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THE NON-SOLID FUEL PATHWAY FOR BOILER MACT COMPLIANCE

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WHY SHOULD YOU BE INTERESTED?

- **You are directly affected - solid fuel (coal and biomass) industrial boilers and utility boilers < 25 MW located at Major HAP facilities (>10/25 tpy)**
 - Traditional approach of install back-end AQC equipment can have issues
 - Rule uncertainty – Will target emission limits survive a legal challenge?
 - What if AQC is installed and the rule is struck down – Money well spent?
 - Remaining life of existing units vs. life extension vs. new solid fuel boilers – Are new unit emission limits technically feasible to meet?
- **Your customers/clients are directly affected**
 - Vendors for alternate generation technologies
 - Vendors of BOP equipment
 - Technical and economic feasibility studies

Compliance timeline clock has started ticking



THE NON-SOLID FUEL PATHWAY

- **Convert existing boilers to Gas 1 or “other Gas 1” category units**
 - Gas 1: natural gas, refinery gas
 - Other gas 1 fuel: $< 40 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ of Hg and $< 4 \text{ ppmv H}_2\text{S}$.
- **Decommission existing solid fuel fired boilers and install new gas 1 fuel fired package boilers**
- **Install gas 1 fuel fired cogeneration systems (CHP) that utilize combustion turbines**
- **A combination of boiler gas conversion and cogeneration systems**

Gas 1 units, other Gas 1 units and combustion turbines do not have to meet BMACT emission limits



NON-SOLID FUEL PATHWAY – OVERALL ISSUES

- Compliance schedule
- Compliance requirements
- Technical issues
- Economic issues



GAS CONVERSION STUDY ITEMS

- Determine permitting impacts
- Review the boiler and auxiliary equipment limitations
- Determine gas metering, cleanup equipment needs
- Determine the maximum practical gas load capability
- Evaluate modifications required to achieve current Boiler Maximum Continuous Rating (BMCR) with gas
- Develop estimated costs

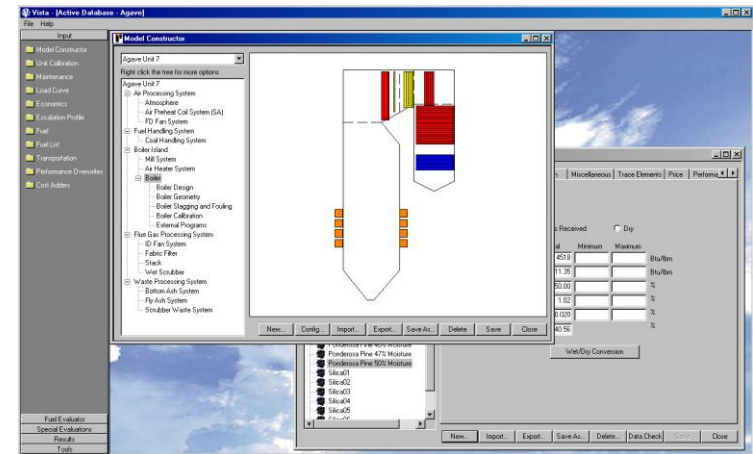


Feasibility studies are critical

VISTA IS AN EXCELLENT TOOL TO STUDY GAS CONVERSION

- Gas co-firing and repowering modeling capability
- B&V has studied the following fuels using VISTA:

- Natural gas
- Bio-gas
- Gasifier product gas
- Refinery gas
- Coke-oven
- Blast furnace gas
- Ethane and propane



- Vista used in 2GW of coal-gas conversion studies in the last year.

- Key results include:

- Heat rate and efficiency.
- Derate risk and equipment margins.
- Emissions predictions
- Maintenance differentials and equivalent availability changes.
- Total fuel-related cost.

GAS CONVERSION - ESTIMATE OF CAPITAL AND OPERATING COSTS

- **Estimate of capital costs for the repowering**
 - Major equipment (including boiler modifications)
 - BOP and construction costs
 - Indirect costs
- **Estimate of incremental O&M costs**
 - Vista™ model results
 - Typically include:
 - Differential fuel cost
 - Potential environmental credits
 - Reduction in AQCS sorbent and catalyst materials
 - Differences in auxiliary power requirements.
 - Impacts to potential unit output
 - Maintenance requirements for non-essential equipment



An accurate pro forma analysis is required

COGENERATION BENEFITS

Key Metrics

Efficiency

Reliability

Environmental

Economic

Benefits

- Less fuel and less transmission losses
- Operate independent of outside grid issues
- Less fuel burned per each unit of energy output
- High efficiency and hedge against unstable energy costs

CHPs are ideal where thermal loads are high and electricity costs are > \$0.07/kW-hr avg.

COGENERATION – CHP STUDY ITEMS

- Current thermal and power requirements
- Price prediction of gaseous fuels
- Price paid for purchased peak and non-peak power
- Capital costs
- Electrical interconnections and capability to put surplus power back on to the grid
- Reusing existing steam turbines
- Number of units and space issues
- Duct firing and HRSG/OTSG selection
- Integration with existing power and steam infrastructure
- Government incentives for implementing CHP systems – EPA's CHP Partnership

CHPs dramatically improve plant efficiencies



CHP DEVELOPMENT STAGES

- Qualification
- Level 1 feasibility analysis
- Level 2 feasibility analysis
- Procurement, and
- Operations and Maintenance



RECOMMENDED STEPS

- Determine MACT applicability
- Gather intelligence on your facility
- Develop compliance flowcharts and checklists
- Explore feasibility of back-end control (traditional AQC) and front-end fuel conversion and CHP technologies
- Conduct economic analyses
- Set internal deadlines and finalize strategy
- Agency interaction and execution of strategies



Proven steps to ensure Owner/Contractor collaboration

QUESTIONS?

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