

Advancements in Activated Carbons



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New Developments in Power Plant Air Pollution Control

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Genesis of Activated Carbon Injection for Mercury Capture

1990s

- Multiple-pollutant control laboratory and pilot-scale studies to start evaluating co-benefits and sorbent injection
- Technology transfer of Activated Carbon Injection (ACI) from Municipal Sewer Waste over to Coal Firing, but mercury concentrations much lower from coal
- Major issues with measurement of Hg at these low levels in actual flue gas matrix

Early 2000s

- Significant field studies and demonstrations of same PACs used for water treatment and MSW plants
- Introduction of halogen-treated activated carbons
- Measurement improvements and options expand
- Issues such as ash disposal identified, studied

Today

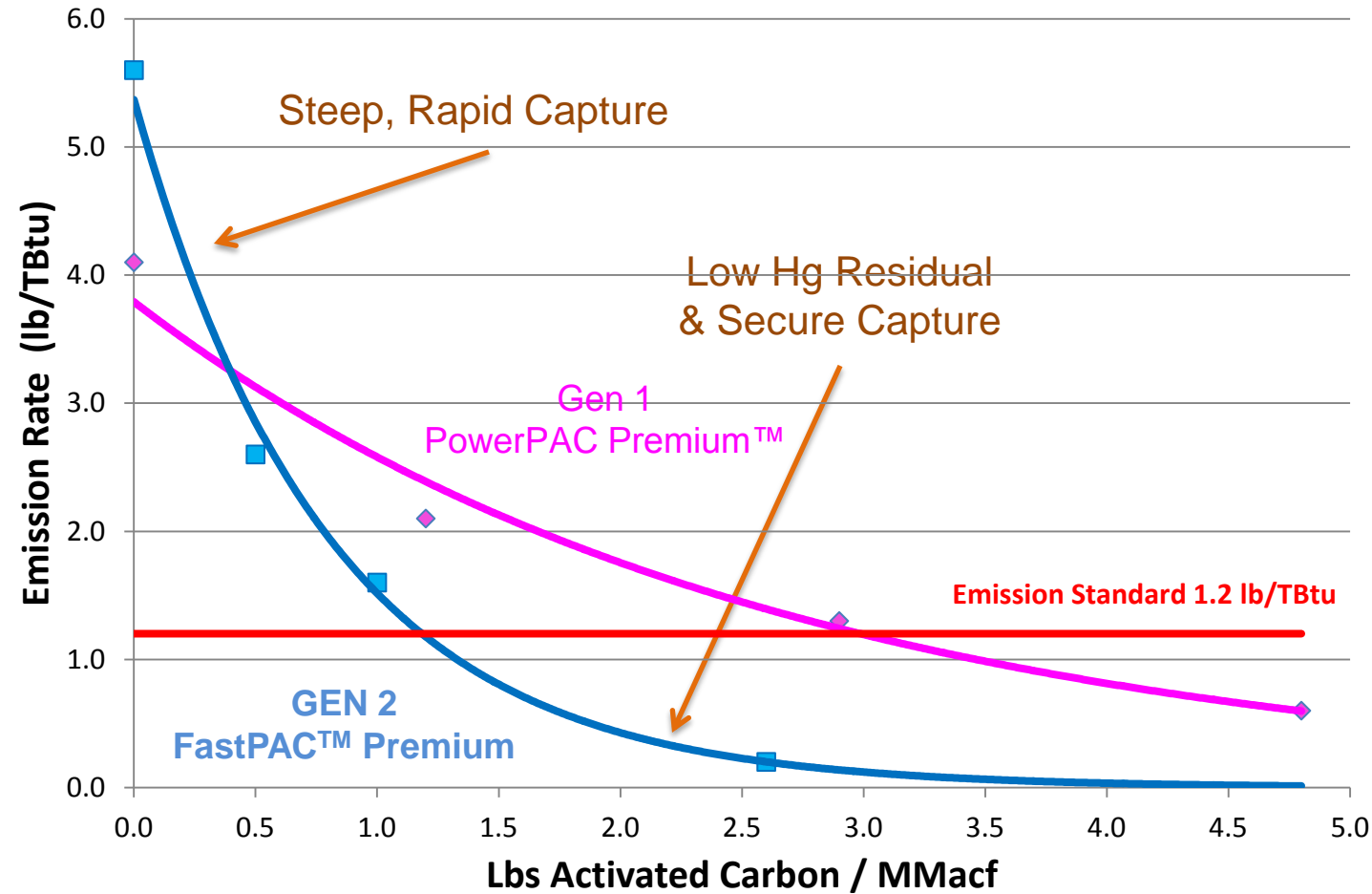
- ADA Carbon Solutions as first, fully focused PAC manufacturer for mercury removal introduces new products tailored to this application
- Identification of critical aspects of carbon that drive performance in mercury capture
- Focused product development in specific application challenges
- Measurements still challenging and high-maintenance

Ongoing Development

- Meaningful quality criteria that correlate with mercury capture performance
- Rapid innovation targeting specific application challenges
 - High Acid Gases
 - Concrete Compatibility
 - Faster Kinetics
- Solutions tailored for specific circumstances to achieve the optimal compliance solutions

- Coal-fired mercury control has been studied by EPRI, EPA, DOE and others since 1990
- Activated Carbon Injection (ACI) has been commercial in coal fired power plants since 2007
- As of mid-2012, there were 63 GW of ACI bookings (ICAC)

Advances in High Hg Capture Efficiency - Gen 2 - FastPAC™ Premium EGU Test



- > 200 MW EGU
- PRB coal fired
- Cold-side ESP
- Hg CEMS

Our patent-pending FastPAC™ Premium
Reduced PAC usage by 50% and Improved Hg
Removal to >95%

*First Generation of
Design-for-Purpose
Mercury Capture PAC
Products*

*Water Products Re-
Purposed for Mercury
Capture*

Gen 1

- Power PAC™
- Power PAC Premium™

Generation 2

- Power PAC Premium Plus™
- FastPAC™ Platform

Generation 3

- SO₃ Tolerant
- Concrete Compatible
- Others

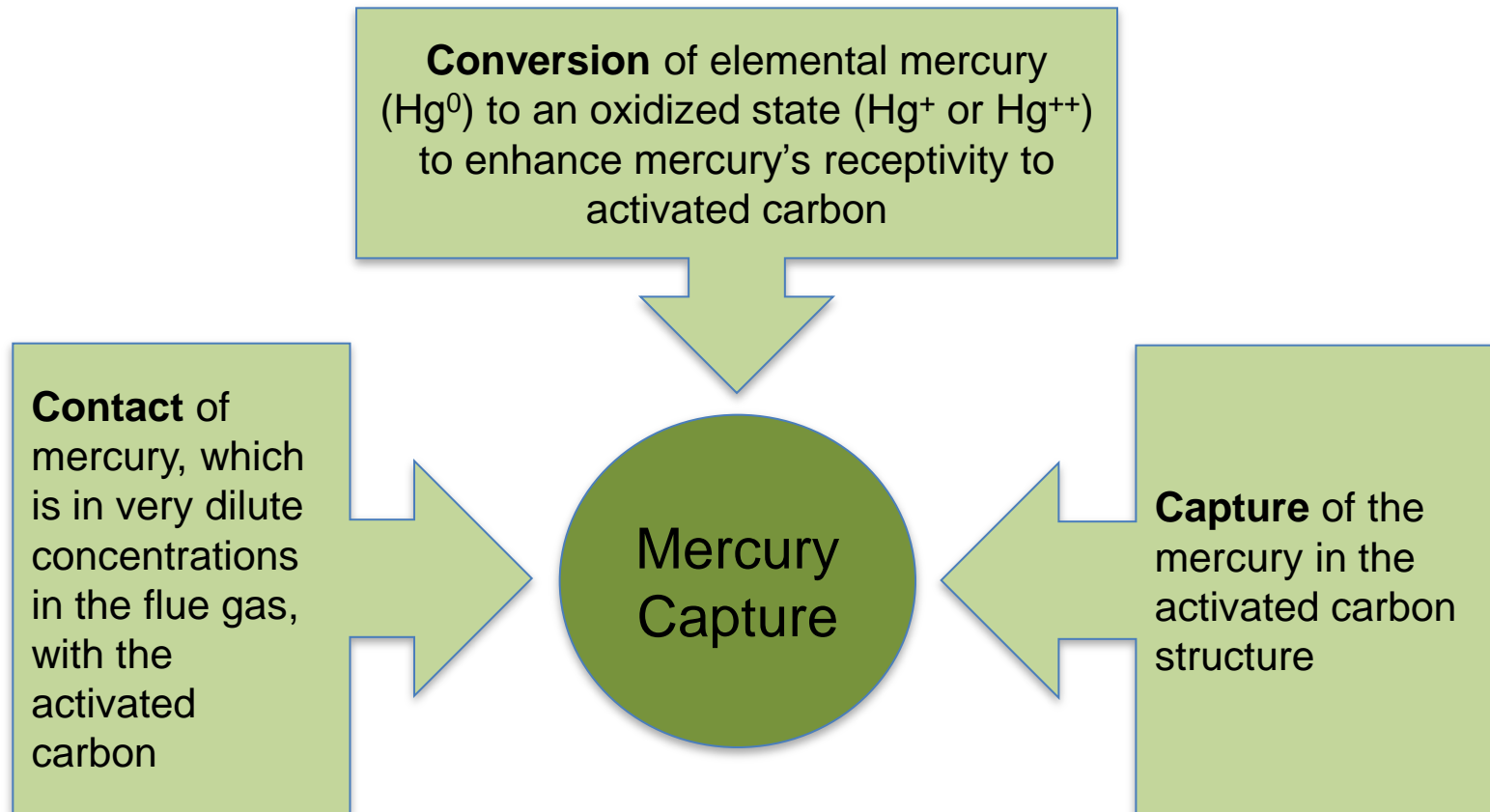
2000 - 2010

2011

2012 - Future

**A Scientific Approach to PAC Design Guided by
Focused Applications Expertise**

Three Critical Mechanisms for Efficient Mercury Capture



All Three Mechanisms Must Occur in Seconds or Less to Achieve Compliance

Fate of Mercury – What does it take to capture mercury?

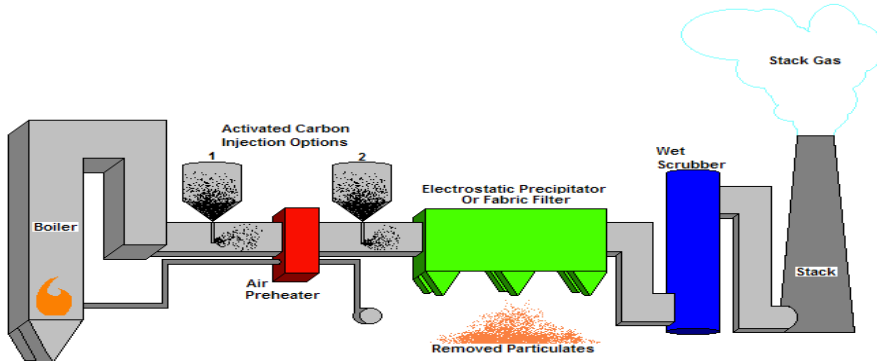
| | | Predominant Mercury Capture Mechanisms | | |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | Oxidize Mercury | Contact with Capture Media | Secure Mercury Capture & Removal |
| Emission Treatment | Coal Pretreatment | Effective | Effective | Effective? |
| | Pre- & Post Combustion Oxidation | Effective | | |
| | Fly Ash / LOI | | Effective | Effective? |
| | Selective Catalytic Reduction | Effective | | |
| | Activated Carbon Injection | Effective | Effective | Effective |
| | Non-carbon Sorbents | Effective | Effective | Effective? |
| | Wet Scrubber | | Effective | Effective? |

Technologies that do not fulfill all three mechanisms require supplemental process steps that could add capital and/or operating costs

Technology Philosophy

- Engineered controls are required.
- Complementary systems are beneficial.

- Reduce Hg emissions into the downstream wet scrubber to reduce potential of Hg re-emissions.



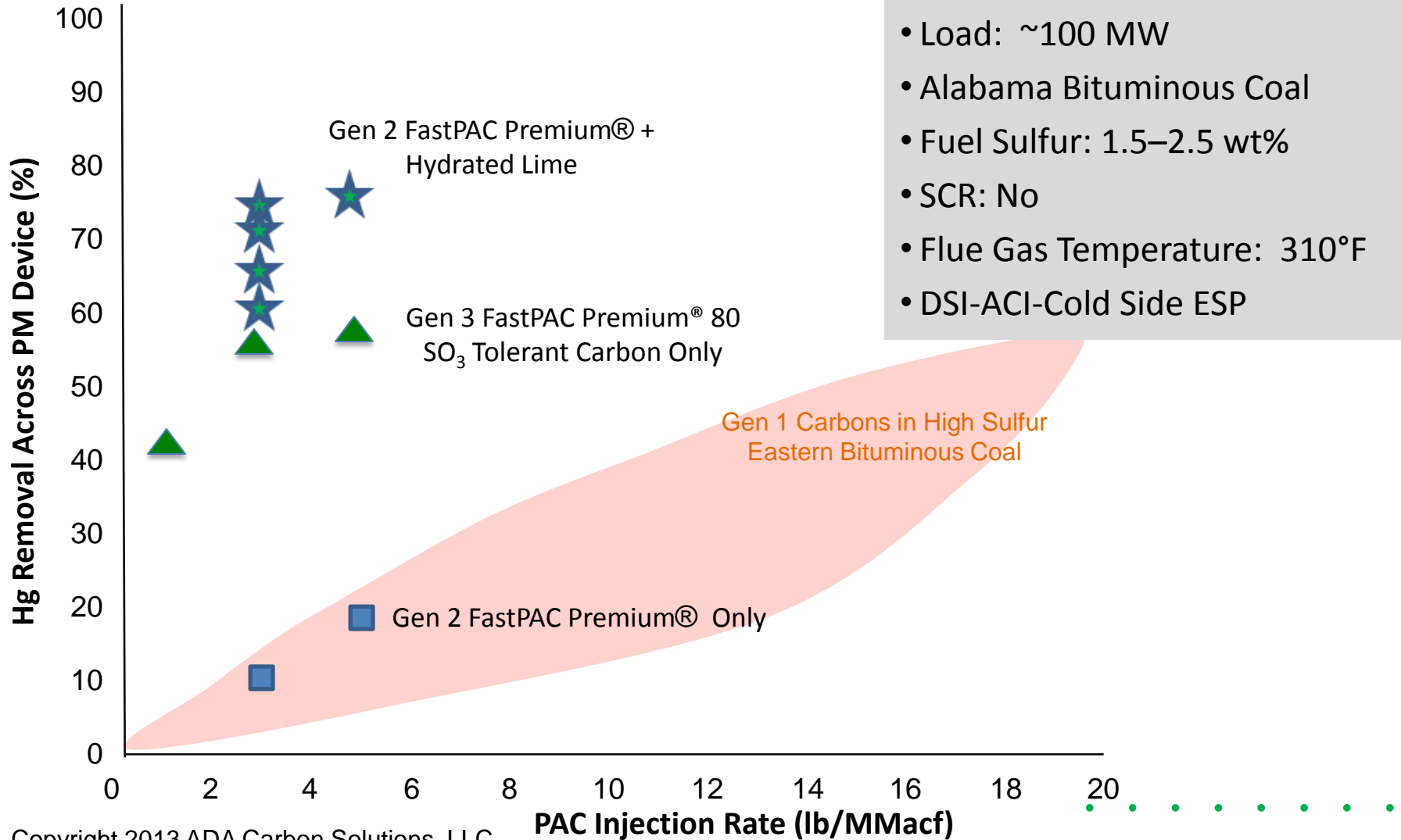
Increasing Hg concentration challenge & increasing complexity of chemistry and consistent process control.

The combination of SCR and wet FGD does not guarantee compliance with MATS.

| Plant | Basis | Period | N | Frac > Limit | Mean | 99th Percentile |
|--------|-------|--------|------|--------------|------|-----------------|
| Unit A | TBtu | 30-d | 402 | 0.25 | 0.82 | 1.87 |
| Unit B | TBtu | 30-d | 773 | 0.24 | 0.83 | 1.59 |
| Unit C | TBtu | 30-d | 926 | 0.26 | 0.92 | 1.90 |
| Unit D | TBtu | 30-d | 917 | 0.33 | 0.97 | 1.62 |
| Unit E | TBtu | 30-d | 1003 | 0.18 | 0.89 | 1.87 |
| Unit F | TBtu | 30-d | 788 | 0.05 | 0.71 | 1.30 |
| Unit G | TBtu | 30-d | 695 | 0.14 | 0.97 | 1.35 |

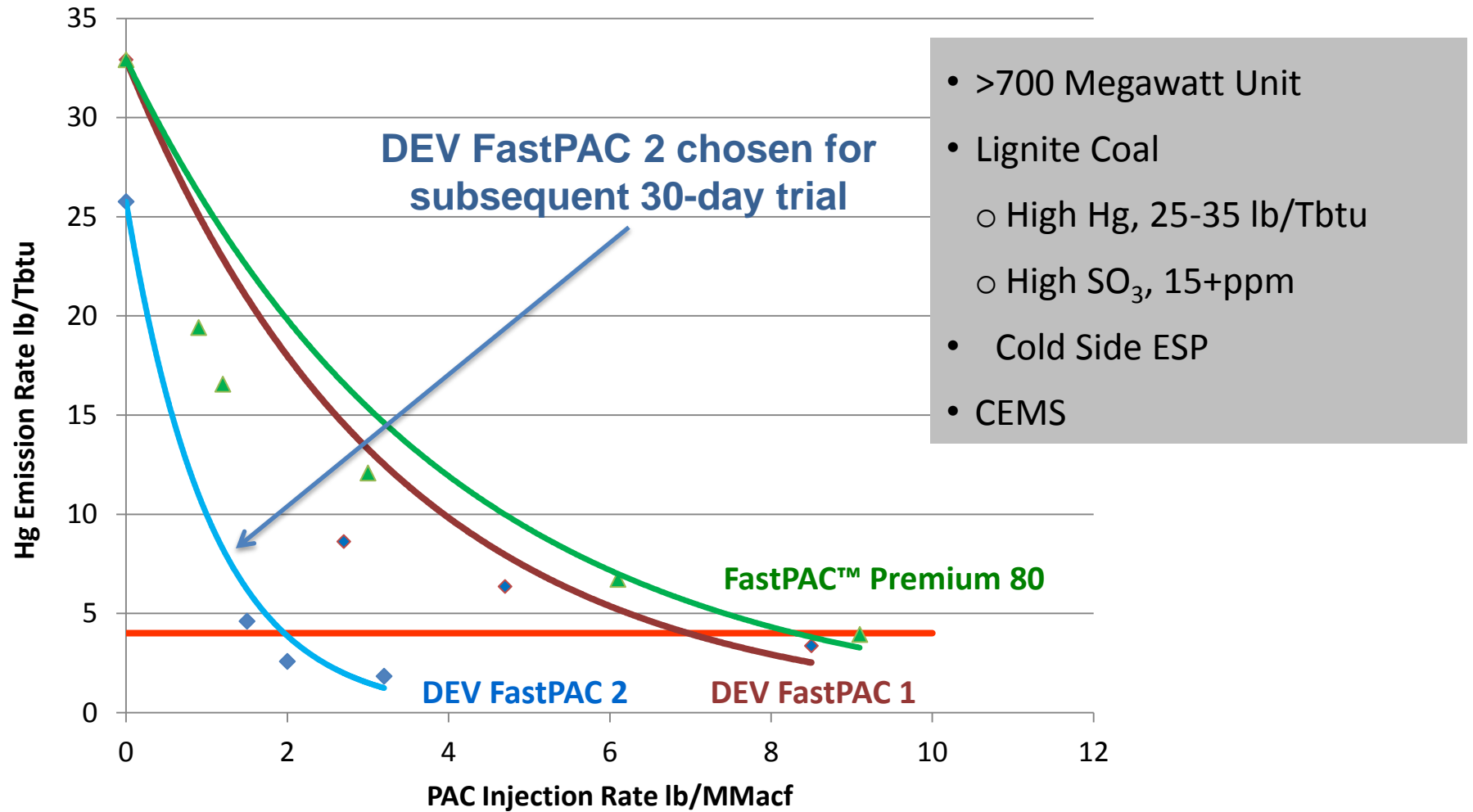


Southern Plant Gorgas: Gen-3 FastPAC Premium[®] 80 SO₃ Tolerant Carbon





Full-Scale Utility Test: FastPAC™ Premium 80 & Developmental SO₃Tolerant Carbons

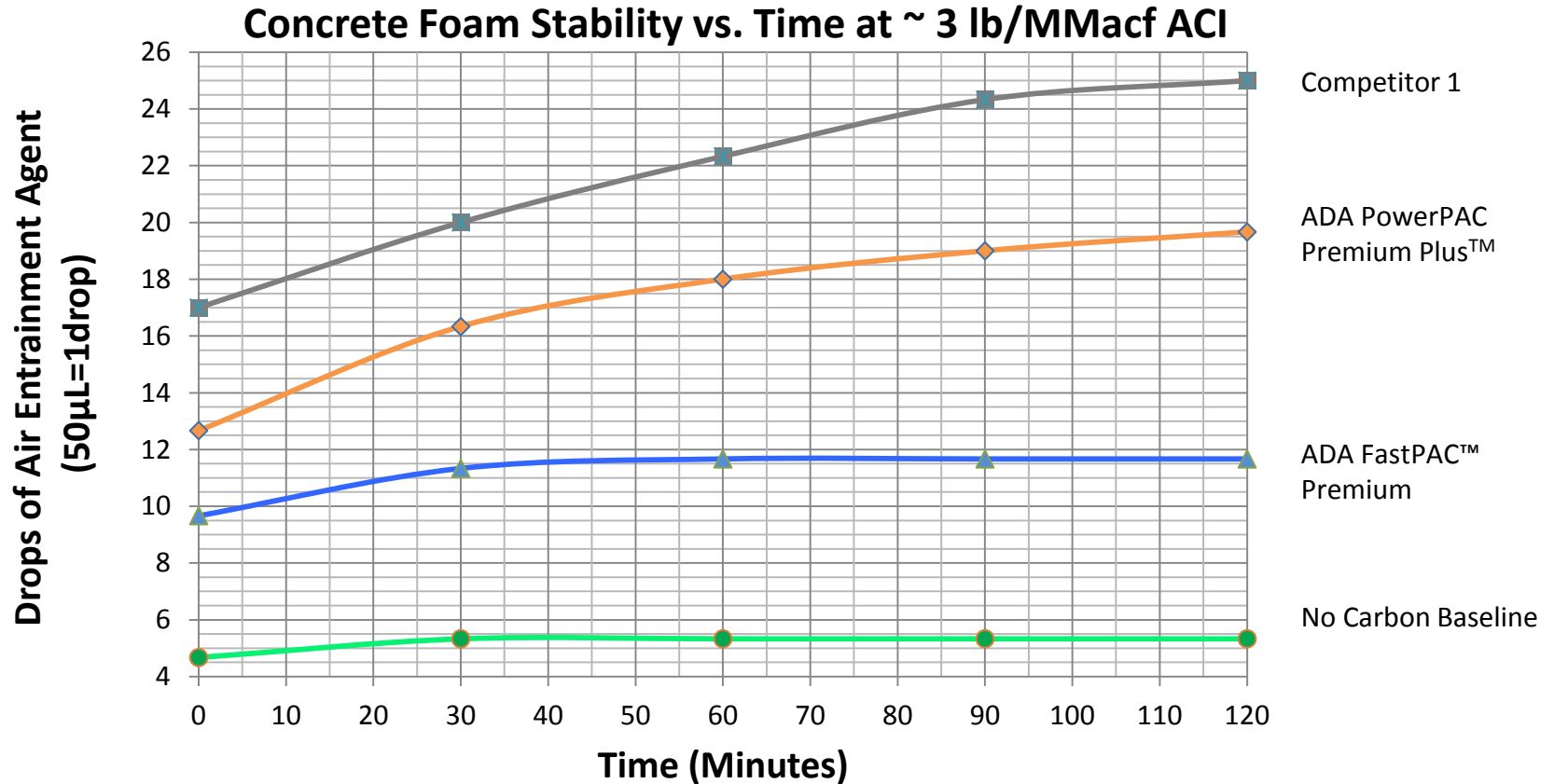


SO₃ Tolerant Carbons Highly Effective for High Mercury, High Sulfur Lignite Coal

Advances in SO₃ Tolerant Carbons – FastPAC Premium™ 80

- Over 18 full-scale utility tests of our FastPAC™ Premium 80 SO₃ tolerant PAC
- MATS compliance options for efficient Hg capture for high-sulfur coal demonstrated
 - Combination of DSI and ACI enhances mercury removal on high sulfur fuels and complements the performance of FGD co-benefit.
 - Combination of DSI and ACI provide sufficient mercury removal for MATS compliance on sub bituminous and select bituminous coal.
- New Generation-3 ADA Carbon Solutions SO₃ Tolerant carbons allow effective operational options with reduced PAC and DSI requirements





Our patent-pending FastPAC™ Premium PAC conserves Air Entrainment Agent Usage and provides Rapid Foam Stability

- 53 Full plant utility tests completed in 2012 through the end of May 2013
- 30-60% lower activated carbon consumption
 - Lower particulate load on ESP
 - Reduced maintenance requirements & less equipment wear
 - Potential for baghouse capital avoidance
- Steeper Hg capture efficiency
 - Greater than 95+% Hg capture capability
 - Active control capabilities
 - Broader operational flexibility to meet compliance
 - Extend useful life of plant operations as opposed to shutdown
- Concrete Capability
 - Acceptance by fly ash marketer
 - Lower ash carbon content
 - Rapid Foam Stability



We Take Pride in Leading the Activated Carbon Performance Landscape

| PAC Platform | Introduction | Attributes |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| FastPAC™ Premium | Spring 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fast Reaction & Adsorption Kinetics • High Hg capture efficiency - low PAC dosage • Low Hg residual in flue gas |
| Concrete Compatible | Summer 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Foam Index – low AEA requirement • Rapid Foam Stability – constant AEA over time |
| FastPAC™ Premium 80 | Spring 2012 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SO₃ Tolerant • Low or no DSI requirements |
| Other Developmental Products | Fall 2012 – Spring 2014 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address niche concerns identified by customers such as optimization for specific unit configurations, higher flue gas temperatures |

We continue to focus R&D resources on developing new carbons that lead the industry in providing cost-effective, reliable options for MATS compliance





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