

Wet ESPs for Advanced Particulate Collection

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E-Tube[®] system at FM Global in Rhode Island

- High efficiency PM removal, including submicron
- Proven solution on many applications
- No impediment to gas flow, low pressure drop
- Ideal for clean-up after wet scrubber
- High uptime, low maintenance
- Simple solution, add-on capability

Wet ESP Technology A Proven Solution for Particulate Control

•Size has a strong influence on the performance of a wet precipitator in collecting fine particles

•Wet electrostatic precipitators capture fine particles more efficiently than the highest-energy wet scrubbers



Wet ESP vs. Scrubber



Wet ESP Performance Test Results Northwest P&P Mill

•Biomass stoker boiler also burning mill sludge, OCC and TDF

- Tests conducted from 2009 through 2011
- 46 total tests; 23 on each wet ESP unit
- Average outlet emission
 - 0.0032 lb/MM BTU
 - 0.0033 grains/scfd @ 7% O₂

Biomass Fired Boiler

- First Boiler MACT compliant installation
- Biomass stoker boiler also burning mill sludge, waste oil and OCC

- 46 total tests; 23 on each wet ESP unit
- Avg. 0.0032 lb/MM BTU (0.037 limit)

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Specific Collecting Area (ft²/1000 acfm)

Boiler Wet ESP Performance Data



Winter 2012 Pilot Test Program

- Test Site London, England
- Application Municipal waste-to-energy boiler
- Test Set-up
 - ~1200 scfm (wet) raw gas from upstream of dry ESP
 - Pilot Equipment
 - » Multiclone
 - » Wet scrubber; $\Delta P \sim 15$ inches w.c.
 - »Wet ESP; SCA ~ 100 to150 ft²/1000 acf
- Inlet Gas Stream Profile
 - >2000 mg/Nm3 total particulate
 - -~100 ppm HCl
 - ~75 ppm SO₂

MSW Demonstration



Pilot Test Program Results

•Particulate Results (11 tests)

- Solid particulate 0 to 3.0 mg/Nm3; average 1.5 mg/Nm3
- Condensable particulate 0 to 3 mg/Nm3; average 1.5
- •Group II and III Heavy Metals >99% removal
- Mercury >90% Removal
- Acid Gases
 - HCl < 1.5 ppm
 - SO₂ < 1.0 ppm

MSW Results



Steel Mill Pilot Test Program

- Test Site Seattle, WA
- Application Slag Pile Cooling Shed
- Test Conditions
 - 5800 acfm (wet) raw gas from slag pile
 - 100°F
 - Wet ESP SCA = $32 \text{ ft}^2/1000 \text{ acf}$
- Test Results
 - Inlet 3.4 mg/Nm3 solid particulate
 - Outlet < 0.2 mg/Nm3 solid particulate</p>

Steel Mill Demonstration



E-Tube[®] system at RockTenn

Materials of construction

- -Austenitic stainless is minimum
- -Duplex alloys are economical upgrade
- -High nickel required for most difficult applications
- Waste water treatmentWet plume

Wet ESP Challenges



E-Tube[®] Power On

E-Tube[®] Power Off

Power On/Off





Side-by-Side







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