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1 Introduction

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been commissioned by Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd (Holcim) to complete a Noise Monitoring Assessment (NMA) for the Holcim Regional Distribution Centre (RDC), at Rooty Hill, NSW.

This assessment has been undertaken at four representative monitoring locations for the Quarterly period ending June 2019 as part of the Noise Monitoring Program (NMP) to address conditions outlined in the Development Consent.

The assessment has been conducted in accordance with the following documents:

- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Noise Policy for Industry (NPI), 2017;
- Rooty Hill RDC Operational Noise Management Plan (NMP), 2015;
- Rooty Hill, Consolidated Consent, 2017 (Mod 2);
- Australian Standard AS 1055:2018 Acoustics Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise; and
- Australian Standard AS/NZS IEC 61672.1:2019 (AS 61672) Electro Acoustics Sound Level Meters
 Specifications Monitoring;

A glossary of terms, definitions and abbreviations used in this report is provided in Appendix A.





2 Noise Criteria

The noise criteria for each receiver location are outlined in the NMP and consolidated consent for the RDC are presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1 Noise Crite	ria, dBA					
Location	Monitoring	Morning Shoulder ^{1,2}	Day ^{1,2}	Evening ^{1,2}	Nigl	nt ^{1,2}
	Location	LAeq(15min)	LAeq(15min)	LAeq(15min)	LAeq(15min)	LA1(1min)
Any residences in Station Street	N1	39	44	44	39	53
Any residences in Coughlan Crescent	N2	40	40	39	39	53
Any residences in Mavis Street	N1/N4	35	35	35	35	53
Nurragingy Reserve	N3		When Res	erve is in use – 5	50dB, LAeq	
Colebee Centre	N3	When the Centre is in use – 50dB, LAeq				
Blacktown Olympic						
Park (Active	N4	When active recreational areas of the Park are in use – 55dB, LAeq				dB, LAeq
recreation areas)						

Note 1: Noise criteria adopted from NMP.

Note 2: Morning shoulder 6am-7am Monday to Saturday and 6am-8am Sundays and public holidays; Day 7am-6pm Monday to Saturday and 8am-6pm Sundays and public holidays; Evening 6pm-10pm Monday to Sunday; Night 10pm-7am Monday to Saturday and 10pm-8am Sunday.

The RDC is located at Rooty Hill, NSW approximately 1km east of the railway station and town centre. Receivers in the locality surrounding the RDC are primarily industrial, recreational and urban residential. The RDC is bounded by the railway line to the south, industry to the west and recreational areas to the east. The residential areas potentially affected by noise from the operation are to the east, beyond the Nurragingy Reserve in Doonside, NSW (Crawford Street and Knox Road); and to the west, beyond industrial zones and the M7 Motorway in Station Street, Rooty Hill, NSW. Road traffic from the M7 Motorway is a dominant noise source in the area along with urban hum and railway noise.

Monitoring locations were selected in accordance with the NMP and are representative of the nearest noise sensitive receivers to the RDC.

The operational compliance monitoring locations with respect to the RDC are presented in the locality plan shown in **Figure 1** and **Table 1** along with the relevant noise criteria for each location.



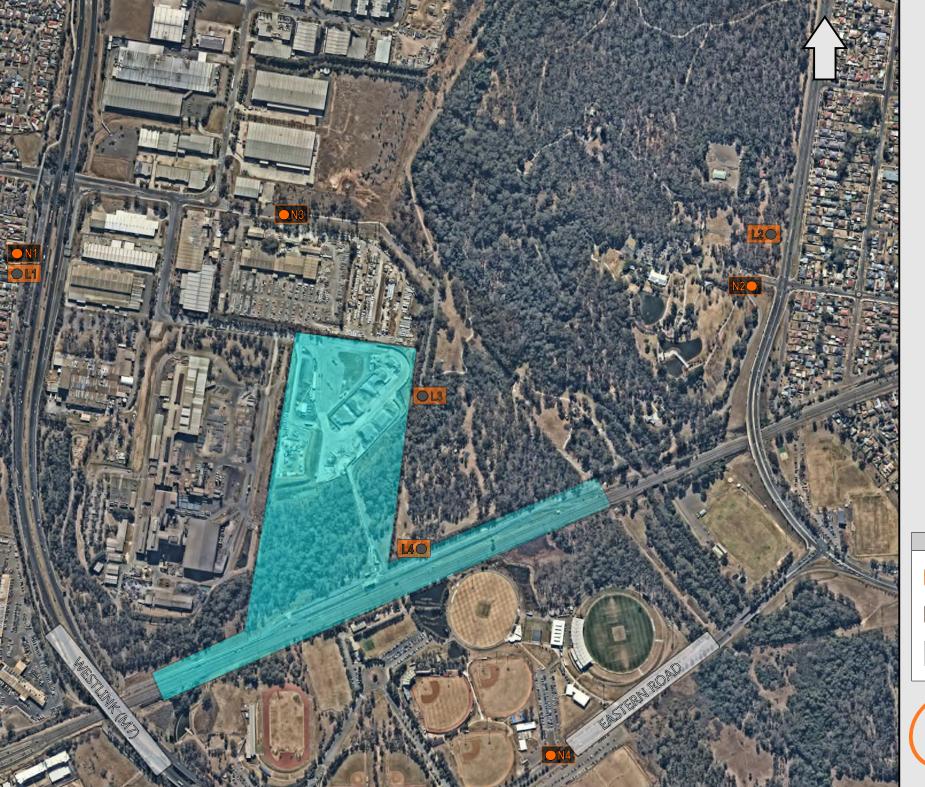


FIGURE 1 LOCALITY PLAN REF: MAC180611-01 300m

KEY

ON1

MONITORING LOCATION



LOGGER LOCATION



SITE LOCATION



3 Methodology

Noise monitoring consisted of attended and unattended monitoring during the daytime, evening and night time periods.

3.1 Attended Noise Monitoring

Attended noise monitoring was conducted in general accordance with the procedures described in Australian Standard AS 1055:2018 and the RDC Consolidated Consent. The measurements were carried out using a Svantek Type 1, 971 noise analyser on Wednesday 8 May 2019 and Thursday 9 May 2019. The acoustic instrumentation used carries current NATA calibration and complies with AS/NZS IEC 61672.1:2019 Calibration of all instrumentation was checked prior to and following measurements. Drift in calibration did not exceed ±0.5dBA.

Attended noise monitoring was conducted for 15 minutes in duration during the daytime, evening and night time periods over one day. Where possible, throughout each measurement the operator(s) quantified the contribution of each significant noise source.

Extraneous noise sources were excluded from the analysis to determine the LAeq(15min) RDC noise contribution for comparison against the relevant criteria. Where the RDC was inaudible, the RDC contribution is estimated to be at least 10dB below the ambient noise level.

3.2 Unattended Noise Monitoring

The unattended noise monitoring was conducted at locations N1 – N4 for more than seven days in general accordance with the procedures described AS 1055:2018 and the RDC Consolidated Consent. Noise measurements were carried out using Svantek Type 1, 977, 958 and 957 noise analysers from Wednesday 8 May 2019 to Thursday 16 May 2019. The acoustic instrumentation used carries current NATA calibration and complies with AS/NZS IEC 61672.1.2019. Calibration of all instrumentation was checked prior to and following measurements. Drift in calibration did not exceed ±0.5dBA. **Appendix B** presents the noise monitoring charts for the assessment period.





4 Results

4.1 Attended Noise Monitoring Results

4.1.1 Attended Assessment Results - Location N1

The monitored noise level contributions and observed meteorological conditions for each assessment period at location N1 for the NMA are presented in **Table 2**.

Table 2 Ope	Table 2 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location N1					
Date Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 μPa)			Meteorology	Description and SPL, dBA	
09/05/2019	10:36 (Day)	LAmax 67	LAeq 56	LA90 51	WD: E WS: 0.6m/s Rain: Nil	Traffic 50-60 Birds 56-67 Hammering at house 57-60 RDC Inaudible
	R	<41				
08/05/2019	21:26 (Evening)	76	52	45	WD: W WS: 0.1m/s Rain: Nil	Traffic 46-76 Aircraft 49-50 Distant Cheering 45-48 RDC Inaudible
	R	DC LAeq(15	omin) Contr	ibution		<35
08/05/2019	22:58 (Night)	68	50	42	WD: W WS: 0m/s Rain: Nil	Traffic 40-68 RDC Inaudible
RDC LAeq(15min) Contribution						<32



4.1.2 Attended Assessment Results - Location N2

The monitored noise level contributions and observed meteorological conditions for each assessment period at location N2 for the NMA are presented in **Table 3**.

· · · ·	T' // \	Descriptor (dBA re 20 μPa)				D ' ' ' ' 105' '5
Date	Time (hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dB/
					WD: E	Traffic 50-56
20/05/0040	09:46	70	50	50		Tree Mulching 60-73
09/05/2019	(Day)	73	58	50	WS: 0.2m/s	Birds 50-55
					Rain: Nil	RDC Inaudible
RDC LAeq(15min) Contribution						<40
		74	54	50	WD: Still	T (f: 50.74
08/05/2019	20:41				WS: 0m/s	Traffic 50-74
	(Evening)				Rain: Nil	Holcim Industrial Hum <3
	F	RDC LAeq(1	ōmin) Contr	ibution		<37
08/05/2019	00.10				WD: W	Traffic 44-62
	22:18	62 5	52	48	WS: 0.1m/s	Bats 45-48
	(Night)				Rain: Nil	Impact at Holcim Site 50



4.1.3 Attended Assessment Results - Location N3

The monitored noise level contributions and observed meteorological conditions for each assessment period at location N3 for the NMA are presented in **Table 4**.

Table 4 Ope	rator-Attend	ed Noise S	Survey Re	esults – Lo	cation N3	
Date	Time (bra)	Descripto	or (dBA re	20 μPa)	Matagralagy	Description and SPL, dBA
Date	Time (hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dbA
					WD: E	Birds 40-45
00/05/0040	10:14	70	Ε0	44		Aircraft 40-73
09/05/2019	(Day)	73	50	41	WS: 0.4m/s	Holcim Industrial Noise 37-53
					Rain: Nil	Traffic in reserve 58-65
	R		41			
	01.05				WD: W	Other industrial noise 50-67
08/05/2019	21:05	67	53	50	WS: 0.1m/s	Traffic 50-61
	(Evening)				Rain: Nil	RDC Inaudible
	R	DC LAeq(15	min) Contril	oution		<40
	00.00				WD: W	Traffic 45-53
08/05/2019	22:39	61	52	48	WS: 0.2m/s	Other Industrial noise 50-61
	(Night)				Rain: Nil	RDC Inaudible
	R	<38				



4.1.4 Attended Assessment Results - Location N4

The monitored noise level contributions and observed meteorological conditions for each assessment period at location N4 for the NMA are presented in **Table 5**.

Table 5 Ope	erator-Attend	ed Noise	Survey R	tesults – Lo	cation N4	
Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 μPa)			Matagralagy	Description and CDL dDA
Date	rime (ms)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dBA
					WD: E	Traffic 50-65
00/05/0040	09:24	C.F.	F0.	40		Train 54-59
09/05/2019	(Day)	65	52	46	WS: 0.1m/s	Talking at Sports Centre 50-55
					Rain: Nil	Impact at Holcim Site 53
RDC LAeq(15min) Contribution						<35
	00.45				WD: E	Traffic 54-68
08/05/2019	20:15	68	56	52	WS: 0.1m/s	Holcim Industrial Hum <48
	(Evening)				Rain: Nil	Impact at Holcim Site 54
	R	RDC LAeq(1	5min) Contr	ibution		47
					1MD, 1M	Traffic 65-75
00/05/0040	22:00	0.5	07	FF	WD: W	Sport Centre Gates 80-85
08/05/2019	(Night)	85	67	55	WS: 0.1m/s Rain: Nil	Crossing Beep 55-60
						RDC Inaudible
	R	<45				



4.2 Unattended Noise Monitoring Results

The summary (RBL and overall LAeq), noise levels recorded during unattended noise monitoring are presented in Table 6.

Table 6 Unattended Noise Mon	itoring Summary		
Monitoring Location	Period ¹	Measured dB LAeq(period) ²	Measured Background Noise Level (LA90) dB RBL ²
	Day	56	49
L1 (N1 Station Street)	Evening	52	44
	Night	51	37
	Day	58	48
L2 (N2 Knox Road)	Evening	56	49
	Night	55	43
	Day	53	42
L3 (N3 Nurragingy Reserve)	Evening	51	46
	Night	51	44
	Day	59	40
L4 (N4 Olympic Park)	Evening	56	47
	Night	58	45

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.

Note 2: Calculated from one week of monitoring data and determined using the long term methodology for each period as per Fact Sheet A of the NPI (2017).





5 Noise Compliance Assessment

The compliance assessment summary for each monitoring location N1 to N4 are presented in **Table 7** to **Table 9** for each assessment period.

Table 7 Daytin	ne Noise Compliance Assessr	ment	
Receiver No. —	RDC Noise Contribution	RDC Noise Criteria	Compliant
Neceivei No. —	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	Compilant
N1	<41	44	✓
N2	<40	40	✓
N3	41	50 (When in use)	✓
N4	<35	55 (When in use)	✓

 $Note: {\tt Day-the\ period\ from\ 7am\ to\ 6pm\ Monday\ to\ Saturday,\ or\ 8am\ to\ 6pm\ on\ Sundays\ and\ public\ holidays.}$

Table 8 Evening Noise Compliance Assessment				
Receiver No. —	RDC Noise Contribution	se Contribution RDC Noise Criteria		
Receiver No. —	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	Compliant	
N1	<35	44	✓	
N2	<37	39	✓	
N3	<40	50 (When in use)	✓	
N4	47	55 (When in use)	✓	

Note: Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm.

Table 9 Night	Table 9 Night Time Noise Compliance Assessment				
Receiver No. —	RDC Noise Contribution	RDC Noise Criteria	Compliant		
Receiver No. —	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	Compliant		
N1	<32	39	✓		
N2	<35	39	\checkmark		
N3	<38	50 (When in use)	✓		
N4	<45	55 (When in use)	✓		

 $Note: Night-the\ period\ from\ 10pm\ to\ 7am\ Monday\ to\ Saturday,\ or\ 10pm\ to\ 8am\ on\ Sundays\ and\ public\ holidays.$





6 Discussion

6.1 Discussion of Results - Location N1

RDC noise emissions were inaudible during all three attended measurements conducted on Wednesday 8 May 2019 and Thursday 9 May 2019, satisfying the relevant noise limits. Extraneous noise sources included traffic, local residential noise, and aircraft noise.

6.2 Discussion of Results - Location N2

RDC noise emissions were audible during the evening and night attended measurements conducted on Wednesday 8 May 2019, however satisfied the relevant noise limits for this location. RDC was inaudible during the daytime measurement satisfying the relevant noise limits for this location. Extraneous sources measured include traffic and works in the Nurragingy Reserve.

6.3 Discussion of Results - Location N3

Attended measurements on Wednesday 8 May 2019 and Thursday 9 May 2019 identified that RDC noise was audible during the daytime measurement at this location although satisfied the relevant noise limit= of 50dBA. Site operations were inaudible during the evening and night measurements which also satisfyied the relevant noise criteria. RDC sources audible on occasion included general mobile plant engine noise, reverse alarms and general bucket bangs / impact noise. Extraneous sources audible during the attended surveys included traffic, train pass-by, aircraft noise, birds and other industrial noise which generally masked RDC noise. For the evening and night assessment periods, it is noted the receiver was not "in use", hence criteria are referenced for completeness.

6.4 Discussion of Results - Location N4

RDC noise emissions were audible during the day and evening measurements at the N4 monitoring location. RDC sources audible during the measurements included general mobile plant engine noise and impact noise. Noise emission from RDC complied with the applicable noise criteria during all three measurements although it is noted that the sports centre was not in use during the night period and criteria are referenced for completeness. Extraneous noise sources included birds, traffic, train pass-by and aircraft noise all audible throughout attended measurements at this location.





7 Conclusion

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has completed a Noise Monitoring Assessment (NMA) on behalf of Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd for the Regional Distribution Centre (RDC), at Rooty Hill, NSW. The assessment was completed to assess compliance against relevant noise criteria for Quarter 2, ending June 2019.

Attended noise monitoring was conducted on Wednesday 8 May 2019 and Thursday 9 May 2019. Unattended noise monitoring was completed between Wednesday 8 May 2019 and Thursday 16 May 2019 at four representative monitoring locations. The assessment has identified that noise emissions generated by RDC were audible on some occasions throughout the attended monitoring, although remained below relevant noise criteria at all assessed residential receivers.





Appendix A – Glossary of Terms



 Table A1 provides a number of technical terms have been used in this report.

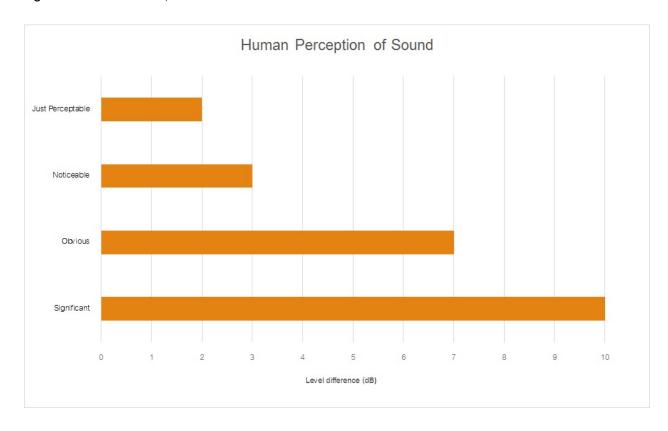
Term	Description
1/3 Octave	Single octave bands divided into three parts
Octave	A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being twice
	the lower frequency limit.
ABL	Assessment Background Level (ABL) is defined in the NPI as a single figure background level for
	each assessment period (day, evening and night). It is the tenth percentile of the measured LA90
	statistical noise levels.
Adverse Weather	Weather effects that enhance noise (that is, wind and temperature inversions) that occur at a site
	for a significant period of time (that is, wind occurring more than 30% of the time in any
	assessment period in any season and/or temperature inversions occurring more than 30% of the
	nights in winter).
Ambient Noise	The noise associated with a given environment. Typically a composite of sounds from many
	sources located both near and far where no particular sound is dominant.
A Weighting	A standard weighting of the audible frequencies designed to reflect the response of the human
	ear to noise.
dBA	Noise is measured in units called decibels (dB). There are several scales for describing noise, the
	most common being the 'A-weighted' scale. This attempts to closely approximate the frequency
	response of the human ear.
dB(Z), dB(L)	Decibels Linear or decibels Z-weighted.
Hertz (Hz)	The measure of frequency of sound wave oscillations per second - 1 oscillation per second
	equals 1 hertz.
LA10	A noise level which is exceeded 10 % of the time. It is approximately equivalent to the average of
	maximum noise levels.
LA90	Commonly referred to as the background noise, this is the level exceeded 90 % of the time.
LAeq	The summation of noise over a selected period of time. It is the energy average noise from a
	source, and is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level over a given period.
LAmax	The maximum root mean squared (rms) sound pressure level received at the microphone during a
	measuring interval.
RBL	The Rating Background Level (RBL) is an overall single figure background level representing
	each assessment period over the whole monitoring period. The RBL is used to determine the
	intrusiveness criteria for noise assessment purposes and is the median of the ABL's.
Sound power level (LW)	This is a measure of the total power radiated by a source. The sound power of a source is a
	fundamental location of the source and is independent of the surrounding environment. Or a
	measure of the energy emitted from a source as sound and is given by:
	= 10.log10 (W/Wo)
	Where: W is the sound power in watts and Wo is the sound reference power at 10-12 watts.



Table A2 provides a list of common noise sources and their typical sound level.

Table A2 Common Noise Sources and Their Typical Sound Pressure Levels (SPL), dBA	
Source	Typical Sound Level
Threshold of pain	140
Jet engine	130
Hydraulic hammer	120
Chainsaw	110
Industrial workshop	100
Lawn-mower (operator position)	90
Heavy traffic (footpath)	80
Elevated speech	70
Typical conversation	60
Ambient suburban environment	40
Ambient rural environment	30
Bedroom (night with windows closed)	20
Threshold of hearing	0

Figure A1 – Human Perception of Sound





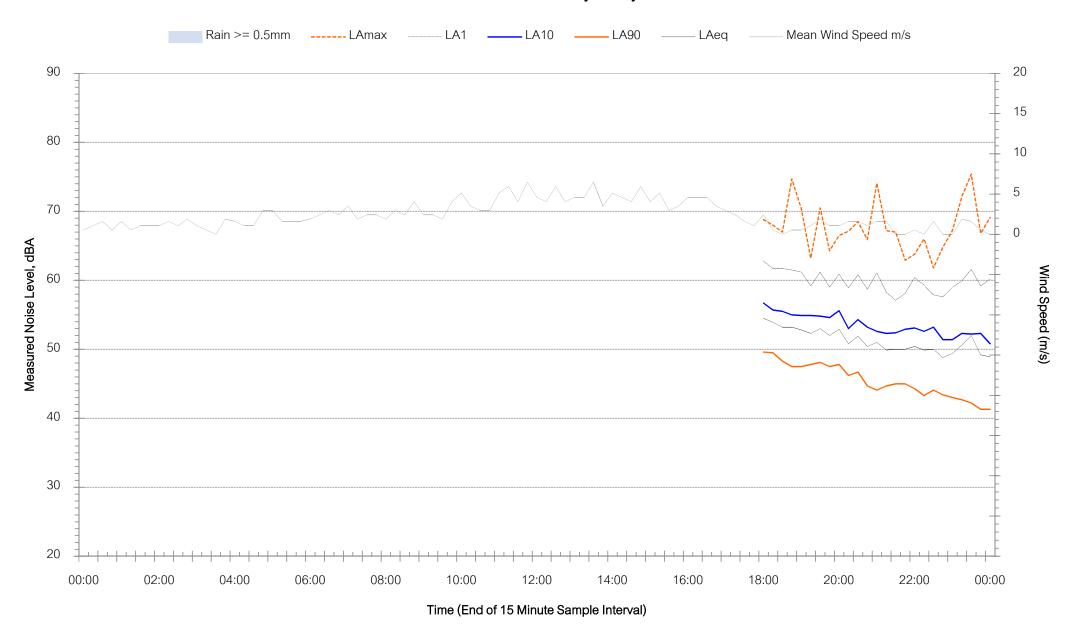


Appendix B – Unattended Noise Monitoring Charts



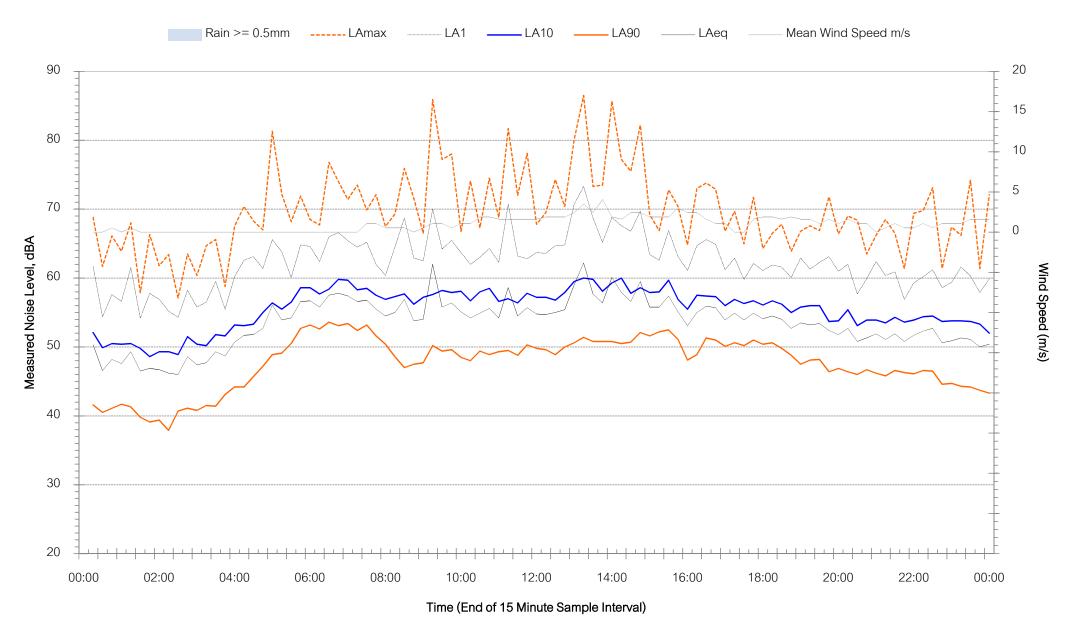


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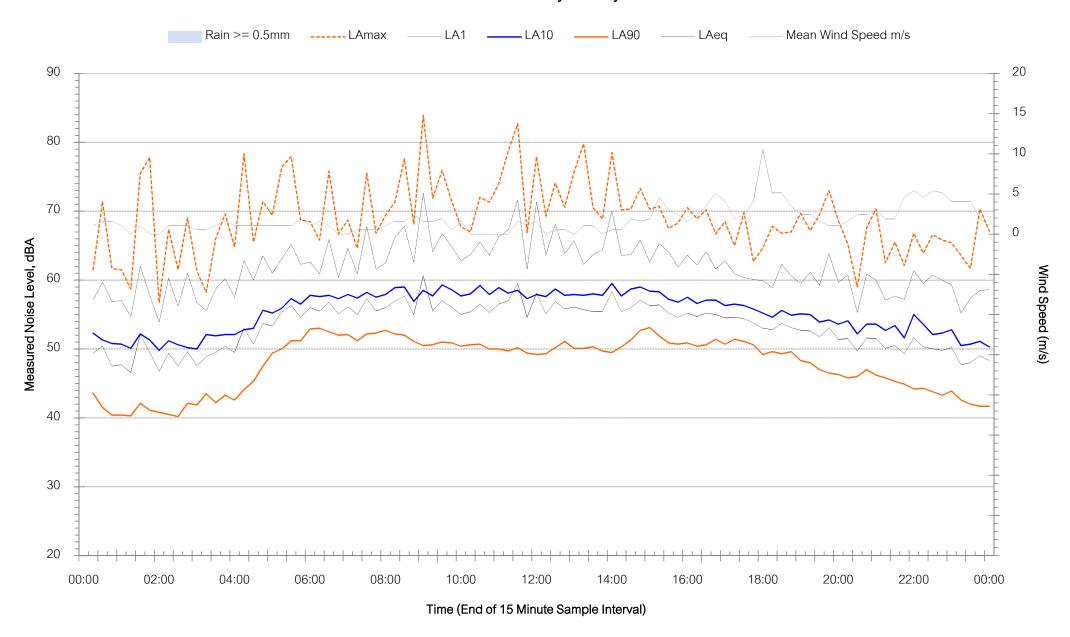


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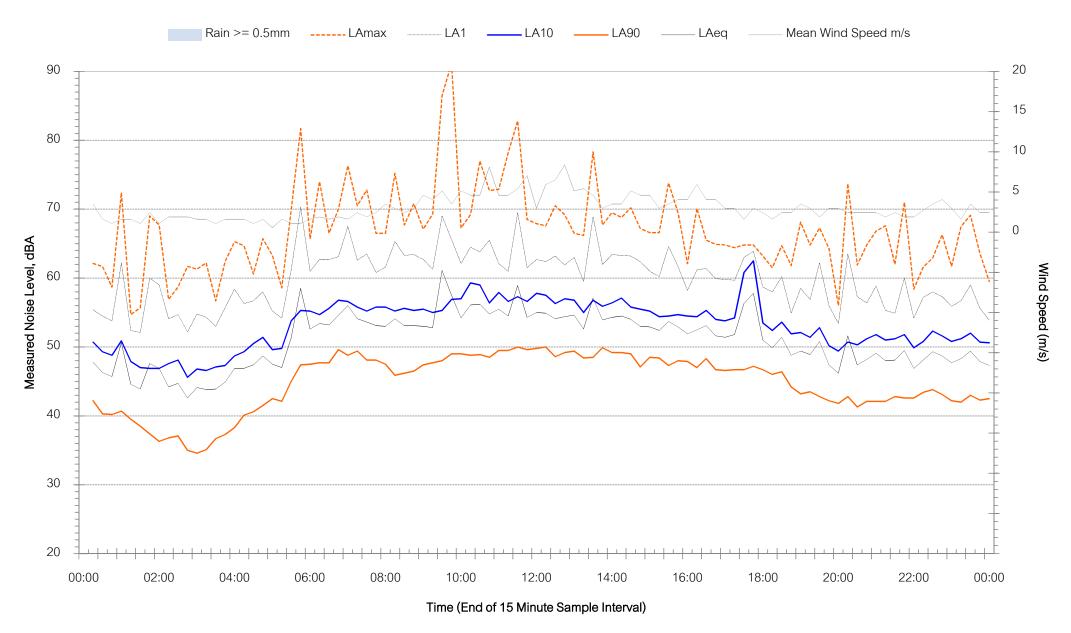


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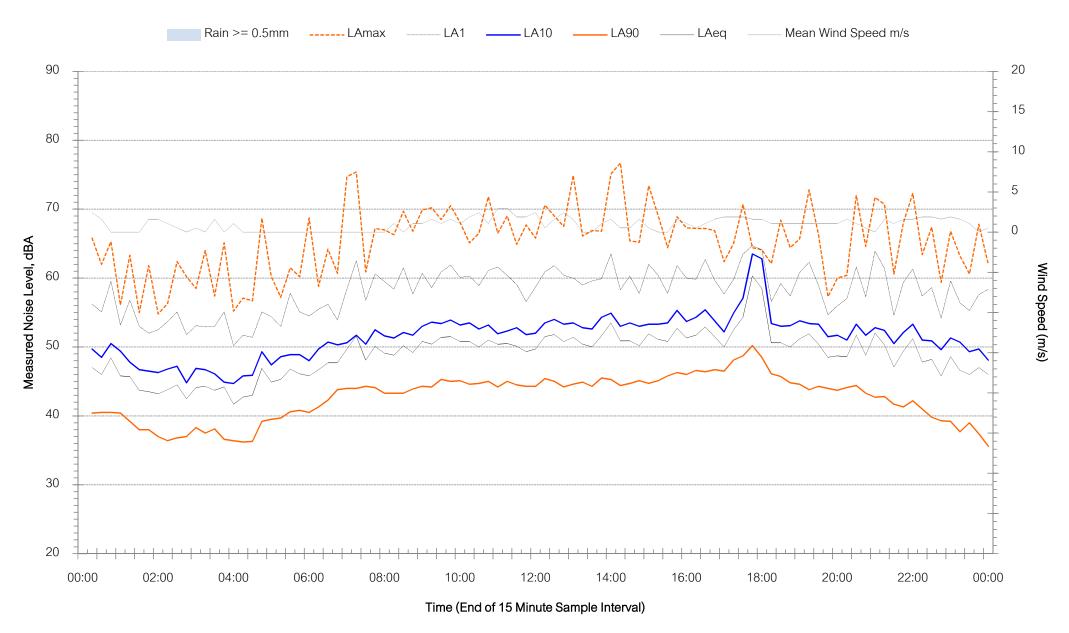


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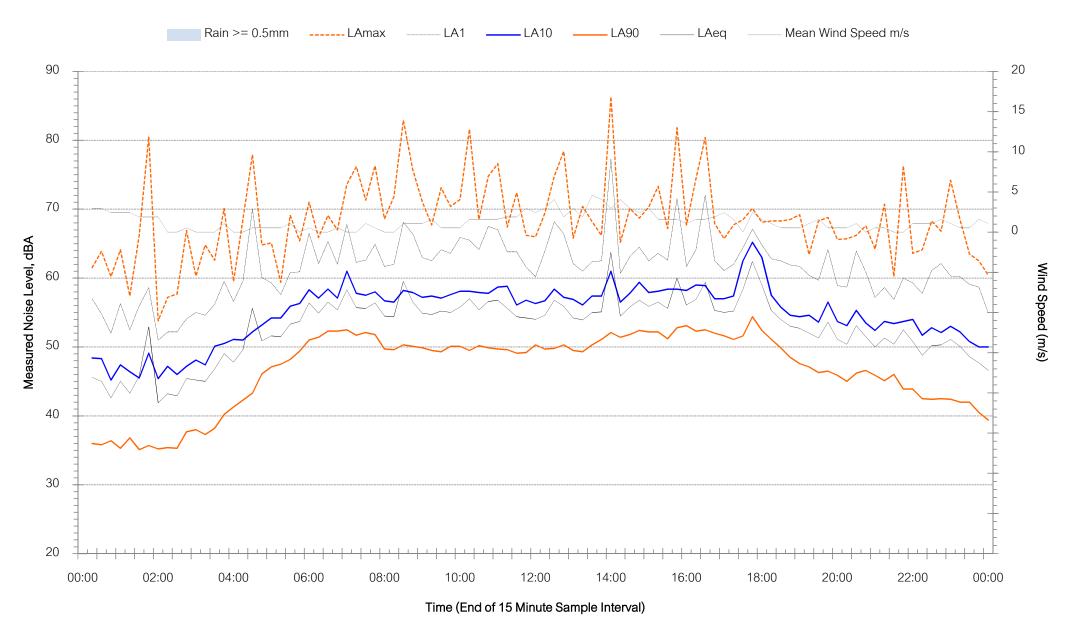


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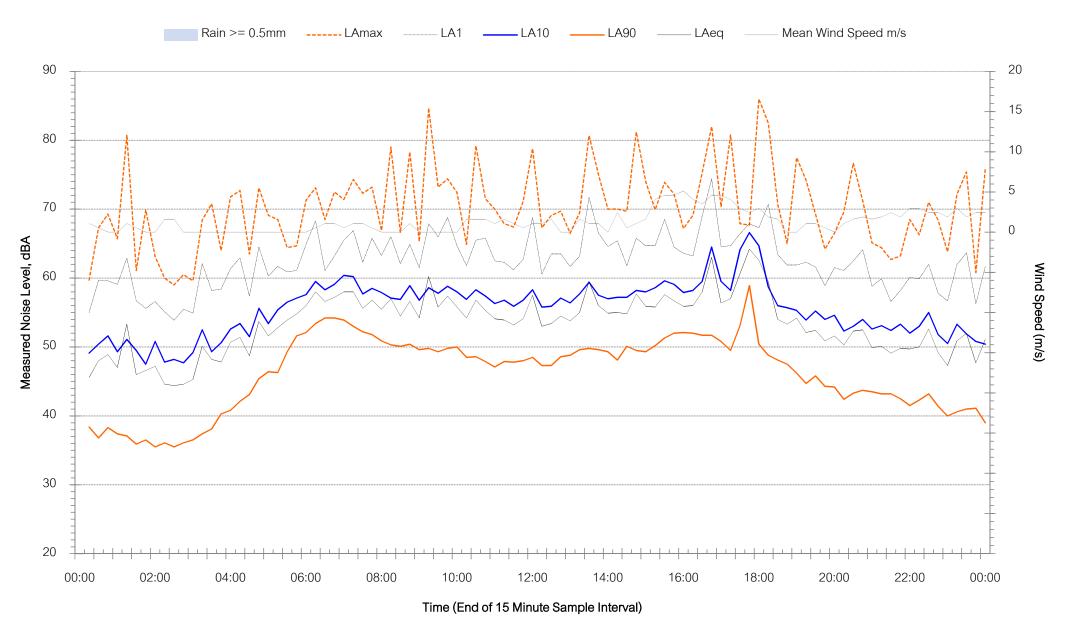


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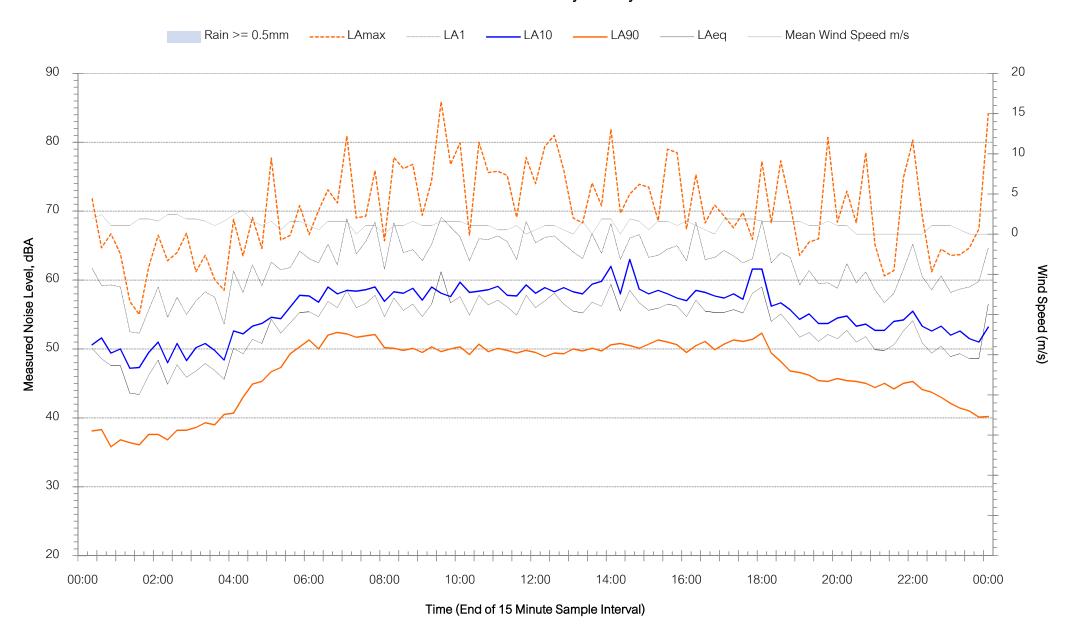


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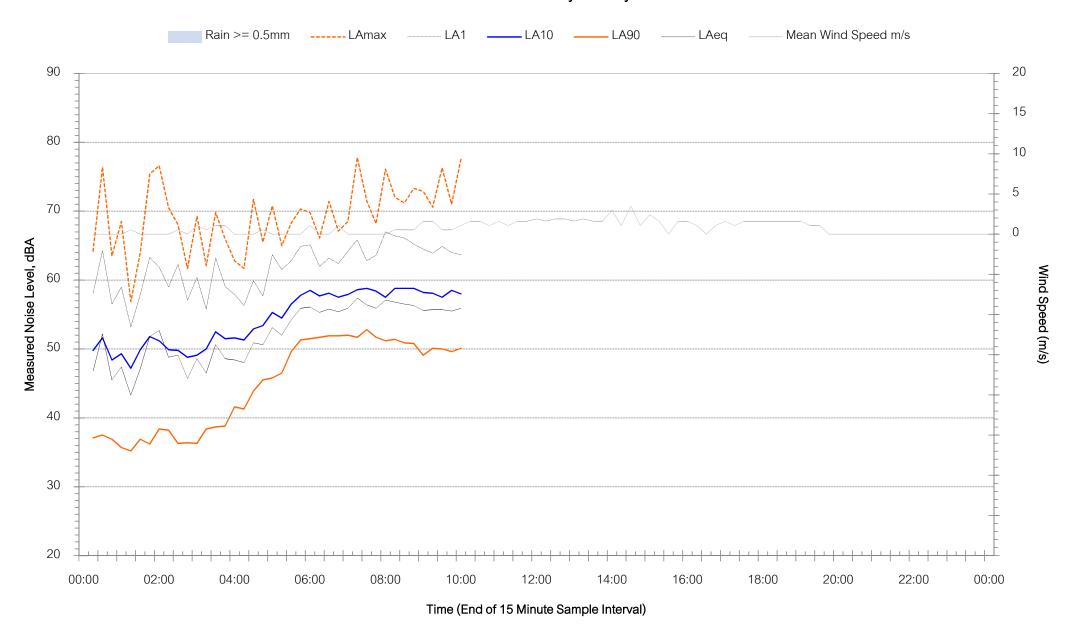


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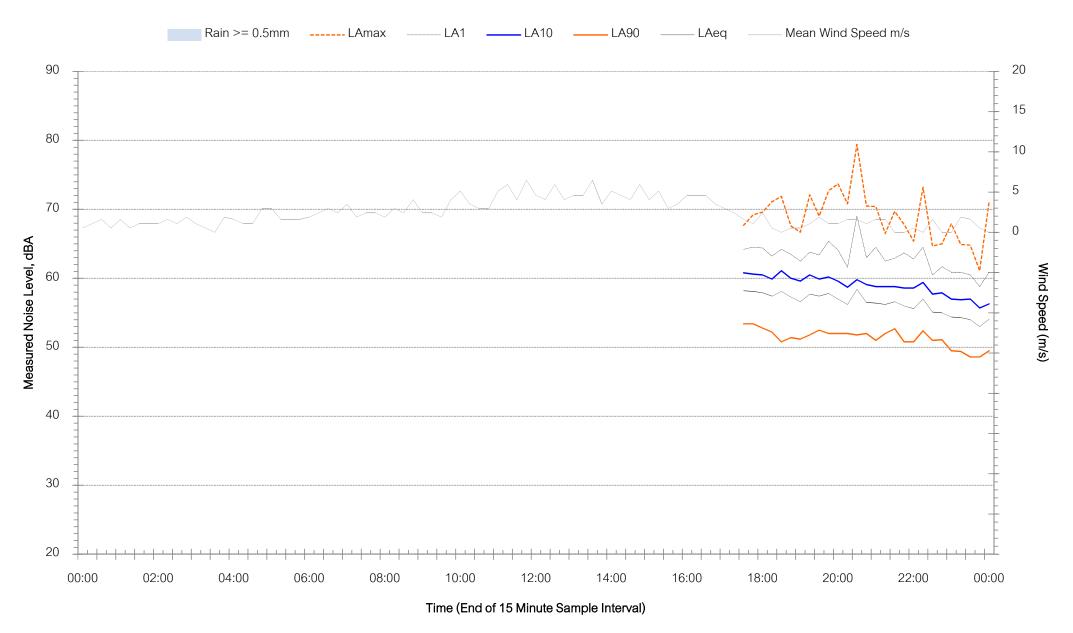


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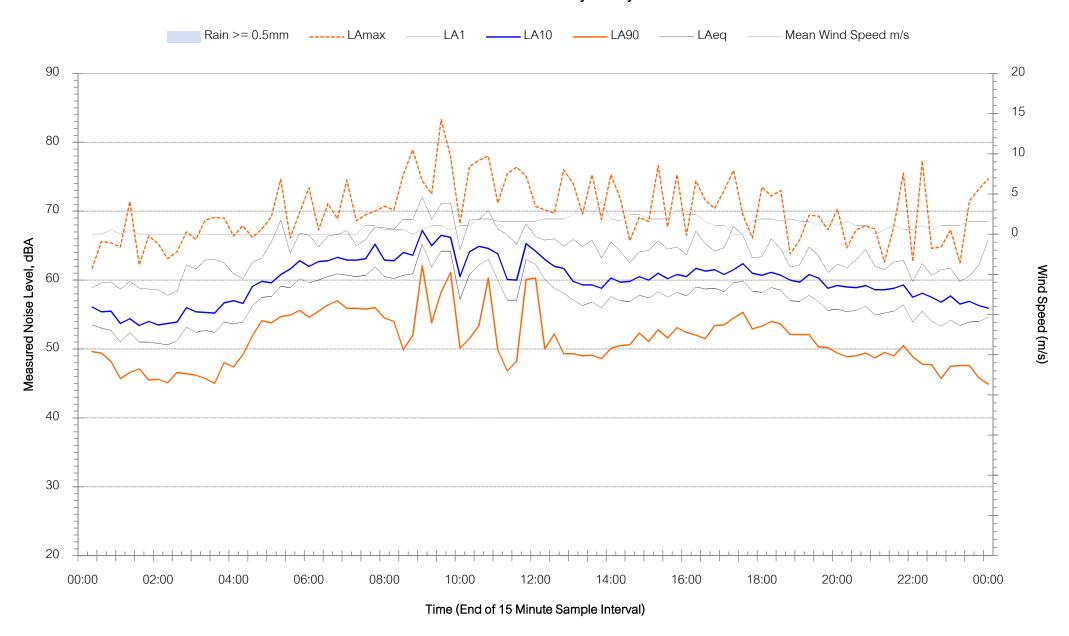


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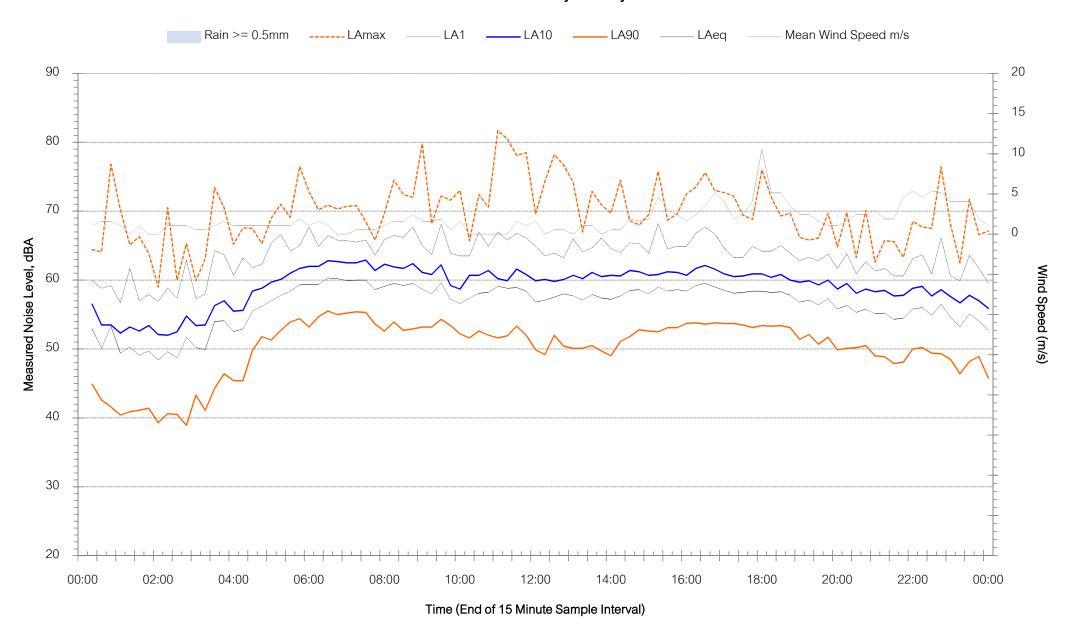


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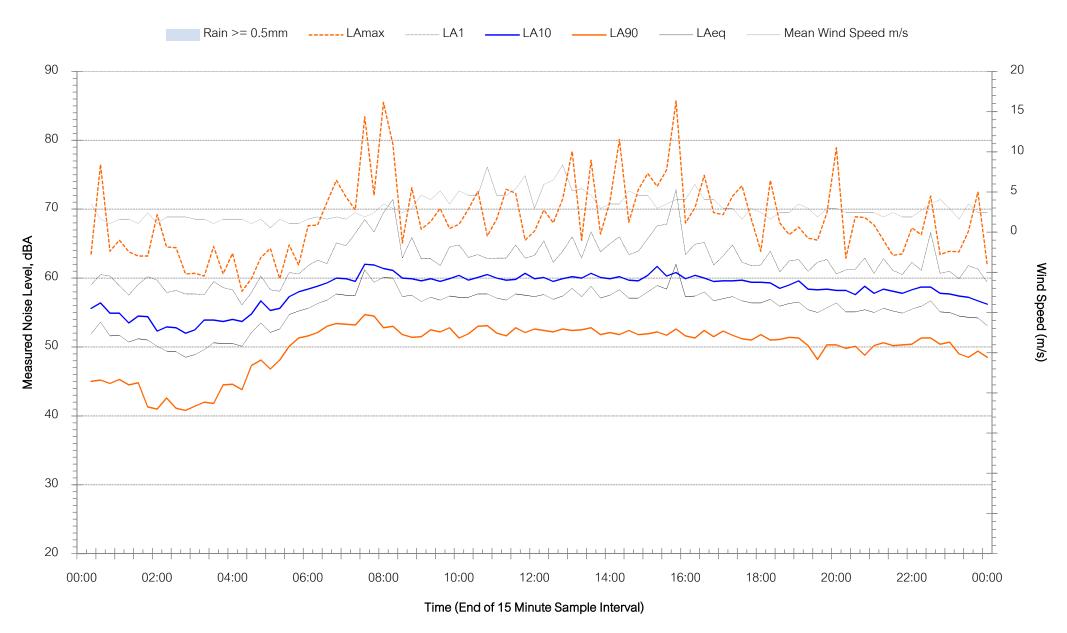


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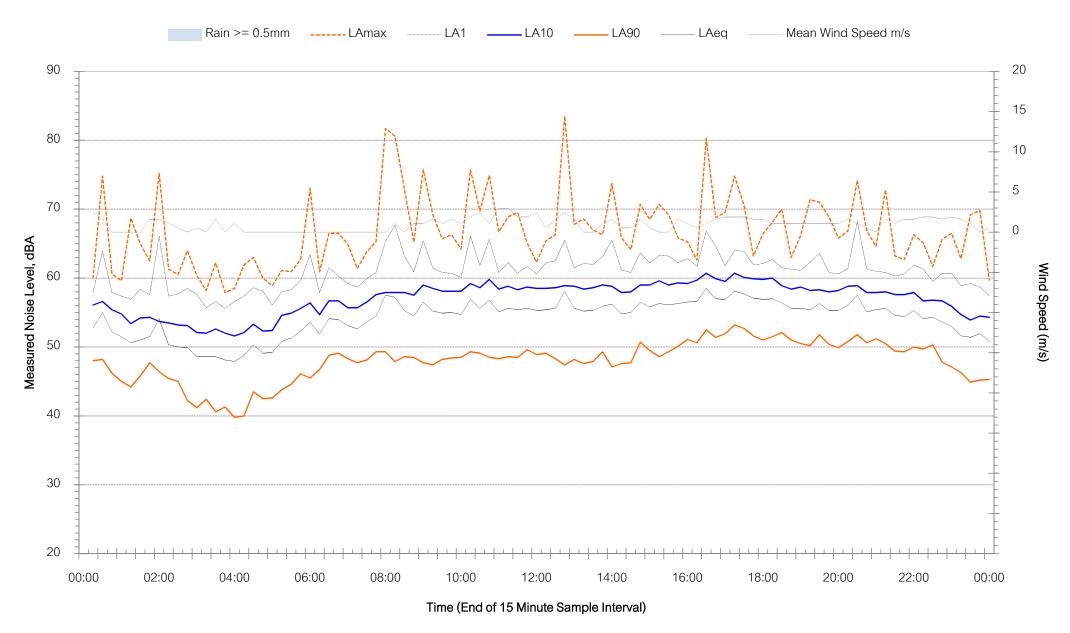


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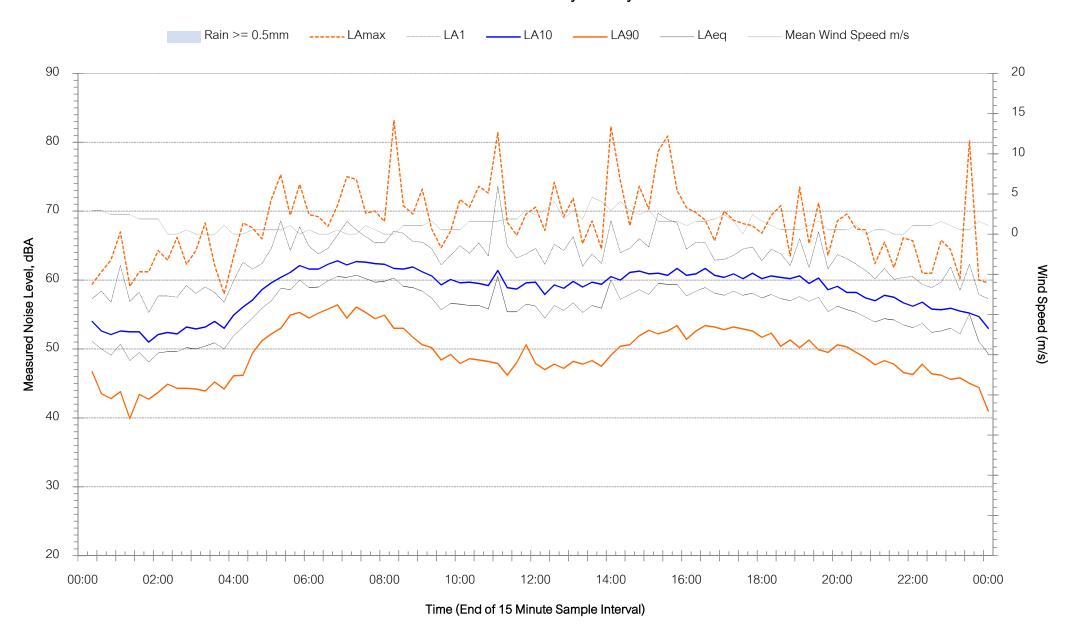


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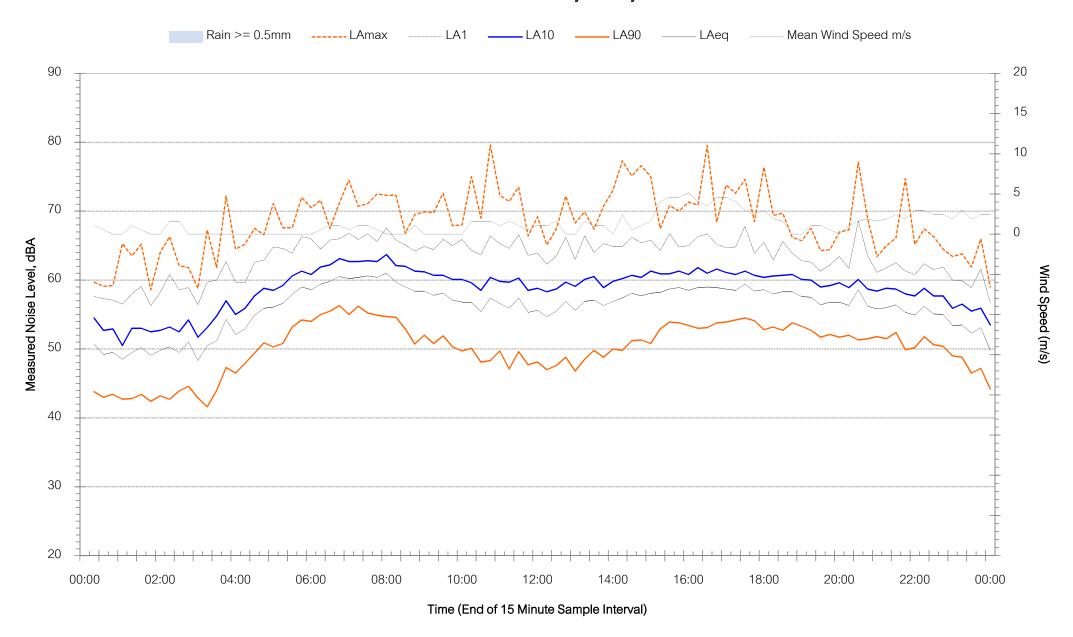


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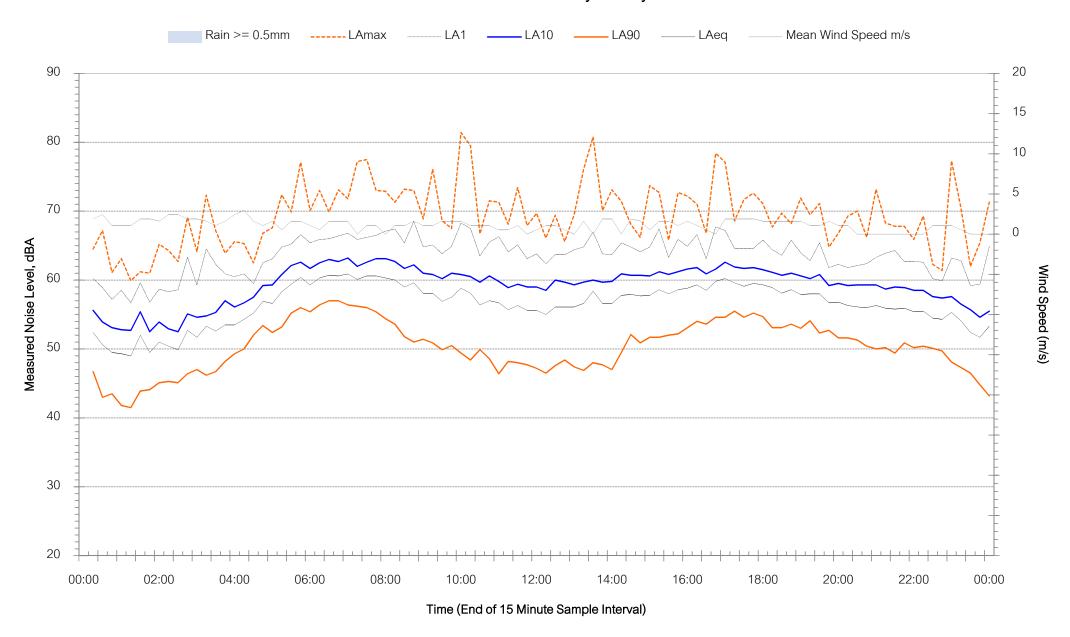


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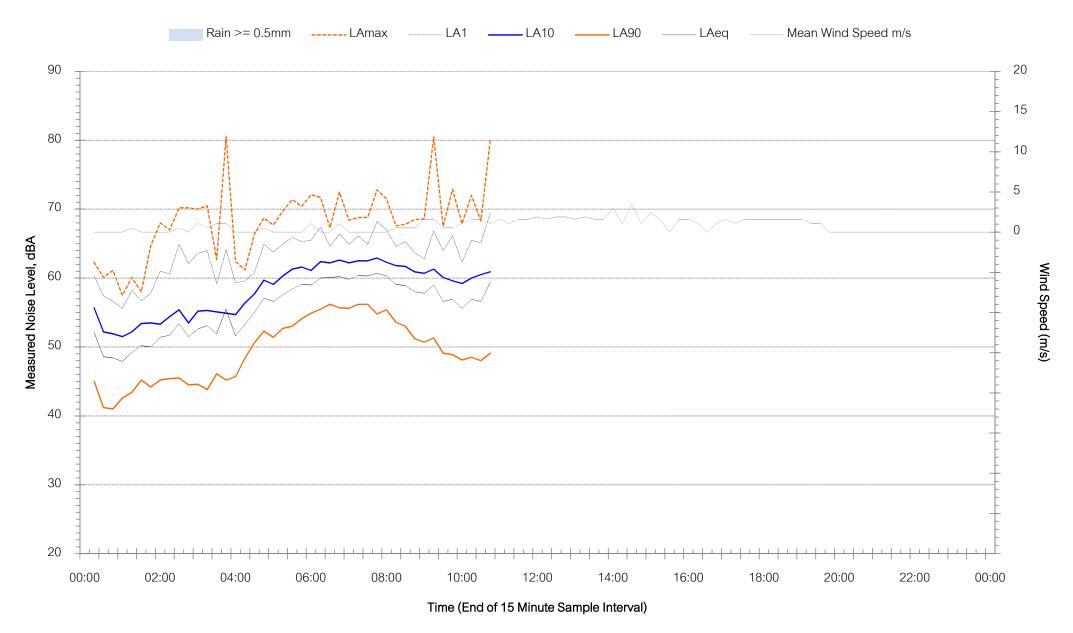


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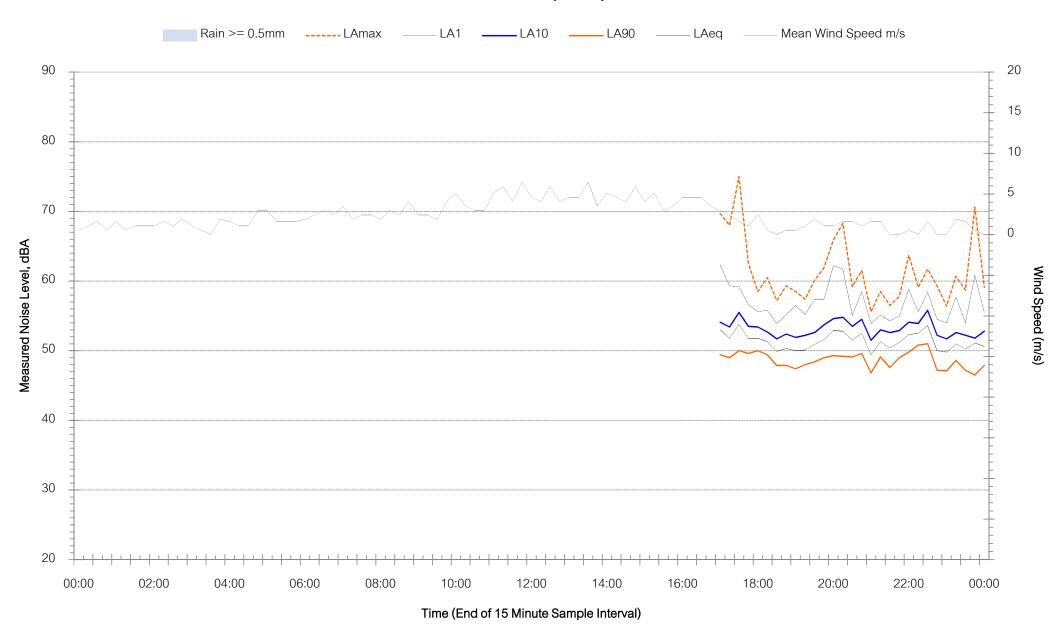


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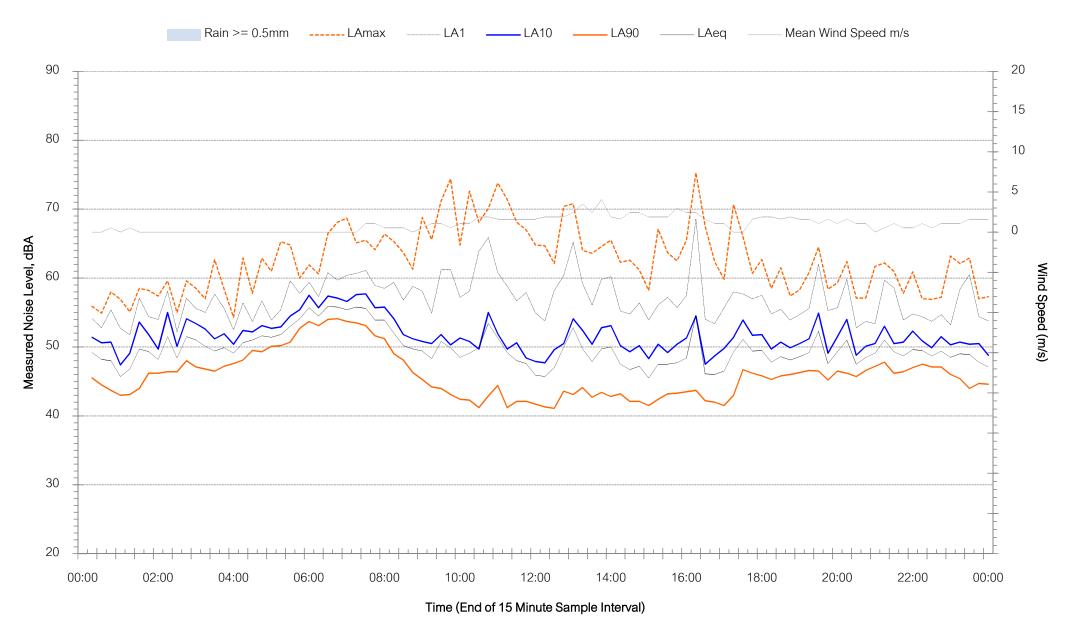


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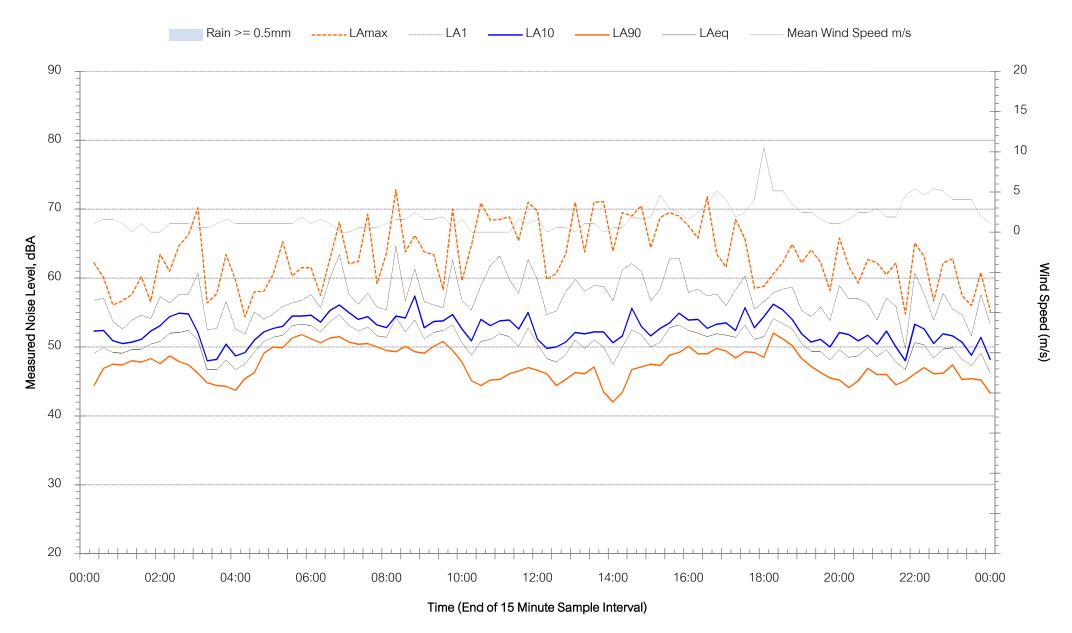


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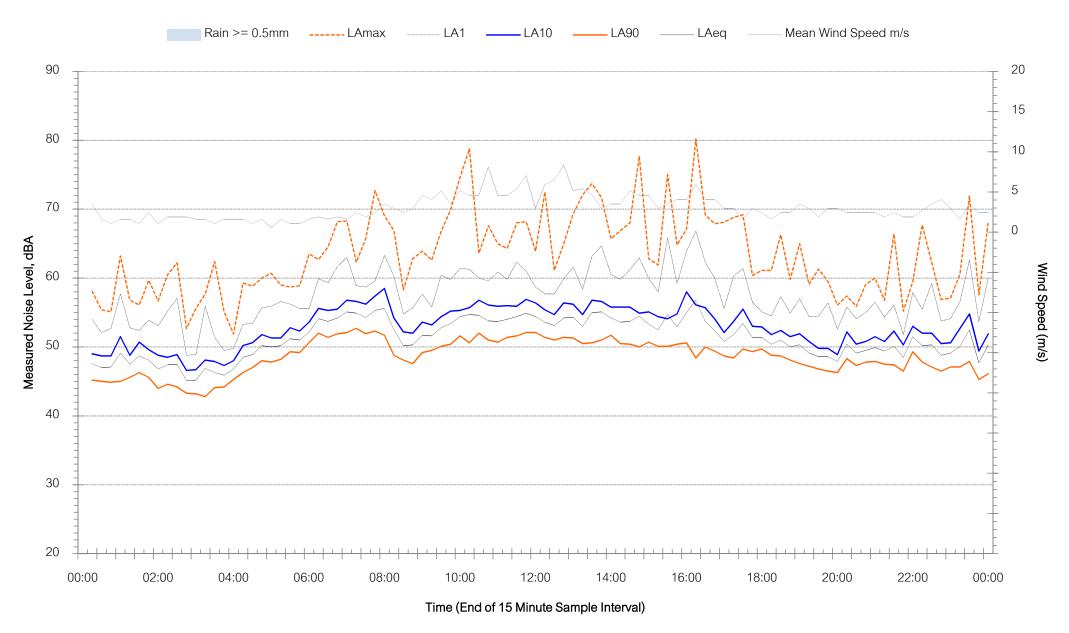


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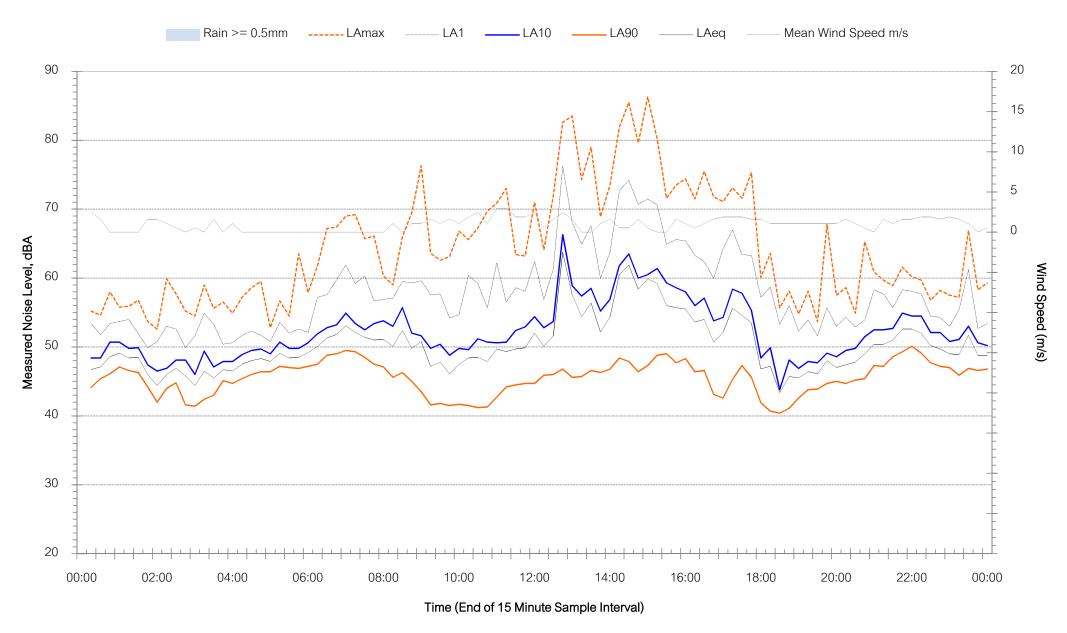


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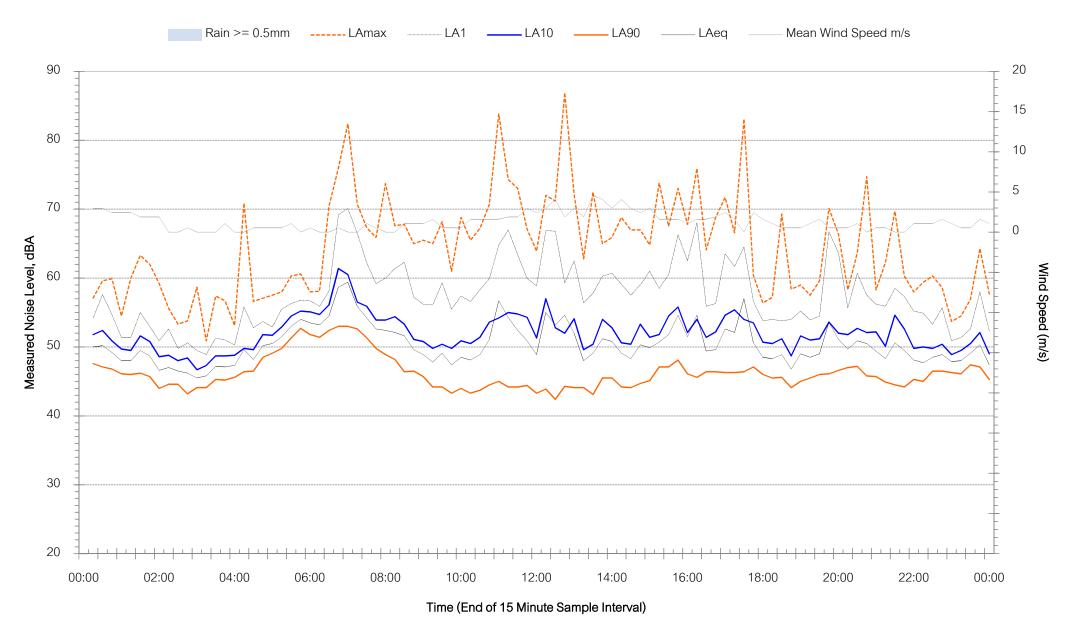


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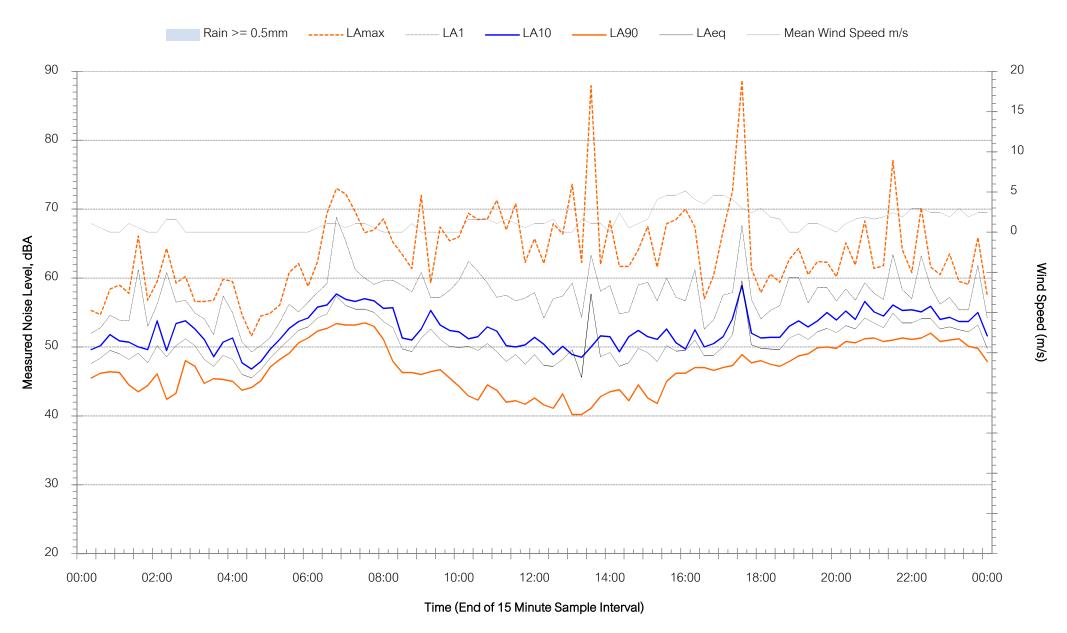


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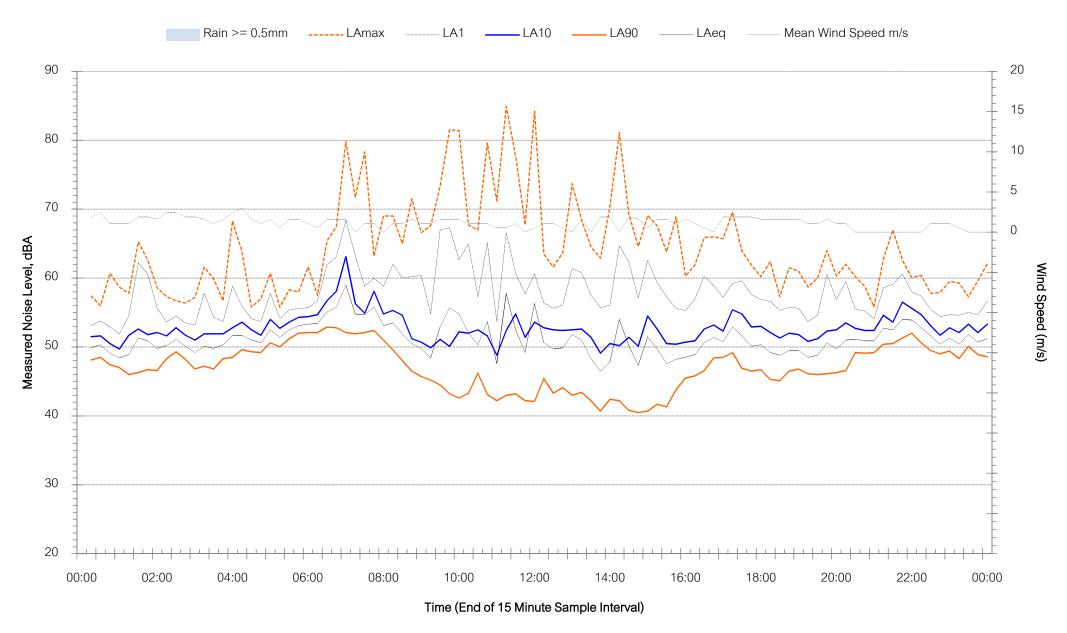


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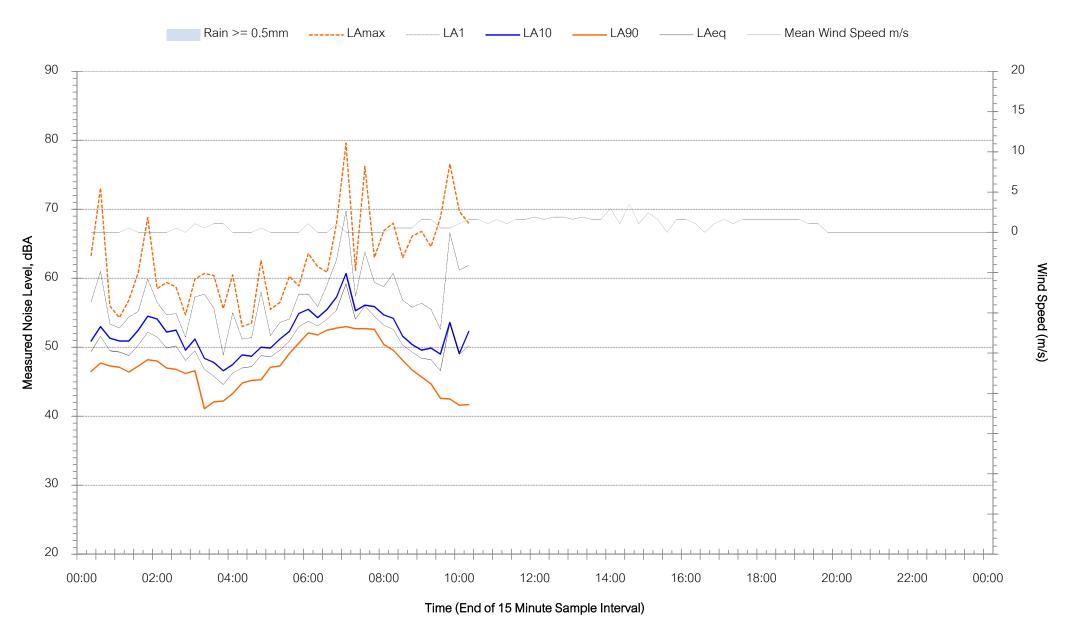


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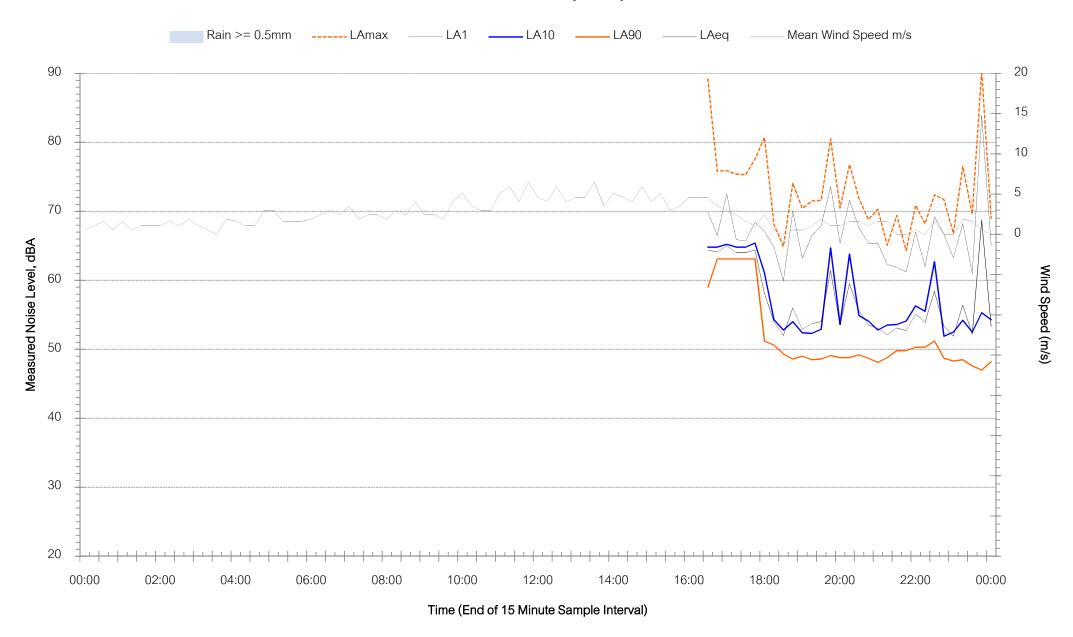


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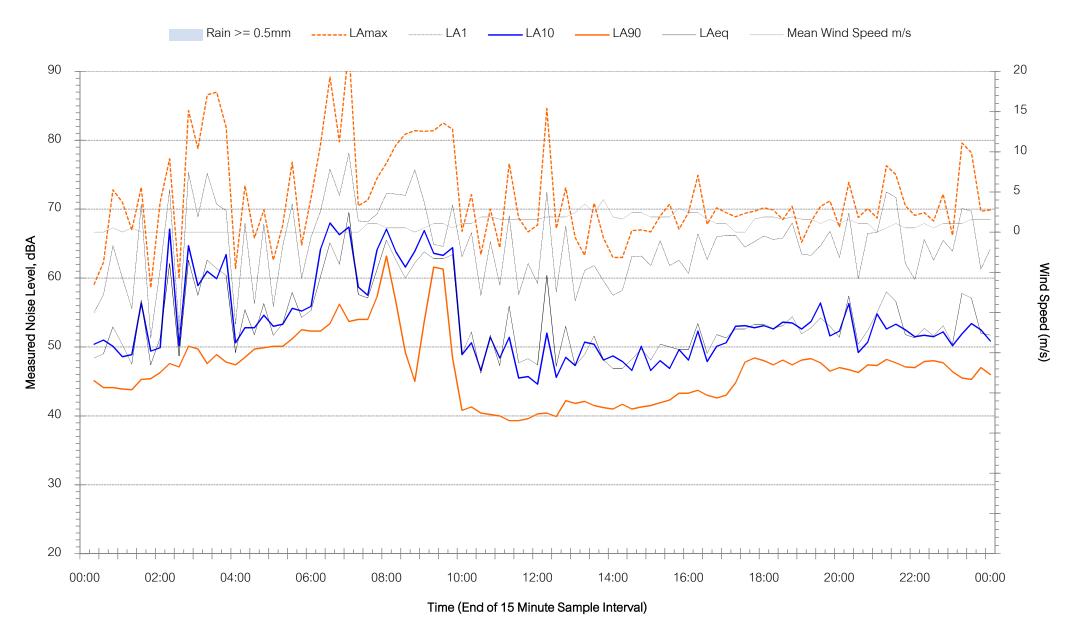


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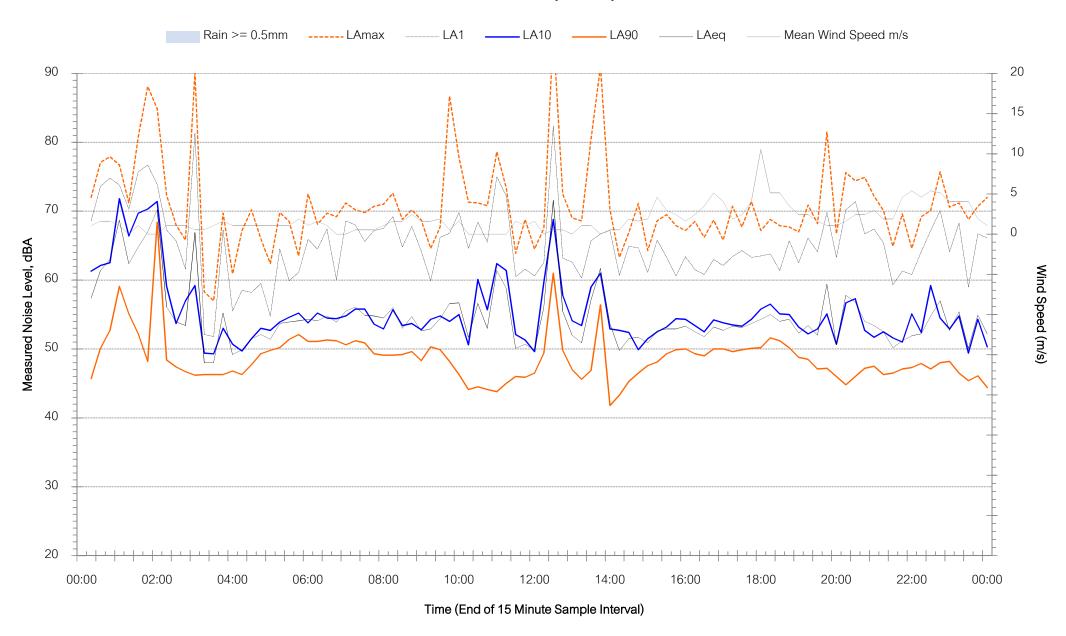


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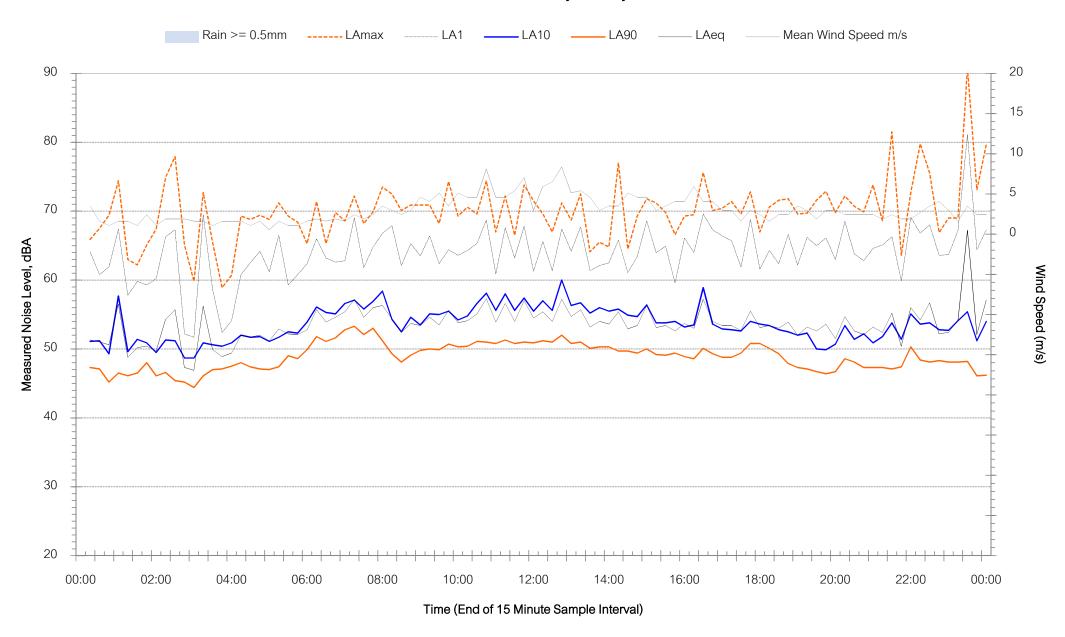


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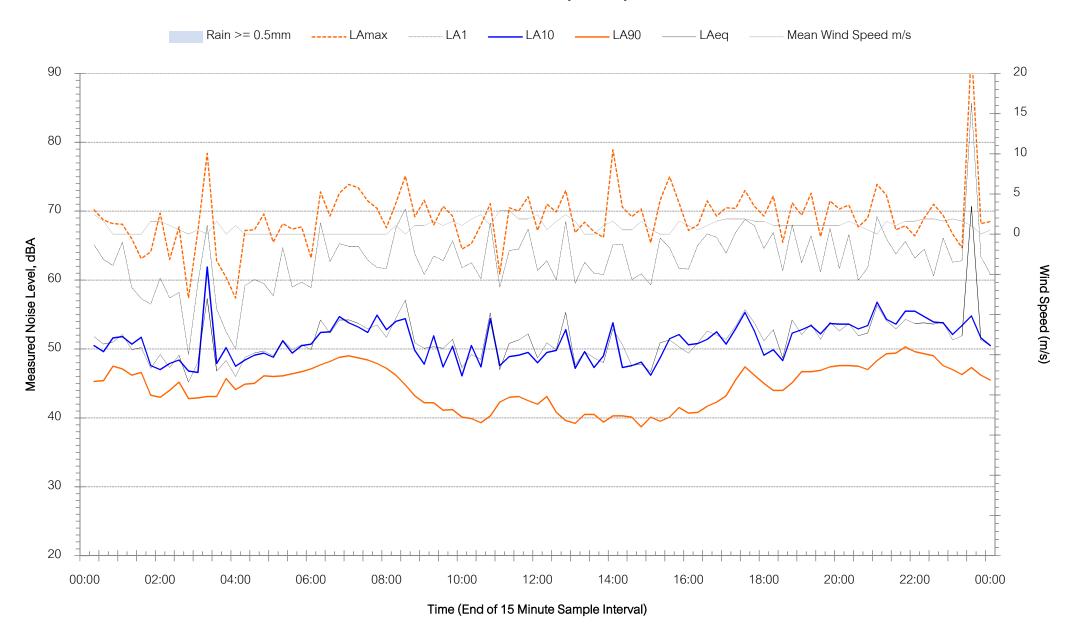


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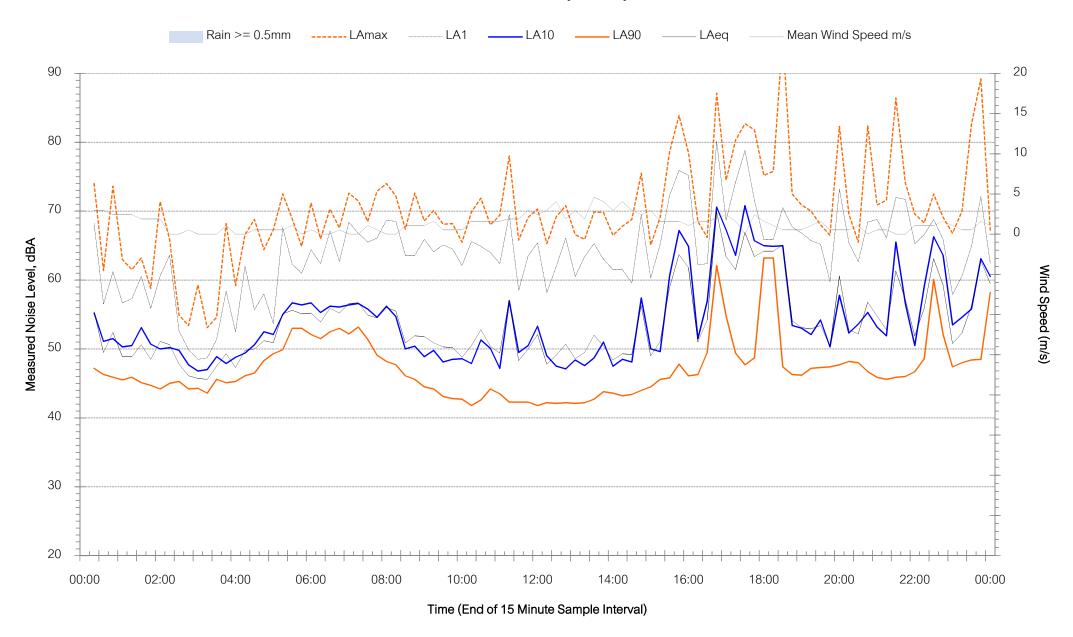


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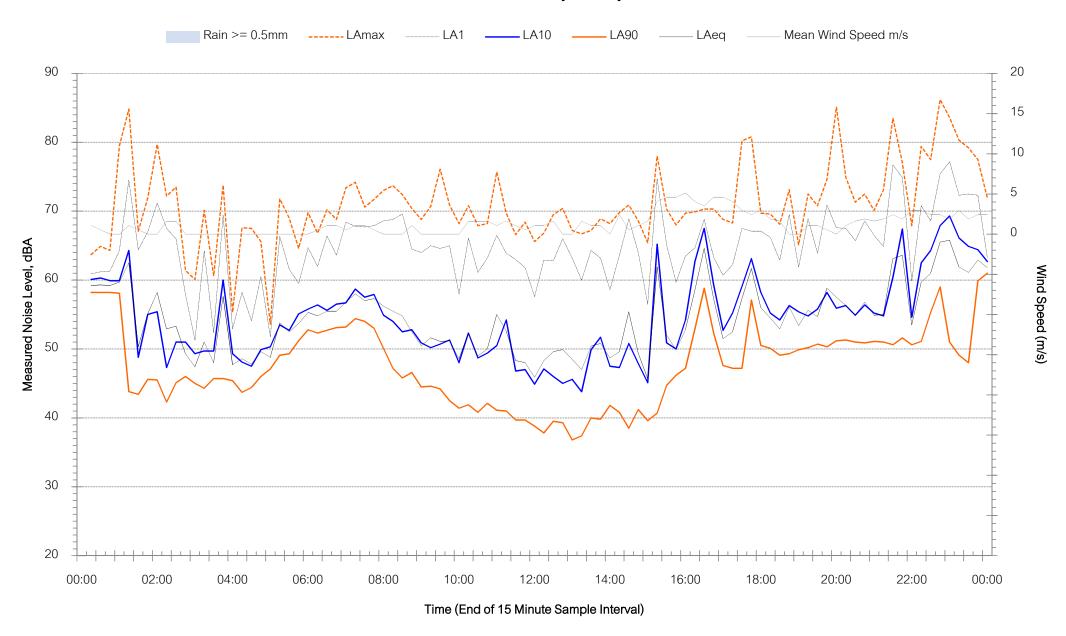


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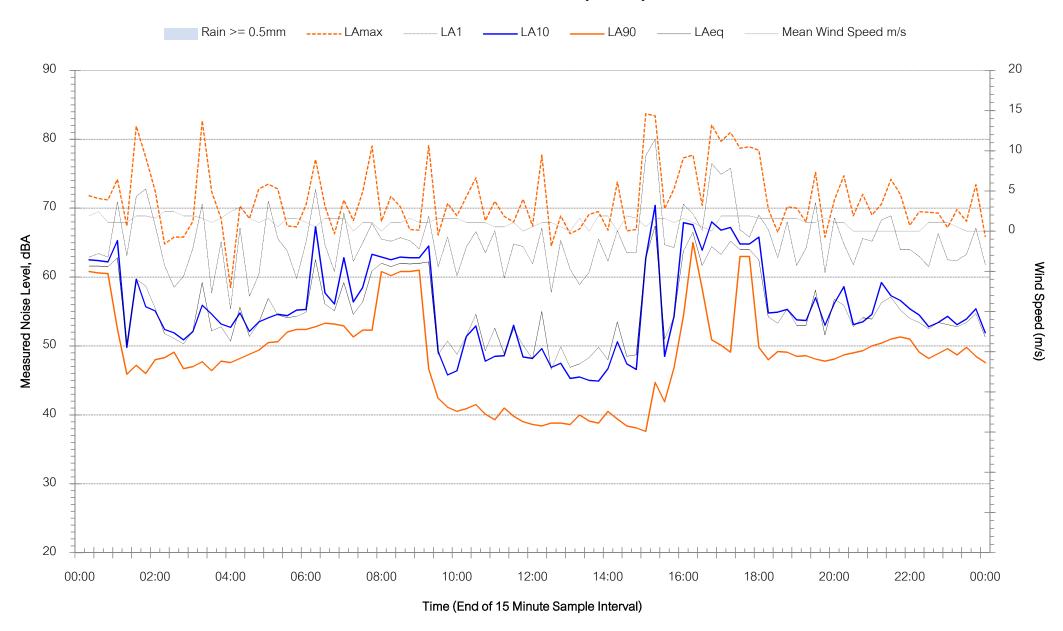


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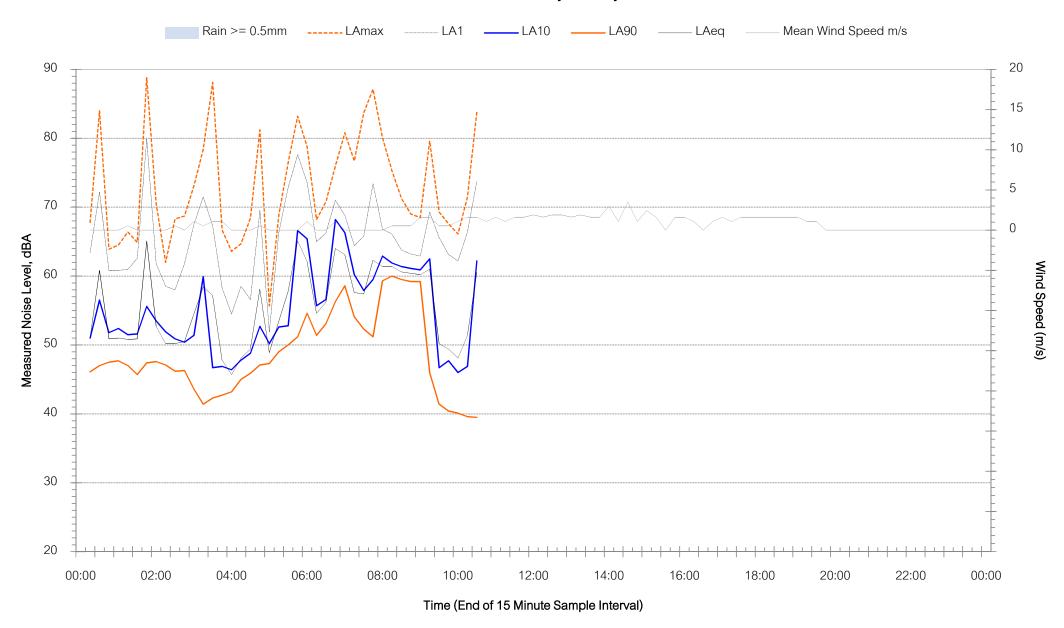


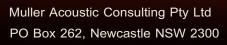
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