

Boiler MACT What Can We Do Now?

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- EPA can request an additional extension of their court ordered deadline
- EPA can promulgate the final rule Expect immediate court challenges
 - Option 1: Rule can be "stayed"
 - Option 2: Rule can be held in place while being reviewed (PC MACT)



Proposed Rule Final Rule What Could Change

- Emission limits
 - EPA has continued to accept test data
- Compliance options
 - Health-based Compliance Alternatives
- Emissions averaging limits
 - 10% Penalty?
- Testing requirements
 - Test frequency
 - Test length
- Etc.



What Can We Do Now?



Review Stack Test Reports

- Previous testing can be helpful
 - Careful, limits apply during start-up and shutdown
- Particulate Matter
 - Only use "filterable" (front-half) results
- Carbon Monoxide
 - Less likely to be available but valuable
- Upcoming Tests?
 - Modify to match pollutants and averaging times



Evaluate Fuel Analysis Options

- Only available for two pollutants (no credit for controls)
 - HCl (surrogate for inorganic HAPs)
 - Hg
- Evaluate current fuel inventory
- Determine if compliant fuels are available
- Remember to perform test according to Boiler MACT requirements

Using Fuel Analysis Results

- Explore fuel supplier options
 - Pricing changes can affect operations
- Determine if add-on controls are necessary
 - HCl likely to require scrubbing
 - Hg likely to require either efficient particulate controls and/or carbon injection
- Frequent testing can expose variability in pollutant concentrations



If Controls Are Necessary

Planning will become important

- Budgeting for capital costs and expenses
- Timelines for obtaining permits
- Where to estimate costs
 - EPA Air Pollution Control Cost Manual
 - Vendor quotes (capital only)
- Lessons learned from recent MACT Promulgations
 - Vendors can run short on equipment
 - Emissions controls don't always work to specifications out of the box (test prior to compliance date)



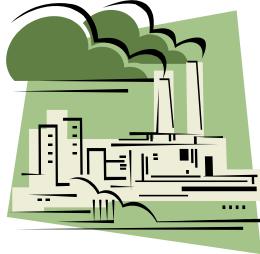
Additional Items to Remember

- Initial Notifications §63.9(h)
 - 120 days after publication in Federal Register
 - Required for all sources (not just those with emission limits)
- Permitting can require excessive time
 - Change in method of control requires permits in many States
 - No Federal Pollution Control Project option exists
- Additional required reports
 - Notification of performance testing
 - Notification of compliance status



Natural Gas is the Fuel of Last Resort

- Why?
 - No emissions standards
 - No performance testing
 - No monitoring*



Energy Efficiency Audit is still required



Questions

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