage and meteorological station.  |
|   | 29 May         | Make monthly groundwater measurements at the monitoring well.                                  |
| × | 6 June         | Service inshore instrument mooring. Take weekly water samples.                                 |
|   | 10 June        | Service offshore instrument mooring, tide gage and meteorological station.                     |
| · | 13 June        | Start diurnal sampling.  |
|   | 14 June        | Complete diurnal sampling.   |
|   | 17 June        | Service inshore instrument mooring.  |
|   | 24 June        | Take weekly water samples. Service tide gage and meteorological station.                       |
|   | 25 June        | Make quarterly groundwater measurements at both wells.   |
|   | l July         | Recover instruments from both inshore and offshore moorings and remove offshore mooring.       |
|   | 2 July         | Remove inshore mooring. Recover tide gage instrument and recorder from meteorological station. |
|   | 15 July        | Sterilize well pump  |
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16 July Make monthly groundwater measurements at both wells. Recover wind speed and direction sensors at meteorological station.

17 July Return miscellaneous equipment to Bethpage from Mattituck.
1 August Make monthly ground water measurements at both wells.

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### Summary of Chemical Data

During the second six months of this program, 1350 water samples were collected for chemical analysis. From these a total of 4694 chemical determinations were made. Total boron, sodium and sulfate was added to the monthly sampling of the saline waters and total iron, total silica and color was added to the monthly sampling of the observation well. Boron was analyzed by the method described in <u>Marine Chemistry</u>, Volume 1, 2nd edition, 1972 (Martin, D. F.). Sodium and sulfate were analyzed by the methods described in <u>Analytical Methods for AAS</u>, March 1971, (Perkin Elmer). Sample locations remain the same as those described in the first six months report. The specific parameters sampled and the data reduction techniques applied also remain the same as those reported in the first six months report.

After a review of the first three quarterly diurnal samplings the June diurnal was reduced in scope. Station S2 was eliminated and no metal analysis was conducted at Station S1.

The tabulated data encompassing all chemical determinations obtained from the saline samples are presented in the following order:

- 1. Weekly data and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at Station 2.
- 2. Monthly data and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at all five stations and an offshore station (S6).
- Quarterly diurnal and temperature-salinity profile measurements taken at Stations 1, 2, and 3 on March 22-23; and at Stations 1 and 2 on June 13-14.

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The tabulated data encompassing all chemical determinations obtained from <u>fresh water</u> samples are presented in the following order.

- Quarterly data collected from the observation well in March and June.
- Monthly data collected from both the observation and monitoring wells.

A list of the measurement units used on the plots and tabulations is provided below.

| Turbidity                 | -   | Jackson Turbidity Units (JTU)            |
|---------------------------|-----|--|
| Bacteria                  | -   | Most Probable Number (MPN) per 100       |
|                           |     | milliliters of sample                    |
| Salinity                  | -   | o/oo, parts per thousand by weight       |
| Sodium                    | )   |  |
| Sulfate                   | } - | grams per liter (parts per thousand)     |
| Dissolved Oxygen          | ٦   |  |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand |     |  |
| Alkalinity                | >-  | milligrams per liter (parts per million) |
| Total Boron               |     |  |
| Suspended Solids          |     |  |
| All Other Chemical Para-  | -   | micrograms per liter (parts per billion) |
| meters                    |     |  |

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## Data Interruptions - Chemical Data

# o Saline and Fresh Waters

The complexity of a sampling effort as extensive as this one precludes the collection of all samples without any missing data. Specific losses that occurred during this six month period were quite small with 99% of the chemical determinations successfully completed.

# o Notation Used

Three notations have been included in the tabulated data to account for these data interruptions. They are as follows:

1. NA - Data not available

2. NR - Data not required

3. () - Water sample collected at a time other than the scheduled time.

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#### Summary of Physical Data

The physical data presented below were collected in the same manner as reported for the first six months. The in-situ instrumentation was located at two stations directly offshore from the site approximately 5600 and 8400 feet from the shoreline. These have been designated Dl-Inshore and D2-Offshore respectively on all plots. When redundant measurements were made these have been identified by the numbers 1 and 2 (e.g. Bottom 1 and 2). For the case of the current data (mid depth values only), whenever redundant instrumentation was available it has been identified on the plots by the manufacturer's name (e.g. ENDECO and General Oceanics). However, beginning in March no redundant notation was used as only primary instruments were plotted. Each plot contains data for a one week period beginning with January 197<sup>h</sup>.

A total of 181 plots covering the twenty-six week period ending July 1, 1974 is included in this Appendix.

### Data Reduction Techniques - Physical Data

The data reduction methods used during the second six months are the same as those reported for the first six month period.

### Data Interruptions - Physical Data

The primary reason for data gaps during this period has been due to the severe north-west winter and spring winds. Fortunately the winds subsided for sufficient periods to maintain two week intervals between

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instrument servicings. However, servicing instruments in moderate winds has caused some instrument malfunction that would not have occurred had the weather been more favorable.

By far, the largest problem in data acquisition has been the measurement of the water temperature within 1.5 feet of the surface due to failure of the mooring cable. Instrument failures have also been traced to such problems as jammed film cassettes, binding camera mechanisms and other manufacturing problems associated with new equipment.

The loss of data due to vandalism has decreased considerably from that of the previous period.

When data interruptions have occurred for any of the above reasons, these have been indicated on the plots by the words "Data Not Available". Instances of data interruptions longer than one week and the accompanying reasons are listed below.

- o Surface Temperature
  - A. Inshore Station

None

B. Offshore Station

12 March - 11 April

- Instruments destroyed by transient vessel

- o Mid Currents
  - A. Inshore Station

20 February to 4 March

- 9 March to 17 April
- Direction data lost due to instrument malfunction
- Direction data lost due to instrument malfunction

# o Mid Currents

A. Inshore Station (continued)

19 March to 17 April

- Speed data lost due to instrument malfunction, backup being repaired.

6 June to 30 June

- Direction data lost due to instrument malfunction

B. Offshore Station

None

# o Bottom Temperatures

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A. Inshore Station

None

**B.** Offshore Station

None

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