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#### 52 **Descriptions of instrumentation used**

53 A Griffin 450 gas chromatograph equipped with a cylindrical ion trap mass spectrometer and electron 54 impact ionization (GC-ITMS) was used to quantify selected VOCs including o-xylene, decane, undecane, 55 1,2,3- and 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (TMB), and several monoterpenes (i.e.,  $\alpha$ -pinene,  $\beta$ -pinene and 56 limonene). Operation, calibration and performance of this instrument have been described elsewhere 57 (Tokarek et al., 2017; Liggio et al., 2016). The GC-ITMS sampled from a 3.6 m long stainless steel inlet 58 with an o.d. of 0.635 cm from a height of 5 m above ground. A 1 m long section of the inlet was heated 59 to 110 °C and optimized to remove interference due to  $O_3$  while avoiding decomposition of alkenes 60 (Tokarek et al., 2017). The GC oven was programmed as follows: hold at 40° C for 3.00 min, heat at 1.5° 61 C min<sup>-1</sup> to 70° C, heat at 5° C min<sup>-1</sup> to 200 °C and hold for 4 min (total 53.00 min). This was followed by a 62 5 min recovery time to allow the oven and pre-concentration trap to cool back to 40 °C. The ion trap 63 mass spectrometer was set to a m/z range of 50-425. After data reduction, the GC-ITMS generated 10-64 minute average concentrations of each VOC quantified every hour.

During the campaign, the GC-ITMS was calibrated in the field using an IONICON VOC standard (Table S-1) containing (in addition to VOCs that the GC-ITMS did not detect) α-pinene and o-xylene at mixing ratios of ~ 1 ppmv and an uncertainty of 5% and 6%, respectively. A commercial calibrator assembly (IONICON, GCU Standard) was used to deliver diluted calibration mixtures. The instrument responses to the VOC standards were highly linear ( $R^2 > 0.99$ ). The GC-ITMS was calibrated for other VOCs offline relative to α-pinene.

Mixing ratios of carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) in ambient air were
quantified using a commercial cavity ring-down spectrometer (Picarro G2401) (Chen et al., 2013; Nara et
al., 2012). Ambient air was sampled from a height of 10 m through 0.635 cm outer diameter (o.d.)
perfluoroalkoxyalkane (PFA) Teflon<sup>™</sup> tubing and a 47 mm diameter, 1 µm pore filter at a flow rate of
~0.5 L min<sup>-1</sup>. A scrubber (MgClO<sub>4</sub>) was installed at the base of the sample line to remove water from the

76 air. Operating procedures developed for Canada's greenhouse gas network of monitors across all

77 stations in Canada by the Climate Division of ECCC were followed (ECCC, 2013b).

78 The cavity ring-down spectrometer was calibrated every few days with calibrated standard gas mixtures

79 (Scott-Marrin); a target background mixture (CO<sub>2</sub> at a mixing ratio of 379.5 parts-per-million by volume

80 (ppmv), CH<sub>4</sub> at 1.976 ppmv and CO at 198.4 parts-per-billion by volume (ppbv)) and a working mixture

81 ( $CO_2 = 452.15$  ppmv,  $CH_4 = 2.988$  ppmv, CO = 494.5 ppbv). The estimated precision of 1 min data was

 $\pm 0.12$  ppmv,  $\pm 0.6$  ppbv, and  $\pm 1.89$  ppbv for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and CO respectively, while the estimated accuracy

83 was < 1 ppmv, < 3 ppbv, and < 4 ppbv, respectively.

84 Mixing ratios of total odd nitrogen ( $NO_y \equiv NO + NO_2 + \Sigma PAN + \Sigma AN + HNO_3 + HONO + 2N_2O_5 + CINO_2 + ...$ )

85 were measured by a chemiluminescence analyzer equipped with a heated Molybdenum converter

86 (Thermo 42i) as described elsewhere (Tokarek et al., 2014; Odame-Ankrah, 2015).

87 The total sulfur (TS) measurements were conducted using a thermal oxidizer (Thermo Scientific Model

88 CON101) to convert TS to SO<sub>2</sub> and detected using a pulsed-fluorescence analyzer (Thermo Scientific,

89 Model 43iTLE). SO<sub>2</sub> was measured directly with a second analyzer (Thermo Scientific, Model 43iTLE).

90 Total reduced sulfur (TRS) mixing ratios were calculated by subtracting mixing ratios of SO<sub>2</sub> from TS.

91 Concentrations of particle-surface bound polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (pPAH) were measured using

92 a photoelectric aerosol sensor (EcoChem Analytics, Model PAS 2000CE) (Wilson et al., 1994; Burtscher et

93 al., 1982).



99 three times during the 2013 JOSM intensive study. Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF) was performed to 100 identify the potential sources of organic aerosol as described in the companion study (Adam et al., in 101 prep). Factors associated with primary aerosol, i.e., hydrocarbon-like organic aerosol (HOA), a less 102 oxidized oxygenated organic aerosol factor (LO-OOA) and measured refractory black carbon (rBC) were 103 added as variables for PCA analysis. Mass spectra associated with LO-OOA exhibited H/C, O/C and N/C 104 ratios of ~1.62, ~0.36, and ~0.004, respectively; while the O/C and N/C ratios are similar to HOA, the H/C 105 ratio of LO-OOA more resembles the more oxidized OOA factor (MO-OOA) (Adam et al., in prep.). 106 Particle volumes were calculated (assuming spherical particle shapes) from sub- and super-micron size 107 distributions acquired using a scanning mobility particle sizer (SMPS, TSI with a differential mobility 108 analyzer model 3081 and condensation particle counter model 3776; PM<sub>1</sub>) and a 0.071 cm impactor 109 over the size range of 13.6 nm to 736.5 nm and an Aerodynamic Particle Sizer (APS, TSI 3321; PM<sub>10-1</sub>) 110 over the size range 1.04  $\mu$ m to 10.4  $\mu$ m, respectively. Both instruments were operated at ambient 111 relative humidity. The SMPS sampled through conductive silicon tubing to minimize wall losses due to wall charges. The APS was operated from a container located on top of the trailer and sampled from a 112 113 1.6 m tall, ½ o.d. aluminum tube whose tip was bent into a U-shape. 114 An ambient ion monitor – ion chromatograph (AIM-IC) (Markovic et al., 2012) was used to measure

hourly averaged gas-phase NH<sub>3</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> particle-phase (i.e., of particles < 2.5  $\mu$ m diameter) NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>

116 concentrations. High time-resolution particle-phase NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> measurements made by the SP-AMS were

scaled by interpolated phase ratios observed by AIM-IC to calculate gas-phase NH<sub>3</sub> concentrations at

high time resolution. This approach assumes the same phase ratios for PM<sub>2.5</sub> as for PM<sub>1</sub>.

#### 120 Determination of optimum PCA solution

121 The full component pattern (before component removal, with rotation, i.e., showing 22 components for 122 22 variables) obtained for this data set is shown in Table S-2. A common challenge in PCA is the 123 determination of the maximum number of components to retain in the analysis. Several criteria are 124 used for this purpose: the latent root criterion, where only components with eigenvalues greater than 1 125 are considered significant, the 5% variance criterion, where the last component selected accounts for 126 only a small portion (<5%) of the variance, the 95% cumulative percentage of variance criterion, where 127 the extracted components account for at least 95% of the total variance, and the Scree test. In the 128 latter, the eigenvalues are plotted against the number of components in the order of extraction (Fig. S-129 1); to avoid including too many components with unique variance, the number of acceptable 130 components is located at the point where this plot becomes horizontal. The latent root criterion is most 131 commonly used, but tends to extract too few components when the number of variables is < 20 (Hair et 132 al., 1998). The Scree test, on the other hand, often requires "some art in administering it" (Cattell, 1966), 133 i.e., is subjective, though generally results in the inclusion of two or three more components than the 134 latent root criterion (Hair et al., 1998). 135 The maximum component number for each criterion are summarized in Table S-9. The Scree test plot 136 (Fig. S-1) shows two plateaus where the slope becomes approximately horizontal: The first is located at 137 N = 5 and the second at N = 12. The latent root criterion and the <5% variance method suggests a 7-138 component solution, whereas the >95% percentage of variance criterion suggests using a 10-component 139 solution. Hair et al. (1998) recommend to examine component solutions with differing numbers of 140 components to evaluate which best represents the structure of the variables. In the following, solutions 141 are presented in ascending order of extracted components. 142

#### 144 **5-component solution**

- As a first attempt at interpretation of the PCA, the first cut-off of the Scree test criterion was chosen (N
  = 5 variables). The results (after Varimax rotation) are presented in Table S-3.
- 147 The 5-component solution accounts for a cumulative variance of 81.0 % after rotation. Communalities
- 148 for the analysis, i.e., the fraction of total pollutant observations accounted for by the PCA (Otto, 2007),
- are greater than 70% for 18 variables. The lowest communalities were obtained for gas-phase ammonia
- 150 (0.40), CO (0.48) and PM<sub>10-1</sub> (0.51). TRS and the IVOCs were also relatively poorly represented (0.63 and
- 151 0.73, respectively). All eigenvalues are greater than 1.
- 152 The component accounting for most of the variance of the data, component 1, is strongly associated
- with all of the anthropogenic VOCs (with correlations of r > 0.8) and TRS (r = 0.76), moderately

associated with CH<sub>4</sub> (r = 0.62), HOA (r = 0.44), LO-OOA (r = 0.59), IVOCs (r = 0.47), and CO (r = 0.53), and

weakly associated with NO<sub>y</sub> and TS (r = 0.25 and r = 0.28, respectively). Component 1 is consistent with

- tailings ponds emissions with potentially small contributions from nearby facilities (interpreted from
- moderate and weak correlations with rBC (r = 0.33) and NO<sub>y</sub> (r = 0.25)), which would otherwise remain

unexplained. Component 2 is strongly associated with the combustion tracers NO<sub>y</sub> (r = 0.83), rBC (r =

159 0.89) and pPAH (r = 0.83) and moderately associated with IVOCs (r = 0.61), gas-phase ammonia (r =

160 0.34), undecane (r = 0.31), and CH<sub>4</sub> (0.38), but weakly and not significantly with CO or CO<sub>2</sub> (r = 0.19 and

161 0.06, respectively); this component is identified as mine fleet emissions. Component 3 is strongly

associated (r > 0.9) with the biogenic VOCs and moderately (r = 0.55) associated with CO<sub>2</sub> and is

163 identified as a biogenic component. Component 4 is strongly associated with SO<sub>2</sub> and TS (r = 0.93 and

164 0.91, respectively) and is consistent with emissions from upgrader facilities. These four components

165 persisted, with little variation, in all solutions with a greater number of selected components (see

166 below).

167 Component 5 is strongly associated with  $CO_2$  (r = 0.71), and moderately associated with  $PM_{10-1}$  (r = 0.57),

168 CH<sub>4</sub> (r = 0.53) and CO (r = 0.40). We are not aware of a source type that would fit this profile, i.e.,

169 combine this particular set of pollutants without also being associated with NO<sub>y</sub> (r = 0.02). This suggests

170 that this component is an artifact arising from an insufficient number of components used in the

- analysis and motivates the inclusion of more components.
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## 173 6-component solution

- 174 A 6-component solution is shown in Table S-4. Satisfying the percentage of variance criterion of the last
- 175 component accounting for less than 5% of the variance (4.6% in this case, Table S-2) was selected.
- 176 This solution accounts for a total variance of 85.23%. The first four components are essentially
- 177 unchanged from the 5-component solution (with the exception of LO-OOA in component 2 becoming

178 more weakly correlated (r = 0.22)). Component 5 is strongly associated with IVOCs (r = 0.70) and

- moderately associated with LO-OOA (r = 0.60), and TRS (r = 0.56). Component 6 is strongly associated
- 180 with  $PM_{10-1}$  (r = 0.81) and moderately associated with  $CO_2$  (r = 0.62),  $CH_4$  (r = 0.41), HOA (r = 0.30) and
- 181  $NH_3$  (r = 0.36) and, unlike the 5-component solution, not associated with CO.
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### 183 **7-component solution**

- 184 Next, the latent root criterion gives a 7-component solution. The PCA results (after Varimax rotation) are
- 185 presented in Table S-5. The seven components account for a cumulative variance of 88.7% after
- 186 rotation. Communalities for the analysis are all greater than 60%, with the lowest communality obtained
- 187 for CO (0.61). All eigenvalues are greater than 1.
- 188 Components 1 through 4 have the same associations with similar r values as those in the 5-component
- analysis, with the only significant exception a weaker association (r = 0.20) of component 2 with gas-
- 190 phase ammonia.
- 191 The identifications of components 5 through 7 of the 7-component solution are murky at best.

192	Component 5 is moderately associated with TRS ( $r = 0.56$ ) and IVOCs ( $r = 0.66$ ). Component 6 is strongly
193	associated with $PM_{10-1}$ volume (r = 0.89), and moderately with $CO_2$ (r = 0.54), and $CH_4$ (r = 0.36) and
194	appears to be combination of a dust component with a source of greenhouse gases, whereas
195	component 7 is strongly associated with gas-phase ammonia (r = 0.82) and weakly associated with CO (r
196	= 0.29). Both appear to be amalgamations of distinct sources and suggest that too few components
197	were selected. Hair et al. (1998) note that the latent root criterion has a tendency to extract a
198	conservative number of components if the number of variables is < 20, close to the 22 variables in this
199	analysis, consistent with what is observed here. Hence, the 7-component solution is sub-optimal.

### 201 8-component solution

An 8-component solution is presented in Table S-6. Not satisfying any criterion, it is included here for the sake of completeness. Owing to the inclusion of an additional component, the cumulative variance improved to 91.6%. The greatest improvement was seen for CO, gas-phase ammonia, as well as the IVOCs, whose communalities increased from 0.61, 0.91, and 0.80 (for the 7-component solution) to 0.96, 0.96 and 0.84, respectively.

207 The main effect of the inclusion of an additional component was the separation of component 7 into 208 two distinct components: one of these was strongly associated with gas-phase ammonia (r = 0.92), and 209 the other was strongly associated with CO (r = 0.85). A considerable fraction of the CO observed in the 210 region is generated as a byproduct of the photochemical oxidation of hydrocarbons (Shephard et al., 211 2015); component 8 appears to capture this source, whereas component 1 captures the anthropogenic 212 emissions. The area near the oil sands mining operations is enriched in ammonia, which originates from 213 multiple sources: it is used as a floating agent to separate and recover bitumen from tar and is generated during bitumen upgrading (called hydrotreating) in which N is removed as NH<sub>3</sub>, and can be 214 215 present as a contaminant in tailing ponds. Other sources, such as agricultural activities, biological decay

processes, and smoldering fires are relatively minor in the region (Bytnerowicz et al., 2010). The weak
association of component 2 with ammonia (r = 0.22) may capture the use of ammonia as a floating

agent, whereas component 8 embodies the remaining sources.

219 Component 5 is strongly associated with IVOCs (r = 0.71), and moderately associated with LO-OOA(r = 0.65) and TRS (r = 0.40). It is unclear if these variables originate from the same source or are forced 221 together as a result of having chosen too few components. Considering that component 7 is split when 222 an additional component is used (see below), the latter is more likely. Component 6 remains strongly 223 associated with PM<sub>10-1</sub> volume (r = 0.89), and moderately associated with CO<sub>2</sub> (r = 0.53), and CH<sub>4</sub> (r =224 0.35) and is difficult to interpret. Because of the unclear classification of components 5 through 8, the 8-225 component solution is rejected.

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# 227 9-component solution

A 9-component solution is presented in Table S-7. Components 1 through 8 describe sources that are qualitatively similar to those provided by the 8-component solution. Component 9 is strongly associated with TRS (r = 0.71) and weakly associated with o-xylene (r = 0.30); its profile is consistent with tailings ponds emission, where the presence of naphtha as a diluent gives rise to BTEX emissions and bacteria produce reduced sulfur compounds (Small et al., 2015; Warren et al., 2016). Component 6 is strongly associated with PM<sub>10-1</sub> (r = 0.89) and moderately associated with CO<sub>2</sub> (r = 0.54) and CH<sub>4</sub> (r = 0.41). We have decided to reject this solution on the basis that < 95 % cumulative variance is observed.

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# 236 **10-component solution**

237 Next, a 10-component solution with cumulative variance of 95.5%, satisfying the 95% criterion, was

considered. With this solution, all communalities are >0.85 (Table 3). Component 6 is strongly associated

with  $CO_2$  (r = 0.77) and moderately associated with  $CH_4$  (r = 0.59) but is not associated with other

240	combustion tracers and is identified as inactive open-pit mines (see main text). Component 7 is strongly
241	correlated with $PM_{10-1}$ (r = 0.93) and is identified as wind-blown dust. Component 8 and 9 are strongly
242	associated with a single variable each, gas-phase ammonia ( $r = 0.94$ ) and CO ( $r = 0.87$ ), respectively.
243	Component 10 is strongly associated with TRS (r = 0.71) and moderately associated with o-xylene (r =
244	0.32). Overall, this component is most consistent with a tailings ponds source, where the presence of
245	naphtha as diluent gives rise to BTEX emissions, and sulfur-reducing bacteria are at work (Small et al.,
246	2015; Warren et al., 2016). Overall, the 10-component solution was judged to be optimal.
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247 248	11-component solution
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247 248 249 250	<ul> <li>11-component solution</li> <li>The 11-component analysis is presented in Table S-8. Component 10 is now strongly associated with LO-OOA (r = 0.72) and moderately with rBC (r = 0.34), and has a low eigenvalue of 0.87. This solution is</li> </ul>
247 248 249 250 251	<ul> <li>11-component solution</li> <li>The 11-component analysis is presented in Table S-8. Component 10 is now strongly associated with LO-OOA (r = 0.72) and moderately with rBC (r = 0.34), and has a low eigenvalue of 0.87. This solution is therefore rejected as we believe it contains too many components.</li> </ul>
247 248 249 250 251 252	<b>11-component solution</b> The 11-component analysis is presented in Table S-8. Component 10 is now strongly associated with LO-OOA (r = 0.72) and moderately with rBC (r = 0.34), and has a low eigenvalue of 0.87. This solution is therefore rejected as we believe it contains too many components.

254 Discussion of low-eigenvalue components

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# 256 Component 6: A non-combustion source of CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub>

257 Component 6 of the analysis has a strong association with the greenhouse gases  $CO_2$  (r = 0.77) and a 258 moderate association with  $CH_4$  (r = 0.59) but is not associated with tracers of combustion (i.e.,  $NO_y$ , 259 pPAH, rBC) or naphtha (i.e., anthropogenic VOCs).

260 A significant amount of carbon is stored in bitumen, which, on geological time scales, conduces 261 formation of CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> (i.e., natural gas) reservoirs and pools. When bitumen is mined, substantial 262 emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> and, in particular, of CH<sub>4</sub> occur (Johnson et al., 2016). It is unclear, though, to what 263 extent these greenhouse gases are released from "hot spots" (i.e., from a small number of locations) 264 through surface cracks and fissures in the mine faces, or from new material that is exposed and then 265 releases greenhouse gases during material handling, transport and processing (Johnson et al., 2016). The 266 PCA analysis presented here would be more consistent with the "hot spots" hypothesis since 267 component 6 is not associated with NOy, PAHs, or CO, which are expected to be emitted by the Diesel 268 machinery involved in surface mining (i.e., active disturbance of the bitumen). 269 Another potential source contribution to component 6 is the degradation of peat and surface soil. 270 Peatland soils, as they occur in the boreal forest surrounding the AMS 13 site, have long been 271 recognized as important contributors to greenhouse gas fluxes and may also be contributing to 272 component 6 (Miller et al., 2014; Gorham, 1991; Warner et al., 2017). The fixation and/or release of  $CO_2$ 273 as well as consumption and/or production of CH<sub>4</sub> through root, anaerobic and aerobic microbial 274 respiration are dependent on soil conditions such as water table position, temperature, soil pH, and 275 plant community composition (Yavitt et al., 2005; Oertel et al., 2016; Whalen, 2005). Emissions from 276 peat and surface soil that was stripped as part of surface mining is expected to release between

277	1.1×10 <sup>10</sup> and 4.7×10 <sup>10</sup> kg stored carbon (Rooney et al., 2012), though it is unclear on what time scale this
278	release will occur. Some of this historical peat material is used for land reclamation. However, a
279	preliminary assessment of greenhouse gas fluxes from such a site gave no indication of significant
280	emissions, at least in the short term (Nwaishi et al., 2016). The bivariate polar plot shows that
281	component 6 is associated with no particular wind direction but with relatively low wind speeds (<
282	1.5 m/s; Figure S-7C), consistent with a dispersed surface source. Further, when variables associated
283	with secondary processes were added to the analysis (Table 7), component 6 anticorrelates with $O_x$ (r = -
284	0.41). Dry deposition is a significant $O_3$ and $NO_2$ , and therefore $O_x$ , loss process (Wesely and Hicks, 2000;
285	Zhang et al., 2002).
286	Overall, we have too little information to constrain soil fluxes for this data set. Considering the large $CH_4$
287	and $CO_2$ concentrations observed in this study, it is more likely that anthropogenic sources dominate
288	over natural soil emissions (Thompson et al., 2017). Future field campaigns at AMS 13 would benefit
289	from $N_2O$ measurements to constrain contributions of natural sources to greenhouse gas
290	concentrations, such as those produced by microbes in water-logged soil.
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292	Component 7: Wind-blown dust
293	Component 7 is correlated with $PM_{10-1}$ (r = 0.93) and, weakly, with $CO_2$ (r = 0.25), $CH_4$ (r = 0.11), HOA (r =
294	0.23), and LO-OOA (r = 0.25). In the Athabasca oil sands region, surface mining has created large
295	portions of land whose surface is void of vegetation and is covered by sand and soil particles, which are
296	readily suspended by wind and vehicle traffic. Other mining activities add to the $PM_{10-1}$ emissions,
297	including combustion processes, tailings sands, and mine haul roads, though the contributions of each of

- 298 these to the overall PM<sub>10-1</sub> burden is uncertain (Wang et al., 2015). Recently, Phillips-Smith et al.
- 299 investigated metal species found in  $PM_{2.5}$  aerosol at AMS 13 and found haul road dust and soil from

mine faces to be important sources of  $PM_{2.5}$  (Phillips-Smith et al., 2017) and, likely,  $PM_{10-1}$  as well. The very weak associations of this component with  $CO_2$  and  $CH_4$  and lack of association with  $NO_y$  (r = 0.02) suggest contributions of open mine face soil in addition to dust suspended by vehicles travelling on unpaved roads.

The size range captured by  $PM_{10-1}$  may also include bioaerosol, including bacteria, fungal spores and plant pollen, which constitute the "natural" background aerosol over vegetated continental regions, typically contributing a few µg m<sup>-3</sup> of aerosol mass (Huffman et al., 2010). Considering the large  $PM_{10-1}$ volumes observed in this work (Table 3), the contribution of bioaerosol is likely minor.

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# 309 Component 8: Ammonia

310 Component 8 is a single variable component strongly associated with  $NH_3$  (r = 0.94) but with no other

311 variables: the second largest correlation coefficient is that of rBC (r = 0.13).

Bytnerowicz et al. (2010) reported larger concentrations of NH<sub>3</sub> in the oil sands region than the

provincial average. More recently, Shephard et al. (2015) reported enhancements of NH<sub>3</sub> in the general

314 area as judged from satellite observations. Both studies hence suggest the existence of anthropogenic

sources, though Shephard et al. (2015) speculated that biomass burning can contribute to the ammonia

burden in the region. A recent modelling study by Whaley et al. (2017) estimated that around half of

317 near-surface NH<sub>3</sub> during the study was likely from bi-directional exchange (i.e., re-emission from soil and

318 plants).

In the oil sands, NH<sub>3</sub> is used as a floating agent for the separation and recovery of bitumen from tar,

during bitumen upgrading in a process called "hydrotreating", and in tailing ponds, which, on occasion,

have been contaminated with  $NH_3$  to such a degree that they outgas it (Bytnerowicz et al., 2010).

Ammonia is also used for flue gas de-sulfurization by Syncrude; emission inventories (NPRI, 2013; ECCC, 2013a) suggest their fugitive emissions are the largest anthropogenic source in the region, though it is not clear if all sources are accurately inventoried.

The lack of association of ammonia with other variables in this component and the bivariate polar plots (Figure S-9) are consistent with an NH<sub>3</sub>-specific source profile, such as fugitive emissions from one or more point sources that emit independently from other activities (i.e., ammonia storage tanks) and natural emissions from soil and trees.

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# 330 **Component 9: Background CO from VOC oxidation**

Component 9 is another single variable component and strongly correlates with CO (r = 0.87). The variables with the next largest correlation coefficients are CH<sub>4</sub> (r = 0.17), 1,2,3- and 1,2,4-TMB (both r = 0.18), and o-xylene (r = 0.16).

The conventional interpretation of CO is as a byproduct of incomplete VOC oxidation, as it is found in fossil fuel combustion exhaust or in biomass burning plumes. Component 9, however, is not associated with NO<sub>y</sub> (r = -0.08) or CO<sub>2</sub> (r = 0.05), which rules out this conventional interpretation.

337 Recently, Marey et al. (2015) examined the spatial distribution of CO in Northern Alberta using a

338 combination of satellite and ground station data and found that most CO is derived from biomass

burning and the photochemical oxidation of methane and other VOCs. During the 2013 JOSM study,

340 there was no obvious (i.e., tracer) evidence for fire emissions impacting the measurements at AMS 13

341 (Phillips-Smith et al., 2017), though an impact from distant sources (such as fires located 1,000s of km

342 upwind in British Columbia or Washington State) cannot be entirely ruled out. We therefore interpret

343 component 9 as a VOC oxidation product component.

#### 344 Component 10: Dry tailings

345 Component 10 is strongly associated with TRS (r = 0.71) and moderately with o-xylene (r = 0.32). There 346 are weak correlations with  $CH_4$  (r = 0.14) and IVOCs (r= 0.20). This component is qualitatively similar to 347 component 1, in that the presence of o-xylene suggests emission of naphtha, and the presence of TRS 348 and CH<sub>4</sub> suggests anaerobic sulfur reducing bacteria and methanogens as they occur in tailings ponds 349 (Holowenko et al., 2000; Percy, 2013; Quagraine et al., 2005). However, the absence of correlations with 350  $NO_{y}$ , rBC, and CO suggests that this source is not in spatial proximity with a continuously operating 351 combustion source. The much weaker correlations of o-xylene, CH<sub>4</sub>, and IVOCs than for component 1 352 suggests that this component is much more "aged", i.e., emits less naphtha and bitumen. 353 As part of the reclamation process, tailings ponds in the Alberta oil sands region are converted into 354 "composite tailings", which consist of a consolidated alkaline, saline mixture of processed sand, residual 355 bitumen, clay fines, and gypsum (CaSO $_4$ ). This mixture settles and releases water, forming shallow pools 356 of surface water (Figure 4J). Due to intensive microbial activity, composite tailings deposits are strong 357 sources of  $H_2S$  and, likely, other reduced sulfur species (Warren et al., 2016; Bradford et al., 2017). 358 Composite tailings are a source consistent with the emission profile of component 10. The association 359 with TRS is explained by its production from biological activity and the presence of IVOCs by outgassing 360 from the residual bitumen. Syncrude (the company operating closest to AMS 13) has been undertaking a 361 pilot scale wetland reclamation project in the Athabasca Oil Sands Region to allow the development of a 362 fen wetland above composite tailings (Bradford et al., 2017). Component 10 is hence interpreted as a 363 dry tailings pond component, though the confidence in this interpretation is somewhat marginal as 364 judged, for example, from the low eigenvalue of 0.74.

#### 366 Bivariate polar plots

367 Bivariate polar plots map a surface using wind direction and wind speed and then model pollutant

368 concentrations. While PCA is good at showing the temporal distribution of sources, bivariate polar plots

- 369 help to show the spatial distribution of sources.
- 370 Figure S-2 shows a sample of variables associated with component 1. This component appears to
- dominate when winds are from the SSE and E and of moderate wind speeds (2-3 m/s).

372 Figure S-3 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 2. This component appears

to dominate when winds are from the E at low wind speeds (1-2 m/s). The map appears to track the

- 374 location of the Athabasca river and highway 63, corroborating that this source is from vehicular
- 375 emissions.

376 Figure S-4 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 3. This component appears

to dominate when winds are stagnant and local. This is unsurprising because biogenic emissions are

- 378 expected to be emitted in great concentrations locally since our site is surrounded on all sides by forest.
- 379 Figure S-5 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 4 (or with component 2 in
- the secondary processes PCA). This component appears to dominate when winds are moderate (2-3

381 m/s) and from the SE and E.

- Figure S-6 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 5. This component appears
  to dominate when winds are from the E at moderate wind speeds (2-3 m/s).
- Figure S-7 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 6. This component appears
- to dominate when winds are stagnant and local. This suggests that this source is biogenic and may be
- 386 due to emissions from trees.
- 387 Figure S-8 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 7. This component appears
- to dominate when winds are from the SE and E at moderate wind speeds (1-3 m/s).
- 389 Figure S-9 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 8. This component does

390 not appear to have a specific direction associated with it and is observed in all directions. This

391 component is observed when winds are at moderate to high speeds (2-4 m/s).

392 Figure S-10 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 9. This component is

- 393 observed when winds are from the S, SE, and E. This component is observed when winds are at low to
- 394 moderate speeds (1-3 m/s).
- 395 Figure S-11 shows a sample of dominant variables associated with component 10. This component is
- 396 observed when winds are from the SSE. This component is observed when winds are around 1.5 m/s.

397 This source is very likely a point source due to its consistency with wind direction and speed.

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Compound	Volume mixing ratio	Uncertainty (%)				
	(ppinv)					
Formaldehyde	1.01	±8				
Methanol	1.01	±8				
Acetonitrile	1.01	±6				
Acetaldehyde	1.01	±5				
Ethanol	1.01	±8				
Acrolein	0.98	±5				
Acetone	1.02	±5				
Isoprene	0.99	±5				
Crotonaldehyde	0.92	±6				
2-Butanone	1.01	±5				
Benzene	1.01	±5				
Toluene	1.02	±5				
o-xylene	1.03	±6				
Chlorobenzene	1.02	±5				
α-pinene	0.93	±5				
1,2, Dichlorobenzene	1.03	±7				
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	1.01	±9				

**Table S-1.** Ionimed Analytical GCU Standard..

**Table S-2.** The component pattern after Varimax rotation. Correlations greater than 0.30 or less than -0.30 are bolded.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Anthropogenic V	OCs																					
o-xylene	0.89	0.07	0.03	0.10	0.09	0.06	-0.03	0.11	0.15	0.06	0.26	0.11	0.00	0.04	-0.08	0.24	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	0.00	-0.01	0.00
1,2,3 - TMB	0.94	0.15	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.08	-0.01	0.06	0.17	0.01	-0.01	0.02	-0.04	0.01	-0.08	-0.14	0.03	0.00	-0.09	0.00	-0.07	0.00
1,2,4 - TMB	0.94	0.13	0.01	0.11	0.08	0.05	-0.02	0.09	0.17	0.04	0.12	0.03	-0.01	0.02	-0.06	0.03	0.01	0.00	-0.04	0.00	0.09	0.00
decane	0.91	0.22	-0.02	0.15	0.05	0.00	0.04	0.15	0.05	0.15	0.07	-0.02	0.04	-0.01	0.07	-0.03	-0.03	0.02	0.16	0.00	-0.01	0.00
undecane	0.85	0.27	-0.08	0.23	0.08	-0.03	0.06	0.05	0.00	0.20	0.01	-0.10	0.09	0.00	0.26	-0.05	-0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>																						
α-pinene	-0.03	-0.08	0.98	-0.11	0.02	0.05	-0.08	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.01	-0.08	-0.01	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.08	0.97	-0.12	0.01	0.05	-0.08	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.02	0.00	-0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.10	0.01	0.01	-0.09	0.00	0.00
limonene	0.08	-0.02	0.92	-0.08	0.06	0.23	-0.11	0.08	0.02	0.07	-0.05	0.02	-0.03	0.03	-0.02	0.00	0.23	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Combustion trace	ers																					
NOy	0.26	0.80	-0.25	0.21	0.03	-0.05	0.10	0.19	-0.04	0.07	0.04	0.01	0.34	0.00	0.04	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
rBC	0.31	0.80	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.24	0.12	0.34	-0.03	0.02	-0.02	-0.05	0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.22	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
СО	0.41	0.18	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.88	0.06	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.10	0.09	0.46	-0.12	0.23	0.82	-0.14	-0.03	0.07	0.00	-0.05	0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aerosol species																						
рРАН	0.07	0.94	-0.08	-0.11	0.02	0.06	0.14	0.00	0.09	-0.15	0.00	0.01	-0.14	-0.07	-0.02	0.00	0.00	-0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.18	0.13	0.07	0.10	0.94	0.16	-0.03	0.04	0.07	0.10	0.08	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HOA	0.41	0.74	0.02	0.11	0.21	0.11	-0.04	0.13	0.15	0.19	0.10	0.05	0.01	0.35	0.00	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LO-OOA	0.45	0.17	0.13	0.25	0.19	0.01	-0.04	0.28	0.10	0.73	0.16	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Sulfur</u>																						
TS	0.25	0.04	-0.16	0.94	0.07	-0.05	-0.02	0.02	0.01	0.09	0.14	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.11	0.02	-0.15	0.98	0.04	-0.04	-0.03	-0.02	0.01	0.05	-0.05	-0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01
TRS	0.57	0.05	-0.08	0.11	0.14	-0.05	0.03	0.16	-0.01	0.13	0.77	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Other</u>																						
IVOCs	0.34	0.34	0.12	-0.03	0.05	-0.02	-0.02	0.84	0.04	0.18	0.13	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NH₃	0.01	0.19	-0.23	-0.04	-0.03	-0.09	0.95	-0.01	0.04	-0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CH₄	0.60	0.39	0.10	-0.05	0.14	0.44	0.00	0.06	0.16	0.08	0.09	0.46	0.01	0.03	-0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Eigenvalues	5.76	3.29	3.20	2.14	1.11	1.01	1.00	0.98	0.96	0.87	0.77	0.24	0.15	0.14	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.00
% of variance	26.17	14.97	14.55	9.75	5.06	4.60	4.53	4.46	4.34	3.94	3.51	1.09	0.69	0.63	0.42	0.37	0.33	0.28	0.17	0.08	0.06	0.00
% cum. var.	26.17	41.14	55.69	65.43	70.49	75.09	79.62	84.07	88.42	92.36	95.87	96.97	97.66	98.29	98.71	99.08	99.41	99.69	99.86	99.94	100.0	100
	20.17	1 2 1 2 7	55.05	03.15	, 0.15	, 5.05	, 5.02	51.07	00.12	52.50	55.67	50.57	57.00	50.25	50.71	55.00	55.11	55.05	55.00	55.54	100.0	100

	1	2	3	4	5	Communalities
Anthropogenic VOCs						<u> </u>
o-xylene	0.94	0.08	0.03	0.09	0.15	0.93
1,2,3 - TMB	0.90	0.14	0.04	0.01	0.23	0.89
1,2,4 - TMB	0.95	0.14	-0.01	0.09	0.18	0.97
decane	0.91	0.27	-0.03	0.16	0.05	0.93
undecane	0.82	0.31	-0.10	0.26	0.05	0.84
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>						
α-pinene	-0.03	-0.05	0.94	-0.15	0.04	0.91
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.06	0.94	-0.15	0.03	0.90
limonene	0.07	0.02	0.94	-0.10	0.18	0.93
Combustion tracers						
ΝΟγ	0.25	0.83	-0.29	0.22	0.02	0.89
rBC	0.33	0.89	0.04	0.07	0.13	0.92
СО	0.53	0.19	-0.02	-0.08	0.40	0.48
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.07	0.06	0.55	-0.13	0.71	0.83
Aerosol species						
рРАН	0.01	0.83	-0.20	-0.20	0.27	0.84
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.21	0.19	0.15	0.29	0.57	0.51
НОА	0.44	0.75	0.03	0.15	0.32	0.88
LO-OOA	0.59	0.37	0.28	0.41	-0.06	0.74
<u>Sulfur</u>						
TS	0.28	0.04	-0.18	0.91	0.01	0.94
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.10	0.01	-0.18	0.93	0.05	0.91
TRS	0.76	0.10	-0.04	0.17	-0.13	0.63
<u>Other</u>						
IVOCs	0.47	0.61	0.28	0.03	-0.25	0.73
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.02	0.34	-0.47	-0.21	-0.14	0.40
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.62	0.38	0.12	-0.09	0.53	0.84
Eigenvalues	6.42	3.79	3.56	2.34	1.70	
% of variance	29.20	17.25	16.20	10.63	7.74	
Cumulative variance	29.20	46.45	62.65	73.28	81.01	

**Table S-3.** The pattern after Varimax rotation with 5 components selected.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Communalities
Anthropogenic VOCs							
o-xylene	0.92	0.04	0.01	0.08	0.24	0.13	0.93
1,2,3 - TMB	0.94	0.16	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.92
1,2,4 - TMB	0.95	0.13	0.00	0.11	0.16	0.08	0.97
decane	0.88	0.23	-0.02	0.18	0.28	0.00	0.94
undecane	0.79	0.28	-0.09	0.29	0.25	0.00	0.85
Biogenic VOCs							
α-pinene	-0.02	-0.09	0.96	-0.12	0.04	0.01	0.95
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.10	0.96	-0.12	0.05	0.01	0.94
limonene	0.09	-0.01	0.95	-0.09	0.04	0.15	0.95
Combustion tracers							
ΝΟγ	0.22	0.81	-0.27	0.23	0.25	0.00	0.89
rBC	0.31	0.85	0.07	0.08	0.28	0.10	0.92
СО	0.64	0.29	0.09	0.02	-0.23	0.09	0.56
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.17	0.12	0.57	-0.17	-0.23	0.62	0.84
Aerosol species							
рРАН	0.09	0.90	-0.10	-0.14	-0.10	0.05	0.87
PM10-1	0.19	0.14	0.03	0.12	0.17	0.81	0.76
НОА	0.44	0.73	0.04	0.13	0.22	0.30	0.88
LO-OOA	0.46	0.22	0.17	0.32	0.60	0.21	0.79
<u>Sulfur</u>							
TS	0.25	0.02	-0.18	0.92	0.12	0.06	0.97
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.10	0.03	-0.15	0.97	-0.02	0.02	0.98
TRS	0.62	-0.04	-0.17	0.06	0.56	0.14	0.75
<u>Other</u>							
IVOCs	0.31	0.43	0.17	-0.06	0.70	0.02	0.80
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.06	0.41	-0.36	-0.11	-0.11	-0.36	0.46
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.68	0.42	0.15	-0.10	0.00	0.41	0.84
Eigenvalues	6.09	3.60	3.47	2.25	1.76	1.58	
% of variance	27.70	16.38	15.78	10.22	7.98	7.18	
Cumulative variance	27.70	44.07	59.85	70.08	78.06	85.23	

**Table S-4.** The pattern after Varimax rotation with 6 components selected.

**Table S-5.** The pattern after Varimax rotation with 7 components selected.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Commu-
			_			-		nalities
Anthropogenic VOCs								
o-xylene	0.93	0.07	0.01	0.08	0.21	0.12	-0.05	0.93
1,2,3 - TMB	0.94	0.18	0.08	0.06	0.03	0.03	-0.03	0.93
1,2,4 - TMB	0.96	0.15	0.00	0.11	0.14	0.07	-0.02	0.98
decane	0.88	0.26	-0.02	0.18	0.26	0.00	0.01	0.94
undecane	0.79	0.30	-0.09	0.28	0.23	0.00	0.03	0.85
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>								
α-pinene	-0.03	-0.09	0.96	-0.11	0.04	0.00	-0.05	0.96
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.10	0.96	-0.11	0.06	0.01	-0.05	0.95
limonene	0.09	0.01	0.95	-0.08	0.03	0.12	-0.13	0.95
Combustion tracers								
NOy	0.22	0.83	-0.28	0.22	0.20	-0.02	0.06	0.91
rBC	0.31	0.85	0.07	0.08	0.25	0.11	0.13	0.92
СО	0.62	0.22	0.13	0.03	-0.21	0.19	0.29	0.61
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.17	0.17	0.56	-0.18	-0.28	0.54	-0.27	0.84
Aerosol species								
рРАН	0.08	0.89	-0.10	-0.15	-0.14	0.03	0.15	0.88
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.18	0.12	0.06	0.13	0.18	0.89	0.01	0.89
HOA	0.44	0.76	0.03	0.12	0.16	0.27	-0.03	0.89
LO-OOA	0.46	0.23	0.18	0.33	0.59	0.25	0.01	0.81
<u>Sulfur</u>								
TS	0.25	0.04	-0.18	0.92	0.12	0.06	-0.02	0.97
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.10	0.04	-0.15	0.97	-0.02	0.02	-0.03	0.98
TRS	0.62	-0.03	-0.16	0.07	0.56	0.19	0.02	0.77
<u>Other</u>								
IVOCs	0.32	0.48	0.16	-0.07	0.66	0.00	-0.05	0.80
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.01	0.20	-0.26	-0.06	0.00	-0.05	0.89	0.91
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.68	0.45	0.15	-0.11	-0.05	0.36	-0.10	0.85
Eigenvalues	6.09	3.65	3.42	2.23	1.61	1.46	1.03	
% of variance	27.70	16.60	15.57	10.14	7.33	6.66	4.70	
Cumulative variance	27.70	44.30	59.86	70.01	77.34	84.00	88.70	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Communalities
Anthropogenic VOCs									
o-xylene	0.93	0.08	0.03	0.07	0.14	0.13	-0.03	0.11	0.93
1,2,3 - TMB	0.91	0.19	0.09	0.06	-0.01	0.02	-0.04	0.21	0.93
1,2,4 - TMB	0.95	0.16	0.01	0.11	0.09	0.07	-0.03	0.18	0.98
decane	0.90	0.26	-0.01	0.17	0.19	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.95
undecane	0.82	0.30	-0.07	0.28	0.15	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.87
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>									
α-pinene	-0.04	-0.10	0.97	-0.11	0.06	0.00	-0.05	0.00	0.96
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.10	0.96	-0.11	0.06	0.00	-0.04	-0.01	0.96
limonene	0.07	0.00	0.95	-0.08	0.06	0.11	-0.14	0.05	0.95
Combustion tracers									
ΝΟγ	0.25	0.83	-0.26	0.22	0.19	-0.01	0.10	-0.08	0.92
rBC	0.28	0.83	0.06	0.07	0.33	0.10	0.09	0.17	0.93
СО	0.42	0.18	0.04	0.01	0.07	0.11	0.06	0.85	0.96
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.13	0.19	0.58	-0.17	-0.28	0.53	-0.27	0.10	0.86
Aerosol species									
рРАН	0.06	0.91	-0.08	-0.14	-0.11	0.03	0.16	0.06	0.89
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.18	0.12	0.07	0.12	0.16	0.89	0.01	0.06	0.89
НОА	0.42	0.75	0.03	0.12	0.21	0.26	-0.06	0.15	0.89
LO-OOA	0.46	0.19	0.15	0.30	0.65	0.24	-0.04	0.15	0.87
<u>Sulfur</u>									
TS	0.28	0.03	-0.18	0.92	0.09	0.07	-0.01	-0.02	0.97
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.11	0.04	-0.15	0.97	-0.01	0.02	-0.04	0.03	0.98
TRS	0.72	-0.03	-0.13	0.06	0.40	0.23	0.11	-0.20	0.80
<u>Other</u>									
IVOCs	0.35	0.43	0.13	-0.09	0.71	0.00	-0.07	0.01	0.84
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.01	0.22	-0.24	-0.05	-0.05	-0.04	0.92	0.05	0.96
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.65	0.47	0.17	-0.11	-0.08	0.35	-0.10	0.16	0.86
Eigenvalues	5.99	3.58	3.40	2.20	1.52	1.43	1.03	1.00	
% of variance	27.23	16.28	15.44	10.01	6.90	6.52	4.70	4.53	
Cumulative variance	27.23	43.51	58.95	68.96	75.86	82.37	87.08	91.61	

**Table S-6.** The pattern after Varimax rotation with 8 components selected.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Communalities
Anthropogenic VOCs										
o-xylene	0.89	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.11	0.11	-0.05	0.16	0.30	0.95
1,2,3 - TMB	0.93	0.16	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.05	-0.02	0.17	-0.02	0.94
1,2,4 - TMB	0.94	0.15	0.01	0.11	0.11	0.08	-0.02	0.18	0.12	0.98
decane	0.91	0.22	-0.03	0.16	0.25	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.97
undecane	0.85	0.25	-0.10	0.25	0.24	0.06	0.10	-0.05	-0.08	0.94
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>										
α-pinene	-0.04	-0.09	0.97	-0.10	0.05	0.00	-0.06	0.02	0.02	0.97
ß-pinene	-0.03	-0.10	0.97	-0.11	0.05	0.00	-0.05	0.00	0.02	0.96
limonene	0.09	-0.01	0.94	-0.09	0.08	0.13	-0.13	0.03	-0.06	0.95
Combustion tracers										
ΝΟγ	0.26	0.82	-0.26	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.11	-0.09	0.02	0.92
rBC	0.31	0.79	0.04	0.05	0.41	0.12	0.12	0.12	-0.10	0.94
СО	0.42	0.19	0.05	0.02	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.87	-0.02	0.98
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.16	0.17	0.56	-0.18	-0.22	0.56	-0.25	0.06	-0.17	0.86
Aerosol species										
рРАН	0.06	0.93	-0.07	-0.12	-0.11	0.01	0.14	0.09	0.03	0.93
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.16	0.11	0.06	0.12	0.17	0.89	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.89
НОА	0.41	0.75	0.03	0.13	0.23	0.25	-0.06	0.16	0.08	0.90
LO-OOA	0.46	0.14	0.13	0.28	0.70	0.26	-0.01	0.10	0.05	0.90
<u>Sulfur</u>										
TS	0.25	0.04	-0.17	0.93	0.08	0.06	-0.02	0.00	0.13	0.99
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.11	0.03	-0.15	0.97	0.01	0.02	-0.03	0.01	-0.05	0.99
TRS	0.59	0.05	-0.09	0.11	0.24	0.14	0.04	-0.04	0.71	0.96
<u>Other</u>										
IVOCs	0.32	0.41	0.12	-0.09	0.70	-0.01	-0.08	0.02	0.20	0.84
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.01	0.21	-0.24	-0.05	-0.04	-0.04	0.93	0.04	0.01	0.97
CH4	0.65	0.47	0.16	-0.10	-0.06	0.36	-0.10	0.17	0.07	0.86
Eigenvalues	5.84	3.44	3.37	2.19	1.58	1.47	1.03	0.95	0.74	
% of variance	26.54	15.63	15.30	9.98	7.19	6.66	4.69	4.31	3.38	
Cumulative variance	26.54	42.17	57.47	67.44	74.63	81.29	85.98	90.29	93.67	

**Table S-7.** The pattern after Varimax rotation with 9 components selected.

	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Factor	Commu-
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	nalities
Anthropogenic VOCs												
o-xylene	0.88	0.08	0.03	0.10	0.13	0.07	-0.04	0.17	0.11	0.04	0.32	0.95
1,2,3 - TMB	0.94	0.16	0.07	0.05	0.11	0.05	-0.01	0.18	0.06	-0.01	-0.02	0.96
1,2,4 - TMB	0.94	0.15	0.01	0.11	0.08	0.08	-0.02	0.18	0.09	0.03	0.13	0.99
decane	0.92	0.24	-0.02	0.15	0.00	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.16	0.05	0.97
undecane	0.87	0.29	-0.08	0.22	-0.06	0.09	0.05	-0.05	0.03	0.22	-0.05	0.96
Biogenic VOC	<u>s</u>											
α-pinene	-0.03	-0.08	0.98	-0.11	0.04	0.01	-0.08	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.98
ß-pinene	-0.02	-0.08	0.98	-0.12	0.02	0.02	-0.07	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.98
limonene	0.08	-0.02	0.93	-0.08	0.24	0.05	-0.11	0.03	0.09	0.06	-0.05	0.95
Combustion t	racers											
NOy	0.27	0.83	-0.26	0.21	-0.04	0.03	0.10	-0.08	0.18	0.07	0.01	0.92
rBC	0.30	0.81	0.04	0.04	0.09	0.07	0.12	0.12	0.23	0.34	-0.05	0.95
СО	0.41	0.19	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.08	0.05	0.87	0.03	0.06	-0.01	0.99
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.09	0.08	0.48	-0.12	0.77	0.25	-0.14	0.05	-0.04	-0.01	-0.09	0.95
<u>Aerosol speci</u>	<u>es</u>											
рРАН	0.06	0.93	-0.07	-0.12	0.07	0.02	0.14	0.10	-0.02	-0.20	0.01	0.95
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.18	0.14	0.08	0.10	0.17	0.94	-0.03	0.07	0.04	0.09	0.08	1.00
HOA	0.40	0.77	0.03	0.11	0.14	0.20	-0.07	0.16	0.09	0.19	0.13	0.92
LO-00A	0.45	0.19	0.13	0.25	0.03	0.19	-0.04	0.11	0.27	0.72	0.16	0.98
<u>Sulfur</u>												
TS	0.26	0.05	-0.16	0.93	-0.05	0.07	-0.02	0.01	0.02	0.08	0.13	0.26
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.12	0.03	-0.15	0.98	-0.04	0.04	-0.03	0.01	-0.02	0.05	-0.05	0.12
TRS	0.58	0.06	-0.08	0.10	-0.04	0.14	0.03	-0.03	0.16	0.13	0.74	0.58
<u>Other</u>												
IVOCs	0.34	0.37	0.13	-0.03	-0.01	0.05	-0.03	0.03	0.82	0.18	0.12	1.00
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.01	0.20	-0.24	-0.04	-0.08	-0.03	0.94	0.04	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	1.00
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.59	0.40	0.10	-0.06	0.59	0.10	0.00	0.17	0.05	0.07	0.15	0.93
Eigenvalues	5.75	3.43	3.24	2.13	1.12	1.10	0.99	0.96	0.93	0.87	0.79	
% var.	26.14	15.61	14.72	9.66	5.11	4.99	4.51	4.35	4.22	3.95	3.60	
% Cum. var.	26.14	41.74	56.46	66.12	71.23	76.22	80.73	85.09	89.31	93.26	96.86	

**Table S-8.** The factor pattern after Varimax rotation with 11 factors selected.

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419	Table 3-9. The	pattern with	mixing neigh	t included after	Varimax rotation	with to components.

											Commu-
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	nalities
Anthropogenic	VOCs										
o-xylene	0.89	0.04	0.03	0.10	0.29	0.10	-0.01	-0.06	0.17	0.16	0.95
1,2,3 - TMB	0.94	0.17	0.10	0.04	-0.04	0.01	-0.03	-0.04	0.17	0.06	0.95
1,2,4 - TMB	0.94	0.13	0.03	0.10	0.11	0.09	-0.02	-0.06	0.18	0.07	0.98
decane	0.92	0.25	0.03	0.15	0.11	0.11	0.01	0.04	0.03	-0.04	0.97
undecane	0.87	0.31	-0.05	0.23	-0.03	0.17	0.03	0.10	-0.05	-0.11	0.96
<b>Biogenic VOCs</b>											
α-pinene	-0.02	-0.08	0.96	-0.10	0.03	0.01	-0.05	-0.11	0.01	0.02	0.96
ß-pinene	-0.01	-0.08	0.96	-0.11	0.04	0.02	-0.05	-0.12	-0.01	0.02	0.96
limonene	0.11	0.02	0.95	-0.08	0.04	0.02	-0.11	-0.06	0.03	0.12	0.96
Combustion tra	icers										
ΝΟγ	0.21	0.86	-0.25	0.21	0.11	0.06	0.10	0.01	-0.08	-0.02	0.92
rBC	0.29	0.89	0.12	0.02	0.10	0.19	0.03	0.09	0.10	-0.01	0.95
СО	0.43	0.20	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.08	0.02	0.05	0.86	0.07	0.98
CO2	0.15	0.17	0.56	-0.13	-0.12	0.13	-0.14	-0.12	0.08	0.68	0.91
Aerosol species	<u>i</u>										
рРАН	0.01	0.86	-0.09	-0.13	-0.08	-0.03	0.23	-0.18	0.12	0.17	0.90
PM <sub>10-1</sub>	0.31	0.22	0.05	0.15	0.12	0.88	0.04	-0.01	0.08	0.10	0.97
HOA	0.45	0.79	0.02	0.14	0.16	0.15	-0.02	-0.02	0.16	0.10	0.93
LO-OOA	0.52	0.30	0.21	0.26	0.37	0.36	-0.17	0.27	0.04	-0.18	0.88
<u>Sulfur</u>											
TS	0.27	0.06	-0.16	0.93	0.10	0.10	-0.03	0.04	-0.01	-0.02	1.00
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.11	0.05	-0.14	0.97	-0.06	0.06	-0.05	0.05	0.01	-0.05	0.99
TRS	0.64	0.01	-0.12	0.11	0.63	0.20	0.09	-0.04	-0.09	0.12	0.91
<u>Other</u>											
IVOCs	0.28	0.50	0.22	-0.07	0.66	0.08	-0.13	0.04	0.06	-0.18	0.87
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.00	0.22	-0.20	-0.07	-0.03	0.03	0.92	0.11	0.02	-0.06	0.96
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.64	0.43	0.15	-0.07	0.09	0.10	0.00	-0.07	0.17	0.50	0.92
Mixing height	-0.04	-0.07	-0.35	0.07	0.01	0.00	0.12	0.90	0.04	-0.07	0.96
Eigenvalues	6.06	3.81	3.51	2.16	1.19	1.12	1.03	1.02	0.94	0.92	
% var.	26.35	16.57	15.27	9.39	5.19	4.86	4.48	4.42	4.08	3.98	
% Cum. var.	26.35	42.92	58.19	67.58	72.77	77.63	82.11	86.53	90.61	94.60	

422	Table S-10.	Criteria	for number	of components	extracted by PCA.
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Critorian	Number of components	% Variance explained (after		
Criterion	extracted	rotation)		
Scree test 1	5	81.0%		
< 5% variance	6	85.2%		
Latent root	7	88.7%		
≥ 95% cumulative variance	10	95.5%		
Scree test 2	11	96.9%		

**Table S-11.** Association of IVOCs with relevant components.

# of components in solution	Oil sands surface mining facilities (Component 1)	Mine fleet and operations (Component 2)	Mine face (Component 5)
5	0.47	0.61	n/a
6	0.31	0.43	n/a
7	0.32	0.48	0.66
8	0.35	0.43	0.71
9	0.32	0.41	0.70
10	0.31	0.39	0.74
11	0.34	0.37	n/a



**Figure S-2.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 1 for the optimum primary pollutant

solution (Table 4.). (A) o-xylene, (B) CH<sub>4</sub>, (C) decane, (D) 1, 2, 3-TMB, (E) TRS, (F) and component 1.



434 solution (Table 4.). (A) NO<sub>y</sub>, (B) rBC, (C) PAHs, (D) HOA, (E) IVOCs, (F) and component 2.





**Figure S-4.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 3 for the optimum primary pollutant

solution (Table 4.). (A)  $\beta$ -pinene, (B)  $\alpha$ -pinene, (C) CO<sub>2</sub>, (D) and component 3.





**Figure S-5.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 4 for the optimum primary pollutant

solution (Table 4). (A) SO<sub>2</sub>, (B)  $NH_{4^+(p)}$ , (C)  $SO_{4^{2^-}(p)}$ , (D) and component 4.







450 solution (Table 4.). (A) PM<sub>1</sub> (11-component solution), (B) LO-OOA, (C) IVOCs, and (D) component 5.



**Figure S-7.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 6 for the optimum primary pollutant

456 solution (Table 4.). (A) CO<sub>2</sub>, (B) CH<sub>4</sub>, and (C) component 6.



**Figure S-8.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 7 for the optimum primary pollutant





**Figure S-9.** Bivariate polar plots associated with component 8 for the optimum primary pollutant

solution (Table 4.). (A) NH<sub>3</sub>, (B) and component 8.





472 solution (Table 4.). (A) CO, and (B) component 9.









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