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## Bedload transport monitoring station at Suggadinbach

A new bedload transport monitoring station has been designed by the Institute of Mountain Risk engineering at the Suggadinbach in Vorarlberg. In cooperation with the Austrian Service for Torrent and Avalanche Control the station has been installed in June 2013 in a check dam. All details are given in “Report 148 SedAlp WP5 Part 1: Conception, installation and first operation of a bedload monitoring station at Suggadinbach”.

### Calibration

In the on-going project the sensor signal is related with a deposition volume below the station. Therefore stereoscopic images are made and analysed after bedload transporting events. The limitation of this method is that only bigger events can be quantified. A stereoscopic derived elevation model generated in February 2014 is shown in Figure 1.

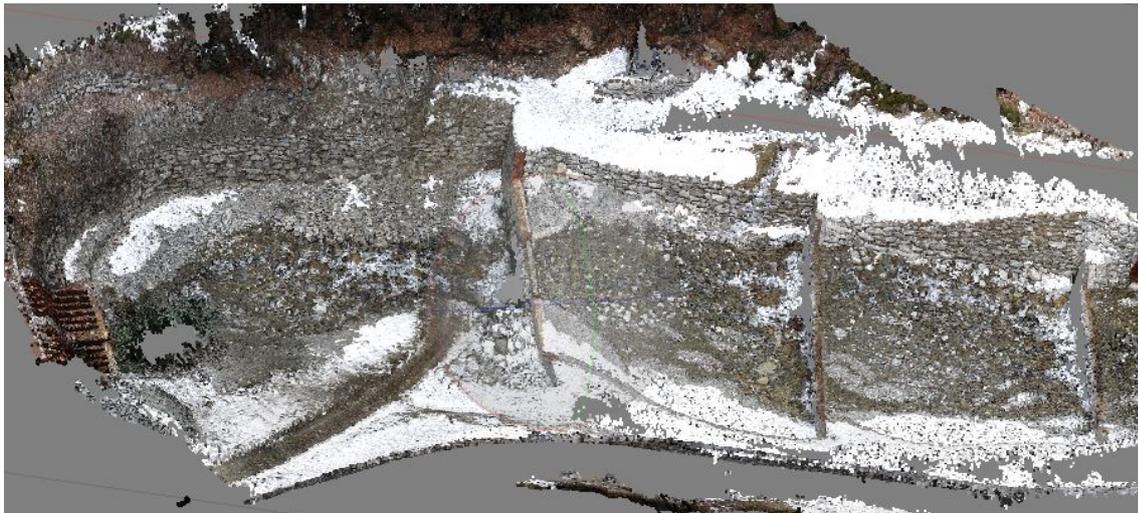


Figure 1: Stereoscopic derived elevation model from February 2014.

Therefore first field tests at medium water discharge (Figure 2) and controlled field tests at low water conditions (Figure 3) have been made in the framework of the ongoing SedAlp project. At the first test series sediment was added by a bucket at medium water conditions. During low water conditions without natural bedload transport sediment has been fed by a crane with a concrete container. A flume has been installed in order to obtain controlled flow and transport over the measuring system. The water was concentrated by sand bags in order to have higher transport capacity to be able to transport grain sizes up to 64 mm. The discharge was measured in the flume.

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Four different grain classes as well as a mixture of all classes were tested. A total amount of 4 tons were fed during the experiments.

Both tests have their limitations. At higher discharges there is already natural bedload transport and one can-not be sure that the added sediment really hits the measuring system due to the high current in the stream. Tests as the second one at low water conditions cannot be repeated at higher discharges, because the mountain stream has to be wade able.



Figure 2: First test of the installed system.



Figure 3: Controlled field test at low water conditions (February 2014).

## Data evaluation September 2013

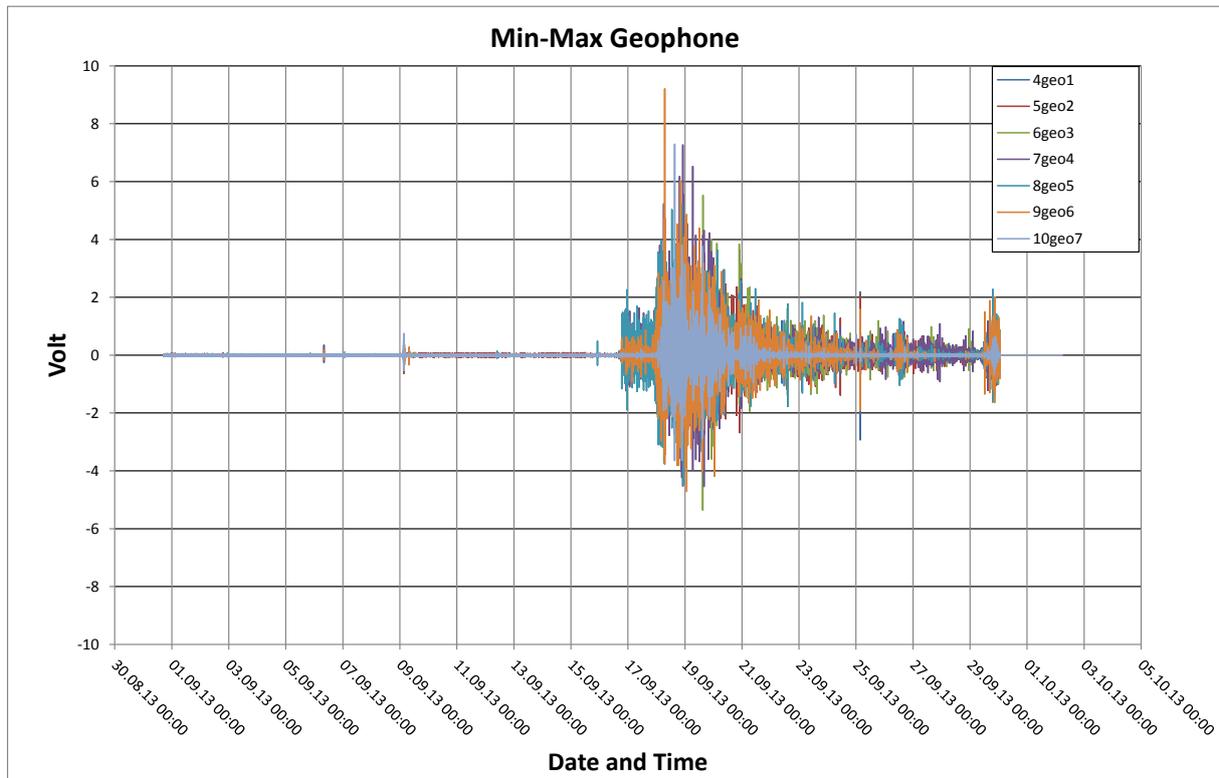


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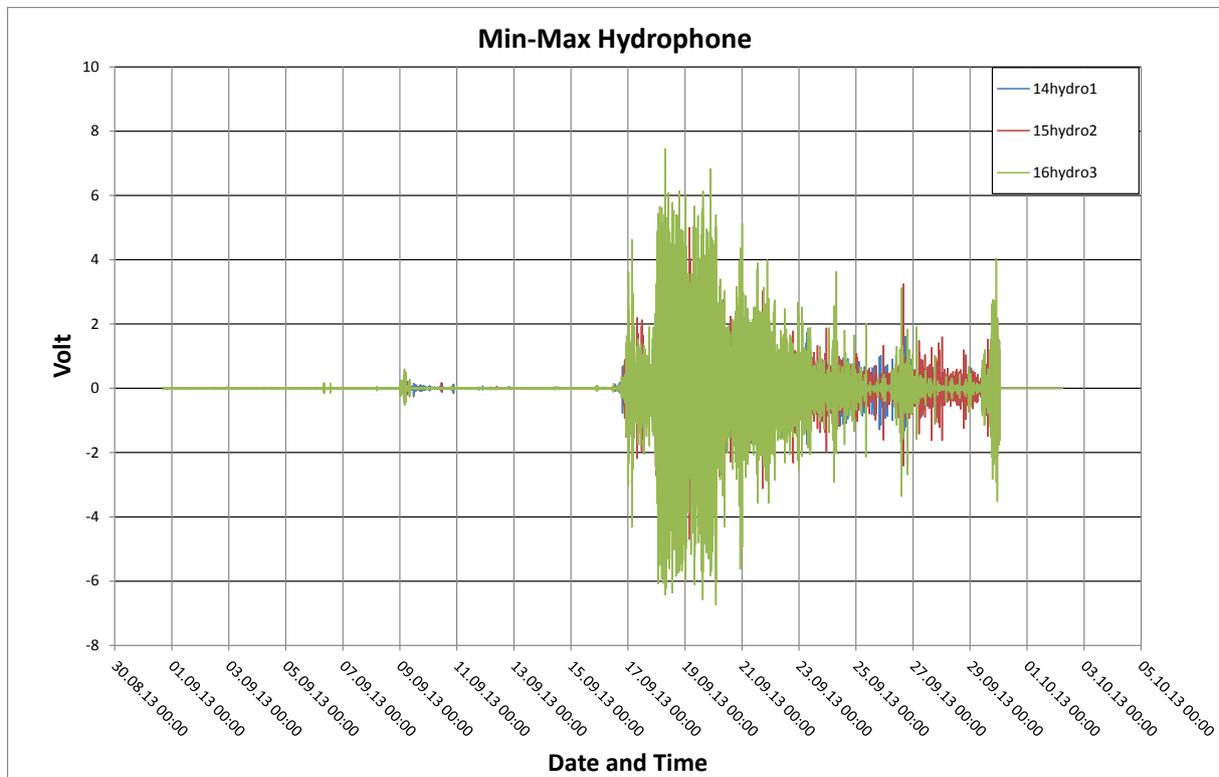


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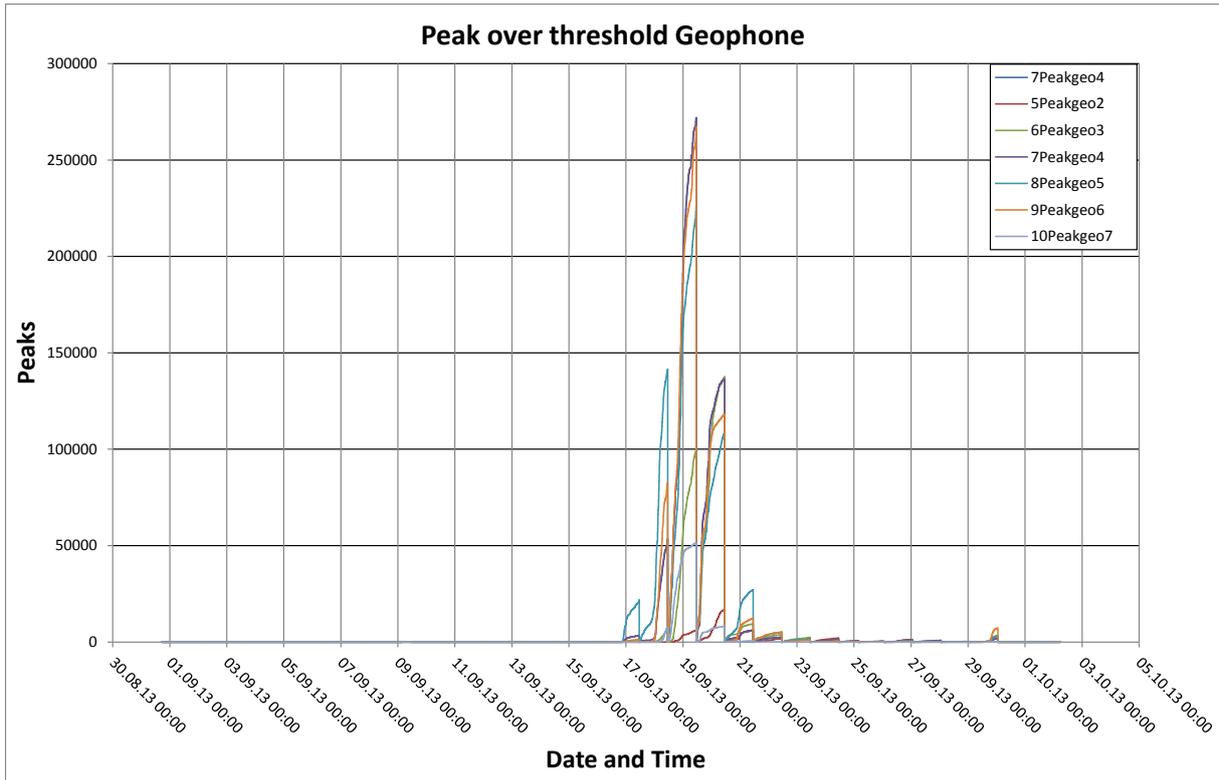


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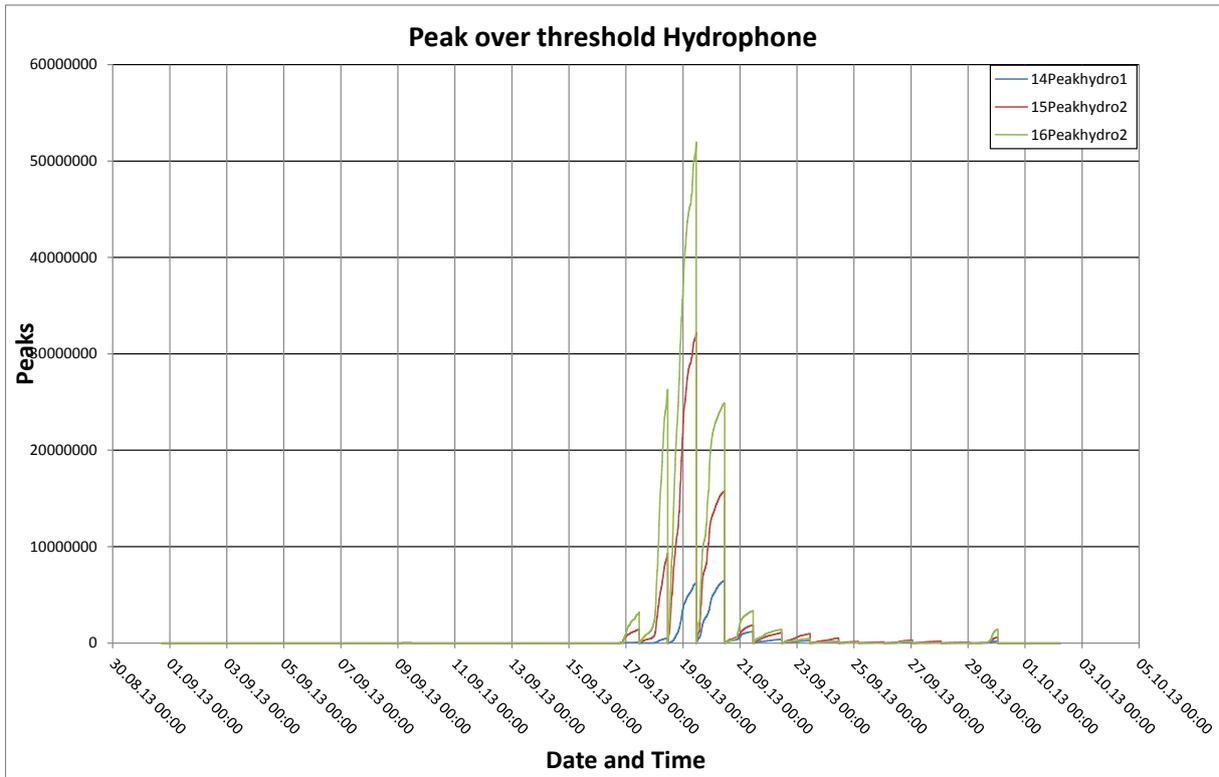


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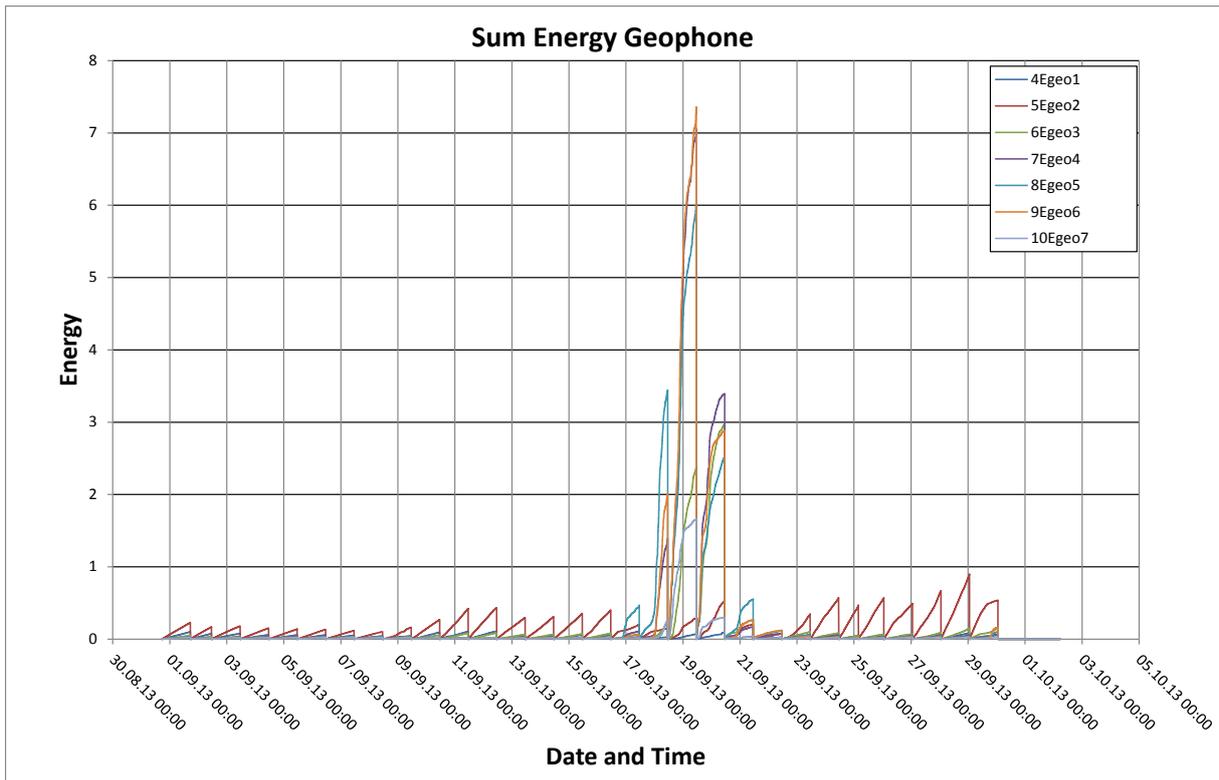


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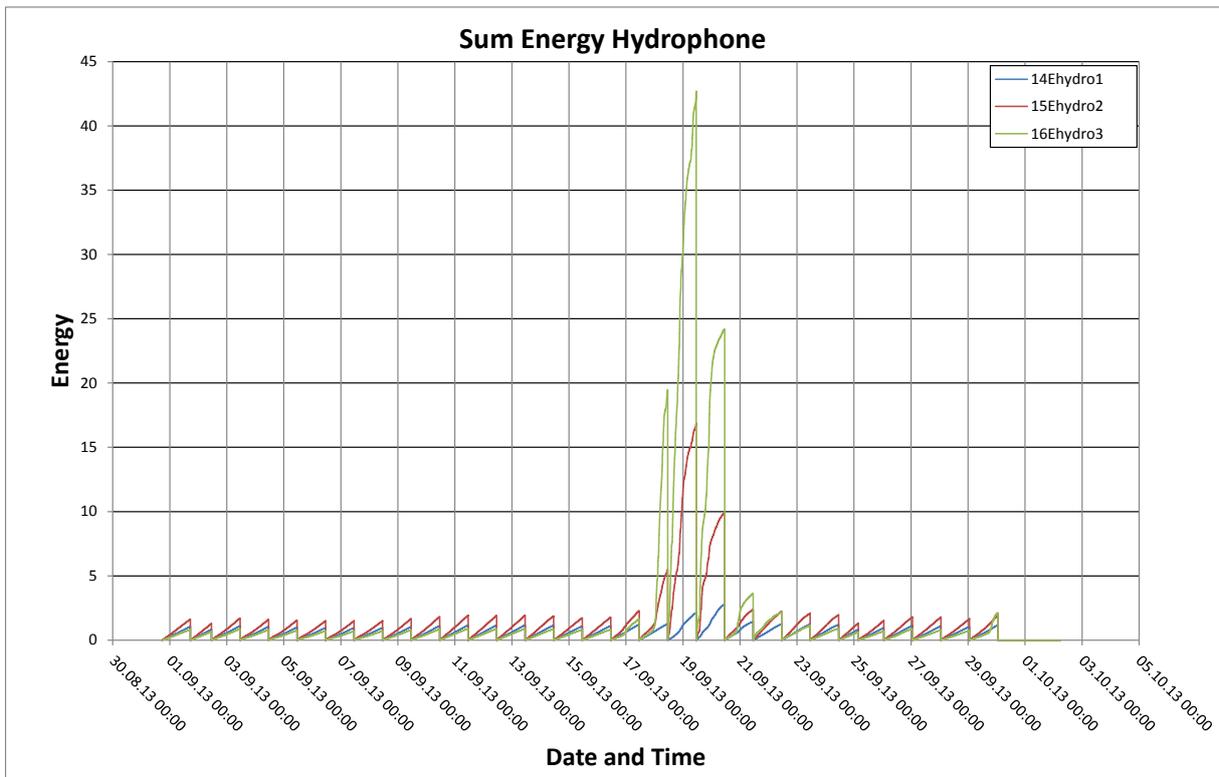


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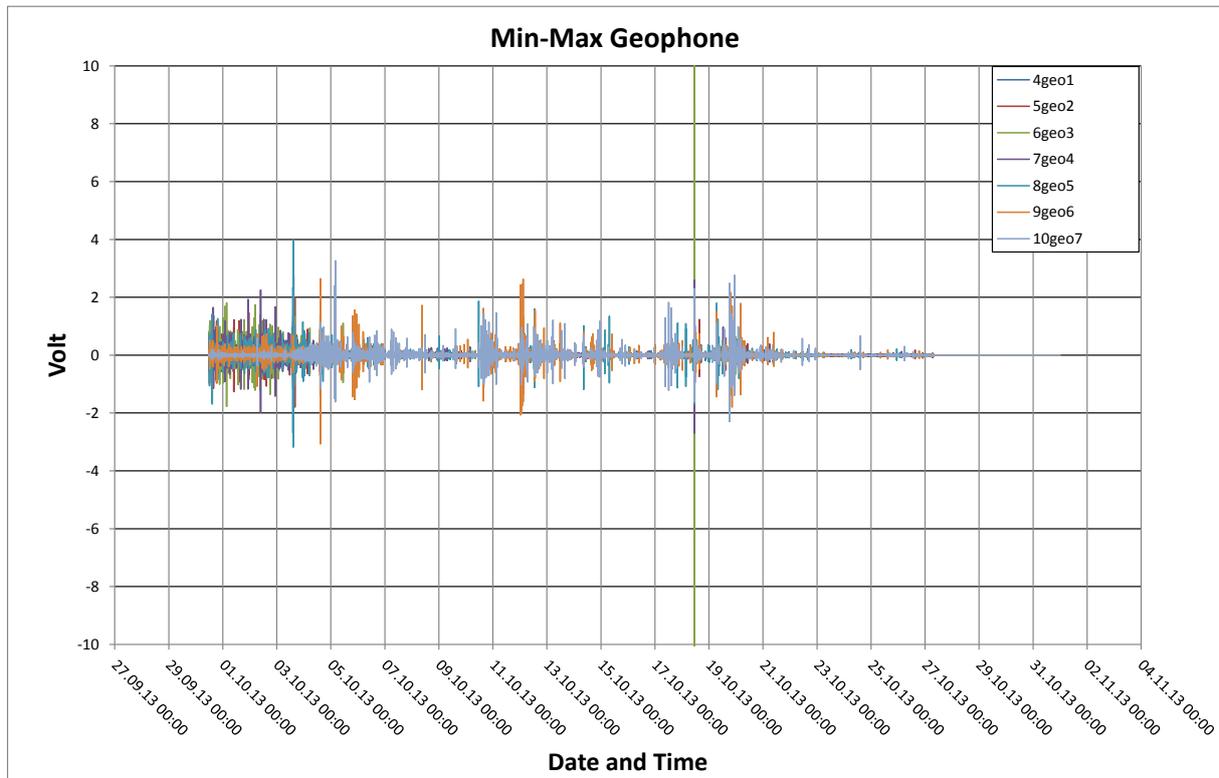


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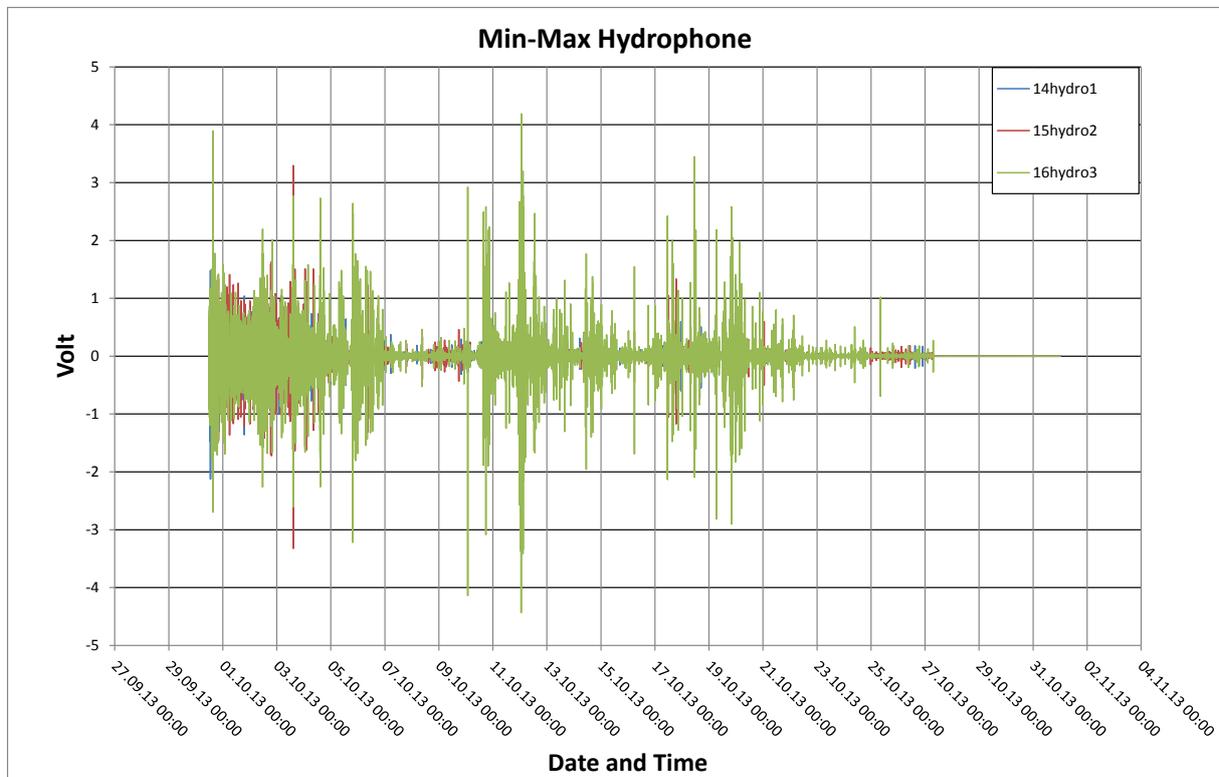


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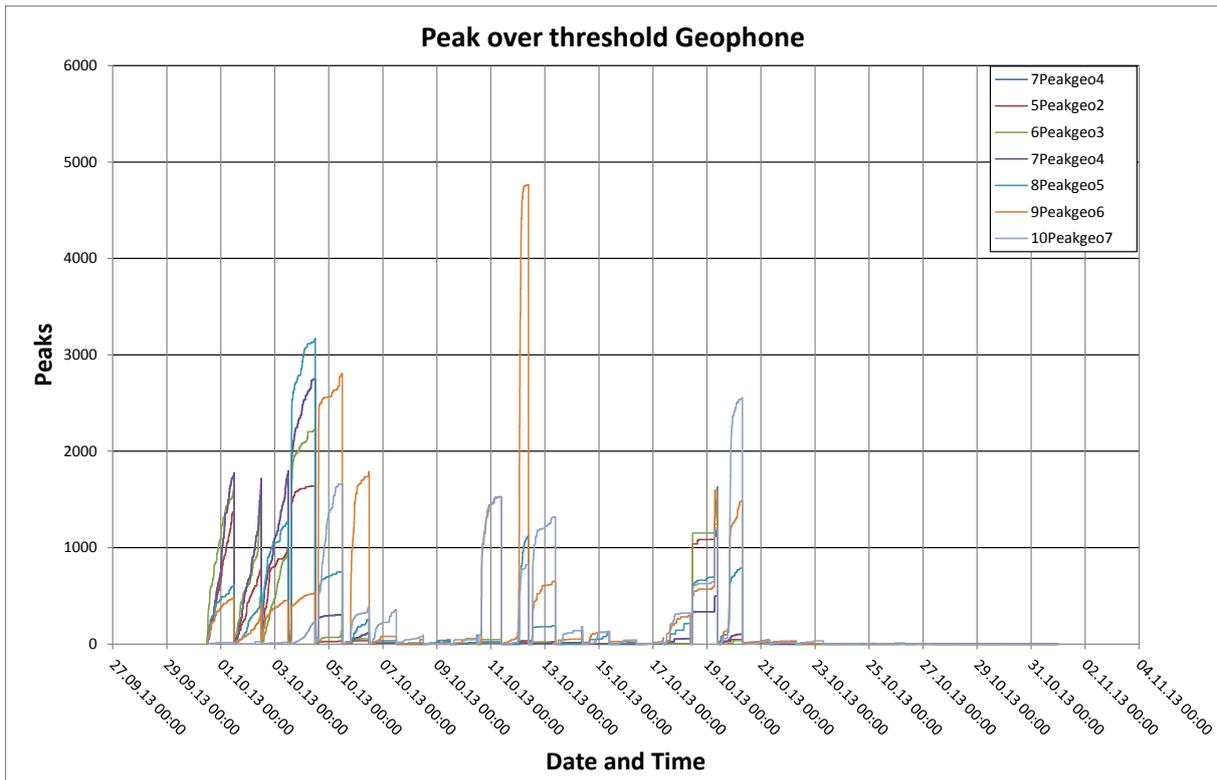


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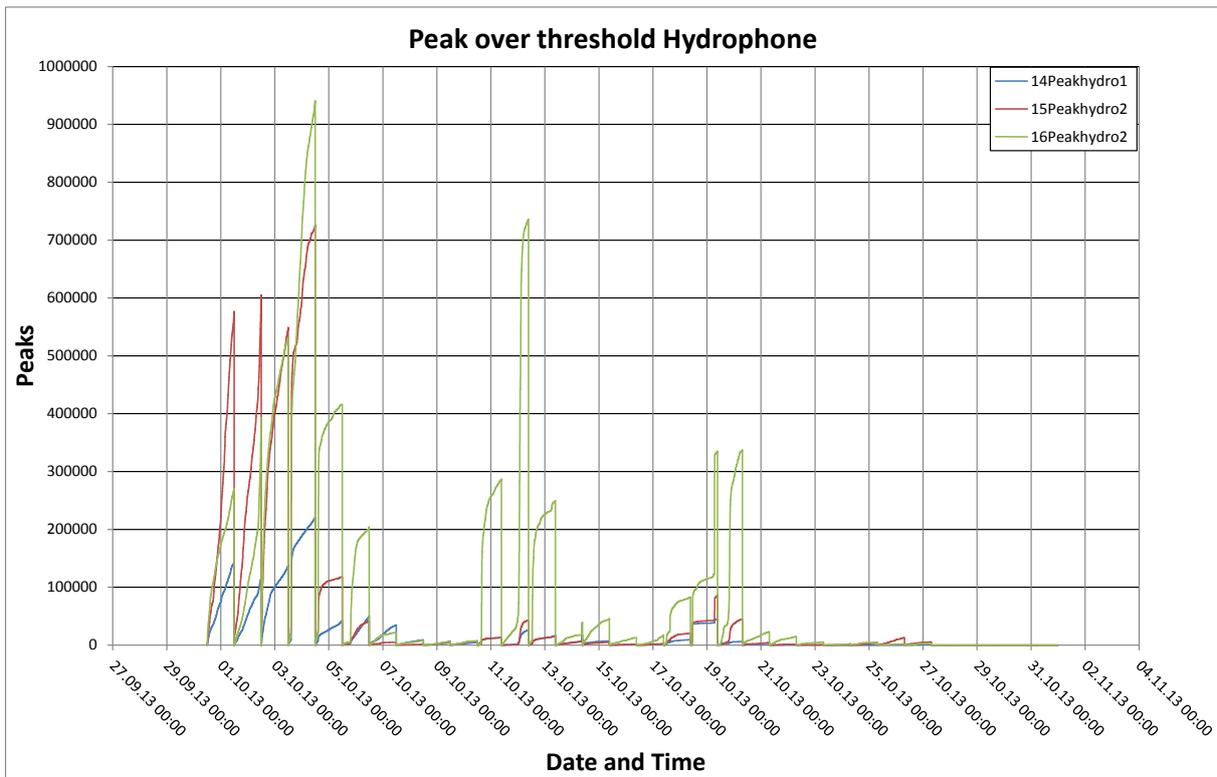


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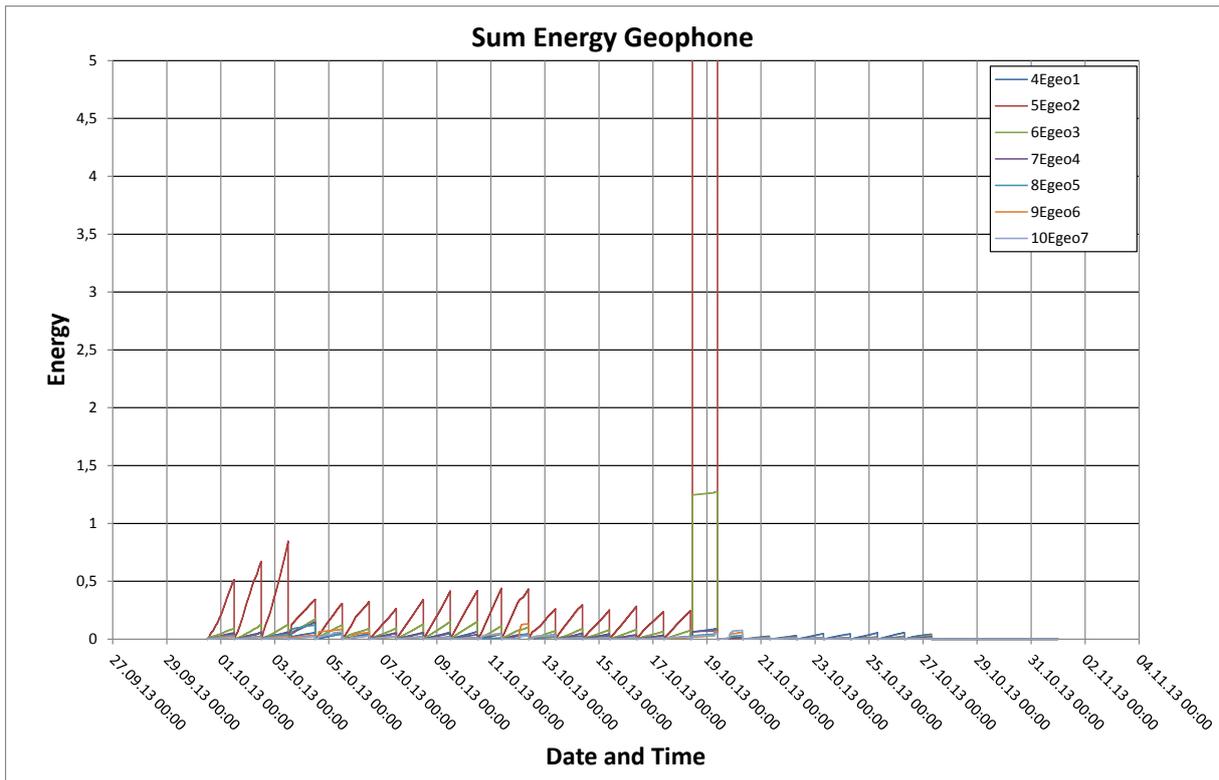


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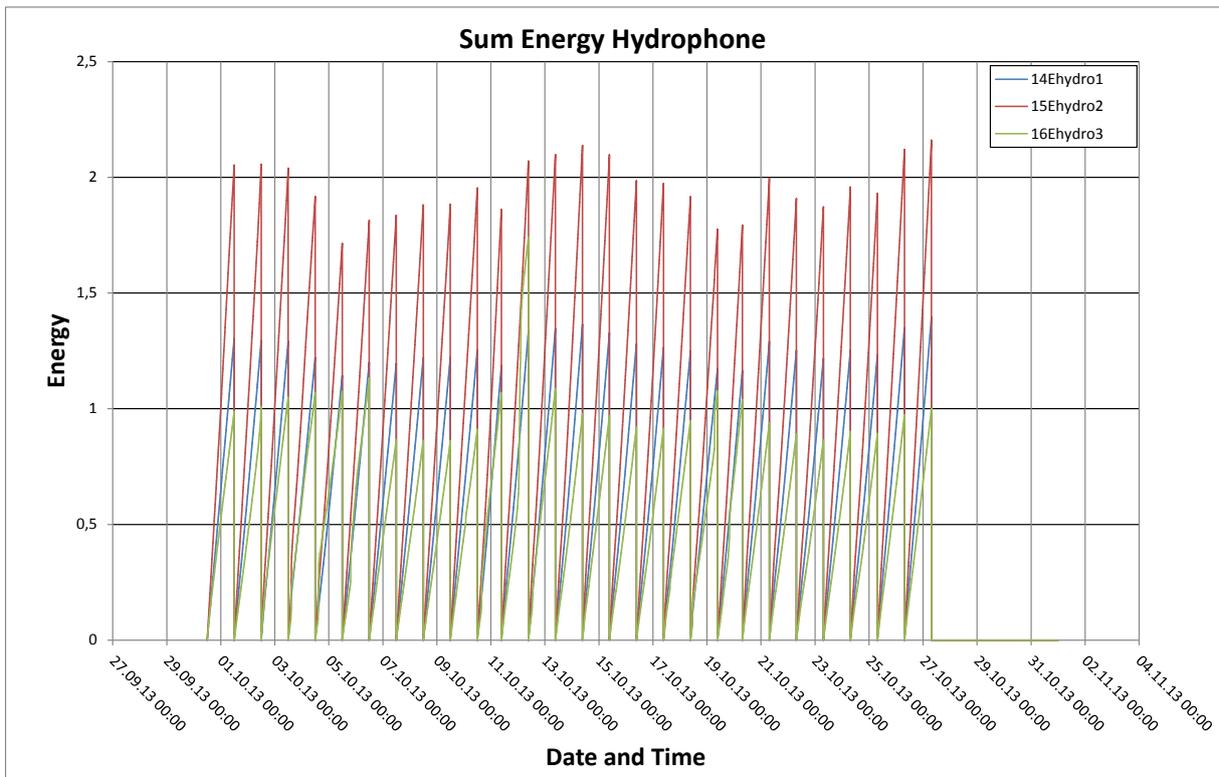


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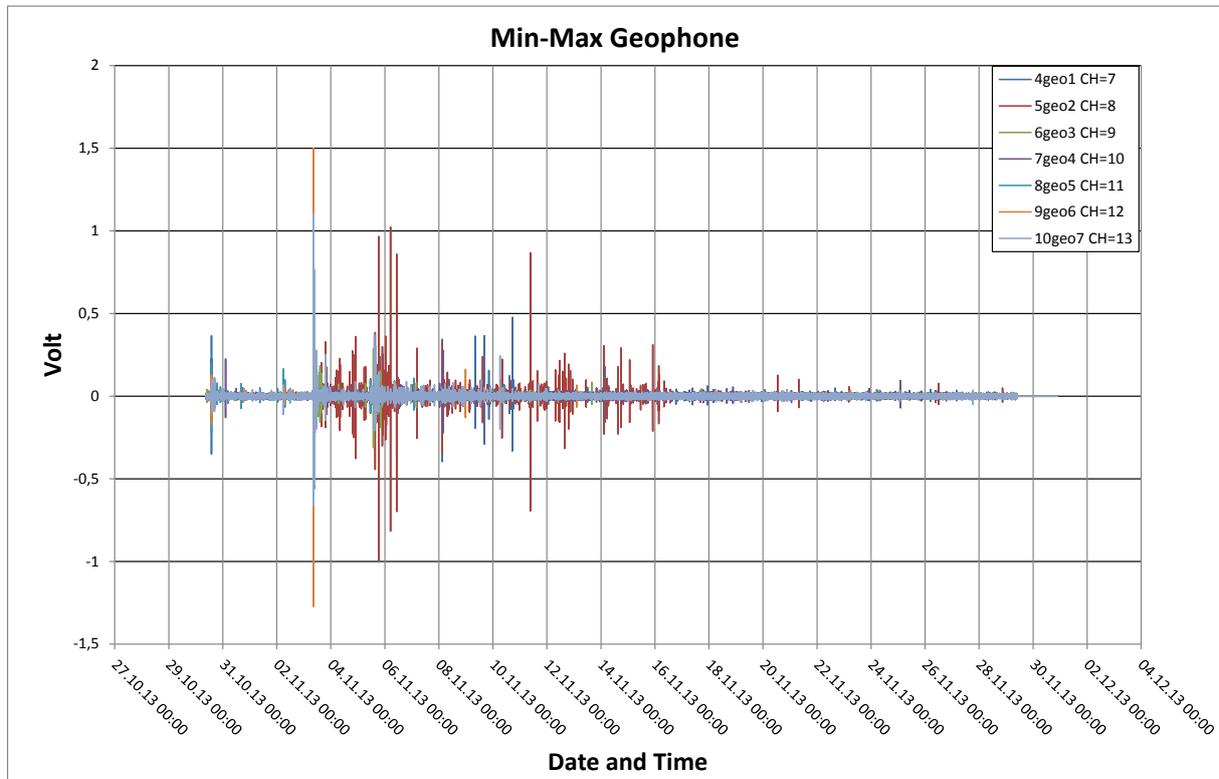


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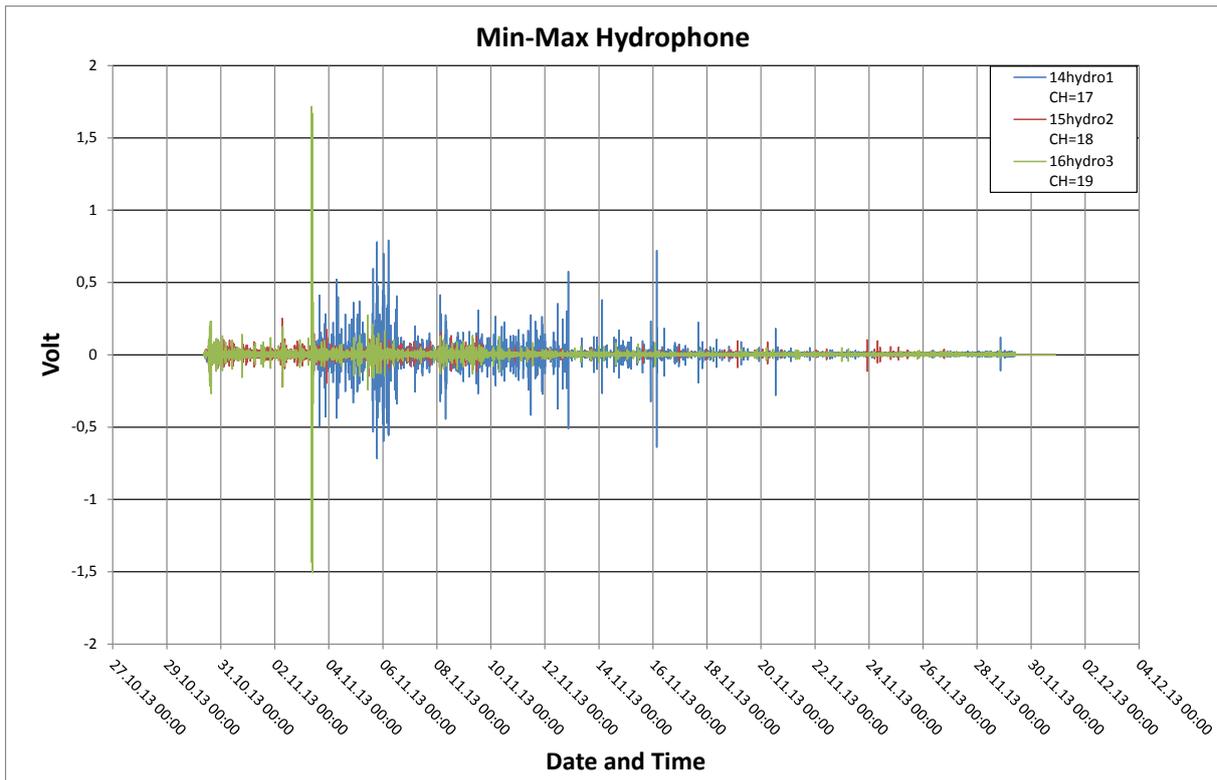


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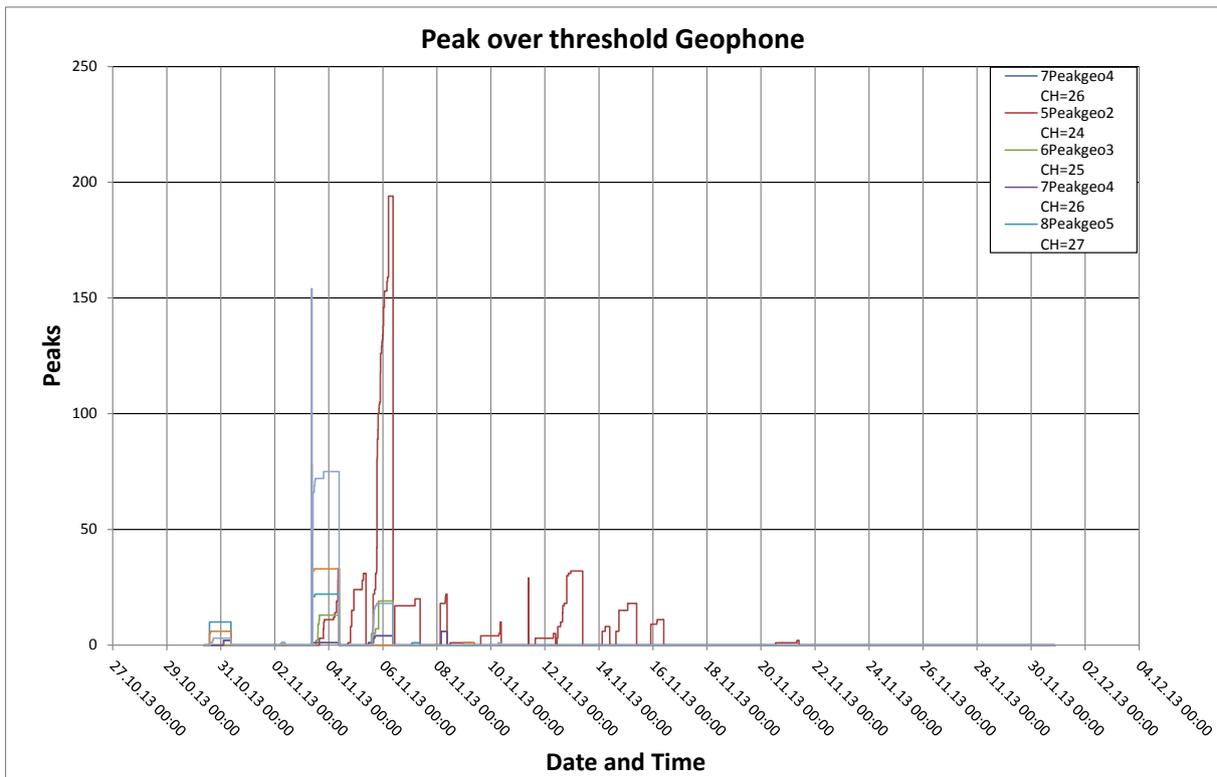


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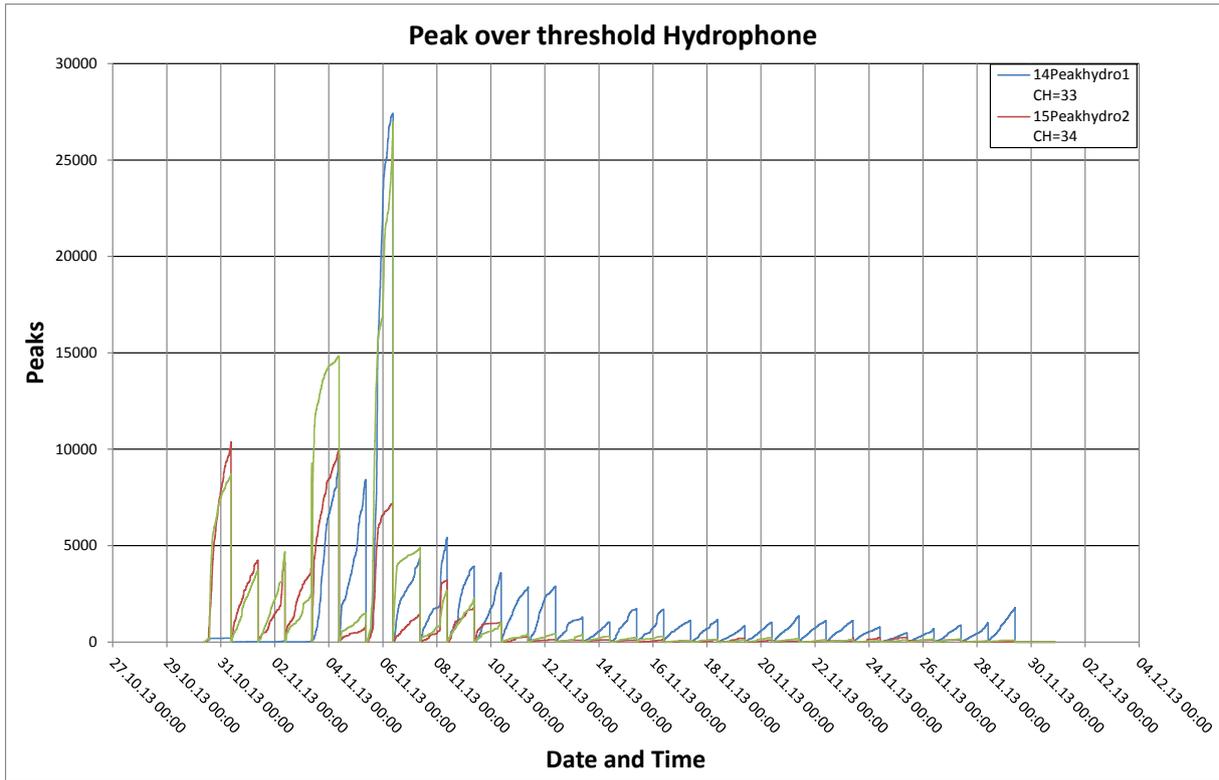


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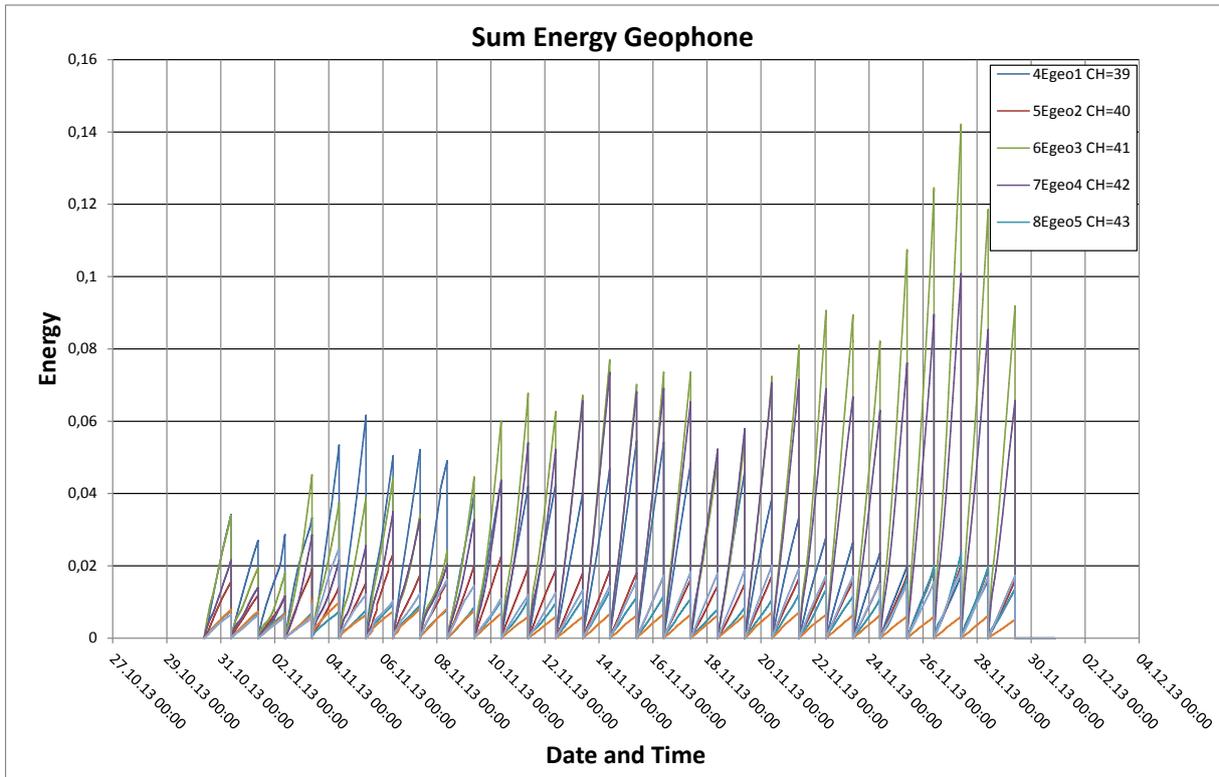


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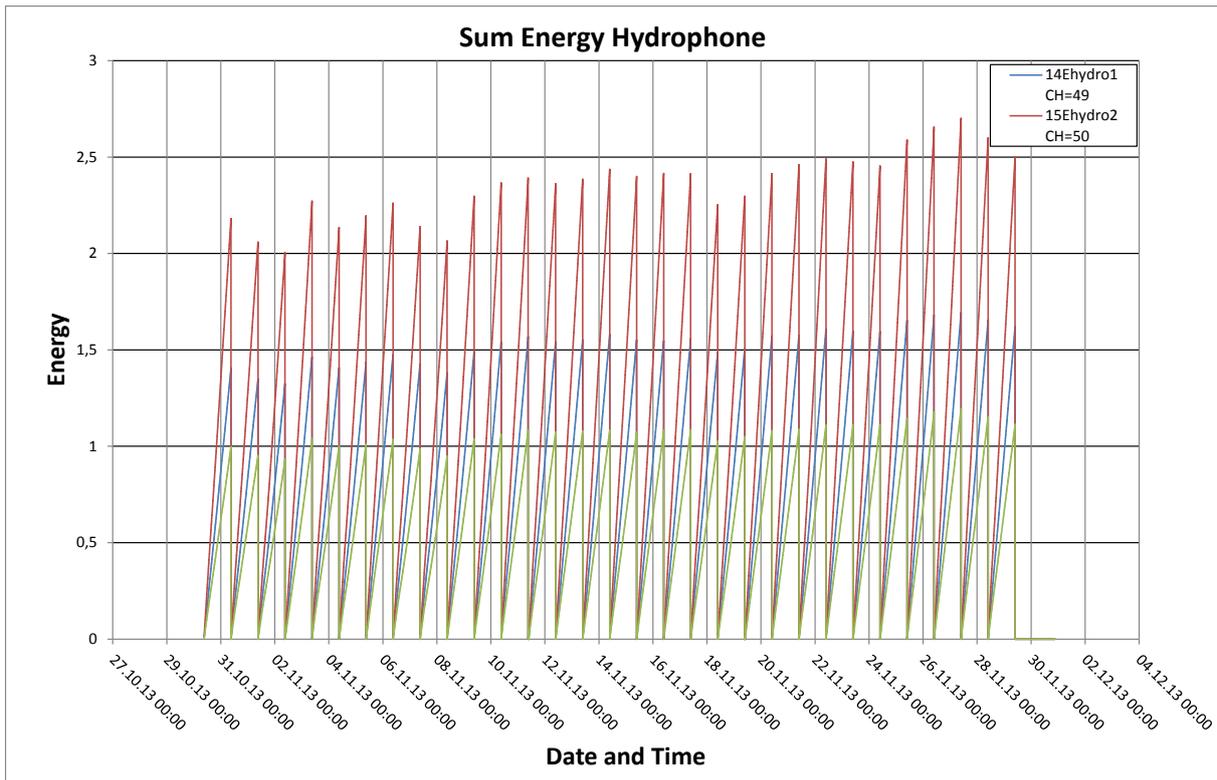


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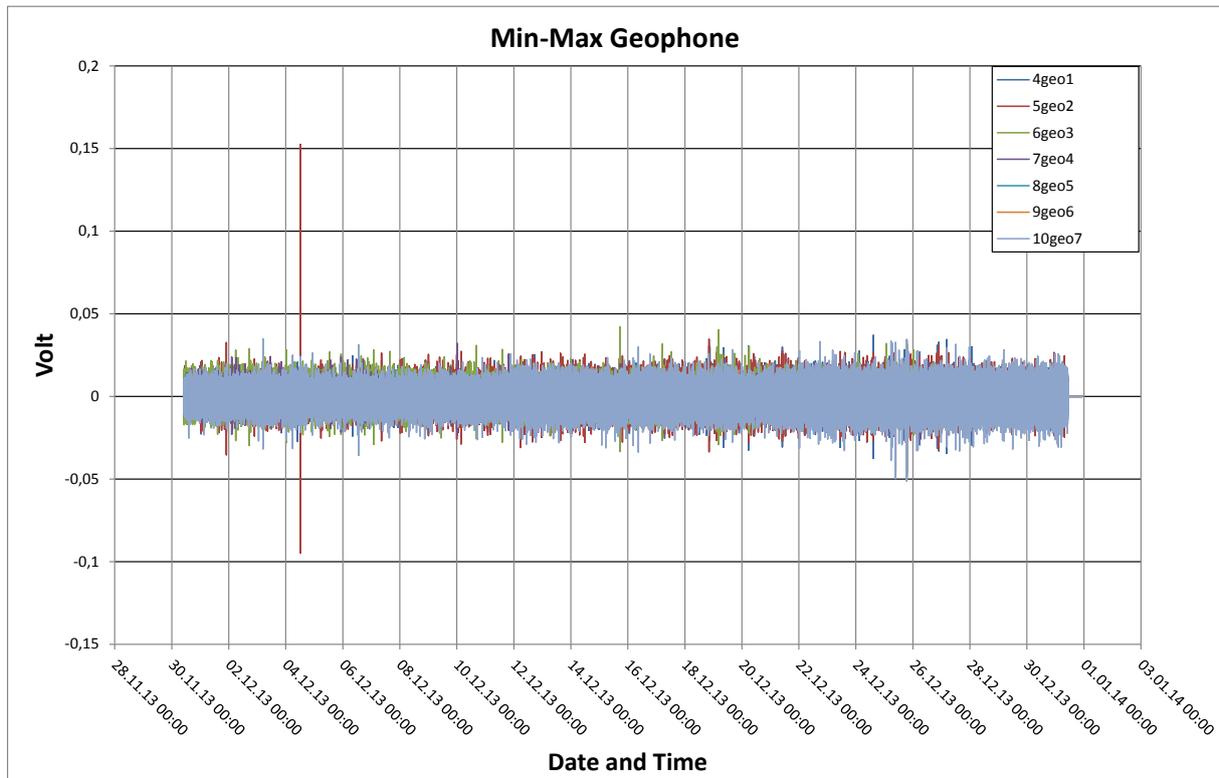


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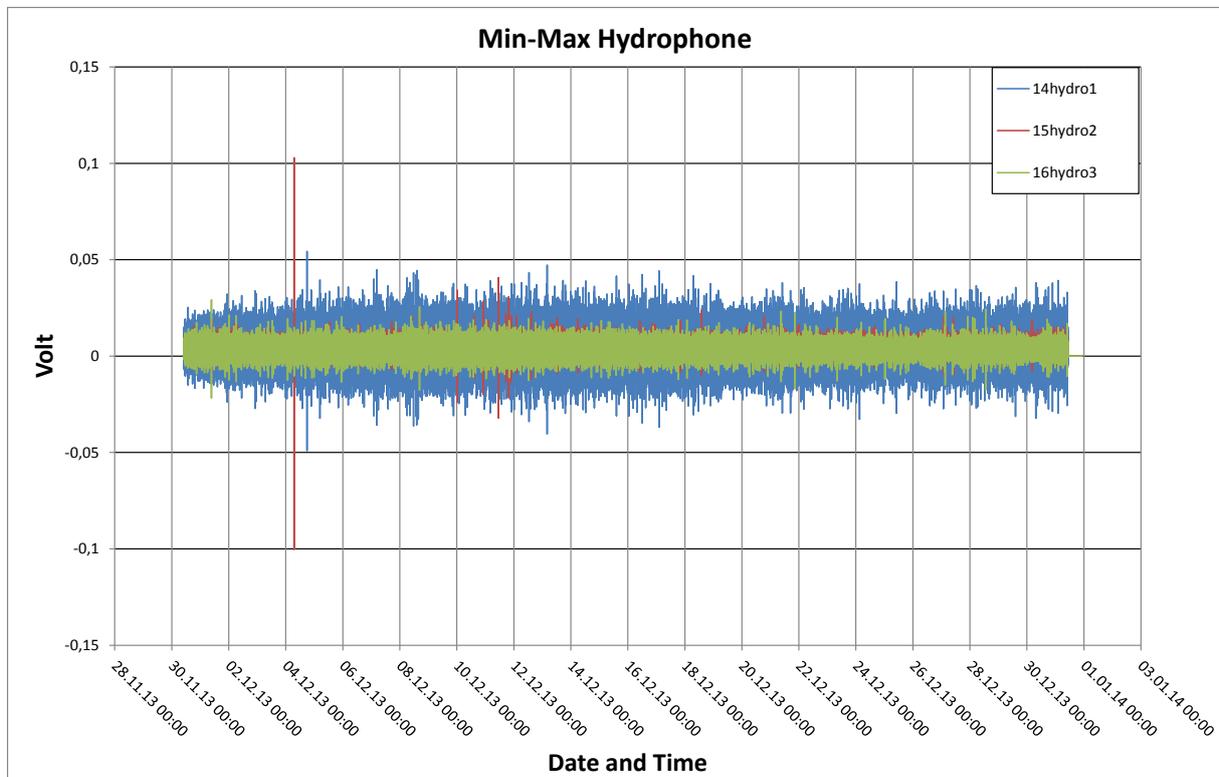


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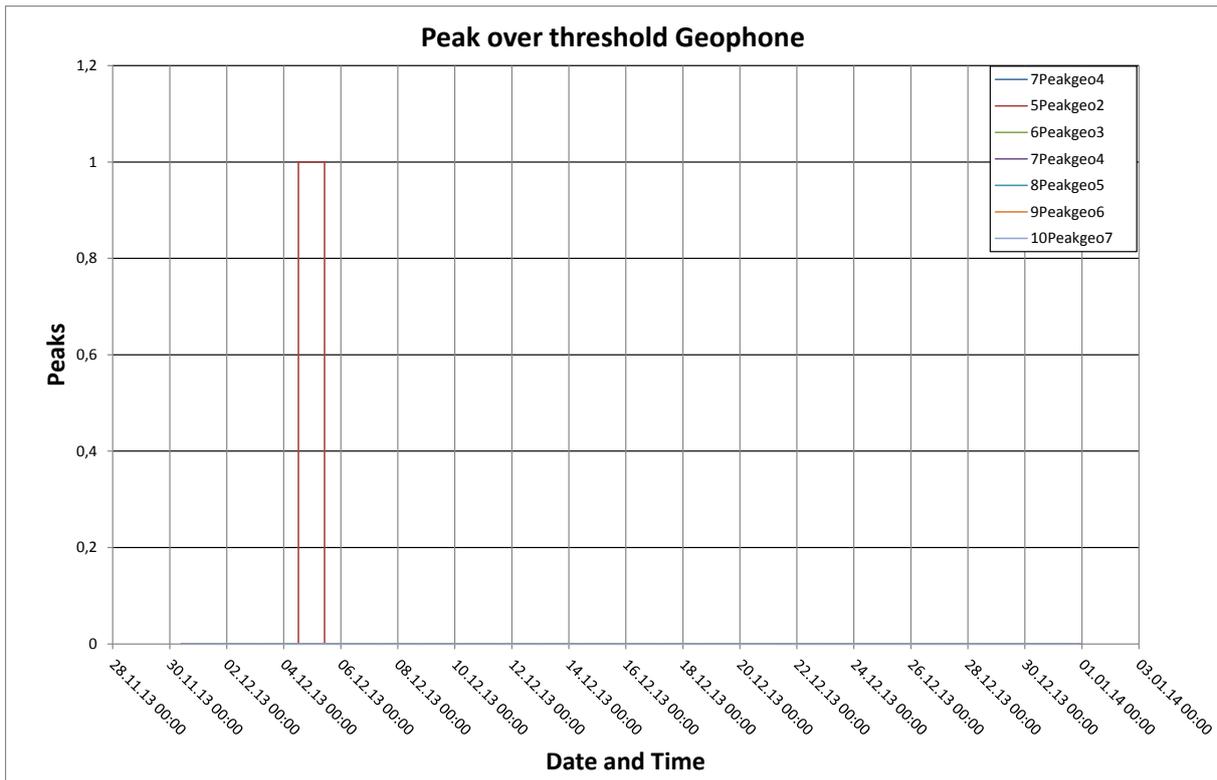


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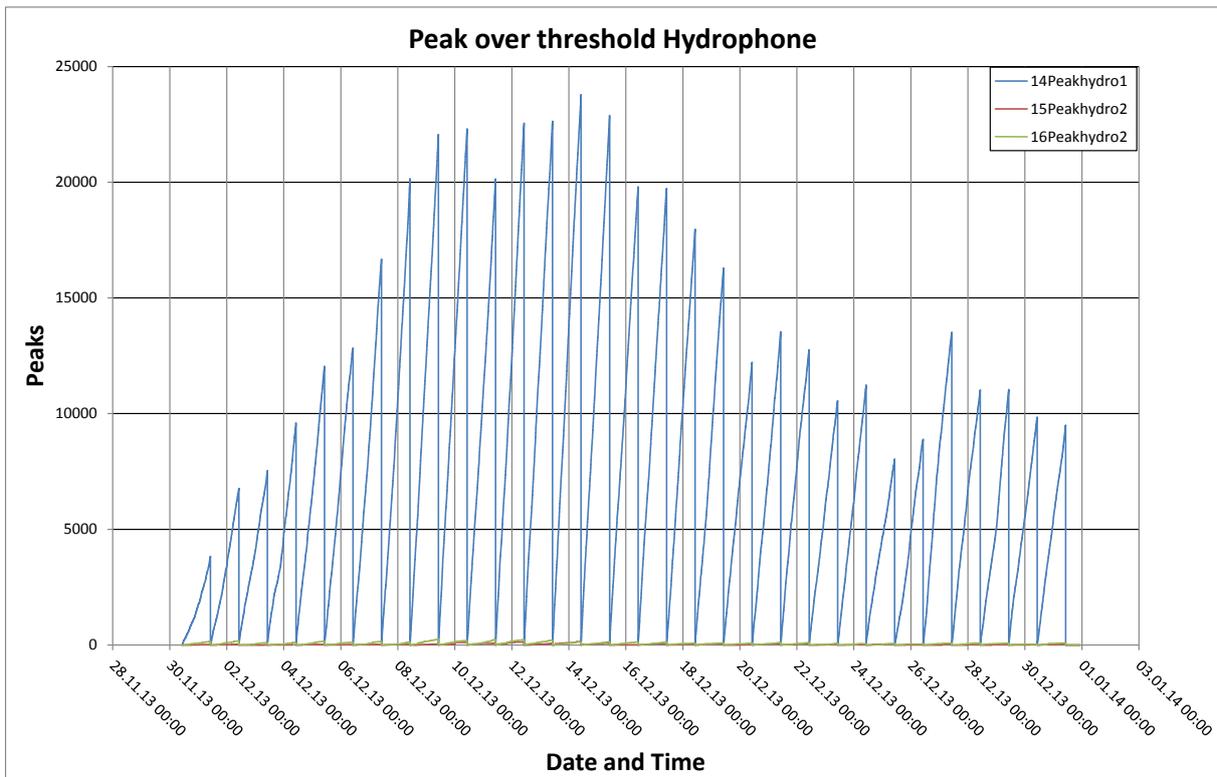


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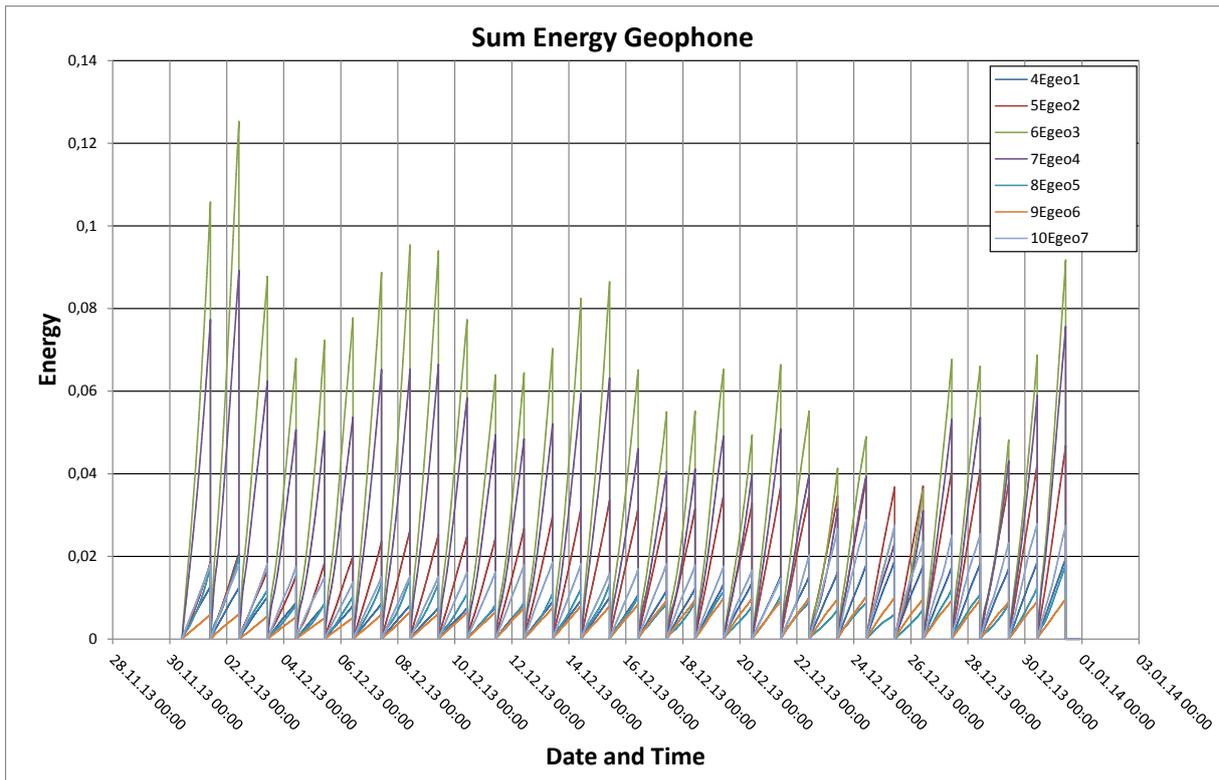


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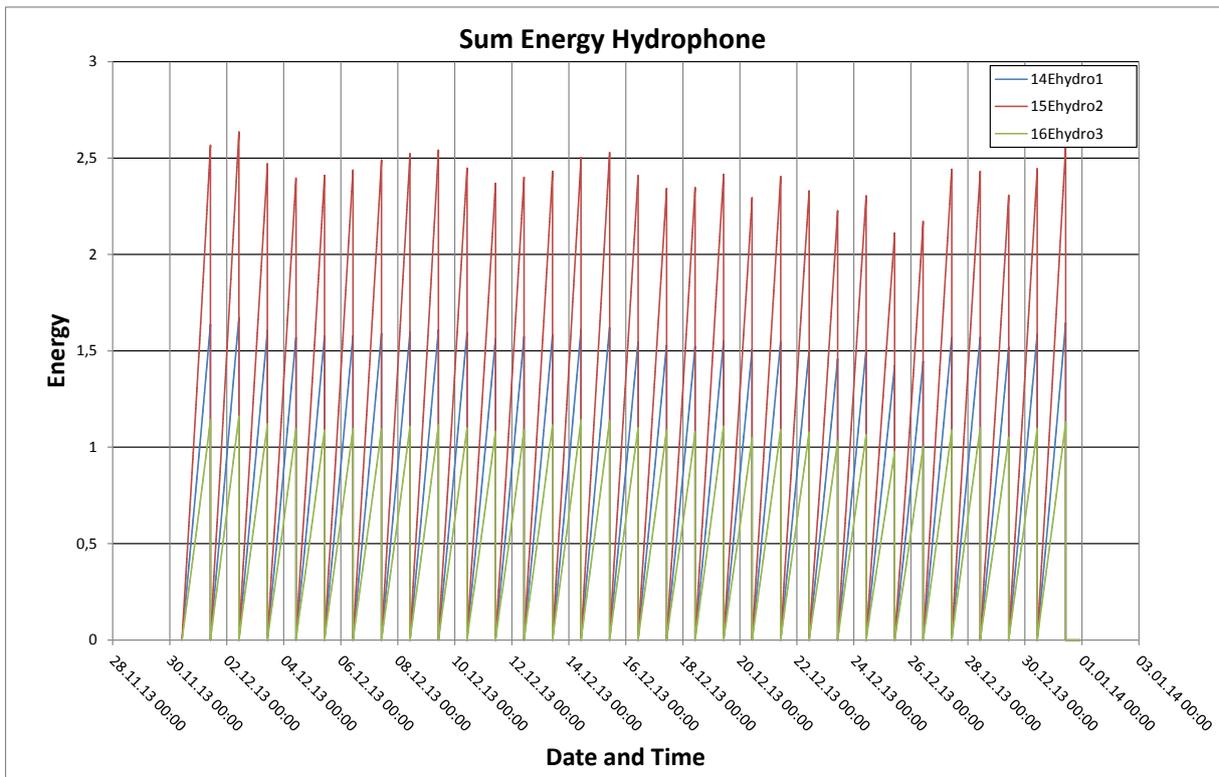


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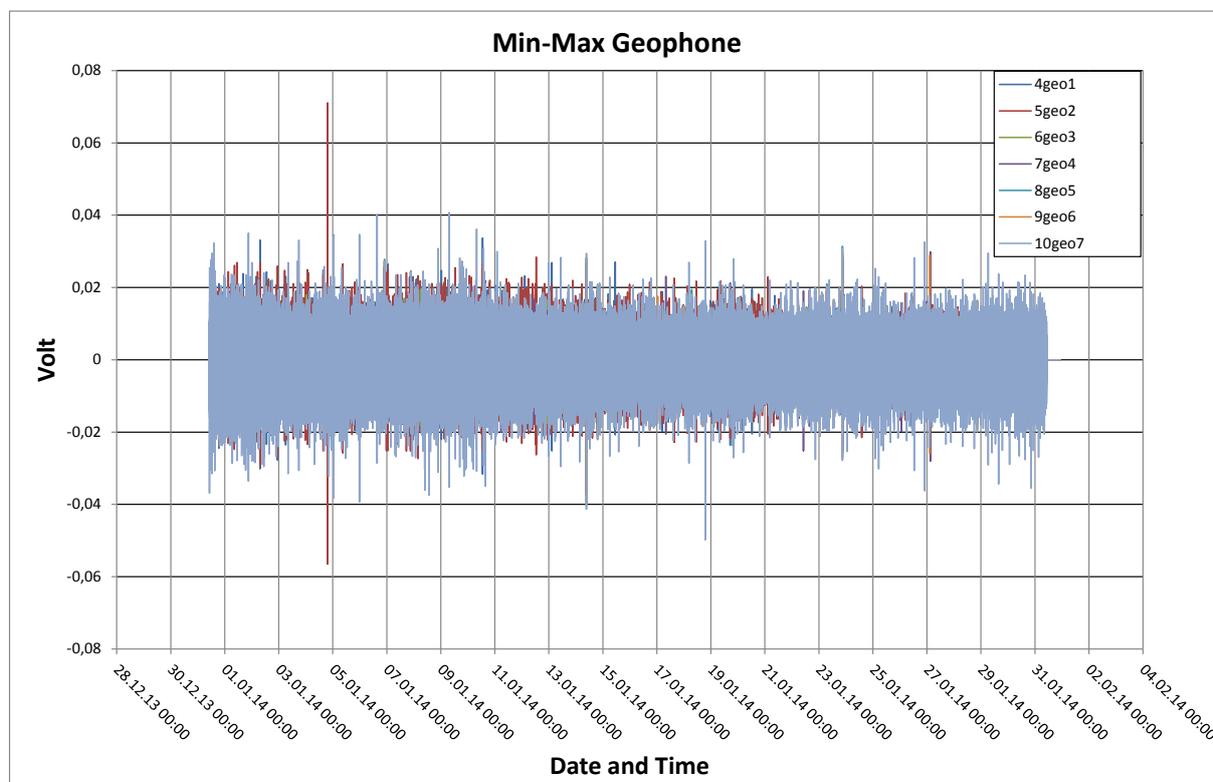


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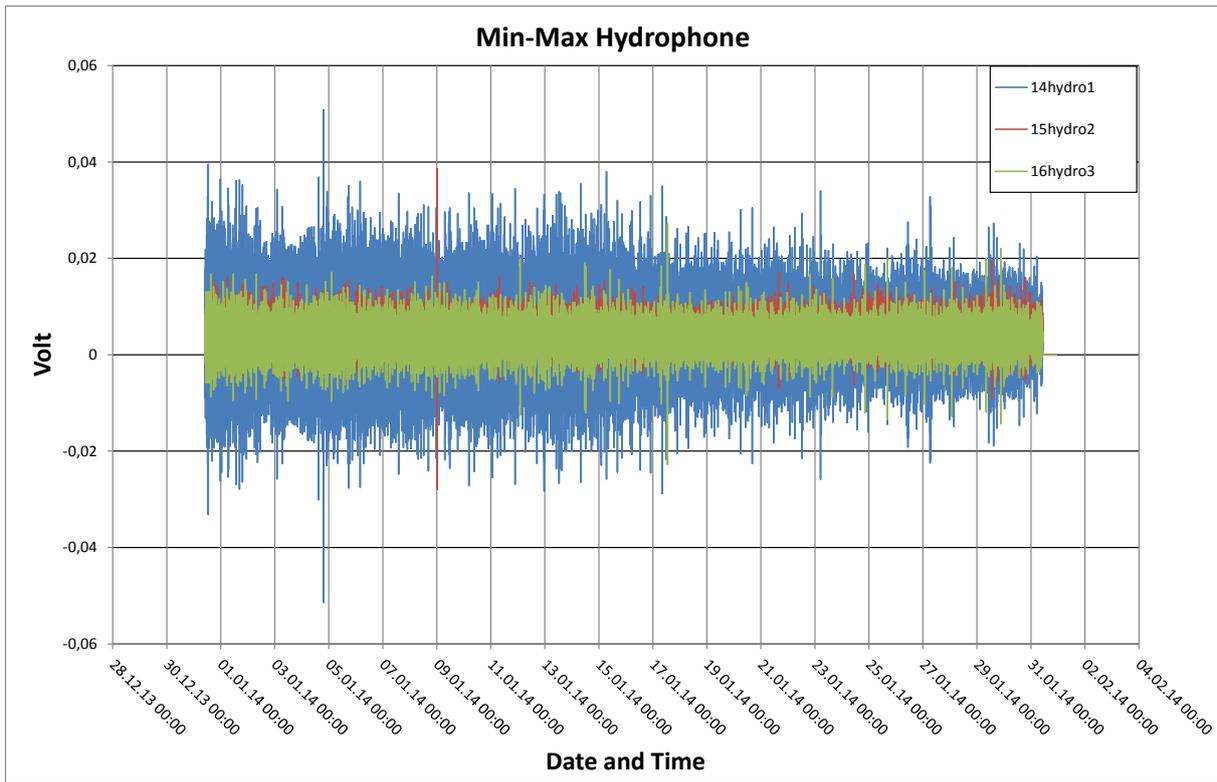


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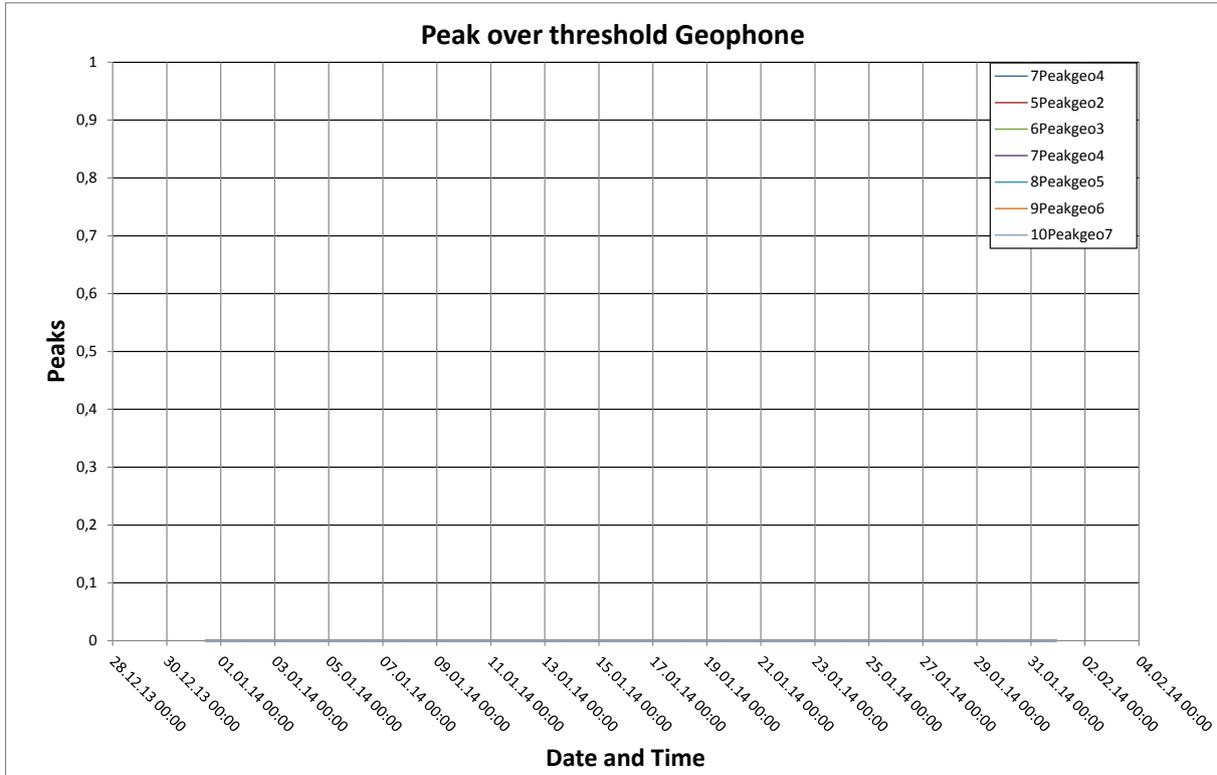


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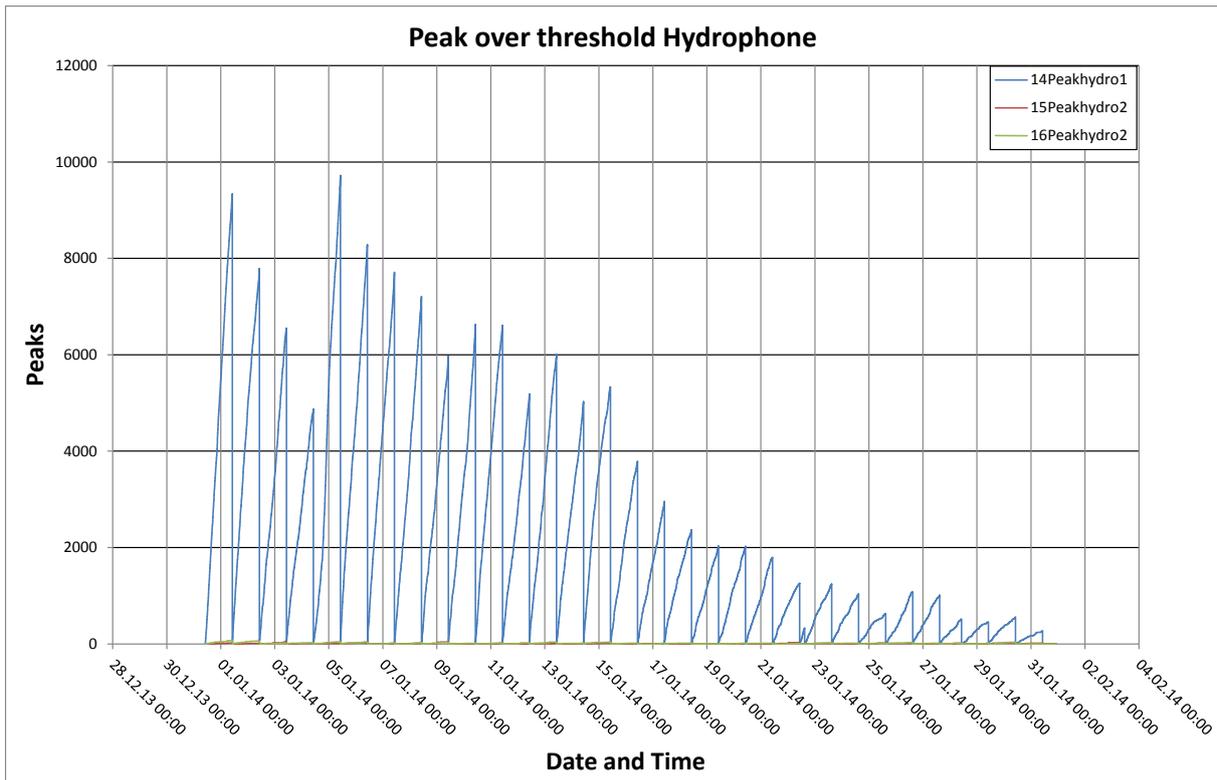


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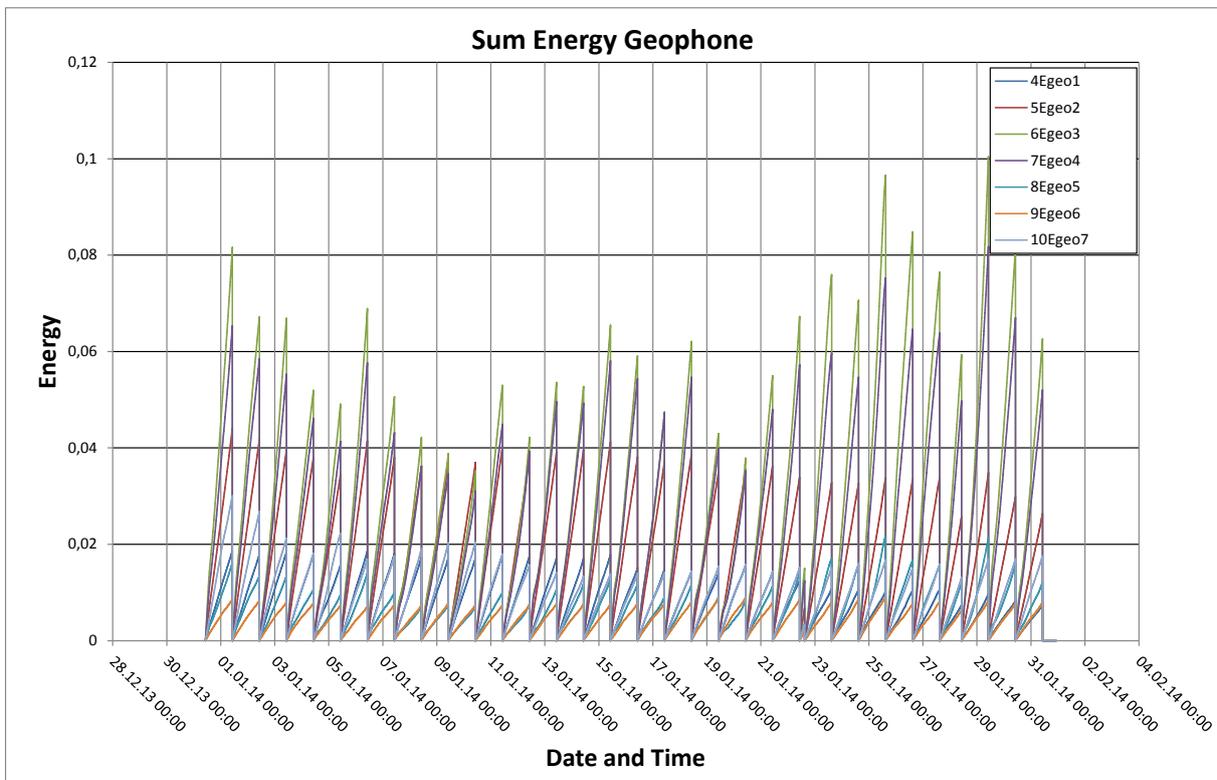


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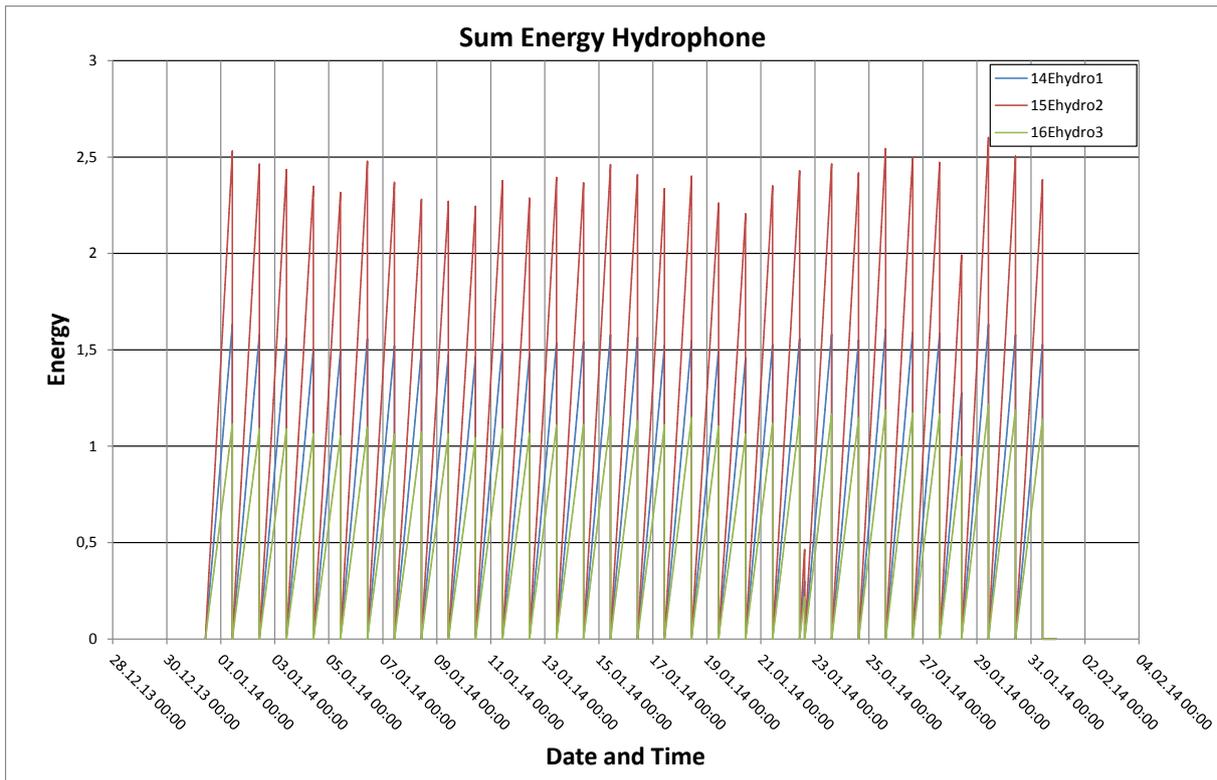


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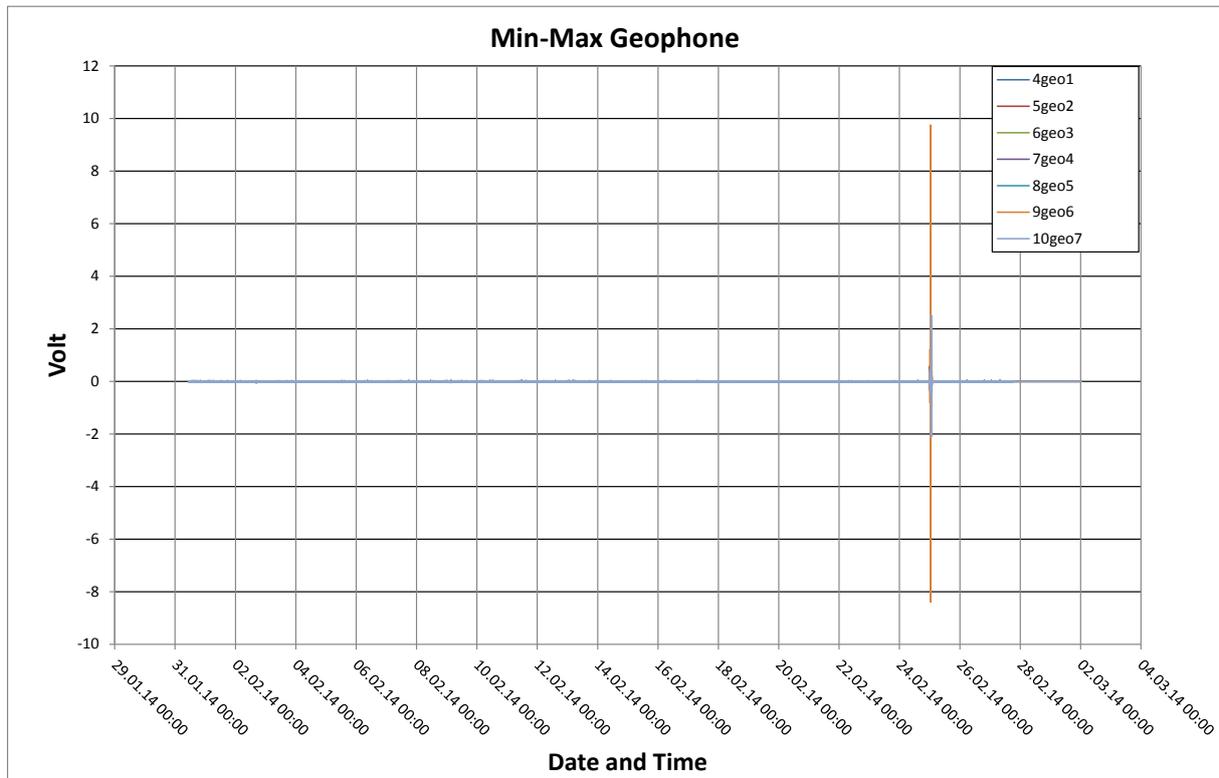


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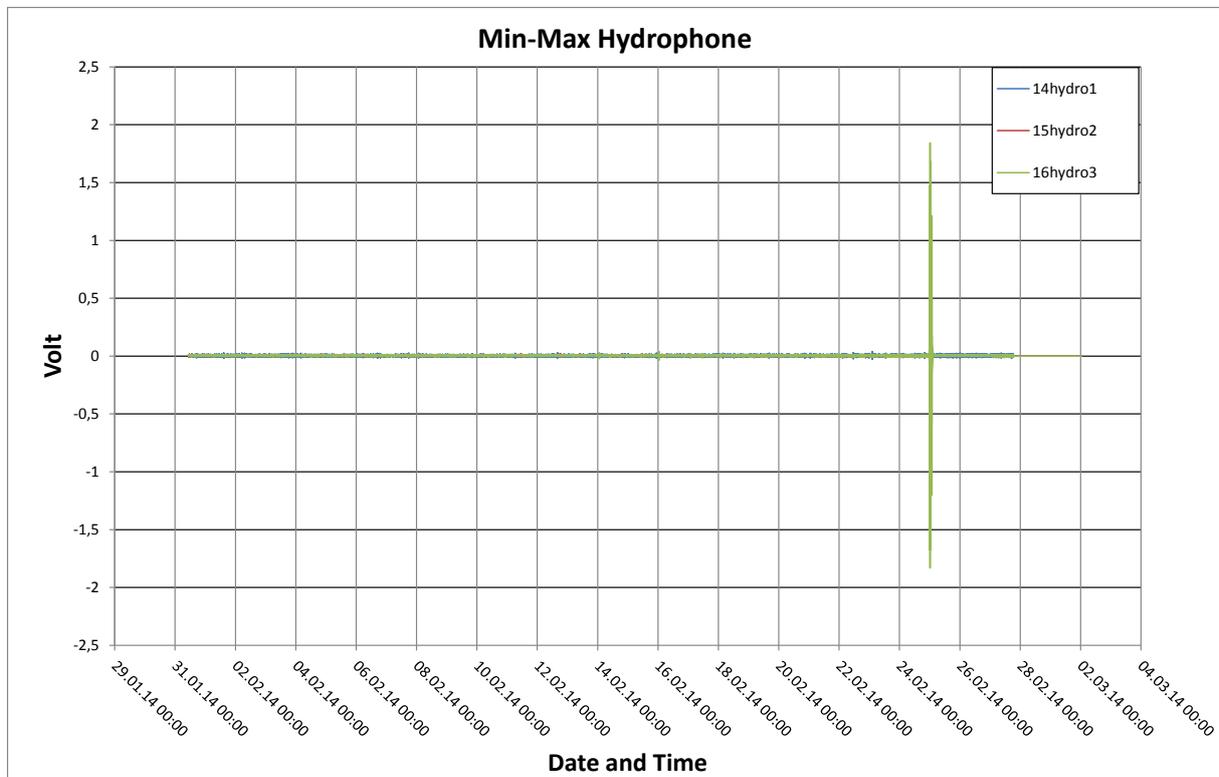


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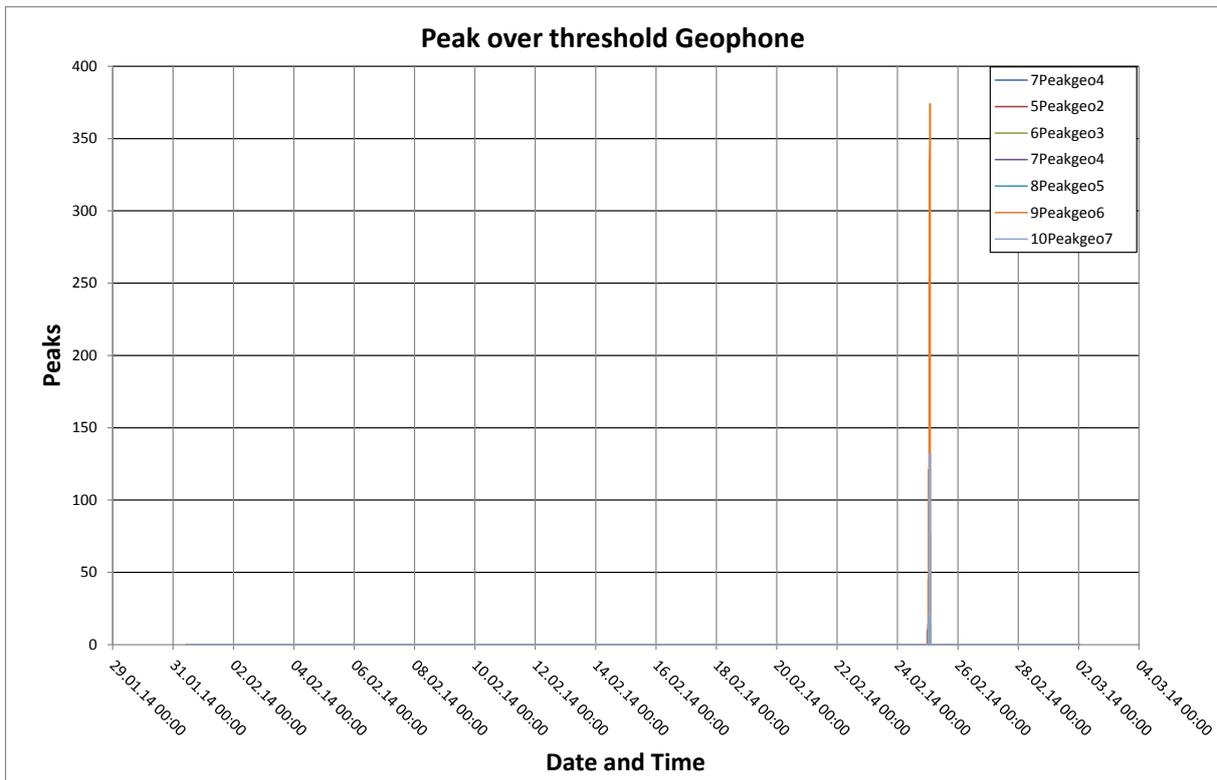


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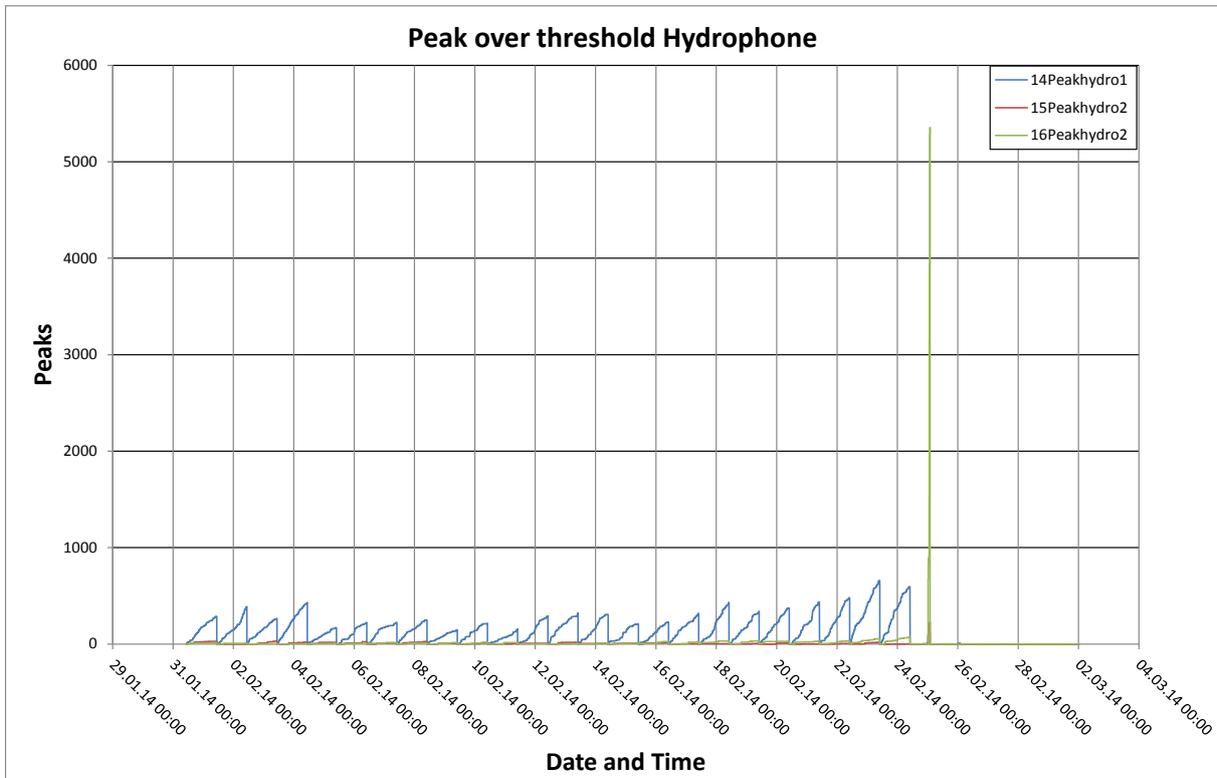


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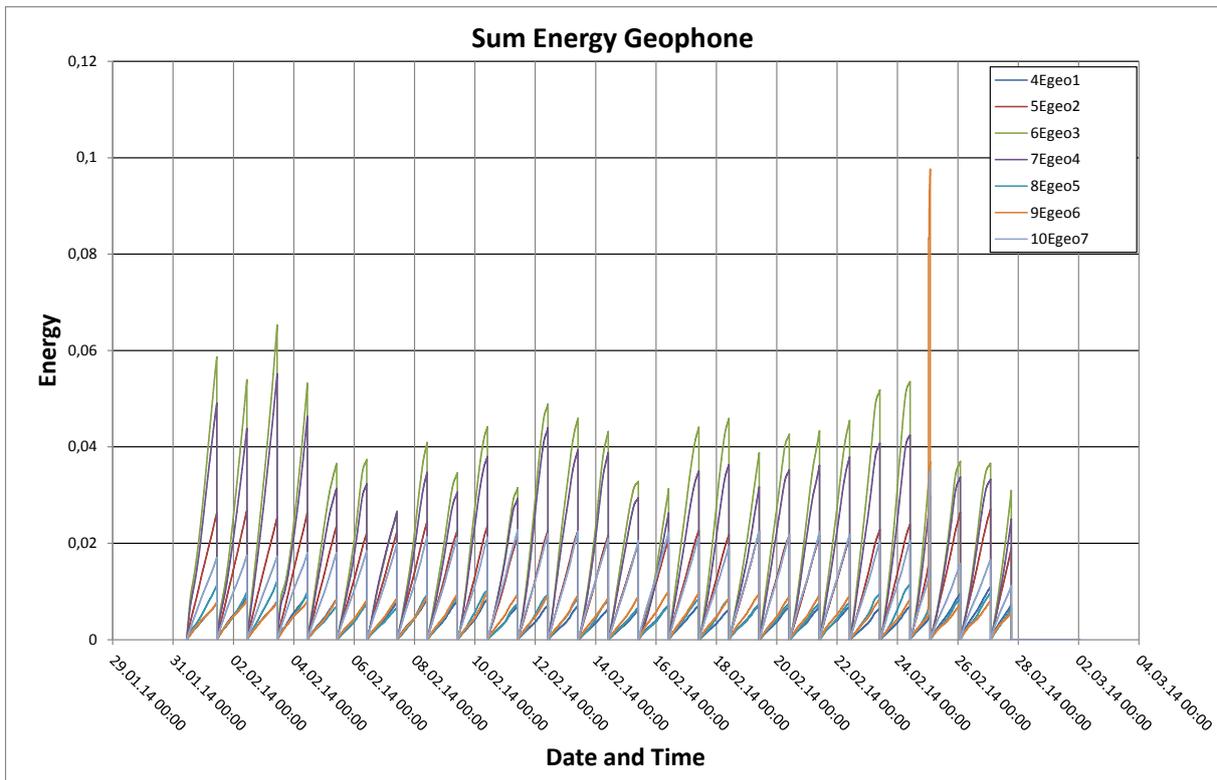


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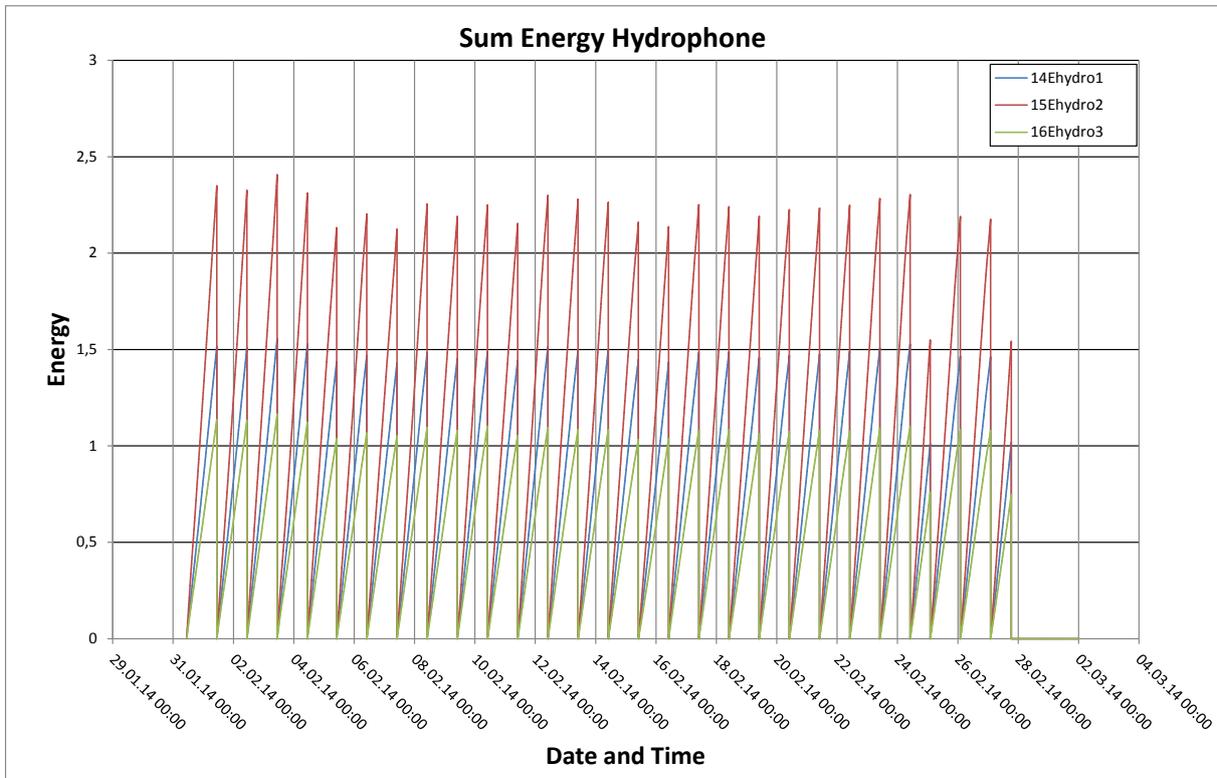


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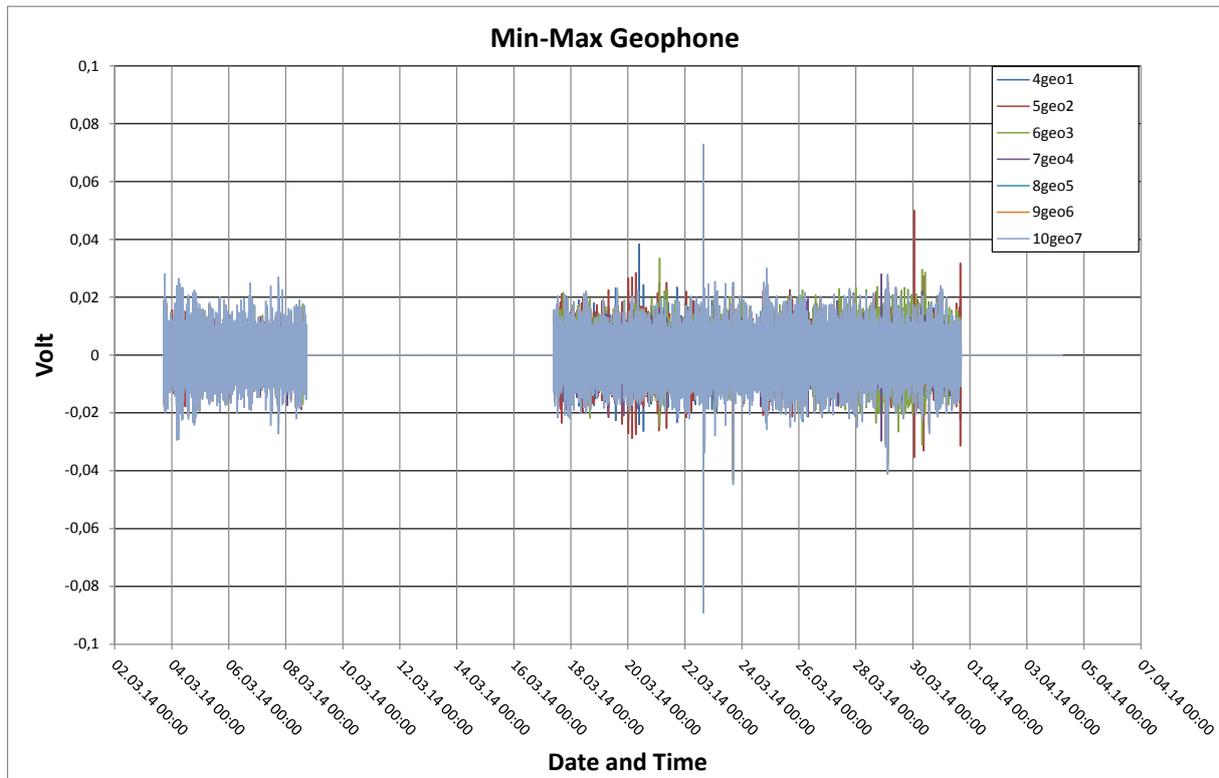


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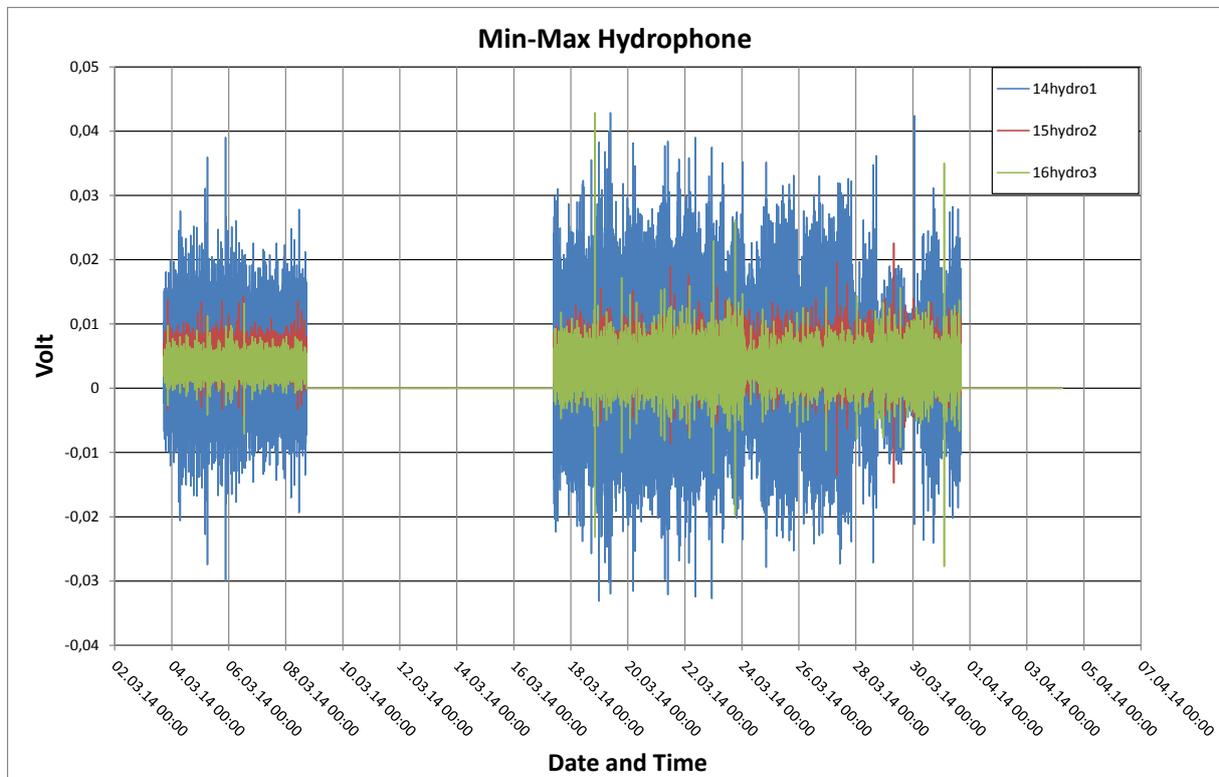


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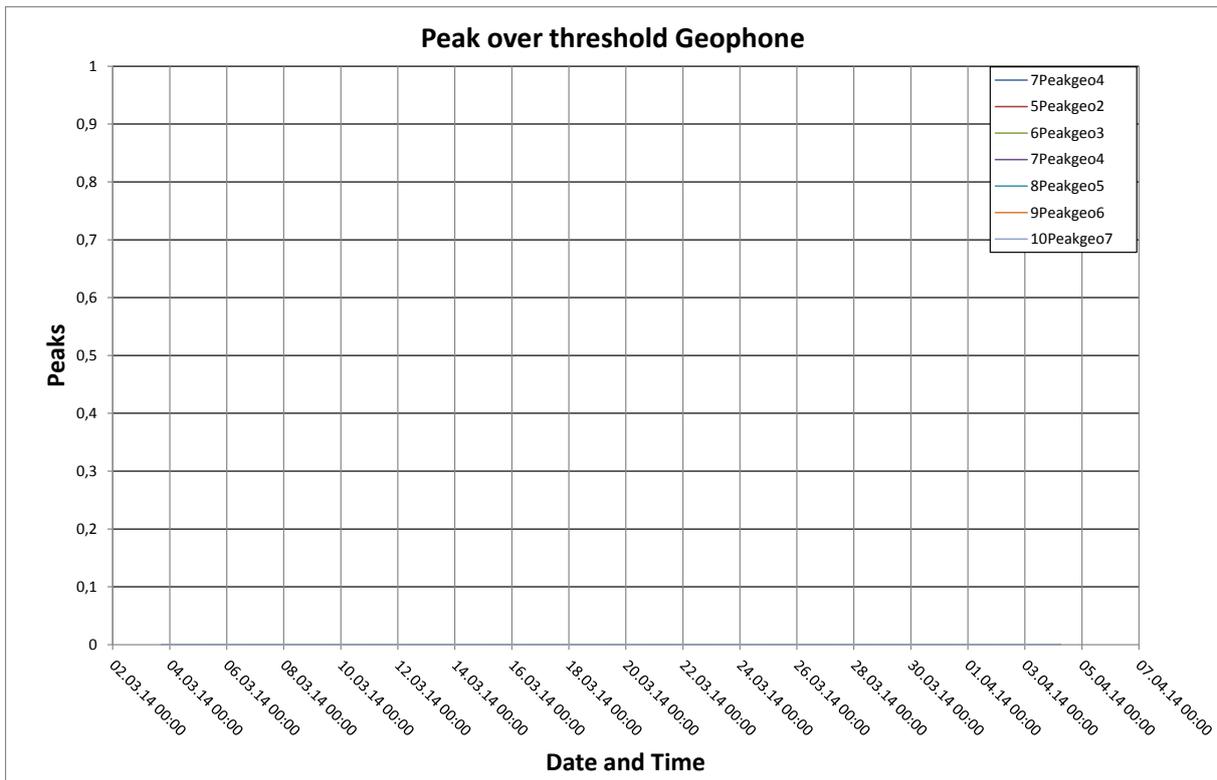


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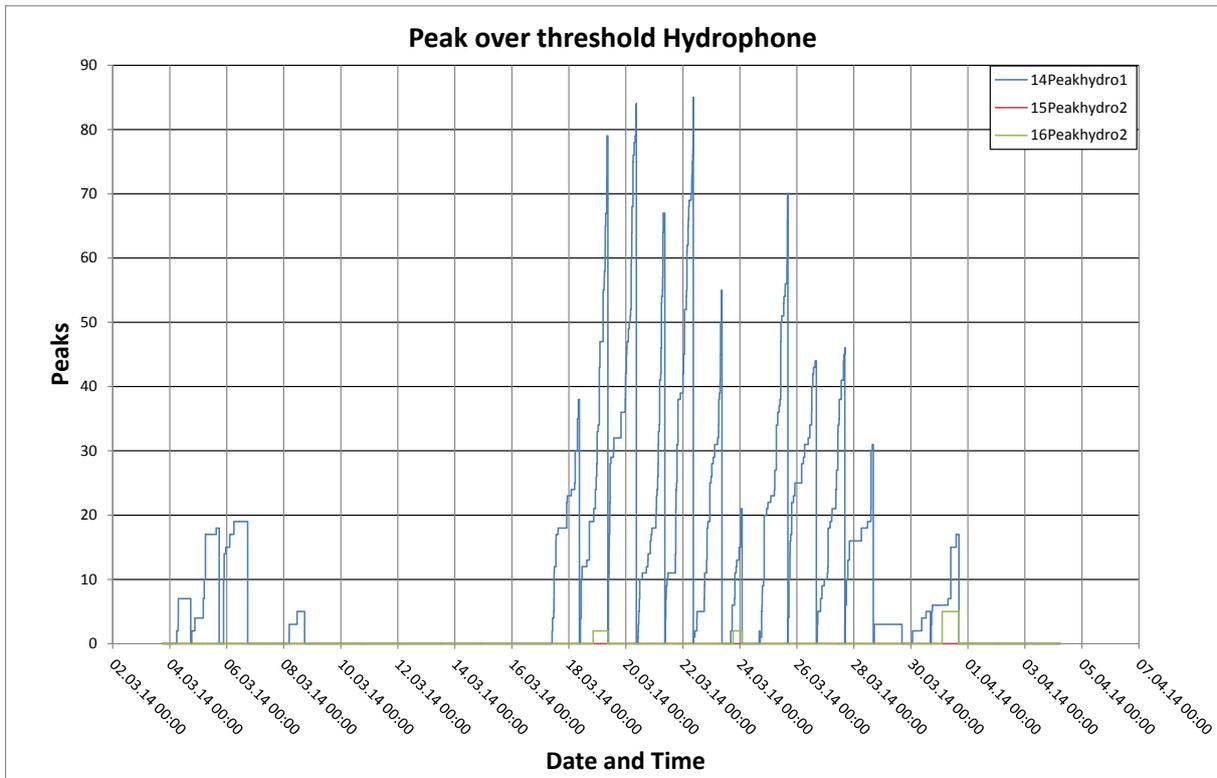


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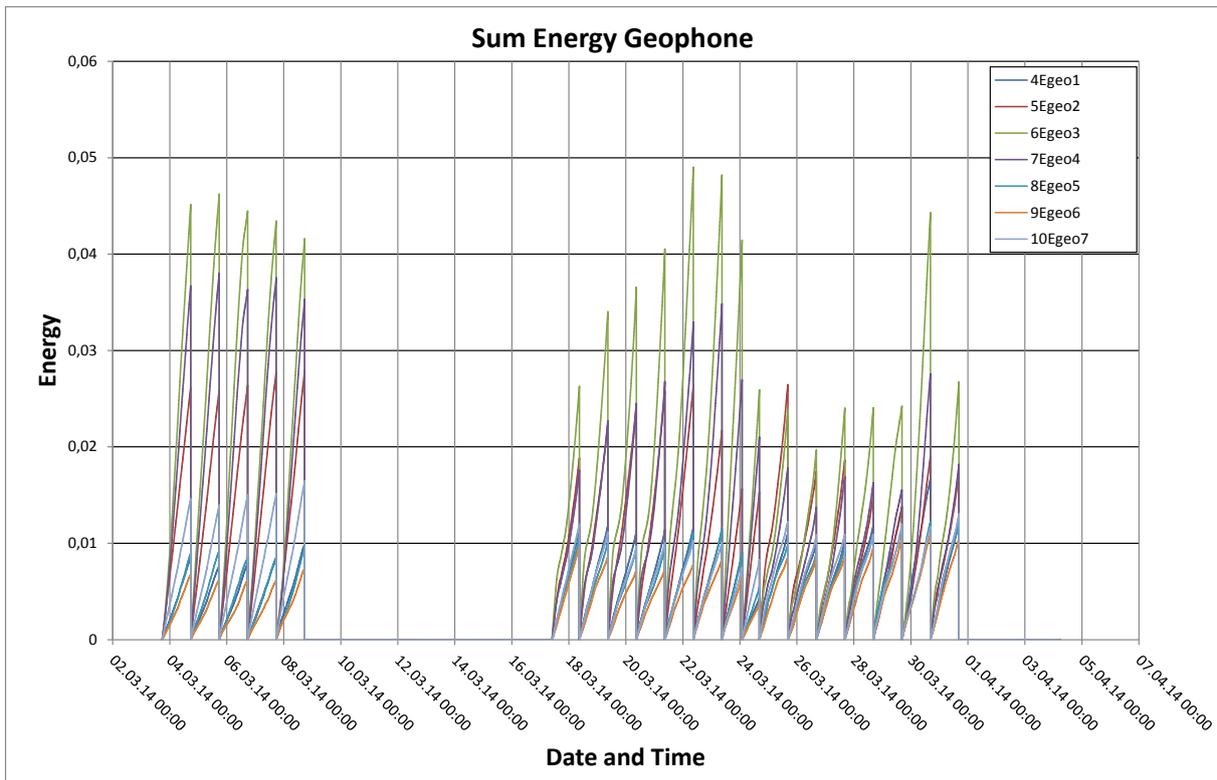


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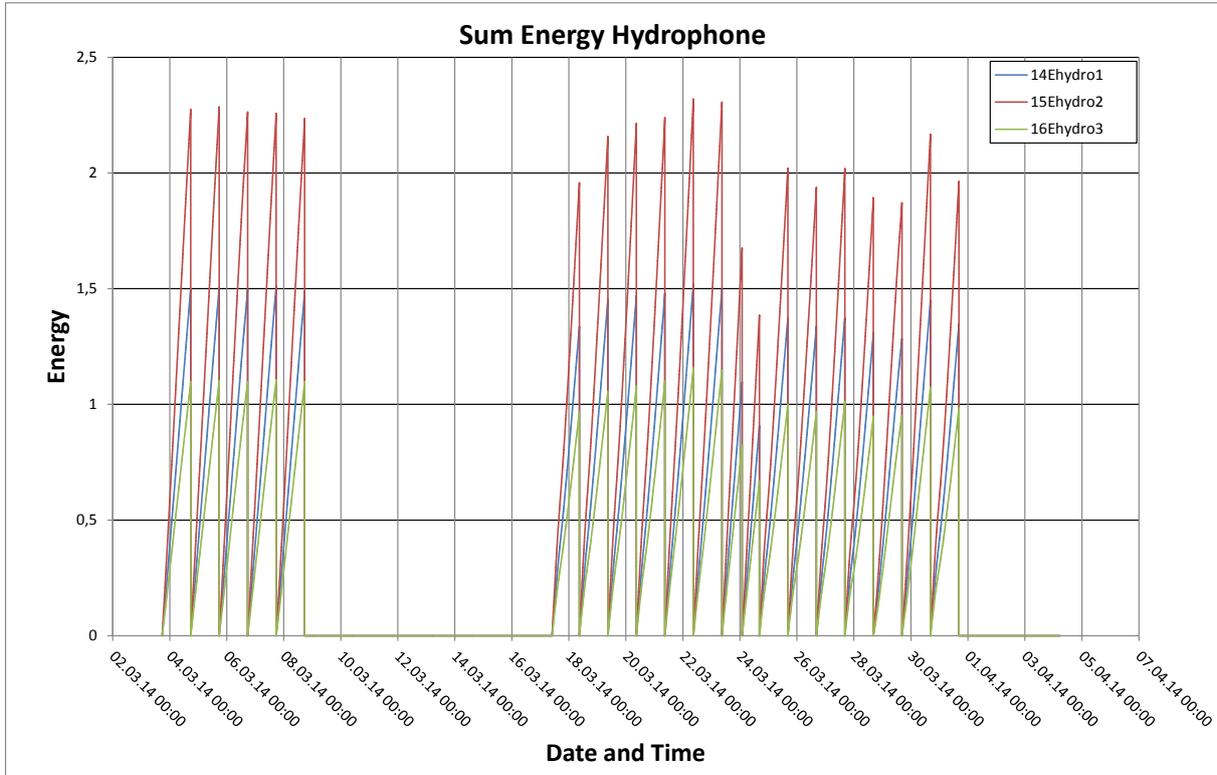


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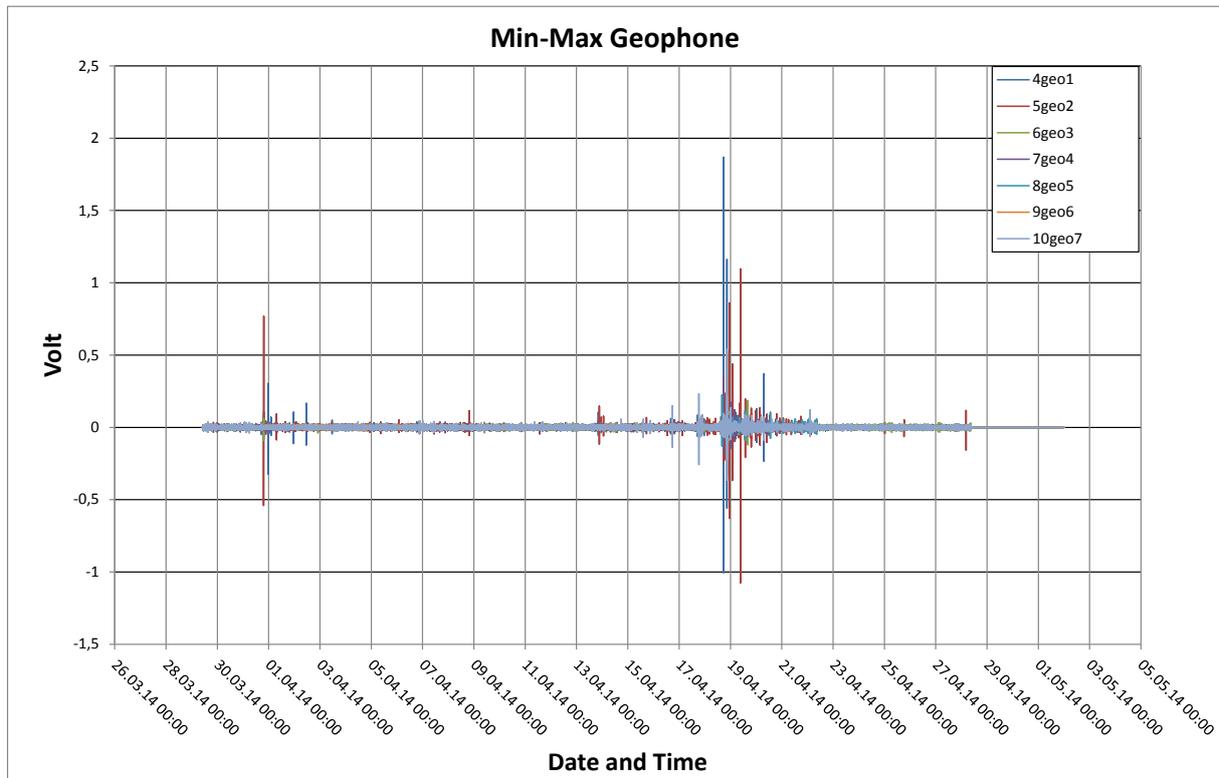


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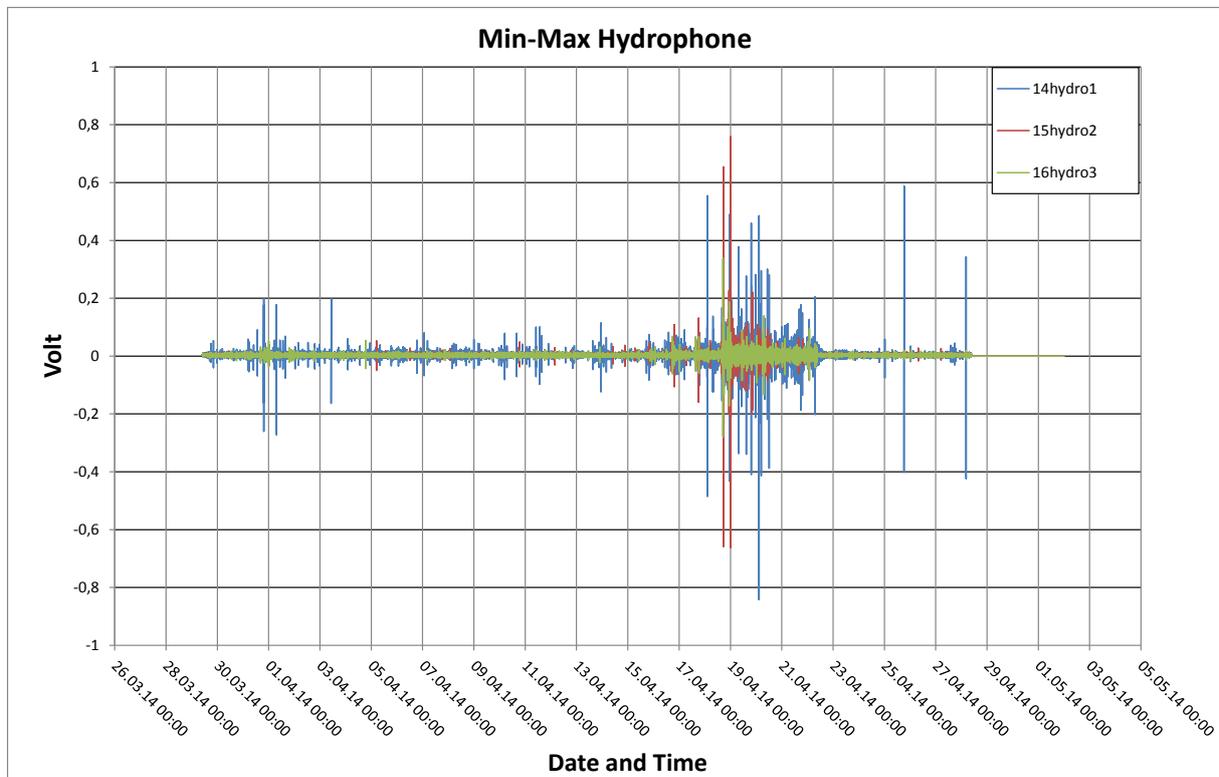


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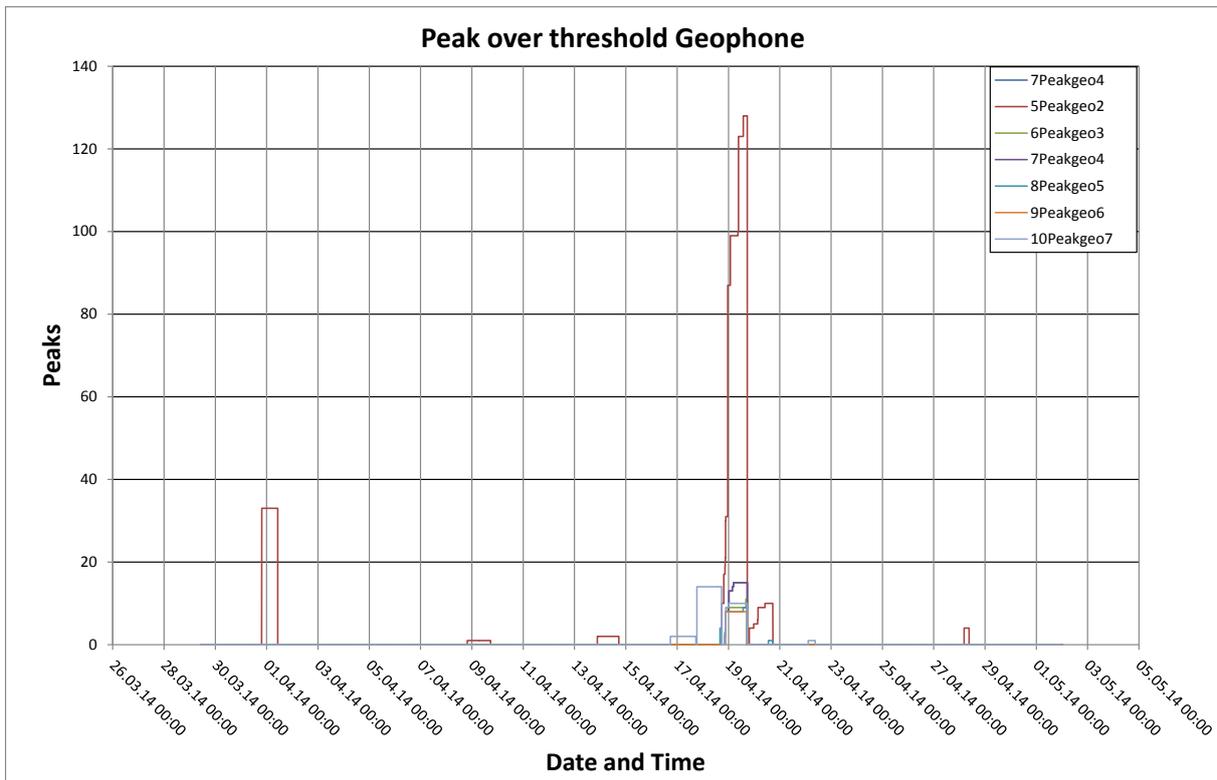


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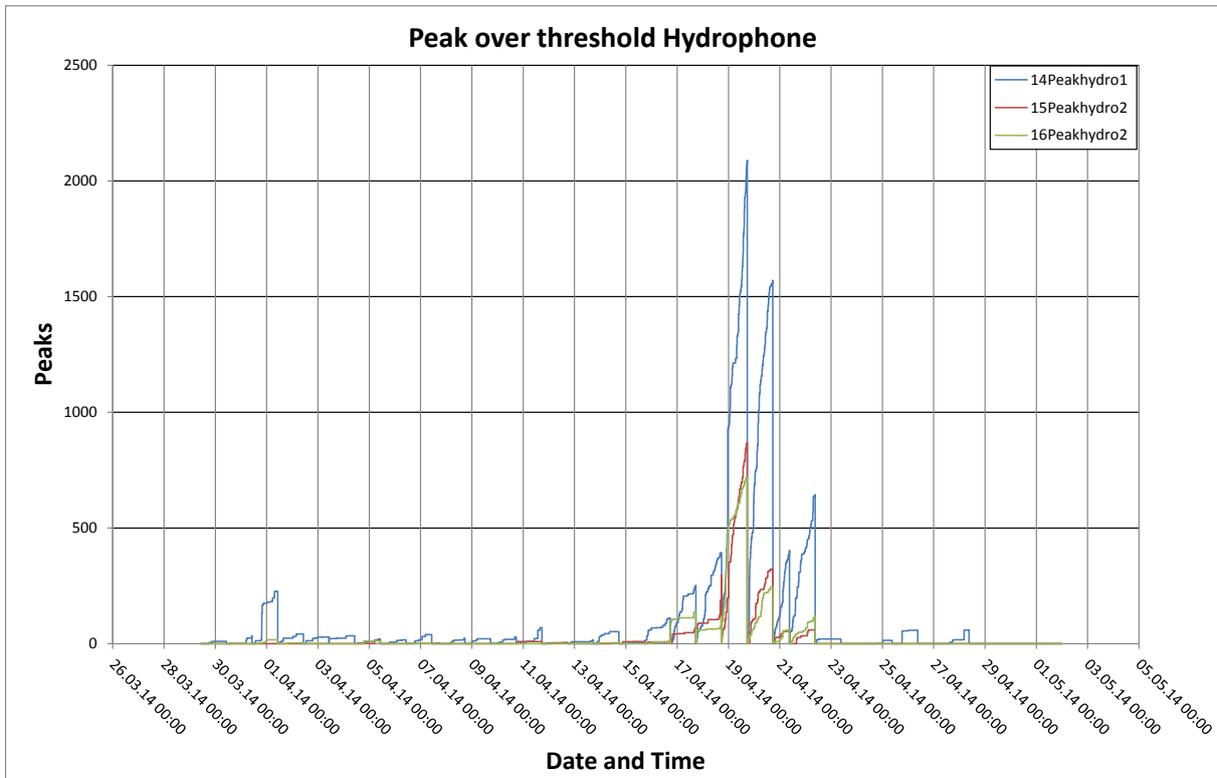


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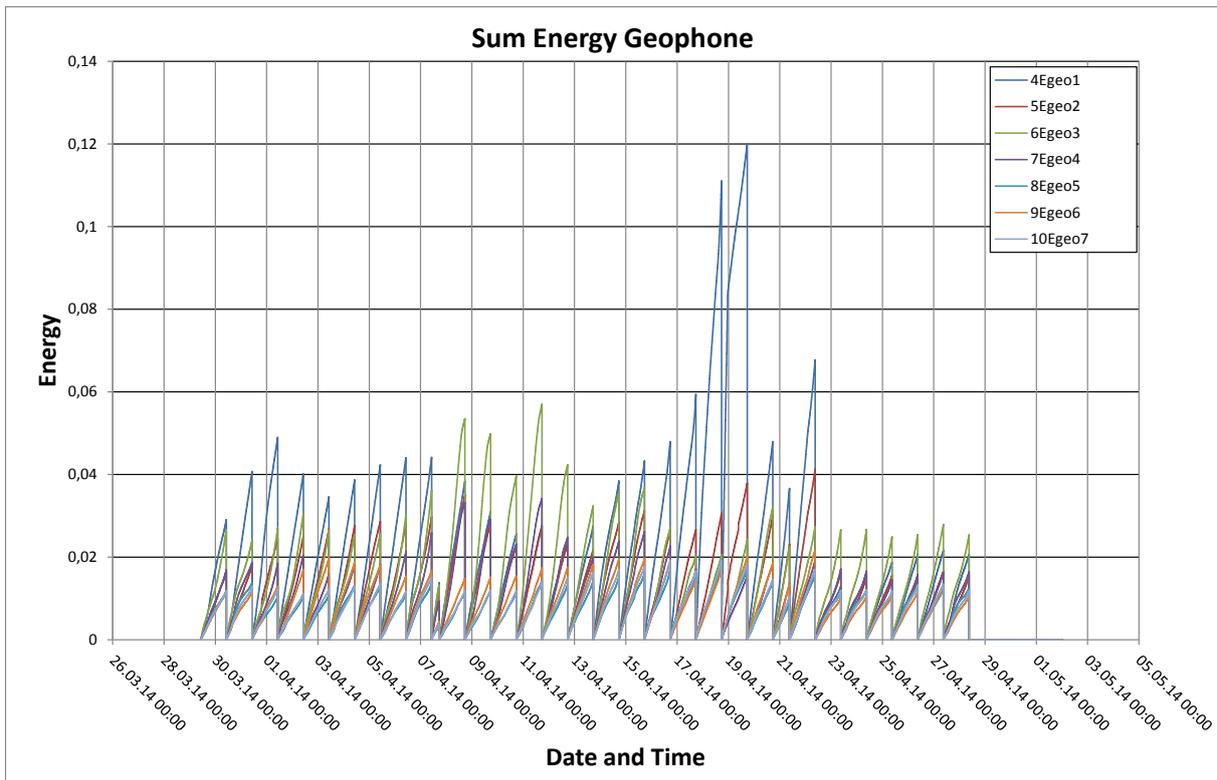


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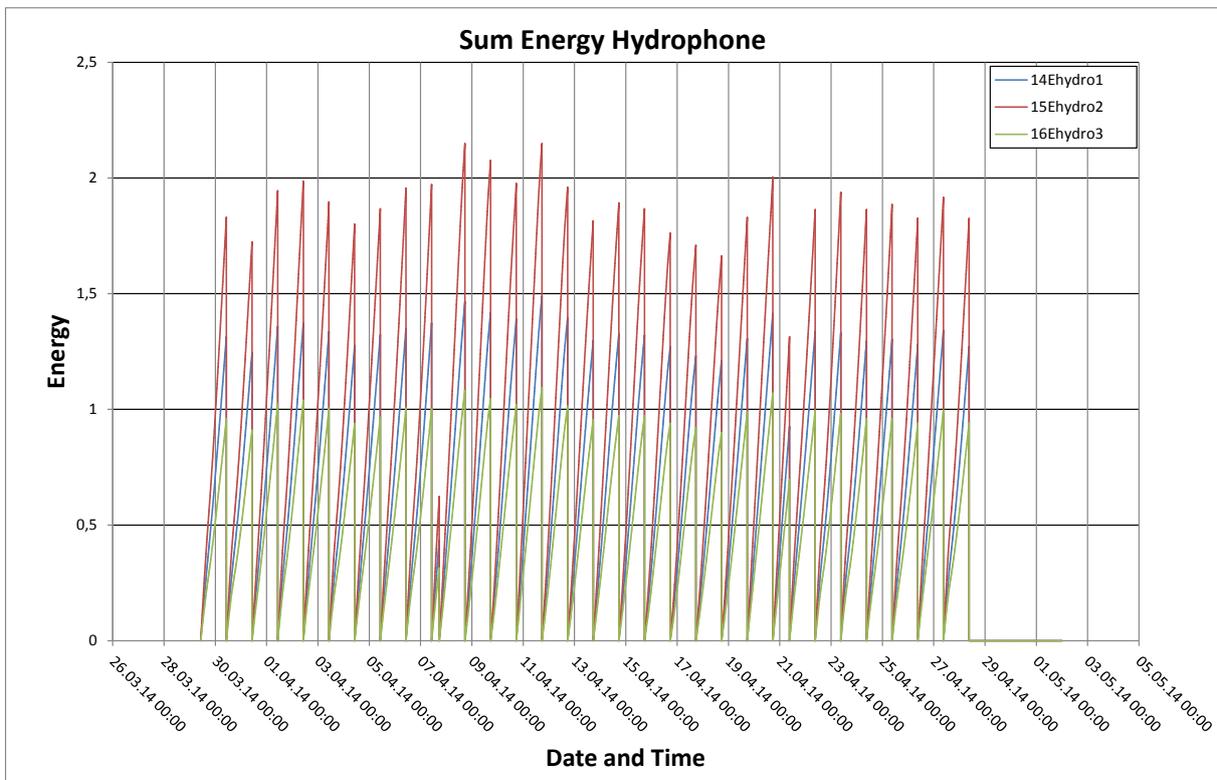


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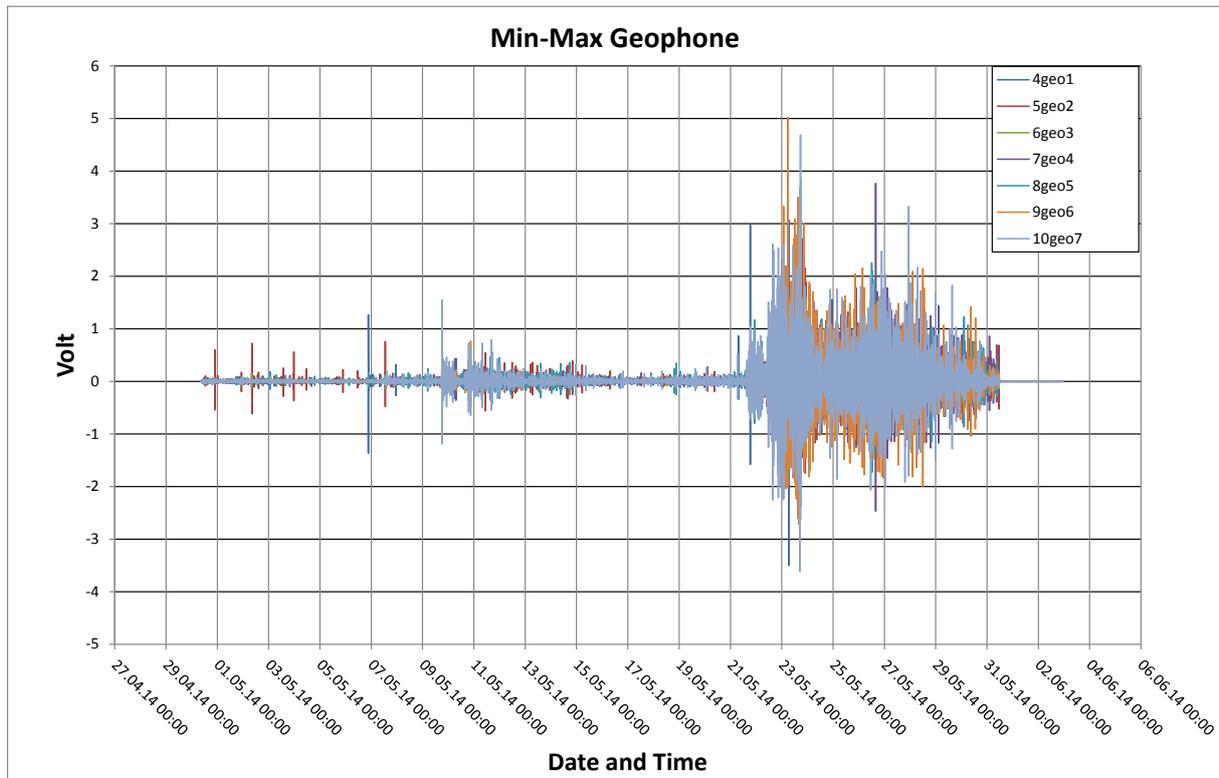


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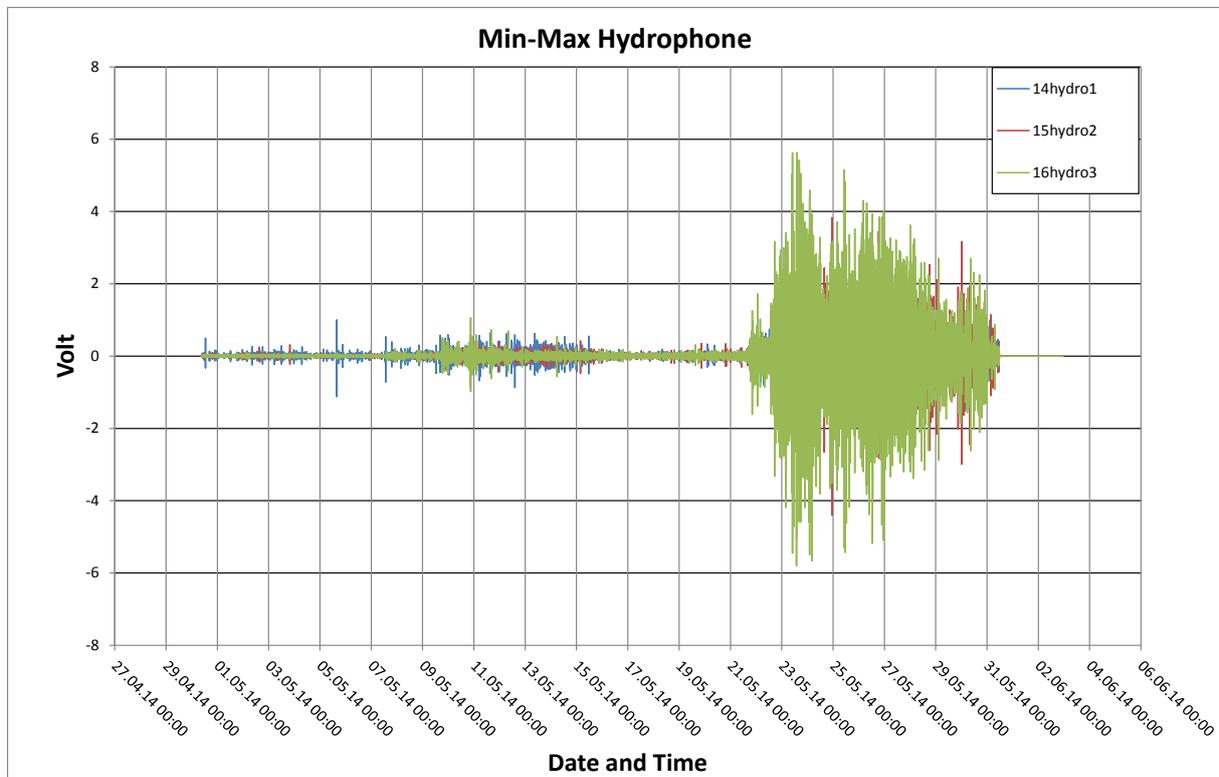


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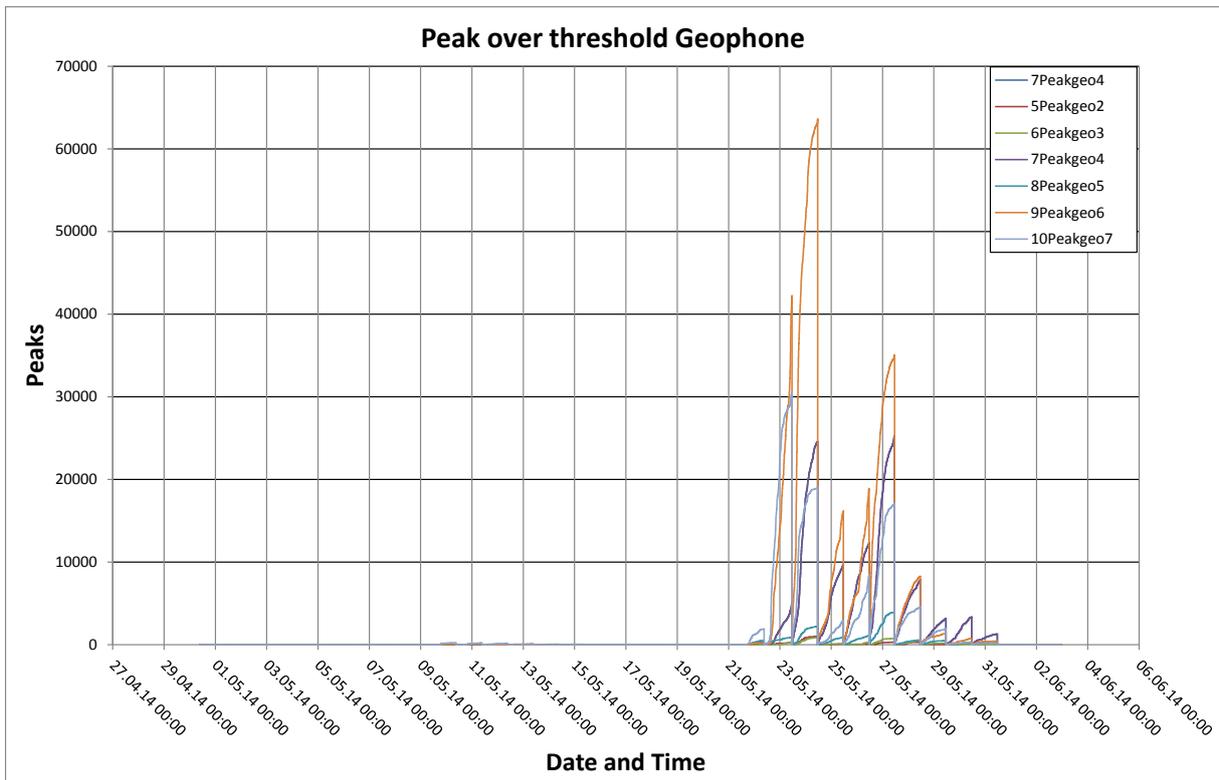


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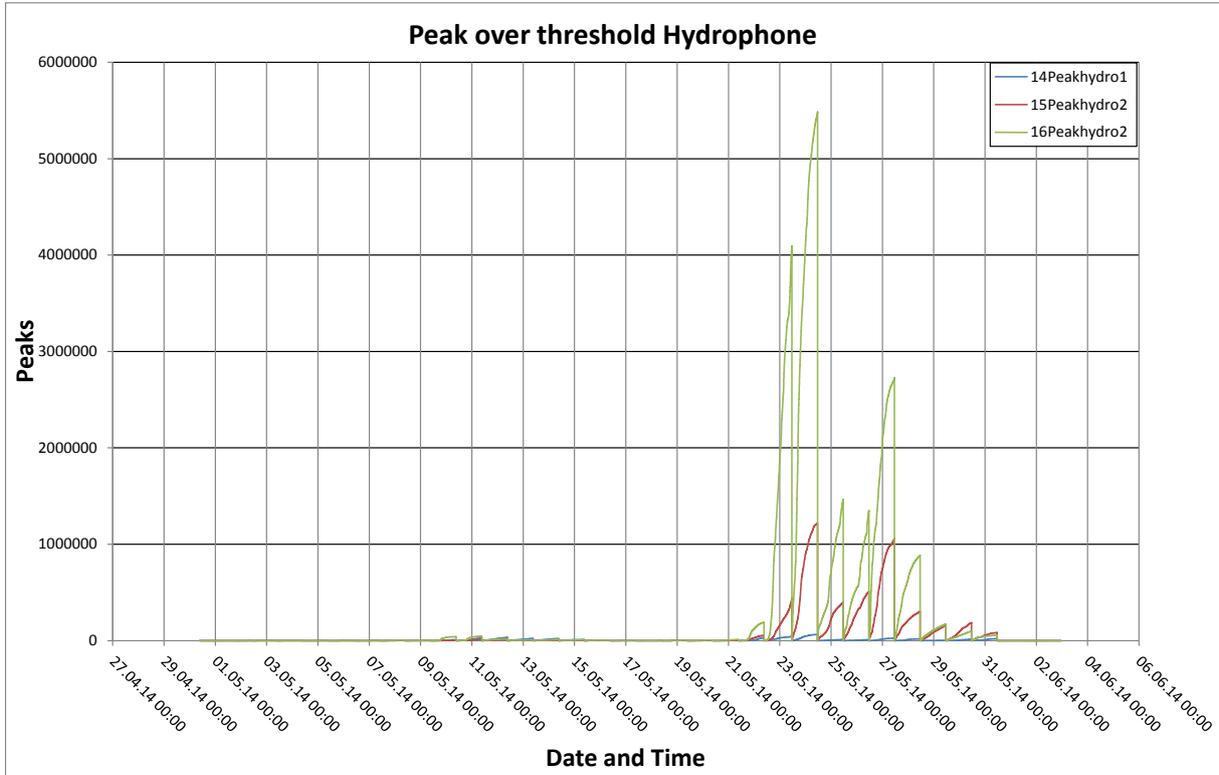


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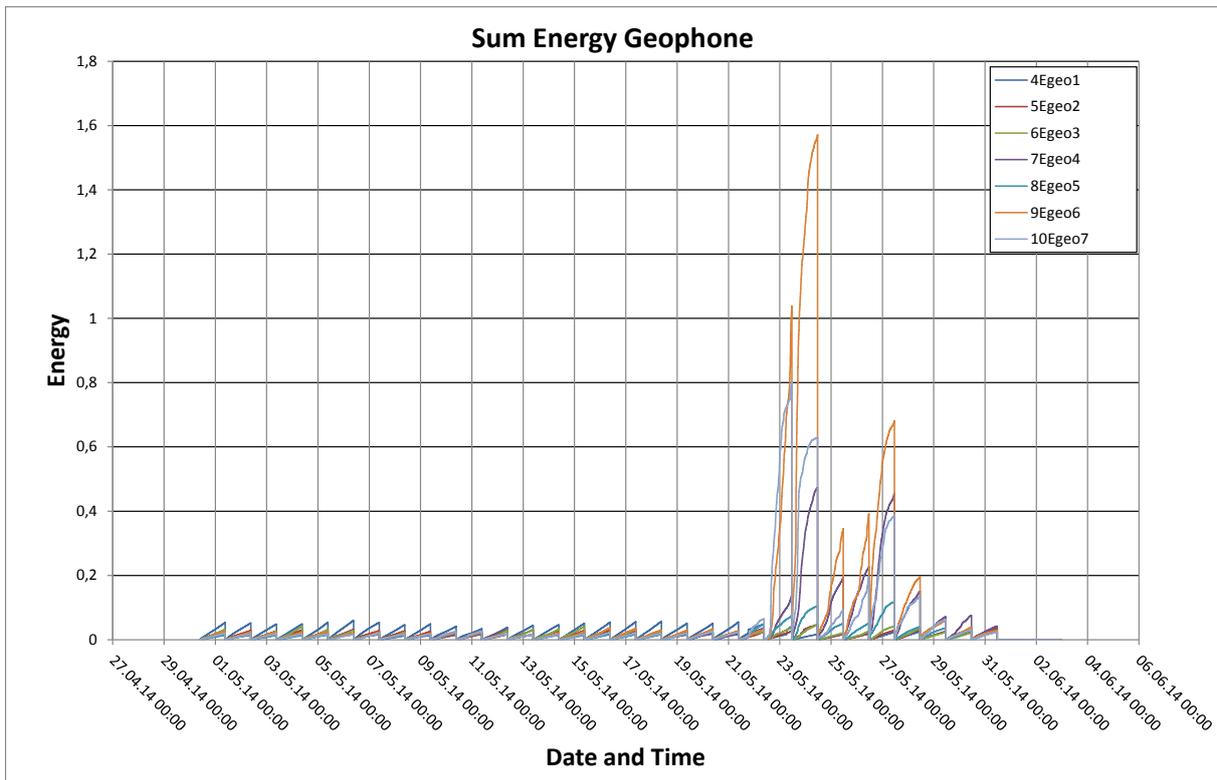


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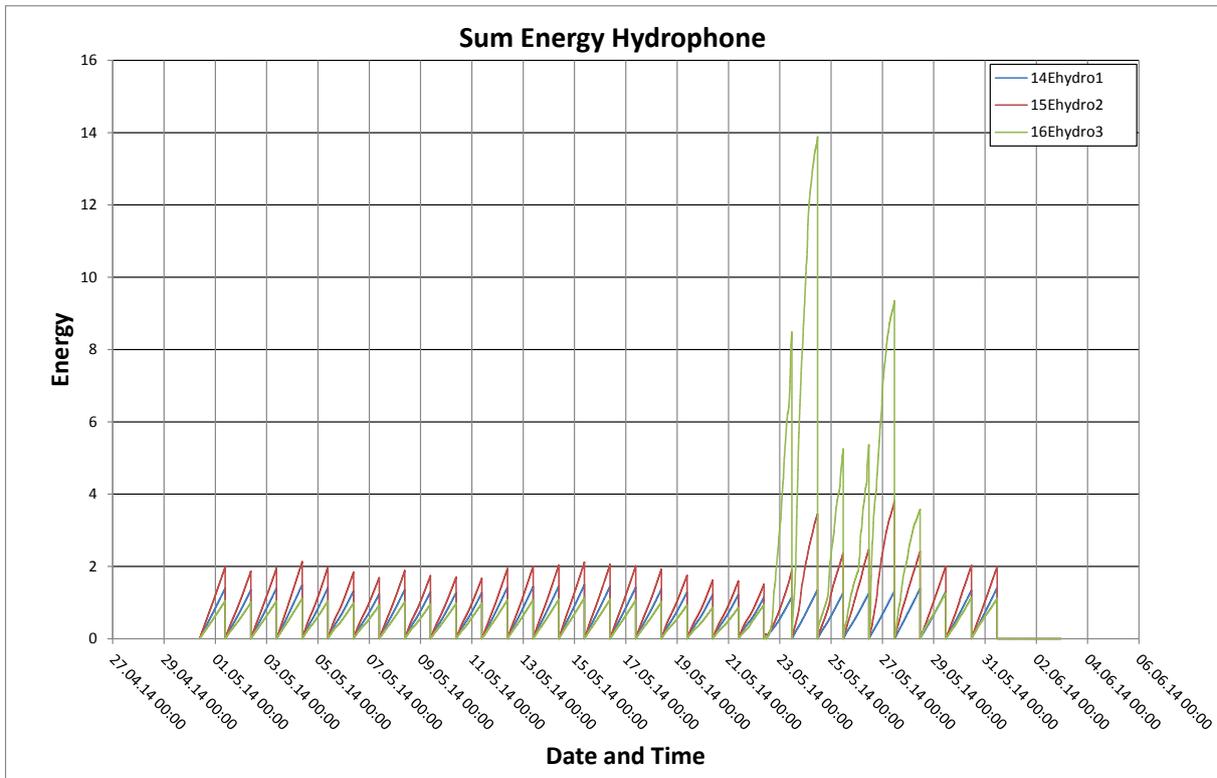


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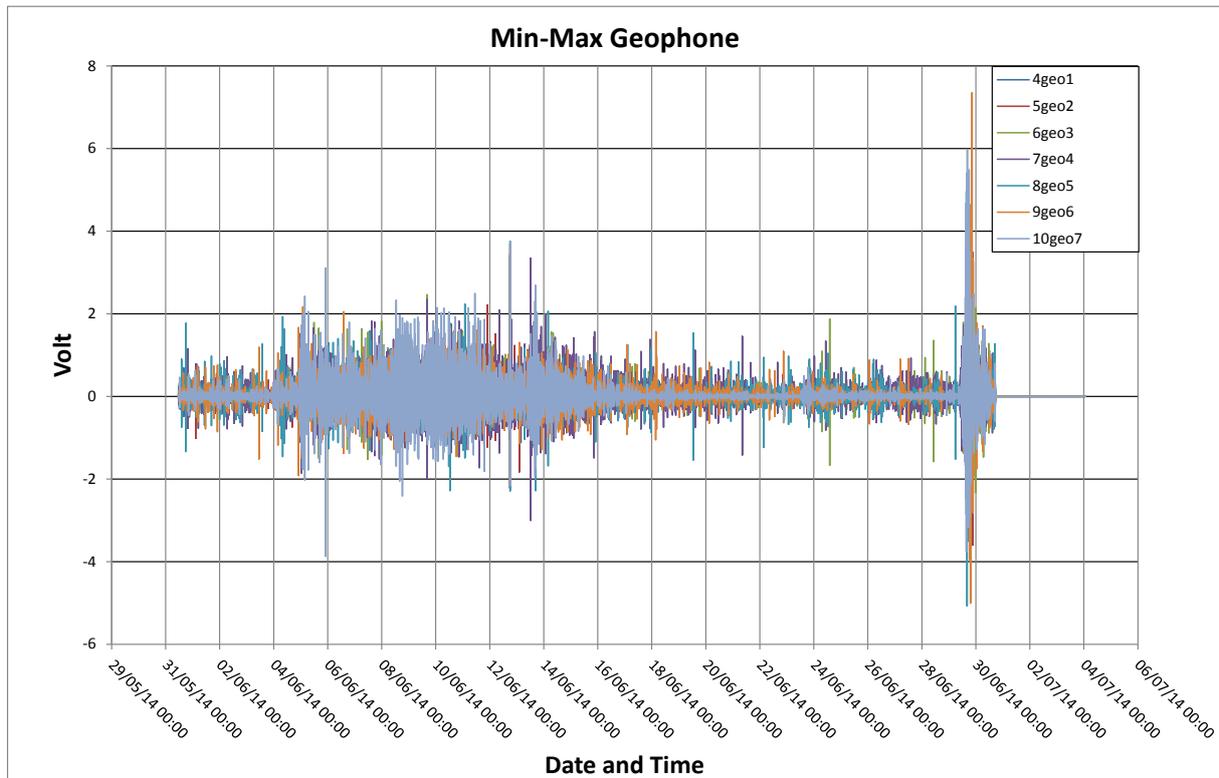


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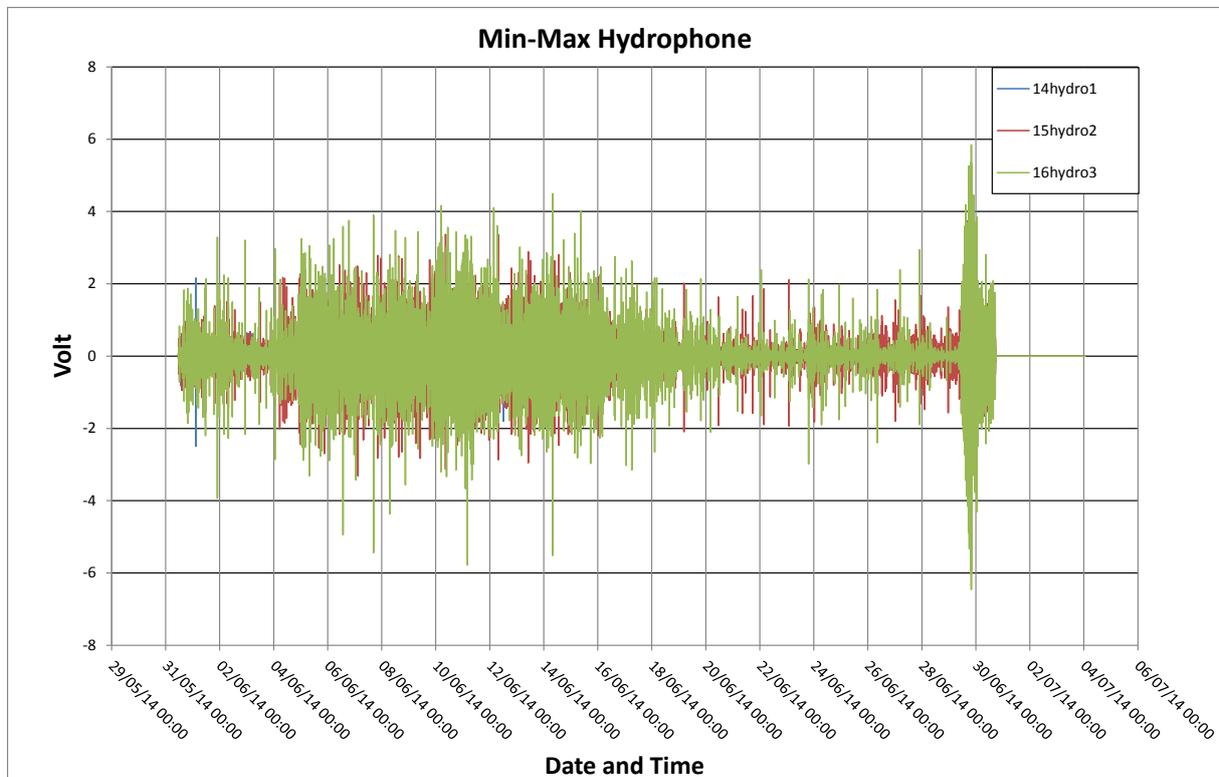


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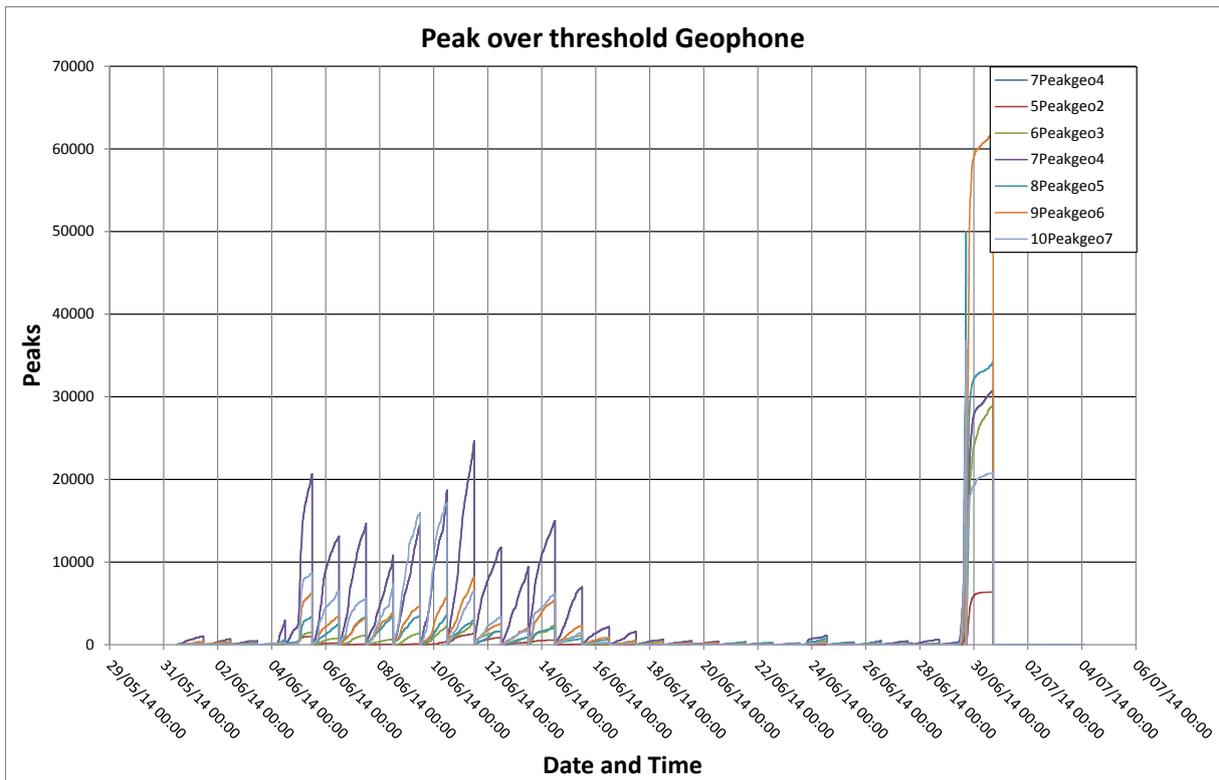


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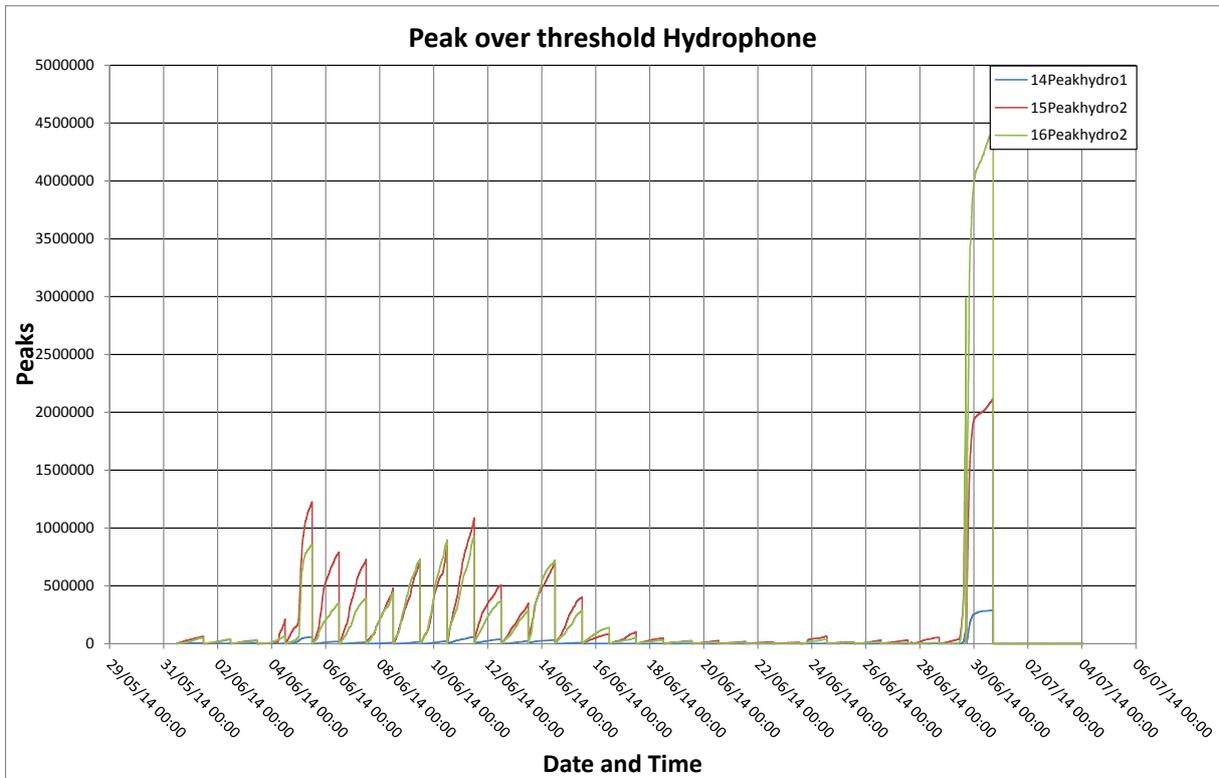


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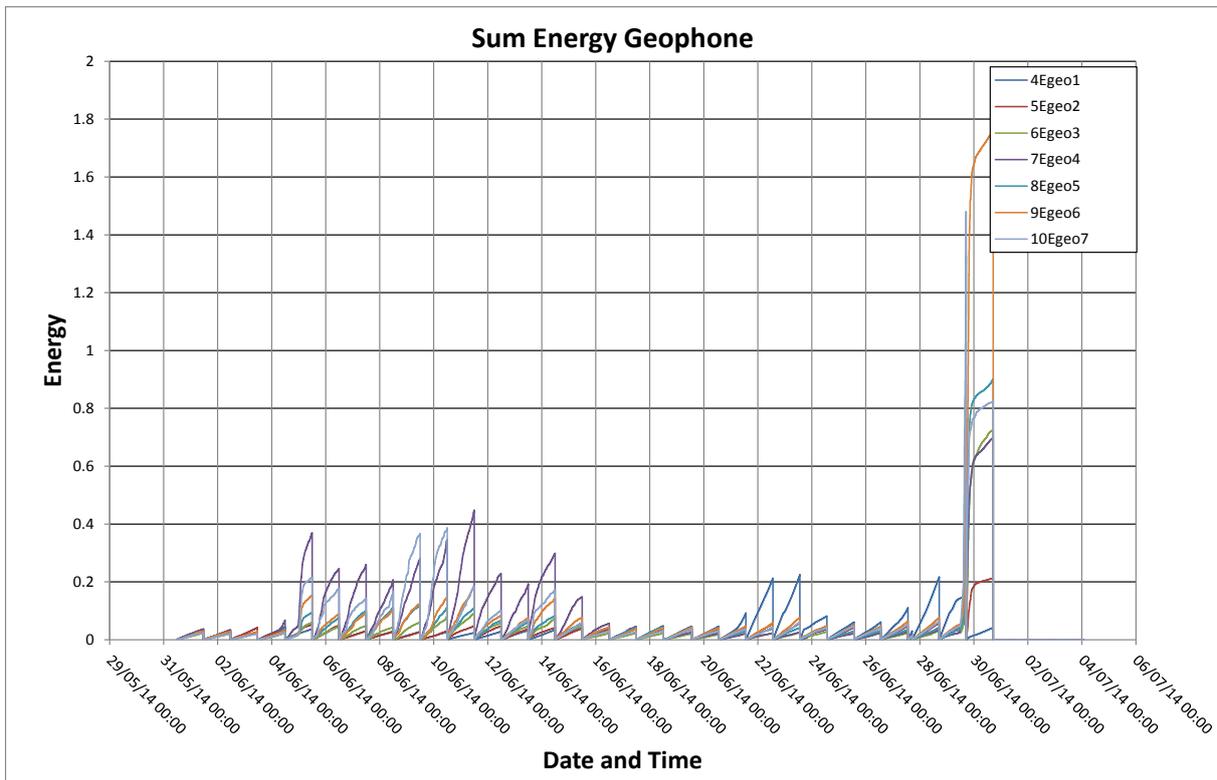


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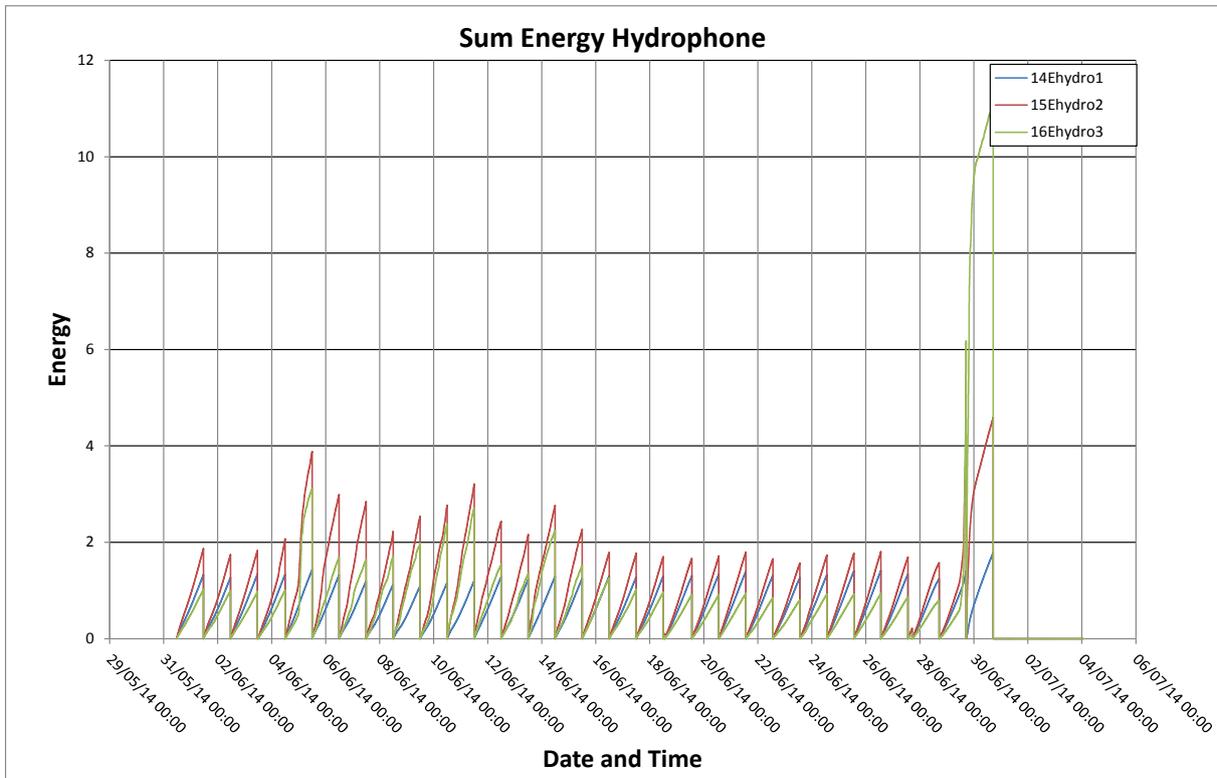


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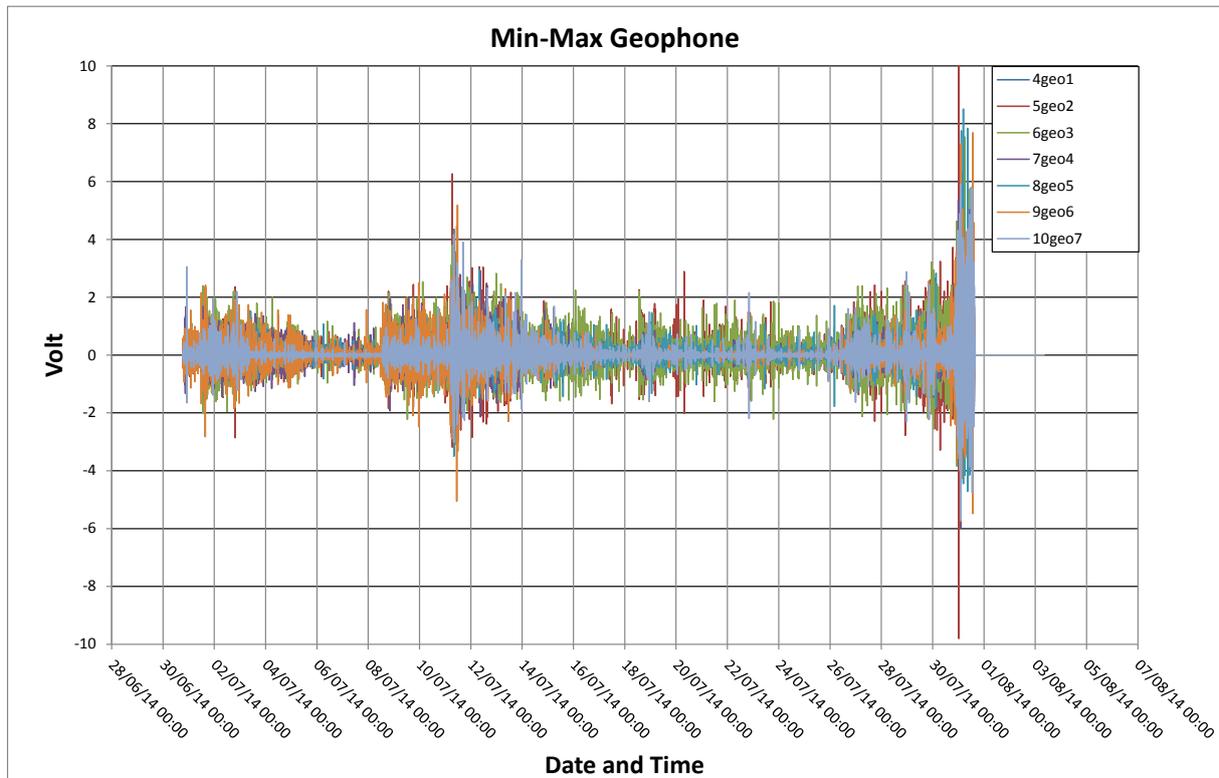


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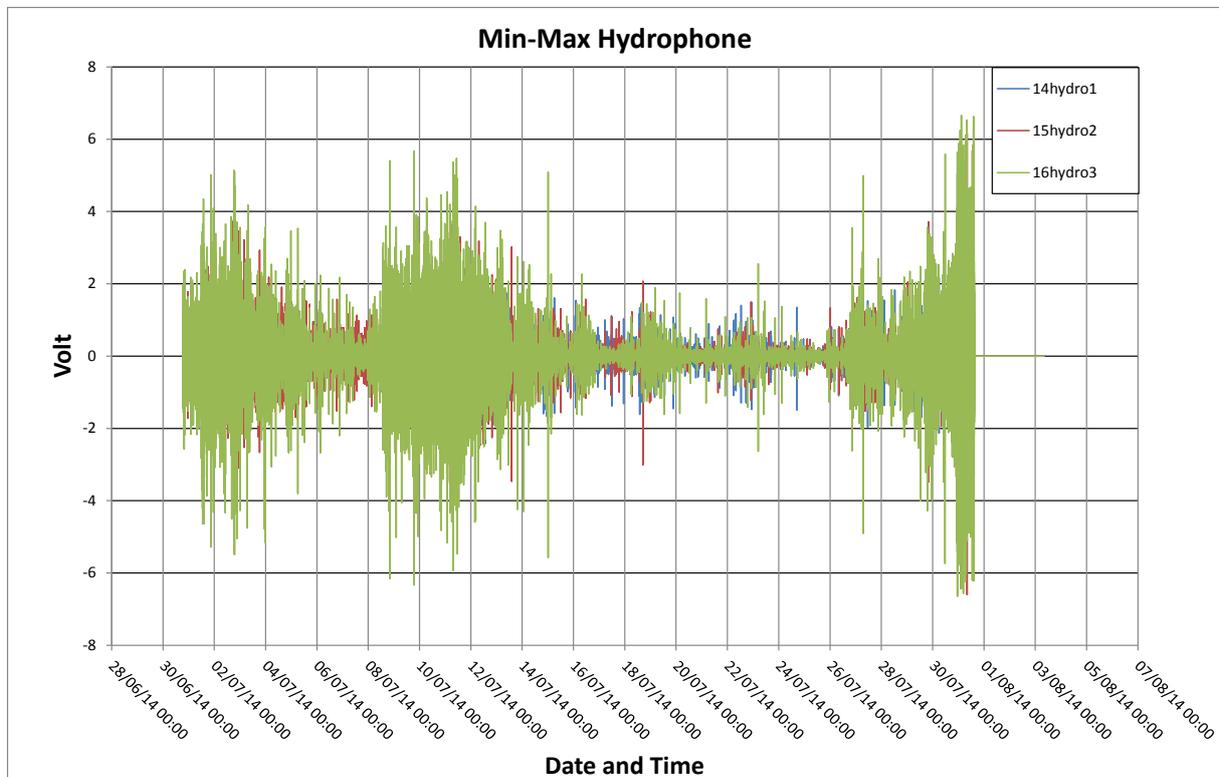


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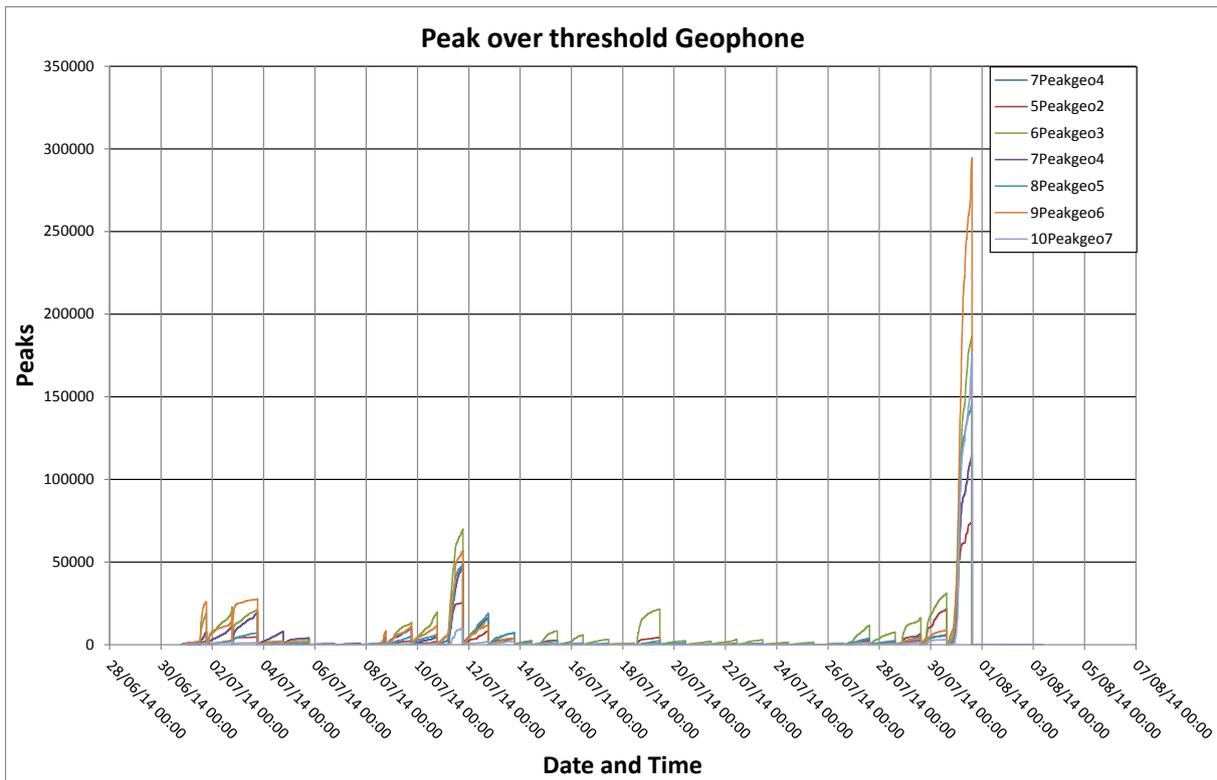


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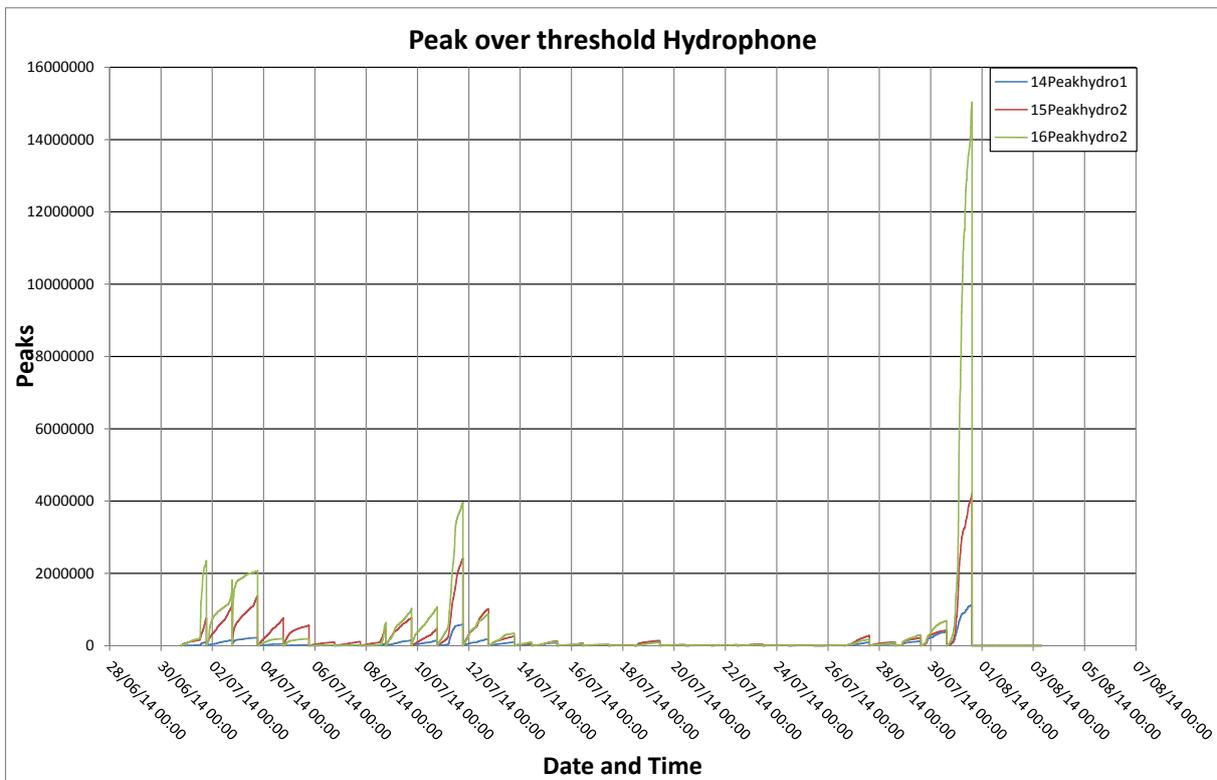


Figure 67: Peak over threshold for the hydrophones 1-3 per day for the month July 2014.

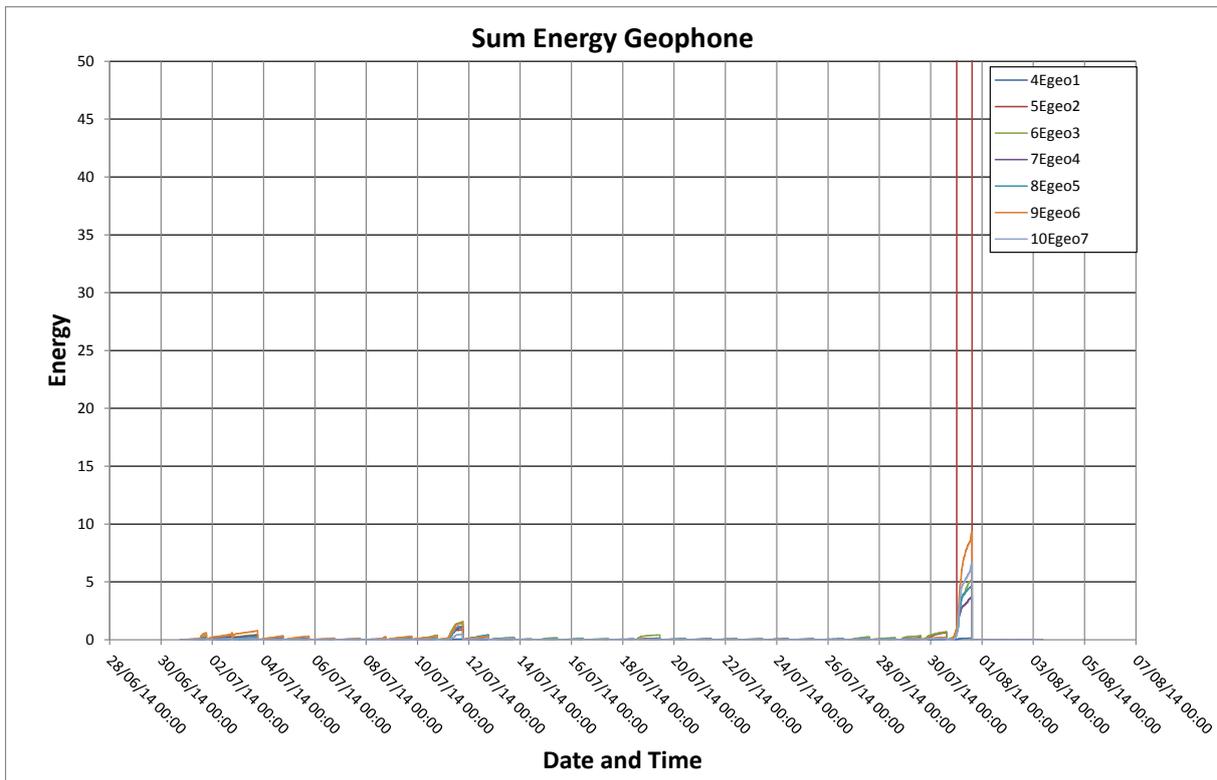


Figure 68: Energy sum for the geophones 1-7 per day for the month July 2014.

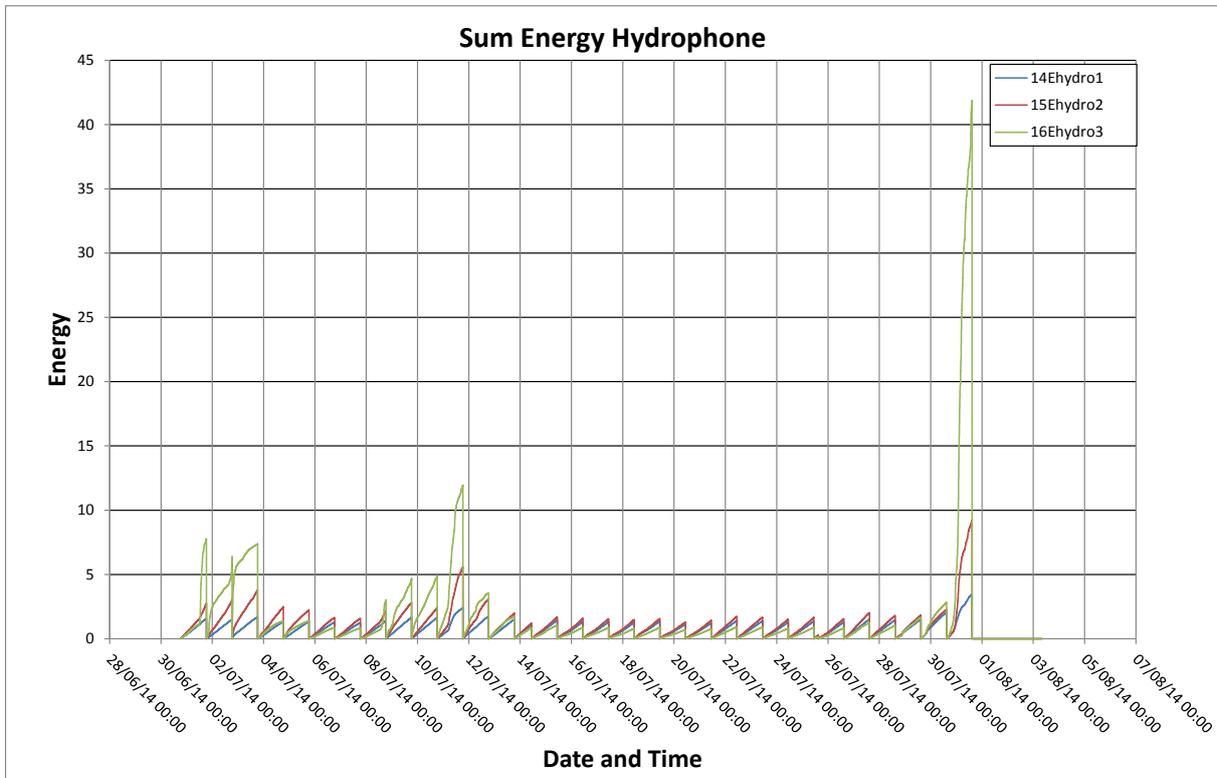


Figure 69: Energy sum for the hydrophones 1-3 per day for the month July 2014.



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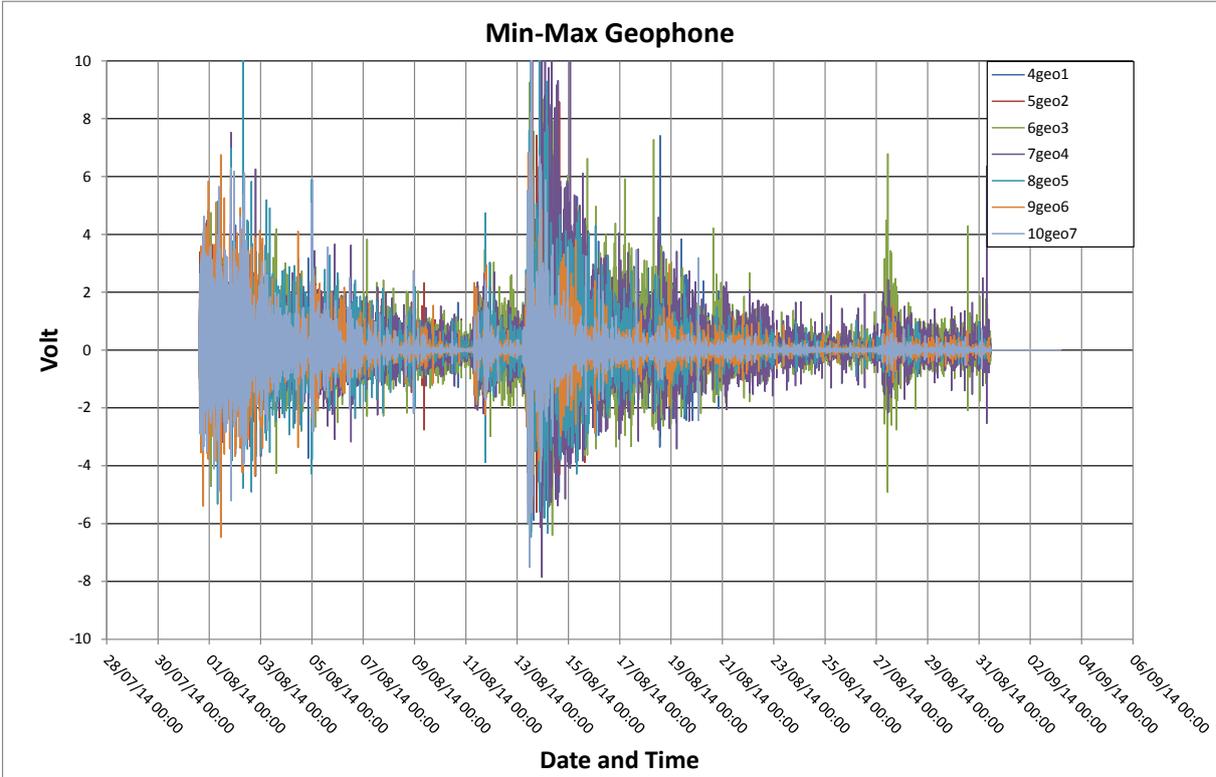


Figure 70: Minimum and maximum values per minute for the geophones 1-7 for the month August 2014.

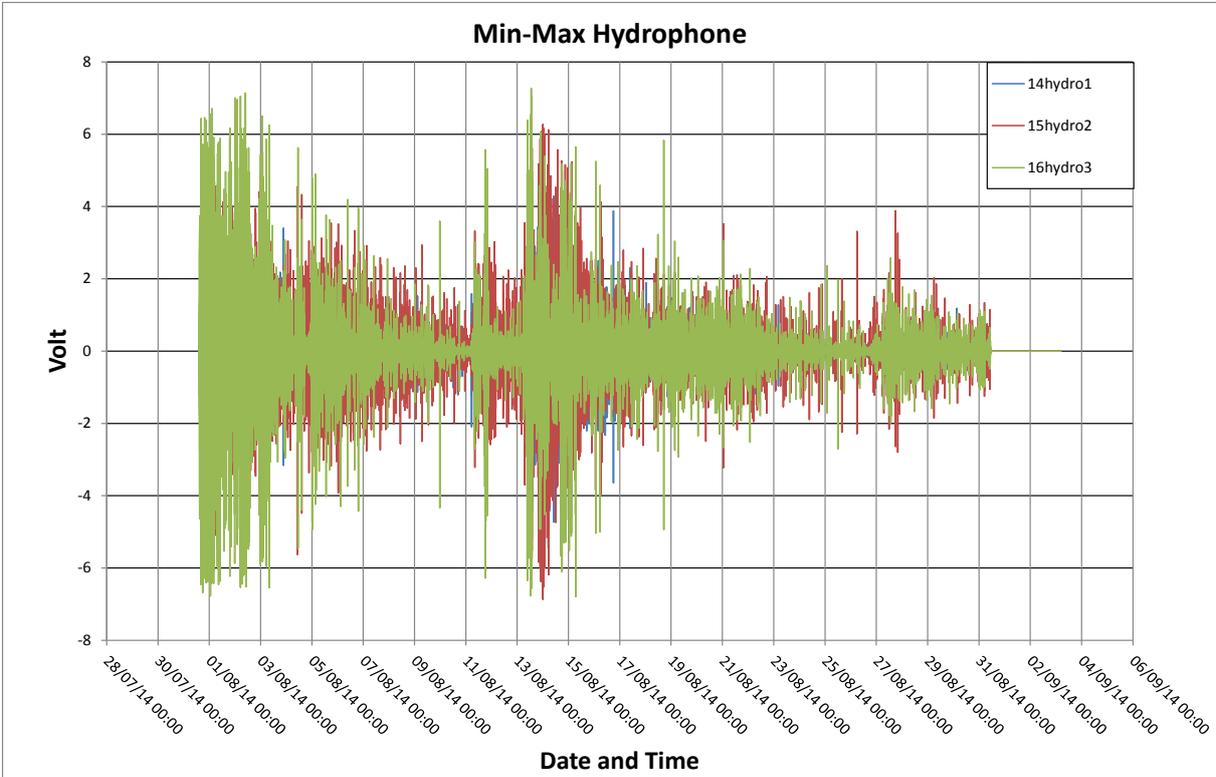


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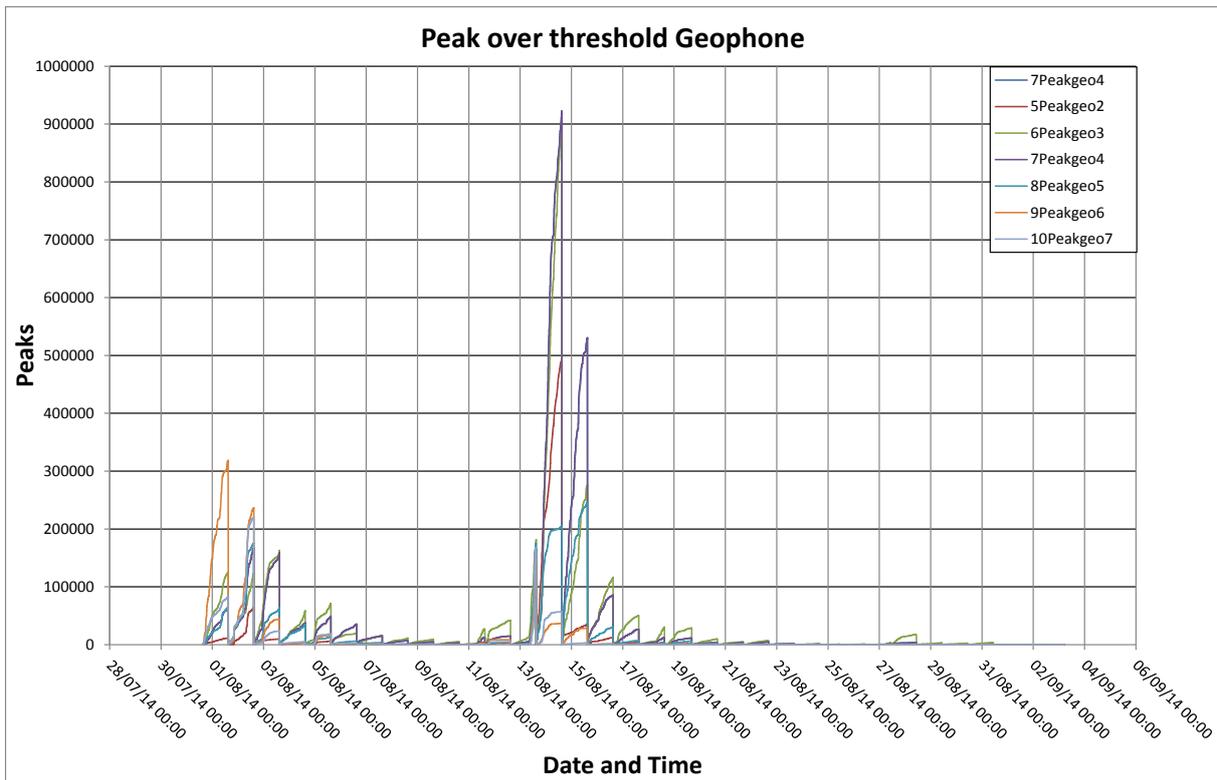


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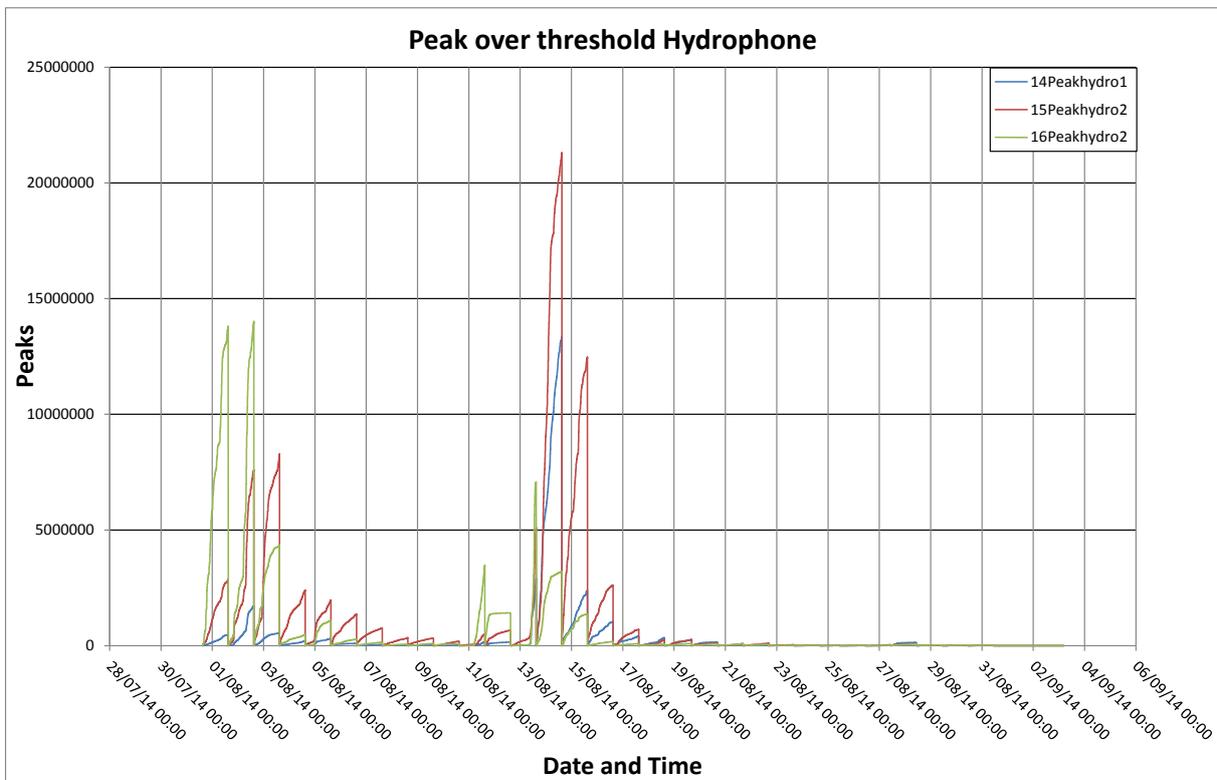


Figure 73: Peak over threshold for the hydrophones 1-3 per day for the month August 2014.

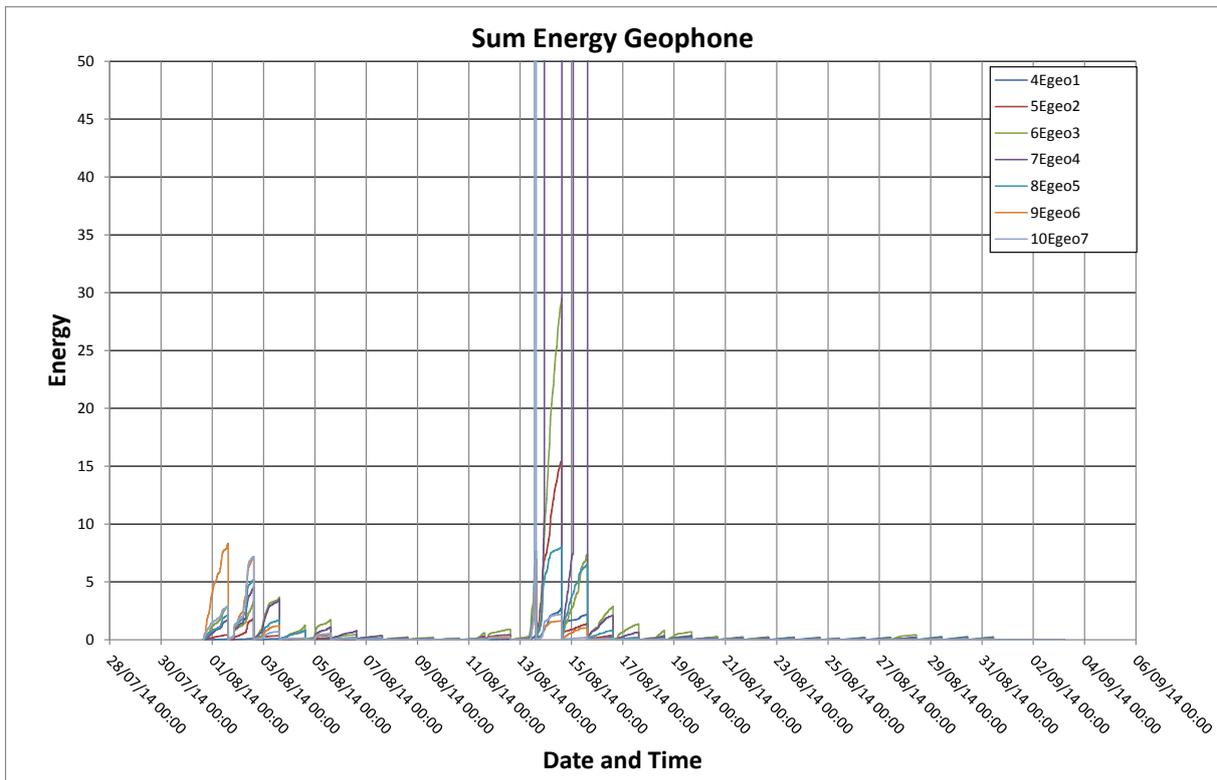


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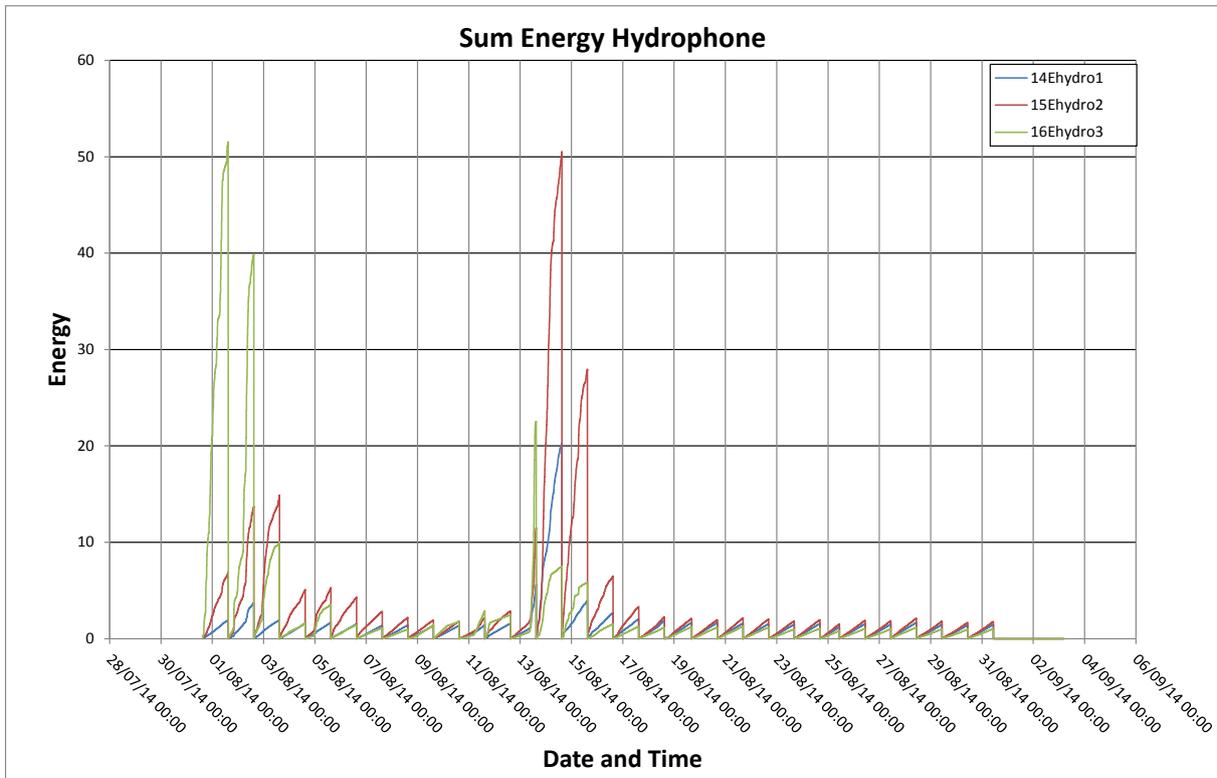


Figure 75: Energy sum for the hydrophones 1-3 per day for the month August 2014.

