

ABSTRACT

5 A method of marking a liquid and subsequently
detecting that the liquid has been marked, which method
comprises:

adding to the liquid an additive comprising a
plurality of particles in an amount no greater than 1
part weight of particles per 10^6 parts weight liquid, the
10 particles comprising signal means to aid their detection
and not being visible in the liquid to the naked eye;

sampling a portion of the liquid containing
said additive, and

15 detecting the presence of particles in the
liquid, with the proviso that said signal means does not
consist solely of a nucleic acid tag.

