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Pulse Jet Fabric Filter: Lessons Learned



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PJFF Lessons Learned **AKA.....**



Background



- High Sulfur Illinois Basin Coal
- 11 PJFFs in service (2010-2016)
- 2 casings
- 1 OEM
- Detuned ESPs upstream of PJFFs

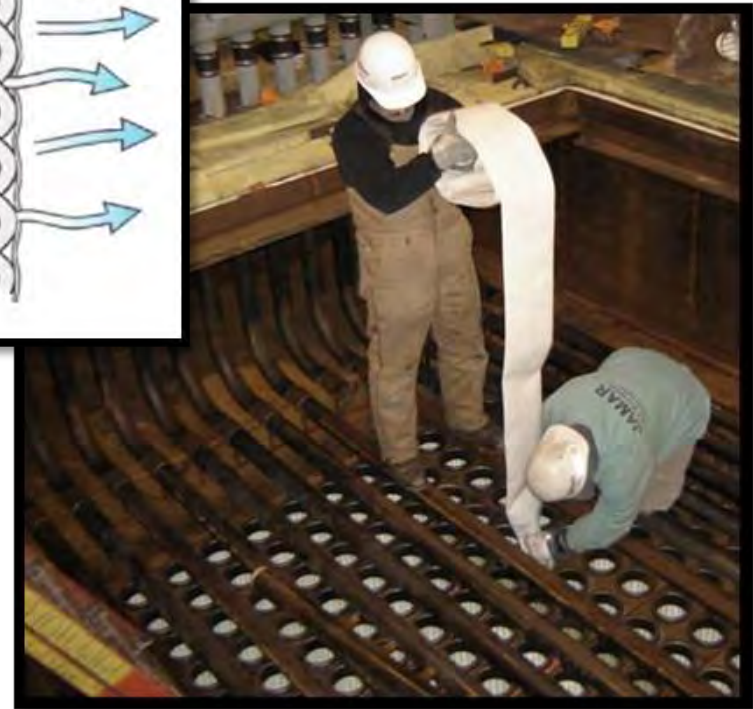
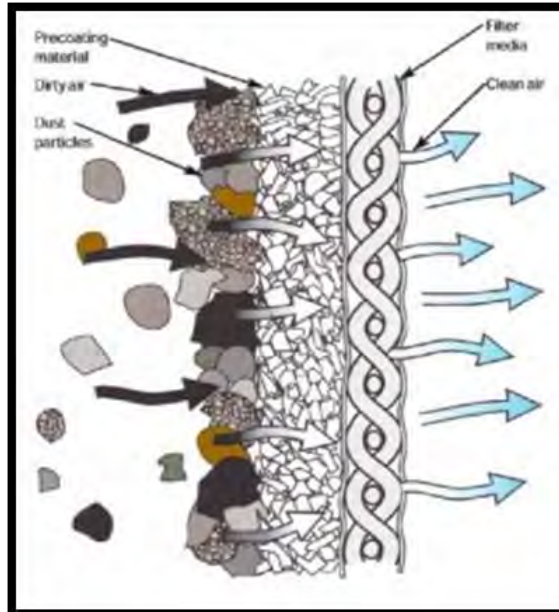
Baghouse Design

- Oversized
- PJFF penthouse access
- Maintenance
 - Overhead cranes
 - Hopper access
- MOT temperature



Filter Bag Design

- Expanded PTFE membrane
- Woven fiberglass
- Top snap band
- 26'-9" length
- Split cage reinforced wear cuff
- 43,800 hours (min) bag life



Fleet Management

- PJFF guideline
- Bag testing pricing agreement
- Baghouse maps
- Fleet process map development
- Fleet bag purchases & spares
- PJFF parameter optimization



Fleet PJFF Guideline Highlights

- Fleet history
- Unit-specific operating conditions
- PJFF monitoring
- Bag purchasing/spares
- Bag testing
- Roles/responsibility
- Maintenance

Bag Testing

- 3-year price agreement
- Test intervals
- Testing parameters (well-documented)
 - Visual
 - Fabric construction analysis
 - As received & washed
 - Permeability
 - Fabric tensile strength
 - Dust pH
 - Microscopic analysis
 - Dust particle sizing
 - Other as needed test
 - FTIR
 - Organic /inorganic analysis



Bag Testing

- Generic testing schedule (3 bags/casing)

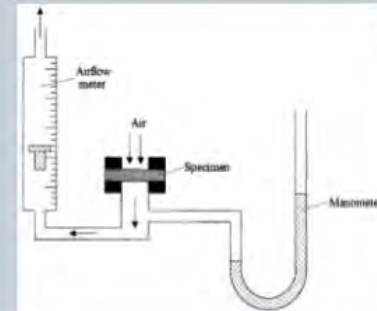
LG&E-KU Bag Testing Interval								
Months of Service	Year1		Year 2	Year 3	Year4		Year5	
	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 4	Test 5	Test 6	Test 7	Test 8
	6mo	12mo	24mo	36mo	48mo	54mo	60mo	66mo



- Testing Changes
 - 2-year outage schedules
 - Test results
 - Casing dP
 - Inspections

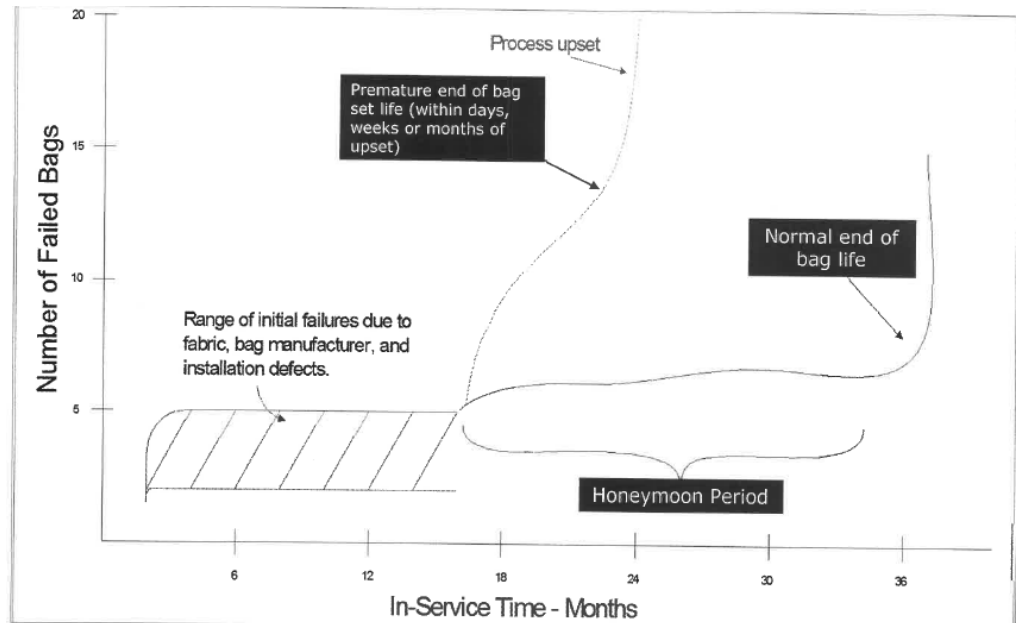
Air permeability Test Methods

- Air permeability is an important factor in the performance of such textile materials as gas filters, fabrics for air bags, clothing, mosquito netting, parachutes, sails, tent age, and vacuum cleaners.



Bag Testing: Performance Point Development

- ~~Rule Of Thumb – 100K Pulses~~
- ~~Published performance limits~~ (PTFE lined fiberglass bags)
- ~~Seek recommendations~~
 - ~~OEM~~
 - ~~Bag Testers~~
- **Trial & Error**
 - Slow process
 - Performance points
 - Permeability: 2.5cfm<
 - Mullen Burst: 500psi<
 - Endurance: 2500 folds<

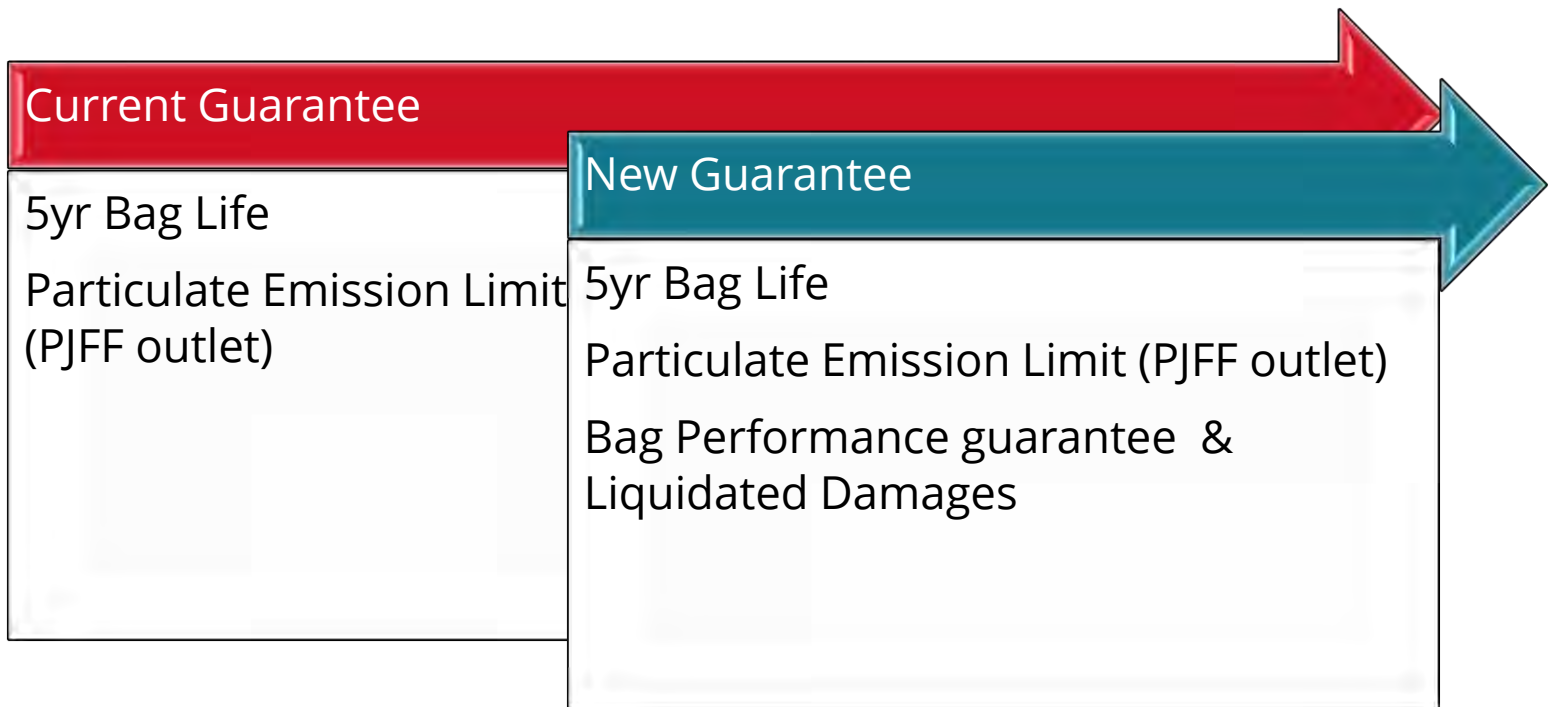


Spares: Fleet vs. Plant

- Are they needed?
- Long-term storage options
- How many should we keep?
- Spare bag/cage anagement
 - Who keeping up with the inventory?
 - Who's making sure bags are tested?



Bag Purchasing/Spares

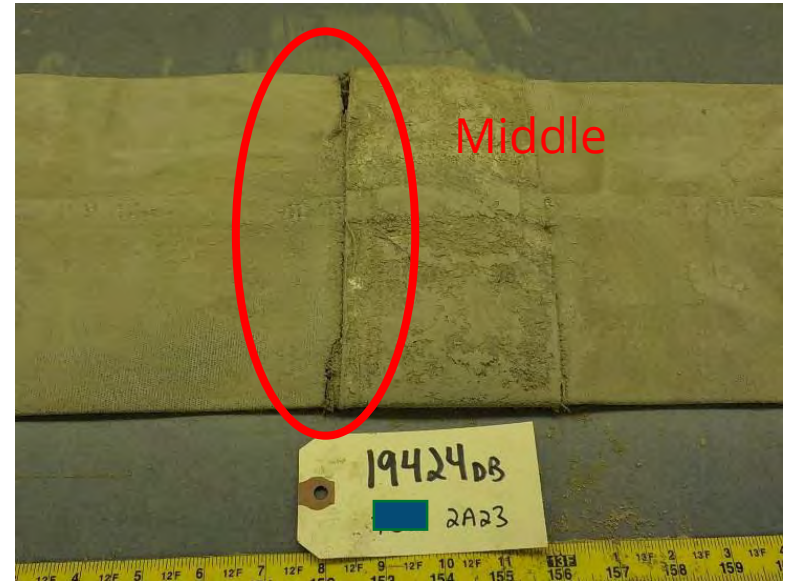
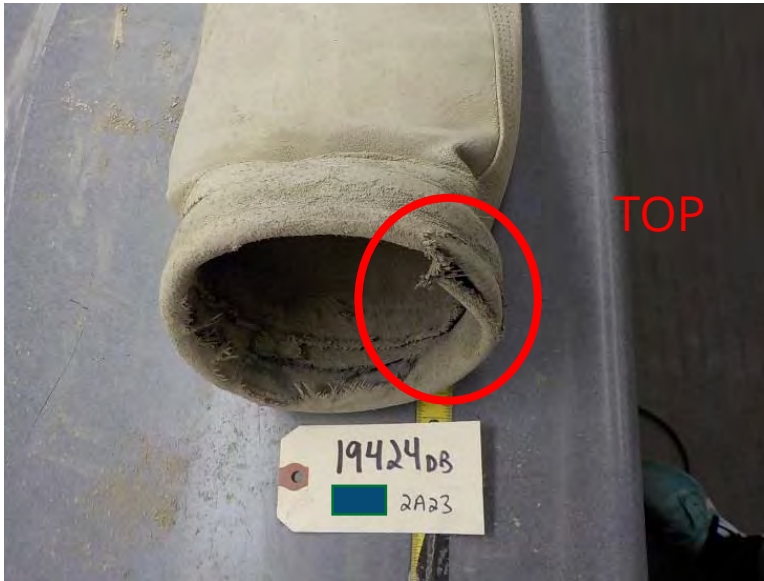


Maintenance



UV Leak Detection

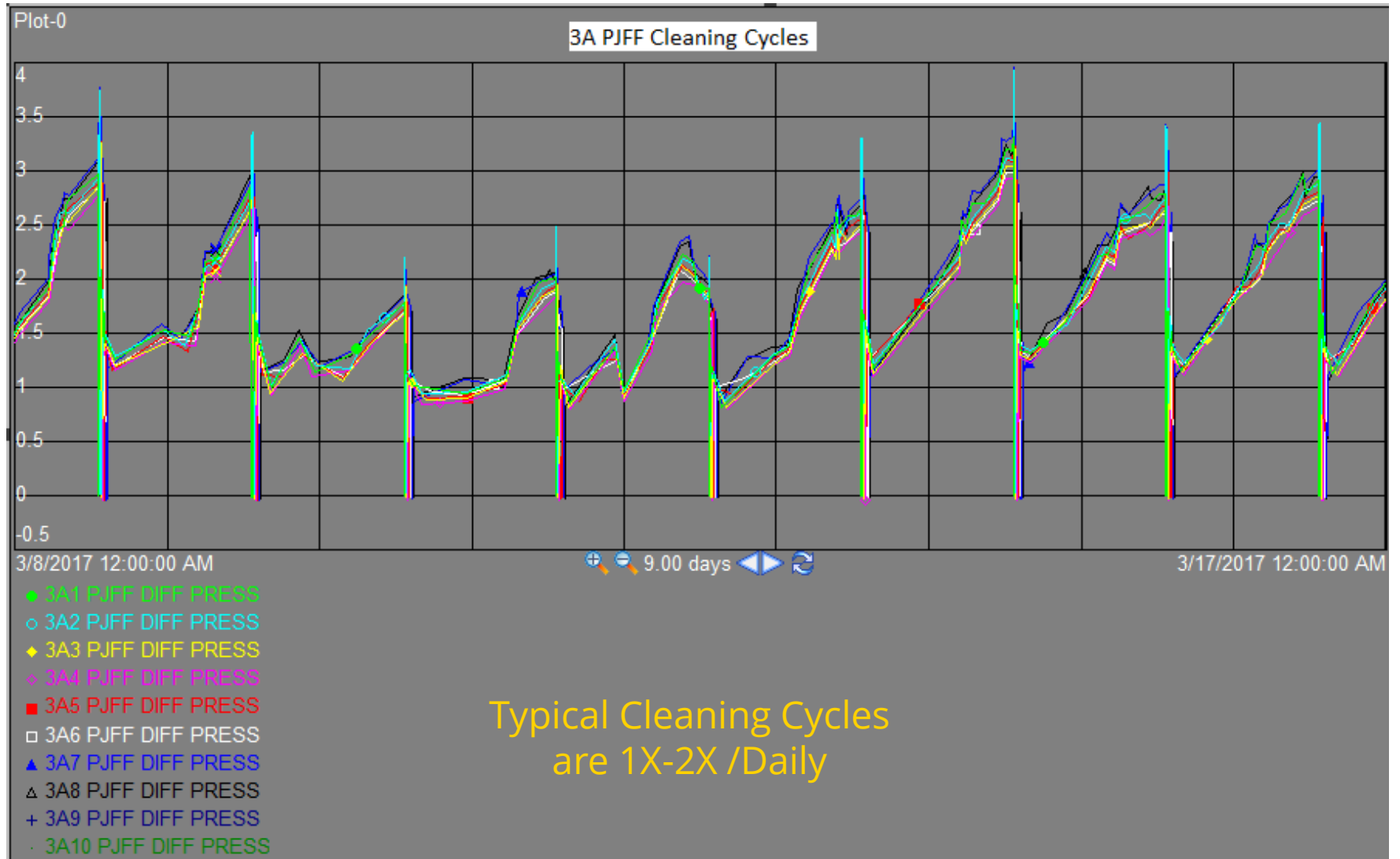




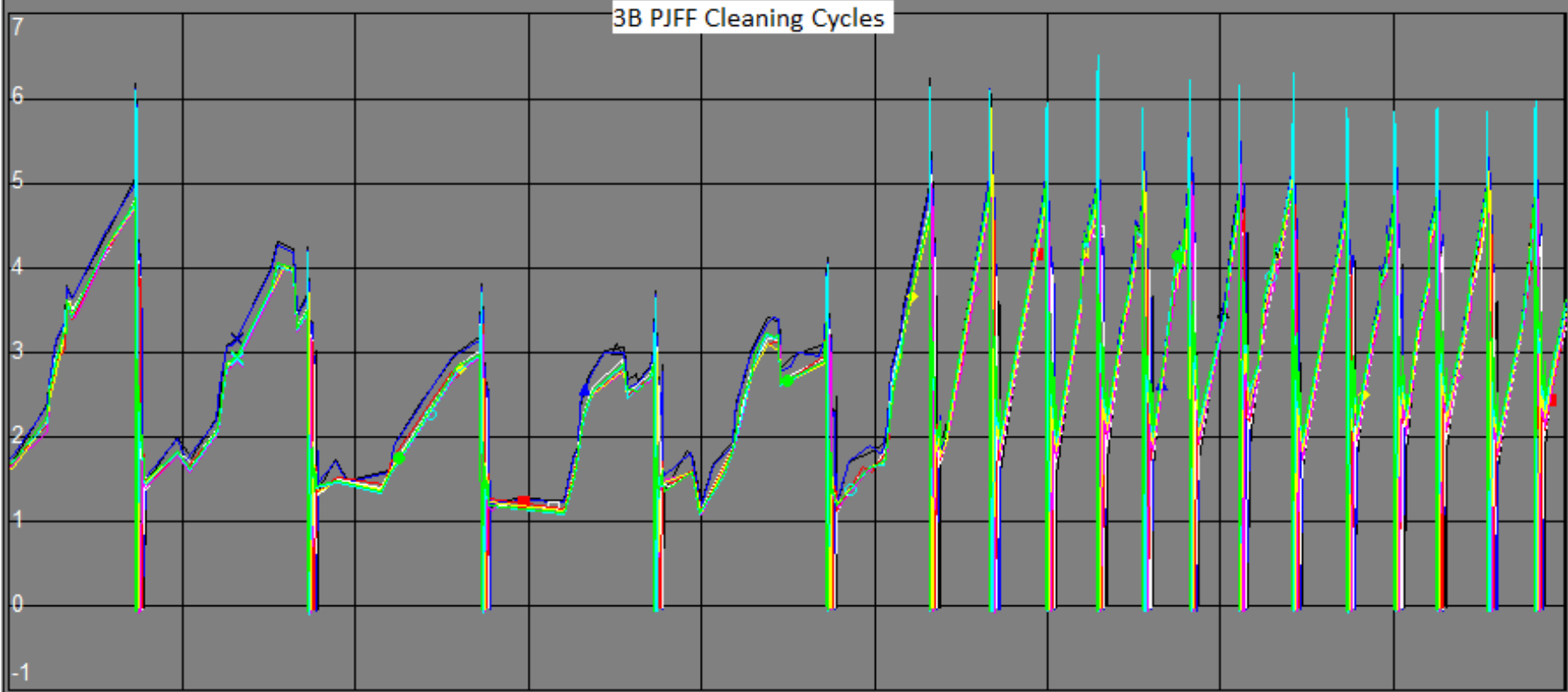
- Sent bags for autopsy
— High air velocity in compartment
- Ash rock build-up from previous hopper fire

PJFF Monitoring





3B PJFF Cleaning Cycles



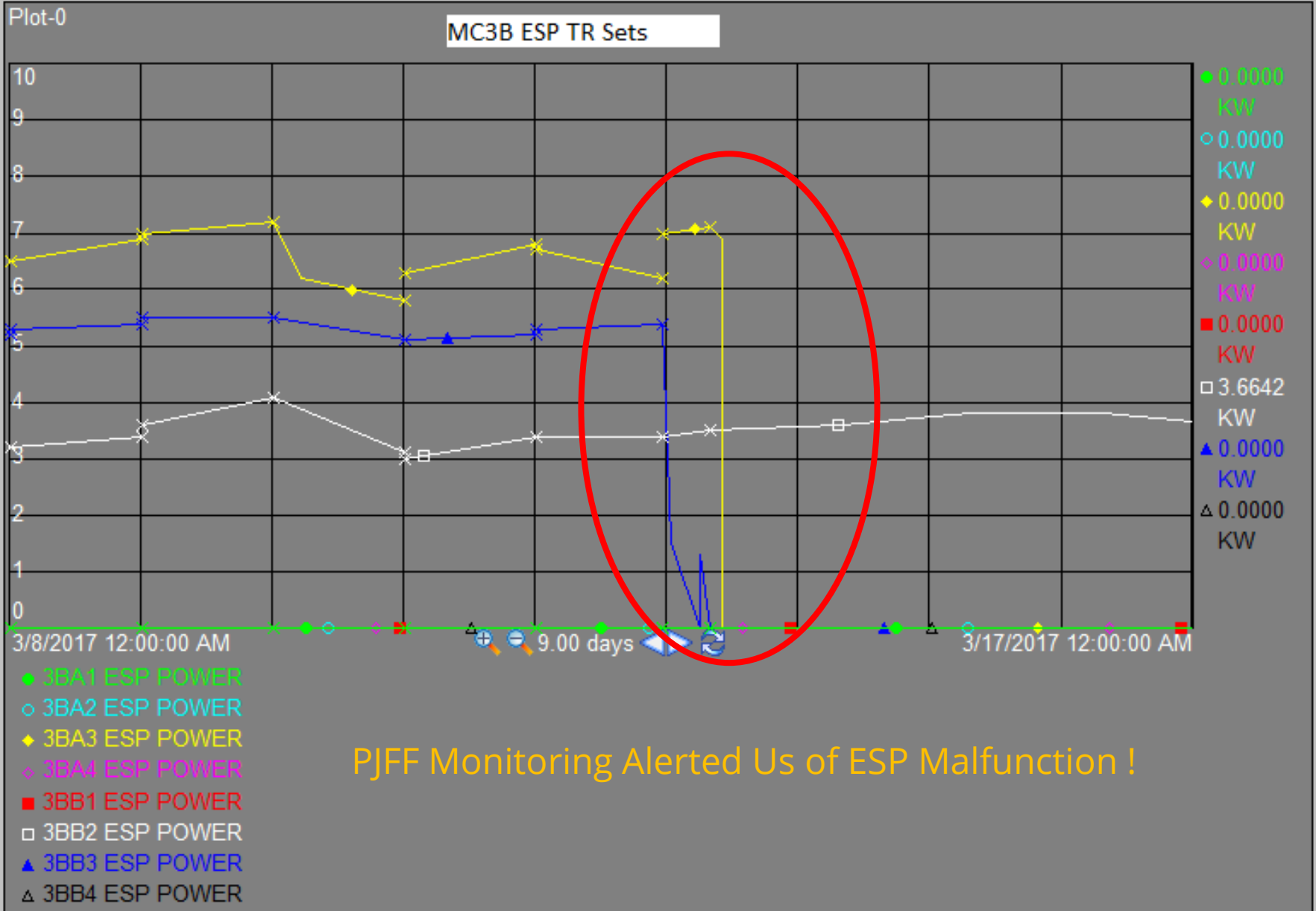
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Unusual Increase in Cleaning Cycles



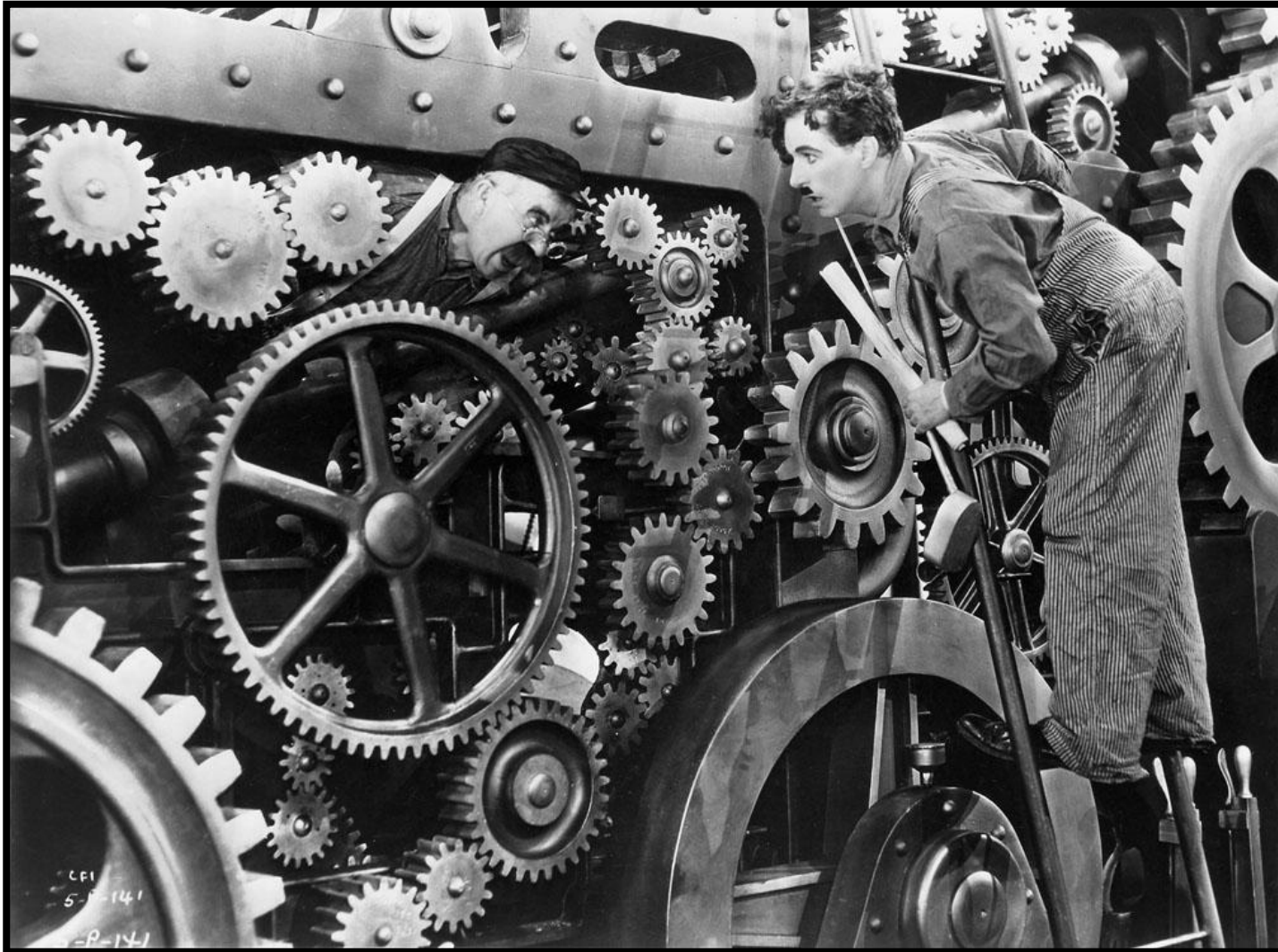
Where Are We Now?



PJFF Efficiency & Parameter Optimization

- Differential pressure
- Particulate matter
- Mercury (Hg)
- Ash/hydrated lime/PAC ratio
- Ash hopper cleaning
- Bag pulsing frequency
- Baghouse monitoring systems
- ESP tuning
- Inspections

What's Next?



Refining Our Understanding of the Process

- How do the PJFFs fit in our AQCS?
- What are the impacts downstream?
- When do we make adjustments to our PJFF parameters?



Questions?

