Instructions to participants for the interlaboratory study Compatibility on Fuel Oil iis17F03C

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- * This interlaboratory study concerns 1 sample of a prepared paper filter stored in a tin box, labelled #17268. The paper filter is for the rating of Compatibility in Fuel Oil only. You can check the test scope in round iis17F03C via www.kpmd.co.uk/sgs-iis/.
- * The sample is already prepared to use for compatibility rating, therefore, only an examination for evidence of suspended solids and rated for compatibility is needed. No further laboratory preparation on the sample is necessary.

* Reporting of test results

Within a time frame of five weeks test result can be entered or revised. **Please report your test result** via www.kpmd.co.uk/sgs-iis/. Within the time frame you can add (or delete) the test result and/or change the test result. Please **do not forget** to hit the "Save/Submit" button after entering the test results. Please note that you will get a pop up to say that you have submitted your test results. You can check if your test results have been saved by logging out and logging in again. When your test results are still present it means that everything is OK and that your test results are received in good order.

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- * The official closing date for reporting test results for this PT is January 5, 2018.
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