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**Case Studies: Using Trona, SBC, and Hydrated Lime for High  
Level SO<sub>2</sub> Removal  
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# Topics



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## **CASE STUDY 1**

# **LARGE SO<sub>2</sub> REDUCTION DSI SYSTEM**

## **USING TRONA**

# Case Study 1 – Unit Description



- 600 MW Unit
- PRB Coal
- SCR, Cold Side ESP
- ACI System
- Ash Landfilled On-site



# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



- In-line milled trona injection
- Injection at air heater inlet
- Four silos, over 120 feet tall, with common stair tower
- Rail unloading
- Screw feeder/rotary air lock design
- Conditioned rail unloading and conveying air
- Two VIPER® Mills
- Blower building
- Electrical building
- Mill building



# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



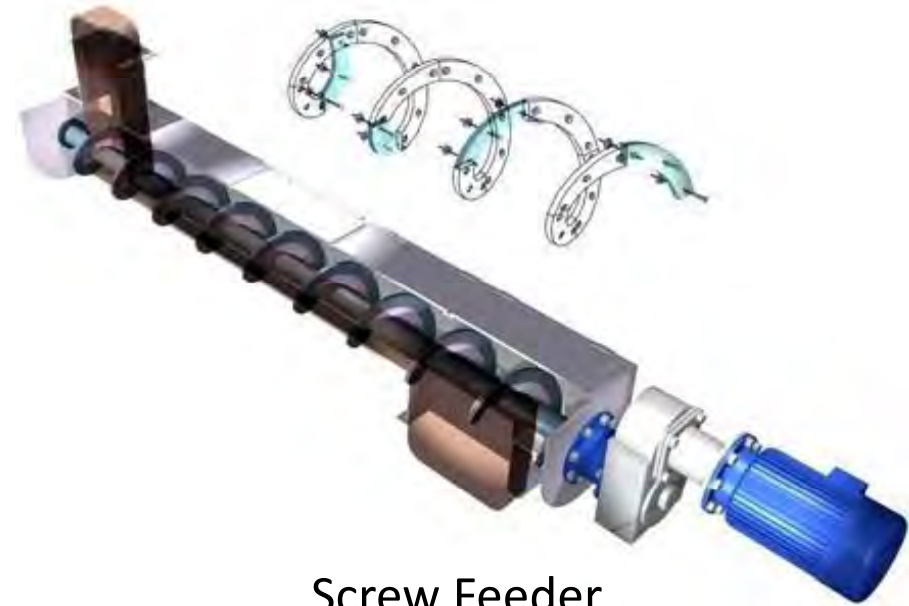
- Silos
  - Two piece design
    - Welded on site
  - Bin Activators
  - All equipment Installed on site



# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



Rotary Airlock



Screw Feeder

# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



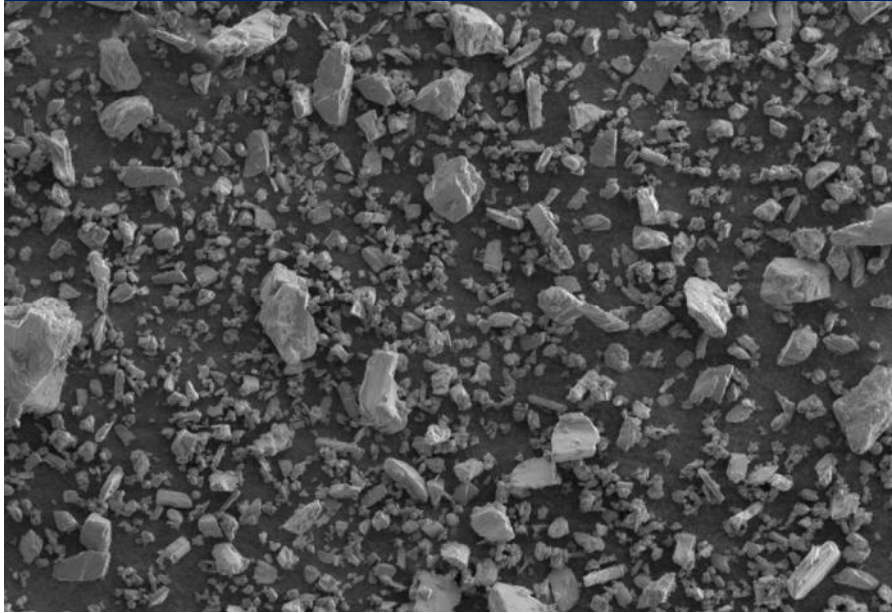
- UCC VIPER Mills
  - Two mills with approximately 1 ½ years of run time
  - No wear issues observed and no downtime



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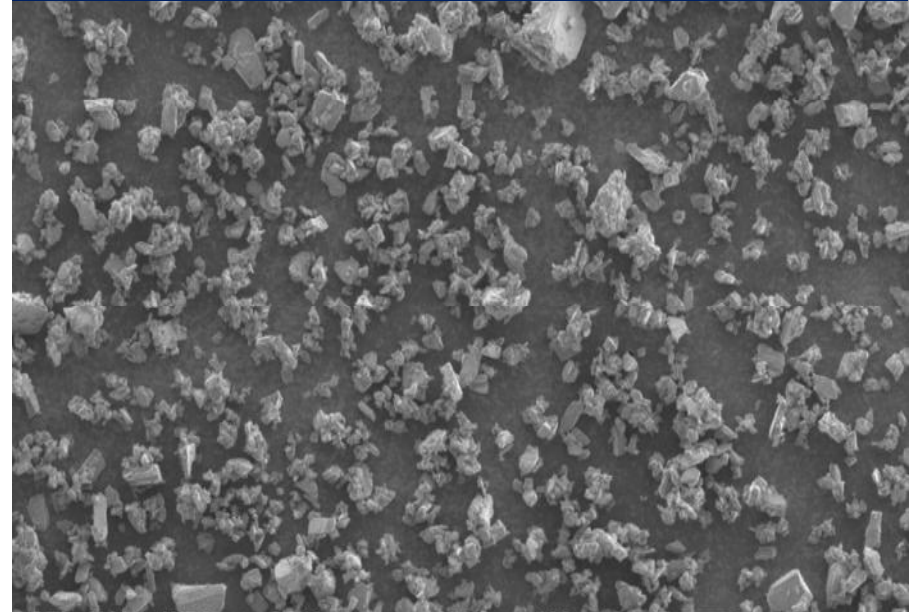


## Unmilled Trona



30-50  $\mu\text{m}$

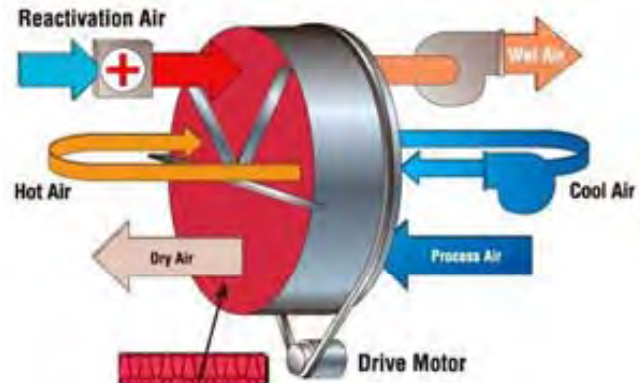
## Milled Trona



9 -15  $\mu\text{m}$

# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description

## Convey Air Conditioning



# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



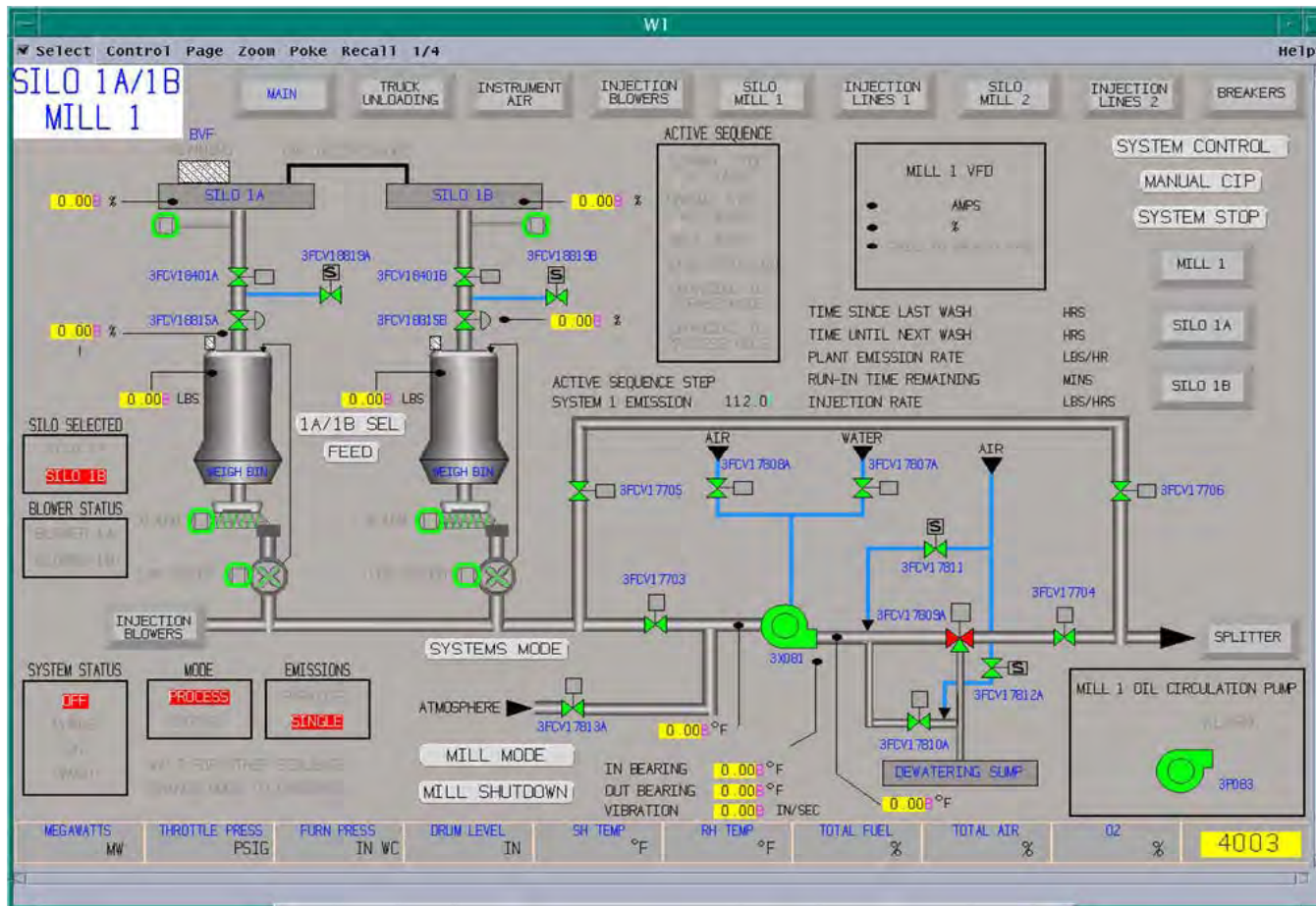
## Injection Lances



# Case Study 1 – DSI System Description



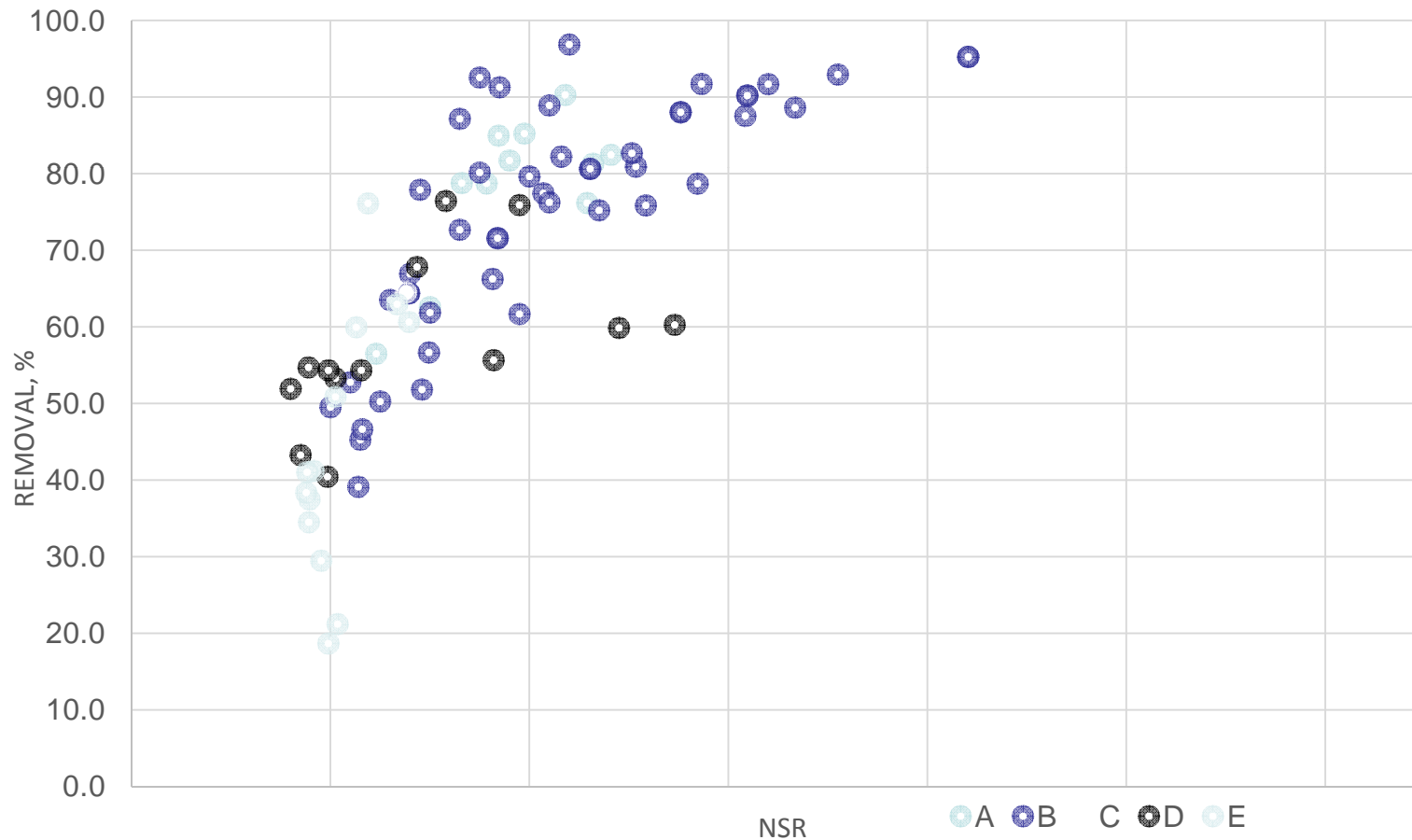
## DCS Controls



# Case Study 1 - SO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Performance



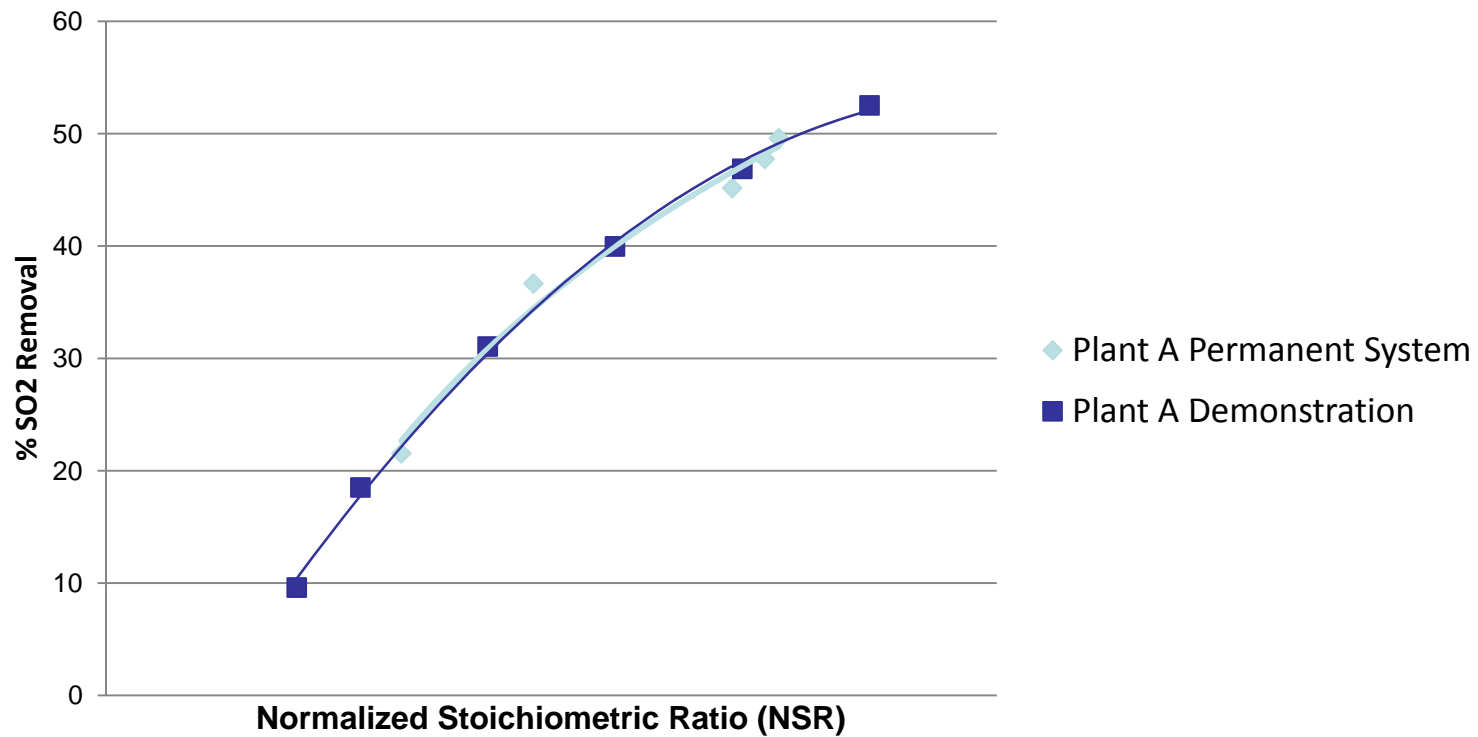
SO<sub>2</sub> removal (PRB Coal) with milled Trona at Air Heater inlet



# Case Study 1 - SO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Performance



## % SO<sub>2</sub> Removal vs. NSR



- CFD modeling was completed prior to demonstration to optimize results of test

# Case Study 1 – Balance of Plant Effects

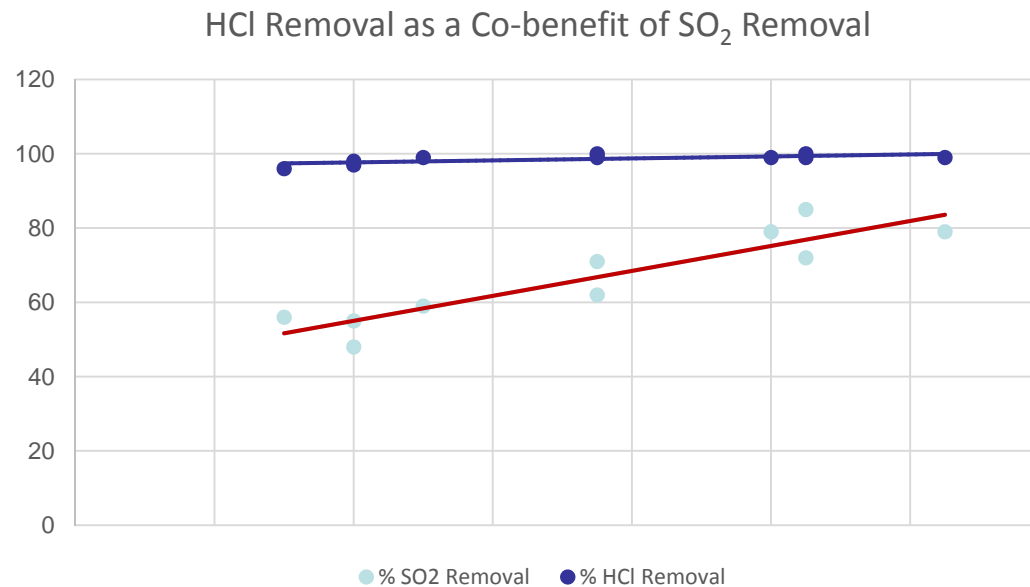


- Air Heater – No effect observed
  - Typical for SO<sub>2</sub> reduction DSI systems
- ESP
  - Initially found ash build-up in ESP hoppers
    - Traced to leakage
    - Possibly made worse due to sodium content
  - No increase in particulate emissions or Opacity
    - Typical for sodium injection systems
- Ash Handling
  - Additional ash loading minimal
    - Ash loading increase approximately 75% of trona injected
  - No landfill issues reported

# Case Study 1 – Balance of Plant Effects



- Mercury Removal
  - Initially required up to 3X more PAC when trona used
  - Were able to nearly eliminate effects by separating trona and ACI
- HCl Removal as a Co-benefit

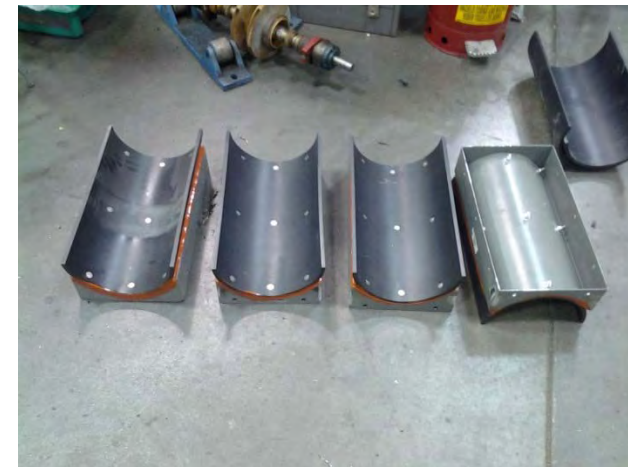
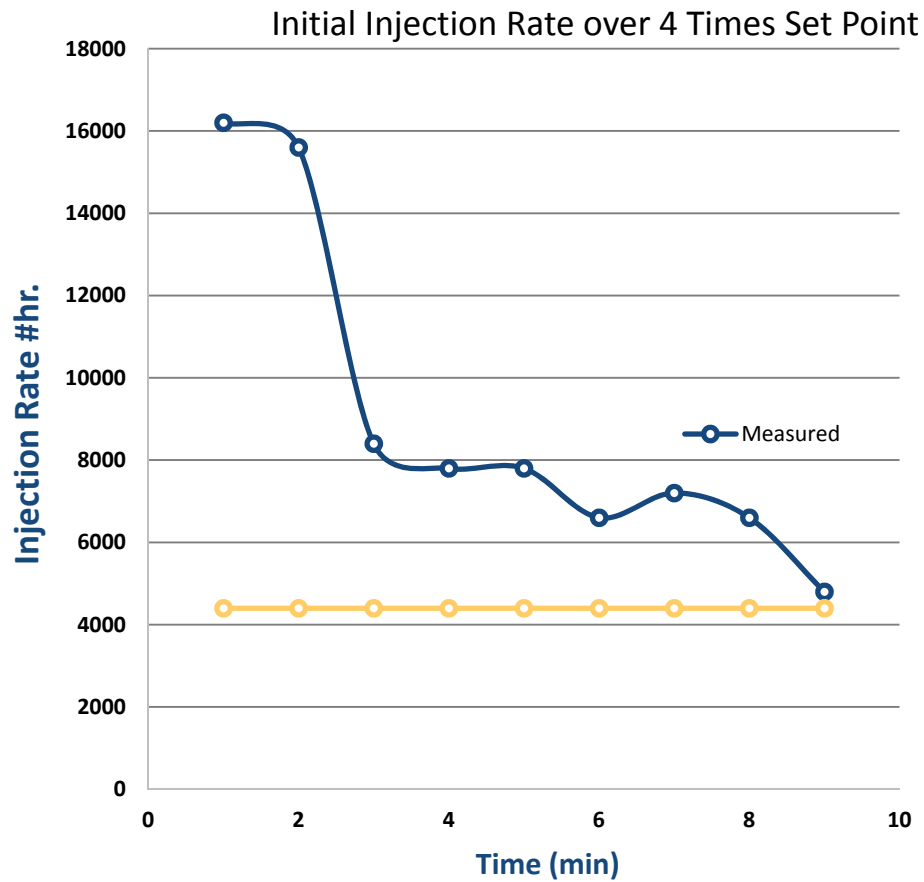


# Case Study 1 – Lessons Learned



- Uncontrolled Trona Feed into System
  - Tightened screw clearances
- Over pressurization of Screw Feeders
  - Improved venting
- Control System / Loss in Weight System Tuning
  - Changed logic
- Because both ACI and DSI had to be at air heater inlet, separated by center vs outer edge of duct instead of upstream/downstream

# Case Study 1 – Lessons Learned





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## **CASE STUDY 2**

# **LARGE SO<sub>2</sub> REDUCTION DSI SYSTEM USING SBC**

## Case Study 2 – Unit Description



- 400 MW Unit
- PRB Coal
- Hot Side ESP
- Fabric Filter
- ACI System
- Ash Landfilled after mixing with SBC byproduct



## Case Study 2 – DSI System Description



- In-line milled sodium bicarbonate injection
- Injection at air heater outlet
- Four silos, 100 feet tall, with common stair tower
- Truck unloading
- Screw feeder/rotary air lock design
- VIPER<sup>®</sup> Mills
- Blower/electrical building
- Mill building
- Conditioned truck unload and conveying air



# Case Study 2 – DSI System Description



- Silos
  - One piece design
  - Chisel bottom
  - All equipment installed on site



# Case Study 2 – DSI System Description



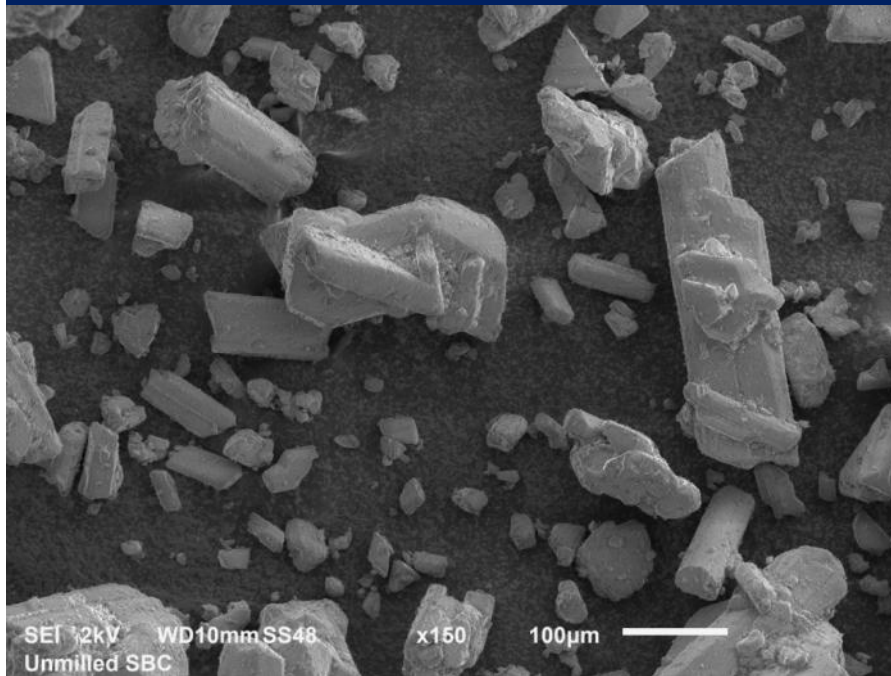
- UCC VIPER Mills
  - Three mills
  - Approx. 1-year run time to date



# Case Study 2 – DSI System Description

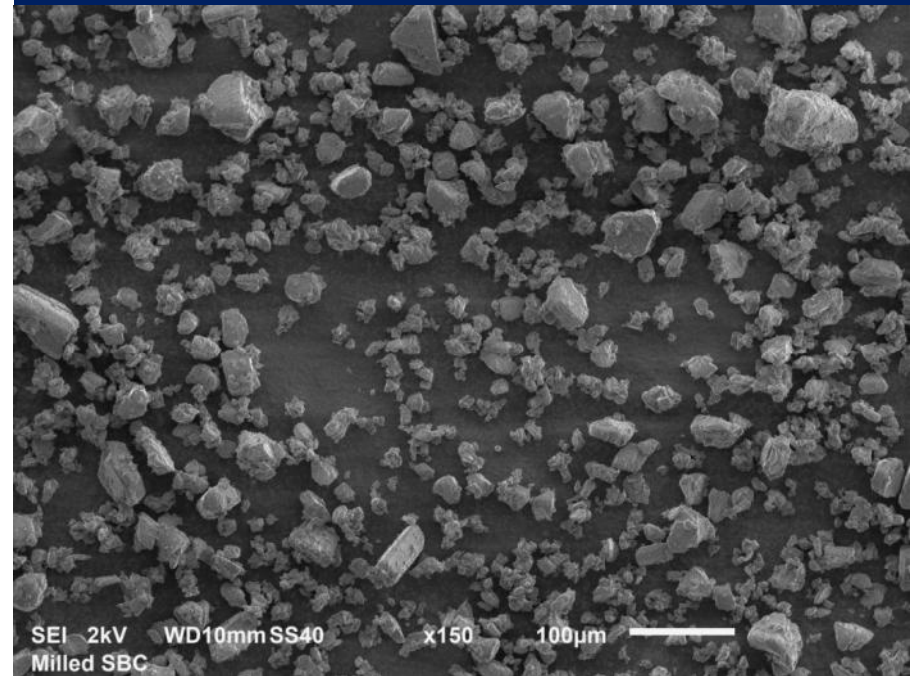


## Unmilled SBC



180-250  $\mu\text{m}$

## Milled SBC



12-15  $\mu\text{m}$

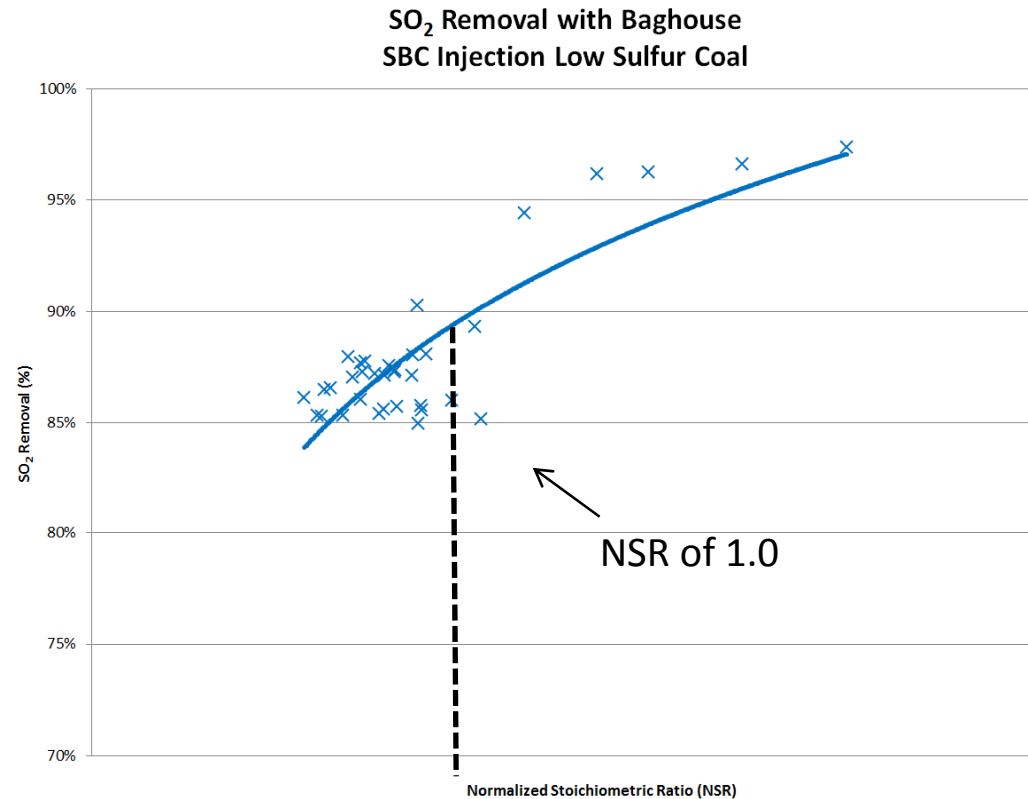
# Case Study 2 – DSI System Description



Blower Building



# Case Study 2 - SO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Performance



- Efficiencies compete with scrubbers on a 20-year life cycle
- In-line milled SBC <15 microns (from coarse SBC)

## Case Study 2 – Balance of Plant Effects



- Fabric Filter
  - No increase in particulate emissions or Opacity
- Ash Handling
  - Additional ash loading minimal
    - Ash loading increase approximately 70% of SBC injected
  - No landfill issues reported
- NO<sub>2</sub> Plume
  - Red/brown plume common with fabric filters
  - Plume eliminated with activated carbon injection
- Mercury Removal
  - Slightly more PAC required because of NO<sub>2</sub> adsorption
  - 95% Hg removal still easily achieved

## Case Study 2 – Lessons Learned



- Filter and oil cooling design for mill lubrication system revised to avoid tripping out the mill, especially during extreme cold
- No other problems reported



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## **CASE STUDY 3**

# **LARGE SO<sub>2</sub> REDUCTION DSI SYSTEM USING HYDRATED LIME**

## Case Study 3 – Unit Description



- 350 MW Unit
- PRB Coal
- Fabric Filter
- ACI System
- Ash Landfilled



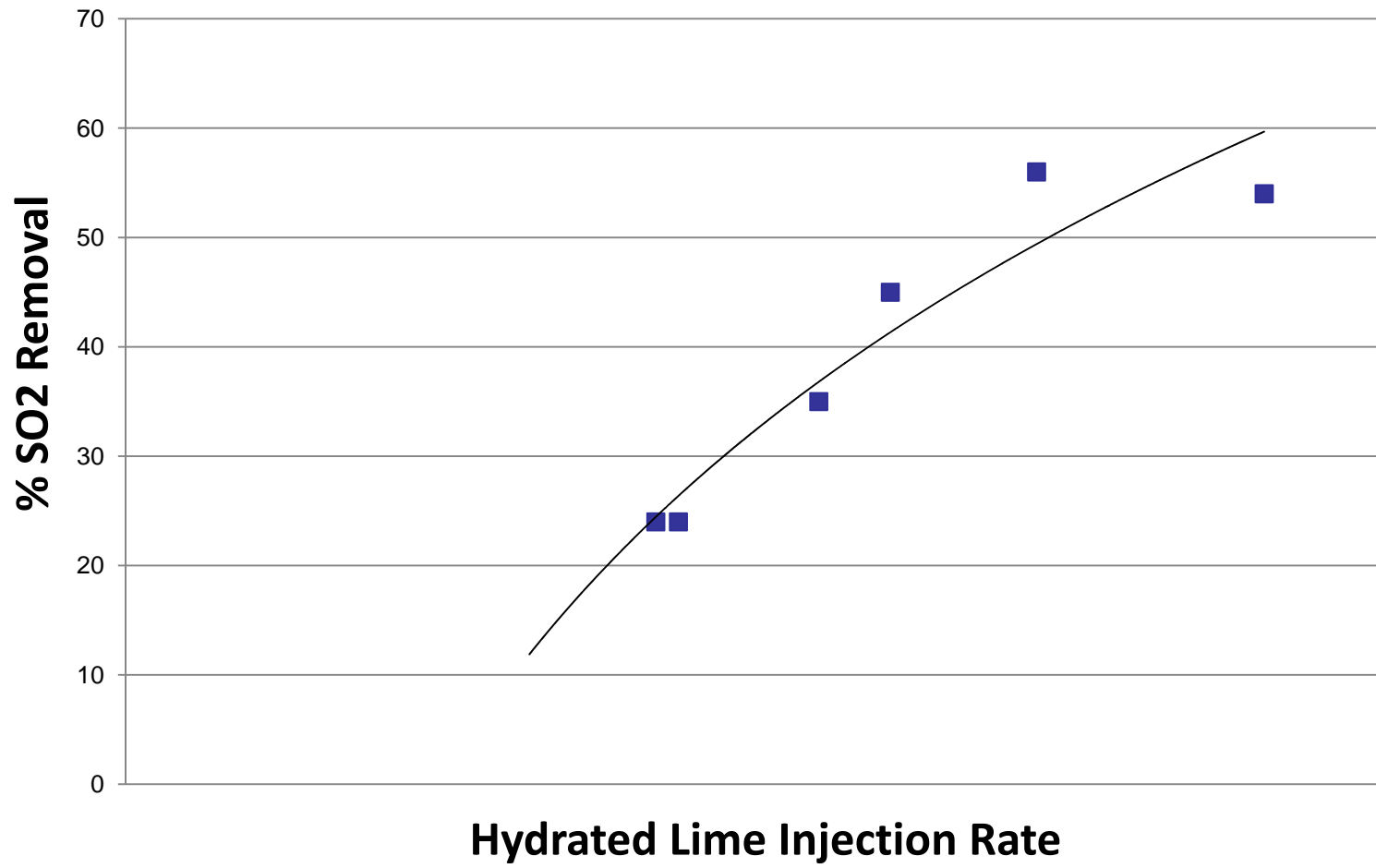
# Case Study 3 – DSI System Description



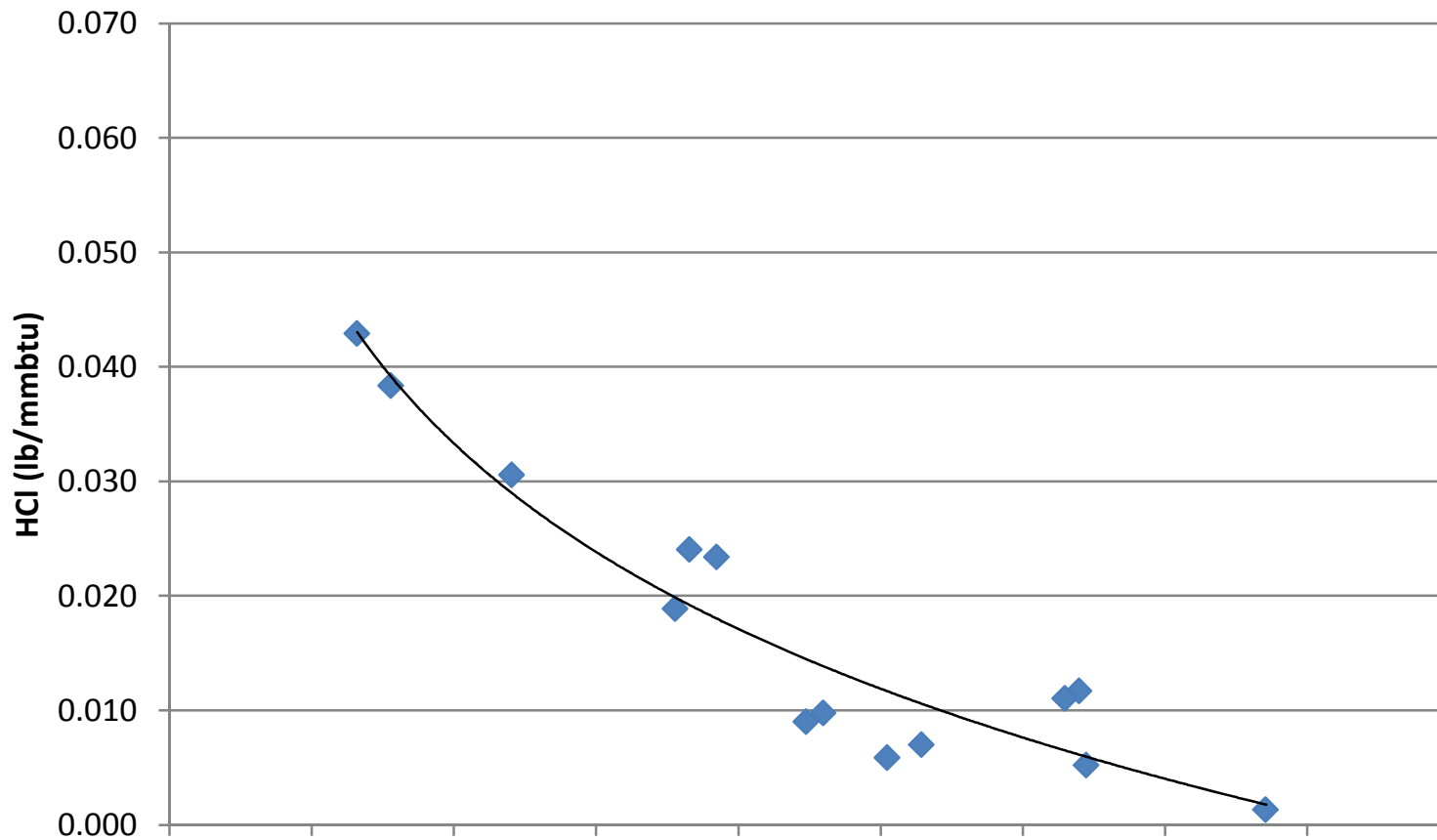
- Hydrated Lime Injection at air heater inlet
- Two silos, with common stair tower
- Truck unloading
- Screw feeder/rotary air lock design
- Conditioned truck unloading and conveying air
- Space reserved for future VIPER Mills
- Blower building and Electrical building
- Designed for high reactivity hydrated lime
  - Not a specific hydrated lime manufacturer



# Case Study 3 - SO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Performance



# Case Study 3 – HCl Removal with Hydrated Lime





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