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Dear Dr. Arias, BIPM,

Attached is the report on the frequency measurement by NMIJ-F1, a cesium atomic fountain frequency standard of NMIJ, during **MJD 54594-54614**. The uncertainty evaluation was the same as that in the last publication.

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Frequency comparison between H-Maser(405014) and Cs Fountain(NMIJ-F1) during MJD 54594-54614

The frequency of our Hydrogen maser HM(Clock # 405014) have been measured using NMIJ-F1 during MJD 54594-54614 (20 days). The results are shown in tables 1.

Table 1. Results of the comparison in 1×10^{-15} unit.

| Period | 54594-54614 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Measurement ratio | 91.6% |
| Y(NMIJ-F1)-Y(Maser 405014) | -28.3 |
| u_A | 0.8 |
| u_B | 3.9 |
| $u_{link / lab}$ | 0.3 |

1. Type A uncertainty u_A

The frequency stability $\sigma_y(\tau)$ is $1 \times 10^{-12} \tau^{-1/2}$. This equation has been used for the estimation of type A uncertainty on the basis of white FM noise. The measurement uncertainty is 0.8×10^{-15} .

2. Uncertainty of the link in the laboratory $u_{link / lab}$

The uncertainty of the link in the laboratory, $u_{link / lab}$, is written as,

$$u_{link / lab} = \sqrt{u_{dead\ time}^2 + u_{link / maser}^2} \quad (1)$$

where $u_{link / maser}$ is the uncertainty due to the phase noise of the synthesis chain between the fountain and HM, $u_{dead\ time}$ is the uncertainty due to the operational dead time of the fountain. ($u_{link / maser}$, $u_{dead\ time}$) are evaluated to be $(2 \times 10^{-16}, 2 \times 10^{-16})$ for the period of MJD 54594-54614.

3. Type B uncertainty u_B

The value of type B uncertainty is the same as the last publication, as is shown in table 2.

Table 2: Frequency biases and uncertainties in NMIJ-F1 during the period MJD 54594-54614 in 1×10^{-15} unit.

| Source of uncertainty | Bias | Uncertainty |
|------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| 2 nd order Zeeman | 182.3 | 0.5 |
| Blackbody radiation | -18.0 | 1.4 |
| Gravitation | 1.6 | 0.1 |
| Cold collisions | 0.0 | 3.3 |
| Distributed cavity phase | 0.0 | 1.2 |
| Microwave power dependence | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| Total | 165.9 | 3.9 |