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## **2016 NO<sub>x</sub>-Combustion-CCR Round Table Presentation**

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# SCR Maintenance for EPA Compliance

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# Agenda



- EPA Regulations
- SCR + FGD Co-benefit for Hg control
- Requirement for optimal SCR reactor performance
- Proven Reactor Maintenance Technologies
- Conclusions

## Presentation Abstract

**Optimal catalyst performance is becoming more important than ever for environmental compliance. This presentation will discuss the co-benefits of SCR & FGD technology for MATS compliance, reactor cleanliness and some technologies to maintain performance of the SCR reactor.**

# Environmental Regulations effecting coal fired power production

- **Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR)**
- **Clean Air Interstate Rule (CAIR)**
- **National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)**
- **Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS)**
- **Other Rules**



# Environmental Regulations that will rely heavily upon SCR optimization

## CSPAR - Cross-State Air Pollution Rule

- **CSAPR was intended to regulate NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> air pollution that crosses state lines and prevents downwind states in the eastern half of the country from meeting EPA standards for ground-level ozone and fine particulate pollution.**
- **CSAPR covered a similar, but not identical, group of states to those covered under CAIR.**



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## *NAAQS - National Ambient Air Quality Standards*

The Clean Air Act requires EPA to set NAAQS for six criteria pollutants:

- **SO<sub>2</sub>**
- **Nox**
- **Ozone**
- **Particulate Matter**
- **Carbon Monoxide, and**
- **Lead**

The law requires the agency to review, and if appropriate, revise the requirements every five years.

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## MATS - Mercury Air Toxics Standards

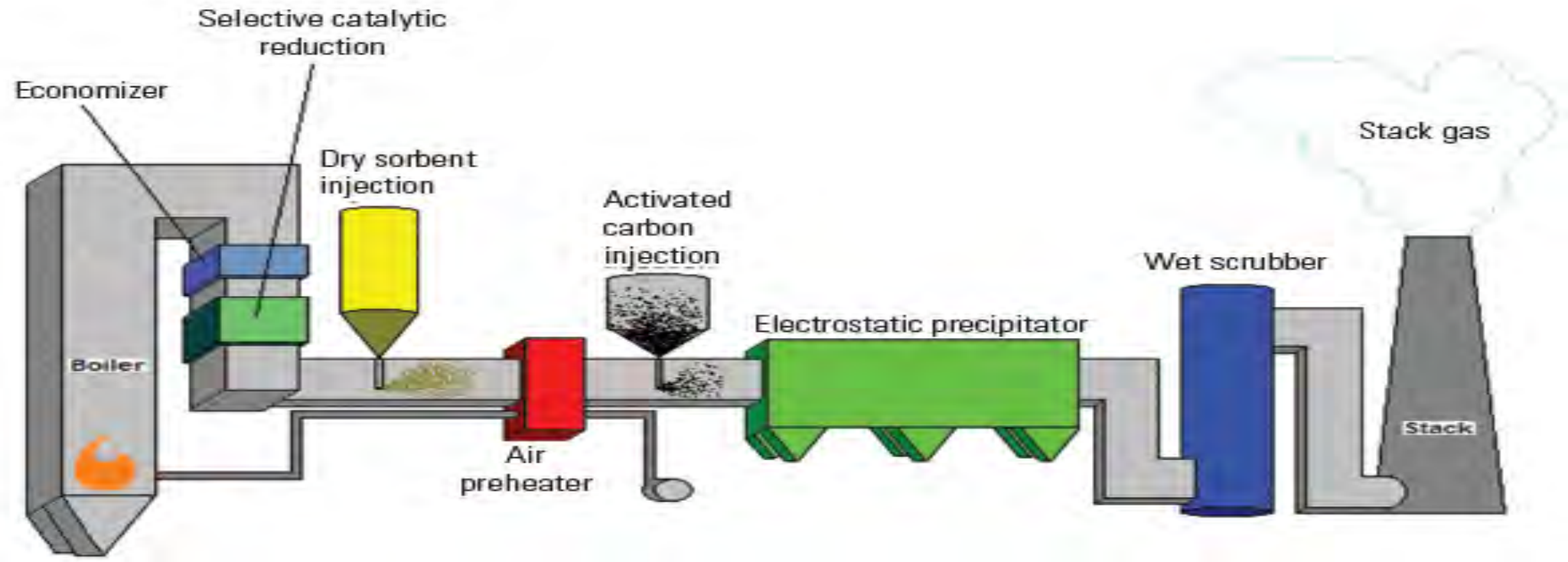
The rule regulates emissions of heavy metals and acid gases from new and existing coal- and oil-fired power plants.

Regulates:

- Acid Gas
- Mercury
- Particulate
- SO<sub>2</sub>

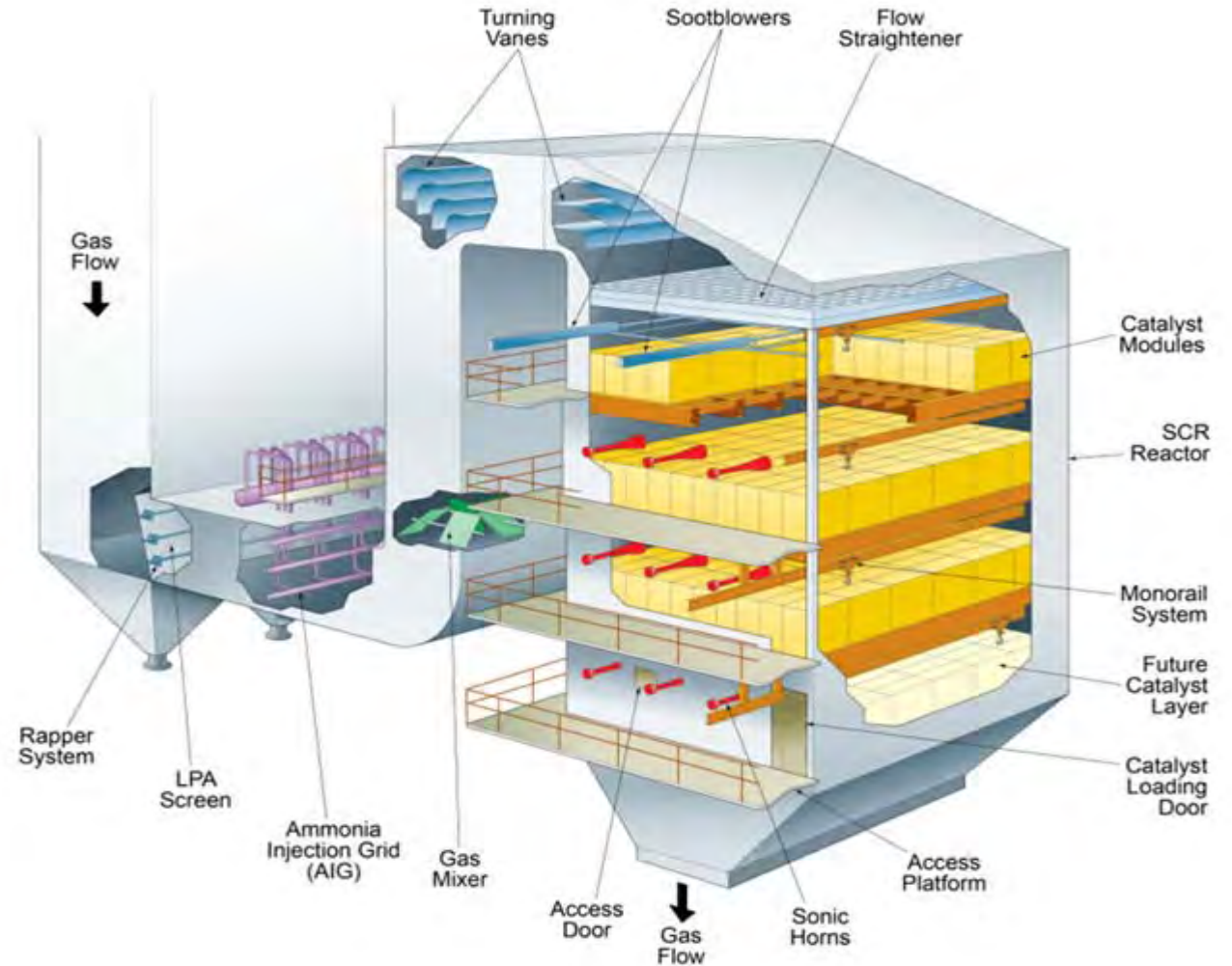


# SCR + FGD Co-benefit For Hg Control



# Requirements for Optimal SCR Performance

- Good Flow & Distribution
- Good Ammonia to NO<sub>x</sub> Balance
- Maximum Catalyst Surface Area for NO<sub>x</sub> and Mercury Oxidation

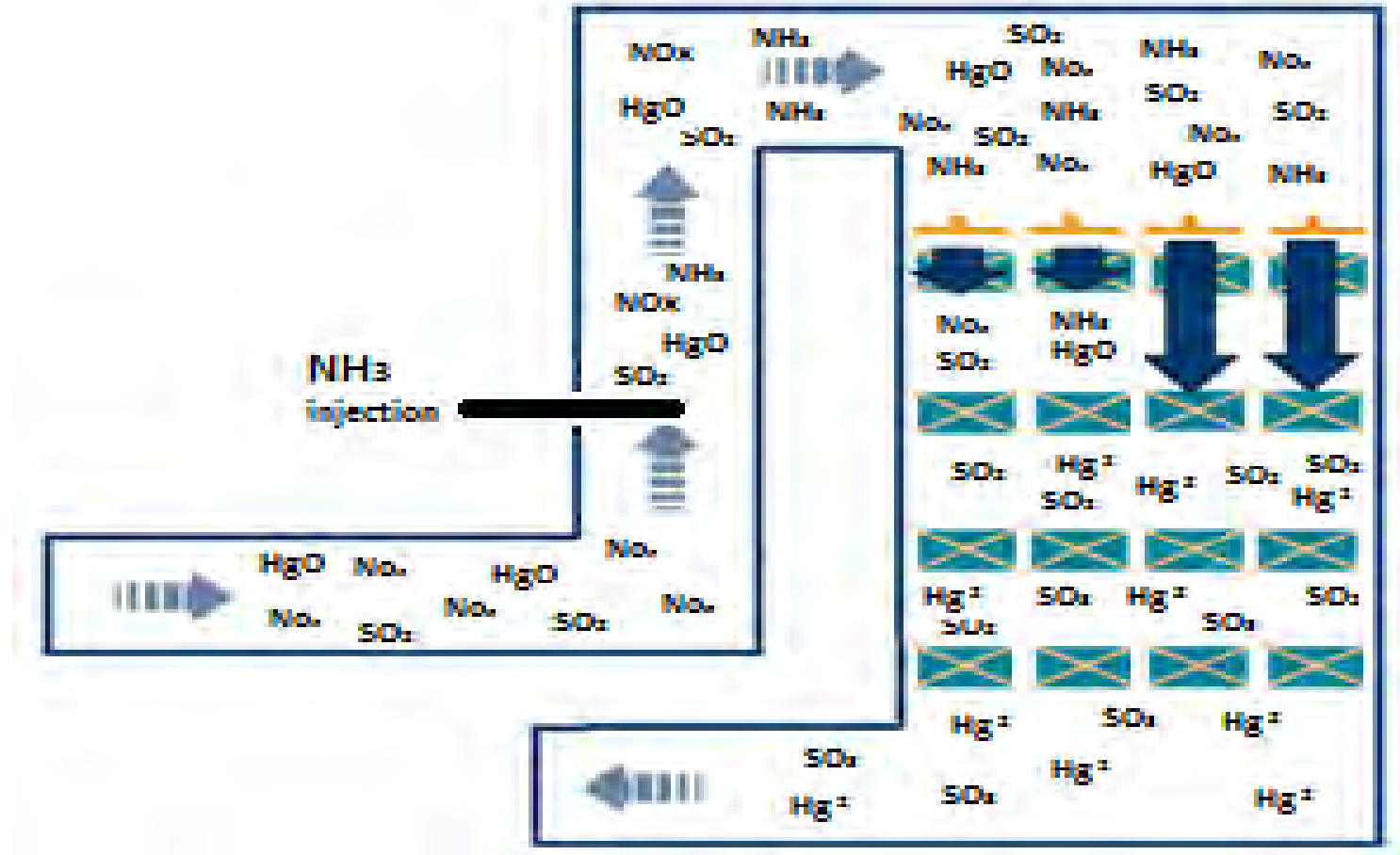


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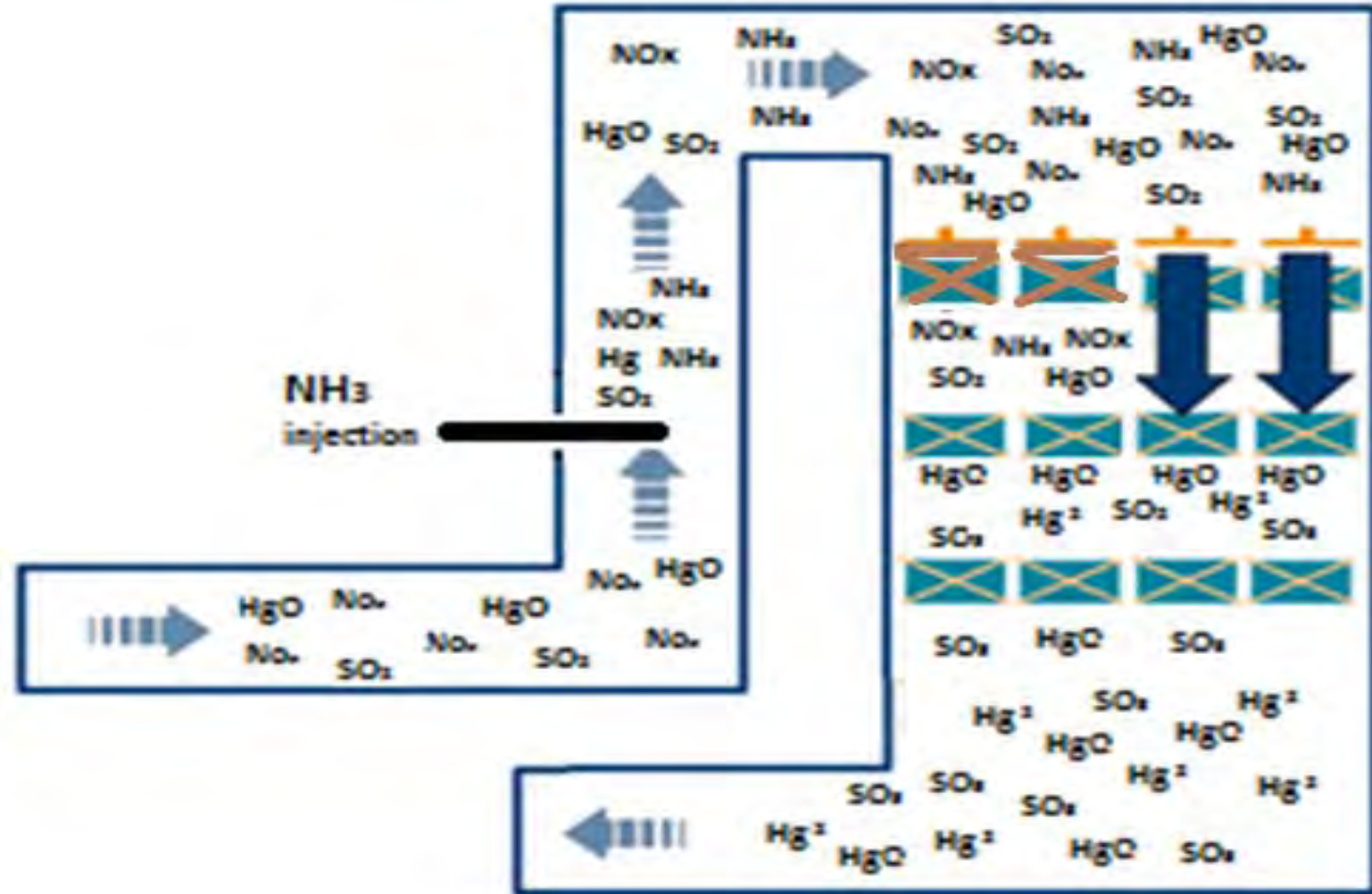
## Flue Gas Stream Contains:

- Nitrous Oxide (NO or NO<sub>2</sub>)
- Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)
- Mercury (Hg<sup>0</sup>)

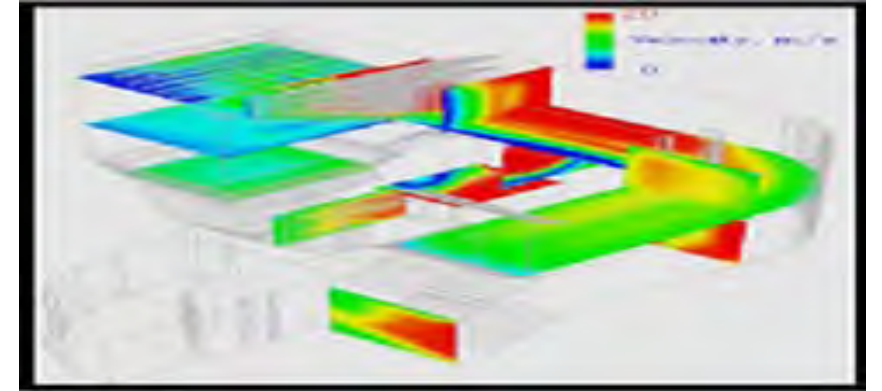
## Injected Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)



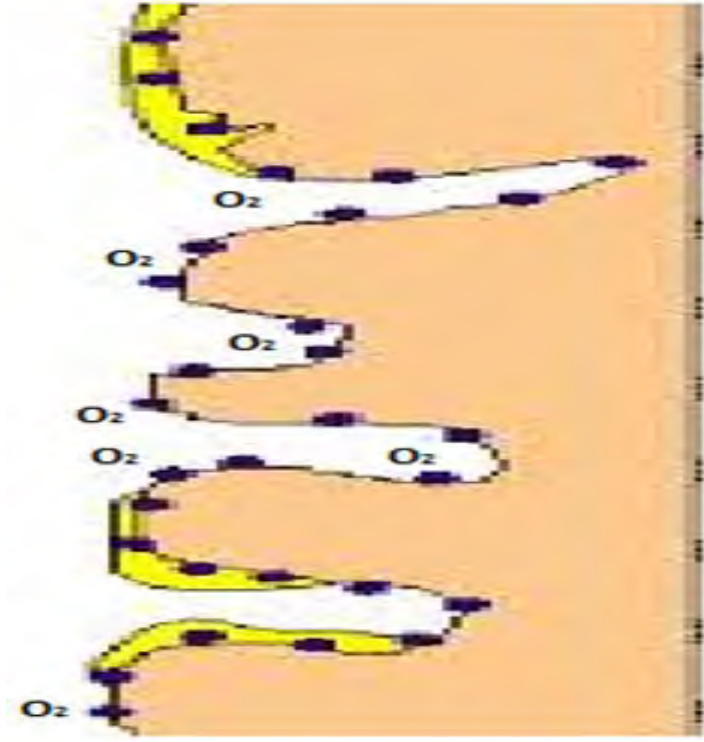
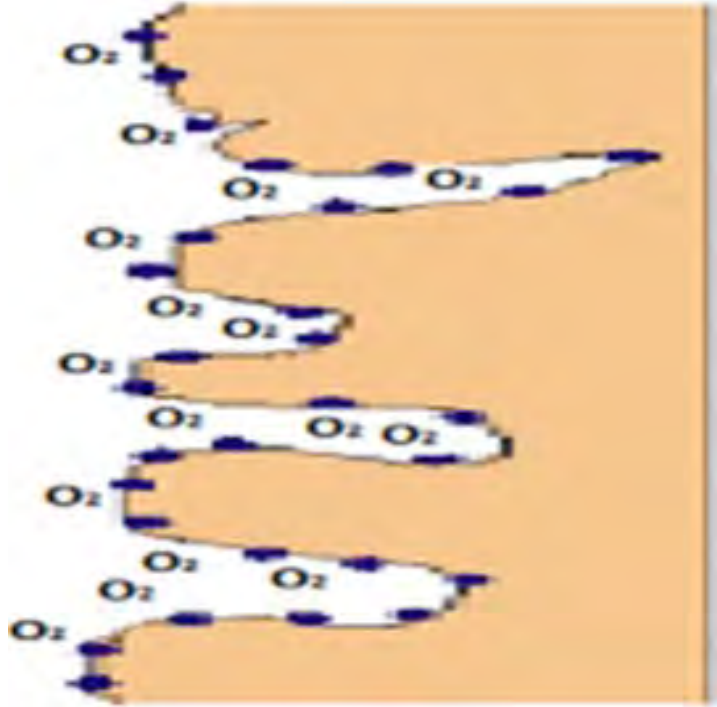
# Effects of Catalyst Plugging



# Results From Catalyst Plugging



# Catalyst Fouling



# Proactive Catalyst Management & Maintenance Strategies will likely be required to meet increasing EPA Regulations

**Advanced Online Cleaning Solutions to improve catalyst cleanliness.**

- Acoustic Technology to improve overall ash Flow & Distribution.
- Ash sweeper for areas that need additional assistance.

**Thorough cleaning of SCR reactor & catalyst during outages is necessary.**

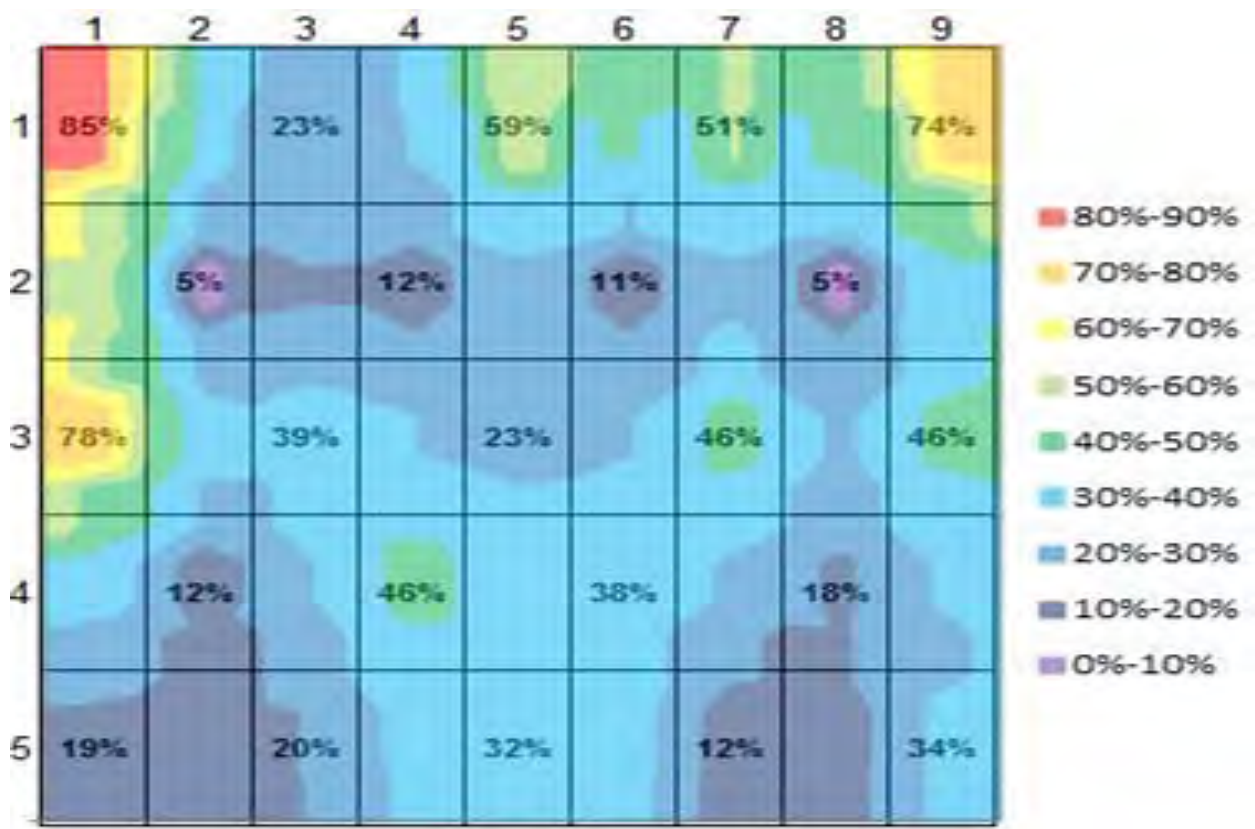
- Simply vacuuming the reactor will likely not be adequate.
- Advanced cleaning methods that effectively clear catalyst opening and cells will improve flow and provide more surface area for catalyst reaction.

# Advanced Offline Cleaning

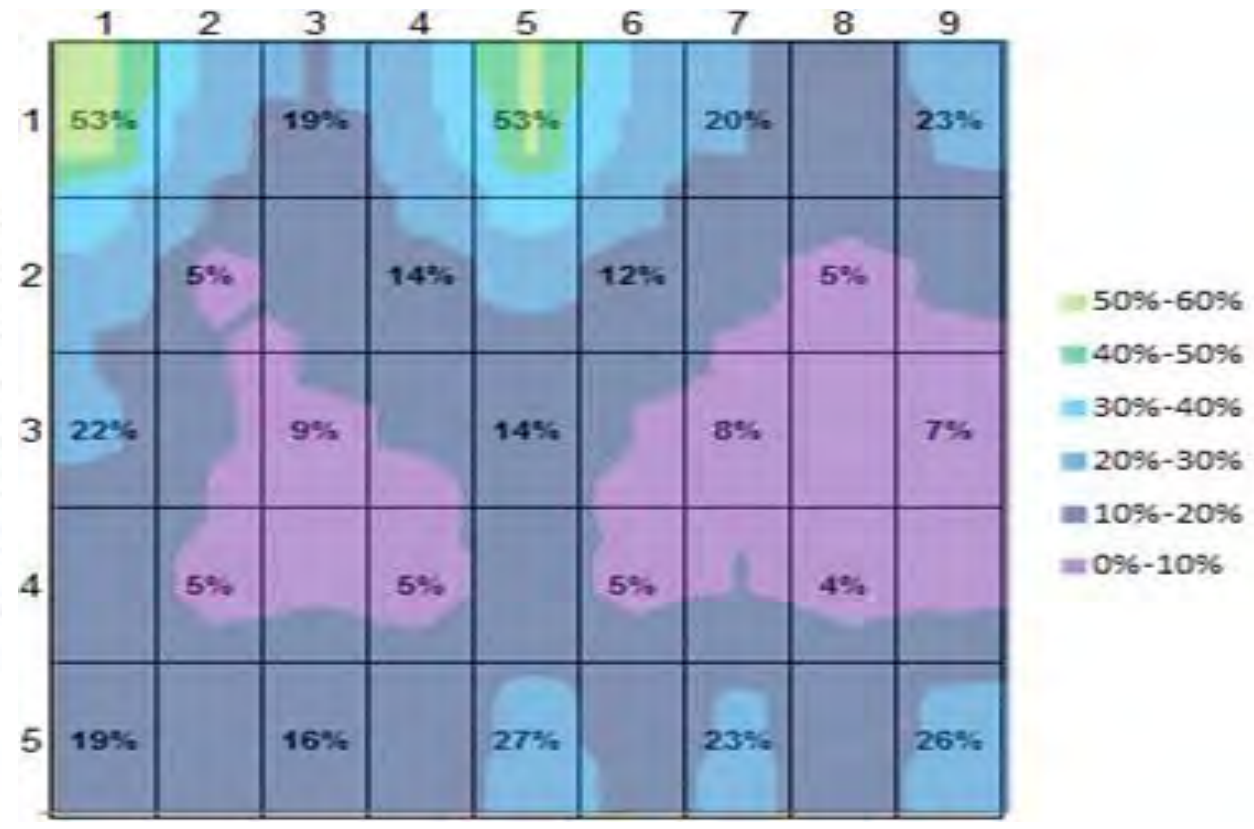


# Results from In-situ Vibration Cleaning

## TRADITIONAL CLEANING



## VIBRATION



QUESTIONS?

