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Wet ESPs for PM 2.5 Control from Utility Boilers

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Regulatory Situation

- Utility Boiler MACT published in Federal Register May 3, 2011
 - Particulate limit <0.030 lb/MMBTU
 - HCl limit <0.002 lb/MMBTU
- Final Promulgation in November 2011



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Likely Situation

- Coal-fired boiler with wet FGD
- Particulate emissions above MACT mandate



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Define the Problem – What is the Source of the Particulate?

❖ Possibilities

- Dry particulate escaping from dry ESP
- Solids laden mist
- Acid mist

Approaches

- Improve dry ESP
 - Gas flow improvements
 - Rapping improvements
 - Gas flow distribution improvements
 - Advanced power supplies and pre-charging
- Add-on to FGD
 - Improve mist eliminators
 - ***Add wet ESP***

Wet ESP Advantages

- ✓ Proven technology for fine particles
- ✓ Little added pressure drop
- ✓ Little added parasitic load
- ✓ No gas flow barrier
- ✓ Excellent performance on all particles, liquid or solid
- ✓ Install off line; tie in during brief outage



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Wet ESP Performance



Power Off



Power On



Off/On Side by Side

Utility Wet ESP Experience



- 6 units in operation on NA major utility sources
- 2 large systems in construction on utility projects
- Many in operation on industrial boilers



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First Energy Burger Station

- 50 MW capacity
- Installed/operated as demonstration unit by Powerspan for multi-pollutant process
- Operated 2004 through 2010
- Excellent reliability and performance



AES Deepwater 1985

- 150 MW capacity
- Operating since 1986
- Petroleum coke fired
- Designed to control sulfuric acid mist





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