# **Certificate of Analysis**

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# **Zinc Spelter Reference Material**

	Certified Value <sup>1</sup>	d Estimate of Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>		
Al	0.051	0.001		
Fe	0.011	0.003		
Pb	0.003	0.0005		
Sb	0.099	0.003		
Cu	<0.0005			
Sn	<0.001			

Analysis listed as percent by weight.

See reverse side for more information.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The certified value listed is the present best estimate of the true value based on the results of an interlaboratory testing program.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The uncertainties listed are based on value judgments of the material inhomogeneity and the 95% confidence interval. The half-width confidence interval C(95%) is shown on page 2.

Lab Nr.	Method	Al	Fe	Pb	Sb	Cu	Sn
1	ICP	0.052	0.011	0.003	0.100	<0.01	<0.01
2	ICP	0.0512	0.0099	0.0027	0.0995	0.0004	<0.0005
3	ICP	0.051	0.0106	0.0024	0.101	0.0003	<0.0002
4	XRF	0.050			0.096		
4 a	DCP	0.049	0.011	0.003	0.096		
5	ICP	0.0515	0.008	0.0025		<0.001	<0.001
6	AAS	0.051	0.012	0.0024		0.0002	<0.001
7	AAS,ICP		0.011	0.003	0.105	<0.0005	
8	XRF	0.050		0.002	0.096		
9	AAS	0.052	0.017	0.003	0.099		
Average		0.0509	0.0113	0.0027	0.0991		
Standard	Deviation	0.0010	0.0026	0.0004	0.0031		
Certifie	d 	0.051	0.011	0.003	0.099	<0.0005	<0.001
C (95%)		0.0008	0.0022	0.0003	0.0026		

 $C(95\%) = (t \times sd)/\sqrt{n}$  The half-width confidence interval, where t is the appropriate Student's t value, sd is the interlaboratory standard deviation, and n is the number of acceptable mean values. For further information regarding the confidence interval for the certified value see ISO Guide 35:1989 section 4.

## Co-operating Laboratories: The co-operating laboratories were:

Armco Technology Center, Middletown, Ohio Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Homer Research Laboratories, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

J. Dirats and Co., Inc., Westfield, Massachusetts
Charles C. Kawin Company, Maywood, Illinois
Climax Research Services, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Andrew S. McCreath & Son, Inc., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
LTV Steel Company Inc., East Chicago, Indiana
U.S. Steel, Gary, Indiana
VHG Laboratories, Inc., Manchester, New Hampshire

Analysis: Chemical analyses were made on chips prepared by a lathe from the cross-section of continuous cast bars in accordance with ASTM Standard Practice E 59. The laboratories participating in the testing normally followed the requirements of ISO Guide 25. The individual values listed above are the average of each analyst's results. Methods of analysis used were a combination of ASTM Standard Practices E 663, E 1479, plus additional ICP, DCP, AA, and XRF spectrometric methods. The following Certified Reference Materials were used to validate the analytical data listed above: NIST 631, BCS 194E, GBW 02701, 02702, 02703.

**Certification Process:** The requirements of ISO Guide 31, ISO Guide 34, ISO Guide 35, and ASTM Standard Guides E 1724 and E 1831 were followed for the preparation of this reference material and certificate of analysis. This is a reference material as defined by ISO Guide 30.

**Homogeneity:** This Reference Material was tested for homogeneity using ASTM Standard Method E 826 and found acceptable.

Source: This material was melted and cast by Zincaloy, Inc., Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. Bar stock was produced by continuous casting.

**Description and Use:** This Reference Material is in the form of chips and discs. The chips are intended for use in analytical chemistry methods using acids for dissolution. The entire depth of each disc may be used in optical emission spectrometry and XRF spectrometry.

**Size:** This Reference Material is available in 50 gram units and 38 mm diameter by 14 mm thick discs.

**Safety Notice:** A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is not required for this material. This material will not release or otherwise result in exposure to a hazardous chemical, under normal conditions of use.

Inquiries concerning this Reference Material should be directed to:

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Certified by:

G. R. Brammer on September 15, 1997.

By Certificate Number R-021, the Quality System of Brammer Standard Company, Inc., is registered to ISO 9002 by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA).

Brammer Standard Company's Chemical Laboratory is accredited to ISO Guide 25 by A2LA. (Certificate Number 656.01)

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### References:

- ASTM documents available from ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19103.
- ${\tt E}$  59 93 Standard Practice for Sampling Steel and Iron for Determination of Chemical Composition
- E 663 85 Standard Practice for Flame Atomic Absorption Analysis.
- E 826 85 (Reapproved 1990) Standard Practice for Testing Homogeneity of Materials for the Development of Reference Materials.
- E 1479 92 Standard Practice for Describing and Specifying Inductively-Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectrometers.
- E 1724 95 Standard Guide for Testing and Certification of Metal and Metal-Related Reference Materials.
- ${\tt E}$  1831 97 Standard Guide for Preparing Certificates for Reference Materials.
- ISO Guides available from American National Standards Institute, 11 West 42nd St., 13th Floor, New York, NY 10036.
- ISO Guide 25 (Third edition, 1990), General requirements for the competence of calibration and testing laboratories.
- ISO Guide 30 (Second edition, 1991), Terms and definitions used in connection with reference materials.
- ISO Guide 31 (First edition, 1981), Contents of certificates of reference materials.
- ISO Guide 33 (First edition, 1989), Uses of certified reference materials.
- ISO Guide 34 (First edition, 1996), Quality system guidelines for the production of reference materials.
- ISO Guide 35 (Second edition, 1989), Certification of reference materials General and statistical principles.
- Other useful documents available from NIST, U.S. Department of Commerce, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.
- NIST Special Publication 260-100, Handbook for SRM Users
- NIST Special Publication 829, Use of NIST Standard Reference Materials for Decisions on Performance of Analytical Chemical Methods and Laboratories

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