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2015 NO_x-Combustion Round Table **Mercury Field Testing; A Critical Component to A Comprehensive SCR Management Approach in a MATS Environment.**

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Introduction

➤ Why Field Testing?

➤ Keys to Success



Experienced program manager



Experienced testing firm



Sound test plan



Analyze data as its generated so plan may be adjusted



Why Field Testing?

➤ Expensive

- Field testing - \$50,000 - \$100,000
- Lab testing - \$8,000-\$15,000 per sample

➤ Complicated

➤ Requires significant outside and inside resources

BUT.....



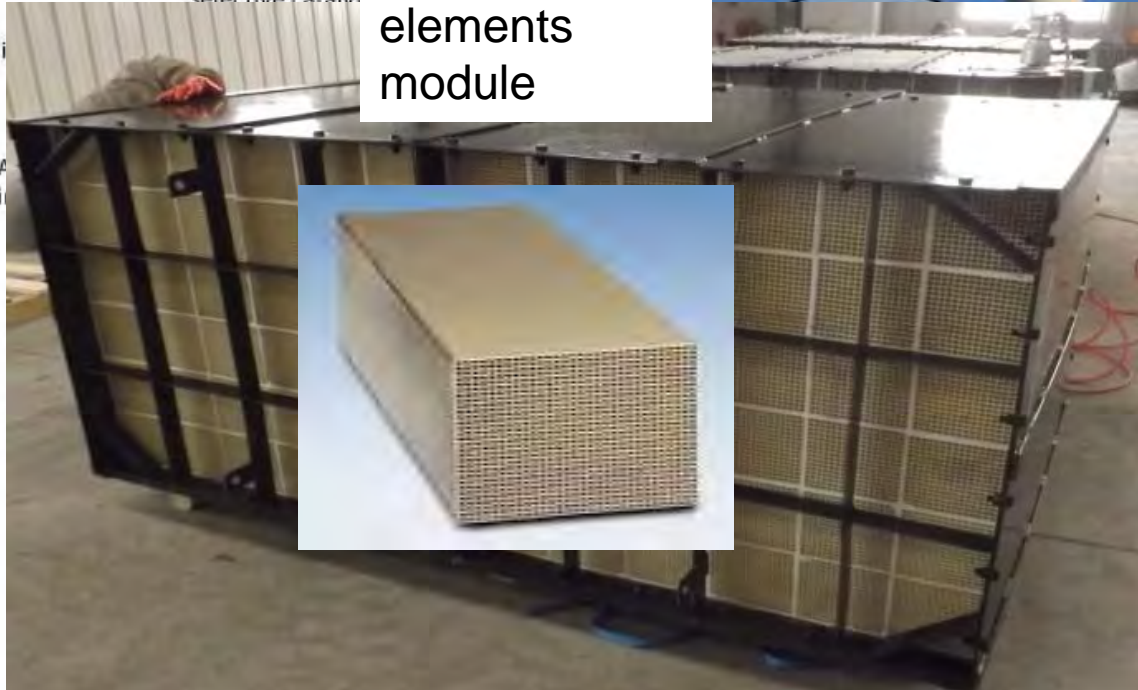
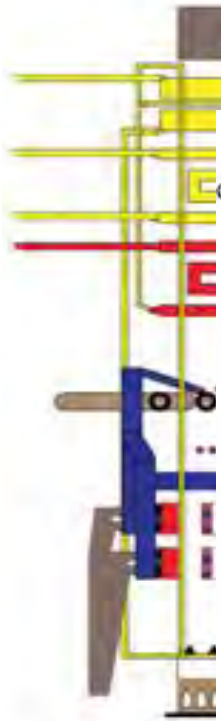
➤ Return can be significant

- Reduced risk of non compliance.
- Avoid costly mistakes based on limited data
- Reduced Compliance Cost (1 year pay back for 10% reduction)



Lab Testing

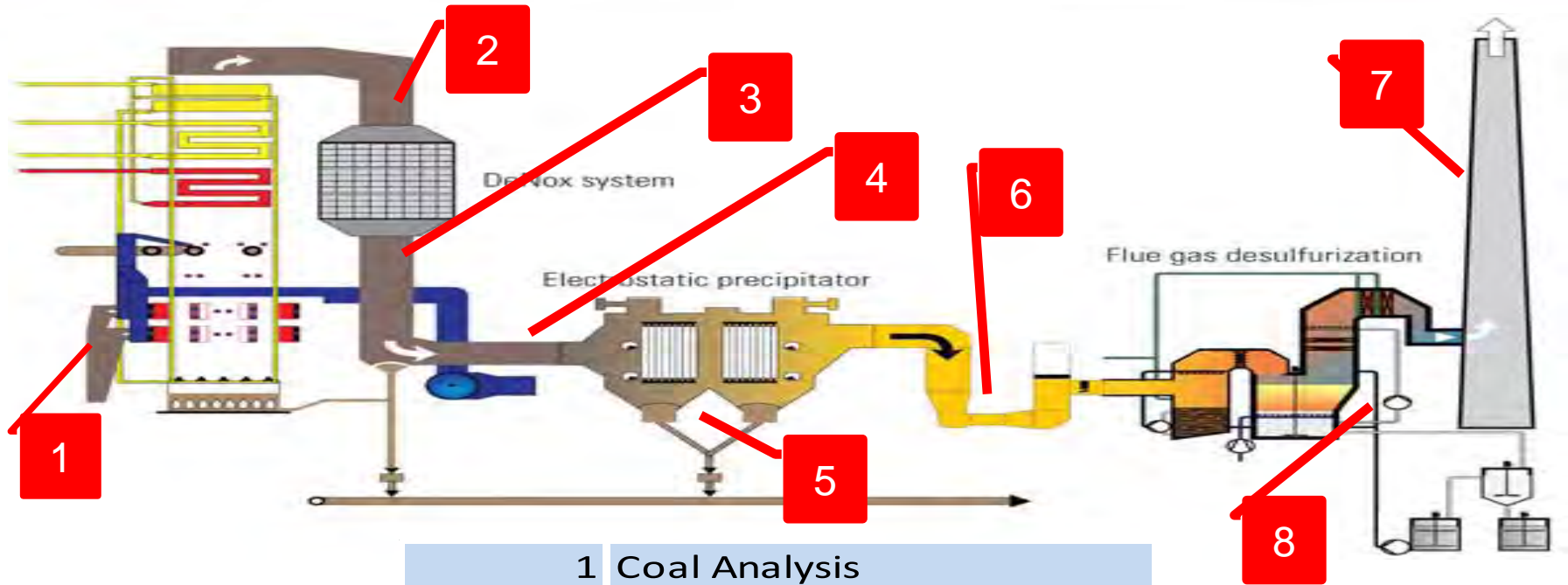
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50 to over 200 modules per layer



Field Testing

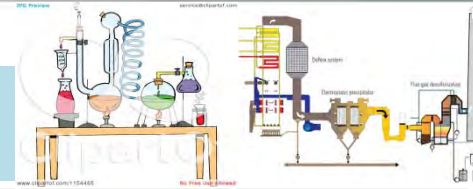


1	Coal Analysis
2	SCR Inlet
3	SCR Outlet
4	Particulate Capture Inlet
5	Ash Analysis
6	Particulate Capture Outlet
7	Stack
8	Scrubber Water



Comparison Between Lab and Field Testing

Objective		
Evaluate catalyst condition to predict life	✓	
Assess New/Regenerated Catalysts on Reactor Performance	✓	
Impact of variables on SCR Performance	✓	
Evaluate Reactor performance		✓
Impact of SCR performance on overall removal		✓
Impact of variables on Hg Removal Performance		✓
Overall plant Hg removal efficiency		✓
Predict Hg removal efficiency		✓
Trouble shoot Hg removal problems		✓
Evaluate potential solutions to meet compliance Limits		✓



Plan Ahead – Define Test Objectives

➤ Sample Locations

Objective	SCR Inlet	SCR Outlet	Particulate Capture Inlet	Scrubber Inlet	Stack
Evaluate Reactor performance	✓	✓			
Impact of SCR performance on overall removal	✓	✓		✓	*
Impact of variables on Hg Removal Performance					
Overall plant Hg removal efficiency	✓				*
Predict Hg removal efficiency	✓	✓	✓	✓	*
Trouble shoot Hg removal problems					
Evaluate Scrubber Performance				✓	*

* Use Plant CEMS

- **Identify location of each sample**
- **Port exist, accessible, traverse available?**
- **SCR outlet sample as far downstream as possible**



Plan Ahead – Define Test Objectives

➤ **Duration of test for each objective**

- Baseline testing 3-5 days.
- Impact of variables on SCR – 1 to 2 days for each variable
- Sorbent evaluations - 2 days for set of 3-4 sorbents
- Scrubber performance and chemical additives – 3 to 7 days

➤ **Choose period when plant can maintain load**

- Reduce testing time
- Reduce costs
- Improves data

➤ **Don't shortchange testing time**

- Daily testing cost is typically 1/10th of Mob and Demob Costs!
- Consider combining AIG tuning with Hg Testing to reduce costs.



Plan Ahead – Define Test Objectives



➤ CEMS vs Traps

- Continuous measurements - Movie versus a picture
- CEMS Eliminates transient changes from influencing results
- Traps have temperature and solids limitations
- Traps are only certified for Stack
- Speciated traps are not proven at SCR Temperatures
- CEMS cost is generally higher

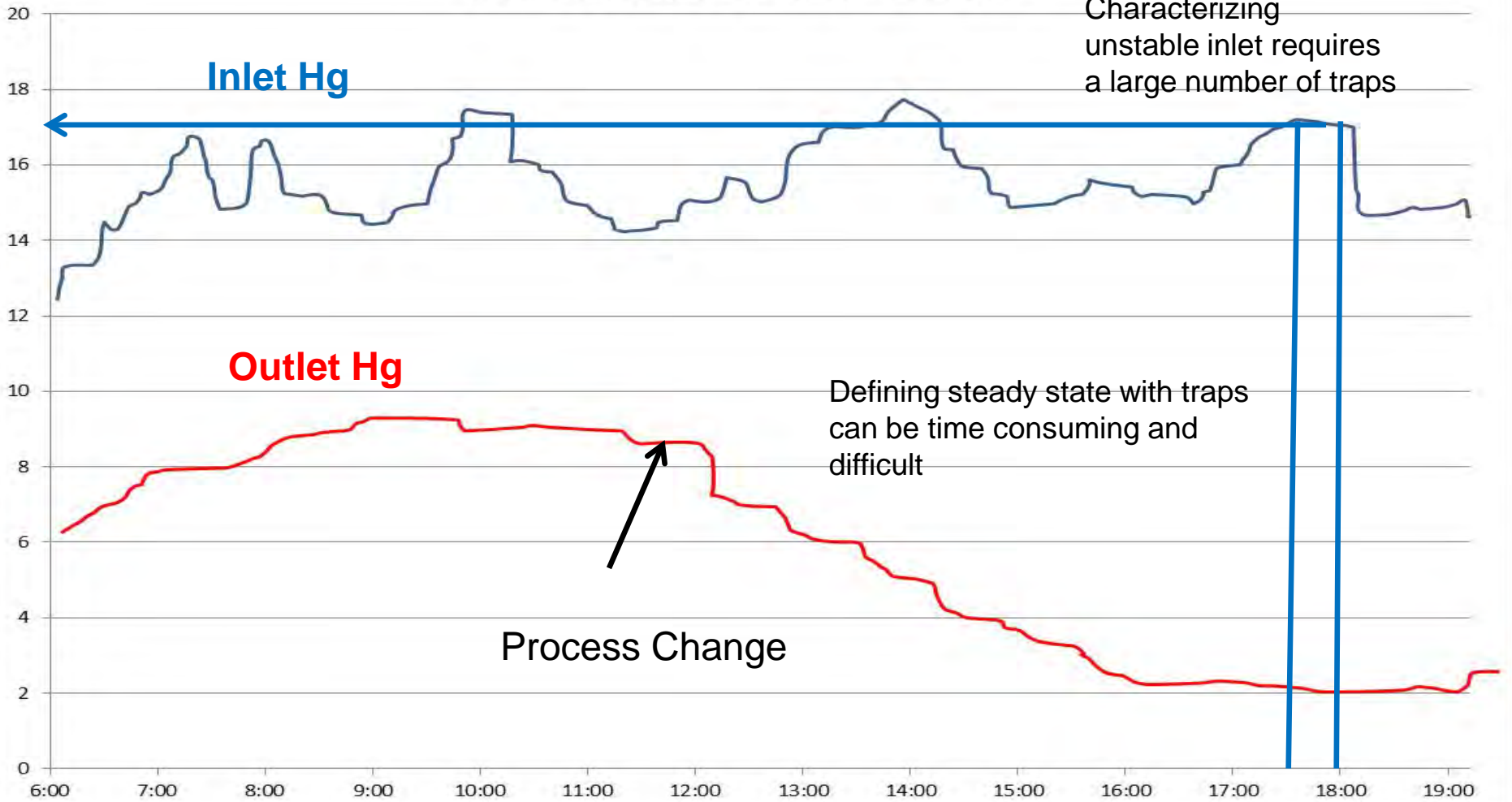
➤ Conclusion

- Use CEMS to evaluate performance
- Use Traps as a QA/QC tool to verify CEMS total Hg Results.



CEMs vs Traps

ILLUSTRATION OF TRAP VS CEMS



Program Manager and Testing Firm

➤ Program Manager

- Designs test plan with client to meet objectives
- Defines equipment used by testing firm
- Has expertise in all test areas
- Facilitates data analysis
- Provides daily summary of results
- Manages testing firm

➤ Testing Firm

- Field Testing is **NOT** the same as Stack Testing
 - ✓ Sample Collection/Conditioning is far more difficult and complicated
- Needs experience personal
 - ✓ Understand sampling artifacts and chemistry interactions
- Needs correct and maintain equipment



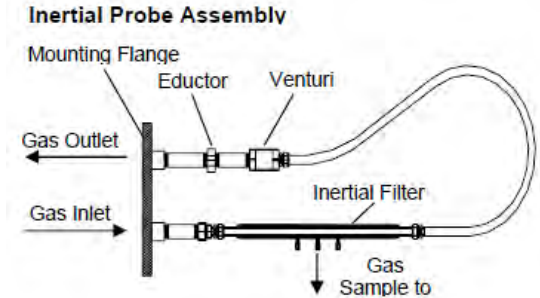
Program Manger and Testing Firm

- Experience testing at locations upstream of the stack
- Conduct a site walk prior to testing
- Identify logistical and safety concerns



Keys to Successful Test

- **Use inertial probes**
- **Conditioning train at point of extraction**
- **Locate CEMS near sample points**
- **Monitor O2 to identify system leaks**
- **Access to data AS ITS COLLECTED**
- **QA/QC CEMS AND sample train 2X Day**



EXECUTION PHASE – Daily Updates

- **Review prior days results including DCS data**
- **Revise plan based on results**
- **Notify key plant personnel of any special requirements**

Eliminate surprises in Final Report



Additives Product Evaluation

➤ **Field Testing is the ONLY WAY to evaluate**

- Select based on Price/Performance
- Relative economics will vary from plant to plant

➤ **Sorbents**

- Use bulk bag feeder to reduce testing time.
- ALWAYS compare in the same day
- Use a reference sorbent each day to get a determine repeatability
- Defines use rate to achieve desired Hg reduction target
- Reverse order of testing.
- Allow system to reach baseline between tests if possible (50% is minimum)

➤ **Oxidants – response time is generally fast**

➤ **Scrubber additives – response time 3 to 7 days**



SUMMARY

➤ **Proper Field Testing**

- Typical costs of \$50,000 to \$100,000
- Easily recouped by reducing treatment costs
- Identifies source(s) and solution(s) to emission problems
- Reduces risk of non compliance
- Valuable tool in any Hg management program

➤ **Poorly Executed Field Testing**

- Leads to poor and costly decisions
- Avoided with experienced program manager and testing firm
- Waste internal resources





Acknowledgment to E1E Questions?

