

PAPER AND PULP CONTINUOUS EMISSION MONITORING

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Total Reduced Sulfur (TRS) Monitoring and other Paper & Pulp CEMs Requirements

The performance and reliability of In-Situ Continuous Emission Monitoring (CEM) Analysers have improved to such an extent that they are now a practical alternative to the traditional extractive systems. The advantages are not only associated with the lower cost of installation and ownership but also reliability and response of the monitored emissions. This is particularly true in the Paper & Pulp industry where the requirement to monitor and report emissions of Total Reduced Sulphur (TRS) has been challenging. To date the requirement has been met by extractive systems, which because of their complexity tend to require significant maintenance.

Typical Extractive TRS CEM System

The typical system consists of a Dilution Probe mounted on the recovery boiler stack, the diluted sample is transported to an instrument shelter through a sample line. The sample which has been diluted, filtered and in some systems had the moisture removed, passes into the TRS CEM's system. The sample passes through a scrubber which removes the Sullfur Dioxide (SO₂) then through a high temperature convertor which converts all the TRS components, Hydrogen Sulphide (H2S), Dimethyl-Disulfide (DMDS). Dimethyl-Sulfide (DMS) and Methyl

Mercaptan (CH₃SH) to Sulfur Dioxide. The SO₂ concentration is measured using



If required the sample can by pass the scrubber / convertor and monitor the SO_2 concentration. To demonstrate the system is in compliance, zero and span gas can be introduced through a calibration port into the dilution probe. The main draw back of this type of system is the high maintenance requirement which results in lower than acceptable availability.

In-Situ TRS CEMs System

To overcome the problems associated with extracting the sample from the stack a system using proven In-Situ technology was developed for the Paper & Pulp industry. In addition the system overcame drawbacks associated with sample conditioning in particular sample filtration, dilution, SO₂ scrubbing and conversion of the TRS gas species to SO₂



Analyser-PROCAL 5000 In-Situ UV Full Spectrum Enveloped Beam

Although UV gas spectra have been known for many years, UV gas analysis has only become widely used for stack gas analysis since the availability of

chemometric calibration methods and suitable ways of mounting and operating reliably in industrial environments. In comparison with infrared (IR) spectra, UV

spectra of gases are much more intense, therefore a more sensitive method allows lower levels of pollutants to be monitored.

Diode Array Spectroscopy

This is a method of obtaining a full spectrum in the UV, visible (VIS) and near infrared (NIR). A simple spectrometer with no continuously moving parts is used consisting of an entrance slit, concave diffraction grating and a detector

consisting of linear array of sensors. The great advantage is that the wavelengths are measured in parallel therefore there is no need for a wavelength scanning mechanism. This gives the robustness required for site operation, combined with rapid response and a high signal to noise ratio.

Individual gas species although absorb in the 180 - 230 nm region have their own unique shape spectrum.

The PROCAL 5000 principle of measurement is that an UV optical system sends light through an in-stack sample cell which is continuously refreshed with stack gases. The spectrum of the stack gas is measured and from this the concentration of individual gases is calculated.

Procal 5000 Optical Unit

A parabolic mirror collimates UV light from a long life deuterium arc lamp source and the beam is directed through a beam splitter to the end of the reflector tube assembly containing the in stack sample cell. The beam is returned by a retro reflector to the beam splitter which directs it to the second of axis mirror and then to the spectometer housing. The spectometer consists of an entrance slit, a concave holographic grating and a diode array detector.



By continuously monitoring the absorbance spectrum between 180nm - 400nm it is possible to identify and display the concentrations of all the UV absorbing gas species present in the stack. This in addition to the gas species, which combined, represent TRS but also include NO, NO₂, Cl₂ and SO₂. Uniquely this enables the



concentration of TRS to be displayed as individual gas species (H_2S , DMS, DMDS, CH₃SH) or combined. This additional information can contribute to the plant control strategy. To avoid confusion the TRS concentration can be displayed speciated or as TRS.

Compliance Requirements

To comply with US EPA 40 CFR 60 & 75 the analyser can automatically, adjust and report daily zero and span verifications. Three tubes enter the in-situ sample cell the first is a thermo pocket, the second is connected to a pressure transducer mounted on the analyser flange. In any stack gas analyser, variations in both sample temperature and pressure can affect the measurement. By continuously monitoring both sample temperature and pressure these changes can be easily compensated for ensuring the accuracy of measurement required. A third tube enables instrument air (zero) and test gas (span) to be discharged into the sample cell forcing out the stack gas allowing automatic calibration verification / reporting



Reporting

The basic typical system comprises an analyser and a PC, which displays the monitored concentrations with data logging, and reporting capability (MODBUS / 4-20mA) in addition the system is LAN & WAN ready. If required the system can be supplied with a modem enabling remote support from PROCAL customer service team.



A series of screens are available including panel display of all monitored concentrations, long term data logging and diagnostics.



Display all monitored ranges

Integrated CEMs System

If required an integrated system can be supplied which in addition to the pollutant gases can also monitor and report Flow, Oxygen and Opacity. The data can be used to calculate normalised pollutant concentrations to a level of Oxygen



and if required, using a flow measurement, the levels of pollutant gases and dust can be reported in mass units.

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Installations

To date the Procal CEM's have been used on over 35 Paper & Pulp applications worldwide. The following examples are from compliant sites in North America.

Dryden Pulp Mill Operated by Weyerhaeuser Paper Ltd



Smooth Rock Falls Pulp Mill Operated by Tembec

Procal 5000 installed on Recovery Boiler



Procal 5000

EPA Compliance Site 0 - 30 ppm TRS 0 - 20 ppm H₂S 0 - 10 ppm DMS 0 - 10 ppm DMDS 0 - 10 ppm CH3SH 0 - 200 PPM SO₂ 0 - 200 PPM NOX 0 - 25% H₂O



Thunder Bay Mill Operated by Bowaters

Procal 5000 Scrubber Control 0 - 100 ppm CIO₂



Bleaching Process

The analyser is used in the bleaching process forming part of the control strategy. The application required a probe designed to resist the very aggressive process gas including an heater manufactured from Hastelloy. The analyser has been in service from February 02 the only significant or service required was to install an improved retroreflector. The output from the analyser is used to control the scrubbing process, ensuring that the vent Chlorine Dioxide (CIO₂) emission is kept to a minimum.

Other applications in the Pulp & Paper Industry

Application	Analyser	Typical Ranges	
		0 - 500 ppm	SO ₂
Boiler House	Procal 200	0 - 250 ppm	NOx
		0 - 1000 ppm	СО
		0 - 250 ppm	HCI
		0 - 250 ppm	NOx
Lime Kiln	Procal 200	0 - 250 ppm	CO
		0 - 50%	H ₂ O
		0 - 1500 ppm	CO
Recovery Boiler	Procal 200	0 - 10%	H ₂ O
		0 - 250 ppm	CH3OH

Conclusion

It has been demonstrated that the In-situ analyser is a reliable, low cost of ownership technique for the continuous emission monitoring needs of the Paper & Pulp Industry, meeting the requirements of US EPA 40 CFR Parts 60 & 75

Other publications

Data Sheets	Reference	Author	
Procal 5000 Data Sheet	7-3601-03		Procal
Puisi 200 Data Sneet	7-4670-04		Procal
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