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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS FOR

Zn-Pb-Ag REFERENCE MATERIAL

OREAS 134b

Summary Statistics for Key Analytes (see Table 1 for additional certified values).

Constituent (ppm)	Certified Value	1SD	95% Confidence Limits		95% Tolerance Limits	
			Low	High	Low	High
4-Acid Digestion						
Ag, Silver (ppm)	209	9	204	213	203	214
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	13.36	0.743	12.91	13.80	13.11	13.60
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	18.03	0.755	17.58	18.48	17.75	18.30

SI unit equivalents: ppm, parts per million ≡ mg/kg ≡ µg/g ≡ 0.0001 wt.% ≡ 1000 ppb, parts per billion.

Note 1: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.

Note 2: the number of decimal places quoted does not imply accuracy of the certified value to this level but are given to minimise rounding errors when calculating 2SD and 3SD windows.

Table 1. Certified Values, SD's, 95% Confidence and Tolerance Limits for OREAS 134b.

Constituent	Certified Value	1SD	95% Confidence Limits		95% Tolerance Limits	
			Low	High	Low	High
Fusion ICP*						
Al_2O_3, Aluminium(III) oxide (wt.%)	2.24	0.094	2.16	2.31	2.19	2.28
As, Arsenic (ppm)	224	24	201	248	220	228
Ba, Barium (ppm)	1490	142	1337	1644	1454	1526
CaO, Calcium oxide (wt.%)	6.18	0.206	6.08	6.28	6.00	6.35
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	569	25	548	590	559	580
Co, Cobalt (ppm)	104	15	92	116	101	107
Cu, Copper (ppm)	1337	73	1284	1391	1311	1364
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	12.69	0.575	12.22	13.15	12.47	12.90
MgO, Magnesium oxide (wt.%)	3.45	0.174	3.33	3.58	3.36	3.54
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	20.74	1.250	19.44	22.04	19.74	21.74
Sb, Antimony (ppm)	111	13	93	129	107	115
SiO_2, Silicon dioxide (wt.%)	12.98	0.837	12.33	13.63	12.62	13.34
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	18.12	0.473	17.79	18.45	17.95	18.29
4-Acid Digestion						
Ag, Silver (ppm)	209	9	204	213	203	214
Al_2O_3, Aluminium(III) oxide (wt.%)	2.21	0.092	2.15	2.26	2.13	2.28
As, Arsenic (ppm)	228	21	218	238	220	236
CaO, Calcium oxide (wt.%)	5.98	0.343	5.77	6.19	5.86	6.10
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	561	34	540	581	548	574
Co, Cobalt (ppm)	107	8	103	112	104	110
Cu, Copper (ppm)	1348	50	1325	1370	1308	1387
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	12.37	0.623	12.06	12.68	12.11	12.62
MgO, Magnesium oxide (wt.%)	3.33	0.281	3.17	3.49	3.26	3.40
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	13.36	0.743	12.91	13.80	13.11	13.60
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	19.68	1.092	18.75	20.62	18.81	20.56
Sb, Antimony (ppm)	124	8	120	129	121	128
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	18.03	0.755	17.58	18.48	17.75	18.30
Aqua Regia Digestion						
Ag, Silver (ppm)	204	14	196	213	197	211
Al_2O_3, Aluminium(III) oxide (wt.%)	0.712	0.077	0.661	0.764	0.690	0.735
As, Arsenic (ppm)	221	16	213	230	213	230
CaO, Calcium oxide (wt.%)	5.94	0.291	5.73	6.15	5.82	6.06
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	563	36	542	585	551	576
Co, Cobalt (ppm)	106	6	103	110	103	109
Cu, Copper (ppm)	1363	64	1330	1397	1313	1413
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	12.25	0.929	11.71	12.80	12.01	12.49
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	13.31	0.663	12.85	13.78	12.86	13.77
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	19.31	1.505	18.05	20.56	18.65	19.96
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	17.70	1.001	17.04	18.36	17.36	18.04
Infrared Combustion						
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	19.59	0.797	19.03	20.16	19.30	19.88

SI unit equivalents: ppm, parts per million ≡ mg/kg ≡ µg/g ≡ 0.0001 wt.% ≡ 1000 ppb, parts per billion.

*except for Ba where two laboratories used pressed powder pellet with XRF.

Please note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.

Table 2. Indicative Values for OREAS 134b.

Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value
Oxidising Fusion XRF								
Al_2O_3	wt.%	*2.24*	Fe_2O_3	wt.%	*18.08*	SnO_2	ppm	*< 13*
As	ppm	*240*	K_2O	wt.%	*0.762*	SO_3	wt.%	*51.03*
BaO	ppm	*1507*	MgO	wt.%	*3.53*	SrO	ppm	*35.5*
CaO	wt.%	*5.91*	MnO	wt.%	*0.474*	TiO_2	wt.%	*0.079*
Cl	ppm	*125*	NiO	ppm	*31.8*	V_2O_5	ppm	*26.8*
CoO	ppm	*153*	P_2O_5	wt.%	*0.076*	ZnO	ppm	*224375*
Cr_2O_3	ppm	*21.9*	PbO	ppm	*143591*	ZrO_2	ppm	*20.3*
CuO	ppm	*1684*	SiO_2	wt.%	*13.17*			
Thermogravimetry								
LOI^{1000}	wt.%	*13.95*						
Laser Ablation ICP-MS								
Ag	ppm	*210*	Ge	ppb	*18200*	Se	ppm	*< 5*
As	ppm	*237*	Hf	ppb	*730*	Sm	ppm	*1.30*
Ba	ppm	*1365*	Ho	ppb	*180*	Sn	ppm	*1.60*
Be	ppm	*1.40*	In	ppm	*0.95*	Sr	ppm	*26.7*
Bi	ppm	*0.16*	La	ppm	*7.79*	Ta	ppb	*185*
Cd	ppm	*567*	Lu	ppb	*80.0*	Tb	ppb	*150*
Ce	ppm	*14.0*	Mo	ppm	*6.80*	Te	ppb	*< 200*
Co	ppm	*110*	Nb	ppm	*1.69*	Th	ppm	*2.18*
Cr	ppm	*16.0*	Nd	ppm	*6.90*	Tl	ppm	*87*
Cs	ppm	*1.02*	Ni	ppm	*24.0*	Tm	ppb	*70.0*
Cu	ppm	*1465*	Pb	wt.%	*13.20*	U	ppm	*1.30*
Dy	ppm	*0.75*	Pr	ppm	*1.74*	V	ppm	*11.7*
Er	ppm	*0.45*	Rb	ppm	*18.6*	W	ppm	*0.45*
Eu	ppb	*295*	Re	ppb	*< 10*	Y	ppm	*5.15*
Ga	ppm	*4.40*	Sb	ppm	*125*	Yb	ppb	*465*
Gd	ppm	*1.09*	Sc	ppm	*1.40*	Zr	ppm	*24.8*
Fusion ICP								
Ag	ppm	*206*	Mn	ppm	*3439*	Sr	ppm	*54*
Be	ppm	*0.90*	Na	ppm	*593*	Ti	ppm	*495*
Cr	ppm	*< 100*	P	ppm	*263*	V	ppm	*21.4*
K	wt.%	*0.742*	Pb	wt.%	*13.20*	Y	ppm	*5.00*
LOI^{1000}	wt.%	*15.50*	Sc	ppm	*1.60*	Zr	ppm	*26.0*
4-Acid Digestion								
B	ppm	*25.4*	K	wt.%	*0.641*	Sm	ppm	*1.16*
Ba	ppm	*< 1400*	La	ppm	*5.42*	Sn	ppm	*0.85*
Be	ppm	*2.00*	Li	ppm	*16.6*	Sr	ppm	*18.2*
Ce	ppm	*11.3*	Lu	ppb	*100*	Ta	ppb	*< 100*

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Note: the number of significant figures reported is not a reflection of the level of certainty of stated values. They are instead an artefact of ORE's in-house CRM-specific LIMS.

Table 2. Indicative Values for OREAS 134b continued.

Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value
4-Acid Digestion								
Cr	ppm	*15.5*	Mn	ppm	*3508*	Tb	ppb	*100*
Cs	ppm	*0.96*	Mo	ppm	*6.57*	Te	ppb	*70.0*
Dy	ppm	*0.72*	Na	ppm	*300*	Th	ppm	*1.31*
Er	ppm	*0.48*	Nb	ppm	*1.32*	Ti	ppm	*439*
Eu	ppb	*320*	Nd	ppm	*6.72*	Tl	ppm	*93*
Ga	ppm	*4.34*	Ni	ppm	*22.2*	Tm	ppb	*100*
Gd	ppm	*1.16*	P	ppm	*286*	U	ppm	*1.33*
Ge	ppb	*2500*	Pr	ppm	*1.56*	V	ppm	*12.0*
Hf	ppb	*670*	Rb	ppm	*22.8*	W	ppm	*0.41*
Hg	ppb	*2400*	Re	ppb	*< 1*	Y	ppm	*4.85*
Ho	ppb	*200*	Sc	ppm	*1.20*	Yb	ppb	*460*
In	ppm	*1.16*	Se	ppm	*8.82*	Zr	ppm	*25.3*
Aqua Regia Digestion								
Au	ppb	*< 0.5*	K	wt.%	*0.129*	Se	ppm	*7.44*
B	ppm	*< 10*	La	ppm	*8.54*	Sm	ppm	*1.34*
Ba	ppm	*< 600*	Li	ppm	*15.2*	Sn	ppm	*0.97*
Be	ppm	*0.66*	Lu	ppb	*< 100*	Sr	ppm	*23.0*
Ce	ppm	*8.14*	MgO	wt.%	*3.37*	Ta	ppb	*< 50*
Cr	ppm	*13.2*	Mn	ppm	*4038*	Tb	ppb	*200*
Cs	ppm	*0.64*	Mo	ppm	*7.61*	Te	ppb	*98.0*
Dy	ppm	*1.15*	Na	ppm	*187*	Th	ppm	*2.18*
Er	ppm	*0.60*	Nb	ppm	*< 0.1*	Ti	ppm	*70*
Eu	ppb	*320*	Nd	ppm	*5.76*	Tl	ppm	*70*
Ga	ppm	*3.10*	Ni	ppm	*22.4*	Tm	ppb	*< 100*
Gd	ppm	*1.38*	P	ppm	*244*	U	ppm	*1.01*
Ge	ppb	*560*	Pr	ppm	*1.24*	V	ppm	*6.80*
Hf	ppb	*280*	Rb	ppm	*9.42*	W	ppm	*0.24*
Hg	ppb	*2370*	Re	ppb	*2.20*	Y	ppm	*3.00*
Ho	ppb	*200*	Sb	ppm	*103*	Yb	ppb	*480*
In	ppm	*1.25*	Sc	ppm	*< 1*	Zr	ppm	*10.1*

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INTRODUCTION

OREAS reference materials are intended to provide a low cost method of evaluating and improving the quality of analysis of geological samples. To the geologist they provide a means of implementing quality control in analytical data sets generated in exploration from the grass roots level through to prospect evaluation, and in grade control at mining operations. To the analyst they provide an effective means of calibrating analytical equipment, assessing new techniques and routinely monitoring in-house procedures.

OREAS reference materials enable users to successfully achieve process control of these tasks because the observed variance from repeated analysis has its origin almost exclusively in the analytical process rather than the reference material itself.

SOURCE MATERIALS

OREAS 134b is one of eight pigeon paired CRM's prepared from zinc-lead mineralised material from Xstrata's Black Star and George Fisher orebodies located in Mt Isa in NW Queensland, Australia. OREAS 134b contains a 8.8% and 6.9% higher relative offset in Pb and Zn grades respectively, to OREAS 134a. The orebodies are sediment hosted 'SEDEX' Zn-Pb-Ag deposits located within the Urquart Shale Formation of the Mount Isa Group, a weakly metamorphosed, 5 km thick sequence composed predominantly of Mesoproterozoic carbonate siltstones, mudstones and shales. The Urquart Shale consists of a sequence of alternating pyrite-rich dolomitic siltstone and shale beds up to 1000 metres thick and was deposited in a lacustrine setting within an intracratonic rift basin. The orebodies lie within the upper 650m and are bounded by the Mount Isa fault on the west and by volcanic greenstones to the east. Comprising galena and sphalerite with pyrite and pyrrhotite, the lead-zinc-silver orebodies are concordant with carbonaceous dolomitic sediments and interfinger with the silica-dolomitic mass hosting copper. OREAS 134b was prepared from a blend of Black Star waste rock, Black Star ore and George Fisher ore.

COMMINUTION AND HOMOGENISATION PROCEDURES

The material constituting OREAS 134b was prepared in the following manner:

- Drying to constant mass at 65°C;
- Crushing and milling to 100% minus 30 microns;
- Homogenisation and bagging into 20kg lots;
- Packaging into 10g units sealed under nitrogen in laminated foil pouches.

ANALYTICAL PROGRAM

Fifteen commercial laboratories participated in the analytical program to certify Ag, Al_2O_3, As, Ba, CaO, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, MgO, Pb, S, Sb, SiO_2 and Zn by a range of analytical methods. Tabulated results of all elements together with uncorrected means, medians, standard deviations, relative standard deviations and per cent deviation of lab means from the corrected mean of means (PDM^3) are presented in the detailed certification data for this CRM (**OREAS 134b DataPack-2.0.180823_144248.xlsx**).

The intent of the certification program was to characterise the analytes by:

- Fusion methods - sodium peroxide fusion or lithium borate fusion with ICP (except for Ba where two laboratories used pressed powder pellet with XRF);
- Four acid (HF-HCl-HNO_3-$HClO_4$) digest with ICP or AAS;
- Aqua regia digest with ICP or AAS;
- Leco for sulphur only.

The approximate major and trace element composition of OREAS 133a is provided in Table 2 (Indicative Values).

It is important to note that in the analytical industry there is no standardisation of the aqua regia digestion process. Aqua regia is a partial empirical digest and differences in recoveries for various analytes are commonplace. These are caused by variations in the digest conditions which can include the ratio of nitric to hydrochloric acids, acid strength, temperatures, leach times and secondary digestions. Recoveries for sulphide-hosted base metal sulphides approach total values, however, other analytes, in particular the lithophile elements, show greater sensitivity to method parameters. This can result in lack of consensus in an inter-laboratory certification program for these elements.

The approach applied here is to report certified values in those instances where reasonable agreement exists amongst a majority of participating laboratories. The results of specific laboratories may differ significantly from the certified values, but will, nonetheless, be valid and reproducible in the context of the specifics of the aqua regia method in use. Users of this reference material should, therefore, be mindful of this limitation when applying the certified values in a quality control program.

For the round robin program a batch of five 25g vacuum-packed pulp samples was submitted to each of the participating laboratories for analysis. The five samples comprising each batch were scoop-split from a random selection of five of ten or more 400g master samples. The latter were taken at regular intervals during the bagging stage and immediately following homogenisation. Table 1 presents the 38 certified values together with their associated 1SD's, 95% confidence and tolerance limits and Table 2 shows 186 indicative values. Table 3 provides performance gate intervals for the certified values of each method group based on their pooled 1SD's.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Certified Values, Confidence Limits, Standard Deviations and Tolerance Limits (Table 1) have been determined for each analyte following removal of individual, laboratory dataset (batch) and 3SD outliers (single iteration). For individual outliers within a laboratory batch the z-score test is used in combination with a second method that determines the per cent deviation of the individual value from the batch median. Outliers in general are selected on the basis of z-scores > 2.5 and with per cent deviations (i) > 3 and (ii) more than three times the average absolute per cent deviation for the batch. In certain instances statistician's prerogative has been employed in discriminating outliers. Each laboratory data set mean is tested for outlying status based on z-score discrimination and rejected if >2.5. After individual and laboratory data set (batch) outliers have been eliminated a non-iterative 3 standard deviation filter is applied, with those values lying outside this window also relegated to outlying status.

Certified Values are the means of accepted laboratory means after outlier filtering.

Indicative (uncertified) values (Table 2) are provided for the major and trace elements determined by oxidising fusion XRF (Al_2O_3 to ZrO_2), LOI at 1000°C and laser ablation with ICP-MS (Ag to Zr) and are the means of duplicate assays from Bureau Veritas, Perth. Additional indicative values by other analytical methods are present where the number of laboratories reporting a particular analyte is insufficient (< 5) to support certification or where inter-laboratory consensus is poor.

95% Confidence Limits are inversely proportional to the number of participating laboratories and inter-laboratory agreement. It is a measure of the reliability of the certified value. A 95% confidence interval indicates a 95% probability that the true value of the

analyte under consideration lies between the upper and lower limits. *95% Confidence Limits should not be used as control limits for laboratory performance.*

Standard Deviation values (1SDs) are reported in Table 1 and provide an indication of a level of performance that might reasonably be expected from a laboratory being monitored by this CRM in a QA/QC program. The SD values include all sources of measurement uncertainty: between-lab variance, within-run variance (precision errors) and CRM variability. For an effective CRM the contribution of the latter should be negligible in comparison to measurement errors. OREAS reference materials have a level of homogeneity such that the observed variance from repeated analysis has its origin almost exclusively in the analytical process rather than the reference material itself.

The SD for each analyte's certified value is calculated from the same filtered data set used to determine the certified value, i.e. after removal of any individual, lab dataset (batch) and 3SD outliers (single iteration). These outliers can only be removed after the absolute homogeneity of the CRM has been independently established, i.e. the outliers must be confidently deemed to be analytical rather than arising from inhomogeneity of the CRM. **The standard deviation is then calculated for each analyte from the pooled accepted analyses generated from the certification program.**

In the application of SD's in monitoring performance it is important to note that not all laboratories function at the same level of proficiency and that different methods in use at a particular laboratory have differing levels of precision. Each laboratory has its own inherent SD (for a specific concentration level and analyte-method pair) based on the analytical process and this SD is not directly related to the round robin program.

The majority of data generated in the round robin program was produced by a selection of world class laboratories. The SD's thus generated are more constrained than those that would be produced across a randomly selected group of laboratories. To produce more generally achievable SD's the 'pooled' SD's provided in this report include inter-lab bias. This 'one size fits all' approach may require revision at the discretion of the QC manager concerned following careful scrutiny of QC control charts.

Table 3 shows **Performance Gates** calculated for two and three standard deviations. As a guide these intervals may be regarded as warning or rejection for multiple 2SD outliers, or rejection for individual 3SD outliers in QC monitoring, although their precise application should be at the discretion of the QC manager concerned. A second method utilises a 5% window calculated directly from the certified value. Standard deviation is also shown in relative per cent for one, two and three relative standard deviations (1RSD, 2RSD and 3RSD) to facilitate an appreciation of the magnitude of these numbers and a comparison with the 5% window. Caution should be exercised when concentration levels approach lower limits of detection of the analytical methods employed as performance gates calculated from standard deviations tend to be excessively wide whereas those determined by the 5% method are too narrow.

Tolerance Limits (ISO Guide 3207) were determined using an analysis of precision errors method and are considered a conservative estimate of true homogeneity. The meaning of tolerance limits may be illustrated for Zn by 4-acid digestion, where 99% of the time ($1-\alpha=0.99$) at least 95% of subsamples ($\rho=0.95$) will have concentrations lying between 17.75 and 18.30 wt.%. Put more precisely, this means that if the same number of subsamples were taken and analysed in the same manner repeatedly, 99% of the tolerance intervals so constructed would cover at least 95% of the total population, and 1% of the tolerance intervals would cover < 95% of the total population (ISO Guide 35).

Table 3. Performance Gates for OREAS 134b.

Constituent	Certified Value	Absolute Standard Deviations					Relative Standard Deviations			5% window	
		1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High
Fusion ICP*											
Al_2O_3, wt.%	2.24	0.094	2.05	2.43	1.96	2.52	4.20%	8.40%	12.59%	2.13	2.35
As, ppm	224	24	177	272	153	296	10.61%	21.22%	31.83%	213	235
Ba, ppm	1490	142	1207	1773	1065	1915	9.50%	19.01%	28.51%	1416	1565
CaO, wt.%	6.18	0.206	5.77	6.59	5.56	6.79	3.33%	6.66%	9.99%	5.87	6.49
Cd, ppm	569	25	518	620	493	646	4.47%	8.93%	13.40%	541	598
Co, ppm	104	15	73	135	58	150	14.86%	29.72%	44.58%	99	109
Cu, ppm	1337	73	1192	1482	1120	1555	5.42%	10.85%	16.27%	1270	1404
Fe, wt.%	12.69	0.575	11.54	13.84	10.96	14.41	4.53%	9.06%	13.60%	12.05	13.32
MgO, wt.%	3.45	0.174	3.11	3.80	2.93	3.97	5.03%	10.06%	15.09%	3.28	3.63
S, wt.%	20.74	1.250	18.24	23.24	16.99	24.49	6.03%	12.05%	18.08%	19.70	21.78
Sb, ppm	111	13	85	137	72	150	11.75%	23.50%	35.25%	105	117
SiO_2, wt.%	12.98	0.837	11.31	14.65	10.47	15.49	6.45%	12.89%	19.34%	12.33	13.63
Zn, wt.%	18.12	0.473	17.17	19.07	16.70	19.54	2.61%	5.22%	7.83%	17.21	19.02
4-Acid Digestion											
Ag, ppm	209	9	191	226	182	235	4.26%	8.52%	12.77%	198	219
Al_2O_3, wt.%	2.21	0.092	2.02	2.39	1.93	2.48	4.15%	8.31%	12.46%	2.10	2.32
As, ppm	228	21	187	269	166	290	9.06%	18.12%	27.18%	217	239
CaO, wt.%	5.98	0.343	5.29	6.67	4.95	7.01	5.74%	11.49%	17.23%	5.68	6.28
Cd, ppm	561	34	493	628	460	662	6.02%	12.04%	18.06%	533	589
Co, ppm	107	8	92	122	84	130	7.13%	14.25%	21.38%	102	112
Cu, ppm	1348	50	1247	1448	1197	1499	3.73%	7.47%	11.20%	1280	1415
Fe, wt.%	12.37	0.623	11.12	13.61	10.50	14.24	5.04%	10.08%	15.11%	11.75	12.99
MgO, wt.%	3.33	0.281	2.77	3.89	2.49	4.17	8.45%	16.89%	25.34%	3.16	3.50
Pb, wt.%	13.36	0.743	11.87	14.84	11.13	15.59	5.56%	11.13%	16.69%	12.69	14.02
S, wt.%	19.68	1.092	17.50	21.87	16.41	22.96	5.55%	11.10%	16.65%	18.70	20.67
Sb, ppm	124	8	109	140	101	148	6.35%	12.70%	19.05%	118	131
Zn, wt.%	18.03	0.755	16.52	19.54	15.76	20.29	4.19%	8.37%	12.56%	17.13	18.93
Aqua Regia Digestion											
Ag, ppm	204	14	176	232	162	246	6.85%	13.71%	20.56%	194	214
Al_2O_3, wt.%	0.712	0.077	0.558	0.866	0.482	0.943	10.79%	21.59%	32.38%	0.677	0.748
As, ppm	221	16	189	254	173	270	7.35%	14.69%	22.04%	210	232
CaO, wt.%	5.94	0.291	5.36	6.52	5.07	6.81	4.90%	9.80%	14.70%	5.64	6.24
Cd, ppm	563	36	491	636	455	672	6.43%	12.85%	19.28%	535	592
Co, ppm	106	6	94	119	88	125	5.79%	11.59%	17.38%	101	112
Cu, ppm	1363	64	1236	1490	1173	1554	4.66%	9.32%	13.98%	1295	1432
Fe, wt.%	12.25	0.929	10.39	14.11	9.46	15.04	7.58%	15.17%	22.75%	11.64	12.87
Pb, wt.%	13.31	0.663	11.99	14.64	11.33	15.30	4.98%	9.96%	14.93%	12.65	13.98
S, wt.%	19.31	1.505	16.30	22.32	14.79	23.82	7.79%	15.59%	23.38%	18.34	20.27
Zn, wt.%	17.70	1.001	15.70	19.70	14.70	20.70	5.65%	11.31%	16.96%	16.81	18.58
Infrared Combustion											
S, wt.%	19.59	0.797	18.00	21.19	17.20	21.98	4.07%	8.14%	12.21%	18.61	20.57

SI unit equivalents: ppm, parts per million ≡ mg/kg ≡ µg/g ≡ 0.0001 wt.% ≡ 1000 ppb, parts per billion.

*except for Ba where two laboratories used pressed powder pellet with XRF.

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.

Based on the statistical analysis of the results of the inter-laboratory certification program it can be concluded that OREAS 134b is fit-for-purpose as a certified reference material (see 'Intended Use' below).

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INTENDED USE

OREAS 134b is intended for the following uses:

- For the monitoring of laboratory performance in the analysis of analytes reported in Table 1 in geological samples;
- For the verification of analytical methods for analytes reported in Table 1;
- For the calibration of instruments used in the determination of the concentration of analytes reported in Table 1.

STABILITY AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

OREAS 134b has been prepared from a blend of sulphide-bearing Black Star waste, Black Star ore and George Fisher ore. To prolong its shelf life it has been packaged under nitrogen in robust foil laminate pouches. It is considered to have long-term stability under normal storage conditions. Its stability will be monitored at regular intervals and purchasers notified if any changes are observed.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CORRECT USE

The certified values for OREAS 134b refer to the concentration level in its packaged state. It should not be dried prior to weighing and analysis.

Please assay immediately after opening the sealed sachet to avoid oxidation of sulphides. Prolonged exposure to atmospheric oxygen may cause dilution of certified values due to the uptake of oxygen converting sulphides to sulphates. Users who submit sachets of this CRM to an assaying laboratory must communicate these instructions if wording to this effect are not pre-printed on the CRM's label.

METROLOGICAL TRACEABILITY

The analytical samples were selected in a manner to represent the entire batch of prepared CRM. This 'representivity' was maintained in each submitted laboratory sample batch and ensures the user that the data is traceable from sample selection through to the analytical results that underlie the consensus values. Each analytical data set has been validated by its assayer through the inclusion of internal reference materials and QC checks during analysis.

The laboratories were chosen on the basis of their competence (from past performance in inter-laboratory programs undertaken by ORE Pty Ltd) for a particular analytical method, analyte or analyte suite, and sample matrix. Most of these laboratories have and maintain ISO 17025 accreditation. The certified values presented in this report are calculated from the means of accepted data following robust statistical treatment as detailed in this report.

Guide ISO/TR 16476:2016, section 5.3.1 describes metrological traceability in reference materials as it pertains to the transformation of the measurand. In this section it states, *"Although the determination of the property value itself can be made traceable to appropriate units through, for example, calibration of the measurement equipment used, steps like the transformation of the sample from one physical (chemical) state to another cannot. Such transformations may only be compared with a reference (when available), or among themselves. For some transformations, reference methods have been defined and may be used in certification projects to evaluate the uncertainty associated with such a transformation. In other cases,* ***only a comparison among different laboratories using the same method is possible. In this case, certification takes place on the basis of agreement among independent measurement results*** *(see ISO Guide 35:2006, Clause 10)."*

COMMUTABILITY

The measurements of the results that underlie the certified values contained in this report were undertaken by methods involving pre-treatment (digestion/fusion) of the sample. This served to reduce the sample to a simple and well understood form permitting calibration using simple solutions of the CRM. Due to these methods being well understood and highly effective, commutability is not an issue for this CRM. All OREAS CRMs are sourced from natural ore minerals meaning they will display similar behaviour as routine 'field' samples in the relevant measurement process. Care should be taken to ensure 'matrix matching' as close as practically achievable. The matrix and mineralisation style of the CRM is described in the 'Source Material' section and users should select appropriate CRMs matching these attributes to their field samples.

QMS ACCREDITED

ORE Pty Ltd is accredited to ISO 9001:2008 by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance Ltd for its quality management system including development, manufacturing, certification and supply of CRMs.

HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

Fine powders pose a risk to eyes and lungs and therefore standard precautions such as the use of safety glasses and dust masks are advised.

LEGAL NOTICE

Ore Research & Exploration Pty Ltd has prepared and statistically evaluated the property values of this reference material to the best of its ability. The Purchaser by receipt hereof releases and indemnifies Ore Research & Exploration Pty Ltd from and against all liability and costs arising from the use of this material and information.

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DOCUMENT HISTORY

Revision No	Date	Changes applied
2	3rd Sep, 2018	Added major and trace element characterisation.
1	11th April, 2016	The Standard Deviations (SD's) were revised to bring them into line with the method used for all other OREAS CRMs (pooled SD method). The original certification used a different method (involving standardising the laboratory means) that generated SD's that were overly constrained for practical use. Indicative values have been added (see Table 2).
0	5th Feb, 2015	First publication.

REFERENCES

ISO Guide 30 (2015), Terms and definitions used in connection with reference materials.

ISO Guide 31 (2015), Reference materials – Contents of certificates and labels.

ISO Guide 3207 (1975), Statistical interpretation of data - Determination of a statistical tolerance interval.

ISO Guide 35 (2017), Certification of reference materials - General and statistical principals.